

Chippenham & Snailwell News

April - May 2011

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It's spring at last! Our verges are bursting with daffodils, the cricket season is in sight and there is a busy season ahead in our village communities.

As 2012 tickets go on sale, Chippenham plans it's own 'Royal Wedding' Olympics on 29th April and opportunity to come together in a great village Picnic. see page 2



Cantate Jubilate, Easter Choral Music
St Margarets Chippenham
April 9th 7.30pm
Director - Robert Cross

Chippenham Park Gardens, Daffodils and Easter Egg Hunts.

The Gardens will be open to the public on Sundays 27th March and 3rd April from 11am-5pm. Adults £5, children £3 entry to the Easter Egg Hunt or otherwise free.

Children need only to find 3 different-coloured cut-out bunny rabbits, blue, yellow and red, in order to claim their Chocolate Easter Egg.

There will also be 3 very well hidden 'Golden Bunnies', which if found, will claim a very special prize.

The daffodils which are already appearing now should be looking fantastic and many of the early-flowering trees, shrubs and plants will be out. Teas, coffee, bbq and soups will be available both days.



Next Newsletter deadline May 7th 2011

To celebrate this year's Royal Wedding we are organising the first

Chippenham Olympics



After the wedding on Friday 29th April

Four different teams from the village will be competing to be the Chippenham Olympic Champions. We have events for all ages. These include running races, cycling, football, tennis, bowls, tug of war, darts plus much more. The event will be open to residents of Chippenham and their relatives.

Each team will represent part of the village and they will be grouped as follows:

Red team = High Street West (including Palace Lane and Chippenham Park)

White team = Scotland End

Blue team = High Street East (including Parkside)

Green team = New Street, Tharp Way & Badlingham

Just by completing an event you win a point for your team. So if you can, please join in and encourage your family and relatives to do so as well. To enter an event or get a full list of events contact your team Captain. You can find their details below. If you can't take part come along and cheer your team on!

The main arena for most of the events will be the play area behind the allotments. We are encouraging people to bring picnics up to the main arena to help create a fun and exciting atmosphere. Events in the main arena will take place between 2.30pm and 5.30pm. Hope to see you there!

Red Team Captain: Lucy Martin 2 High St. Tel:720643 email: lem28@cam.ac.uk

White Team Captain: Jon VDP 20 Scotland End Tel:721783 email:jon.vandepeer@struttandparker.com

Blue Team Captain: James Hurst 47 High St. Tel: 721235 email: james.hurst@winkhaus.co.uk

Green Team Captain: Tom McGrath 11 New Street Tel: 724888 email: mcgrath_karensa@yahoo.com

St Peter's Church, Snailwell Fund Raising Events for Your Diary– 2011.

June 4th - Pos. Barn Dance & Barbecue to the group 'Eel Pie' venue Old Barn Church Lane.

June – Summer Fete with a difference, venue George & Dragon Garden. New ideas and challenges.

July 16th – Picnic to the 'Galaxy Big Band' Tickets to be bought in advance only £10. There will be a Grand Raffle. – Venue: Orchard Paddock corner of The Street and Church Lane.

For further information contact Maureen 577456.

This little church couldn't be kept open and functioning if it wasn't for these events. This old building steeped in History is very much a Village church and has survived for hundreds of years loved by the village. We have to raise £13,000 per year just to stay open and pay the bills. Costs for on going Restoration and planned improvements are not included in that total.

Lives are changing and not everyone is a church goer, but the building is there, and open for anyone to go and sit quietly away from the hassle and bustle of the day. Try it some day you may find it helps.

Getting In the News.....

Have you got an interesting event or activity to promote? Then we'd like to hear from you and especially from young people - so let the editor know if you have ideas for 'Chippenham Chat' about your village at newsletter@chippenhamcams.info

If you have a special story, something of interest or particular local relevance you can submit editorial for consideration, but please keep your article around 250 words or less.

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Fiona Maxwell 01638 720677 fiona.maxwell@yahoo.com

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The Parish Churches of

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

I have recently been asked what Easter means to me, both as a Christian and as a Priest – I hope what follows may answer! It is hard trying to sum up all that it entails but here goes!

I once described Easter, in a sermon, as that glorious moment when the fizz of the tonic hits the gin in the bottom of the glass and the aroma of lime and juniper hits you – made all the more special from a period of abstinence during the long weeks of Lent.

Easter is the climax of the year – where all our expectations and needs, all our prayers (said and silent) are answered in abundance by God, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter morning. For me Easter is about life and love, it is about generosity beyond our wildest dreams, it is about life in the face of death and darkness – it is about us never being separated from the love of God whether we know it or not.

For me this is the reality of all that I see in the ordinariness of people's lives and in the life of the parish where I minister. It is part of being human to seek God, it is part of our make-up to be spiritual; all of us see and experience awe at the enormity of the universe, we are overwhelmed with its mystery and beauty – we all let the tears fall at new life and at the end of life. Jesus lived and died and lives again to continually pour his love into our world, and yet such unfailing and un-judging love can be such a hard thing to accept. And for me as a vicar telling people about God's love is what I do, as I continually seek to understand it for myself as well. This is deep and tough on occasions, and an enormous privilege and honour on others.

This Easter message of life and love, of a glass that not's only half full but full to overflowing, also translates itself for me into a crazy service schedule, sermons to write and an enormous amount of work and preparation. There are also the unwell and housebound to visit, those with a new and young faith to encourage, those who are trying to encourage their children and families to uphold. This all happens alongside a parish for whom any of the 6000 inhabitants can ring at any time of day and night and you respond – all the while trying to teach and witness to God's love.

Chippenham & Snailwell

Sometimes nerves get frayed! Sometimes the frustrations overwhelm and my family suffer. Sometimes I seek some 'me' time in the practice of yoga or at the Grand Arcade, sometimes some light relief is necessary – and I don't think that's ungodly either! For me there is joy in my shoe collection, there is fun and laughter in my home and around my dinner table, there is God's gracious abundance in my wine rack! For me faith and Easter are about unbounded joy – deep happiness that God loves ME – little old me, with all my peculiarities and doubts. And that God loves each of us the same – deeply and wholly, enough to give us all life forever.

Do raise a glass and have a very Happy Easter

Kate



Church Diary **April - May 2011**

Sun 3rd April MOTHERING SUNDAY (P)

Colossians 3: 12 – 17 Luke 2: 33 - 35

Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am. Family Service Chippenham 11 am

Sun 10th Lent 5 (P)

Romans 8: 6 – 11 John 11: 1 - 45

Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11 am

Sun 17th PALM SUNDAY (R)

Philippians 2: 5 – 11 Matthew 27: 11 - 54

Family Service Snailwell 9.30 am

Procession Village Hall 10.45 am Chippenham

Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11 am

April - May 2011 (cont)

MAUNDY THURSDAY (W)

GROUP EUCHARIST AND FOOT WASHING at SNAILWELL

7.30 pm

1 Corinthians 11: 23 – 26 John 13: 1 – 17, 31 – 35

22nd GOOD FRIDAY

GROUP SERVICE at FORDHAM 2 – 3.30

Children at Victoria Hall

Sun 24th EASTER DAY (W)

Acts 10: 34 – 43 John 20: 1 – 18

The Lord is Risen 5.15 am Chippenham

Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am

Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11 am

Sun 1st May Easter 2 (W)

Acts 2: 14a, 22 – 32 John 20: 19 – end

Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am

Family Service Chippenham 11 am

Sun 8th Easter 3 (W)

Acts 2: 14a, 36 – 41 Luke 24: 13 – 35

Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am

Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11 am

Sun 15th Easter 4 (W)

Acts 2: 42 – end John 10: 1 – 10

Family Service Snailwell 9 am

Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11 am

Sun 22nd Easter 5 (W)

Zechariah 4: 1 – 10 Revelation 21: 1 – 14

Evensong Snailwell 4 pm

Evensong Chippenham 6.30 pm

Sun 29th May Easter 6 (W)

Acts 17: 22 – 31 John 14: 15 – 21

Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am

Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11 am

Chippenham Church Rota						
	Sidesmen	Reader	Wine	Flowers	Cleaning	Coffee
April 3rd	Jennifer Mothering Sunday	Young Person Sunday	Terry & Isabel	LENT No Flowers	Fiona & Lucy	Michelle
April 10th	Jan	Terry	John Bridges	LENT No Flowers	Julie	Fiona
April 17th	Tony & Eileen Palm Sunday	Eileen	Jan & James	LENT No Flowers	James & Paul	Lucy
April 24th	James EASTER	Jan	Paul & Isobel	All Help EASTER	Eileen & Mary	Helen
May 1st	Jennifer	Young Person	Jennifer	Judi	Fiona & Lucy	Michelle
May 8th	John Bridges	James	Kevin & Linda	Judi	Julie	Fiona
May 15th	Jan	Helen	Peter & Fiona	Jennifer	James & Paul	Lucy
May 22nd	Tony & Eileen E'Song 6.30 No Morn Service	Terry	Terry & Isabel	Jennifer	Eileen & Mary	Helen
May 29th	James	Eileen	John Bridges	Wendy	Fiona & Lucy	Michelle
June 5th	Jennifer	Jan	Jan & James	Wendy	Julie	Fiona

For both Churches if dates do not suit please swap

St Peter's, Snailwell Church Rota		
	Reader/Sidesman	Flowers/Cleaning
April 3rd	Muriel Mothering Sunday <small>*Vestry meeting following the service for the election of churchwardens</small>	Hannah - Jean
April 10th	Maureen	Gaynor - Sue
April 17th	Charles Palm Sunday	Gaynor - Sue
April 21st	Maunday Thursday 7.30 pm	
April 24th	Gaynor Easter Day 9.30	Muriel - Maureen
May 1st	Michael	Muriel - Maureen
May 8th	Muriel	Hannah - Jean
May 15th	Maureen	Hannah - Jean
May 22nd	Charles 6pm	Gaynor - Sue
May 29th	Gaynor	Gaynor - Sue

PLEASE NOTE Easter Day 24th April is the 4th Sunday but NOT Evensong
Should dates not suit please swap.
Easter Flowers - arrangers and anyone wishing to help Saturday 23rd 10am onward.

CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Your Councillors:

James Broad (Chair) – 8 Badlingham, 720973

Jennifer Wilson (Vice Chair) – 5 Manor Farm Barns, 720649

Fiona Maxwell – 49 High Street, 720677

Lucinda Wright – Badlingham Manor, 720043

Nick Parsons – 18 Scotland End, 721791

Linda Porter-Cohen – Coach House Stables, 720415

Hugo Nicolle – Hare Hall, 721619

Clerk: Sally Hughes – 44b High Street, Chippenham, 720915

Email: chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk

Play Areas Update

Based on the response from the recent survey, the PC has voted to take forward the plan to develop the Over 12's play area. A working party has been formed to come up with a design which is interesting and fun for the children but which addresses the concerns of other residents. This will hopefully be ready for presentation at the next PC meeting.

Grant funding has provided a new climbing frame for the Under 12's play area and also additional seating for the Over 12's play area.

General

Grant funding has also been used to buy new theatrical staging equipment for the village hall. Funding has also paid for the re-painting of the village hall doors, and some general maintenance outside the hall.

Meeting dates

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on 11th April at 7.30pm.

**The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on
11th May at 7pm. – ALL WELCOME**

**The Annual Parish Meeting is where the Parish, District
and County Councillors report back to the community
on what has been happening in the past year.**

It is an opportunity for residents to ask questions and raise concerns or issues that are important to them.

Chippenham Fen - DOG FOULING

The Parish Council has received a letter from Natural England to say that they have received complaints about dog fouling at the entrance to Chippenham Fen (Fordham Road entrance). They are asking that all owners clear up after their pets.

CAN BANK - VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

Based on costs the new contractors have decided to stop providing this service, probably at the end of May, there is also a problem with the specialist vehicles. Please see signs on the banks and on the council website.

**Until further notice, please use the roadside recycling
facility for tins and cans.**

A Thank You!

On 12 March 17 people took part in a Village Clean-Up, In 3 hours, they collected about 880 kilos of rubbish, including 10 tyres and 61 bags of rubbish. Many thanks to Richard Ward for organising this, and to all who took part for their work.

PLANNING NOTICES

1. 11/00120/FUL - Land adjacent to the Vicarage
Construction of 1No. Dwelling with new access driveway
2. 11/00121/FUL - The Vicarage
Demolition of existing garage and utility room and construction of new garage, disabled WC, lobby study and extended kitchen
3. Ref: 10/01046/LBC Location: Badlingham Manor
Applicant: AG Wright & Sons Farms Ltd
Proposal: Extension to create new dining room

SNAILWELL PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

SNAILWELL PARISH COUNCILLORS:

Joe Pattison (Chair) - 22 The Green, 577077

Sue Donnelly - Raffles, 8 Newmarket Road 665105

Virginia Richmond - 7 The Green 578296

Melanie Hood - The Flint Barn, 39 The Street 578366

Nathan Snow - 10 The Street

Clerk: Mrs Juliette Chappell, 6 Petingo Close, Newmarket, Suffolk, CB8 7RU, 661460.

Email: snailwellparishcouncil@hotmail.com

PARKING IN SNAILWELL

When parking in the village of Snailwell, could residents and visitors please park considerately and ensure that their vehicles are not left in a position where they could cause an accident.

Could visitors to the church please ensure that they do not park adjacent to any other parked car in Church Lane, as this road is too narrow to allow for emergency vehicles when overcrowded.

Thank you for your consideration.

Bank Holiday Waste & Recycling Collection

Changes for East Cambridgeshire

Full details of collection dates can be found on the Chippenham Village Website



All waste and recycling should be ready for collection by 7am
For further information www.eastcambs.gov.uk or
customerservices@eastcambs.gov.uk Tel. 01353 665555

CHIPPENHAM AND SNAILWELL PARISH COUNCIL ELECTION

On 5th May 2011 a new Parish Council will be elected.

These elections are carried out every four years.

The current Parish Councils will cease on May 4th and any Chippenham or Snailwell resident (subject to some restrictions) can put their name forward for election. If there are seven or fewer nominations for each council, then the election will be uncontested (all those nominated will be elected) but if there are more than seven nominations then a formal election will take place on May 5th.

The Role of the Parish Councils to be the first tier of local government and represent the views of their local community. Because the Parish Council are closer to the community they have the greatest potential for identifying, understanding and addressing the needs of the community.

The Role of a Parish Councillor

Main purpose - To represent the views of all residents within your parish.

Secondary purpose

- As part of a local council you will have responsibility for running local services which may include: open spaces, play areas, village halls, community car schemes and potentially much more.
- Deciding on how much to raise through the council tax in order to deliver your council's services.
- Influencing and shaping the long term development policy for the parish, and as part of the planning process, comment on planning applications in the parish.
- Improve the quality of life and the environment in their local area.
- Working to identify issues which are important to the lives of the residents you represent.
- Working to bring about improvements through local projects, lobbying other service providers and working in partnership with other parishes and agencies.

Council meetings normally last a maximum of a couple of hours and occur approximately once every six weeks.

If you are interested in putting your name forward, please contact James Broad on 720973 for further details for Chippenham or Juliette Chappell on 661460 for further details for Snailwell

**PLEASE NOTE THE DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS IS
NOON 4TH APRIL 2011.**

NOTICE BOARD

My name is Mia Clark, I am 13 years old, and I live in Chippenham. I have experience, as I regularly babysit for people I know. I would love to look after your children.

If you are interested, or want more information please call me on 07827 332088 or 01638 720851



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I am 15 and available for baby-sitting duties. I love children and would be happy to entertain yours should you want to go out. Please call to arrange



Tel: NKT 721934 /
07943 322 883 /
07778 796 505



Mobile Library

The mobile library will now be calling once a month, on the first Thursday of each month, times as follows:

Snailwell - Roman Way -
10.00 - 10.20am

Chippenham - Village Hall -
11.05 - 11.35am

Free to Join Service
Video/DVD rental - £2.50 for
2 weeks

Enquires Call
- 0845 045 5225

TEXTILE BANK

There is now a textile recycling bank in the village hall car park. Using this bank will help raise funds for Barnardo's children's charity.

You can donate: clothes,
bed linen, towels, curtains,
shoes.

NOTICE BOARD

*BOOK SWOP has sent £50 to
Arthur Rank Hospice - A big thank
you to all our supporters for
making this possible!*

THE VILLAGE BOOK SWOP

First Wednesday of each month
2.30 - 3.30pm Chippenham
Village Hall.

Enjoy a cup of tea and browse
through a range of second hand
books. Bring your unwanted books
along – funds raised go to Charity
Paperbacks 25p

Hardbacks 40p, Refreshments 50p

**Contact Betty Evans, Eileen
Smalley or Helen Banyard
721616**

BABY SITTING BY FRANCESCA

Are you looking for an experienced
and responsible babysitter who
loves children, I would be more
than happy to care and entertain
them. I am
currently 17 years old, living in
Chippenham.

Please contact: Home: 01638
721772 Mobile: 07948 291391
email: fgfollis@hotmail.com

ALSO Currently studying for my A
levels in the sciences, politics &
maths. I would also be pleased to
assist with any tutoring children
should they need it.

Village Hall Activities

PILATES:

Monday: -

6pm-7pm & 7pm- 8pm
Contact Ros 01353 720094

Tuesday: 6.30 to 7.30 pm
Contact Tessa McGregor on
07711 221472

Thursday: 2pm - 3 pm
Contact Ros as above

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE:

3rd Wed of month - 7.00pm
onwards - Contact Ginette
Hawes 01638 781127

CHIPMUNKS:

Mother and
Toddler Group:
Thursday - 10.00am to
11.00am - over 2 years.
Tel: Ruth 07775911033 and
Lucy 07768874081

CARPET BOWLS:

Thursday 7.30 to 10.00 pm
Contact : Hazel Martin 01638
717000

SCOTTISH DANCING

Wednesdays at 7.30pm
It will a small fee to cover
Hall costs will depends on
numbers



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News from your local riding school; The Coach House

You may remember previous articles about my race pony "Gemini" and Jack Quinlan. Gemini has been a hunt horse for the Essex hunt for the past 3 seasons, he loves it and goes from strength to strength, as does Jack, who was born in Chippenham. In his first season as an amateur jockey he has ridden 11 winners under rules, and 5 point-to-pointing. His sister Megan rides my young horse Nelson, and will start going to shows and events this season.

It's been a tough winter with the cold weather making keeping a good supply of water to the horses almost impossible and clients being unable to get here. But spring's arrival brings a new head person; Vanessa comes from Nottingham and brings with her a horse, Legend, and a dog called Perry. She has a wealth of experience teaching and running riding schools, so we welcome her joining the team.

The horses and ponies have wintered well. We had a recent scare with Big Bella (the shire) who suddenly became very ill. The vet only gave a 50-50 chance of survival, but she is made of tough stuff and after only one treatment, pulled round, and is back to her old self. Our newest addition called "Butterfly" is a very cheeky small pony, settling in well and thinking she would like to rule the roost!

The "Pits" where Fred used to keep his animals many years ago, are having a long overdue face lift. Now rented for the riding school we plan to make the area a credit to the village. Kevin has already made a marvellous start on this task - we have even renamed it "Chippenham Hollow" to help the new image!

You can now follow us on "Facebook" Coach House Riding School - "Twitter" CoachHouseRide and "YouTube" CoachHouseRiding, and we will be launching a new look website this summer, so watch this space!

Cantate Jubilate

Director - Robert Cross

Easter Choral Music

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St Margaret's Church Chippenham

April 9th 7.30pm

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enjoy a good evening**

**April 23rd St George's Day we are offering
Sausage and mash and onions with a pint £5.50**

**Friday 29th April we are celebrating Prince William
and Kate's wedding come along and have a great day**

**From April we will be starting our bands in the garden
-boards will be on display outside the Pub**

**Starting from Tuesday 18th January at 7.30pm we
are starting Knitting and crochet classes its free,**

**There always a Friendly and Warm Welcome
see you there**

Les and Eileen Legate



Chippenham Women's Institute

We meet the third Wednesday of each Month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. It is only £2.50 per meeting for non- members who will be made most welcome.

Three Rivers Mothers Union



The 'Celebration of Marriage' in February was a great success; St Peter's Church in Snailwell was the perfect setting for the displays and floral arrangements and we were delighted to see so many visitors. Kate Peacock conducted a short service, following which our visitors were able to enjoy a piece of wedding cake and some liquid refreshment. Thank you to all who supported this event.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Weds 6 April - LENT LUNCH 12.00-1.30pm Chippenham Village Hall

Friday, 15 April - Meeting 7.30 pm Chippenham Village Hall. Speak tbc.

Monday, 9 May - MU Spring Council Meeting and AGM - St. Peters,

Thursday, 12 May - Meeting 7.30pm - Victoria Hall, Fordham.

Speaker - Suzanne Watts - A.F.I.A.

Tuesday, 17 May - Deanery Coffee Morning - 10 am - 12 Noon -

Chippenham Village Hall

Thursday, 9 June - coach visit to Cresswell Temple, Nr. Braintree.

A Medieval Manor of the Knights Templar -

"a rich heritage is reflected in a host of unique buildings and beautiful gardens." Visitor Centre, tea room and gift shop. The cost will be £12 per person, inclusive of entrance fee.

On a more sombre note, we were saddened by the sudden death of our member Sylvia Gillett on 2 January. Sylvia had been a loyal supporter of the MU for many years. She will be much missed.

Visitors and/or new members are most welcome at all our meetings/events. For further information of any of the above please contact either Helen (721616) or Jenny (720820).

100 Club, join today!

January winners: 1st Anna-Marie Grant £20

2nd Tony Page £10

3rd Paul Mangell £5

February winners: 1st Colin Macdonald £20

2nd Hazel Martin £10

3rd Ruth McCormack £5

bonus winners of £30 each: Sandra Ward, Alan Blazey

The 100 Club is drawn monthly when three winners are chosen at random from all 150 numbers. Still 30 numbers available and chances to win. It is £12 per year and you keep the same number throughout. Three prizes drawn each month (£20, £10, £5) In February, June and October two bonus prizes of £30 are also drawn., All profits raised towards the Village Hall. For more details contact Mike Banyard 721616

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COACH HOUSE RIDING SCHOOL

Easter activities



Tuesday April 12th 2pm – 4.30pm. Jumping course. Open to riders who have already started jumping in their lessons. Cost £40.00

Wednesday April 13th 10am – 12.30pm. Beginners course open to novices and beginners. Cost £30.00.

Friday April 15th 10.30am-3.30pm. Fun day. Open to any riders. Cost £45.00.

Tuesday April 19th Stable helpers' day. 10am – 3.30pm Open to anyone who wishes to come to help at the stables, and anyone who has gained the entry level Helpers Certificate who wishes to go on to the next level. To include the start of either log book towards the certificates. Cost £35.00.

Friday April 22nd. 10.30am – 3.30pm Pony care and Easter Egg hunt. 'Own' your own pony for a day, learn how to prepare him for a 'show' and have fun and games in the afternoon including an Easter Egg Hunt! Open to any riders. Cost £45.00.

Places are limited, so please book soon to avoid disappointment.

If booking by post please mark envelopes clearly "Courses"

No bookings will be accepted without full payment. Cheques payable to "Coach House Services Ltd" www.coachhouseriding.co.uk

Lanwades Park – Home of the Animal Health Trust

The Animal Health Trust (AHT) is an independent veterinary charity located in Kentford, just outside Newmarket. Anyone who has ever owned a horse, dog or cat is likely to have benefited from the work of the AHT. Many treatments and procedures used every day by veterinary surgeons have been pioneered by its teams of scientists and vets..

Interested in volunteering? The AHT is always looking for volunteers to help both in its Visitors Centre and around the gardens.

For more information on the opening or volunteering, call Sophia Waters on 01638 555 620 or email sophia.waters@aht.org.uk or visit the new website at www.lanwadespark.co.uk

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SPECIAL OFFER

To celebrate our opening, we are offering a **free cup of tea or coffee** at the Stable Yard Coffee Shop when you present this advert! *

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Find out more at www.lanwadespark.co.uk

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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 pack.



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The Landlord Says...

Do you still 'tape' television programmes? In our house, we still say we've 'taped' something, and just the other day Jacob asked if I'd 'taped' Top Gear, even though he probably doesn't even remember what a tape is!

So, in the modern vernacular then, please forgive me this month for sounding like a corrupt MP3 file as I return to an old favourite topic of mine on this page: speeding.

From my lofty position in the top floor Tharp Office, overlooking the village pump, I have the opportunity to gaze out of the window and see far too many numpties racing through our village. Not to mention the number of times I see a near-miss as some people use the pump as a roundabout, while others follow the road markings properly.

Shortly after the New Year I couldn't help but laugh as I watched an elderly gentleman battle it out for right of way with a younger driver, with the older man circumnavigating the pump believing that this was correct, while the other driver turned right and followed his lane in the proper manner.

The young driver was actually in the right, but had taken the junction at such a speed he was almost on two wheels. Last week, as I collected Malachy and Jacob from the school bus, one driver got so frustrated with being delayed for five seconds that he pulled out, wheels spinning, and overtook five vehicles with no regard for oncoming traffic, or the children standing at the side of the road.

Recently several of us helped control the traffic after an accident late at night while we waited for the police to arrive, and yet the volume of traffic that wouldn't slow down despite our waving arms was astounding.

I know we have the SpeedWatch and I have the utmost respect for our volunteers prepared to stand there in the cold to monitor the pace of traffic through the village. But it really is time for more attention to be paid to the speed and true man in which traffic uses our village, before somebody gets hurt.

On to lighter news, however, and I hope that you're looking forward to the Chippenham Olympics being held to commemorate the Royal Wedding on April 29th. There are plenty of events happening at the pub and around the village from 1pm, with everything culminating in the main arena. And when it's all over we've got a barbecue and more fun at the pub from 6pm.

I do hope you'll get involved in your respective teams and take part. It'll be an enjoyable day and a chance for us all to get together and celebrate.

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Bowls Club.

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Chippenham Cricket 2011

Adult (13 years & upwards) Club Practice Nights start on Tuesday March 22nd at Soham Sports Centre (8.30pm). Then at the cricket ground every Monday from 11th April (excluding Bank Holidays). These sessions will run from 6.30pm to 8pm. All players are welcome (including beginners). Contact Alan Wright 720948 for more details.

Junior coaching (under 13 years) will take place on a Monday between 4.45pm and 6.15pm. This will start on Monday May 9th and continue throughout the summer term (excluding Bank Holidays). These sessions are both fun and instructive and run by our experienced level 3 coach. We will also be running a Cricket Camp during the Easter holidays for the juniors. This will take place at the cricket ground on 18th and 19th April. If you have a son or daughter who is interested in coming along to any of the above please contact Darren Hughes 720915.



New Cricket Season will start on Sunday April 17th with a home game against Stansfield. Our Saturday League games begin on May 7th with a home game against Ashdon and our first Midweek Evening League game is May 4th away at Worlington. If you are interested in playing this year please contact Alan Wright 720948 to find out more.

Kwik Cricket Nights will take place on a Friday this year, starting on 6th May. They will start at 6pm and run every Friday until July 15th. All are welcome. If you haven't played before, Kwik cricket is a fun game that the whole family (5+ years) can take part in. It's a great way to start the weekend!

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Chippenham Tennis Club AGM

Friday 6th May 2011 at the Village Hall 7:30pm

Complimentary Cheese & Wine served after meeting. Please come & join us, sign up at the AGM and receive a discount on this year's membership



Spring tournament
Saturday 14th May 2pm
BBQ starts at 1pm

We are looking for new players to join our men's and mixed doubles teams if you think you may be interested please come along to the

AGM and find out more or call Jon Vandeeper on 01638 721783

Chippenham Cricket Club

We have signed up for the NatWest Cricketforce day and on Sunday April 10th we will be doing lots of work to at the ground to get it ready for the new season.

We will be painting, cleaning, filling holes, clearing rubbish, making benches and much much more.

We have a free tee-shirt courtesy of NatWest plus a free breakfast roll courtesy of La Hogue for the first 30 people who turn

up. We also will have other refreshments available throughout the day. Hope to see you there.



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