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Village News

Village Diary

APRIL

30th Tennis Club AGM @ Village Hall & LIVE MUSIC @ The Tharp Arms

MAY

2nd Quiz Night @ The Tharp Arms 12th

Parish Council AGM @ Village Hall 21st

WI Bingo @ Village Hall 22nd

Table Top Sale @ Village Hall 28th

LIVE MUSIC @ The Tharp Arms

JUNE

6th Quiz Night @ The Tharp Arms

11th WORLD CUP FOOTBALL Starts

12th Music in the Park 12th

ENGLAND's first Group Match

Chippenham Village News

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April - May 2010

Its Back

Music in the Park

On June 12th 2010

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CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday 12th May at 7pm in the Village Hall

ALL WELCOME

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Chippenham Tennis Club

AGM

Followed by Cheese & Wine 7.30pm Friday 30th April At Village Hall

ALL WELCOME

NOTICES FOR NEXT ISSUE

Please send all items for the June July 2010 issue of the Newsletter to
news@thetharparms.com or drop them
in at The Tharp Arms, Chippenham, by
6pm Sunday 9th May

Many thanks, Ali Daniels

An apology from the Editor

Dear All,

Just a short note to all of the readers of the Chippenham Village News to apologise for the delay in getting this issue out to you. I know some of you have events that were due to be taking place at the start of the month and due to delay in newsletter these have not been advertised.

I compile the newsletter on a purely voluntary basis for the Parish Council, but do also have a pub to run and two children to look after so sometimes things get a bit hectic, and sadly this time the newsletter has been a casualty of this. I do hope the next one will be out in plenty of time!

In the meantime I do hope you all enjoy reading the newsletter!

Sun 11th April - Easter 2 (W) Acts 5: 27 - 32 John 20: 19 - end Holy Communion - Snailwell 9.30 am

Sung Eucharist - Chippenham 11 am

Sun 18th April - Easter 3 (W)

Acts 9: 1 – 20 John 21: 1 - 19 Family Service - Snailwell 9.30 am Sung Eucharist - Chippenham 11 am

Sun 25th April - Easter 4 (W)

Acts 9: 36 - end John 10: 22 - 30 Choral Matins - Chippenham 11am Evensong - Snailwell 6 pm

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Sun 2nd May - Easter 5 (W)

Acts 11: 1 - 18 John 13: 31 - 35 Holy Communion - Chippenham 8 am Holy Communion - Snailwell 9.30 am Baptism - Chippenham 11 am

Sun 9th May - Easter 6 (W)

Acts 16: 9 – 15 John 5: 1 – 9 Holy Communion - Snailwell 9.30 am Sung Eucharist - Chippenham 11 am

Thursday 13th May ASCENSION DAY GROUP EUCHARIST @ SNAILWELL 7.30 pm

Sun 16th May - Sunday after Ascension Day (W)

Acts 16: 16 - 34 John 17: 20 - end Holy Communion - Snailwell 9.30 am Choral Matins - Chippenham 11 am

Sun 23rd May - PENTECOST (Whitsunday) (W)

Acts 2: 1 - 21 John 14: 8 - 17, 25 - 27
Sung Eucharist - Chippenham 11 am

Evensong - Snailwell 6 pm

Sun 30th May - TRINITY SUNDAY (W)

Romans 5: 1 – 5 John 16: 12 - 15

Group Eucharist - Chippenham 10.30 am

6th June - Trinity 1 (G)

Galatians 1: 11 - end Luke 17: 11 - 17
Holy Communion - Snailwell 9.30 am
Family Service - Chippenham 11 am

The Parish Churches of

From the Three Rivers Group Associate Priest Rev'd Kate Peacock Tel - 723690

(Chippenham, Fordham, Isleham, Kennett and Snailwell)



When most of you read this the long weekend of Easter will be upon us, and the eggs will be started (or nearly finished!) and the holidays will be in full swing. For many the long weekend means an opportunity to visit friends and family, a chance to get going in the garden, or do some decorating or DIY project. I read somewhere that more domestic accidents happen over the Easter weekend than at any other time of year; people falling off ladders while hanging wallpaper, people putting backs out after digging the garden, people electrocuting themselves! The list went on. So if you are thinking of a trip to the Garden Centre or DIY store – do take care!

But, for many Easter involves some slightly less dangerous activities – singing, praying, giving thanks, celebrating. Reminding ourselves of God's love that is so great and complete it turned death into life everlasting for all. God's own Son suffered and died and came back to life, to defeat the powers of death and to give us all life everlasting. Jesus opened the gate for each of us to enter heaven, and to show us how great God's love is – it can overcome anything and everything.

Now, of course many may say that *this* is the more risky activity – and of course it is difficult to understand and think about. The death and resurrection of God. The love that God has for me – despite who I am or what I may have done or not done. And they are right – it is hard and difficult to begin to ponder these great questions of life – where is God? What difference does it make to me? What is life all about? We have all asked these questions and thought about these things – I believe that we are all fundamentally built as spiritual beings – it is in our DNA.

We have just celebrated Mothering Sunday as I write this – a day when we remember and say thank you, not just to our Mums (important though it is to buy them lovely presents!) but we remember that it is a day when we remember Mother Church. We think

Chippenham & Snailwell

about the church as like a Mother – a place of care and compassion, a place of love and teaching, a place of understanding and nurture. This is the original meaning of Mothering Sunday, to remind ourselves and to pray that the church is here for all, in times of need and in times of joy (and every week in between). And we do hope and pray that this is true of our church here.

So this Easter, whatever risky activity you choose to partake in - whether you decide to dig the garden or paint the walls, to pray or to question – do take care, and know in your hearts that God's love will overcome and that (we pray) Mother Church is here for all, for always.

See you on Sunday!



Chippenham Church Rota						
	Sidesmen	Reader	Wine	Flowers	Cleaning	
11th April	Peter	Chris	Sophie & Scott	Yvonne	Julie	
17th April	Amy	Terry		Yvonne	James & Paul	
18th April	Helen	Jan	Terry & Isabel	Yvonne	James & Paul	
25th April	Sophie	Eileen	Peter & Fiona	Judi	Eileen & Mary	
2nd May	Jennifer	Young Person	Paul & Isobel	Judi	Fiona & Lucy	
9th May	Peter	Peter	Jan & James	Jennifer	Julie	
16th May	Tony & Eileen	Helen	Sophie & Scott	Jennifer	James & Paul	
23rd May	Helen	Nicola	Terry & Isabel	Wendy	Eileen & Mary	
30th May	Jan	Chris	Peter & Fiona	Wendy	Fiona & Lucy	



Village Hall Recycling bins

Please don't forget that the Village Hall gets money for all the recycled material from the bins in the hall car park.

Recently a brand new kitchen was installed and the floor in the main hall has just been re varnished. All this upkeep costs a

great deal, and we need all the help we can muster.

So every one who recycles at the hall and not by road side services, helps to maintain our beautiful hall to the high standard we have all become used to.

New Residents

If you are new to the village and would like to know more about what is going on please contact Fiona Maxwell on 720677 for a welcome Also checkout pack. the village website www.chippenhamcambs.info.com



Chippenham Parish Council Officials are:

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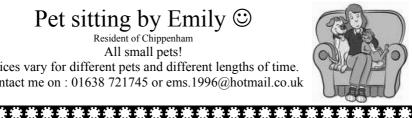
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Chippenham Women's Institute!

April 21st - we start our New Year with Mrs Doggett and First Aid. May 19th - Mrs Dowel joins us to talk about "The Mystery Shopper". May 21st - we have an evening of BINGO!

Our meetings begin at 7.30pm with our President making everyone welcome

We would love to see more there, so how about joining us and find out what happens !!!

*** DON'T FORGET THE BINGO ***

Dorothy Kidd - Vice President and Newsletter Correspondent.

Chippenham Cherubs

We meet at 6.00 pm to 6.45 pm on Tuesdays during term time at 49 High Street, Chippenham. Refreshments are provided.

We sing at the family services at St Margaret's, on the first Sunday of each month. All school-aged children are welcome Come along and join us. For more information, call 720677. - Fiona Maxwell and Isobel Mangell

Chippenham Sunday School

1st Sunday of each month is Family Service 2nd Sunday of each month is Sunday School 3rd Friday of each month is Friday Group for



all children in the village over 6 and under 12 (see below) 6.30pm - 8.15pm in the village hall

4th Sunday of each month is Sunday School

If you would like you child or children to attend please contact Paul Mangell on 721211

Like Reading

Visit one of the Auther Events held in Ely over the forthcoming months.

or more information and for ticket details please contact: Contact: Topping & Co Bookshop Telephone: 01353 645005 Website: www.toppingbooks.co.uk

- **14 April Rose Tremain -** Location: St Peter's Church, Ely Cost: £7/£6 (inc. book voucher) Times: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm talk -From the winner of the Whitbread and Orange prizes, Trespass is the story of two worlds colliding. Ancient boundaries are crossed, and a violent crime is committed.
- **15 April Richard Mabey -** Location: St Peter's Church, Ely Cost:£7/£6 (inc. book voucher) Times: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm talk One of the greatest 20th Century naturalists visits Ely with a generous selection of his varied and perceptive writings. A Brush with Nature gathers 25 years of personal reflections on the natural world.
- **21 April Malcolm Gaskill -** Location: Topping & Co Bookshop, High Street, Ely Cost: £5/£6 (inc. book voucher) Times: 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm talk Local historian and witchcraft expert Malcolm Gaskill is the ideal author to contribute Witchcraft to Oxford's authoritative Very Short Introductions. Join us for what promises to be a truly fascinating evening.
- **29 April Joanne Harris -** Location: St Etheldreda's Church Ely Cost: £7/£6 (inc. book voucher) Times: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm talk One of today's most spell-binding storytellers comes to Ely with her ingenious and original new novel. blueeyedboy is a gripping contemporary thriller with the structure and force of fable.
- **3 May Jodi Picoult -** Location: St Mary's Church, Ely Cost: £7/£6 (inc. book voucher) Times: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm talk House Rules is another gripping read from Jodi Picoult, one of the most popular authors of the present day, addressing uncomfortable topics of violence and guilt in readable and uplifting manner.
- **18 May Helen Dunmore -** Location: St Etheldreda's Church, Ely Cost: £7/£6 (inc. book voucher) Times: 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm talk One of the most haunting and powerful novels of recent years, Helen Dunmore's The Siege was a brilliantly imagined evocation of life in Leningrad during WWII. The Betrayal continues where its predecessor left off, recounting the struggles of ordinary people to survive amidst the horror of Stalin's Russia.

LICENSING ACT 2003

Notice is hereby given that the Music in Chippenham Park Committee has on 01/04/2010 applied to East Cambridgeshire District Council, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambridgeshire, CB7 4PL for the grant of a Premises Licence for Parkland (grid reference TL66456914), Chippenham Park.

The application is for the provision of:

Plays, films, live music, recorded music, performance of dance, entertainment of a similar description, facilities for making music, dancing and entertainment of a similar description:

Friday to Sunday

09:00 - 00:00

Any person wishing to make representations to this application may do so by submitting a completed representation form to Environmental Services, Licensing Section, The Grange, Nutholt Lane, Ely, Cambridgeshire, CB7 4PL by 30/04/2010. A copy of the form to make representations on can be downloaded from the Council's web site www.eastcambs.gov.uk or by telephoning 01353 665555.

The application can be viewed, by appointment, at the Council Offices during normal office hours (Monday to Thursday 08:45 to 17:00 and Friday 08:45 to 16:30).

It is an offence knowingly or recklessly to make a false statement in connection with an application. The maximum fine for which a person is liable on summary conviction is a Level 5 fine on the standard scale.

Please note that this is a new licence to provide us with more facilities for Music in the Park and possibly other similar events.

If you have any concerns or questions about this please contact Terry Cross, 41 New Street Chippenham.

News from your Local Police

We have had a few thefts from vehicles over recent weeks, mostly it is work vehicles with tools being taken. Please be aware that this kind of crime is happening in your area and take necessary precautions to help prevent you becoming a victim of this type of crime, such as;

- 1 Lock and secure your vehicles WHENEVER you leave them unattended, even if just for a minute. It only takes a few seconds for a thief to take your property!
- 2 Remove any valuable items from your vehicle such as mobile phones, sat-navs and laptops.
- 3 If you have a works van, please remove your tools when parking your vehicle up for the night and keep them in a secure building.
- 4 Be alert to suspicious people and vehicles in your neighbourhood, who are they? What are they doing? If you are in any doubt, report it on 999, giving as much information as you can.

Don't forget to register your property on www.immobilise.co.uk. Its a free database where you can register your valuables. The Police regularly check this database against any recovered property and if we get a match, you get your property back!

With the weather rapidly improving many of you will be venturing out into the garden in preparation of the growing season. With this in mind, I thought it might be useful to remind you all of the vulnerability of those expensive tools and machinery you have stored in your sheds. With this in mind I have listed below the following advice which will help you to reduce the risk of becoming a victim:

- Postcode your property.
- Keep a record of the serial and model number of your equipment.
- Lock valuable items such as bikes even though they are stored in a shed and outbuilding.
 - Take photographs of valuable equipment.
- Erect a strong fence to make it more difficult for burglars to get into your back garden.
- A thick hedge around your garden, ideally dense and prickly, is just as good as a fence for keeping out intruders.

- Gravel garden paths. Walking on gravel is quite noisy and will alert you to someone on your property.
 - Ensure your garden gate is secure.
- Try to keep hedges and fences in front gardens low. The burglar's fear of being seen is an important factor.
 - Ensure tools and garden equipment is locked securely out of sight.

We are always looking to increase the number of Neighbourhood Watch schemes that are in operation within East Cambridgeshire. Neighbourhood Watch is a big and successful local crime prevention initiative. By getting together with your neighbours to take action, residents can cut local crime. We - the police - are there to fight crime, but we need your help to do an effective job. Neighbourhood Watch is all about an active partnership with us.

Neighbourhood Watch schemes can:

- * Cut crime and the opportunities for crime
- * Help and reassure those who live in the area
- * Encourage neighbourliness and closer communities
- * Create better places in which to live, work and play
- * It's about creating communities who care. It brings local people together and can make a real contribution to improving their life and environment.

Should you be interested in setting up a scheme within your street and would like some further information and support in getting set up, please contact Kevin Evans on 01353614892 or on kevin.g.evans@ntlworld.com. Alternatively, go to www.neighbourhoodwatch.net.

PCSOs Barb Neill and Ian Hawkins - South Neighbourhood Policing Team

Barb Neill - PCSO 7237

- 07736086870 or barb.neill@cambs.pnn.police.uk. Isleham, Fordham, Wicken, Upware, Padney, Snailwell, Chippenham, Badlingham, Kennett.



Hi, my name is Mollie Kerr and I live in Chippenham. I am 14 years old and available for baby-sitting duties. I love children and would be happy to entertain yours should you want to go out. So, if you need a sitter please feel free to call me on 721934

The Landlord Says...

What a year 2010 is turning out to be.

As I type, the sun is shining properly for the first time in ages, and the thermometer in the garden is actually nudging towards twenty degrees. As long as Mother Nature hasn't pulled her trump card too early, things are shaping up for a cracking summer.

And that's not all. With summer looming there's also the World Cup - not everybody's cup of tea, admittedly, but you can't deny that it certainly lifts the nation's overall mood. The politicians always seem to think so, and we'll certainly be hearing plenty from them over the coming few weeks.

In fact, I reckon it'll be around about May 10th before the news broadcasts start telling us about other stories again...

But as good news stories go, my favourite has to be that Ali and I have just signed with Greene King for further three years as tenants of this wonderful pub. The last five years - yes, five! - have been great fun. There were some who thought at the start that we wouldn't make it through the first year, and there have certainly been some uphill struggles since 2005.

When I look back over the past five years it's amazing to think how much has changed since the day Ali and I took the reigns from Tom and Pam. The laws have changed constantly around this trade, often to the detriment of pubs and the favour of businesses like supermarkets, and trading is certainly not as easy now as it was in 2005; but despite all the hard times there have been equally as many, if not more, good



times and it has always been great fun. Hence the reason for wanting to carry on a little bit longer...

We've made some great friends over the years and we're glad to be part of the village, so I hope you'll all join us throughout the remainder of the year so we can make many more!

You may also have seen, throughout the winter, the sight of two wind, rain and snow-battered bright yellow and orange shirts cycling up and down the high street, looking thoroughly miserable in all the cold and horrid winter weather.

Beneath the helmets and the dayglo clothing are myself and Keith Lomas. apparently having fun. It's a year since we started cycling, ostensibly in an effort to lose weight (for at least one of us!) but this year we've put ourselves forward for the London to Cambridge cycle ride that takes place on Sunday July 25th.

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Tell us what is important to you and your community.

The East Cambridgeshire Strategic Partnership (ECSP) is currently developing the new Sustainable Community Strategy, for launch in April 2011.

The new Strategy will replace the existing Sustainable Community Strategy for 2008-2011. It will set out how services can be improved and delivered to increase the environmental, social and economic well-being of the district and will act as an overarching partnership plan for East Cambridgeshire.

In order for the new strategy to be a leading and influencing document for the area it is important that the document contain the key aspirations of all local partner organisations and the community.

To complete the questionnaire go to www.eastcambs.gov.uk, alternatively, if you would like a hard copy of the questionnaire please contact Melanie Wright on 01353 665555 or via email at lsp2@eastcambs.gov.uk.

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Breakfast with the Birds - 17 Apr - Location: The Farmland Museum & Denny Abbey - Cost: Adults £12 /Concessions £10 / Children £3 / Family £25 - Times: 5.30am: An opportunity to explore the surrounding farmland and wildlife of Denny Abbey with a walk and informal talk, Birds in Spring, led by Peter Holden. 5.30am Meet at Farmland Museum and Denny Abbey. :6.45am Breakfast back at Farmland Museum cafe. Advanced booking and payment essential, by April 14th. Contact: Laura Pearson at the Farmland Museum Telephone: 01223 860988 Website: www.dennyfarmlandmuseum.org.uk Email: admin@farmlandmuseum.org.uk

An Evening of Classical European and Russian Music - 17 Apr - Location: St Andrew's Church, Witchford - Cost: £10.00 each including wine and refreshments - Times: 7.30pm Doors open 7.00pm: In aid of the Children's Cancer Ward C2 Addenbrooke's Hospital and Church Extension Fund. Performed by Irina Tutt (Soprano) Accompanist Dr Stephen Ades. Tickets from Witchford Village Post Office or Purchase on the night at the Church.: Contact: Barbara Tutt and Pat Pickwood Telephone: 01353 664665 or 01353 661439

Relaxation Classes - 21 Apr - Location: St John's Scout Hak, St John's Road, Ely - Cost: First class free, then £6.50 per class - Times: 9.00am - 10.00am: Feeling Stressed? Anxious? Recurrent headaches? Or would you just like and hour of relaxation. Come along and try 'relaxation classes' and learn some simple relaxation techniques. The techniques taught are safe and easy to learn. No touch is required and individuals are completely in control of their own relaxation experience. Classes are held every Wednesday. Contact: Jackie Lamb Telephone: 01353 649860 Website: www.evthemonia.co.uk Email: jackie@evthemonia.co.uk

Ely Farmers Market - 24 Apr / 8 May / 22 May - Location: Ely Market Square - Cost: free - Times: 8.00am - 4.00pm On the 2nd and 4th Saturday of every month the Market extends to include the excellent Ely Farmer's Market. Up to 30 stalls of locally sourced fresh food produce. To ensure full selection try to arrive early, as bread is often sold out by 11 am. Contact: Tracey Harding Telephone: 01353 662062 Website: www.visitely.org.uk Email: tic@eastcambs.gov.uk

H.M.S. Pinafore Opera - 1 May - Location: Ely Cathedral - Cost: Tickets £18, £12, £8, Children £5 (£2 off for groups of 8 or more available) - Times: 7.00 pm - 9.30 pm



:A from Scratch performance of Gilbert & Sullivan's opera at Ely Cathedral as part of the Eel Day festival. Principal Soloist from English National Opera, D'Oyly Carte and London Operetta. Directed by Ian McMillan. Ely Sinfonia Artistic Director Steve Bingham The ticket price includes a free souvenir programme/score and a flag for the 'grand finale' . The audience are invited to come in Victorian costume as maidens, aunts, sailors or whatever takes your fancy! Contact: Ely Cathedral Box Office Telephone: 01353 660349

Ely's Eel Day - 1 May - Location: Ely Town Centre - Cost: Free event - Times: 10.30 am - 4.00 pm : Join us for lots of Eel Fun, part of the Ely Festival Weekend. Procession around the eel trail starts at 10.30 am from Cross Green (next to the Cathedral) followed by activities in Jubilee Gardens from 11am - 4pm including: National Eel Throwing Competition / Annual Town Crier Competition / Living History Encampment, Arena Events / Children' Activities and Storytelling / Folk Music and Real Ales Tent / Variety of Refreshments including Hog Roast / Side Stalls and more! Contact: Aileen Sharp Telephone: 01353 662062 Website: www.visitely.org.uk Email: tic@eastcambs.gov.uk

Eel Festival Willow Art Trail - 1 - 2 May - Location: Ely Waterside and Pocket Park - Cost: Free Event - Times: 12 noon - 4pm: Temporary Willow-art trail between Babylon Gallery on Ely Waterside and Pocket Park in Ely. Part of the Eel Festival celebrations. Contact: Aileen Sharp Telephone: 01353 662062 Website: www.visitely.org.uk Email: tic@eastcambs.gov.uk

Ely Bank Holiday Monday Market - 3 May & 31 May - Location: Market Place, Ely - Times: 9:00am - 3.30pm: Ely's Market Place comes alive on Bank Holiday Monday with a great assortment of stalls from all of our regular markets with some special attractions, children's rides, music and entertainment. Contact: Ely Tourist Information Centre Telephone: 01353 662062 Email: tic@eastcambs.gov.uk

The RAF in Concert 'A Time to Reflect' - 5 May - Location: Ely Cathedral - Cost: £15.00 & £10.00 - Times: 7.30pm - 9.30pm: an exhilarating evening of uplifting music which will entertain both young and old and evoke a true nostalgic spirit of times past. The programme of music Elgar's Enigma Variations has been chosen to reflect the magnificent and uplifting historic concert settings. Tickets, priced £15 and £10, can be purchased via the Air Tattoo website airtattoo.com, by calling freephone number 0800 107 1940 or via the cathedral box office. All performances start at 7.30pm. A Time To Reflect is staged in support of the Royal Air Force Charitable Trust raising valuable funds to support the RAF and its family of charities. With your support we can continue to make a difference. Contact: Sarah Turner Telephone: 01285 713300 ext 5380 Website: http://www.airtattoo.com/Concerts_and_Events Email: sarah.turner@rafcte.com



8th Elysian Beer Festival - 14-15 May - Location: Ely Football Club, Downham Road, Ely, Cambs - Cost: Free - Times: To be confirmed: Real beers and ciders. Organised by CAMRA. Free shuttle bus between the station, Market Street and the event. Contact: Event organiser Telephone: 07813 954897

French Market - 14-16 May - Location: Ely City Centre - Cost: Free - Times: 8.30am to 4pm: Stalls selling products from France. Contact: Tracey Harding Telephone: 01353 662062 Website: www.visitely.org.uk Email: tic@eastcambs.gov.uk

Ely Living History Day - 29 May - Location: Oliver Cromwell's House - Cost: Normal admission prices apply - Times: 12.00 noon - 4.00pm: An ideal opportunity to travel back in the past and explore the days of Oliver Cromwell and the Civil War. Come and meet the characters, enjoy your guided tours and find out unusual facts during our craft demonstrations! Contact: Aileen Sharp Telephone: 01353 662062 Website: www.visitely.org.uk Email: tic@eastcambs.gov.uk

Spring Plant Sale - 30 May - Location: Helmingham Hall, Stowmarket, Suffolk - Cost: £6.00 - Times: 10.30am to 4.00pm: An annual spring plant sale run by Suffolk Plant Heritage in partnership with Helmingham Hall Gardens which, this year has an iris theme, with 800 rare Cedric Morris Irises to give away to visitors. The event will be attended by many specialist nurseries, some of whom will be coming directly from exhibiting at Chelsea Flower Show. National collections of Dianthus, Campanula, Hosta and Astrantia will also be on display. Entry includes admission to Helmingham's Grade I listed gardens. Parking is free. Home made lunches and teas will be available. Contact: Anna Nightingale Telephone: 01379 783642 Website: www.helmingham.com Email: birdmansscs@btinternet.com

Soham Benevolent Association 57th Soham Carnival & Heavy Horse Show 2010 - 31 May - Location: Soham The Recreation Ground, Fountain Lane, Soham from 9.00am until 5.00pm - Cost: Adults £3.50, Concessions £2.50 & Children (16 & Under) 50p - Times: Please refer to website - Heavy Horse Show from 9.00am until 1.00pm. / Prizegiving & Grand Parade of Horse Show Winners from 12.00pm until 1.00pm. / The Carnival Parade of Decorated Vehicles will start at Townsend at 1.00pm And Enter the Recreation Ground at about 1.45pm for Judging & Prizegiving / Vintage & Classic Vehicle Show / (Including Cars, Motorbikes, Vans, Lorries & Tractors) / Two Appearances in the Main Arena at 3.30pm & 4.30pm / Performance by Soham Fenlander Majorette Troupe, Children's Entertainment, Fun Fair, Children's Sports Races, Static Birds of Prey Display, Live Music & DJ's Licensed Beer Tent, Food Stalls & Refreshments, Stalls from Local Tradesmen, Charities & Organisations, Punch & Judy Show, Bygones Display & Much, Much More Telephone: 01353 624493 Website: www.carnival.soham.org.uk Email: carnival.soham.org.uk

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On a Sunday we offer a Carvery from 12.30-4.30pm for £6.95 for children up to the age of 12yrs old £3.95.

We give you a choice of two meats every week and eight free vegetables freshly cooked with homemade stuffing Yorkshire Pudding and gravy. Vegetarians catered for just ask when booking.

We have a choice of three Real Ales and a guest every week and a good selection of beers, wines, spirits and soft drinks.

Every Wednesday we have Karaoke from 8pm-12 its a great night out come and have fun with us.

Tea and Cofee morning every Tuesday $% \left(1,0\right) =1$ from 12-2pm with homemade scones and cake.

Thursday night Whist Night 7.30pm come along and meet the villagers.

We are looking for someone who has a keyboard and can play it for a Saturday Night from 7pm-10pm if you are interested please contact Les and Eileen at the George. We are starting a new menu with homemade pies, soups, stew and many more. There is always a warm and friendly welcome at The George and Dragon. We hope to see you soon Les and Eileen

Snailwell Village News

St Peters Church News and Rota



	Reader/Sidesman	Flowers/Cleaning	
April 11th	Muriel	Muriel / Maureen	
April 18th	Maureen	Muriel / Maureen	
April 25th	Michael	Hannah & Jean	
May 2nd	Charles	Hannah & Jean	
May 9th	Gaynor	Gaynor & Sue	
May 13th	7.30pm	Ascension Day	
May 16th	Muriel	Gaynor & Sue	
May 23rd	Maureen	Muriel / Maureen	
May 30th	Group Servicel	@ Chippenham	
June 6th	Michael	Hannah / Jean	

If dates for Rota don't suit please swap.

We have several weddings this year, Congratulations to all the couples.

St Peter's welcomes you, your families and friends. May your day be very special.

Saturday 17th April

- 15th May - 5th June - 3rd July - 17th July - 31st August

Fundraising events for 2010

Saturday 17th July - PICNIC IN THE PADDOCK to the 'Galaxy Big Band' Tickets in advance only £10 (£12 on day)

Children half price

Tickets may be reserved on payment and collected at the gate

Gates open 6pm For tickets and further information please contact me.

Saturday 14th August BARN DANCE AND
BARBEQUE to 'Eel
Pie'
Further information

next time

Maureen: 577456

Snailwell Parish Council Officials
Gaynor Ryan (Chair) - 1 Manor Farm Barns, 577703
Joe Pattison (Vice-Chair) - 22 The Green, 577077
Virginia Richmond - 7 The Green, 578296
Sue Donnelly - Raffles, 8 Newmarket Road, 665105
St.John Collier - River Cottage, 29 The Street, 578441
Melanie Hood - The Flint Barn, 39 The Street, 578366
Shamous Flack - The Old Cattleyard, 27 The Street,

Acting Clerk (maternity cover) - Juliette Chappell - Email: snailwellparishcouncil@hotmail.com (Helen Sanders - 52 Weston Way, Newmarket, 660726)

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Coach House Riding School recognised with Clubmark award



Coach House Riding School, the well-known and reputable Chippenham based riding school, has been awarded Clubmark accreditation that officially recognises its reputation in top-level instruction to its younger members.

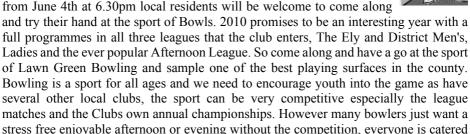
This 'kitemark' is currently only held by eight riding schools throughout the UK and Coach House Riding School is leading the way for the Association of British Riding Schools (ABRS)* as the very first ABRS-only approved riding establishment in the East region.

> To find out more about the stables please log on to our website www.coachhouseriding.co.uk or email linda@coachhouseriding.co.uk

Linda Porter-Cohen - Coach House Riding School - Tel: 01638 720415

Chippenham Bowls Club - 2010 Season

The new season will soon be under way and once again on Friday nights from June 4th at 6.30pm local residents will be welcome to come along



for.

So if you live locally please come along and give it a try, you will be made most welcome./ Please keep an eye on future newsletter and local press.

Require further information then please contact us Jim Devenport (Chairman) on 07969 292911 or Richard Athey (Secretary) on 663184