Chippenham Newsletter

August/September 2016



August's

THARP ARMS BEER & MUSIC FESTIVAL 2016

• Saturday, 13 August with the annual Open-Mic Music Extravaganza, BBQ and local brews on tap!

September's

Chippenham Produce & Craft Show 2016

• Sunday, 11 September at the Village Hall with new 'Chippenham Challenges'! See back page for more details

Other fun dates:

7 Aug: Group Celebration of Holiday Club! 11 Sept: Autumn Mini Tennis Tournament & BBQ!

9 Oct: Autumn Open Gardens at Chippenham Park! 29 Oct: Womens Institute's Craft Fair!

Next newsletter submissions deadline: 6 September 2016

Diary Dates

August

- 4 Ch'ham Tennis Club's Thursday Club Nights, 6pm (cont. through September)
- 7 Three Rivers group celebration of Holiday Club at Chippenham, 10.30am
- 8 Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7pm
- 9 MU anniversary celebration meeting, Fordham Vicarage,3pm
- 12 Mums +Plus Meet-Up, The Chicken Shed, Fordham, 10am
- 13 Tharp Arms Beer and Music Festival, 12pm
- 17 Oil Co-Op deadline
- 25 Open Mic Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 26 MU Coffee Morning, Simpsons Nursery, Fordham, 10.30am
- -- NO Messy Church
- 29 Bank Holiday Monday

September

- 6 'Newsletter' submissions deadline by midnight
- 11 Ch'ham Produce and Craft Show, Village Hall
- 11 Ch'ham Tennis Club's Autumn Mini Tournament & BBQ, 1pm
- 11 Three Rivers Messy Church, Fordham Church, 3.30-5.30pm
- 12 Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7pm
- 16 Mums +Plus Meet-Up, La Hogue Café, 9.15am
- 19 MU Annual General Meeting, Ch'ham Village Hall, 2.30-4.30pm
- 22 Open Mic Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm

Fordham Carboot Sales return!

14 & 28 August, 11 & 25 September and 9 October (this year's last one) from 7am to 1pm! Check www.fordhamcarbootsales.co.uk for more details.

Other local events

Freckenham:

- TWO Film Events: Room on 5 August, $The\ Jungle\ Book$ on 25 August
- TWO Film Events: *Florence Foster Jenkins* on 2 September, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* (with disco to follow) on 24 September
- 17 September: African music with the Anna Mudeka Band (pre-book!)
- 24 September: Village Farmers Market, 10am-12pm

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<u>Chippenham Village Hall 100 Club</u> Join Today!

Prizes are drawn monthly, when three winners are chosen at random from all the participating numbers. First prize is £40, second prize is £20, third prize is £10, and additionally there are two bonus prizes of £60 each drawn three times a year. The cost of membership is £24 a year and all profits help maintain the Village Hall.

There are still spare numbers available! For more details please contact Chris Mason, 01638 720427.

Winners for May 2016:

1st Jim Smith: £40 2nd Michael Starling: £20 3rd Andy Richardson: £10

Winners for June 2016:

1st Eileen Page: £40 2nd Elaine Brown: £20 3rd Jim Devonport: £10

Bonus Winners:

Michael Starling: £60 Andrew Berry: £60

High Hopes for St Margaret's Church in 2016

A number of complaints have been made to the Parish Council, the Church, and Parochial Church Council about the poor state of the grass in the churchyard.

We thought it would be helpful to issue a joint statement from Mike Banyard, on behalf of the Church, and Nick Parsons, on behalf of the Parish Council, on future arrangements for grass cutting. Whilst we are very keen to keep our churchyard looking beautiful, we also have to consider affordability. Church funding is tight and, consequently, the Parish Council has made a significant contribution to the annual cost of grass cutting over a number of years. Currently, the cutting schedule is being reviewed and consideration is being given to increase the number of cuts, especially during the high growth months.

The Parish Council will continue supporting the Church on this matter by making an annual contribution, but the actual decision on the grass cutting schedule and contract resides with the Church. The Church will continue to maintain the Churchyard with Parish Council support, but may in the future also have to ask for village volunteers to help keep it looking neat and tidy.

If you are interested in volunteering or if you have any comments, please contact Mike directly: 01638 721616, banyardmg1@yahoo.co.uk.

Many thanks Mike Banyard and Nick Parsons

Tables Available for Womens Institute Craft Fair

The Chippenham Womens Institute is hosting their third craft fair, this year on 29 October from 10am-4pm. An assortment of stalls is sought after for this wonderful event, and a few to have booked include crafts such as felt pictures and cards. Many tables are available to fill and are £10 per table; anyone interested selling their wares on a table, please contact Liz Gidlow, 01638724914 or lizgidlow@me.com.

Also good to know: the Chippenham Women's Institute meet every third Wednesday of each month at the Village Hall.

SUMMER IN THE GARDEN WITH SALLIE

Hi, I'm Sallie! I run a small horticultural business supplying farm shops & florists in East Anglia, and I am lucky to be based at your great local farm shop, La Hogue. This is mainly a general feature, but if there is any topic you would like covered please just let me know: sallie@riverbanknursery.com.

- Keep all your pots and baskets going with regular feeding and watering. They should then give you colour through late September if we do not get frosts.
 - Keep planting salads as you can then keep them cropping till very late in the season.
 - Trim back any perennials and shrubs that have finished flowering. Give a good feed around the base of the plant and, if the weather stays nice, you should get a repeat flower.
 - Take a good look at your borders and see if there are some plants you are not happy with that perhaps appear to be in the wrong place or have not performed too well. Take a photo or make a note of them, and then you can either move them in the autumn or spring next year.

 This way you can improve the look of your garden.
 - Also, keep a record of any summer plants or varieties of veg that you particularly like. Doing so now makes it easier next year when you are choosing what to have.
 - It's also a lovely time of year to visit Open Gardens in your area to get ideas.

 And don't forget to select what you are entering for the

 Chippenham Produce and Craft show.
 - Just enjoy your garden, keep dead-heading and watering!

Parish Council Monthly Meeting

The Parish Council meets on the second Monday of the month at 7pm in the Village Hall. All meetings are open to the public: Monday, 8 August • Monday, 12 September

CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Your Councillors

Nick Parsons (Chair) - 18 Scotland End, 721791

Fiona Maxwell (Vice Chair) - 49 High Street, 720677

Paul Fishpool - 3 Scotland End, 07850 369883

Wendy Parsons - 18 Scotland End, 721791

Nick Bennett - 14 Tharp Way, 721335

Nick Wright - Badlingham Manor, 07831 883881

Len Byatt - Fiennes House, Chippenham Park, 07760 993063

Clerk: Sally Hughes - 44b High Street, 720915

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CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING 16 May 2016, Monday, Chippenham Village Hall, 7.30pm

Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Palmer and Cllr Huffer. In attendance: All New Parish Councillors, Councillor Schumann.

Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman

Nick Parsons was proposed as Chairman by Nick Wright and seconded by Fiona Maxwell. Mr Parsons agreed to stand as Chairman, but explained that because of time demands of his job he is only able to offer a limited amount of time to this role. Fiona Maxwell was proposed as Vice Chair by Wendy Parsons and seconded by Nick Wright.

Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last meeting were signed as a true record by Mr Parsons.

Matters arising from the minutes

No matters arising.

Accounts and Audit including Governance Statement

The Governance Statement had previously been circulated to all councillors and it was voted by resolution at this meeting that it is approved by all councilors. The accounts having previously been circulated by email were reviewed by all councillors. The accounts were signed off for 2015/2016. The Clerk will draft a report of the core costs of the council in order to give councillors a better understanding of the income and expenditure of the council.

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Report from the Chairman - delivered by Councillor Nick Parsons

Chippenham Parish Council has met 10 times since our last annual meeting in May 2015, as well as several planning meetings. One Extraordinary Meeting was held to discuss the refurbishment of 8 Palace Lane. Following the resignation of Councillor Pallant, Councillor Len Byatt was elected to the Council in February. A number of matters have been dealt with during the course of the year; the following activities should be highlighted:

<u>Council processes</u> - Several improvements have been introduced over the course of the year to assist with the running of council business. The council moved to monthly meetings on the second week of every month, and the duration of meetings is limited in normal circumstances to a maximum of two hours. Councillors are currently in the process of reviewing and improving the council's policies and procedures.

<u>Palace Lane Properties</u> - Refurbishment of number 8 Palace was completed on time and on budget, and the property let to a new tenant. We are delighted that the property has been leased to a young family with local connections to the village. The PC is now benefitting from an increased rental income in relation to this property. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Councillor Bennett for overseeing the project management and also to our Clerk, Mrs Hughes, for providing support and assistance during the refurbishment. Without their hard work and commitment, the project would not have progressed so successfully.

<u>Play Areas</u> - In the autumn, outdoor fitness equipment was installed in the playing field, supported by grant funding, and is now available for the whole village to enjoy. Again, I will like to express my sincere thanks, and this time, to Richard Kerr and Helen Starkey of Chippenham Youth Play Park Committee for all their hard work and dedication in overseeing this important project for the village. Various repair and maintenance activities were carried out in the Under 12s Play Area, and plans are in place to replace some of the wooden posts and repair the zip wire. Both play areas continue to be enjoyed by many in the village.

<u>Village Hall</u> - The Council has continued to support the Village Hall Committee concerning maintenance of the village hall by securing a grant to pay for a new boiler, committee room carpet, kitchen shutters and redecoration.

<u>Planning</u> - A number of planning proposals were considered by the council including Chippenham Lodge Stud, St Margaret's Church, Rosewood Stud, and Wildtracks. The Council has also been in liaison with ECDC regarding the enforcement of planning conditions for Rosewood Stud.

<u>Website and Newsletter</u> - The enhanced village website was launched with a new "look and feel." It now includes a dedicated section on the PC: agendas, minutes, and contact details for all Parish Councillors. Thanks are due to Andrew Munro for his continuing support managing and developing the village website, as they are to the village newsletter Editor, Lauren Hohorst.

Sponsorship - The Council supported the annual fireworks event.

<u>Issues</u> - A number of issues were dealt with, mainly by the Clerk:

- Allotment track Village Phone Box and potential site for a village defibrillator
- Village maintenance Improvement of council processes Street light project

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Financial Summary

- Expenditure: The council's finances started the year at £35,982 and ended on £15,095. Whilst this may seem like an alarming drop in reserves, the majority of this fall can be attributed to one project: the refurbishment of 8 Palace Lane. Following the sad death of a long term tenant, the council needed to carry out significant remedial work to the fabric of the building and garden in order to bring the property up to a standard to increase rental income. The property was empty from September to February whilst the building work was completed, which impacted rental income.
 - Other Expenditure:
- 1) Grass Cutting The cost of grass cutting in the village rose from around £900 to £1,412 because of the long mild autumn. The council also contributed £1,200 towards the cost of the grass cutting in the churchyard.
- 2) Allotment track The council paid for the staggered gates at the allotment path, this cost was \pounds 529.
- 3) Donations were made for the following: £600 for Fireworks and £520 for the Tennis Clubhouse.
- 4) Income The council received a grant of £10k for new fitness equipment for the Over 12's play area. The council also received a grant of £4,713 from ECDC towards improvements for the village hall. Some of the cost for this work was paid in 2015/16, although the grant itself was not received until April 2016, which means that it will be included in the 2016/17 accounts. The council received a donation of £300 from Waitrose towards the play park fund. A VAT reclaim of £4,896 was submitted in March 2016 and received in April 2016, so again this will show in the 2016/17 accounts. Given the fall in reserves, the Council will need to adopt a prudent approach to our finances over the next few years, until the reserves have improved.

It has been a busy and productive year for the council with the successful completion of two major projects. I would like to pass on my appreciation and thanks to all councillors and our clerk for their hard work during the year. I would also like to thank the Vice Chairman, Mrs Maxwell, who has stood in to be Chairman our meetings on a number of occasions when I have been unavailable. Nick Parsons

Village Hall Committee Report - delivered by Councillor Wendy Parsons Attendance by WP to both Village Hall Committee Meetings.

Tasks completed

- Risk Assessment now in place Terms & Conditions of Hall Hire updated
- Work to Cherry Trees carried out and hedges trimmed Boiler Serviced
- 100 Club subs collected Men's toilet seat replaced Cigarette box replaced
- Fire extinguisher tested Window locks and furniture mended
- \bullet 50% deposit now taken when hall hired, Terms & Conditions accepted and signed
- New boxing for outside tap New flooring in chair store
- Notice board and all relevant licenses and certificates updated
- Hall redecorated: funded by Community Levy Fund (from Chippenham Lodge build, this was donated to VHC by the Parish Council

The Parish Council secured an East Cambs District Council Grant (thanks to Sally for completing all the paperwork). The grant amount was £4,713.25, added to the mandatory contribution from the VHC of £831.75, which gave a total of £5,545. This grant was used for the following: replacement boiler, replacement automated shutters in kitchen, and new carpet in committee room.

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Following the aforementioned works, further tasks have/or are about to be completed:

- Kick plates on main hall doors
- Acrylic splash panel under hand heater in men's toilet and on shelf under sink in disabled toilet
- Walls, tiles, cable boxing and painting in kitchen to be made following installation of shutters
- Picture frames to be repainted. Village Clubs and Societies to be asked to sponsor village photos to replace old pictures.

Following an incident in January (not long after hall was redecorated), the freshly painted walls and ceiling were damaged. This meant the VHC had to pay for a partial re-paint. Following this incident, a licensed replacement lock was fitted, meaning there are now limited keys (which cannot be copied) and anyone who borrows a key will have to agree to pay a replacement fee of £25 if the key is mislaid. The current funds are £3,780. This is the time of year when the balance is at its highest as the 100 Club Subscriptions have just been collected

Police Report

The council requested the presence of a representative from the local police. This request was declined due to manpower issues. In its place, the council requested a written report. No report was forthcoming.

District Council Update – from Councillor Schumann

The new Local Plan process is underway at the point where the council are selecting potential development sites and redefining village envelopes in order to meet the new housing quota as laid down by central government. Work is progressing on the new leisure village in Ely which will house a cinema and restaurants. Work is progressing, too, on the new leisure centre. The council achieved a balanced budget this year and has been awarded with extra funding which will be shared among the smaller villages in the district. Chippenham will receive a share of this funding. The council is now offering some of their services on a commercial basis, such as grass cutting and play inspection.

County Council Update - by email from Councillor James Palmer

The last 12 months have seen more frustrations at the County Council. Whilst I am delighted that ClIr Schunmann and I have been able to secure funding for the expansion of Fordham Primary School, the slow progress of work on the Ely Bypass has been frustrating. I have continued to lobby with some success for the instatement of a roundabout on the A142 at Soham close to the East Fen Drove turning, and I expect to see that come to fruition at last within the next 12 months.

As always at Shire Hall, one has to be patient and it does feel at times as if those who live outside the City/South Cambs area are feeding on scraps. However, I will continue to be a strong voice for my division and work towards making sure we get the infrastructure this area needs. Whilst lobbying continually for Soham Railway Station, I am also making sure that increased frequency of trains at Kennett is also on the radar both at County & at Network Rail.

I am proud that there are school places for all in the Soham and Fordham Villages area and, as you would expect, talks are ongoing with regard to making sure that there are ample places in the future, too. Whilst many primary schools are becoming academies, the responsibility for providing places still lies with the County Council.

Back to the Ely Bypass: a recent meeting at Westminster confirmed the government's financial support for the scheme which is now out for tender with completion expected at the end of 2017.

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Finance continues to be an issue for the County with the situation of no overall control, meaning that no-one has taken command and re-structured the Council. This means the organisation plods along much to the detriment of those it supports. Perhaps devolution will provide a solution to the County Council's problems. The next twelve months are likely to see changes in the structure of local government, there is much that can be achieved but it will depend on the vision of those involved.

Additional Report from Cllr Schumann

Cllr Schumann reported that both he and Cllr Palmer are in favour of devolution and feel that it would benefit our region, especially for those villages and towns where county borders meet.

Public Participation

There were no members of the public present

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting
16 May 2016, Monday, Chippenham Village Hall, 7.30pm

District Council Report

Cllr Schumann has asked Julie Barrow to do a presentation to the council regarding planning and enforcement. Julie will be in touch to arrange a suitable date.

County Council Report

Cllr Schumann had spoken with Balfour Beatty regarding the missing light at the junction of New Street. He has asked for light spread reports to ascertain whether there is adequate lighting at the junction.

Planning

The council has received an application from the Environment Agency for a small wind turbine at the pumping station in La Hogue Road. This application will be formally considered at the next council meeting. The planning comes with a small community fund, which the council decided would be put towards the defibrillator project should the permissions be granted.

Matters Arising

A. Play Areas – U12 - The council discussed the ongoing costs of replacing rotting wooden beams and uprights at the U12's play area. When this equipment was purchased, it came with a 12-year-wood guarantee, however the supplier has since gone into administration and therefore this guarantee is no longer valid. The council is able to apply for a grant, but this funding can only be used for replacement of equipment, not repair. The council considered whether they should apply for a big grant to replace all the equipment or whether to pursue the smaller grant and just replace those pieces most affected. The council decided to go with the second option as the first option would take several months in planning and administration before a decision is granted. One of the wooden uprights on the zip wire is showing signs of rot. FLP has quoted to replace this upright, however the quote is in excess of £500. The rot has been inspected by Cllr Bennett and there is no immediate danger. The regular weekly inspections will keep an eye on the damage whilst the council pursues the grant funding mentioned above. The council agreed to go ahead with the currently placed order to replace the rotten cross beams on the trail.

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<u>B. Play Areas – Phase 3</u> - The blackthorn bushes have been cut back and the extra track surfacing removed. S Procter will spray the perimeter of the basketball court to help keep back weeds and grass from the edge of the surface.

C. Phone Box/BHF - Mrs Starkey has taken over this project and made good progress in establishing what needs to be done to deliver this amenity. After speaking to BT and the Listed Building contact at ECDC, it has come to light that putting the defibrillator in the phone box may not be the best option. The council would need to take on the maintenance and insurance of the box, and also may need to run an additional power. The council voted for the equipment to be located in the bus shelter. This location is central to the village and has a power supply. Mrs Starkey has established that additional funding will be needed for the housing cabinet for the equipment. The council will donate funding from the wind turbine project (aforementioned) to support this, assuming that the turbine project goes ahead.

D. Emergency Plan - WP and Mrs Starkey are going to write to residents to ask who would be willing to be listed in the Emergency Plan or act as First Responders for this project.

E. Allotment Footpath - The Clerk has spoken to Carter Jonas today, but they do not have any update on the progress for reinstating the track.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Proposal: Replace fence with rendered wall

Location: 15 Tharp Way, Reference: 16/00628/FUL

Proposal: To vary condition 2 (time period) of decision dated 30 Sep 15

for application number 14/01069/VAR

Location: Chippenham Hall, Chippenham Park

Reference: 16/00699/VAR

Proposal: Installation of French doors and sidelights to

ground floor side elevation

Location: 1 Scotland End Reference: 16/00812/FUL

Proposal: Erection of 15m to hub, 21.6m to tip single wind turbine Location: Pumping station Norwich Road, A11(t) - n/bound, Chippenham

Reference: 16/00808/FUL

Proposal: Single storey side extension and front porch

Location: 16 Tharp Way Reference: 16/00731/FUL

Please note: There is now a direct link to the East Cambs Planning

Portal on our website at:

http://chippenhamcambs.info/planning-applications/. This link can be

used to access past and present planning applications.

THE THARP ARMS

Opening Hours

Monday: 5pm - 10pm
Tuesday through Thursday: 4pm - 10pm
Friday: 4pm - 11pm
Saturday: 12pm - 11pm
Sunday: 12pm - 10pm

Food Served

Bar meals & Daily Specials, please see website for menu

Wednesday through Saturday: 6pm - 9pm

Sunday Traditional Roast: 12.30pm-2.30pm

Come in and make use of our book-swap facility or browse a selection of artwork for sale by local artists.

August Events

THE THARP ARMS BEER & MUSIC FESTIVAL 2016

Our second Tharp Fest will take place on **Saturday, 13 August**; beers from several local breweries will be on tap, and George Dumphreys is organising an Open-Mic Music Extravaganza that will run until late in the evening. It is open to all ages and abilities, so those wishing to participate can contact George on 07741 300716. To add to the fun there will also be a bouncy castle and a BBO! We look forward to seeing you all, Bev & Rick

25th, Thursday OPEN MIC NIGHT 7:30pm start

Come and join for our very popular 'Open Mic'. There is no requirement to participate, just come and watch some talented people sing and play a wide range of music. If you wish to join in, we'd love to see you! It doesn't matter how good you are, you're more than welcome. It is a very friendly and lighthearted evening of music.

September Events

22nd, Thursday OPEN MIC NIGHT 7:30pm start, All are wecome!

FOR UPDATES ON EVENTS/INFORMATION: 01638 720234, WWW.THETHARPARMS.COM

CHIPPENHAM AND SNAILWELL OIL BUYING CO-OP

Oil order DEADLINE: Midnight, WED. 17 August

If you would like some oil in August, please send in your order by card or e-mail by the deadline above. <u>The next order deadline</u> <u>will be in October.</u> If you are not yet an Oil Buying Co-Op member, you live in either Chippenham or Snailwell, and would like to join, please let me have your:

- 1. Name
- 2. Phone number for the oil company to call you for payment
- 3. Address including postcode
- 4. Any special instructions like:
 - a. Aga additive required
 - b. Oil tank through the gate at left of house
- 5. And how many litres you want, and whether you want just that quantity or a fill up (if possible). Please remember that the legal minimum per address is 500 litres (trading standards rules).
- 6. It is **your** responsibility to ensure that you get a response from me. If you do not, then I did NOT receive your order, and it cannot be included in the Co-op order.

Thank you for your support of this community money-saving-scheme! This Oil Co-op service has saved us all a lot of cash over the last five years. From 2016 onwards, I will be levying a charge of \pounds 5-per-year, to cover all the orders that you place throughout the year. Any residue left over after ICT costs will be given to the Chippenham Church building fund.

Please send your orders to:

jamesghurst@outlook.com or a card to 47 High Street

NEWS FROM THE



Childrens Coaching Sessions in full swing!

Beginning on 22 July, the Chippenham Tennis Club and Titan Tennis UK are holding coaching sessions on Fridays as follow:

4.30-5pm • 2-5 year-olds 5-6pm • 6-12 year-olds

2-5 year-olds: £3, 6-12 year-olds: £5 (£6 non-members)

Join LTA-qualified coaches for fun-filled, energetic tennis sessions! We strive to offer value-for-money-sessions for all standards and ages. Rackets supplied, sessions run until the end of August. <u>Please book your spot</u> by contacting info@titantennisuk.com, 07879 498341, www.titantennisuk.com.

If you would like to come and try tennis, our Club Nights are now **every Thursday** from 6pm, so please come along. Would you like to become a member? Please contact membership@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk, or Sandra at 01638 721910.

Mark your diaries for...

The Autumn Mini Tournament & BBQ set for **Sunday, 11 September**; all are welcome! BBQ begins at 1pm, with the tennis starting at 2pm. Look for more information via our new website:

www.chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk or please email for updates, info@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk.

Notice: If you are either no longer a member OR leaving the village, and you still have a key to the courts, please remember to return your gate keys.

For more information on the coaching sessions planned for 2016, please email coaching@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk.



Chippenham ricket Club

The 2016 Tour de Kent

For the last 15 years, the Chippenham Cricket Club has toured unsuspecting parts of the British countryside and taken on local village teams. After many years spent in the region of Ross-on-Wye, the last three years have been in Kent, and it is from there that Alan Wright sent his report:

Well, we asked for a change from last year's temperatures in the mid 30s and we got it: cold and wet. However, all three games were played and, again, we were undefeated. The new fixture with Sandwich Town was a success. The accommodation offered many sporting opportunities, and those who stood out were M. Savill (snooker), Jon Van De Peer (tennis), and C. Rattley (cricket). An excellent tour with a 'good bunch of lads.' We were particularly pleased to see the Chairman and Jan come to support us.

LA HOGUE FORDHAM & DISTRICT MIDWEEK LEAGUE 2016

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Based on this table, our Midweek team has had great success, and topped Section B of the Fordham & District Midweek League, sponsored by La Hogue. This placed them into the play-off for Section B champions, held on 13 July at Mildenhall. Many congratulations to Paul Fishpool, the captain, and to the team. Played 6, won 6!

Games are on Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesday evenings, and midweek afternoons. Call Alan Wright for more information on 724190, or mobile 07989526295.

For more about the club, including latest news and results, see our website & follow us on Twitter! http://chippenham-cricket-club.eschools.co.uk/website, @chippenhamcamcc

From the Three Rivers Rector, the Rev'd Mike Banyard 01638 721616, banyardmq1@yahoo.co.uk

I hope by the time this is printed, the turbulence of the past few days and weeks will have calmed; we have a functioning Government and Opposition, the weather will be better and we can all enjoy the summer. Much of the past weeks has been about change. Change in our relationships with our nearest neighbours in Europe, changes in political leadership in our country and new starts. Much of the very hard work is to come, according to an eminent lawyer friend of mine. One day, things might calm down. For the time being, however, the news is keeping everyone enthralled, and everyone busy. It will pass.

Well, change is certainly very evident in Fordham with the extension to our church primary school moving on at a great pace. Seven new classrooms are being built at present, and once they can be occupied then changes to the existing buildings can take place. Mobile classrooms will go and a new enlarged car park will also be built. Capacity should rise to over 420, which means that all the children in our catchment areas, Fordham and Snailwell villages will be able to attend their local school. Others from outside often apply, too, to our outstanding school, which means that so many more families and children benefit. The Governors, the new Head and all the staff have been working very hard to make this a reality; the County Council has made the money for this available, over £1.5 million pounds, so we are all very grateful. The work should all be completed by September 2017.

Changes are also taking place in Chippenham, where we hope very soon to be able to start on an extension to the church to provide a toilet and better kitchen facilities. Much of the preliminary work and plans have all been drawn up and we have, I hope and pray, most of the money. Further donations would always be very welcome, of course. Do go into the church where the plans are displayed and see what is expected to come.

Have a good summer. Remember that in all this change, God remains constantly faithful to us all.

God bless. Mike

Sunday 7 August, Trinity 11 (G) Group Celebration Service of Holiday Club @ Chippenham 10.30 am

No service at Snailwell

Sunday 14 August, Trinity 12 (G)

Hebrews 11:29-12.2Luke 12:49-56Holy CommunionSnailwell 9.30amSung EucharistChippenham 11am

Sunday 21 August, Trinity 13 (G)

Hebrews 12:18-end

Family Service

Sung Eucharist

Luke 13:10-17

Snailwell 9.30am

Chippenham 11am

Sunday 28 August, Trinity 14 (G)

Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16
Holy Communion
Evensong
Luke 14:1,7-14
Snailwell 9.30am
Chippenham 6.30pm

Sunday 4 September, Trinity 15 (G)

Philemon 1-21Luke 14:25-33Holy CommunionSnailwell 9.30amFamily ServiceChippenham 11am

Sunday 11 September, Trinity 16 (G)

1 Timothy 1:12-17Luke 15:1-10Holy CommunionSnailwell 6pmSung EucharistChippenham 11am

Sunday 18 September, Trinity 17 (G)

1 Timothy 2:1-7Luke 16:1-13Family ServiceSnailwell 9.30amSung EucharistChippenham 11am

Sunday 25 September, Trinity 18 (G)

1 Timothy 6:6-19Luke 16:19-endHoly CommunionSnailwell 9.30amEvensongChippenham 6.30pm

Sunday 2 October, HARVEST (G)

2 Timothy 1:1–14 Luke 17:5-10
Holy Communion Snailwell 9.30am
Family Service Chippenham 6.30pm

		Chippenham	am Church Rota	Rota				
	Sidesmen	Reader	Wine	Flowers	Cleaning	Coffee	Prayers	Locking
August 7th	Jennifer	Fiona	Tony	Helen	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Eileen		Tony
August 14th	Jan	Jan	Paul & Isobel	Helen	Lomas Girls	Lucy	James	Kevin
August 21st	Tony & Eileen	Terry	Terry & Isabel	Jennifer	James & Paul	Fiona	Paul	Kevin
August 28th	James Evensong	Isabel	Nick& Wendy	Jennifer	Fiona & Lucy	Eileen	Terry	David
Sept 4th	Jennifer	Fiona	Peter & Fiona	Nicola	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Lucy		David
Sept 11th	Jan	Jan	John Bridges	Nicola	Lomas Girls	Peter Ellis	James	Peter
Sept 18th	Tony & Eileen	Terry	Jennifer	Victoria	James & Paul	Fiona	Paul	Peter
Sept 25th	James Evensong	Isabel	Ralph	Victoria	Fiona & Lucy	Eileen	Terry	Tony
October 2nd	Jennifer	Fiona	Jan & James	all help harvest	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Lucy		Tony
October 9th	Jan	Jan	Tony	Wendy	Lomas Girls	Peter Ellis	James	Kevin
October 16th	Tony & Eileen	Terry	Paul & Isobel	Helen	James & Paul	Fiona	Paul	Kevin

If dates do not suit please swap

Three Rivers Mothers Union



Our June meeting was held in Chippenham Village Hall, where we were delighted to welcome our speaker, Jean Thomson, wife of the Bishop of Huntingdon, who gave a very interesting talk on her family tree. Following the meeting, several ladies adjourned to La Hogue where they had a most enjoyable lunch.

Forthcoming Events:

Tuesday, 9 August, 3pm:

Meeting at Fordham Vicarage for the Mary Sumner Garden Party for members and supporters, celebrating 140 years of the Mothers' Union.

Friday, 26 August, 10.30am:

Meet at Simpsons Nursery in Fordham for coffee.

Monday, 19 September, 2.30-4.30pm:

Annual General Meeting at Chippenham Village Hall. There will be a speaker. **Deanery Coffee Morning:** to be arranged.

Visitors and/or new members will be welcome at any of our meetings or events. If you require any further information on the above, or the Mother's Union generally, please contact either Helen (01638 721616), Jenny (01638 720820), Gaynor (01638 577703) or Eileen (01638 720125).

Mums +Plus

Join us for a monthly coffee morning for fun, conversation and sharing our questions of life, faith and parenthood; all are welcome! For more information, contact Helen Banyard (01638 721616) or Laura Cox-Watson (01638 724839).

Friday Morning Meet-Ups:

12 August, 10am, at The Chicken Shed, Mildenhall Road, Fordham
 16 September, 9.15am, at La Hogue Café

Three Rivers Messy Church

Held on the second Sunday of every month; crafts, story/song session and a simple meal at Fordham Church, 3.30-5.30pm!

• There is no meeting in August as the team are involved in the Holiday Club

• 11 September

WHAT'S ON IN FRECKENHAM...

<u>FIRST FRIDAY FILMS AT FRECKENHAM</u>: First Friday of the month, £5 tickets (no need to book)! Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm screening, refreshments and snacks available from the cash bar. Upcoming titles include (please see village website for full film details):

- **5 August** *Room* (15), Both highly suspenseful and deeply emotional, this is a unique and touching exploration of the boundless love between a mother and child. After 5-year-old Jack (Jacob Tremblay) and his mother (Brie Larson) escape from the enclosed surroundings that Jack has known his entire life, the boy makes a thrilling discovery: the outside world. Running time: 2 hours.
- 25 August *The Jungle Book* (PG), The latest version from 2016 is the extra Film Night for this month! This Thursday viewing is a family show, so 6.30pm start time and at special price more details to follow!
- 2 September Florence Foster Jenkins (PG), The true story of Florence Foster Jenkins (Meryl Streep), a New York heiress who dreamed of becoming an opera singer, despite having a terrible singing voice. This film is very likable, frequently hilarious, and yet a poignant tragi-comedy for all to enjoy. Running time:1 hour 50 minutes.
- 24 September *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* (15), dressing up actively encouraged for this Satruday evening viewing! Plus a disco after the screening, more details to follow.

'DENDENDE' (African Music) with the ANNA MUDEKA BAND:

17 September, Saturday at St Andrew's Church, with the support of Creative Arts East. £12 for adults and £6 for under-16s; there will be some side-aisle seats with limited visibility available at £5 (adults and children). Online ticket sales found at http://www.ouroldshop.com/, other ticket sources TBA.

<u>VILLAGE FARMERS & CRAFTS MARKET</u>: **24 September, Saturday** at 10am through 12pm. FREE ENTRY at the Freckenham Village Hall. This monthly event is back with seasonal produce, and along with our regulars are some extra different stalls at this market day. The next Village Farmers & Craft Market will *potentially* be **29 October, Saturday** (date confirmation TBA).

Check the website www.freckenham.onesuffolk.net for our weekly activities! Includes Freckenham Fun Time for the under 5's, Karate, Zumba, Yoga (day and evening) and FitSteps. Plus very informal Table Tennis and Swing Jive Dance Clubs!

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Village Hall Activities

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Mother and Toddler Group: Thursday - 10.00am to 11.00am, 0-4years Tel: Ruth 07775911033 and Lucy 07768874081

CARPET BOWLS:

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