adopted the name of the Duke of Wellington, who was the prime minister of the government at this time that this legislation was passed.

King William IV was also known as the "sailor king" because of his association with the navy. He joined as a midshipman in 1778 at the age of 13, serving under Horatio Nelson in 1780, and his active naval career continued until 1790. He later became Admiral of the Fleet. Many pub signs portray the monarch with a galleon in the background.

Other than "sailor king", his other nickname was less complimentary being "Silly Billy", yet during his reign some useful legislation was enacted. He was apparently responsible for the abolition of slavery and the passage of The Reform Act which removed inequities in the distribution of parliamentary seats. His reign also saw the passage of the Factories Act prohibiting children under 9 from factory work and The Poor Law Act creating workhouses to help the poor.

Speen Heritage Group – protecting and promoting the history and heritage of the village of Speen.

SPEENHELPING HOSPICES

Supporting Helen House for Children, South Bucks Hospice at Home, Florence Nightingale and Rennie Groves Hospice Care

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Are you getting ready for Christmas? If so, we can make life very easy for you!

Luxury Perfume and Cosmetic Sale

SHH has been given exclusive access to a significant amount of high-end perfume by the brands owners to help raise money for the local hospices that we support. We have Estee Lauder cosmetics, Jo Malone and Tom Ford perfumes and many other products at vastly reduced prices. Go to our website www.shh-shop.org and follow the link through to perfume sales. Christmas present shopping all sorted then!

Christmas Market

A range of new and familiar stall holders this year. For example, a silversmith with a beautiful

range of silver jewellery, a new candle designer, upcycled homewares designed in contemporary colours, new designs in Christmas decorations, luxury chocolates, beautiful cushions, wood carvings, skincare, macramé gifts and of course, the everpopular homemade cake stall and much more.

So come along and stay for a bite and a glass of fizz or coffee and a homemade sausage roll.

SHH Pub Night

Having sorted the Christmas presents, kick off the Christmas celebrations with friends and neighbours in the Village Hall.

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Two more fundraising events under our belt

Since the Jazz in the Park in July we have run two events a Wine Tasting and a Charity Bridge Afternoon Tea and raised funds just shy of £1,000. Many thanks to all who attended.

Fundraising Challenge - Help raise money for Speen Helping Hospices in 2024. Speen Helping

Hospices are looking for people to raise money for SHH by taking part in a local fun run/half marathon/cycle race or other event.

If you are planning or considering taking part in a sporting event, would you help others by fundraising for Speen Helping Hospices as you run/cycle/swim?

We, at Speen Helping Hospices will support you on your fundraising journey, we would promote your participation locally and via social media and our website to attract sponsorship.

If you are up for this challenge, now is the time to plan it, visit our website at http://www.shh-shop.org/FundraisingChallenges.htm for information.

FUTURE EVENTS IN 2023

Christmas Market

8th November at the Chapel Hall in Speen. We have lots of new stallholders and a wide range of gifts for Christmas. Come and see us. We are open from 11.00 to 4.00pm

SHH Pub Night

8th December in the Village Hall Kick off the Christmas celebrations with friends and neighbours.

Carol Singing

Why not join us for Carol Singing this year, you will be most welcome, whatever age you are. Dates will be posted on Sales and Wants.

If you would like to get involved with SHH contact me grainnesuter@googlemail.com or 07778803260.

For further information about all our events check out our website www.shh-shop.org