Chippenham Newsletter

April-May 2014

Diary Dates

April 8th/9th First Cricket Camp

13th Palm Sunday procession 10.45

24th Mums+ Fordham Gdn centre

May 6th PC AGM 9th Kwik Cricket starts

11th Oil Co-op order date

16th Tennis Club AGM

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It feels like spring has sprung in Chippenham as the village celebrates Easter. The daffodils are out, the youth park is open, cricket is back; with coaching, kwik cricket and the visit of ex-England cricketer Mathew Hoggard!

April 6th: St Margarets Choir, a small group will sing the Easter work Stainers Crucifixion, it will replace evensong at 6.30pm and is a short choral piece with some hymns - do come along and support



Chippenham Park Bank Holiday Monday 21 April 2014 10am to 5pm Easter Egg Hunt & Open Garden

A wonderful, exciting day for children to roam the gardens hunting for hidden bunnies to claim their Easter Egg. Three hard-to-discover gold bunnies win special prizes.

Gardens: a sea of spring bulbs, hellebores and blossoms. Entry Adults £5, children free entry to gardens, Easter Egg Hunt Entry £2. Tearooms open all day for tea/coffee, cakes, soups and our own free range hot dogs.

Нарру Easter!



SPECIAL NOTICE

Individuals using the Youth Park are expected to do so safely, with regard for others and the animals nearby. In the interests of safety please do not bring sharp objects, alcohol or dogs into the area, and please do not litter.

Chippenham Youth Park Committee

Three Rivers Social Car Scheme -

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Volunteer door to door lifts for people who lack transport serices, **NEEDS** another team member to man the phone from time to time.

If you are interested and would like to know more please phone **Muriel**, **01638 666722**



Chippenham Youth Park

I'm delighted to write that the proposed bike track was installed at the end February after a flurry of activity to submit grant applications, find a suitable contractor, and agree tight timescales. The track was designed to meet our budget and needs, and has something to offer both younger and older children alike. I hope that some of you have already had a chance to make use of it!

There are further initiatives ongoing to compliment the existing Bike Track, Basketball Court and Mini-Football Pitch that have been installed, and the Committee would be delighted to receive feedback or comments from any interested party in the village about the facility. If you would like to get involved or feel you have something to offer, then please get in contact.

Please note that the Youth Park is primarily designed to meet the requirements of the over 12's, as the under 12's have their own Play Area. However, this does not mean that U12's are restricted from using the Park, although supervision is recommended.

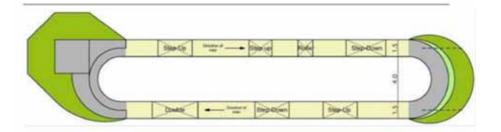
We kindly acknowledge the grant we have received from the AmeyCespa Community Fund (part of the Landfill Communities Fund), which has contributed towards the cost of the bike track. Additionally, we gratefully acknowledge the financial contribution made by Chippenham Parish Council.

Richard Kerr

Chippenham Youth Park [ChYP] Committee



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The Parish Churches of

From the Three Rivers Rector, the Rev'd Mike Banyard 01638 721616 banyardmg1@yahoo.co.uk

Well, just under three weeks to go till Easter is here, and as I write this we seem only to have started Lent.

I wonder how much time you devote to preparing yourself for the great festival of Easter?

In the Christian calendar, Jesus has his final meal on Maundy Thursday, the Last Supper, with his disciples, and after that he goes out to pray with his close band of a few disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane. Judas goes off to betray Jesus to the authorities for thirty pieces of silver. What follows is a night time arrest of Jesus, and then several "trials" during the night and early morning when he is passed from the religious authorities of the day in Jerusalem, to the secular ruler King Herod, to the Roman Governor, Pontius Pilate, and then back again, till he ends up with Pilate. None of them wants to take responsibility for Jesus' fate, but all compromise, and Jesus ends up at the point of crucifixion between two thieves, on the hill of Calvary. A terrible and terrifying apparent end to three years ministry, a time full of teaching and healing, of preparing his followers for what was to come. I wonder if Jesus himself pondered that it might all end in this way?

And then. On Easter morning the women go to the tomb to complete the burial customs and discover no body. Jesus had risen from the dead. Amazing. A complete change for all. No one, it seems, recognised Jesus immediately, but then when he spoke their name, when he ate meals with them, when he appeared to be walking with them on a journey, they came to recognise him. It changed their lives.

It changes ours too. How many of us have been to that dark place of Good Friday, in despair, thinking that we are at the end, and that there can be nothing more? And then. Always, and then. Transformation, resurrection, new lives, new challenges, and God's Holy Spirit with us to guide and strengthen us.

Have a great Easter. Join us to celebrate this greatest gift of all.

God bless. Mike

Chippenham & Snailwell

Easter Week Services

Monday 14th April Compline & Address Snailwell 7.30

Wednesday 16th April Tenebrae Chippenham 7.30

Thurs 17th April MAUNDY THURSDAY Group Eucharist & Foot Washing Isleham 7.30

Friday 18th April GOOD FRIDAY
Group service @ Fordham 2 - 3pm

Sun 20th April EASTER SUNDAY (W)

Acts 10: 34-43 Christ is Risen Holy Communion Sung Eucharist John 20: 1-18
Chippenham 5.15am
Snailwell 9.30 am
Chippenham 11.00 am

Chippenham Church Rota								
	Sidesmen	Reader	Wine	Flowers	Cleaning	Coffee	Prayers	Locking
April 6th	Staine	rs Cruci	fixion 6	.30pm	James & Paul			Tony
April 13th	James	Jan	Jan & James	lent no flowers	Fiona & Lucy	Eileen	Terry	Terry
April 20th	Tony & Eileen	Fiona	Tony	Easter all help Easter flowers	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Terry	James	Terry
April 27th	Jan Evensong	Isabel	Paul & Isobel	Easter flowers	Lomas Girls	Lucy	Paul	Kevin
May 4th	Oscar	Fen	Terry & Isabel	Nicola	James & Paul	Helen	Helen	Kevin
May 11th	Jennifer	Amanda	Nick& Wendy	Nicola	Fiona & Lucy	Fiona	Terry	Peter
May 18th	James	Terry	Peter & Fiona	Wendy	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Eileen	James	Peter
May 25th	Tony & Eileen Evensong	Jan	John Bridges	Wendy	Lomas Girls	Terry	Paul	Tony
June 1st	Felix	Lucy	Jennifer	Jean	James & Paul	Helen	Helen	Tony
June 8th	Jan	Fiona	Jan & James	Jean	Fiona & Lucy	Lucy	Terry	Terry
June 15th	Jennifer	Isabel	Tony	Helen	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Fiona	James	Terry

If dates do not suit please swap



Sun 6th April Lent 5 (P) John 11: 1-45 Romans 8: 6-11 Snailwell 9.30 am Holy Communion Sun 13th April PALM SUNDAY (R) Philippians 2: 5-11 Matthew 26:14 - end of 27 Snailwell 9.30 am Holy Communion Procession: Village Hall 10.45 & Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11.00 am For Easter week services see previous page Sun 27th April Easter 2 (W) Acts 2: 14a, 22-32 John 20: 19 - end Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am Evensona Chippenham 6.30 pm Sun 4th May Easter 3 (W) Acts 2: 14a, 36-41 Luke 24: 13-35 Snailwell 9.30 am Holy Communion Family Service Chippenham 11.00 am Sun11th May Easter 4 (W) John 10: 1-10 Acts 2: 42 - end Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11.00 am Sun 18th May Easter 5 (W) Acts 7: 55 - end John 14: 1-14 Family Service Snailwell 9.30 am Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11.00 am Sun 25th May Easter 6 (W) Acts 17: 22-31 John 14: 15-21 Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am Chippenham 6.30 pm Evensona

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Thursday 29th May ASCENSION DAYGroup Eucharist @ Snailwell 7.30 pm

Sun 1st June Sunday after Ascension Day (W)

Acts 1: 6-14 John 17: 1-11
Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30 am
Sung Eucharist Chippenham 11.00 am

MESSY Church has reached the Three Rivers Group!

We are in our sixth month and growing fast. Messy church began at an Anglican church near Porstmouth in 2004 and has since spread around the world across all Christian denominations.

It's an all age church with fun and celebration of Jesus. Songs, prayer and stories followed by a sit-down meal.

We meet the second Sunday of the month at Fordham Church: Sundays 13th April and Sunday 11th May from 3.30-5.30 (its our only Church with a loo!) A dedicated team provide a relaxed welcome, with drinks and biscuits while activities take place; Bible themed crafts, games and activities.

Children MUST be accompanied by an adult and whole families now attend including grandparents and other family members.

Three Rivers Group www.threerivers.org.



MUMS + Plus

Monthly Coffee morning for fun, conversation and sharing questions of life, faith, parenthood.

on 9.15am on Thursdaya 24th April and Thursday 29th May both meetings at Fordham Garden Centre.

Contacts Helen Banyard 721616, Laura Cox-Watson 724839 All welcome

CHIPPENHAM AND SNAILWELL OIL BUYING CO-OP

Deadline for ordering midnight TUESDAY 6th May 2014

If you would like some oil in May, please send me your order by card or e-mail by the deadline above.

The next order deadline will be in August

If you are not yet a member, live in either Chippenham or Snailwell, and would like to join please let me have your:

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Please send your orders to : <u>James.hurst@winkhaus.</u> <u>co.uk</u> or a card to 47 High Street, Chippenham

Chippenham Tennis Club AGM May I 6th

Chippenham Village Hall.
All welcome, come and find out about the club, new members always welcome





Thank you to everyone who supported the Challenge evening and well done to all the teams and helpers – we couldn't do it without you! There were 9 teams in total including one US team and 2 from Fordham. The results were;; First, The "Fordham Hammers" who won the rose bowl, The US team "The Sharks" came second and in third place the "Defending Champions" well done to all of them!

This year a cheese and wine was included; it would be good to have feed back on this if any of you would be kind enough to tell either of us when you see us, drop an email or phone. It's always good to know how you all feel about changes. Linda & Kevin phone 720415

A total of £200 was raised to help the Village Hall funds.

Village Hall Activities

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 - 0-4years Tel: Ruth 07775911033 and Lucy 07768874081

CARPET BOWLS:

Thursday 7.30 to 10.00 pm Contact : Hazel Martin 01638 717000

NOTICE BOARD

We'd like to hear from you..!

Email the editor at: <u>newsletter@chippenham-</u> cambs.info

To discuss the latest advertising offers in the C & S Newsletter & linking to the village website contact: Fiona Maxwell 01638 720677_fiona.maxwell@yahoo.

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Did you know that all the re-cycling materials in the village hall car park generate money for the village hall?

Please try to use this facility

My name is Mia Clark, I am 15 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 7557819869 or 01638 720851



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.



NOTICE BOARD

Babysitting and Petsitting

Emily Barrow, High Street, Chippenham

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Chippenham Village Hall All standards welcome.

For more info please contact Stephanie Bean 07793815720 or email stephanie@lovepilates.co.uk.



Mobile Library

Snailwell - Roman Way : 10.40am - 11am Chippenham, High Street : 11.15am -11.45am

The mobile library calls on the first Thursday of the Month

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

Enquires Call - 0845 045 5225



Free Children's Centre activities for under 5's

Stay and Play Mondays

9.30-11.30am Bottisham Children's Centre

Rhyme Time Mondays

2.00-3.00pm Soham Children's Centre

Little Movers 0-1yrs Wednesdays

12.30-2.00pm Bottisham Children's Centre

Stay and Play Thursdays

9.30-11.30am Burwell Sports Centre

9.30-11.30am Isleham Community Centre

Multi-Sports Fridays 10.30-11.30am Burwell Sports Centre

Burwell Football Saturdays

10.00-11.00am Burwell Sports Centre

Sun Dads 3rd Sunday of month

10.30-12.30pm Burwell Sports Centre

Contact us to find out what else we have to offer! We are here to support you and your family with any issue. If you would like some support, you can contact us confidentially.

Please call Soham on 01353 727188 or Bottisham on 01223 507152. To see our full timetable please visit

www.cambridgeshirechildrenscentres.org.uk



News from COACH HOUSE RIDING SCHOOL

Following our announcement in the last newsletter about closing the Riding School, there have been several rumours floating about which we should like to clarify.

We are closing so I can retire from the Riding School which I have been running for 28 years; I have several hobbies which I would like to pursue, but never have the time. We are not leaving the village, this is our home and we are not selling or going anywhere. We haven't decided on how we may utilize our equestrian property, but we are keeping several of our horses, and will retain and maintain the fields for the foreseeable future, and provided everyone who walks dogs along the permitted pathways round our fields picks up the dog pooh we will keep the paths open.

Bambi is keeping very well and had recently been to Bramley Court in Cambridge cheering up the residents! Her diary is getting booked for the summer months, and soon it will be time for her spring hair cut!

Nothing has changed much at the stables except we are now closed on a Tuesday; we are doing a few courses over the Easter break. Kevin is about to harrow and fertilize the fields so we may get some grass for the horses to eat! We have to erect a bigger boundary fence as the horses keep spooking at the basket ball court and bike track when they are in the arena. Some of the horses are for sale so I am looking for good permanent homes for them, so watch this space.....

Linda and Kevin. www.coachhouseriding.co.uk

Arthur Pussy Cat.

If anyone is feeding a small slightly nervous striped tabby cat they think could be homeless – he does have a perfectly good home where he is loved and fed! He was seen crossing the High Street from the Church recently so will be using his nine lives up very quickly, if anyone is feeding him could let me know where he is going? 720415

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.



Crime prevention alert:

There has been an attempted house entry in Chippenham through an un-locked door. With better weather and light evenings be mindful of doors and windows left open or unlocked. Likewise gardening equipment and tools should be post-code marked and kept safely in locked sheds.



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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

Hugo Nicolle – Chippenham Park 720221.

Clerk: Sally Hughes - 44b High Street,

Chippenham, 720915

Email: chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com

NOTE: The Parish Council sometimes has information on other general initiatives to do with health, arts, district council news etc.

New items are often posted to the village website more frequently than the magazine, including the latest on the AII Fiveways to Thetford improvement roadworks — do please take a look.

DOG FOULING

THE RECENT SPATE OF DOG FOULING IN NEW STREET HAS BEEN REPORTED TO THE DISTRICT COUNCIL. THE DOG WARDEN WILL BE PATROLLING THE AREA. FIXED PENAL-

TIES NOTICES WILL BE ISSUED TO DOG OWNERS WHO DO NOT CLEAR UP AFTER THEIR PETS.

IF YOU WITNESS ANY INCIDENCES OF FOULING PLEASE CALL MARK MEHAFFEY AT EAST CAMBS DISTRICT COUNCIL ON 01353 665555 WHO WILL TAKE MATTERS FURTHER



PLEASE CLEAR UP AFTER YOUR DOG

THE OPEN AND ANNUAL MEETINGS WILL BE HELD ON

TUESDAY 6TH MAY 2014 AT 7PM

AT THE VILLAGE HALL

ALL WELCOME

This will be followed by the Ordinary Meeting of Chippenham Parish Council

PI ANNING

Proposal: change of use together with alterations and additions to form holiday let and overnight accommodation for guests, in association with existing wedding venue.

Location: The Potting Shed, Chippenham Park

Reference: I4/00200/LBC

Permissive Paths around paddocks

In order to maintain the land adequately for its purpose and for walkers to enjoy sharing our permissive paths, there will be a two or three occasions each year that the paths with be closed for land management and spraying.

This will only be for a day or two at a time. Regrettably this is weather dependent so notice may not be possible. If you see the permissive paths roped off and closure signs, please do keep off them (including children and dogs).

We respectfully request that you abide by the notices for your own safety and so we can get the work completed expediently. Thank you. Kevin Pallant



Distribution Centre opening times

The remit of Ely Foodbank is to serve people within a 15 mile radius of the centre of Ely – this includes a number of neighbouring settlements, where travelling into Ely is not a viable option for many people. We operate a distribution centre Soham working with local people in these towns and villages to meet the needs of these places. **Soham:** Thursdays from 10am–11am at the local Salvation Army Hall. **Ely:** Tuesdays from 1pm–2.30pm at The Lighthouse Centre and Fridays from 1pm–2.30pm at The Forum.

Did you know...

Our largest category for clients using our Foodbank currently is 'Low Income' – many of our clients in this category have jobs, with some on benefits too, but most are finding it increasingly tough to meet their monthly expenditure.

Food items in short supply...

We typically have certain food items which are in shorter supply than others at any one time. Currently, we would be very grateful for any additional support to stock the following: Tinned Tomatoes, Meat, Fruit Juice, Mash and Fruit.

Ely Foodbank, run in partnership with local churches, facilitated by Churches Together and seeded by the Trussell Trust. Registered Charity no 1150746. Contact info@elyfoodbank.org.uk



Three Rivers



Mothers Union

The Crafts & Coffee morning this year was hosted by Gaynor Ryan and was very enjoyable and successful. Gaynor gave a demonstration of soda bread making, and she made it look very easy. Some were enthused to go home and try it for themselves!

In February a group of members and friends visited Newmarket Hat Hire in Fordham and what an interesting time we had. Susan Taylor was most welcoming and introduced us to an amazing display of designer hats - large hats, small hats beautiful colours and some quite exotic creations - many exclusive to her collection. Then coffee and time to browse the hats! Thank you very much for giving us your time and hospitality.

Future Events

Mothers Union Wave of Prayer - Details to be advised.

Saturday 5 April- Diocesan Day and AGM at All Saints Church, Milton

Wednesday 9 April - 12.00 Noon - 1.30 pm Lent Lunch. Village Hall, Chippenham

Wednesday 30 April - 10 a.m. - 12 Noon. Speaker - Isabel Cross , the charity' LEPRA'. Chippenham Village Hall. Lunch at La Hogue to follow.

Tuesday 20 May - 10 a.m. - Noon Deanery Coffee Morning at Lode Chapel

Thursday 22 May - Visit by coach to Sandringham. Cost approximately £15 per person. Coach will leave Isleham at 10 a.m., Fordham at 10.15 a.m. and Chippenham at 10.25 a.m. If you are interested in joining the trip please contact Jenny Bowen.

Visitors and/or new members are welcome to our meetings/ events. For further information on any of the above contact either Helen Banyard (01638 721616), Gaynor Ryan (01638 577703), Jenny Bowen (01638 720820) or Eileen Page (01638 720125).



Extra "Garden Waste Only" Bins Now Available

YOUR NEW SERVICE SO FAR

Now the roll out has finished we are beginning to see the benefits of the introduction of wheeled bins across the district. The good news is our Recycling Rate between October and December was 54%. In 2012 before the new introduction of the new service it was 32.5%.

If we maintain this level we will be 4% higher than the target required under the EU Waste Framework Directive for 2020 and have risen from 286 in the English Local Authority performance hierarchy to 34.

THANK YOU

With your continued help and support we can improve on this.

Don't forget every tonne of recyclables helps towards the overall cost of the service.

Please remember to put waste materials loose in the bins. We do not want plastic bags or black bags in the bins.





Customer Helpline: 01353 665555
Email: customerservices@eastcambs.gov.uk
Website: www.eastcambs.gov.uk

The Tharp Arms

On 20 February the sale of The Tharp Arms was completed, and the building became the property of a new company, In Spe Spero Ltd. The company's name is taken from the Tharp family motto, and is thought to mean "In hope we trust". Latin scholars may wish to amend or comment on this!

The company was formed out of a concern that, Greene King having put The Tharp Arms on the market, no buyer had appeared, and therefore the pub might be closed. The members of the company are Keith and Yvonne Lomas, Jane Sawyer (Keith's sister), Paul and Isobel Mangell, Jim and Yvette Smith, and James and Jan Broad. This move followed on from valuable work by a steering group, chaired by James Hurst and ably assisted by Cathie Brown and Mark Connelly, which assessed the village's thoughts and hopes for the pub.

The Tharp Arms has been owned by Greene King since 1949, when it was sold to them by Chippenham Park Estate. At that time - and it seems by accident - the bus shelter was also sold to Greene King. But Mr Bacon had apparently intended the bus shelter and its enclosed war memorial to be for the village. In Spe Spero Ltd will therefore be transferring ownership of the bus shelter to the village as soon as this can be arranged.

Terry Casey has been the landlord of The Tharp since last July, and we are delighted that he has agreed to continue. So, whilst In Spe Spero Ltd owns the building, the business of The Tharp is owned and managed by Terry.

We understand that The Tharp first opened for business in 1704 or thereabouts. We wish Terry every success as he carries on this 300+ year old work, and we really encourage villagers and those from further afield to support the pub, which we feel is so vital to our community.

Chippenham 100 Club, join today!

Winners for January 2014:

1st	Winifred Page	£20
2nd	Tina Levin	£10
3rd	Andrew Killington	£5

Winners for February 2014:

1st	Penny Waites	£20
2nd	Nick Parsons	£10
3rd Bonus	Daphne Langley	£5

Vanessa North £30 Sue Devonport £30

It costs £12 per year to join the club and you keep the same number throughout. Prizes are drawn monthly when three winners are chosen at random from all the participating numbers. The monthly prizes are £20, £10 and £5 and in addition two bonus prizes of £30 each are drawn in February, June and October. All profits raised go towards the Village Hall. There are still some spare numbers available.

so for more details contact Chris Mason on 720427.

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Friday Evening Fun -

Kwik cricket is a great fun game for all the family and for all ages. The rules are very simple and you will quickly see how enjoyable it is. Teams are organised on the night, so you don't have to commit to every week. We start at 6pm but don't worry if you can't get there until later; we will still try and get you in a team (although the first people there will be the first people playing). We normally finish around 7.30pm. Start date for 2014 is Friday

ish around 7.30pm. Start date for 2014 is Friday 9th May.

So remember Friday nights in the summer are Kwik Cricket Night

Coaching Matthew Hoggard joins Chippenham coaching staff! Date: 3rd May 2014

The club is pleased to announce that Ex-England Cricketer Matthew Hoggard will be visiting Chippenham on Saturday May 31st and will be doing some coaching with adult and junior members.

Hoggard was part of the England team who regained the Ashes in dramatic circumstances in 2005 and represented England 93 times in all forms of the game. He took 248 test wickets and in 2006 was ranked the fourth best bowler in the world. A Yorshireman, he spent many years playing for his home county before moving to Leicestershire in 2010. He retired from cricket this summer.

He is also one of a select few players who have taken a hat-trick in test matches, it came against the West Indians.

The club want to give as many club members as possible the chance to meet Matthew and will be announcing more about the plans for his visit over the coming weeks.

Club Nets

Sunday morning nets now starts at 10.30am

Due to much sun (yes that's right!) behind the bowlers arm we have put the start time of Sunday morning nets back to 10.30am



Chippenham Cricket Club

The new season is not far away now – and much work has been done over the winter months in preparation!

There is plenty of cricket for all ages and abilities, and the whether you like to play league cricket every weekend, or a friendly match when you're free, the

club will do its utmost to find a suitable game. For adults we'll be fielding two Saturday League teams, a midweek evening League team, and friendly games during the week. The Sunday team is a village friendly side playing throughout the season home and away. For Juniors there is a full coaching and playing programme – for more details read on below.

Junior Cricket -

Getting youngsters interested in playing cricket is very important to us. We run weekly indoor coaching during the winter and spring and then at the ground in the summer. We also host junior cricket camps during the school holidays. We are very proud that four of our youngsters have represented the county.

Junior coaching (under 14 years) takes place on a Monday night. The sessions runs throughout the school summer term (excluding Bank Holidays) starting on April 28th th and finishing on July 14th. They are both fun and instructive and run by our very experienced ECB level 3 coach, Martin Eeles.

Martin will also be running his holiday cricket camps again in 2014. Each camp is over two days and there are sessions for two age groups. One for age 8 and over between 10am to 1pm (cost £35) and the other for beginners between 1.30pm and 2.30pm (cost £10). They will take place on the following dates;

Easter Cricket Camp: 8th & 9th April First summer camp: 29th and 30th July Second summer camp: 19th and 20th August

If you have a son or daughter who is interested in coming along to any of the above please contact Nicki Rutter on 07909 970790 or by email nicki.rutter@btopen-world.com

Cricket club info continues inside back page...