

Chippenham Newsletter

February/March 2016

HOW to beat the WINTER BLUES:



Take a walk in the park:

Chippenham Park Gardens open every day February 13-28!

Discover local history:

Ely's Oliver Cromwell house has 2-for-1 admission until the end of March!

Enjoy live entertainment:

The annual Chippenham Talent & Music Nights are February 26 & 27!

Get social:

The Tharp Arms has fun upcoming events, especially the 'Big Screen Race Night' on March 26!

Become involved with sports:

Both the Chippenham Cricket Club (Feb. 10) and the Chippenham Tennis Club (Feb. 24) have their AGMs coming up!



See inside for all the details!!!



PLUS:

- Village Website Update!
- One-Year Anniversary Letter from Your Editor!

Next newsletter submissions deadline: 8 March 2016

Diary Dates

February

- 7 Quiz Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 8 MU Open Meeting with guest speaker Howard Laver, Village Hall, 2.30-4.30pm
- 8 Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7pm
- 10 Ash Wed. Group Service, Snailwell Church, 7.30pm
- 10 Chippenham Cricket Club's AGM, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 13-28 Chippenham Park Gardens open, 10am-4pm
- 14 Valentines Day/First Sunday of Lent
- 14 Three Rivers Messy Church, Fordham Church, 3.30-5.30pm
- 15 MU Lent Lunch, Fordham, 12.30-1.30pm
- 19 Mums +Plus Meet-Up, Fordham Garden Centre, 9.15am
- 19 Chippenham Tennis Club Wimbledon Ticket Ballot deadline
- 22 MU Lent Lunch, Isleham, 12-1.30pm
- 24 Chippenham Tennis Club AGM, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 24 Oil Co-Op deadline
- 25 Open Mic Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 26/27 Annual Chippenham Talent & Music Nights, Village Hall, 7pm

March

- 1 St Davids Day
- 4 MU & Women's World Day of Prayer, St Andrews Isleham, 10am
- 6 Mothers Day
- 6 Quiz Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 8 'Newsletter' submissions deadline by midnight
- 9 MU Lent Lunch, Chippenham, 12-1.30pm
- 13 Three Rivers Messy Church, Fordham Church, 3.30-5.30pm
- 14 Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7pm
- 17 St Patricks Day
- 18 Mums +Plus Meet-Up, Fordham Garden Centre, 9.15am
- 20 Palm Sunday Pre-Service Procession, Village Hall, 10.45am
- 24 Maundy Thursday Group Service & Foot Washing, Isleham Church, 7.30pm
- 24 Open Mic Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 25 Good Friday Group Service, Fordham Church, 2pm
- 26 'Big Screen Race Night,' Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 27 Easter Sunday/Group Service: Chippenham at 6.15am & 11am, Snailwell at 9.15am

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Chippenham Village Hall 100 Club

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 November 2015:

1st Michael Starling: £40 2nd Lucinda Wright: £20

3rd Ray Simpson: £10

Winners for December 2015:

1st Ray Simpson: £40 2nd Eileen Page: £20

3rd Jim Devonport Snr: £10

The Latest at Chippenham Park

Chippenham Park is opening the gardens for the snowdrops **every day** from Saturday, 13 February through Sunday, 28 February from 10am to 4pm! Snowdrops, hellebores, early daffodils, crocus and many other winter interests to be seen and enjoyed. Delicious home-made cakes, scones, coffee, tea, and other hot food and refreshments will be served at the licensed Potting Shed Cafe all day. Entry is £5 at the gate, children (age 16 and under) are free! Chippenham villagers on-foot are also welcome for free.

We hope to see you there! Please check the website for any updates or further information:

www.chippenhamparkgardens.info

The CADS, CTC, CCC and Manky Productions are pleased to present.....

The 'One(s) And Only'

21st Annual

CHIPPENHAM TALENT & MUSIC NIGHTS

THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL FEATURE:

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FRIDAY, 26 FEBRUARY

SATURDAY, 27 FEBRUARY

Chippenham Village Hall

Doors open 7.00pm • Show starts 7.30pm

Performed and Produced by 'THE CADS'

- £5 Adults • £3 Concessions, Students & Children •
- Licensed Bar • Tickets: The Sharp Arms & 48 High Street •



VILLAGE WEBSITE UPDATE!!!

www.chippenhamcambbs.info

The Parish Council are pleased to announce that our village website has been re-designed and re-launched. The new site contains links to local services, clubs and the church. If there is anything that you think we should add to the site, please let us know and we will do our best to accommodate your request.

In particular we would like to draw your attention to the *Local Information* tab, under which the *Old Chippenham* and *Modern Chippenham* sections are included and contain a fantastic collection of photographs of the village. We would like to build on this collection, so if you have any pictures that you would like added to the gallery then please send them electronically to chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com. Alternatively, if preferred, please drop them off to the Clerk at 44b High Street, where they can be scanned and the originals returned immediately. There is also a new section regarding Parish Council news and includes [online copies of the monthly council meeting agendas and minutes](#).

The Parish Council would like to thank Andrew Munro for his excellent work, both for re-designing the website and also managing the content on behalf of the village.



CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Your Councillors:

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Email: chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com

*****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 February

Monday, 14 March

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR NEWSLETTER DISTRIBUTION

The council is looking for volunteers who would like to help with the distribution of the Chippenham Newsletter. This volunteer opportunity is a bimonthly job to help distribute the magazine in different areas of the village. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the Clerk on chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com or 01638 720915.

Chippenham Parish Council

Village Pump

The Parish Council would like to thank Nick Bennett and Howard Froment for their work to secure and then re-paint the village pump. They would also like to thank Sallie Munden for the lovely display of winter flowers in the four planters.

CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL
Monthly Meeting Minutes Reminder:

As mentioned in the 'Village Website Update' article, the monthly meeting minutes are now available in-full on the village website at www.chippenhamcambs.info under the 'Parish Council' tab.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Proposal: Erection of 1No. Detached Dwelling, Garage and
Associated Landscaping

Location: Land at 53 High Street, Chippenham

Reference: 15/01322/FUL

Proposal: Remove existing annexe buildings and construct
replacement single storey extension

Location: Phantom Cottage, Snailwell Road

Reference: 15/01508/FUL

Proposal: Erection of 2 new gatehouses and replacement
entrance gates

Location: Chippenham Lodge Stud, Parkside

Reference: 15/01527/FUL

Proposal: Remove single storey; rebuild with a double storey
extension and double garage, new gates and new driveway.

Location: Waterhall Cottage, Norwich Road, Kennett

Reference: 15/01500/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.

High Hopes for St Margaret's Church in 2016

The lovely St Margaret's Church in Chippenham has been around since about the year 1111, and through the years of fires, white washing, and more recently, lead thefts, it has never had a lavatory or a small kitchen.

All that is about to change. For some years now, plans have been drawn up and discussed, submitted and rejected, re-drawn and re-submitted. Finally, it is with great hope that during 2016, planning approval will be granted and building will start on this welcome and long overdue addition to the church.

Much effort has been put into fundraising for this project, and this must continue! The cost of this renovation work has to be met by the Parish of Chippenham, and any donations are gratefully received.

It is hoped that the enhanced facilities will encourage more people to come to the church, and for church's groups to meet there in comfort and convenience. In due course, the plans will be displayed for everyone to see, and there will be regular updates in this publication.

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### **CHIPPENHAM VILLAGE HALL: Damage Report & News**

Chippenham Village Hall Committee regretfully report that the freshly painted walls and ceiling have been damaged by some thoughtless use of the hall. Large black marks, footprints and chewing gum were discovered when the hall was cleaned. It is highly probable these marks were caused by a game of football. Thankfully, none of the stage or wall lights were damaged.

We believe on Sunday, 3 January, there may have been an unauthorised use of the hall. Several villagers have reported seeing an event taking place, but there are no bookings in the diary for this date. It is very disappointing that whoever was using the hall did not respect this village asset and report the damage immediately. It would have been obvious at the time of-se that damage was being caused.

We have arranged for the walls and ceiling to be repainted, at cost, and the lock will also be replaced with licensed keys, which will stop any duplication of keys.

On a more pleasant note: we can report the boiler has been replaced, a new carpet is due to be fitted in the Committee Room, and the shutters replaced in the kitchen. We would like to thank Sally Hughes for all her hard work on pulling together the bid for the East Cambs District Council Grant. This funding is enabling us to carry out this work.



## FROM YOUR EDITOR...

Hello, *Chippenham Newsletter* readers!

I wanted to take a moment to share that this February/March 2016 issue is my one-year anniversary as your Editor! This role allows me to learn so much about the people and places of/near our lovely village, while challenging my skillset with Print Media. I hope you have enjoyed each of my publications within the last year, as I *highly* enjoyed creating and editing them.

Thank you for all your submissions, and keep them coming! I love new ideas (such as The Villager Recipe Swap and any write-ups about Chippenham's history) to include alongside the informative pieces this magazine communicates so well throughout the village. Simply send me an email at [newsletter@chippenhamcamb.s.info](mailto:newsletter@chippenhamcamb.s.info)! Thank you again for all of your appreciation and support, I am excited to see what the next year of Editorship brings!

Lauren Hohorst

## *Foodbank Mother's Union Meeting with Howard Laver*

The Mothers' Union are holding a meeting on Monday, 8 February, at the Chippenham Village Hall from 2.30-4.30pm where Howard Laver will be speaking on 'An Update On Local Foodbanks.' Howard is from Soham and is very involved with foodbanks. Everyone is welcome to attend; all the support our local foodbanks can collect is vital the more temperatures fall this winter.

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Disruption to Allotment Footpath

The Parish Council is aware that there have been some concerns over the condition of the allotment footpath. This land is owned by the diocese. A licence for access has been granted to a resident to allow vehicular access for building work. It is anticipated that this work will be completed by the end of January 2016, after which the path will be returned to its previous condition.

The Parish Council has been in contact with the diocese's land agent and has made them aware of the concerns of both the council and local residents, and will continue to monitor events on behalf of the village.

Memorial Service for Chippenham Villager, Raymond Simpson

Sadly, after fighting a long hard battle with ill health, Raymond passed away peacefully on Monday, 11 January 2016. Raymond was a much-loved resident of Chippenham, having lived and farmed here all of his life.

A thanksgiving for his life will be held at the Methodist Church in Holywell Row at 3pm on Friday, 5 February, to which Jean and family welcome all his friends.

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## ***Assistance for Those Struggling to Pay Energy Bills***

With temperatures expected to plummet during the winter season, Kayleigh Maguire, your local Energy Efficiency & Sustainability Officer, wants to make you aware of the services she can offer to residents of East Cambridgeshire.

Kayleigh has already worked with two residents in recent weeks who were in financial hardship to source grants for an oil delivery and electricity top up key. The main priority is to make sure nobody is sitting in a cold home as excess cold is incredibly dangerous, especially to vulnerable groups.

Call 01353 665555 and ask to speak to the Energy Officer for help with:

- Paying for energy
- Understanding energy bills
- Sourcing grants and financial assistance
- Dealing with damp and mould
- Saving money on energy bills i.e. tariff switching
- Insulation advice and EPC's
- Fuel Poverty

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NEWMARKET-AREA WAR MEMORIAL WEBSITE

Tony Pringle has assembled all the Newmarket-area war memorial research he has managed to gather into one website:

www.undyingmemory.net

Tony is always looking to add information about the men who never came home, and he is ever-ready to correct any errors he may have made. He needs the information of the current residents and relatives for these edits to be done. Please contact Tony at webmaster@undyingmemory.net if you or anyone you know might be able to contribute to this incredible collection of information on our local war heroes.



Three Rivers Community Car Scheme

*Serving the villages of
Chippenham, Fordham,
Isleham, Kennett and Snailwell*

PHONE: 07549 892 322

A volunteer driver will drive you door to door for all reasonable journeys and longer trips to West Suffolk and Cambridgeshire hospitals.

- Passengers pay the driver on the day 25p per mile.
- There is a minimum charge £2.50 per journey.

The service is supported by Cambridgeshire County Council to help cover costs.

How it works:

If you wish to arrange a journey or find out more about the scheme do phone **07549 892 322** and we will be happy to speak to you.

It is helpful for you to give as much notice of your journey as possible
If the coordinator is not available please leave a message and we will call you back.

The types of journey we cover

Medical, Dental, Chiropody, Opticians

- Hospital appointments; West Suffolk Hospital, Addenbrookes, Hinchingbrook, Papworth, Newmarket Hospital, Princess of Wales, Ely.
- Hospital visiting, hair appointments, visiting relatives,
- shopping, getting to local group meetings

Lifts are provided by volunteers using their own cars

This scheme is aimed at those who have difficulty using public transport

All journeys are subject to the availability of drivers.

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

I have just returned from my dad's 95th birthday celebrations. Mid-January is his birthday, so the family turned up to celebrate. He manages to live alone and in his own home, and we realise we are truly blessed. His real party will be in a week's time; organised by himself, he has invited a good number to join him and the family in giving thanks. No presents, says the invitation, but if you like you may contribute to one or two charities named. Bring the champagne he asked. So I will. So, from parties to Lent.

Here at the start of February, it hardly seems that Christmas has passed by in a whirl of busy-ness, and on February 10th we are at Ash Wednesday and Lent begins. With Easter on March 27th, it is all coming up on us faster than we appear to be able to take breath. Lent is a time for deep thinking about our faith, about what Jesus' birth/death/resurrection really means for us in ourselves, our families, our towns and villages. It is a time to take stock of our spiritual lives, of what is truly important, of our central beliefs...a time to stand still for a while, to make time to be in God's presence, and learn more about ourselves and about our loving God.

So set that time aside this Lent: give yourself some space, join with others in thinking through what faith is all about and how it affects your everyday decision-making. Focus on the central truths of our Christian faith of how God's love is wider than we can ever begin to contemplate, His acceptance and forgiveness is deeper than we can ever begin to imagine. And that His liberation brings with it that peace, of and from God, which passes all understanding. All of this puts what happens into some kind of perspective, that allows us to be the people God wants us to be, fully alive and flourishing.

God bless. Have a good Lent and a great Easter.
Mike

Sun 7th February *Sunday next before Lent* (P)

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Luke 9:28-36

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Family Service

Chippenham 11am

**Weds 10th February *ASH WEDNESDAY* (P)
*Group Eucharist & Ashing @ Snailwell 7.30pm***

Sun 14th February Lent 1 (P)

Romans 10:8b-13

Luke 4:1-13

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

Sun 21st February Lent 2 (P)

Philippians 3:17-4:1

Luke 13:31-end

Family Service

Snailwell 9.30am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

Sun 28th February Lent 3 (P)

1 Corinthians 10:1-13

Luke 13:1-9

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Evensong

Chippenham 6.30pm

Sun 6th March *MOTHERING SUNDAY* (P)

Exodus 2:1-10

Luke 2:33-35

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Family Service

Chippenham 11am

Sun 13th March Lent 5 (P)

Philippians 3:4b-14

John 12:1-8

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

Sun 20th March *PALM SUNDAY* (R)

Philippians 2:5-11

Luke 22:14-end of 23

Family Service

Snailwell 9.30am

Procession starting from Chippenham Village Hall, 10.45am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

HOLY WEEK

Mon 21st @ Snailwell 7.30pm, Compline & Address

Tues 22nd @ Fordham 7.30pm, Compline & Address
(with Student Cross)

Weds 23rd @ Chippenham 7.30pm, Compline & Address

MAUNDAY THURSDAY @ Isleham 7.30pm,

Group Eucharist & Foot Washing

GOOD FRIDAY @ Fordham 2-3pm **The Way of the Cross**

Sun 27th March *EASTER DAY* (W)

Acts 10:34-43

Luke 24:1-12

The Light of Christ

Chippenham 6.15am

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

Chippenham Church Rota							
	Sidesmen	Reader	Wine	Flowers	Cleaning	Coffee	Prayers
Feb 7th	Tony & Eileen	Isabel	Terry & Isabel	Helen	James & Paul	Eileen	
Feb 14th	James	Fiona	Nick&Wendy	Lent No Flowers	Fiona & Lucy	Lucy	Paul
Feb 21st	Jennifer	Jan	Peter & Fiona	Lent No Flowers	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Fiona	Terry
Feb 28th	Jan Evansong	Terry	John Bridges	Lent No Flowers	Lomas Girls	Eileen	James
March 6th	Tony & Eileen	Isabel	Jennifer	Lent No Flowers	James & Paul	Lucy	Paul
March 13th	James	Fiona	Ralph	Lent No Flowers	Fiona & Lucy	Fiona	Terry
March 20th	Jennifer	Jan	Jan & James	Lent No Flowers	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Eileen	James
March 27th Easter Sunday	Jan	Terry	Tony	All Help	Lomas Girls	Lucy	Paul
April 3rd	James	Isabel	Paul & Isobel		James & Paul	Fiona	Terry
April 10th	Jennifer	Fiona	Terry & Isabel		Fiona & Lucy	Eileen	James
April 17th	Jan	Jan	Nick&Wendy		Jan, Yvette, Mary	Lucy	Paul
							Locking
							Peter
							Tony
							Tony
							Kevin
							Kevin
							David
							David
							Peter
							Peter
							Tony
							Tony

If dates do not suit please swap

Three Rivers Mothers Union



Christmas lunch at the Walnut Tree brought a festive end to the year for our group. For the months ahead we have a full programme and, once again, Lent Lunches take the lead. All Lent Lunches are very informal get-togethers where we can have a nice chat over homemade soup and sandwiches, sometimes with fruit and tea/coffee. We hope you will come and join us, as you will be most welcome.

Forthcoming Events:

Monday, 8 February, 2.30-4.30pm:

Open Meeting at Chippenham Village Hall. This meeting will include Howard Laver giving 'An Update on Local Food Banks.'

Monday, 15 February, 12.30-1.30pm:

Lent Lunch at Victoria Hall, Fordham.

Monday, 22 February, 12-1.30pm:

Lent Lunch at Social Centre, Isleham.

Friday, 4 March, Women's World Day of Prayer:

Held at St Andrew's Church, Isleham.

10am Coffee, 10.30am approximately Service, lunch optional.

Wednesday, 9 March, 12-1.30pm:

Lent Lunch at the Chippenham Village Hall.

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:

- 19 February, 9.15am, at the Fordham Garden Centre
- 18 March, 9.15am, at the Fordham Garden Centre

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!

- 14 February
- 13 March

CHIPPENHAM

TENNIS CLUB



Wimbledon Ticket Ballot will be available this year now the club is a member of the LTA. The deadline for the ballot is **19 February**, so please join the club before this date. For more details, please contact Emily at emfcrane@gmail.com.

The coaching sessions planned for 2016 include more free juniors' coaching (two 4-day 'clinics' in the Spring and Summer holidays) and adults sessions. For more information please email: coaching@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk

Mark your diaries for...

To learn more about all the 2016 plans and contribute to the club's Development Plan, please come to the Chippenham Tennis Club's AGM (A General Meeting) on Wednesday, **24 February**, at 7.30pm at the Chippenham Village Hall. Cheese and wine to follow meeting; discussions of the club's future plans, including junior and adult coaching, and club competitions will be taking place. For questions or more information, please contact Jon Van de Peer at 01638 721783.



Chippenham Cricket Club

Chippenham Cricket Club – Winter Programme

Nets have begun and are on every Sunday morning from 10am at the ground. We are very keen to hear from anyone who wants to play cricket. Games are on Saturdays, Sundays, Wednesday evenings, and midweek afternoons. We want to strengthen our two Saturday league sides, and welcome anyone from inside or outside the village. Call Alan

Wright on 724190, or mobile 07989526295, and....

...Come along to our AGM on Wednesday, **10 February**, at 7.30pm at The Tharp Arms. As well as reports on the previous season, we will be considering plans for the future of the club and for the coming season.

Chippenham Juniors

We have a very healthy Junior Section and provide coaching for children aged 6-16 on Monday nights in the summer. These sessions begin on **11 April** and this year will continue during the Summer holidays until **22 August**. Children aged 6-11 will be between 5.15-6.30pm, and those aged 12-16 will be between 6.30-7.45pm.

We also run Junior league teams in Suffolk League at Under 9, Under 11, Under 13 and Under 15. In addition, our juniors play in a number of local tournaments each summer, as well as inter club matches. Our Head Coach will also be running his cricket camps during Easter and Summer holidays.

If you have a son or daughter who is interested in playing, please contact Darren Hughes for more information, at 07881818047 or dhughes@alphacrc.com. Darren would also like to hear from anyone who has some spare time on a Monday evening and would like to get involved in helping the club run its junior section.

Additionally, we run family Kwik Cricket nights in the summer on Fridays between **5 May through 14 July** for members and non members. Kwik cricket is a game where all ages can play together and is a great way to start the weekend. We start at 6pm at the cricket ground and finish around 7.30pm.

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

THE THARP ARMS

Opening Hours

Monday:	5pm - Close
Tuesday through Friday:	4pm - Close
Saturday & Sunday:	12pm - Close

Food Served

(Bar meals)

Wednesday through Friday:	6.30pm - 8.30pm
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For updates on events/information: 01638 720234, www.thetharparms.com

February Events

7th, Sunday

QUIZ NIGHT 7:30pm start

Our famous winter quizzes return on the first Sunday of every month! All are welcome and the proceeds are donated to 'E.A.C.H.', East Anglia Children's Hospices.

25th, Thursday

OPEN MIC NIGHT 7:30pm start

Come and join for our very popular 'Open Mic'. There's 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.

March Events

6th, Sunday

QUIZ NIGHT 7:30pm start

24th, Thursday

OPEN MIC NIGHT 7:30pm start, all welcome

26th, Saturday

'BIG SCREEN RACE NIGHT'

Try your luck on the 'Big Screen Race Night!' This event has proved very popular in the past and Joe, our usual Master-of-the-Mic, is coming back again! This time all profits will be going to Prostate Cancer UK. Owners, Trainers and Jockeys **are for sale in the pub as of now** and will be available until the racing starts. Bets will be taken on the night-of, and there are many bottles of sparkly to be won. The fun begins at half past seven and finishes with the highlight of the evening: Pig Racing!

CHIPPENHAM AND SNAILWELL OIL BUYING CO-OP

Oil order DEADLINE: Midnight, WED. 24 February

If you would like some oil in February, please send in your order by card or e-mail by the deadline above. The next order deadline will be in early April (subject to the note * below). 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 of course 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).

Thank you for your support of this community money-saving-scheme! This is the last order that I will do before I retire from my full-time job, so I will no longer be able to use the email address/computer/phone for that matter. *I would like to continue the Co-op with your support, but I might have to levy a small charge to cover my communication costs.* Thank you for your consideration and understanding.

Please send your orders to:

James.hurst@winkhaus.co.uk or a card to **47 High Street**



Oliver Cromwell's House

**2 for 1 ADMISSION ON PRESENTATION OF
THIS ADVERT IS VALID TO 31/03/16**

Visit the former Lord Protector's family home. Experience what domestic life would have been like in the 17th Century in a variety of re-created period rooms as well an exhibition detailing the Civil War. Visit Mrs Cromwell's kitchen, try dressing-up or playing with the toys of the time or venture into the Haunted Bedroom if you dare!

Audio handsets bring the story of this impressive House to life. Guided tours and group visits welcome.

Also Gift Shop and Tourist Information Centre.



For further enquiries check out our website at www.olivercromwellshouse.co.uk or call 01353 662062.



@visitely

WHAT'S ON IN FRECKENHAM...

FIRST FRIDAY FILMS AT FRECKENHAM: 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 February** – *Suffragette* (12), this acclaimed true-story drama tracks the story of the foot soldiers of the early feminist movement and is the first film of our 2016 season! Running time: 1 hour 15 minutes.
- **4 March** – *Addicted To Sheep* (PG), a slight diversion from our big-name line-ups, we will be screening this documentary that was a sell-out in three showings in a mainstream Suffolk cinema this past November/December. This terrific independent film tells a year-in-the-life of North Pennines' tenant farmers, Tom and Kay Hutchinson and their family, following their quest to rear the perfect sheep! Running time: 1 hour 15 minutes.

TASTER SESSION FOR FITSTEPS: **24 February, Wednesday** at 6.30pm. Come try FitSteps at the Freckenham Village Hall, as seen on *Strictly Come Dancing*! If there is sufficient interest, then a weekly class will be created! All welcome (adults aged 16+), no partner or dance experience needed; a great way to try Latin and Ballroom dances, get fit, have fun and meet new people! PLEASE BOOK: Contact Julia Cragie at 07542 518470 or Maddy Knox at 07825 790832.

VILLAGE FARMERS & CRAFTS MARKET: **27 February, Saturday** at 10am through 12pm. FREE ENTRY at the Freckenham Village Hall with refreshments (hot drinks, homemade cakes, bacon rolls) available. Stalls include fresh meat from The Culford Flock, fruit & veg from West Row Plantation Farm, savoury pies from The Pie Kitchen, Suffolk honey, a huge variety of handmade preserves from Garden Preserves, delicious dairy from Mrs H's Cheese Stall, pickles, eggs, and CRAFTS: candles, felting, knitting, jewellery, hand crafted cards, gifts and more! The Mildenhall Museum Shop will be in attendance with gifts & games as they prepare to re-open the museum in March following their winter closure. The next Village Farmers & Craft Market will be **26 March, Saturday** (every last Saturday of the month).

CASH BINGO: **27 February, Saturday** after the Farmers Market! Doors open at 7pm, eyes down 7.30pm. Only £1 a game bar!

Check the website www.freckenham.onesuffolk.net for our weekly activities!
Definitely check if you have not yet attended as we are looking to start new extra activities soon!

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Chippendenham Village Hall

- Private Meeting Room •
- Fully Functional Kitchen •
- Integrated Sound System •

For availability please call:
01638 721324

£15-an-hour/£12-an-hour for villagers
£85-a-night OR £120-a-wedding-reception
£6-an-hour for Committee Room

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 10.00pm
Contact : Hazel Drake
01638 717000

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New Residents!

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chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com

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Mobile Library

Swindell - Ramon Way
: 10.40am - 11am
Chippenham, High Street
: 11.15am - 11.45am

**The mobile library calls
on the first Thursday
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