



Mawsley Villagers Association

Newsletter

April 2006

Spring is here at last (belatedly - does this mean that global warming has been cancelled?). The crocuses have opened, so have the camellias, the hellebores and the daffodils. The tulips will be opening soon.

The only thing that isn't opening is The Centre. We feel incredibly frustrated by this; stuck in the middle and unable to get it resolved. It was finished in mid-October and we have been postponing events and activities ever since. Still no idea when it might be sorted. The cost to us as a community is incalculable.

And you've opened your Community Charge bills. The parish council has received a few calls re the precept, so just to clarify a point that was raised: The Centre was not ordered by the parish council (or the MVA), so comments around "why order it when you can't pay for it" are inappropriate. Provision of a community building by the developers was a condition of them getting planning permission to build the village.

Another hot topic, and rightly so, has been the issue of gritting the C31 road from the Old turning to the village entrances. It is regrettable that the County Council have not been willing to do this, despite the volume of traffic, the number of accidents and the short distance involved.

Thank you to all of you who have contributed to assisting the parish council keep the pressure on, either by commenting on the village website or contacting the County Council directly.

The parish council now has its sights on next Winter and has fixed up a village visit next week by the Leader of the County Council plus Highways people, to

get gritting on the route for next Winter. We shall also raise - again - the issues of street lighting by the village entrances, a speed limit on the C31 and improving vision at the Old turning.

Last time I mentioned there had again been complaints about speeding in the village, and asked people to let us know registration numbers. Unless some did so directly to the police, only one person did - principally re lorries. We have spoken to the builders and I think there has been some improvement. Tell us if not!

Some progress on the Commercial/Employment area though. City and County Development (who bought the land) have advised us they are about to submit a planning application. No further news re the pub however.

Switching to the MVA, one of the things we didn't get right in the past was making sure that everybody who volunteered to help with MVA activities in some way was contacted. Unfortunately this was a case of names being kept in a number of places. Apologies to anyone who we appear to have ignored. We are now centralising this under the Events Team, so if you have offered to help and not been contacted - or want to help now - please let Cheryl Buckle know (799107).

Well it's all a bit downbeat this time isn't it? Sorry, but it is. Just this once.

Bob Littler
Chair of Parish Council & MVA

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Please contact any of the following to make suggestions, ask questions or discuss current issues

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With Mawsley now much larger than when we started our Neighbourhood Watch Scheme we urgently need more sector representatives who will give a small commitment to help the scheme in the village. Ideally we

would like to have one representative on each road. Let me tell you a little about neighbourhood Watch and what it involves.

The scheme is run by the community with the full support of the Police. Not only is it usual for crime to decrease in Neighbourhood Watch areas but the community spirit often rises too. Neighbourhood Watch is the community working together to reduce opportunities for crime to occur, the main aim being to act as a deterrent. The intention is for us to make our village attractive to residents but unattractive to would-be thieves, vandals and undesirables. These people know that a caring watchful community will call the Police if anything suspicious is seen thereby making it less likely that they will enter the village.

Being involved in Neighbourhood Watch means being more observant while going about your daily life. Report anything that makes you uneasy or seems to be out of the ordinary, however trivial it seems, to the Neighbourhood Watch area control room or, if a police response is needed dial 999. Don't hesitate if you think a crime is in progress or someone's life is at risk.

Report:

Anyone who is loitering. They may be waiting for the opportunity to break in.

People in cars 'watching'.

All strangers acting suspiciously.

Anyone going down the side of a house.

Goods, especially electrical, being put into a car with no signs of the householder.

Unfamiliar vehicle parked or cruising.

Men talking to children or watching them.

All door to door salesmen.

Any nuisance, eg noisy motorbikes, noisy neighbours, disturbances etc.

A dog barking as though it has been disturbed.

Anything that worries you or makes you look twice.

There really is nothing to it; hardly any of your time will be taken. As a representative, you will receive an

Meeting dates

Parish Council

Mon 8th May, Annual Parish Meeting (*see below*)

MVA

Tuesday 25th April at the Doctor's Surgery and
30th May at Mawsley Medical, both at 8pm.

Annual Parish Meeting

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Monday May 8th 2006. Venue and timing of the meetings are still to be confirmed at the date of publication of the newsletter, however, once finalised, they will be published on the notice board and Mawsley Village website.

This is an opportunity for all representative groups in Mawsley to let parishioners know what they have been up to in the last twelve months and where their activities will be focussed in the coming twelve months.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be followed immediately by the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council.

Richard Meredith, Parish Clerk, 791539

automated message from the Police or from your area rep. about any incidents that arise; this will be via email or telephone. All you have to do is to inform anyone in your area who has opted to be in the scheme.

Sector Reps. are needed for:

Mawsley Chase Hedgerow Lane

Old Gorse Way Cransley Rise [for the new build]

and for any other road or street as this will help the reps. we already have.

Please think about it or ring one of the Sector reps. or myself and have a quick chat.

Brenda Quinn Area A 799116

Heather and Rob Mallinson Area B 791844

James Ramsden Area C 799355

Remember Neighbourhood Watch provides a two-way channel of communication between the community and the Police.

Keith Powell, Co-ordinator, 790439



St Wimpey in the Fields

Extracts from the non - pc diary of a Parish Clerk

Monday

Received a call from a firm of consultants employed by the Borough Council to assess the provision of open space/recreational facilities in the Parish. First question results in ten minutes trying to explain where St Wimpey in the Fields will appear on the next issue of OS Maps. Second question - "How much land is owned by the Parish Council and set aside for recreational use?" (Answer: None) - brings the conversation to an end.

Postman delivers the application form for Best Kept Village of the Year - first question "How much land is owned and maintained by the Parish Council?". The application form becomes the first deposit in the newly delivered red bin.

MAWSLEY MEDICAL

The new medical centre will open on 5th May.

There will be two open days before that for anyone who would like to have a look around.

Sat 22nd and 29th April
between 9am and 12 noon.

The surgery phone number will continue

Dear Editor

It is good to see so many dog owners out with doggie bags, to ensure clean paths and grassy areas around our village. It would be even better if these bags were taken home and disposed of rather than left at the entrance to the planted woodland for someone else to clear up.

Kerry Piper

I am regularly contacted by residents complaining that not all owners are clearing up after their dogs and that some are dropping the bags in other people's wheelie bins or in the hedge. If you know who is responsible please report them to the Kettering Dog Warden on K 534307 or 534286. Editor

The early bird.....

If you're going to be putting your blue and red recycling bins out for the first time this week don't be caught out. The bin men were in some parts of the village before 7.30am last week!



Christian Aid is a charity which aims to help relieve poverty for the poorest people across the world irrespective of race, ethnicity or religion. It believes in 'Life before Death.'

Christian Aid week is May 14th-20th.

If you would like to help as a collector then please contact me, I'll be delighted to hear from you otherwise look out for the red envelopes which will fall onto your doormat in mid-May and please give what you can.

Kerry Piper tel. 790419



Tuesday (in St Wimpey in the Fields)

To Defra and an interesting discussion on what emergency actions should be taken in the event of Bird Flu arriving in the County. Particularly excited at opportunities opened to the hunting community as birds would not be allowed to land! Defra not so keen and suggested concreting over any ponds and allowing cats (of the big game variety) to wander freely. Am looking forward to the chance of asking any birds that do land to show me validated travel documents and immunisation certificates – it is apparently an EU requirement.....

Mental note – ask Mrs Clerk to take swan off this coming Sunday's lunch menu.

From our MP.....

Kettering Borough Rural Forum

The Kettering Borough Rural Forum acts as the collective voice for all 22 parish councils in the Borough and meets quarterly. Mawsley has an official place on the Forum as does Cransley, Loddington and all the other villages which lie nearby within the Borough, and Mawsley residents are most welcome to attend any meetings of the Rural Forum.

At the last meeting, strong concerns were expressed at plans to replace local services with larger organisations. The local primary care trust - the body which commissions all local NHS patient care - may be replaced with a countywide organisation, the local Two Shires Ambulance service may be merged into an East Midlands ambulance service, and the Northamptonshire police force is likely to be merged into an East Midlands police service. The Forum expressed the strong view that the more local a service is the more accountable it can be to local people and the better it would be at making the best use of local knowledge. This is particularly important for all those who live in villages in our local rural areas.

Following the Rural Forum meeting, Kettering Borough Council passed a motion at its Full Council urging the retention of a local primary care trust and expressing serious concern about the future for the local ambulance service.

Plans to replace the Northamptonshire police force with an East Midlands police service probably based in Nottingham, will be discussed at the next meeting of the Forum to be held at Cransley village hall at 7pm on Thursday 15 June. The plans are now being pushed forward by the Home Office and, if adopted, would merge the Northamptonshire force with those of Lincolnshire, Leicestershire, Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire and create a policing region that would stretch from the borders of Oxfordshire to the outskirts of Greater Manchester. These five forces are five of the most underfunded police forces in the country and according to the respective police authorities the merger would cost an additional £100m upfront plus an annual net increase in costs of £30m a year. The idea of a larger force is that it may be better able to tackle regional crime, but a major worry is that if these extra costs aren't funded by extra government grant, then a result could be fewer local officers here as resources are sucked into cities like Nottingham with its problems with gun related crime.

Philip Hollobone

Chairman, Kettering Borough Rural Forum

MVA Under 5s Group

Mawsley Mini

The Mawsley Parent and Toddler group have had a busy month.

The children have had great fun making Mothers Day cards, Easter hats and Clay animals. On the 23rd March we held a cake sale at the group. Everyone kindly donated cakes and these were sold, we raised £35.00. This money has been donated to Mrs. Wonfor for the Mawsley School Reception class to use towards the new play area outside of their classroom. Thank you to all who attended the group that day and supplied and purchased the cakes.

The MVA under 5s Group has attended a usage meeting for The Centre at Mawsley. Our allocated time slot will be on a Wednesday morning. The date of the move plus the times of the group will be confirmed.

The MVA under 5s group has been a great success with excellent attendance so if you are interested please come along. We meet every Thursday at Cransley Village Hall from 9.45am – 11.15am and there's lots for the children to do, great activities and a snack. The cost is £1.50 per child and 50p additional children. For any further information please contact either Rebecca 799311, Yvette 799145 or Joanne 799122.

If you are not interested in attending the group but would like to help we are always looking for donations of suitable toys for the group so that the toys can be rotated, or if you have spare craft materials or ideas for craft activities we would love to hear.



The MVA under 5s committee currently meets once a month so if you would like to get more involved please contact Rebecca for the date and venue of the next meeting.

Look forward to hearing from you

Rebecca Simmons

Secretary MVA under 5s committee

Simmonsmark6@aol.com



Wednesday (in St Wimpey in)

London and the Parish Clerk Society annual dinner – as the newest Parish in the world I am required to make speech whilst standing on head and sipping champagne through gold plated catheter. Speech seemingly well received but asked not to attend again until the Parish is at least 100 years old. Mental note – don't wear formal dress kilt to future events.

Crick Boat show

Crick Marina (M1 J18) May 27th 28th 29th the theme for this event is "Be adventurous" as well as all the boats and waterside, there is a special activity area for youngsters and for older ones there's abseiling, shooting simulator, an assault course, bell boating, ferret racing lots of shopping opportunities, free boat rides and an aerobatic display. www.crickboatshow.com

Northampton and Lamport Railway

Teddy Bears Holiday 27th 28th and 29th May take your teddy for a ride on a steam train

Graco ad Campaign

The Graco offices in Northampton are looking for local Mums to star in their latest ad campaign. Email 50 words about yourself, your family and why you'd make a good graco star with contact details to: Danielle.Browning@NR-Europe.com

Baby Scientists Needed

Do you have a baby aged 3 months? Could you spare an hour to help scientists at the Open University understand how 3-4 month babies learn about time and how to communicate. Babies look at a monitor screen for a few minutes then interact with their mothers for two minutes. A visit lasts about 45 minutes but the study lasts for only 8 – 10 minutes. Find out more about this study and previous studies conducted by the same team at <http://fels-staff.open.ac.uk/eileen-mansfield/>

Forum Cinema Northampton - Toddler Time

The Forum has a special toddler time every other Friday. Films and conditions to suit parents and carers with pre-school children with controlled lighting and sound levels. 28th April 10.30am showing springtime with Roo and on 12th May 10.30am showing Bambi for more information contact 01604 837300 or go online at www.forumcinema.org.uk

Who Let The Dads Out?

For those Dads who can't make Mawsley's own Parents and Tots slot Market Harborough Leisure Centre hosts a Dads and Tots session on Saturday mornings

Mum-to-be? - Need to relax?

The Buddhist Centre at Kelmarsh offers a unique opportunity to relax. Small group session of guided relaxation specially designed for parents to be, offered on a drop in basis on Thursdays 11 – 12 noon. After the class there is the opportunity to meet with other parents at the Coffee morning when the tearoom is open exclusively for parents and children. Not only do the relaxation classes come highly recommended but the cakes and pastries do too.

Aqua natal Classes

Market Harborough Leisure Centre offers a midwife led aqua natal class on Tuesday afternoons – great for you and great for baby! Comes highly recommended and there is a crèche for your other children if you need it! Phone 01858 410115 or go online at www.harboroughleisurecentre.com

Join the National Childbirth Trust

Those parents on the Under 5's group who benefited from NCT antenatal classes and post-natal support would like you to be aware of the NCT. NCT groups provide you with information and support and people going through exactly the same as you at the same time. Check out the website for information about the national charity and local groups. www.nctpregnancyandbabycare.com

Mawsley Events Team

Some of you may be aware there has been a lack of village events recently. This is simply because we are waiting to use The Centre as a venue for the events and we can't plan anything for definite until we can get in there!!! Frustrating for us all but it will definitely be worth it.

We have loads of exciting things planned for the future, a fashion auction and an adult school disco just being two of them.

Keep your eyes peeled too for our first ever Trash 'n' Treasure sale on Saturday 21st May (flyer enclosed). This is essentially the lazy persons car boot sale. Simply stay at home and sell your unwanted items from your drive, garage or garden. Buyers will have a map and will know where to find you. It is definitely time for a good spring clean and to clear out all your junk!!!

The Suttons Plant catalogues have proved to be a great success. So far it has raised £122 for village funds. If you haven't put in your order yet there is still time as the final orders won't be placed until the beginning of June. If you have misplaced your catalogue or would like extras for family and friends please let me know.



If you would like to become involved in the events team please call or email for more information. We are a very friendly and relaxed group.

Cheryl Buckle ~ 799107 ~ buckle@tesco.net



Saturday Morning Football Club

continues on the school playing field from 10 - 11 am, run by football coach Simon Wren for boys and girls from 6 years to 16.

There is a charge of £1 per session.

Contact Simon on 791973

Mawsley's original **Mums and Tots** group continues to have fun every Monday morning from 10.30 am at Kids Kingdom, KLV, for a specially negotiated price of £3.50 for parent and child (50p for extra child) to include drinks for all.

Contact Sue Owens 791514



Thursday (in St Wimpey in the Fields)

Fine received for failing to pay congestion charge whilst attending last evening's dinner. Spoke directly to Ken who expressed his interest in trialling various traffic calming and restrictive measures in the Parish – drew the line at prison camp style surveillance towers but will think long and hard on congestion charging during school drop off and pick up times.

More Volunteers Needed!!!

I am still in need of a couple more volunteers to help deliver the monthly Village Connect magazine. This currently makes £60 a month for village funds but I am unable to deliver to all the remaining areas myself every month. So if you think you can help with the following areas please contact me:

Warren End and Birch Spinney - 67 houses - Takes around 25 minutes.

Cransley Rise and Malaslea - 65 houses - Takes around 30 minutes.

Mawsley Chase - Approximately 25 houses but still growing!

Thank you

Steve Buckle ~ 799107 ~ buckle@tesco.net

Allotment Association

Our work continues in pushing the Borough Council and George Wimpey into committing a piece of village land which we can use for the growing of all things organic! Our membership base is strong and new members are always welcome. We look forward to chitting our potatoes and digging in that much needed manure. Just watch this space!!

If you would like a membership form contact Teresa on 79177.

(Tony and Teresa have been invited by the Mayor to speak to the full KB Council meeting next week about the need for allotments here. Editor.)



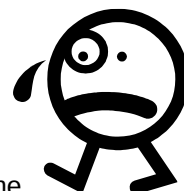
Youth News

Sadly there is nothing to report.

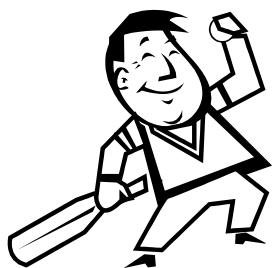
Now that the Knibb Centre in Kettering has closed and The Centre at Mawsley is not yet open we have no venue for our Girls Night, Youth Club or Computer Club.

Work has not started yet on the land adjoining The Centre so we cannot organise games or activities there either.

We hope to have better news next time.



Mawsley Cricket Club



After last season's stunning loss to the Royal Oak it is time to put things right. I am hoping to put together a more comprehensive fixture

list this year. My hope is that there are perhaps villagers out there who are willing to don their whites and do battle for the honour of the village. So far invitations have been sent to the Royal Oak again, Old and Isham. I would like to get one or two more and would welcome any suggestion or contacts you may have that I could contact.

What I would like to do is build up a new list of names of who would like to play even if you contacted me last year. An email would be best but if you would like to ring my mobile that would be fine. Once I have got the final fixture list sorted out I will contact everyone with the details of the season ahead. I am also looking into the possibilities of running a couple of net sessions to see if we have got anyone who can play. Anyone who witnessed some of the antics of last year's match will know what I mean (you know who you are!). I suppose we will have to go to the pub after the net session to discuss the tactics but hey that's sport.

I hope there will be a positive reaction to this Club and that people will be keen to sign up and play. The more the merrier really. **Please contact me on ndo@maidwellhall.co.uk or call me on 07801018979** Nick Owens

Mawsley Open Gardens 2006

Sunday afternoon 11th June

Last year we had 16 open gardens and about 150 people did their best to get round them all in the afternoon. Many of the same gardens will be open again this year but the event could be even bigger.

Have you managed to create a garden here that you are pleased with? Well, if it pleases you we think it will inspire others as well. Whether it is large or small, a children's playground, adult retreat or just plain lovely how about opening it for others to enjoy and to take ideas from?

To find out more, or to add your name to the list please contact Pat Rowley on 791881 or pat.rowley@tiscali.co.uk.

www.mawsleyvillageforum.co.uk

Well the forum has now been up and running for over 6 months, so I thought I'd give you all an update of how it's been going.

We now have:

- Over 70 registered users
- Nearly 2000 message in over 250 topics
- Loads of Reviews of local services, restaurants and pubs inc online menus.
- For Sale and Wanted sections and areas for Village groups and clubs

Not bad for 6 months old and we are still growing. So why not pop in and see what's going on, maybe join in and start a discussion on something that interests or concerns you.

If you run or are a member of a village group then maybe we can help. Why not have an area specifically for your group where your members can chat and share updates and information with the rest of the village.

Jason – Mawsley Village Forum Administrator

☎ 01536 791305

✉ jason@mawsleyvillageforum.co.uk

A recent message from the Police via the Neighbourhood Watch Liaison Office.

A number of email scams have been brought to our attention recently. The first is allegedly on behalf of a consultancy company working for HSBC. They told the recipient that a person had died that may be related and left investments with the bank. They then asked the recipient to confirm personal information to clarify banking

information. A further email has been circulated claiming to be from Barclays Bank with a link to another website to confirm log in details.

Banks will never contact you to confirm any personal details, so if you receive any emails or telephone calls asking for this information delete the message or hang up.



Friday (in St Wimpey in the Fields)

Catch up on "clerking" duties and check badger proof fencing around perimeter. No visible evidence of badgers escaping other than along roads. Mental note – check EU funding availability for cattle grids.

Gardening Club

Forthcoming events

The first outing of the new year will be a private evening visit to **Meadow Lane Nursery, Great Cransley on Wednesday 26th April at 7pm.**

Come along and hear all the exciting new plans Carlene and Ian have for their nursery. Stroll around the well stocked benches of bedding and shrubs and take a visit to their heated polytunnel for more tender plants ready to plant up your pots and hanging baskets. Carlene will be on hand to answer any gardening questions. Tea and coffee will be available along with choice nibbles, so why not make your way over to Great Cransley on Wednesday even if you have not come to gardening club before. (The nursery is on the road between Great Cransley and Loddington.) **EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

Our second outing will be on **Sunday 21st May to Glendon Hall** which is opening its garden for the National Garden Scheme. Meet at Glendon Hall at 2pm. (1.5 miles east of Rothwell. Leave A14 at J7 on A6003 towards Corby. Turn left onto Glendon Road signposted Rothwell, Desborough, Rushton. Entrance 1.5 miles on left.)

Walgrave Open Gardens is taking place on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st May.

For details of the rest of the Gardening programme for 2006 **contact Marisa on 790748.** All are welcome.

Mawsley Coffee Club



A Club for Seniors from the Village. We meet regularly for coffee mornings and join in planned activities. Those who have retired, or who are coming up to retirement are very welcome to join. If you are new to the village and would like to get to know others of a similar age – this is the place to do it.

Coffee mornings are generally held once a month, sometimes with an interesting topic, or to discuss future programme events, sometimes just to sit and chat, but always enjoyable. Our outings are a mixed bag, dancing, theatre, garden centres, shopping centres, evening meals, walks with pub lunches, fruit picking with cream teas!

Our 'end of term' event was an evening meal at the Overstone Arms at Pytchley when seventeen ladies and gentlemen joined together and had a super evening.

Our next daytime event is a planned outing to Rutland Water, with picnic, in the Spring Bank Holiday week, so that grandchildren (and dogs) can be included.

Enquiries please to Pat Ellis on 01536 790991.



MAWSLEY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Mawsley Village WI seeks ladies to leave the house at home and join us. This year's events have seen us Relaxing and Calmed – out with the BBC in the garden – Digeridooing with a Designer Goldsmith! And hob-knobbing on a 'Royal Estate'.

The rest of the year is equally exciting, so come along and see us and perhaps bring a friend or two.

A Birthday Garden Party in June will see us celebrating our 1st Birthday and of course our Queen's 80th. This will hopefully be at the Village Centre and will be confirmed later. This will be for members and invited guests.

If you would like to talk to us about any of the events or indeed anything about the WI, please ring either

Lynn on 791691 or Brenda on 799116.

It's about friendship, fun and interesting talks not all 'Jam and Jerusalem'.

Mawsley Walking Group

Hi Ramblers

Thank you all those who came on our last walk 8th April, it was a cracking day and a very brisk walk. Those who came were all striders & my little legs had trouble keeping up, but they came into their own at the The Stag at Maidwell.



The next walk, on Sunday 7th May, is a full circuit of Grafham Water. We look forward to your company.

In the mean time look out for us on the village website or village forum for any evening or extra walks

Meet at 10.30am at the usual place - the lay-by in Broughton Road by the first entrance to the village.

If you have any ideas or favourite walks to add to our programme please contact us. In the meantime happy hiking.

Steve & Pam Draycott 791681 slduk@f2s.com

Four Spires + (the + represents Mawsley) is a free church magazine delivered monthly to each household in the benefice. It gives information relating to church and village activities.

If you are not receiving a copy please let me know so that I can arrange for your home to be included in a delivery round. **Kerry Piper tel. 790419**



Saturday (in St Wimpey in the Fields)

Assess viability of the cricket square being used for the coming season – disappointingly, may not be practical as a little work is still required. Mental note – check with BBC as to whether Attenborough requires new sites for his "Life in the Undergrowth" series.

The Easter Egg Hunt on Monday certainly drew the crowds. Over 100 children took part in the hunt for eggs as well as running in egg and spoon races. The children's Easter bonnet parade was well supported.

Thanks to Ali Williams who did the organising and to her supporters Yvette, Rebecca, Victoria, Roland and Craig.

And thanks also to George Wimpey East Midlands who sponsored the purchase of all the eggs.

The event made £60 for village funds.

Are you finding it hard to cope with your own housework?

Then why not talk to

AGE
Concern

Domestic Care Service?

**For more information,
phone 01933 274924**



From the Editor

A depressing theme of this newsletter has been the non-opening of The Centre which has been finished but standing empty for almost six months now. We all know about 'red tape' but cannot understand how it can delay hand-over for so long.

Hopefully there will be better news, and a fatter newsletter, next time. **The next issue is due on 2nd June. Please let me have your articles, letters, pictures etc. by 26th May at the very latest.**

Pat Rowley. 791881. pat.rowley@tiscali.co.uk

If you want to check out back issues they are all on the village website at www.mawsleyvillage.co.uk

WANTED

Child's car seat. Age from 12 months upwards.
Must be in good condition. 791307

FOR SALE

For Sale: JCB hover mower; electric with cord; suit smaller garden. Cost £60 last year; only used 5 times.
£40. Bob 791447

Walgrave Bowls Club

We offer a warm welcome to anyone who would like to try Short Mat bowling.

During the summer months,
Wednesday afternoons, 2pm - 4pm
at the Village Hall. Bowls provided.

Contact:

John Titcomb, 01604 781400 or
Bill James, 01604 781717.



A Date for your diary

**THE SWARBRICK SINGERS
IN CONCERT**

St. Andrews Church, CRANSLEY
on
Friday 30th. JUNE 2006 at 7.30p.m.

Tickets £8.00 includes
Strawberries & Cream with a glass of wine

To reserve your tickets call 790781



Sunday (in St Wimpey in the Fields)

Early morning matins followed by group discussion in the convivial atmosphere of the "Trout and Parsnip". The local hunt calls in – the hunt in question being Parishioners trying to find a decent hostelry within walking distance.