

**WHAT COMMUNITY BUILDING
DO YOU WANT?**

WE NEED YOUR IDEAS

Marcham Community Group

Open Meeting

Friday 22 October 7.30 p.m.

Marcham C of E Primary School

Following the support at the last Anson Trust Open Meeting, a new group (Marcham Community Group) was formed and has been working hard on ideas for community solution for new facilities. We plan to set up a formal organisation to take ideas forward but ONLY IF there is enough village support. We will present some ideas on how this could be achieved, come and tell us what you think.

This is the first stage of community consultation. Come and talk about the NEW APPROACH and the HOWs and WHENs

Dear Editor

My thanks and kind regards for all those responsible for cleaning and tidying the cemetery.

M SHEPHERD

Dear Editor

What sort of inconsiderate neighbours we have in the North Street area, who held a fireworks party at 10.30pm on Saturday 28 August, which sounded like a terrorist bomb attack at times, and who then proceed to have a noisy 'outside broadcast' of 'music' and loud voices that continued until 1.10am Sunday and possibly later and which prevented sleep for those of us who are carers, and who do not share the ignorant ravings of a selfish few.

Shame on you! I expect you spent Sunday sleeping it off.

Another questions – what number should one call to report such disturbances?

NAME AND ADDRESS WITHHELD

If you have any concerns ring the police non-emergency number and they will advise you - 0845 8 505 505

Dear Editor

Let's get the ball rolling. This "Sunflower" is called 'Up to the Bedroom Window'!

MR BRILL, CHANCEL WAY

See Cover For Photo!



Dear Editor

On Saturday 23rd/24th October, the Morgan Three Wheeler Club will be holding its annual Night Trial. This year it is based in Marcham with the start and finish on the Anson field car park. There should be about 15 Morgans taking part with the same number of marshals' cars so traffic delays shouldn't be a problem.

Morgan 3 wheelers were built generally between the wars with limited production either side of those years. They were built in 2 and 4 seater versions aimed at customers who wanted either sports car performance or family practicality on a tight budget. They have an active owners club, <http://www.mtwc.co.uk/> and are popular with classic car enthusiasts.

The night trial is a unique event. It is not a speed event nor a trial in the normal sense. The competitors and marshals gather at the start from about 6pm on Saturday where the cars are checked and competitors plot the route with the first car leaving between 10 and October 2010

11 o'clock. After about 120 miles and numerous tests, they return at about 7am Sunday morning for breakfast, results and presentation of awards. If this sounds like an easy event, think again. 120 miles in an open car which was basic even in the 1930's, while hardly a serious marathon, is certainly a test of car and driver. The event has a permit from the Autocycle Union and the police have been informed of the route.

If anyone wants to come and see these strange cars and drivers (yes the drivers can be strange too), come along to the start. The date has been chosen as the first weekend of school half term so a slightly late night for children (including mine) shouldn't be a problem. The times of start and finish have also been kept to reasonably modest hours to minimise any noise disturbance. If anyone wants to see more of the event, please come and help as a marshal. The duties are not onerous but by signing on, it means you are covered by the club insurance.

If anyone wants any more details, please contact me at johnmanders@freenetname.co.uk or on 01865 391438.

JOHN MANDERS

POLICE NEWS

PCSO 9932 Laura Schmid

Laura has served as our local PCSO for some time and has been a real asset to our community. Her dedication and care have been much appreciated and have resulted in her being recognised for an award by the High Sheriff of Oxford. Laura has been accepted to serve as a regular police officer and she will be leaving our area during October to commence her training. On behalf of the residents of Marcham I would like to wish her every success in her new role. We will introduce her replacement just as soon as the appointment is made.

MD

Dear Editor

As some of you may already know, in October I will be leaving the job role of Police Community Support Officer in order to start training as a Police Constable. Once I have completed training I will be based as a PC at Wantage Police Station.

I have really enjoyed working in Marcham over the past three years and have met some truly remarkable people. Marcham is a lovely village and should be used as an example to others; it is a friendly, warm, and caring community which is centred on the Church and local community clubs.

I have been staggered to meet the amount of villagers who all chip in to help keep the village running, including general maintenance of the village, caring for neighbours, running clubs, volunteering in the school and helping to put on events such as the Great Marcham Weekend.

Come October, I can say that I will truly miss being part of the village and continuing to meet residents within it. Thank you all for your help throughout the past 3 years.

I still urge you all to ring 0845 8 505 505 with any problems, queries or information you have and a member of the Outer Neighbourhood Policing Team will contact you.

PCSO LAURA SCHMID

**MARCHAM PARISH COUNCIL
ALLOTMENT RENT COLLECTION**

Would all allotment holders note that the Clerk will be in attendance in the residents' lounge at Duffield Place on Wednesday 13th October between 6.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m. for the purposes of collecting allotment rents. Please bring your allotment rent card with you.

