

# Chippenham Newsletter

October/November 2016

Enjoy the changing of the seasons with local

## AUTUMN FUN!



### October

- 9th: Chippenham Park's Autumn Open Garden Day
- 9th: 'Music In The Park' with the Cricket Club
  - 16th: Quiz & Chili Night at Tharp Arms  
(half of proceeds go toward Cricket Club's new pavilion!)
- 22nd/29th: Tharp Arms Pumpkin Fayre
- 29th: Womens Institute's Craft Fair

### November

- 5th: Guy Fawkes Night Fireworks at Tharp Arms
- 13th: Remembrance Day Group Service

Along with other  
things-to-do in Freckenham,  
Ely and Snailwell!

*Chippenham  
Candlelit Christmas  
Market date  
announced inside!*

**Next newsletter submissions deadline: 8 November 2016**

# Diary Dates

## October

- 2 Chippenham Harvest Family Service @ 11am followed by Bring-&-Share Lunch; Snailwell Harvest Celebration Service @ 6pm followed by Bring-&-Share Supper
- 6 MU Deanery Coffee Morning, Lode Chapel, 10am
- 8 MU Diocesan Day, All Saint Church Milton, 9.30am
- 9 Ch'ham Park's Autumn Open Garden Day, 10am-4pm
- 9 'Music In The Park,' Ch'ham Park, 2-6pm
- 9 Three Rivers Messy Church, Fordham Church, 3.30-5.30pm
- 10 Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7pm
- 12 Oil Co-Op deadline
- 14 Mums +Plus Meet-Up, Fordham Garden Centre, 9.15am
- 16 Quiz & Chili Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 19 MU Deanery Meeting with guest speakers, Burwell Guildhall, 2pm
- 22/29 Tharp Arms Pumpkin Fayre, 4pm
- 26 School Halfterm week
- 27 Open Mic Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 29 WI Craft Fair, Village Hall, 10am-4pm
- 30 British Summer Time ends, turn your clocks backward!

## November

- 5 Guy Fawkes Night FIREWORKS!, Tharp Arms, 6pm
- 8 'Newsletter' submissions deadline by midnight
- 11 Mums +Plus Meet-Up, Fordham Garden Centre, 9.15am
- 13 Remembrance Day Service, Snailwell, 10.45am
- 13 Three Rivers Messy Church, Fordham Church, 3.30-5.30pm
- 14 MU Holy Communion, Fordham Church, 10.30am
- 14 Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7pm
- 24 Open Mic Night, Tharp Arms, 7.30pm
- 27 Advent Carol Service, Chippenham, 6.30pm

## **FINAL Fordham Carboot Sale!**

9 October (this year's last one) from 7am to 1pm! Check [www.fordhamcarbootsales.co.uk](http://www.fordhamcarbootsales.co.uk) for more details.

## Other local events

See what's going on in Freckenham, Snailwell and Ely towards the back of this issue!

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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 July 2016:**

1<sup>st</sup> Natalia Doyle: £40   2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Lynch: £20

3<sup>rd</sup> Andy Richardson: £10

**Winners for August 2016:**

1<sup>st</sup> Marie Brown: £40   2<sup>nd</sup> Eddie Keutgen: £20

3<sup>rd</sup> Louize Hurst: £10

## *The Latest Happenings at Chippenham Park*

Chippenham Park Gardens will be open on Sunday, 9 October, from 10am-4pm for a blaze of autumn colour. The gardens, lakes and borders are still full of charm to be enjoyed by all!

There will be a variety of specialist plant stalls, general nurseries, and other stands selling plants and garden-related goods. And delicious home-made cakes, scones, coffee, tea, barbecued sausages and other refreshments are being laid on in the the licensed Potting Shed Cafe.

Entry is £5 at the gate, children (age 16 and under) are free! Chippenham villagers on foot are also welcome for free. Dogs are welcome in the gardens on leads (please remember to clear up after them). Wheelchair access is only limited in places and the toilets have steps. Payments made at the gate and in the cafe are by cash only.

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

[www.chippenhamparkgardens.info](http://www.chippenhamparkgardens.info)

## **Save the date for:**

### **Womens Institute Craft Fair**

The Chippenham Womens Institute is hosting their third craft fair, on 29 October from 10am-4pm. An assortment of stalls will be present at this wonderful event in the Village Hall, and a few to have booked include crafts such as felt pictures and cards. Please come out and attend this nice community event! FYI: the Chippenham Women's Institute meet every third Wednesday of each month at the Village Hall.

### ***Chippenham Candlelit Christmas Market***

All are welcome to St Margaret's Church on Friday, 2 December, from 6-9pm to enjoy some gift shopping! With FREE entry, things to look forward to include: fabulous stalls for all your Christmas gift needs...hot food and drinks, such as hotdogs, mince pies, mulled wine, tea, coffee, hot chocolate...and, of course, the GRAND RAFFLE! Come join the festivities!

# • AUTUMN 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](mailto:sallie@riverbanknursery.com). Autumn is such a great time in the garden as there is still plenty to do:

- Keep harvesting all your fruit & veg to maximise the harvest.
- Look at your borders and see if there are any plants you want to divide or move, this is a good time to do it if the weather is still warm.
- Plant your spring flowering bulbs now, either in pots or straight into the border, and make sure they have good drainage. If you put them straight in the ground, mark where they are so you don't dig them up.
- There is plenty of Autumn/Winter bedding for your pots and baskets to give you colour right through all the seasons, but remember to check they do not dry out.
- Take advantage of this good timing to put in shrubs and conifers to give height and structure to the garden.
- Lift and store any Dahlia tubers you may have, as they don't like the wet.
- Tidy up your veg patch and sow green manure if you are not doing winter veg. This stops the weeds and gives the soil much needed nutrients for the spring.

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## Christmas Floral Courses with Sallie



I will be running two courses in the village this year at the beginning of December on Simple Wreath Making & Christmas Flowers for the Home. Further details will go up on posters in the village and at La Hogue Farm Shop. If you would like more details please email me directly at [sallie@riverbanknursery.com](mailto:sallie@riverbanknursery.com).

# CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

## Your Councillors

Nick Parsons (Chair) - 5 Manor Farm Barns, 721791

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

Paul Fishpool - 3 Scotland End, 07850 369883

Wendy Parsons - 5 Manor Farm Barns, 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

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, 10 October • Monday, 14 November

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### Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting

13 June 2016, Monday, Chippenham Village Hall, 7pm

#### **District Council Report**

The new Local Plan process is underway and councils have been contacted regarding potential development sites within their boundaries. County Councillor Josh Schumann (JS) stressed the importance for councils to respond, as their views will be taken into account. There will be a door-to-door questionnaire carried out regarding domestic waste and recycling; the current contractor's contract is up for renewal and the council is looking for ways to improve their recycling rate. They are considering weekly blue bin collections and also providing additional clear plastic bags for when the wheelie bins are full. JS has asked Julie Barrow (JB) from ECDC Planning Dept to visit the council regarding planning and enforcement powers. She will attend the August meeting.

#### **County Council Report**

JS has further pressed Balfour Beatty for a response to the issue of lack of lighting at the corner of New Street and the High Street.

#### **Planning**

- Wind turbine at La Hogue Road

No objections. However the council recognises that this application has come from an agent of the Environment Agency and a formal planning application to ECDC will still be needed.

## June 2016 Meeting's Minutes cont.

- Local Plan – Call for Sites Report

The Clerk has received and circulated the above report which contains two potential sites in the parish: land off Scotland End and The Carrops, Red Lodge. The PC is required to respond by 11 July with the council's view on these potential sites. Public consultation is planned for November 2016 to consider any sites brought forward for proposed development.

- 16/00628/FUL – 15 Tharp Way: No objections.

- 38 High Street, new build – consent granted

The council was very disappointed to hear that ECDC would not take into consideration that the plot was the parking area for number 38. The request to provide off-street parking for the existing property was not upheld. The Clerk will write to the landowners to inform them of the concerns expressed by some residents of Scotland End regarding congestion and parking. Furthermore, it was acknowledged that when the build does commence it may create significant disruption to access to Scotland End and potentially the village hall, too.

### **Matters Arising**

A. Play Areas – U12 - The rotten beams on the trail have been replaced. The zip wire has also been tightened, although the council asked for this to be left. The council will keep a watching brief on the pole, which is showing signs of decay. The cost for a new zip wire is in excess of £8,000. Although the council could apply for a grant to replace the equipment, it was agreed that this was excessive and a poor use of public money. The council will repair the upright when it is necessary to do so.

B. Allotment Footpath - The Clerk has requested an update from Carter Jonas, but has not received a response. She has today sent in more pictures to show how the path is flooding during rainy weather.

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## Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting

11 July 2016, Monday, Chippenham Village Hall, 7pm

### **District Council Report**

The next consultation for the Local Plan will be in September. Forest Heath will be consulted on land which borders their area. Progress is being made on both the Ely Leisure Centre (sport) and the Leisure Complex (cinema and restaurants), the latter project is being self-funded.

### **County Council Report**

County Councillor Josh Schumann (JS) explained that the county and district councils have agreed to go ahead with devolution, and that Cambridge and Peterborough will be grouped together. ECDC and Fenland were not in full agreement about this merger as they would be better aligned with Suffolk and Norfolk because of proximity. The council has negotiated funding for improvements in the ECDC area, including the reopening of a railway station at Soham, dualling of the Ely train line and improvements to the A142 junction of the A14. There is a prerequisite to have a Mayor to oversee the new arrangement. All the above is subject to change based on a forthcoming public consultation. The agreement will then need to be signed-off at government level.

### **Planning**

- 16/00699/VAR Chippenham Park – vary condition (time limit): No objections.
- 16/00812/FUL – 1 Scotland End – doors and windows in end wall: No objections.
- The council's response to the Local Plan has been submitted and receipt acknowledged by ECDC.

## July 2016 Meeting's Minutes cont.

### **Matters Arising**

A. Allotment Footpath - Carter Jonas (land agent, CJ) has contacted the council to ask for a representative at a site meeting to discuss the remedial work needed on the path. NB has offered to attend. SH will ask CJ to send a agent, too, to represent the diocese. The Clerk will also send her photos of the path to Jon Green of the diocese so that he is fully up-to-date on the condition of the path.

### **Highway Matters**

The Clerk has requested for the low growth to be cut back on the lime trees in the High Street.

### **Village Matters**

A. Risk Assessment - HW Coates has requested a representative at a meeting on 30 September. The Clerk will ask Mrs Parsons if she can attend.

B. Grass cutting: Churchyard - FM told the meeting that the PCC are reviewing the situation for the churchyard.

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## Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting 8 August 2016, Monday, Chippenham Village Hall, 7pm

### **Public Participation**

Two residents attended to express their concern regarding traffic speeding through the village, especially along the High Street. NP explained that this is a problem which is revisited regularly and the council themselves are concerned about this issue. District Councillor Julia Huffer (JH) explained that Fordham PC has bought their own Speedwatch kit, and they have a team of residents who will hold regular Speedwatch sessions (several each week) in order to encourage motorists to adhere to the speed limit. This is something that Chippenham could consider, but NP wanted to know whether the council would be able to encourage enough volunteers to make this a viable option before investing in the equipment. The meeting also discussed the interactive signs and whether it would be worth upgrading the sign by the village hall to one which displays the speed of the motorist. County Councillor James Palmer (JP) explained that the council should continue to submit grant bids each year, as has been done in the past, to try to get funding for improvements from the Highways Dept. The notice for this year's bid is due out any day. JP explained that villages with schools always score higher for obvious safety reasons than those without. It was pointed out that Chippenham's primary and secondary school children are both picked-up and dropped-off by bus from the High Street twice a day. The Clerk will invite a representative from Highways to a council meeting to discuss what options are available to the parish council. The council agreed to form a working group with interested members of the village in order to look at this problem in detail and formulate a plan which could be implemented as a programme over a number of years as funds allow.

### **County Council Report**

The contract for the Ely bypass has now been signed and work will begin towards the end of 2016.

### **Planning**

- 16/00808/FUL Wind Turbine: No objections.
- 16/00371/FUL – 16 Tharp Way: No objections.



## August 2016 Meeting's Minutes cont.

- Julie Barrow from ECDC visited the council to discuss planning procedure and enforcement. Material Planning considerations were discussed, along with enforcement procedures and legislation. She also covered the new Local Plan, which is currently under review, and the recent 'call for sites' of which two were identified in Chippenham. The council will hear in the autumn whether either of these sites will go forward into the next round and to public consultation.

### **Matters Arising**

A. Defibrillator Project - The funding from BHF is subject to agreement that the defibrillator will be kept in an unlocked cabinet. The council discussed the pros and cons of this arrangement. The Clerk will find out whether the council's insurance will cover the kit if it is unlocked. The council also wanted to know how quickly the emergency services will give out an unlock code if the council decide to use a locked cabinet. The Clerk will ask Mrs Starkey.

B. Emergency Plan - Mrs Parsons circulated several documents pertaining to the Emergency Plan. She is planning to include them within the next newsletter delivery and will ask villagers to respond as to whether they have skills, equipment, supplies or accommodation that could be used during an emergency. The council will also pull together a list of vulnerable adults in the village that may need extra help in the event of an emergency.

C. Allotment Footpath - The track has now been repaired. NB met with the contractor and a representative from Carter Jonas to discuss how it should be restored. Subject to one or two snagging issues, the council now considers this matter complete.

### Village Pump

The Parish Council would like to thank Sallie Munden for once again providing the village with beautiful plants for the planters around the village pump.

### ***HIGH STREET SPEEDING AND TRAFFIC***

The Parish Council has been approached by some concerned residents regarding the volume of traffic and speed at which it passes through the village, especially along the High Street. The council recognises that this is a concern for many residents and would like to form a Working Group which would look into this matter in more detail; this group would make recommendations to the council regarding improvements and initiatives that could be brought in to better road safety.

One idea, which has proved successful in Fordham, is to purchase our own Speedwatch equipment so the village would be in control of the frequency and timing of Speedwatch checks. However, for this to work the council would need a team of volunteers who would be willing to man the equipment on a rota basis.

If you are interested in joining the Working Group or volunteering for the Speedwatch team (or both), please contact the Clerk for further details:

Sally Hughes 01638 720915 chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com

## **CHIPPENHAM PARISH COUNCIL: Emergency Plan & Defibrillator**

You will have seen from the Parish Council Minutes that we are in the process of revisiting Chippenham's emergency plan, so as a community we can be prepared if there is an incident or event in our village or the immediate locality.

The following are some things we think we can do to help people affected by an emergency: checking on vulnerable people, collecting provisions and prescriptions, helping move property and furniture, clearing snow and trees, providing shelter or food/drinks or warmth.

We are looking for your assistance to help with this preparation. You will find inside this issue a letter/questionnaire addressed to each household, and we would like you to complete it to help us collate and update our emergency plan.

You will have also seen from the Minutes of the meetings that we are looking to install a defibrillator in the village. This is being partly funded by a donation from the British Heart Foundation. The use of these machines is self-explanatory, but training will be provided for anyone who may be interested. A section regarding the defibrillator has been included in the enclosed questionnaire for anyone who may be interested in being involved in this initiative.

The questionnaires should be returned to Wendy Parsons, 5 Manor Farm Barns, High Street, Chippenham or call 01638 721791. Thank you.

### ***Volunteers for St Margaret's Church***

Many of you that visit our lovely church will have seen the beautiful flower arrangements on display. You might have especially noticed them at Christmas, Easter and Harvest Festival. We are looking for more volunteers to join our Church Flower Rota, in addition to our very dedicated small group of volunteers who create these lovely arrangements throughout the year. If you like arranging flowers, then we would love you to join our team! Currently our team of arrangers decorate the church 3-4 times a year, and everyone pitches in for high days, holidays and any special events. Some volunteers provide their own flowers, while others create arrangements using our extensive collection of faux flowers. If you think you might be interested in joining our Rota or offering to do flowers on an occasional basis, then please contact Wendy Parsons on 01638 721791. All welcome!

### ***~ A Note from Chippenham Park ~***

Although we don't promote fireworks at weddings at Chippenham Park, we do on average have 4-5 events a year where they have been requested. We insist they use one of the recommended local suppliers who know the venue, use only a 'low altitude' and 'quiet' packages, and that the display is over by 10.30pm at the latest. We appreciate that there are people, pets and other animals that don't like the commotion; we currently give advance notice to Chippenham Lodge Stud, the village Parish Council, The Stable Block and a few others for every planned display. If anyone else would like their email added to this circular, please let Beccy know and she will make sure you are included. Please call 01638 721 416 or email [beccy@chippenhamparkevents.co.uk](mailto:beccy@chippenhamparkevents.co.uk). Thank you.

# 2016 Chippenham Produce & Craft Show Review!

The show was held on Sunday, 11 September, and we were delighted to welcome returning talented exhibitors along with some new faces to the show. This year there were not as many exhibits as in the past, but there was still an impressive display of arts & crafts, photography, preserves, baking, flower arrangements, shrubs, vegetables, flowers, and houseplants. The winners of the cups, tankards, shields and vouchers this year were:

- Most points in show - Yvette Smith
- Highest number of points in vegetable classes - Isobel Mangell
- Highest number of points in fruit classes - Isobel Mangell
- Best floral arrangement - Gaynor Ryan
- Highest number of points in floral classes - Yvette Smith
- Best rose in show - Fiona Maxwell
- Tallest sunflower - Michaela Saxby
- Highest number of points in produce classes - Sandra Desborough
- Best cake in men's class - Mark Connelly
- Best exhibit in classes 58-68 (Photography, painting, traditional craft) - Violet Lee
- Highest number of points in children's classes - Ella Gallop
- Best hanging basket - 1st Mrs. Pinder, New Street; 2nd Rob Evans, Manor Farm Barns; 3rd Dennis & Julia, Scotland End
- Best alcoholic drink - Mark Connelly
- Best meat pie - Andy Richardson
- Best vegetarian quiche or tart - Yvonne Lomas

Many congratulations to those listed above, and all the other winners in the show; it was a fun day for all! As always, there are many people who need to be thanked; the sponsors for such wonderful raffle prizes, the judges who had a really difficult task, Mike Banyard for presenting all the prizes, Nick Parsons for scoring, the Show Committee, and everyone who participated or visited.

Sadly, as Mike mentioned on the day, the current Show Committee will be standing down next year. As you can imagine, village events of this kind take a lot of organising, and volunteers can sometimes be difficult to find. All of the following are required to put on a show of this type: a Chairman, a Treasurer, a Secretary, and volunteers to help source sponsors/organise raffle prizes/erect and dismantle tables/make refreshments/score/help with publicity and make posters/be stewards on the day. This year the Show Committee managed with only three people for the core of the work. It is highly probable that without this needed extra support, the show will not take place next year. If this is the case, it is possible that just the 'Front Garden/Entrance' class may be re-introduced where 1st, 2nd and 3rd prizes will be awarded, further details would follow. If you think you may be interested in helping this popular village event continue, or have any ideas or comments, please contact Yvette Smith at 07824 428016 or Wendy Parsons, Chairman, at [wendy.parsons1@btinternet.com](mailto:wendy.parsons1@btinternet.com). Thank you.

## **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Proposal: Demolition of existing cricket pavilion and storage shed, and replacement with new purpose designed single storey pavilion and new storage shed

Location: Chippenham Cricket Club, Reference: 16/01211/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

- Traditional Sunday Roast: 12.30pm-2.30pm •

\*Bookings advisable due to limited seating\*

Come in and browse a selection artwork for sale by local artists

FOR UPDATES ON EVENTS/INFORMATION:

01638 720234

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## October Events

16th, Sunday

**QUIZ & CHILI NIGHT 7:30pm start**

This special quiz night is to raise funds for the new pavilion for the Chippenham Cricket Club. £5 per person; half of the proceeds go to the winner, the second half goes to the new pavilion fund. A fun night to be had, hosted by Tim Hedger.

22nd/29th,  
Saturdays

**THARP PUMPKIN FAYRE 4pm start**

Enjoy the autumn-time festivities with the Haunted Barn, face-painting, BBQ, locally-grown pumpkins for sale, and a Guess-The-Weight-Of-The-Pumpkin Raffle (winner takes it home!).

27th, 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.

## November Events

5th, Saturday

***Guy Fawkes Night FIREWORKS!***

In addition to the superb display of fireworks, there will be soup, hot dogs, burgers, and all the fine refreshments offered by the Tharp Arms, of course. Food on from 6pm, fireworks at 7pm!

24th, Thursday

**OPEN MIC NIGHT 7:30pm start,**

All are welcome!

## CHIPPENHAM AND SNAILWELL OIL BUYING CO-OP

### **Oil order DEADLINE: Midnight, WED. 12 October**

If you would like some oil in October, please send in your order by card or e-mail by the deadline above. The next order deadline will be in early December. 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 supporting of this community money-saving-scheme! And thank you to the 32 people who have paid the administration charge of £5 per year, which covers all the orders that are placed 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

Although it's been a good summer, unfortunately we were unlucky with the weather for our Autumn Mini Tournament and on two occasions had to cancel at the last minute. We may still be able to hold this before the weather really changes, so please check the website [www.chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk](http://www.chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk) and look out for posters in the village.

Our Thursday evening Club Nights have been a bit disappointing this season, just the determined few attending each week, but we will soldier on and encourage more of you to join us next season. You don't have to be Andy Murray to join in, it's a chance to get some exercise and meet up with people who enjoy the game.

Coaching sessions have been running throughout the year and have been a great success! If you are interested in future coaching, Adult or Children, please drop us an email at [info@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk](mailto:info@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk) or [coaching@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk](mailto:coaching@chippenhamtennisclub.co.uk).

We were lucky enough to be allocated a few Wimbledon tickets this year by the LTA and 10 lucky people were able to go! If you would like a chance to go in the ballot for next year, simply become a member! Details are on our website.

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.



# Chippenham Cricket Club

The 2016 season illustrates what a flourishing Cricket Club we have in our village. We have roughly 120 Junior and Senior members, and have played 125 matches both at home and away! Our current pavilion has done us proud, but the scale of the Club means that we need to replace it with a building in keeping with the growth, and one sympathetic to its beautiful surroundings.

We are celebrating the end-of-season with an event we hope will appeal to everybody in the village, not just cricketers:

## ***Music In The Park***

A Chippenham Cricket Club production

- Sunday, **9 October**, 2pm until 6pm.
- Music from Ely Festival headliners, Fen Boy 3+1.
- Wedding Pavilion at Chippenham Park, kindly lent by Becca And Hugo!
- Licensed bar and a BBQ sourced from La Hogue
- Access to the beautiful Chippenham Park gardens
- Learn of new pavilion plans, witness some players receive prizes for exceptional performances
- Tickets only **£5 ENTRY**  
(available from The Tharp Arms, alternatively from Simon Heather, Alan Wright, or Jonathan Van de peer)

All are welcome, so mark your diaries!

***Chippenham Cricket Club: 'Building For The Future'***

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, banyardmg1@yahoo.co.uk

As I write the mist is swirling round and it suddenly feels very autumnal, though the unseasonably hot weather is keeping windows and doors open. All this followed by torrential rain and, as I look out from the Vicarage windows, a growing primary school extension in the heart of Fordham, which will allow our outstanding school to cater for all children in the villages of Fordham and Snailwell.

As the leaves on the trees turn colour, more evidence of change is all around. We have just returned from a visit to New York to see our family, especially our new granddaughter, Annabel. It was a real joy to see her and her two-and-a-half year old brother who is about to start pre-school. Change is what they are all about; growing, it seems, by the day and proving to be a delight to all. Change is all about us, as well. We can embrace it, taking and affirming what is really good, and be cautious about those changes we think will not help.

Jesus told the parable about the Prodigal Son, a lad who squandered his inheritance, but then as the story has it he "came to himself" and realised what a mess he had made of things. He resolved to return home and ask forgiveness, not to be restored to his previous place as an honoured son, but as a servant in his father's house. Of course the father was waiting for him to return, a real longing in his heart for restoration, and he ran to his son when he saw him arriving and set up a party. The elder son was a bit put out, but his father told him all he had was his and he was with him always, but this other son was lost and is found, was dead but now alive.

What powerful and telling stories Jesus told, which still mean so much today. Change is possible for us all and we can return to God our Father, who welcomes us home and makes us safe. Have a good autumn.

God bless.  
Mike



**Sunday 2 October, HARVEST (G)**

*2 Corinthians 9:6-end*

*Luke 12: 16 - 30*

**Harvest Family Service @ Chippenham 11am**

**Harvest Celebration @ Snailwell 6.00pm**

**\*Bring-&-Share Supper to follow service\***

**Sunday 9 October, Trinity 20 (G)**

*2 Timothy 2:8-15*

*Luke 17:11-19*

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

**Sunday 16 October, Trinity 21 (G)**

*2 Timothy 3:14-4:5*

*Luke 18:1-8*

Family Service

Snailwell 9.30am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

**Sunday 23 October, Last Sunday after Trinity (G)**

*2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18*

*Luke 18:9-14*

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Evensong

Chippenham 6.30pm

**Sunday 30 October, All Saints Day (W)**

*Ephesians 1:11-end*

*Luke 6:20-31*

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Sung Eucharist

Chippenham 11am

**Sunday 6 November, Third Sunday Before Advent (R)**

*Isaiah 9:1-6*

*Matthew 5:43-end*

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Family Service

Chippenham 11am

**Sunday 13 November, REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY (R)**

*Isaiah 9:1-6*

*John 15:9-17*

**Remembrance Day Service**

**@ Snailwell (with Chippenham) 10.45am**

**Sunday 20 November, CHRIST THE KING (R)**

*Colossians 1:11-20*

*Luke 23:33-43*

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

Evensong

Chippenham 6.30pm

**Sunday 27 November, ADVENT SUNDAY (P)**

*Romans 13:11-end*

*Matthew 24:36-44*

Holy Communion

Snailwell 9.30am

**Advent Carol Service @ Chippenham 6.30pm**

Chippenham Church Rota							
	Sidesmen	Reader	Wine	Flowers	Cleaning	Coffee	Prayers
October 2nd	Jennifer	Fiona	Jan & James	all help harvest	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Lucy	Tony
October 9th	Jan	Jan	Tony	Wendy	Lomas Girls	Peter Ellis	Kevin
October 16th	Tony & Eileen	Terry	Paul & Isobel	Helen	James & Paul	Fiona	Kevin
October 23rd	James	Isabel	Terry & Isabel	Helen	Fiona & Lucy	Eileen	David
October 30th	Jennifer	Fiona	Nick & Wendy	Jennifer	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Lucy	Peter Ellis
Nov 6th	Jan	Jan	Peter & Fiona	Jennifer	Lomas Girls	Peter Ellis	Peter
Nov 13th	remembrance day	snailwell		Nicola	James & Paul		Peter
Nov 20th	Tony & Eileen	Terry	John Bridges	Nicola	Fiona & Lucy	Fiona	Tony
Nov 27th	James Evensong	advent	Jennifer	advent	Jan, Yvette, Mary	Eileen	Tony
Dec 4th	Jennifer		Ralph	advent	Lomas Girls	Lucy	Kevin
Dec 11th	Jan	Isabel	Jan & James	advent	James & Paul	Peter Ellis	Kevin

If dates do not suit please swap

# Three Rivers Mothers Union



The Coffee Morning in July was again most successful, raising approximately £200, all proceeds being donated to Mothers Union projects. The rain managed to hold off for our Garden Party in August, to which we were delighted to welcome members from neighbouring MU Groups. A fine afternoon was enjoyed by all.

## Forthcoming Events:

### **Thursday, 6 October, 10am-Noon:**

Deanery Coffee Morning at Lode Chapel.

### **Saturday, 8 October, 9.30am:**

Diocesan Day at All Saints Church, Milton, beginning in the morning.

### **Wednesday, 19 October, 2pm:**

Deanery Meeting at Burwell Guildhall (next to the church). Speakers include Gill Utting (Worldwide Links) and a member of Waterbeach MU.

### **Monday, 14 November, 10.30am:**

Holy Communion at St Peter's Church, Fordham. Optional lunch to follow.

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:

- 14 October, 9.15am, at Fordham Garden Centre (Scotsdales)
- 11 November, 9.15am, at Fordham Garden Centre (Scotsdales)

## 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!

- 9 October
- 13 November

# 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):

- **7 October** – *Eddie the Eagle* (PG), Inspired by true events, this is a feel-good story about Michael “Eddie” Edwards, an unlikely but courageous British ski-jumper who won the hearts of sports fans around the world by making an improbable and historic showing at the 1988 Calgary Winter Olympics. Running time: 1 hour 45 minutes.

- **4 November** – *Ackenfield* (Not Rated), Remastered version; a fictional account of life from 1900, using local people as actors, was first shown in 1975 and The British Film Institute has now digitising it for a new release. Based on Ronald Blythe’s 1969 book of the same name, it was filmed in Charsfield and neighbouring villages. An East Anglian Film Archive spokesman called it “a drama about change and a significant record of Suffolk life.” Running time: 1 hour 40 minutes.

- **2 December** – Title TBD, see website for updates.

MYSTERY SHOW: **14 October, Friday** with the support of Creative Arts East (CAE), this show will remain a mystery until you come to see it! We are offering this as a try-before-you-see show as well; perhaps you will consider paying what you think a ticket would be worth! Rest assured it will be up to the usual high standard of CAE events, so come and see the show – it could be theatre, music, spoken word or dance! Doors open 7pm, performance starts 7.30pm; bar available. Phone 01638 720118 or 078542 198 933 to book your tickets.

VILLAGE FARMERS & CRAFTS MARKET: **29 October, 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 (a new supplier!) Deersbrook Farm with gluten-free options, bread from the Friendly Loaf Co., savoury pies from The Pie Kitchen, Suffolk honey, a huge variety of hand-made preserves, delicious dairy from Mrs H’s Cheese Stalls, Freckenham eggs, fresh cut flowers, a village table of plants and produce, and CRAFTS: knitting (in support of St Nicholas Hospice) and cards, crochet, house plants, handmade cards, and more! The next Village Farmers & Craft Market will be **26 November, Saturday** (every last Saturday of the month).

## QUIZ NIGHT:

**12 November, Saturday** come out and support this fundraiser for the church; 7pm for 7.30pm start, BYO drink & nibbles, £2.50 per person to play.

Includes Freckenham Fun Time for the under 5’s, Karate, Zumba, Yoga (day and evening), Pilates and FitSteps. Plus very informal Table Tennis and Swing Jive Dance Clubs!

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# SNAILWELL HAPPENINGS

2 October, Sunday: Harvest Service at 6pm, followed by a Bring-&-Share Supper at 7pm. If you can't make the service or do not wish to come to the service, you are still more than welcome to come to the Bring-&-Share Supper. This is a village celebration of the year's Harvest.

Mark your diary for:

10 December, Saturday: Snailwell Christmas Fayre at 2pm. Should you have any items you have received but never used and wish to pass on, please contact Maureen 577456 and she will find them a home.

## **Ely Festivities**

### **\*ELY APPLE FESTIVAL\***

On 15 October, Saturday, from 10am-4pm Ely is holding its annual Apple Festival in celebration of the great British Apple (for more event information, contact the Tourist Information Centre).

There will be woodturning demonstrations, storytelling and activities running throughout the day; including the ever-popular longest apple peeling competition, apple and spoon races, and an apple shy. Apple delights can be tasted at the Watergull Orchards Produce marquee, alongside the Apple Market of local traders' goods. Folk music and Morris dancing will be performed throughout the day to add to the ambience of this wonderful day.

### **\*HALLOWEEN GHOST TOURS OF ELY\***

"Discover the dark side of Ely on an evening ghost tour that takes you along narrow passageways and dark streets to hear about the tales of scandal and death. You'll see some of the most haunted buildings in what is claimed to be one of England's spookiest cities whilst hearing about the ghosts that reside within [the] medieval City."

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### **\*OLIVER CROMWELL HOUSE HALLOWEEN TOURS\***

Join us for our ghostly-themed guided tour of this reputed haunted house. Be prepared to hear directly from our many ghosts, and hopefully from the man himself. 27 & 29 October has tours at both 7pm & 9pm, while 29-31 October tours are only at 9pm. Tickets are £12 per person and can be booked by contacting Ely Tourist Information Centre, 01353 662062 or [www.visitely.org.uk](http://www.visitely.org.uk).

# VILLAGE NOTICE BOARD

## New Residents!

If you are new to the village and would like to know more about what is going on, please contact Sally Hughes for a welcome pack. 01638 720915, [chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com](mailto:chippenhamparishcouncil@hotmail.com)



### **Mobile Library**

Snoilwell - Roman Way  
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Chippenham, High Street  
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## 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:**

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