

BOB'S BULLETIN



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A NEW CO-ORDINATOR! A NEW START!

'I love the spring time'

Summer is on the horizon, the weather starts to get warmer and the nights are lighter.

Hi, my name is Bob Stroud and I have recently taken over as the new co-ordinator for RCV Vale of Aylesbury.

I felt that this would be a good way to tell you a little bit about me and my past experience.

I was born in Aylesbury and trained as a floor layer when I left school with Lucas'. After 4 years I joined the police force, spending my time on Traffic, CID and ending my



career after 18 years as a - **Crime Reduction And Partnership** officer. (No prizes for noticing that for the latter part of my career I was a **C.R.A.P.** officer. No laughing please.

After the police I spent my time in middle management for various organizations such as '**The Federation of Small Businesses**' and '**The Princes Trust**'

I ran my own flooring business for 6 years before packing it all in to look after an elderly relative. And that brings me nicely up to date, taking on this role.

By the time you read this I will have hopefully met most of you and will have a good idea of what needs to be done to meet your needs. However if you have any queries, please feel free to give me a call.

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YOUR VOTE! YOUR SAY!

Dear Reader
A general election is on the horizon and it's time to have your say.

Leonard Cheshire have a National Campaigns Office who are lobbying

the government for better access for disabled people, to enable them to be able to fully participate in elections and the political process.

If this is something that 'floats your boat' you can log on at www.lcdisability.org/myvotemysay and register to vote. **RCV is not endorsing these services but hope that the information is of interest to our members.**

WADDESDON MANOR



Was built (1874–1889) by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild to display his outstanding collection of art treasures. It was bequeathed to the National Trust in 1957 and opened to the public two years later.

It has one of the finest Victorian gardens in Britain, famous for its shady walks and seasonal displays.

For the wine lovers

among you its wine cellar is modeled on the private cellars at Chateau Lafite - Rothschild, France. With bottles of wine dating back to 1868. *'Personally I prefer a bottle of Tesco cheapy'*

Day Trip to the Manor

If this is something you are interested in I have provisionally booked transport for 12th May and will need to know by the end of April who wants to come.

Obviously there will be

a cost involved.

Transport will depend on how many are going. Based on 20 passengers it will be in the region of £10–£15. Entry in to the house and gardens is £10.80 however it may be 1/2 price for us.

Places are on a 1st come 1st serve basis. I have enclosed a return slip for reservations.

'APRIL FOOLS'

Watch Out!



If you listen to the radio, watch out for this one.

On **April fools day** they announced that the phone companies would be cleaning the dirt out of their phone lines that afternoon. To do this they would be blowing air into the wires at the switching

station.

The problem was that a lot of the dirt would come out of the ear and mouth piece of the telephone and could dirty the carpets or furniture in your house.

Consequently the phone companies were

respectfully asking the public to put plastic bags over their phones to prevent the damage.

Apparently there was a lot of plastic bags sold on that day.

'SO BE WARNED!'

PUB LUNCH—HORSE AND JOCKEY



The monthly pub lunch and quiz was well attended in March.

It was all Good!
Good Food, Good Humour, Good Company, Good Quiz

I would like to extend a special thanks to

Margaret Thompson who works tirelessly to ensure the pub lunches are successful.

If you would like to start attending the lunches we would love to see you there.

There will be someone to meet you there from

around 12 midday and usually you order and pay for your food yourselves however, if this is difficult there will be someone on hand to help you.

The next date is April 14th

Bon Appetite!