

Ascott under Wychwood Fund-raising for the Foot and Mouth Crisis.

In just over three weeks the village has raised a fantastic total of £1,050 which has been sent to The Royal Agricultural Benevolent Institution. This is a National Charity founded in 1860 and is dedicated to helping members of the farming community who are suffering hardship.

During the present crisis the R.A.B.I. Welfare Department is heavily involved with applications for assistance from those who are so badly affected by both the primary and knock-on effects of the disease.

Initially the welfare staff were only receiving a few calls a day, but are now dealing with in excess of 250 per day. To date they have had over 6,500 calls on the helpline and some 2,500 families have received in the order of £3.25 million in financial assistance.

Time for Carers

Part of the Carers Special Relief Grant from the government has been made available to the Carers Centre to provide Carers with a break free of charge. We can fund 12 hours per carer per year, plus travelling time.

In addition there are funds available to purchase equipment that would help you to take a break such as a cordless phone, 'baby' listening device or a life line alarm system. With any of the equipment, we cannot assist with ongoing bills but only with purchase or installation costs.

If you would be interested in either of these options please contact your Carers Support Worker who will explain what the arrangements are. There is now a Wychwoods Support Group on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in Greenlands Committee Room, Langston House, 1.00 to 3.00 pm.

Holy Trinity Church, Ascott-under-Wychwood

CHURCH FETE

on The Green

**Saturday, 14th July 2001 Raffle, Stalls, Sideshows,
Bouncy Castle,**

Produce, Beer Tent

In aid of Church Funds