

Ol' The Trout



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Chairman's Word



At the end of my second year as Chairman, I was pleased to see a record number of residents at our Annual General Meeting in May. I reported that our primary objective remains to preserve Loudwater against over zealous property developers, and to prevent too much traffic travelling too quickly on the poorly maintained Loudwater and Sarratt Lanes. We've held meetings with Three Rivers District Council on planning matters and The Highways Agency regarding road conditions. We have achieved

major flood repair work in the Croxley Green end of Loudwater Lane and are still awaiting the results of an investigation into relieving the flow of rainwater down Loudwater Lane into the River Chess. Discussions continue with regard to traffic calming measures that remain on the Highways Agency's list of projects.

Equally successful has been the development of community activities - our clubs and LRA events are well supported but there

is, of course, always room for more residents to join in. The Club Committee Members put a lot of their time and energy into organising interesting events and trips, which leaves the Executive Committee time to maintain pressure to represent residents' views on preservation matters and to organise events for the whole of Loudwater.

We have also updated our Aims and Rules, a copy of which accompanies this publication. The changes are mainly administrative, but I recommend you read it as it covers the way in which we set out to represent your views fully.

Finally I would like to draw attention to LRA members' rights to express their views on local issues in The Ol' Trout. We are always interested in publishing articles from members, as our recent record shows. In our last issue, and this one, we covered 6 pages (it's a magazine now, rather than a newsletter), with all the traditional coverage of LRA events, the Clubs, flora and fauna, as well as roads, planning and environmental matters. Help us to communicate your views to the rest of Loudwater.

Roy Sterry

New LRA Committee Member

Dennis Sare of Armitage Close has been elected a member of the Executive Committee of the LRA.

Loudwater Since World War One

At the end of the First World War, Loudwater House had become neglected and derelict. The Estate changed ownership several times after the bankruptcy of J.W. Birch, and then came into the ownership of Cameron Jeffs in 1924. He completed the conversion of the mansion into flats.

In 1927, on becoming the sole owner of the entire Estate, Cameron Jeffs commenced development, imposing strict covenants on the land that he sold in an effort to preserve the natural beauty and character of the Estate. In 1932 he sold a large area of the Estate to the Trustees of the Royal Masonic School for Girls.

Cameron Jeffs died in 1944, and in 1957 his trustees sold the remaining Estate to two Companies, Loudwater (Troutstream) Estate Limited and Loudwater (Bridle Lane) Estate Limited, the benefit of the covenants being vested in them, and their ownership being in the hands of Estate residents.

It is sad to see many of these covenants, so rigidly enforced by him, now being broken by avaricious owners. Fortunately, a majority of residents wish to preserve the rural aspect of the area and, hopefully, whilst common sense prevails, Loudwater will continue to be a haven of comparative peace and beauty.

Maurice Escow



How Some LRA Committee Members were 'Co-opted'!

Very late one night, many years ago, the telephone rang. It was the, then LRA Chairman, Desmond Martin. He quickly came to the point. "Would you like to join the Loudwater Residents' Association Committee?" Nonplussed, I was almost oblivious to the flattery that followed. "Oh, I'm not sure" I mumbled, "I work full time ... I have two young children". Desmond ended the ensuing silence. "I'll take that as a yes then shall I?"

Still somewhat stunned, I attended a committee meeting and was pleasantly surprised by how very friendly, active and, above all, extremely interesting it, and the subsequent work, proved to be. These feelings still hold just as true now.

Some experiences, though, are meant to be repeated, so on a gloomy, wet Saturday afternoon about nine years ago, in Rickmansworth, I spotted a soaked Peter Phillips. Knowing the Committee was looking for new members I hailed him: "Peter, how would you like to join the Loudwater Residents' Association Committee"? He looked dumbfounded so I quickly piled on the flattery before he could answer, making it clear that 'no' was not an option. At the next meeting he was there, (albeit looking as though he had been press-ganged), but see where he is now:



Some early committee members being 'co-opted'!

Loudwater Residents' Association

Chairman

Roy Sterry
Mulberry Cottage, T'stream Way
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Wildwood, Loudwater Heights
771810

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June Curtis
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721583

Minutes Secretary

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Dunara, Chess Lane
774016

Planning Secretary

Donald Cammell
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Mary-Jane Atkinson
Clive Fowler
Tony Hale
John Hawxwell
Theresa Jubber
Peter Phillips
Dennis Sare
Colin Timms
Penny Wilkinson

Editor of the Ol' Trout, which is entirely his innovation.

So, beware of being approached by members of the Committee!
You'll never know how you'll end up!

Sue Tippen

I approached Tony Bradford of Overstream to ask him to join the LRA committee. He said "NO!" Obviously I have neither Desmond's nor Sue's power of persuasion! On the other hand, I did persuade him to be the Designer of The Ol' Trout. So, perhaps, chatting up does work! Editor. (Maybe it depends on who's doing the chatting up!! Designer.)

Claire Player

It is with the deepest sorrow that I announce the death on 17th June of Claire Player of Chess Cottage, Loudwater Lane. Her husband, Dennis, died last January. Claire, a most beautiful, gentle, kind lady had been unwell for a long time, with an illness she fought with courage and dignity. She was a regular member of the Wine Club, and attended nearly all LRA events. Like Dennis, she will be greatly missed by all of us.

Peter Phillips

Anthony Gould and Watersmeet

Anthony Gould of Lower Plantation has resigned his position as a Trustee Director of Watersmeet Trust Limited.

Race Night

Race Night at The Barn got off to a fine start with everyone chatting over a glass or two (*or three? Ed.*) of wine. Denise Preedy and her helpers worked their magic, decorating the barn and organising the fish and chips supper.

The racing started well on our table. Penny Wilkinson (*our Loudwater Personality in the last issue, Ed.*) picked the horse that won the first race, and, pregnant or not, she was first at the tote to collect her winnings, the tote being gallantly manned by her husband James, together with Roy Preedy. There were eight races in all - with much cheering and shouting as the horses crossed the line. A raffle was drawn after the last race with champagne as 1st prize. LRA Chairman, Roy Sterry, later announced that we had raised £148 towards the barn renovations.

If you missed the Race Night this time try to be there next year. It really is great fun.

Betty Glanville



Bridge Club

Although there have only been 10-12 of us at the last few sessions (must be the heat or holiday season) we've thoroughly enjoyed our evenings, especially when we've drunk the prize wine! We're always looking for new members - we're not worried how well you play - so do come along. It's all very friendly. If you want to know more, just get in touch. By the time you read this report we'll have had our Bridge Club dinner at the Coach and Horses at Chorleywood. I hope members had a great time.

June Baish

Investment Clubs

A big thank you to Anthony Moss of Lower Plantation for allowing us to use his office for the meetings of both the Chess and Troutstream Investment Clubs. It is so useful having a computer handy.

Peter Phillips

A Taste of Rioja



Dorothy Francis, eager to celebrate Tony & Ritva Hale's 40th wedding anniversary, during our delay at Santander!

Around dawn on 28th March, 38 enthusiastic members of the Wine Club assembled for the club's fourth tour. To a different country, Spain, and involving a much longer water crossing - 18 hours across the Bay of Biscay, no less! To say there was slight apprehension, for some, would be an understatement. More like abject terror - which was not assuaged by a thunderous bang, which shook the entire 41,700 tons of the "Pont Aven" just before we set sail! It was the bow door slamming shut, after someone had attacked its delicate control mechanism with a sledgehammer!

But in the event, the Atlantic was like a millpond - and there was ne'er the sight of a sick-bag throughout the voyage! In fact, spirits were high (*hic!*). Our first wine tasting took place on board, and was followed by a delicious dinner. Notable were the hors d'ouvres - the buffet table positively heaved with top quality smoked salmon, prawns, patés, Parma ham, fresh asparagus ... I could go on! Unfortunately, the sleeping accommodation didn't attain these high standards. When Lynda and I entered our "cabin", we seemed to be in a wardrobe containing two bunks - which looked about 11 inches wide! Anyway, we survived, and after breakfast, found ourselves in the port of Santander ... where we sat for 3 hours, *sans* coach, whilst they attempted to open the bow door, now immovable after the afore-mentioned sledgehammer attack!!

After a couple of hours drive through the rugged but picturesque scenery of northern Spain, en-route to our base, Logroño - we reached the Bodegas Lan, sampled some excellent reds, and warmed markedly to the management, having each been given a free bottle of one of their better wines! Dinner at our hotel that evening rounded off a good day - enjoying the ambiance of northern Spain, the pleasure of each other's company and the delights of what Rioja is all about - the wine!

The rest of the trip continued in this vein. We visited several Bodegas, quaffed copious quantities of *vino español* and continued to learn about the complex process of wine production. To us veterans of these tours, there was perhaps a slight overkill on barrels and the merits of American or French oak - but I've no wish to carp. We had two memorable, long drawn-out tapas style lunches, with seemingly endless mouth-watering goodies appearing on our table - washed down with equally endless supplies of assorted Riojas. The whole trip was extremely convivial and great fun throughout ... and up there with the very best of our previous wine tours.

Tony Bradford

Dorothy Francis writes ...

I would like to pay tribute to all the people who went to Rioja for their courtesy and concern for my well-being. Betty Glanville was particularly wonderful, as were Clive and Linda Fowler, who so willingly looked after my luggage. And here's a message for LRA Chairman, Roy Sterry. Believe me, I couldn't have got into any mischief even if I had wanted to!

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Environmental Matters

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Planning Applications

Decisions on previously reported applications

- 00105/04 Stafford House, Loudwater Heights: Single storey side & rear extension and conversion of garage. (Granted)
- 00208/04 Handa, Trout Rise: Two storey side and rear extension. (Granted)
- 00228/04 Land at junction of Chorleywood Road and Rasehill: Erection of 12.5m. Mobile telephone mast, plus equipment. (Refused, LRA objected)
- 00252/04 Tall Trees, Loudwater Drive: Conversion of detached garage and erection of pitched roof building, comprising swimming pool and changing rooms. (Refused, LRA objected)
- 00262/04 Straw Hat, Whisperwood: Two storey front and rear extensions. (Refused, LRA objected)

New applications since April Ol' Trout to 10th June 2004

- 00333/04 Stepping Stones, Trout Rise: Dormer window to side, and roof alterations. (Granted)
- 00345/04 Will O' Wisp, Chess Hill: Two storey side extension. (Refused)
- 00382/04 Aisling, Troutstream Way: Two storey side extension with front and rear dormers. (Delegated)
- 00398/04 Chessbord, Troutstream Way: Amendment to 1394/03: Habitable basement. (Granted)
- 00561/04 Clearburn, Trout Rise: Erection of detached pitched roof garage. (Delegated)
- 00694/04 Cramond Lodge, Timberidge: Two storey side extension. (Delegated)
- 00753/04 Corner Croft, Loudwater Heights: Two storey side extension. (Granted)
- 00780/04 Greenbanks, Trout Rise: Two storey rear extension. (Delegated)
- 00791/04 Land at rear of 1-2 The Rose Gardens, Troutstream Way: Renewal of 02113/99 to replace four garages, with 3 garages. (Delegated)

Road Reminders

Please, if you are turning right from the Chorleywood Road into Loudwater Lane or into Kingfisher Lure, and you see a car wanting to turn right out of these roads, stop and wave them through. These right turns going towards Chorleywood or the M25 can otherwise take ages. Also, the grass at the junction of Loudwater Lane and Croxley Green is growing very long again, making the crossing very dangerous because traffic coming from the right just cannot be seen. Help me nag Steve Wooding of Hertfordshire Highways (257000) to keep the grass constantly cut. Thank you.

Peter Phillips

M25

John Jarrett has received notification from Richard Page MP stating that the proposed M25 widening is forecast to be started in 2006, but will not to be completed for 10 years; widening will take place within existing boundaries; bridges etc will not be altered to accommodate extra lanes; and a new, quieter surface will be used on the widened areas. Good news. Thank you, John, for your continuous hard work regarding the M25, and particularly, exit 18.

Peter Phillips



Heather Kenison and Hertfordshire Highways

Heather Kenison of Troutstream Way wrote to Steve Wooding of Hertfordshire Highways to complain about the state of the surface of Loudwater Lane, particularly between the junction of Sarratt Lane and Croxley Green. (The part of Loudwater Lane leading up to Chorleywood Road is not much better). She pointed out that there were large holes in the road, particularly near the verges, causing cars to drive down the middle which, inevitably, will eventually cause an accident. "It is not the quiet country lane it may appear to be during the middle of the day. In early morning



and evening it is a very busy route", she wrote. Rightly, she accused Hertfordshire Highways of having used repair methods that have been ineffectual, and she asked why extensive road works have been carried out in other parts of the Three Rivers district yet Loudwater Lane is neglected.

Steve Wooding replied that he was aware of the problems of Loudwater Lane and that some safety repairs would be undertaken. However, he was not optimistic about funds becoming available to consider any major re-surfacing or edge of road protection, though he did promise that if re-surfacing was not possible, more permanent repairs would be undertaken.

Well done, Heather, for writing to Hertfordshire Highways. The LRA committee is constantly harrying them but the more residents that back us the better.

Peter Phillips

Bin Raiding – the new menace

Can you imagine what it would be like if someone stole your identity? Well, that's what's happening all over Britain to thousands of people in this fast-growing crime. It started as an urban phenomenon but is already spreading into rural areas. Criminals collect all the information about you they require by rummaging through your rubbish because consumers discard significant quantities of personal financial information, which can

be used by fraudsters to commit transaction frauds and identity theft. It's that simple. So the message here is destroy everything with any personal details such as your name and address, and especially documents with any sort of financial information like bank sorting codes, account details, expiry dates of credit cards etc. You'd be amazed what a criminal could find out about you by just going through your rubbish, so don't let them. To be really sure you're protected, invest in a document shredder.

Viv Schragger-Powell - Neighbourhood Watch

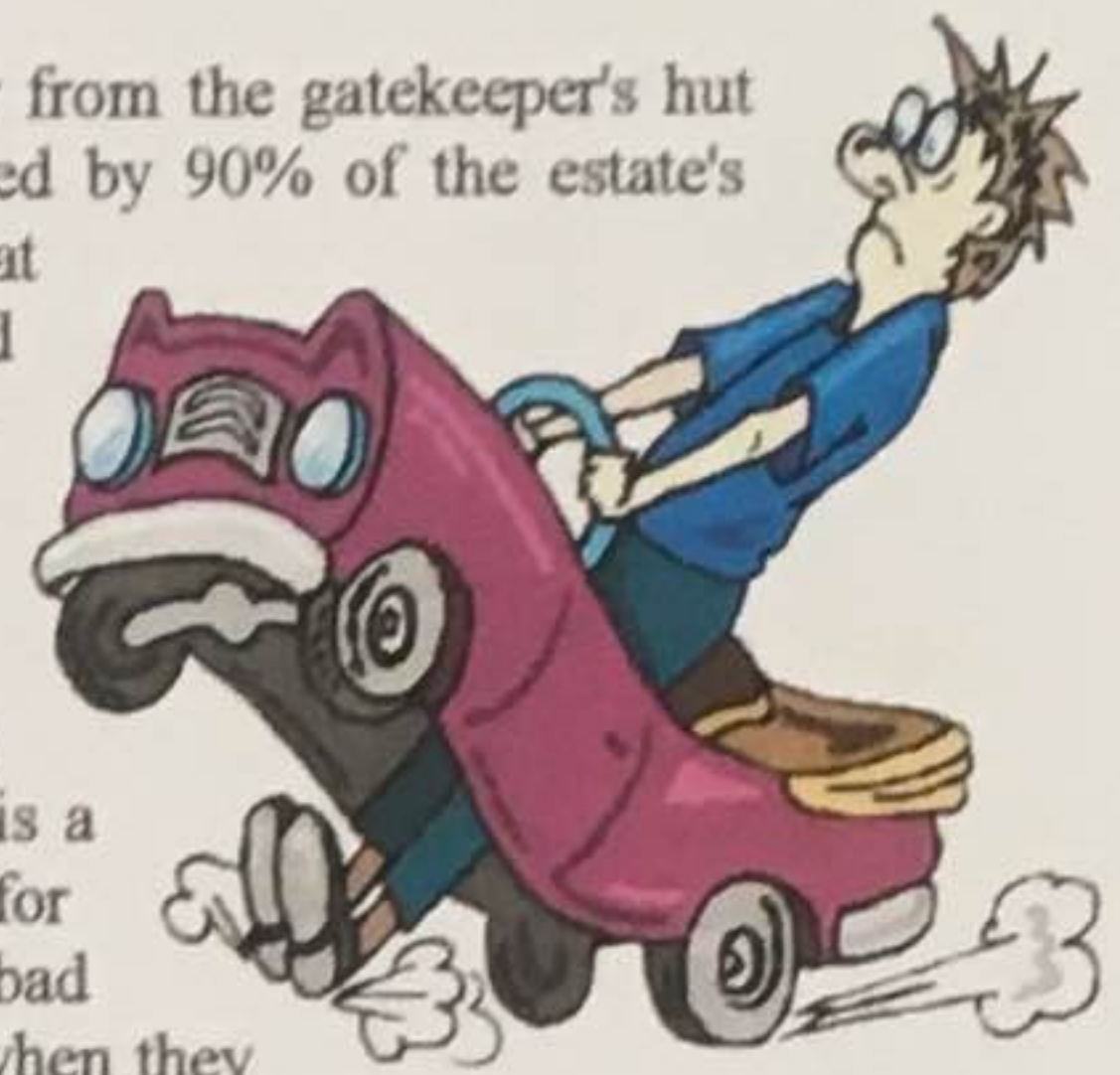
N.B. There was a burglary at Timberidge on the night of 15th June. To avoid this happening to you, always set your house alarm on the ground floor when going to bed, and never ever leave your car keys downstairs at night.

June Curtis - Neighbourhood Watch

The Good Life

Most people coming to live on the estate make their decision to buy a property here after driving round and passing comments to the effect that it is a little paradise. Unfortunately we have a minority who, once they reside here, ignore the other occupants of paradise by indulging in inconsiderate driving habits.

The section of Troutstream Way from the gatekeeper's hut to the start of Trout Rise is used by 90% of the estate's traffic and the houses on that section are, in the main, situated quite close to the road. The majority of residents more or less accept the 20mph limit and I appreciate their thoughtfulness. Others seem to think they are on the M1. This is a common aberration, I'm afraid, for which the only treatment is a bad accident. I hope therefore, that when they have one, they hit a brick wall and not a small child.



We have another type who seems to think this section of the road is a Formula 1 starting grid. I live right by the first, so called, traffic calming ramp, and for these people the drill is to slow down for the ramp, and once over it, it's foot hard down to the second ramp, or up the hill, slow down for the turn into Kingfisher Lure then hard down again up to the main road. This produces a delightful "Vroom" for the driver which I, and I am sure, my neighbours do not enjoy. To these people I can only say "Grow Up".

I hope my comments will go some way to making the miscreants a bit more considerate of their neighbours in our little paradise.

Jack Prince

Troutstream Hall



Not everyone resident in Loudwater may know that we have within the private gated Estate a residential care home providing a friendly haven for residents and non residents who have reached an age when living alone or with relatives is no longer a manageable proposition.

Troutstream Hall was set up in 1956 as a charitable trust to provide accommodation for the retired and elderly wishing to see out their declining years with independence and personal dignity. During the ensuing years the home has continued to maintain its atmosphere of love and fellowship.

As the years have passed, the home now opens its doors to anyone in need of care in their old age, who wants to live in a relaxed home and in a friendly atmosphere.

Residents each have their own room, which they can furnish with personal belongings and treasures from their former homes. Friends and relatives are free to come and go as they please.

From my personal experience of having elderly relatives currently living in Troutstream Hall, the pleasant and caring atmosphere at the Hall is something to be preserved and used by the residents of Loudwater. Operating as a charitable trust, the Hall offers a service not easily found elsewhere and richly deserves our community support. Do pay a visit.

Contact the manager - Karen Steffe on 772703

Donald Cammell

Not the Wine Club trip to Rioja

Or off your Rioja! At the instigation of Buzz and Gary Coster twenty or so Wine Club members and their friends met up at Burburys Wine Bar in Rickmansworth to console themselves at not being with the other Club members, tasting Riojas in Spain. Their objective was achieved. Sorrows were quickly drowned - and who wanted to cross the Bay of Biscay anyway?

Peter Phillips

More Wine Club News

Following the excesses of Rioja (not so much the wine consumption, more the purchase of shoes), April's meeting was an altogether more sober affair - and, if you believe that, you'll believe anything. We welcomed Guy Boursot from The Wine Collection in Bois-en-Ardres. Guy has run two tastings for the club, both in France, when we popped over to Ardres for the day. For this return match, we asked him to speak about one of his special subjects - Champagne.



We all know that a champagne cork shouldn't really go 'pop', so it was with a contented sigh that each bottle was carefully opened. Our first wine was a Crémant de la Loire to give us a chance to taste some non-Champagne fizz for comparison. It slipped down a treat (particularly for the price), before we moved on to the 'real' stuff,

including a vintage Saint-Réol with a unique aroma that put many off, but a taste to die for.

The *pièce de résistance* of the evening was a lesson in alternative ways to open a bottle of Champagne. With a flourish of his sabre, Guy cleanly sliced off the top of the bottle amid impressed 'oohs' and 'aahs' from his audience.

Our May event had an Antipodean flavour with a barbecue, complemented by Australian wines. Members enjoyed a change of scenery, moving from the usual venue of the Barn to the home of Charles and Jo Homewood in Croxley Green. Knowing how much chatting and socialising there was to be done, the committee dispensed with the services of a speaker for the day. Noble souls that they are, they went out and tried wine after wine, to choose the right ones for the meal - it's a tough job but someone's got to do it! The results of their labours were greatly enjoyed by everyone.

Tony Bradford has reviewed our visit in mid-June to the RidgeView Estate in Sussex. In July there's a tasting of Burgundy wines from Domaine Lucien Jacob. More details of these and other oenological activities can be found on:

www.loudwaterwineclub.org.uk

Gary Coster

RidgeView Estate

For the latest Wine Club jaunt, an intrepid band set forth to the RidgeView Estate, a prestigious vineyard, hidden away in the Sussex Downs - so hidden in fact, that we almost reached plan Z of our navigation strategy, before we found the place!!

This was an interesting and enjoyable visit. It started with an impressively presented rundown of the operation by the owner - an entrepreneur and obvious *bon viveur*, who'd sold his computer business to start this flourishing enterprise, completely from scratch.

There followed, a blind tasting, with accompanying canapés, of eight wines, including 2 genuine Champagnes and several of RidgeView's own wines - all made strictly by the *methode Champenoise*. Unsurprisingly, no one achieved 100% success rate in distinguishing the various categories - but some of us did manage to identify the 2 genuine articles!

The visit ended with a buffet meal, before the gratified and contented group wended their way home.

Tony Bradford

All's Well That Ends Well

As usual, members of the Theatre Club gathered in the Royal Masonic School Car Park to join the coach to take us on an angst free journey to London. What a pleasure it is to travel in this way, with no underground or parking problems! The chosen play was "All's Well That Ends Well" at the Gielgud Theatre. Sadly, our seats (Upper Circle) were not good, but the club had agreed to accept them as the only ones available. This play is one of Shakespeare's less accessible and therefore less performed works, but the critics had rightly praised the production. The cast, led by Dame Judi Dench, was uniformly excellent and Greg Doran lived up to his reputation as one of the finest Shakespearean directors. Despite the fact that on this outing it was considered too complicated to organise a meal, I think we all enjoyed the theatrical experience.

Liz Gowshall

Dorothy Francis adds: "I mugged up on Boccaccio's story in his Decameron. It was of the virtuous love of two women for a young nobleman (who had been forced to marry one of them) and the way they overcame the implausible conditions set by him for his wife. It illustrates the saying, "there is more to true love than four bare legs on a bed!" *Is there? Ed*

The Venetian Twins

This was the club's third visit to the Watermill - an 19th century mill converted into a delightfully intimate theatre, set in idyllic surroundings.

A choice of wines served on the coach, smoothly orchestrated by Maurice Escow, rendered our transit of the M4 completely painless. A perfect summer's evening in the gardens, made a charming backdrop for our pre-dinner drinks - and after a very acceptable dinner, we were ready to be entertained!

And we were! The Venetian Twins, first performed 250 years ago, but here, set in La Dolce Vita era of the 1950s, is a fast-paced and highly amusing farce. Identical twins, Tonino and Zanetto, separated since birth, one wise, one moronic, descend on Verona in pursuit of their loves. Identities are exchanged and the ensuing confusion combined with much interactive banter with the audience, made for riotous entertainment.

Tony Bradford

Theatre Club Future Events

The Theatre Club is continuing to be popular with members. We have three more trips arranged this year - Cliveden, to see Alan Bennett's "Wind in the Willows" in July, Kenwood, for the Last Night of the Kenwood Proms, by the Royal Philharmonic in August, and The National to see Sondheim's "A Funny Thing Happened To Me On The Way To The Forum" in October. Whilst all trips are fully booked for this year, the club does welcome new members for next year. Please call me if you are interested in receiving details.

Penny Wilkinson

Club Scene

Chess Investment Club

Meets 5pm, 2nd Wednesday of month

Chairman

Anthony Moss (774907)

Troutstream Investment Club

Meets 8pm, 2nd Wednesday of month

Chairman

Godfrey Crook (776567)

Theatre Club

Organiser

Penny Wilkinson (896380)

Wine Club

Meets 8pm, 4th Friday of month

Chairman

Tony Hale (774374)

Bridge Club

Meets 7.30-10.30 pm, 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of month

Chairman

June Baish (775808)

Garden Club

Chairman

Sue Stent (712623)

Fine Dining Club

Chairman

Clive Brothers (773209)

Hightail to Highgrove



After a wait of some 4 years, on Tuesday 13th April, 24 lucky members of the Loudwater Garden Club set off to visit the gardens of Highgrove, the home of the Prince of Wales.

The outward journey was marred by a traffic jam on the M4 motorway with the coach being stationary for a considerable time. This unfortunately delayed our arrival in Tetbury, so instead of a leisurely lunch at one of the many inviting hostelrys, the party made a lightning stop at the nearby Tesco store, dashed straight to the sandwich selection, and jumped back on the coach all within 10 minutes. We arrived at the entrance to Highgrove still munching our sandwiches. Once the coach and the occupants had been given the all clear by the local constabulary, we were allowed to pass through the checkpoint. The guide escorted our party through the many different areas in the gardens.

We started with a view of the house looking through the thyme garden, then a walk through the tree stump garden (obviously filled with many old large tree stumps), kitchen garden, spring and autumn woods. From here, we walked along the tulip path planted with some 8,000 purple bulbs, each gardener being given 1,000 bulbs to plant before they can go home for the day - it is surprising just how quickly they are planted! Finally, we arrived at the house, looking down the thyme garden from the other direction.



All the estate was bursting into life, and at every turn there was something new to marvel at. Many of the trees, shrubs, plants, statues, and other garden ornaments are gifts that have been given to the Prince. At the end of the tour, we went into the Tea Room for a welcome cup of tea and biscuits, and then into the Estate Shop where we made our purchases - a number of us, obviously, came out carrying plants.

On the return coach journey, the party was filled with new ideas and inspirations for our humble little plots. Here's to seeing all our ideas put into practice. An extremely good day out was had by one and all!

Jo and Charles Homewood

Garden Club Report

By now all the hard work is paying off - or it's too late to do much about it in the garden. So we're going to sit back, relax and prove it's not all high-energy in the Garden Club by holding our first Garden Club Summer Conservatory Supper on 11th August to enjoy the environs of Scotsbridge Mill.

Our regular meetings on the 4th Wednesday of the month recommence in September, with a

talk by Sarah Cole, a journalist with the Good Garden Guide entitled "Gardening on Chalk". On 27th October, bring along your wilting leaves, distressed roots or hitherto anonymous floral treasures, to our inaugural Gardeners' Question Time. Our expert panel will consist of James Buttress, an RHS judge, and colleagues. On this occasion we shall also hold another Plant Exchange, so please bring your excess plants and share them with others.

As always before Christmas we'll be doing our bit to bring some original decorating ideas into the home with a demonstration of floral decorations.

For details of these events and all other enquiries, please contact me.

Sue Stent

There was a Garden Club arboreal walk around Loudwater on Wednesday, 23rd June. Despite the weather, it sounds as though it was a big success. Editor

Fine Dining Club

Japanese Soiree - a flavour of the Far East!

The last Fine Dining Club event was to the Inn on the Green at Cookham Dean. Now a flavour of the Far East is coming to Loudwater! We are holding a special Japanese Soiree at Highfields, Troutstream Way on Saturday 21st August. Members will be able to taste the delights of professionally prepared Japanese food redolent with the aromas and perfumes of the Orient, courtesy of top Japanese chef and caterer KEI SHIBA. She has been preparing world-class food for her clients for many years and also runs a series of Oriental Food Master Classes including a Sushi Workshop.

There'll be magical lighting and soothing music to ease the body and nourish the soul, including live Anglo-Japanese classical music from Royal Academy players.

Clive Brothers



To the Residents of Whisper Wood and Trout Rise

We celebrated the marriage of our daughter Farin to Daniel Harrison at our home, by holding a large reception with over 300 guests on 3rd June 2004. We would like to thank all our neighbours for their patience and support. We are especially grateful to those who offered the use of their driveways for our guests' cars. We were also very touched to receive so many gifts, cards and well wishes. Many thanks,

Amin and Shabanu Mitha

Welcome

Paul & Jacqui Lipton-Rose, Cherry Tree Cottage, Rooks Hill.

Mr D. Zerny, 11 Glen Chess.

Martin and Jayne Vinter-Jackson and their children Joshua and India, Cranham, Loudwater Lane.