

**JUNE CROSSWORD ANSWERS - BY ALISA**

**ACROSS** 1 Torches 5 Jeep 8 Leigh 9 Citizens 10 Elbe  
11 Citizens 13 Soda 16 Yeti 19 Summer 21 Help  
22 Seaplane 23 North 24 Scan 25 Drayton

**DOWN** 2 Orotund 3 Crazes 4 Solstice 5 Joinery 6 Exhibit  
7 Uncles 12 Enmeshed 14 Oceanic 15 Aspirin 17 Embargo  
18 Insect 20 Replay

**MARCHAM SENIOR CITIZENS' CLUB**

Our last meeting was a very hectic one, all the committee members were kept very busy with one activity or another. We had two raffles, our main one and extra one as various people had given us extra items to raffle separately and make a little more income for the club. We do appreciate these donations and thank to everyone who gave them.

We also had a large table top sale, I'm sure a few people had bargain or two as there was so little to sort out afterwards. Its great to have such support from everyone by bringing, buying and giving a helping hand at the meetings when needed thanks from all the committee.

We had a few birthdays during the month. Trust everyone who had a good day. Our July meeting will be on the 31st.

*JOYCE PARRY*

**SUNSHINE CLUB**

**June** Owing to time of year with holidays coming up etc, have been down on numbers a bit. We hope those who have had holidays have enjoyed them and weather was kind, and others about to go will also have a nice time.

On Thursday 19 June, Club is having an outing to Basingstoke to a place called "Milestones" which takes one back in time and only old money is used, so could be interesting. Will let you know how it went later. The Club will be having an outing on July 24 to Brighton – a notice will be put in shop window. Everyone interested can get in touch with the Chairlady on 391536 for further details.

It was nice to see Violet Gawler back at Club after her spell in hospital and hope will improve and feel better soon. We hope Alice is on the way to feeling better after her two unfortunate falls on holiday – so having to cut short and return back home and is now resting.

Will be back in September with an update.

*JOY CROOK*

**MARCHAM/FRILFORD DIG JULY 2008**

This is a reminder that this year as before the public are welcome to visit this fantastic and large Oxford University Training Dig. Archaeologists are at work every day except Saturdays for the 4 weeks from Sunday 29th June and the site is open to visitors from 6th July onwards.

The best day to come will be **NATIONAL ARCHAEOLOGY DAY - SUNDAY 20th JULY 10-4** when there will be guided tours and other attractions. Watch out for posters! You can look at [www.arch.ox.ac.uk/research/research\\_projects/marcham](http://www.arch.ox.ac.uk/research/research_projects/marcham) to find out more about the dig.

It is not too late to apply to dig in the 'People's Trench' – six days a week (Saturday is a rest day) - from Sunday 29th June to Friday 25th July - intended to give an ENJOYABLE hands-on archaeological training and experience to local people. Those who do not want to dig all day or at all can sit down and 'pot wash' (wash finds) - pot washing is on offer on the following dates in July: Tuesdays 8th, 15th and 22nd; Thursdays 3rd, 10th and 17th; Sunday 13th.

For further information please contact Janey Cumber on 01865-391327/391840 or by email [janey.cumber@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:janey.cumber@tiscali.co.uk).  
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**ON THE BUSES**

Less than a year since changes to the X15 meant we no longer had through buses to Berinsfield / Wallingford, Thames Travel have given up on Abingdon to Berinsfield / Wallingford as well. Heyfordian operate Abingdon Bridge Street to Berinsfield with just 4 or 5 through journeys to Wallingford.



During the day connections at Berinsfield are no longer convenient - Bus Spotter has tried it! Timetable information is sparse.

Getting to Wallingford from Garford, Frilford and Marcham (and back!) is quicker, easier and more frequent via Oxford. Get Stagecoach 31 to Oxford and change to Thames Travel X39 / X40 for Wallingford every half hour, and on to Reading, and hourly connections to Henley (139). If you prefer go into Oxford and change at St Aldates but its even quicker to change buses in Abingdon Road, Oxford at Canning Crescent - the stop after the Park and Ride. There is a traffic light controlled crossing at the stop which makes it easier to make the connection (but we did just miss our 31 home!)

Two Thames Travel timetable leaflets are in Marcham Post Office - please refer to them there and leave them for others to use. Copies are available from Abingdon Town information centre.

*BUS SPOTTER*

**MARCHAM PRE-SCHOOL NEWS**

We have had 2 exciting events this month which we would like to share with you.

Firstly, we were all delighted to be invited to the opening of the refurbished play area on the cricket field. The children from Marcham Pre-school and the Reception children heard about the history of the park and all about the people who had helped fund the work and had been involved in making the play area look so wonderful and new!



The ribbon was then cut and the children couldn't wait to have a go on all the equipment. We then had squash and biscuits and each child left with a balloon and a big smile... Thank you to everyone involved, let's hope the park sees a lot of fun and smiles in the future.

With the celebration of Father's Day recently, the staff at Pre-school thought it would be a great opportunity to focus on dads, granddads, uncles, brothers, etc who play such an important role in our families. We often have mums coming in to help throughout our sessions but rarely any dads or other relatives so during the week of 16-20 June we invited them all in and were lucky enough to have 6 dads take up our offer. They played football with the children, made sandcastles, and did some bricklaying (with sand!), read stories, built a fab train track, and generally had a good time. The children really enjoyed seeing different faces and especially having their daddy at school. We hope they will offer again!

If you would like more information about Marcham Pre-school, or have a 'skill' or hobby you would like to share with us please contact us on 07749 245313.