

Dear Editor

My toddler recently fell into some dog poo left on the Anson field near the cricket square, and we also found poo inside the play area. It is appalling that in this day of dog poo bags and bins that people should think it acceptable to leave the mess for small children, walkers, other users of the field and even, I presume, cricketers to walk or fall in. Please be more considerate
Name supplied

Dear Editor

We agree completely with this letter regarding the fouling of the Anson field. It is extremely anti-social for dog owners not to clear up any mess their dogs make. The extent of the problem was particularly highlighted when there was snow on the field. We allow free access to the field and we would ask all owners to make sure that they observe both the law on dog fouling and maintain the good manners that normally prevail in Marcham regarding their dogs' activities.

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Under the provisions of the Dogs (Fouling of Land) Act 1996, anyone in control of a dog must clean up immediately after their dog fouls on any land which is open to the air and to which the public is entitled or permitted to have access. Failure to clean up after your dog is an offence. Fixed penalty fines and prosecution can result. More information can be found on the Vale of White Horse District Council's website at www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk under environmental health / dog fouling.

Dear Editor

Parking

The Parish Council have been concerned about the level of complaints regarding inconsiderate parking and a recent walk around the village confirms the problem. Firstly pavements are for people not cars and we noted 20 + cars parked either fully or partially on pavements causing pedestrians with wheelchairs or prams / pushchairs to go onto the road to pass. Several of these cars were parked outside houses that had perfectly adequate drives that were not being used.

There are also an increased number of cars bumping up kerbs to park in front gardens. If you do want to do this you should apply to have dropped kerbs fitted and a proper drive installed. Information on how to apply is available from the Clerk.

Several vehicles were parked very close to junctions obscuring vision for other motorists and in several cases cars were parked obscuring Road Names signs which could be a concern if emergency vehicles are looking for a property in need of urgent assistance.

May we appeal for everybody in the village to review their parking arrangements and
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show consideration for pedestrians and other road users. Please also park with the vehicle facing the direction of travel and do not block the pavements.

Thanks in anticipation.

Dog Fouling

Generally the village is free of dog faeces on the pavements but we do seem to have one regular culprit. It is obviously a large dog with a very healthy appetite and it would be much appreciated by pedestrians who have had the misfortune to tread in the offering if the owner could clear up behind it. If anyone is aware of the owner of this dog please report the name to the Clerk and we will do our best to resolve this unpleasant issue.

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15.00 - 17.00
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- Monday, 28 February 2011
12.00 - 14.00

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Oxfordshire County Council offer a free and impartial travel advice service aimed at people over 65, and those with a high level of support needs. It is available Monday to Friday from 9.00am to 5.00pm on 01865 323738, or you can email oxtail@oxfordshire.gov.uk. You can also use the same number if you would like information on joining a transport scheme as a volunteer.

**MARCHAM AND DISTRICT EX SERVICEMEN'S CLUB
NORTH STREET MARCHAM OXON OX13 6NG
NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS**

Annual Subscriptions Due by March 31st 2011

Payments may be made in the Club during normal opening hours

NOTICE TO ALL LIFE MEMBERS

All life members including widows and widowers of members are reminded that they must register in writing to the secretary at the above address, or register at the Club each and every year they wish to remain on the list of current Life Members.

The closing date of this registration is March 31st. each year. Please note that those failing to respond by March 31st 2011 will no longer be considered Members their names will be removed from the register of Members and Life Members

Chairman November 2010

A list of currently registered members /life members valid until 31st March 2011 is available to be viewed in the Club during the Clubs normal opening hours

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