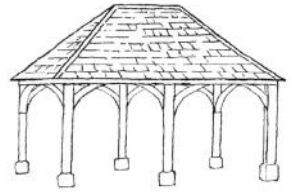


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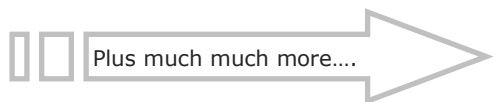
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From the Editor

Well this really is a bumper edition, with four more pages in it!! The longest Chronicle ever!

Lets hope that the weather improves for September for the Wychwood Forest Fair (1st), Farmers Market (14th), the Ride & Stride Bike Ride also on 14th and of course our very own Street Fair on 20th and 21st September.

On this note, and having in the past helped organise the Street Fair, I would like to send out a plea to all to come and offer to help organise this event in the future. It doesn't happen on its own, and without the money raised, the Corner House and Memorial Hall would likely require funding from the Town Council, which would go on all our rates!

If you think you could give up just a small amount of time, then please do come and help! It really is great fun! New ideas are needed which can only come with new blood. So at the fair this year, go up to any red-shirted person and say you would be interested in helping next year! Thank you in advance!

Any it was great sadness that I have to report the passing of Celia Falkner, Curator of the Museum, and of Freddie Jones. Our thoughts go out to all their families.

If you have any ideas on what else you would like to see in the Chronicle, please do contact me at:-

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Susanna Finch

**Please note the deadline for articles for the Summer issue is 1st November 2019
Please send all articles to *editor.chronicle@outlook.com***

We will welcome you to this year's Street Fair on 21st September where the theme will be TIME. This year is the 300th anniversary of the birth of famed Charlburian Larcum Kendall, his birthday actually falls on Street Fair Day. Kendall was a renowned watchmaker and played a part in the story of John Harrison, who invented the first accurate marine chronometer which revolutionised navigation.

Kendall also made a chronometer that accompanied Captain Cook on his second voyage, which Captain Cook called his "trusty friend the watch". Time will be featured in Tina's Children's Dance Show 'Peter Pan' (remember the crocodile and the clock?) which will be performed on the day.

Charlbury Primary School Choir will be singing and entertainment during the day includes Morris dancing, and a Buskers' stage, dedicated to the late Richard Cocks who was a staunch supporter of the Fair.

Popular last year and repeated this year will be a *Last Night of the Proms* event – we are live screening the event in the War Memorial Hall on the evening of 14th September (thanks to ChOC) – and the Hall will be bedecked in flags and bunting; there will be a bar and food costing £5 which will include entry and treats. Tables can be booked in advance.

Festivities start on the evening of Friday 20th September with our Egg Throwing competition outside the Rose and Crown, Bell Hotel and Bull Inn. We might be able to rustle up some hot food that evening.

On Saturday evening we look forward to Dancing in the Street with food available.

On the Fair day, the War Memorial Hall will see a *Bake Off* competition, with prizes for under 16s and adults - so do show off your time-related creative

culinary skills! In keeping with the 'Time' theme, the ever-popular Children's Fancy Dress competition will be anything "Time" related... from clock costumes to Doctor Who ...the possibilities are endless! Just come along to the Playing Close (Co-op end) at 1.15pm on September 21st, and join in the fun. There are prizes for individual entries and one for the best group and the competition will be judged by Tim Widdows of Cotswold Frames. Entry is free!

As well as these exciting entertainments we will have a Classic Car Parade from the Playing Close to the Priory at the start of the Fair, lots of Stalls with Tombola, a Grand Draw, Hog Roast, and things to please all the family.

All of the funds raised at the Fair go to the upkeep of the Corner House and Memorial Hall, which are close to the heart of our thriving community.

Road Closures and Parking

As is customary we have received permission to close Church Street and Park Street from 6pm on Friday 20th September for the Egg Throwing competition, and Church Street, Park Street and Sheep Street from 9am on the Saturday for the great event! Sheep Street will be open again from 6pm and Church Street and Park Street from 11.30pm. Diversions will be signed. Do please note that *we may need to park stalls' vehicles in Park Street this year.*

By kind permission of the Primary School, Wychwood Paddocks Playing Field will be available for parking for visitors, on the Saturday.

We will of course remind Charlbury residents in these locations nearer the Fair, and as usual we respectfully request alternative parking to be sought to allow room for the Fair Stands in Church Street.

Charlbury Street Fair 2019

Thanks

Our thanks go to our principal sponsors including Fairfax Estate Agents, the Bell Hotel, the Rose & Crown and Cotswold Frames for assistance, sponsorship and some great prizes for the Grand Draw and Silent Auction.

Finally I'd like to extend thanks to our band of willing volunteers who, with their hard work and help, sustain the local tradition of the Fair, which continues to go from strength to strength!

Do please get in touch if you want to help at
csfchairman@charlburystreetfair.org.

This could be to help out this year, setting up the stalls and taking them down again, with the temptation of some bacon butties, or to help out next year—or both!

For more information see
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*John Dora
Chair of the Street Fair Committee*

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Charlbury Beer and Wine Circle

Charlbury Beer and Wine Circle's first meeting was on 30th June 1978. This was an off-shoot of Charlbury Horticultural Society. Our meetings were held in the Morris Room of the Corner House.

The original title was Charlbury Beer and Wine Making Circle and all, or most, members were enthusiastic brewers. Brewing demonstrations and talks featured, however, not all the resulting brews were to everyone's taste! As the years passed, the word 'Making' was deleted from our title as this was only carried out by a small number of members, and the choice of beer and wine, to suit every taste, from supermarkets had expanded greatly, and become readily available.

As the group has grown to 27 members at present, the autumn and winter meetings have moved to the Garden Room of the Memorial Hall and are still, largely, on the third Monday of each month. Membership is currently £10 per year.

The subjects of our meetings this year included wine tastings, led by professionals, together with tastings led by members, an outing to a Gloucestershire Vineyard, and a walking tour of Oxford City together with social events mainly in the gardens of members.

We are always happy to welcome new members, and you do not have to be a wine connoisseur, but just someone who enjoys good company and trying different wines and beers. Our new year starts in September, so now is a particularly good time to join us!

For more information on our club, please contact me on
charlburywineandbeercircle@gmail.com

*John Moore
Secretary*



Charlbury Garden Society

The Charlbury Garden Society exists not just for its members but also for the enjoyment of Charlbury residents as a whole. It puts on two shows a year, plant sales and several evening talks during the winter months. There are annual grants awarded to local groups to encourage or aid projects of a horticultural nature and the committee oversee the care and upkeep of the Memorial Hall garden. This year we organised Charlbury Open Gardens to raise funds for the Corner House and Memorial Hall. The annual coach trip is open to non-members too.

Members are entitled to free entry to evening talks, priority booking for some events and some trips are exclusively for members. Everyone is cordially invited to the annual general meeting in October which also happens to offer a tremendously good value and delicious buffet meal with wine, beer or soft drinks (and rather a good quiz with prizes too!) To receive our regular free newsletter or to become a member (entitling you to discounts at several local garden centres) email Geneviève: membership@charlburygardensociety.org.uk

Summer in the Garden Society. A message from Nicola Morgan, Chairperson:

"The rejuvenation of the Garden Society", begun at last year's AGM, has been very successful with more efficient systems and an increase in the number of events. In the last couple of months we have had our plant sale in the Memorial Hall (sold out by 11am).

Two local self-drive trips to private gardens were arranged on top of our big coach outing and were very well attended. The weather was kind and

everyone had a very enjoyable experience. Members of the Committee were involved in organising the Open Gardens in June which was appreciated by the town.

As Chair I am pleased to say that the committee have taken on responsibility for many of the arrangements for these events. We now have an active, engaged committee which is making the Society successful and progressive.

Coming up in the next few months is our showcase event the Annual Show on Saturday September 7th. We will have committee members available to help demystify the process of making an entry. It helps us if your completed entry form can be delivered prior to the show, though it is possible to bring it on the day. Judging begins at 11am and the cups are awarded at the end of the show. There is a class for everyone in this show as we feature flower arrangements, cookery and art.

There are lots of cups including one for a first timer so come along and enjoy a little healthy competition. This is followed by our coffee morning and plant sale on October 12th. In October we also have the AGM supported by a social evening (17th) and in November there is the first of our winter talks.

All the information about upcoming events can be found on the Charlbury website under 'Events' or on our website. We all look forward to seeing you soon.





CHARLBURY CRICKET CLUB

Past the midway stage of the season and it was good to see that many of our young players were making an impact in league cricket, as well as significant contributions from the women and girls. Nathan Doran chalked up some good bowling figures of 3-11 and 3-18 in two matches with our OCA team, while George Westbury produced scores of 48 not out and 30 with the bat. In our Cherwell League 3rd team Emily Fothergill starred in taking six wickets for 35 runs and young Freddie Fox took 3-32.

Many of the teams we play against are still surprised that Charlbury field some highly capable women players in male dominated leagues. The 2nd team has regularly included Emilia Bartram (5-22), Ellie Norton (5-12), Abi Flory with a superb 50, and the wicket-keeping skills of Abi Currie. Nicola Scull took a hatrick in an OCA game and stalwart Vicky Strode 4-20.

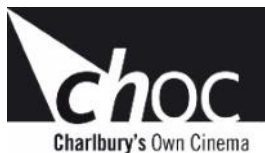
Mention should also go to young Ollie Maw with bowling figures of 5-41 in his first game for Charlbury and Alex Bush was top scorer in one game with a fine 63 runs.

It is fair to say that our 1st team in Cherwell Division 4 has generally been struggling to reach competitive totals with the bat, though Ben Geeson-Brown scored a fine 82 in one game. On the plus side, our bowling has been good. 18-year-old Matt Doran has been leading the attack and is a fine prospect for the future. He is well backed up by Jake Godfrey who has regularly been taking wickets, while Bimalka and Charlie Sinton provide a probing spin section.

Our other teams were holding their own in Cherwell Divisions 7 and 10 and the OCA's Division 7 North. The season ends on the weekend of September 14 and 15. On the Saturday, we will be celebrating another year of cricket with a repeat of last year's successful 6-a-side competition on both fields.

David Horne, club vice chairman


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ChOC News

The film programme for autumn commences in September with *The Old Man & The Gun*, (the film which was postponed in May), this will be followed in October by *The Keeper* and in November, we will be screening the Richard Curtis / Danny Boyle film, *Yesterday*.

In addition to films, on **Saturday 14th September** ChOC will once again be assisting **Charlbury Street Fair** at the **Last Night Of The Proms Party** at the Memorial Hall.

 **Sunday, 8th September at 7.30pm: The Old Man & The Gun** Cert. 12 / 93mins.

An elderly man is driving down a Texan freeway when he sees a woman (Sissy Spacek) whose car has broken down. He offers her a lift and she accepts. They start talking and soon strike up a rapport. She asks him what he has been doing. He replies 'robbing a bank'. She laughs, as most of us would. But what he says is true. The man is Forrest Tucker (Robert Redford), a career criminal who has recently escaped from San Quentin prison and is responsible for a string of bank robberies across the USA over the course of many decades.

Based on a true story, and widely reputed to be the last movie of Redford's illustrious career, *The Old Man & the Gun* is a warm and charming film with an old-fashioned feel somewhat redolent of 1980s cinema. It features a masterful central performance by Redford and acts as a fitting swansong for the great Hollywood star.

Admission: Adults, £5 / U15s £3.

 **Sunday 13th October at 7.30pm: The Keeper** Cert. 15 / 2hrs

The Keeper tells the extraordinary love story between a young English woman and a German PoW, who together overcome prejudice, public hostility, and

personal tragedy. While visiting a PoW camp near Manchester at the end of WWII, Margaret Friar (Freya Mavor), the daughter of the manager of the local football team, notices young German soldier Bert Trautmann (David Kross). Her father is so taken by Bert's prowess as a goal-keeper that he gets him out of the camp to play for his local team. Margaret and Bert's love blossoms despite local hostility and resentment of the German PoWs. In the meantime, Bert's heroics in goal are noticed by Manchester City Football Club. Rather than going back to Germany like nearly all the other camp inmates, Bert marries Margaret and signs for Man City. His signing causes outrage to thousands of Man City fans, many of them Jewish. But Margaret wins support from an unexpected direction, Rabbi Altmann, a Man City supporter who, despite having fled the Nazis, publishes an open letter opposing the campaign against Bert.

Admission: £5

"A really watchable film, more substantial than most sports movies and many postwar dramas ..." Peter Bradshaw / *The Guardian*

 **Sunday 10th November at 7pm: Yesterday** Cert. 12A / 116mins.

Jack Malik (Himesh Patel) is a frustrated musician whose musical career is going nowhere despite the faith that his friend/manager Ellie Appleton has in him.

However, on the night Jack decides to give up, the whole world is momentarily hit with a massive blackout during which Jack is hit by a bus. Upon regaining consciousness, Jack learns to his astonishment that he is apparently now the only one who knows the music of the Beatles. After this realisation, Jack begins playing the music of the greatest of the rock bands, claiming it as his own.

Admission: Adults £5 / U15s £3

"A hopeless songwriter wakes up to find he's the only person who can remember the Fab Four's hits in a wacky, winning comedy directed by Danny Boyle" - Peter Bradshaw / *The Guardian*

All films are shown in the Memorial Hall - doors and our popular 'wine and beer' bar opens 45 minutes before the performance.

STUDENT GRANTS

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More information can be found at www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk.

Thursday 12th September- 10:00am

To Daylesford and Beyond

8 miles—4 hours

Two large villages and two hamlets feature on this delightful walk, as well as lovely views and landscapes. Enjoy learning a bit about the Daylesford estate and its connection to a Governor General of India. Bring a snack and a packed lunch.

Start - Car park next to Kingham Primary School OX7 6YD

Tuesday 17th September 10:00am

www. Wychwood Wonder Walks

5.5 miles—3 hours

This walk will introduce some remarkable social history from 3000BC to the present day. Learn about the struggles of the poor and the pleasure of the privileged whilst walking through lovely countryside. Lunch can be enjoyed at The Swan Inn at the end of the walk.

Start point: The Swan Inn Ascott under Wychwood OX7 6AY

Saturday 12th October

Along the Evenlode

12.5 miles—6 Hours—strenuous

Spend the day walking in the countryside of the Evenlode Valley with its wide vistas and charming villages. Please bring a packed lunch

Start point: Please park thoughtfully St Mary's Church Charlbury OX7 3PX

Thursday 16th October—10:00am

Autumn in the Wychwood Forest

8.5 miles—5 hours

This walk takes a route off public rights of way with the permission of the owner so an opportunity to see parts of the Wychwood Forest normally inaccessible. Please bring a packed lunch.

Start: Spendlove Centre Charlbury

Monday 21st October—10:00am

All Hands to the Plough

6.5 miles—3 hours

From Finstock to historic Wilcote Manor passing the Ladywell and down to the Evenlode. Then over Whitehill Wood to Stonesfield back to Finstock on the Oxfordshire way down across the Evenlode then up Dark Lane for optional lunch at the Plough.

Start: The Plough Inn Finstock OX7 3BY

Saturday 26th October—10:00am

The Ancient Forest of Wychwood

9 miles—4.5 hours

A pleasant walk, hopefully with Autumn colours in an area once covered by the ancient forest of Wychwood. Learn about the Forest Charter and its importance to local people of the time. En route we pass villages, parkland and a fine medieval church. Please bring a packed lunch.

Start: Spendlove Centre Charlbury

Saturday 16th November

Along the Windrush

12 miles - 6 hours - strenuous

Enjoy the tireless scenery of the Windrush Valley as the river winds towards the Thames. Please bring a packed lunch.

Start: Burford main car park.OX18 4SB

Tuesday 26th November—10:00am

One Way Several Ends

5 miles—2.5 hours

This walk takes paths through Chadlington allowing time to observe how the settlement has evolved. Once out of the village the paths go along the Evenlode Valley with its expansive views. Lunch options after the walk in the village

Start: Chadlington Village Hall

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A Day's Life: Liz Reason—Chair of the Green Party Executive

I realised Liz was a Green Party activist months ago, and thought it would be interesting to find out what her role was.

I was elected Chair of the Green Party Executive in September last year. The party is going through dramatic changes at the moment. It had been small for decades, with only a few thousand members and not much money; this meant effectively that volunteers ran the party for no pay. I joined at the end of 2013 just before a dramatic increase in membership – the Green surge – with member numbers rising from 14,000 to 68,000. This led to a big rise in income, allowing the party to employ staff, and become more professional. From the outset, I have also worked to improve the party governance arrangements, and now feel that most of this is in place.

The Green Party Executive's role is to make sure it is an effective and efficient organisation, not to do the politics. It has 20 members include the leaders and deputy leaders of the party. As Chair, I am a volunteer, meaning I don't get paid. I line-manage the Chief Executive, the person who manages and runs the organisation on a day-to-day basis. The Green Party Conference is the decision-making body and sets the Party's policies and objectives. The Executive's role is to try and deliver on those, and resolve any problems that arise. My routine varies – I have regular meetings and conference calls with colleagues, and this week I'll go to Stroud to the annual conference of local Green Party Councillors.

It is an amazing time to be a member of the Green Party. We now have 7 MEPs but also 362 local councillors in England and Wales, as well of course as our MP Caroline Lucas, and one member in the House of Lords. We expect the numbers of representatives to increase significantly over the next year or so.

When did I get involved in green issues? When I was 27, and in Kings Street Cambridge, I saw a Friends of the Earth demo - Daisy the Cow with a cardboard

sign round her neck, which said 'It takes 7 pounds of grain to make 1 pound of me.' That prompted me to join Cambridge Friends of the Earth (FoE). FoE were one of the witness bodies to the Windscale Enquiry in 1977, and there I discovered energy policy, which has been my career ever since. I worked on a project called 'Keep Warm', insulating the homes of the elderly and disabled, then for the BBC on a series called 'Energy Matters' – a series that fell foul of the unions and was never shown.

By then I was pregnant, so it was difficult to find another job. So I became freelance, and did a variety of work. One of my projects was for the Health Education Council and I co-wrote a pamphlet called 'Who Cares: looking after someone with dementia' It has been given away at least a million and a half times. It has been expanded over the years and includes more detail such as addresses of helpful organisations. It is still in use which is so pleasing. I then did an MSc in Energy Policy at Imperial College and then went on to work for the old Electricity Consumers Council.

What did I do before then? In 1968 I went to Essex University to study Russian Politics. Unfortunately that was the year of the Essex students' 'revolutionary' madness & turmoil, including strikes, cancelled classes and so on. Finally, watching some students having set fire to a car, attack the firefighters sent to put it out, and then the workers on a building site attacking the students, I decided to leave! I transferred to Leeds University and did a Modern Languages degree, French and Russian. I was rather bored, and would have much rather studied politics. I then went to French-speaking Cameroon for 18 months, where I taught English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) in two Catholic schools. One was deep in the forest in the south near the Congo border, the other in the much drier savannah lands in the north. Unfortunately I caught cerebral malaria, which I was lucky to survive, thanks to two marvellous French doctors, and an American's air-conditioned house, so that I didn't have to recover in the local hospital.

Living in Cameroon taught me to be self-sufficient. The TEFL textbooks were brilliant, and taught me the value of how an effective system can achieve good outcomes. I subsequently spent nine months in Australia visiting my brother. We had emigrated there when I was a baby and lived there for five years. We came back for a holiday and for a variety of reasons, it was only my brother that returned. I did a PGCE sometime after I returned and taught for 18 months in Cambridge, where I met Steve. By then I was running Cambridge FoE, and Steve was running Bath FoE.

When the electricity industry was privatised in 1989, the Electricity Consumers Council moved to Birmingham, and I was without a job. The company Steve was working for in Wimbledon, a subsidiary of EDF the French electricity supplier, went out of business and so we had a very tough year or so as the mortgage interest rates were 16%. But through his ex-boss, we set up a consultancy-ILEX Energy Consulting -to provide information on the economics of the newly-emerging energy markets. We negotiated a £1.3 billion contract for EDF to supply electricity into the new English wholesale electricity market. The consulting business was highly successful because those who built and sold electricity and gas assets such as a power stations used our price projections or used our consultancy services. In 2003 we sold the 45 staff consultancy to a Finnish firm, which still occupies the same office in Oxford.

I am involved with several projects in Charlbury. I was a founder member of Sustainable Charlbury, which built the solar farm. Our new project is to try and improve the energy performance of the buildings in Charlbury, with money from the Government via the Low Carbon Hub in Oxford. We are beginning on The Green, where 6 homes have been tested for their energy performance. If the owners want to improve their homes, they have to pay for it but we can recommend a retrofit co-ordinator to advise them. For my sins I am also a town councillor!

We have two children Jamie and Kate, who are both as environmentally-conscious as we are. After university, Kate wanted to travel but not to fly, so she set up an internet company called Loco2, which made it as easy to buy a train ticket as to buy a plane ticket. After she decided to go travelling Jamie took over, and Kate joined him two years' later having sailed around the world on a banana boat, a couple of sailing boats and travelling on many trains. With additional investors and shareholders, the company did very well and 10 years later in 2017, it was sold to SNCF, the French railway company. Steve is now a house-husband which enables me to be so active in the Green Party. He is also an active B&B host, all of which he enjoys, meeting so many different people. I'm not a morning person so I hide behind The Guardian in the kitchen!

We have done our best, as far as we can, to live our lives within planetary limits, which can be hard. We were fortunate to be able to build a low energy house, continue to run an 18-year old car which does sixty miles to the gallon, use trains and bikes, and I haven't flown for twenty years.

Liz Reason was talking to Barbara Allison





Well on the way to our second anniversary!

All Together In Charlbury (ATIC) will have completed its second year of operation in September of this year. It is clear that awareness of the scheme has been increasing, as we are getting new "clients" on a regular basis. Since October 2018 total clients have increased from 34 to 50+ – a 47% increase.

Just to remind you - requests for ATIC help can be made by ringing 01993 776277. The friendly staff of Volunteer Link-Up, who are acting as our call centre, will answer on our behalf. Help can be as follows: transport to appointments or activities/visits; occasional household tasks/gardening; shopping; help with a form or letter or something else; someone to pop in for a chat.

Would you like a way of giving a bit of occasional help to others in return for opportunities to meet people? Why not join ATIC's team of volunteers?

By volunteering for ATIC you will not be tied to specific days or times (unless you choose this). You can help in the way(s) that you want and when it suits you and your life. You can choose the tasks that you offer to help with depending on your interests and strengths and then on your availability. You will be under no obligation to agree to cover every request for help. We do not expect our volunteers to be out of pocket as a result of giving help. For example, if you provide transport, your passenger will pay you 45p per mile to cover expenses.

If you want to find out more about volunteering for ATIC, contact the ATIC Steering Group on 07487 413892 or charlburyalltogether@gmail.com.

Thanking our existing volunteers
We were pleased to hold an informal evening social in May for our loyal volunteers where we could say "thank you" and also discuss any issues or ideas that volunteers had to raise.

As a result we would like to highlight two services that may be of interest to Charlbury residents:

Healthcare Travel Costs Scheme
Under the Healthcare Travel Costs Scheme financial help is available for patients who need help with travel costs when attending hospital for treatment as an inpatient or for outpatient appointments. This applies to patients in receipt of one of a list of specified welfare benefits. You can see the information provided by the Oxford University Hospitals by going to their website: www.ouh.nhs.uk/hospitals – "Patient Guide - Help with transport and parking costs". If you do not have access to the internet, contact ATIC for further details on 07487 413892.

Priority Services Register

This is a free service provided by water, electricity and gas suppliers and network operators to customers in need. You can receive the services available if you:

- are of pensionable age
- are disabled or chronically sick
- have a long-term medical condition
- have a hearing or visual impairment or additional communication needs
- are in a vulnerable situation.

Meryl Smith



Help make Charlbury Hedgehog Friendly

Hedgehogs need our help because their numbers have plummeted. Hedgehogs can travel up to a mile every night trying to find enough food and to find a mate but they struggle to get through barriers like garden fences and walls. Making a small 13cm (5") hole at the bottom of your fence or removing a brick from your wall would make it so much easier for hedgehogs to move around the town. Suburban gardens are far more hospitable to hedgehogs than arable farmland because gardens provide lots of vegetation and a good supply of food – they love slugs and caterpillars, so they are the gardener's friend.

No single garden is large enough for a hedgehog population, and no single garden can offer everything they need. Think of your garden as part of a local network.

Hedgehogs need water, if you have a garden pond, does it have a shallow edge or an escape ramp for a hedgehog to get out easily? In dry periods provide a shallow dish of water – the birds would like this too. Hedgehogs are lactose intolerant so please do not give them milk. Also bread is very low in energy, so

if you want to feed them, then wet meat-based cat or dog food is suitable or special dry hedgehog food. In the autumn it is important that the young ones have enough body weight to survive the winter.

Don't use pesticides in your garden - you would be depriving the hedgehogs of their healthy food supply.

A pile of logs will provide hedgehogs with a safe place to shelter during the day, to nest or to hibernate. They also like piles of leaves and undisturbed corners. Rather than tidy up your garden in the autumn, wait until the spring – enjoy the beautiful hoar frost on the dead herbaceous stems in the winter border. Sweep the autumn leaves from the lawn to the ground beneath shrubs where they will compost down and improve your soil. The decay process supports the fungi and bacteria which underpin the garden ecosystem: more rotting leaves = more insects = more hedgehog food.

If you have a bonfire, then make it the same day you set it alight, or if you already have a pile of vegetation then move it to a new location before lighting it.

If you see hedgehogs in your garden or have provided holes in your boundary walls, then add your location to the BIG Hedgehog Map on the Hedgehog Street website www.hedgehogstreet.org.

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Below is a list of the things you can join in with at Charlbury Community Centre. This information is in our regularly updated "What's On" leaflet available at the Centre. More information about all these activities can also be found on our website: charlburycommunitycentre.org.uk. Unless a contact is given below, please contact the Community Centre for further information or to book – 01608 811878.

Sports and Well-being:

Badminton – Mondays 8-10pm, contact: rafaelalarcon1963@hotmail.com

Barre Fit Class – Tuesdays 7-8pm, contact Michele: 07817 890787 or charlbury.pilates@gmail.com

Circuit Training – Thursdays 6.30-7.30pm and Sundays 10-11am, £7

Community Gym – Weekdays: 8.30am-1pm, weekends and bank holidays: 9am-1pm, £22 per month

Lean Gym (a gym-based exercise class) – Wednesdays, 9-10am, £7

Netball Club – Tuesdays 7-9pm, contact: witneynetball@hotmail.co.uk

One Fit Mama – Mondays 1.15-2.15pm, contact Carlene: oxfordshire@onefitmama.co.uk or 07834188672

Pickleball – Mondays 11am-1pm, Thursdays 10-12am and Fridays, 8-10pm. Contact Vijay: vijaysmobile@gmail.com or 01993 891043

Pilates with Michele – Mondays 7-8pm and 8-9pm, Thursdays 1.30-2.30pm and 7.30-8.30pm. Contact Michele: 07817 890787 or charlbury.pilates@gmail.com

Pilates with Hayley – Mondays 9.30-10.30am and 10.45-11.45am. Contact Hayley: 07557 040609 or bodyspacepilates@gmail.com

Strength & Balance – Mondays 1.15-2.15 and 2.30-3.30pm, £4 Contact Louise: 07879 685579 or 123dancercise@gmail.com

Volleyball – Wednesdays 8-10pm, contact Steven: 07879 063934 or stevenfairhurstjones@gmail.com

Walking Football – Wednesdays 3-4.30pm and Thursdays 7.30-9pm. Contact: clarried@aol.com

Yoga – Mondays 6-7pm (Accessible Yoga) and Wednesdays 6-7pm (Hatha Yoga), contact Phil: 07482581882 or info@philevansyoga.co.uk

Social & Self-Help for Adults:

TG's Café Coffee Club – Fridays 10-12am, free

Grief Encounters (Bereavement Group) – Last Tuesday of every month 2pm a free informal meeting in café. Contact Jan Fielden: 07986 606548, jan@stmaryscharlbury.co.uk, or just turn up

Age UK Film Club – Fourth Wednesday of every month 2pm, free

Quiz Night – Fourth Wednesday of every month, 7.30pm, £5

Scrabble Sessions – Usually the second Tuesday of each month, 2.30-5pm, £2

For Babies and Toddlers:

Bump-to-Two – Tuesdays 10-12am, cost £2

Well-Baby Clinic – Tuesdays 11-12am

Stay & Play – Wednesdays 9.30-11am, £3. Term time only

Toddler Gym – Wednesdays 11.15-12am, £3. Term time only
Rhymetime in library – Wednesdays 2.15-2.45pm, free. Term time only
MiniActivators – Thursdays 12-1pm, £4.50. For 2-8 year olds. Contact:
AndrewsActive@outlook.com or 07917444498

For School Children:

Sports Activity Club – Thursdays 4-5pm, cost £3 (age 8-11). Term time only
Kid's Runabout – Sundays 11am-12. An unsupervised session; parents must stay and be responsible for children's safety, £1
Chess – Sundays 11.30am-12.30. Come along for a game with others, free
School Holiday Activities. In the holidays we usually offer sessions for primary school aged children and toddlers. Please check our website and Charlbury.info for information.

For Teenagers (11+):

Youth Club – Fridays 7-9pm, cost £1
Youth Basketball Club – Thursdays 5-6pm, cost £3. Term time only
Sunday Circuits – 10-11am. Many teenagers join the adults for this session. Over 11's are welcome.
Junior rate for court hire – young people can hire a court to play badminton, pickleball, table tennis for £6 an hour. This offer cannot be pre-booked.

Can't see what you want?

What is available at the Community Centre changes frequently as more classes start up. For example, at the time of going to press we are looking into offering exercise sessions aimed at teenaged girls. The One Fit Mama classes are new this September and MiniActivators started in August. We are interested in hearing your views about what you would like to see at the Centre. Not all suggestions can be accommodated, but we are keen to get people more active, both physically and socially, in ways that suit you.

If you are interested in running classes, playing sports like badminton, pickleball, football, basketball etc with your friends, or hiring the venue for team practices, you can view the timetable via a link on the home page of the website. This will give you an idea of the times when the sports hall or the Thomas Gifford room are available. To make block bookings please contact info@charlburycommunitycentre.org.uk and to book one-off sessions you can ring reception on 01608 811878.

Happy Birthday!

September 2019 is the second anniversary of Charlbury Community Centre opening. We are very pleased with how the Centre is operating and how many people of all ages use it. Keep an eye out for news of celebrations of our second birthday! And talking of parties, the Community Centre is a great venue for children's parties.

*Tanya Stevenson
Thomas Gifford Trustee*



Charlbury WI continues to flourish with new members and new activities. In addition to our speakers at our monthly meetings, we have craft workshops, theatre visits, walks, and visits to places of interest.

If you feel inspired to try new activities and make new friends, then why not try Charlbury WI?

This year we have enjoyed talks about the farming, uses and history of Chillies with Ian Paxton Chilli Farmer and we have had a very entertaining and interesting talk about the life of a diplomat's wife from Julia Miles with her Ragbag and Cocktails.

After our Summer Jolly in August, Lorna Gray will be introducing us to the mysteries of Bookbinding with a demonstration and talk on Mystery writing in September. In October Richard Anderson will be keeping us guessing with a Quiz of Antiques.

November and December will see us Crafting, Caroling and partying

Just a reminder that the Yack and Yarn group of WI and non-WI members meets in The Bell, Church Street, Charlbury on the first Tuesday of the month, from 7.30pm to 9.30pm. All are welcome, just turn up.

You are welcome to come along to the WI as a visitor to have a chat and see what we do, before deciding whether to join. We meet on the third Wednesday of the month in the Memorial Hall at 7.30pm.

Details of forthcoming events are on the Charlbury website or contact our President, Miriam Evans at

charlburywi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk

Jo Murphy

The outdoor season commenced in late April with two successful open days and several new members. We started the season strongly winning our first four matches in the West Oxfordshire Mixed League and remain in second place in late July.

Our Ladies team, who we jointly field with West Witney Bowls Club, led the West Oxfordshire Ladies League for over half the season. With two games left they are in fourth place but with the two teams above holding those positions on shot difference but equal on points.

The Men's team in division 2 (of 4) of the Oxfordshire League have not fared as well and look doomed to relegation back to division 3 after two years at the higher level.

A notable success in May was a Charlbury four winning the South Oxford Open Tournament for the first time, securing £160 for the club from which was purchased a new outdoor clock. Many players entered the County competitions and the Senior Fours (over 55s) had a good run before losing to Headington.

We play many fixtures and cup competitions throughout the relatively short season until mid-September.

Our next Bingo night at the club, open to all, is Monday 23 September, starts promptly at 7.00pm.

The indoor season starts in mid-September and anyone interested in trying as a beginner contact

enquiries@charlburybowls.co.uk.

All you need is a pair of flat soled shoes – we can provide the rest. First six sessions are free.

Shaun Morley

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NEW AND IMPROVED FLU JABS THIS YEAR!!

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This year, the NHS will be providing eligible patients with one of two types of newly developed and improved vaccines.

Adjuvant trivalent vaccine – this contains the usual three latest vaccine strains, but the “adjuvant” refers to an additional ingredient which is designed to increase the body’s immune response to the vaccine. This will be available to people 65 years and over, as it has been found to be most beneficial for this patient group.

Quadravalent vaccine – this contains four vaccine strains instead of three and will be available for those under 65 with certain medical conditions;

- Diabetes
- Pregnant women
- Lung disease including severe asthma
- Heart disease
- Kidney disease
- Liver disease
- Lowered immunity due to disease or treatment (e.g. steroid medication or cancer treatment) or removal of the spleen
- Neurological disease

- If you are involved in caring for someone whose welfare may be at risk if you fall ill

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IT CAN NOT GIVE YOU THE FLU!!

The viruses in the vaccine are inactive so it is IMPOSSIBLE for the Flu jab to give you the flu.

For those who qualify for a free NHS flu jab, there are two options; at your local GP practice on specific days or via appointment OR at any time at your local pharmacy.

For those not entitled to a free NHS vaccine, The Co-Operative pharmacy in Charlbury offers an inexpensive private flu jab service.

There is no reason not to have a flu jab this year. Get it early, get protected early and you can help protect yourself, your loved ones and the community from this potentially serious illness.

*Ben Sherwood
Pharmacist*

This information has been provided by the Co-Operative Pharmacy Charlbury.

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Jackie Hague (01608 810713)

Charlbury Town Football & Sports Club

Well, as everybody can see, the new clubhouse is really under way and is looking good to become a weather-proof building by early autumn.

Now the attention turns to the major interior works – electrics, plumbing, plastering, flooring, tiling, decorating, etc, etc.

The club's principal policy has always been to employ local trades people and we are grateful to some locals who have already offered to work at reduced labour rates in support of the club.

Following on quickly from this, we need some serious fund-raising in order to equip the building to a quality which reflects that of our neighbouring Community Centre – good furniture, good lighting, good catering kit, good landscaping, etc.

This fund-raising effort is already underway with the launch of the new club website which can be found at charlburytownfsc.co.uk and which offers a professional source of information – photos, history, plans, etc. Most importantly, it informs everyone about how they can contribute some money in order to achieve the finished quality

we want.

Strangely, I have come across one or two older residents with a somewhat cynical attitude saying; "Oh, the Football Club! Same old, same old!". That is a bit depressing.

To be clear, the new clubhouse is a Town Council project and when it is finished, it will be owned by the Town Council and will, therefore, be a community asset in perpetuity.

It has been granted Community Amateur Sports Club (CASC) status by HMRC. This guarantees that profits from the club will be invested in improvement grants to local sporting organisations. Membership of the club is, of course, open to all.

Anyway, have a look at the website and, if you can make a contribution to the new amenity facility in Charlbury, please "Buy a Brick" for £25 or simply use the "Donate" button if you want to be even more generous.

Finally, thank you for all the messages of support that have been received.

Phil Morgan.



CADS Review for 2019

CADS began 2019 with the very successful production in March of "Quartet" by Ronald Harwood. John Kearsley directed with Mike Summers as Wilfred, Helen Wright as Cissy, Richard Franklin as Reggie and Sue Haffenden as Jean.

Rehearsals, at the home of Mike and Denise Summers, were filled with laughter as the quartet gradually came to grips with their lines.

Our sincere thanks to Denise Summers for being the fifth member of the cast as Prompt and for supplying us with nourishment. The audience was very appreciative on the three nights, relishing the portrayal of such eccentric and egocentric retired opera singers in their retirement home.

The AGM was held in April. Barbara Ingham and John Hole retired from the Committee and we thank them both for their service to CADS. Sue Haffenden was elected Chairman, Helen Wright as Secretary, John Kearsley as Treasurer with Richard Franklin as our representative on the Corner House Committee, and Christine Pearce and Paula Dick as continuing serving members.

At the first committee meeting in May it was decided that communication must be improved. We also agreed to improve the social and drama workshop side of CADS. Helen arranged a block booking of tickets for "My Fair Lady" in Chippy in May and we held the annual summer party in June at the Chairman's house in Chadlington.

This was a fun evening with plenty of food, drink and homemade entertainment. Each member (not their

partners!) picked a poem, song or dramatic monologue from a lucky dip on arrival and after much liquid refreshment, all sang or recited with wit and verve! It was an old fashioned self-entertainment evening.

Dates for Diary:

Thursday: September 12th: Drama workshop on Pantomime in Chadlington Memorial Hall, Chapel Road, Chadlington. 7.30-9.30pm. Mime, movement, improvisation, around the theme of "Treasure Island", our next pantomime (subject to casting).

Rehearsals would start on October 1st and would be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays throughout the winter months. Pantomime performances would take place January 23-25th 2020 in the Memorial Hall, Charlbury.

Christmas Party. Friday 6th December, 7.30pm for 8pm at The Old Shed; partners & friends welcome, the more the merrier! £25 per person. Booking through Helen Wright at charlbury.drama@gmail.com

Saturday, December 14th: "Christmas through the ages", a series of dramatic excerpts, readings, poems, songs and carols with mulled wine and nibbles. Memorial Hall, Charlbury, 8pm.

We warmly welcome new members. If anyone is interested in coming along to try for the pantomime please come to the workshop or let a member of the committee know of your interest. The chairman Sue Haffenden can be contacted on 01608 676642.

Sue Haffenden

CORNbury CLASSIC



WILL YOU BE STEPPING UP TO THE CORNBURY CLASSIC?

**Sunday 22nd September -
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Calling all runners, joggers and walkers, whatever your age or ability, sign up for the return of the ever popular family friendly Cornbury Classic. Set in the idyllic grounds of Cornbury Estate, we'd love you to come along and help us raise funds for Finstock and Leafield Primary Schools together with the Oxford Hospitals Charity.

Runners have taken part from all over Oxfordshire and we are hoping to attract

even more participants this year as it remains a popular run for all ability of runners and age groups.

The one-mile children's race is again a circuit course, carefully manned by a large number of encouraging marshals who are set to inspire, cheer and point everyone in the right direction.

To find out more and sign up today for the early-bird registration, visit www.cornbury-classic.co.uk to secure your place.

All finishers receive medals and winners of their categories will receive trophies. There are spot-prizes, cakes, bacon sarnies and hot drinks.

The Climate Emergency

"UK action to curb greenhouse gas emissions is lagging far behind what is needed, even to meet previous, less stringent, emissions targets. Over the past year, the Government has delivered just 1 of 25 critical policies needed to get emissions reductions back on track."

Committee on Climate Change, July 2019

In May, Parliament declared an Environment and Climate Emergency. Now more than half the local government councils in the UK have declared a climate emergency too and this figure is growing. These declarations *should* focus all their decisions and policies to reduce emissions within their areas to help avert further climate change.

We are witnessing the effects of climate change today in the UK. Quite simply, warmer air holds more water vapour, so when it does rain it can be torrential – witness the damage in Yorkshire in July. And this is just the consequence of current CO₂ levels, what will it be like as they continue to increase?

The CCC's progress report to Parliament emphasises the need for the public to be fully engaged in the UK's net zero transition. Over half the emission cuts need people to do things differently. We could immediately make everyday choices now, today, that are more sustainable but it is hard to resist the subtle advertising all around us to carry on life as normal.

The government needs to make it easier for each of us to make better choices, they need to pass new laws, change taxation policy etc, to actively promote sustainable choices. We need to give them the mandate to make those hard choices for us. Politicians respond to public opinion and the recent demonstrations by school children anxious about their future and the world they will inherit gives that message loud and clear. We need to support them.

*Christine Elliott
Charlbury Green Hub*

Bird Aid

Bird Aid is targeting four key farmland bird species; yellowhammers, skylarks, linnets and the rarer tree sparrows and corn buntings.

Bird Aid, a West Oxfordshire based charity, helps to feed our declining farmland birds during the 'hunger gap' from January to early May.

These seed-eating birds are disappearing since farming practices have changed. Farmland birds used to feed on seeds in the stubble fields over winter before ploughing in the spring, but fields are now ploughed immediately after the harvest.

Over the past 15 years, Louise Spicer has organised 12 feeding stations on local farms. 30 volunteers from the local community distribute seed throughout the winter from November to early May. With valuable advice from RSPB, this venture has successfully attracted lots of Yellowhammers and on three sites even scarce Tree Sparrows and Corn Buntings. Many other birds also take advantage of the winter food at the feeding stations.

Bird Aid sites in West Oxfordshire

There are Bird Aid sites in Charlbury, Chipping Norton, Over Norton, Hailey, Stonesfield and Crawley. Other sites at Enstone, Finstock, Fawler and Witney have been trialled but have not been successful for various reasons.

At present our 30 volunteers are mainly involved in actual feeding. We would welcome more bird watchers to help with the surveys from November to end of March. We are also keen to hear from farmers or landowners who could provide a feeding site. If you would like further information on how to get involved please contact the Wychwood Project office.

Louise Spicer



ST MARY'S CHURCH CHARLBURY 2019 CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

**Thursday December 5th to Sunday
December 8th 2019**

The St Mary's Church Christmas Tree Festival is aiming to bring people, local organisations, charities and schools together – each decorating their own Christmas tree in the church. The trees will be displayed collectively at St Mary's from Thursday December 5th to Sunday December 8th. As well as the display of trees (and the regular café), there are to be a number of other additional events – including an opening party, a school choir concert, an organ recital, a family concert, a Christmas Market and a Songs of Praise service. The money raised by the Festival will be donated to the St Mary's roof appeal.

A Christmas Tree Festival is a wonderful way of bringing a community together to share the joy of Christmas, to raise money for a good cause and to have lots of fun on the way!

Our objectives are to encourage the local people to support this wonderful church (as they have done for centuries) and to keep St Mary's in the heart of the community by either coming to the event, or by offering to help in some way, or both.

Ways of helping include:

- buying a tree to be decorated by your organization, school or charity (we will be contacting organizations, schools and charities during September and October)
- providing catering or stewarding support for the Festival, for the Christmas Market and for musical events

Please get in touch with Hilli Waller via the St Mary's Church Office or by phone or email. We would love to hear from you if you would like to be involved in any way!

hilli.waller@gmail.com
01608 811204



The Botany Spot

One of the hopes expressed in my previous 'Botany Spot', was that the trench digging for fibre-optic cable would encourage growth of the **Common Poppy *Papaver rhoeas***. To my delight this was borne out in practice. Travelling along the B4437 out of Charlbury towards Burford, on the left hand side of the road where the cable had been laid, a multitude of bright red poppies bloomed in profusion, with scarcely a plant on the right hand side of the road which had lain untouched. A similar pattern could be observed along the minor roads leading to the nearby hamlets. A true scientist would demand more rigorous proof but observation of numerous sites seemed to confirm that the difference was due solely to the turning of the soil. A year after commemorating the centenary of the end of the First World War, it crossed my mind that the soil erosion that resulted from digging trenches on the battlefields in Flanders must have led to the profusion of poppies in the following years.

With more 'wildlife friendly' management the hedgerows are now especially fruitful. Who can resist blackberry and apple crumble? The **Bramble *Rubus fruticosus*** shows much variation between its hundreds of different microspecies, some having large, juicy and 'bobbly' blackberries, others much smaller and harder fruits. The timing of ripening is also very spread out. One local plant can be relied upon to produce its first fruit very early; I noted that I ate the first one on 29th July in 2018 and by early September it had finished fruiting. By contrast, the plants a few fields away always fruit later and go on into October, well after Michaelmas Day on September 29th when legend has it one should stop eating blackberries since 'they will have had the Devil on them!'

Also in the hedgerow are many more seasonal delights, the fruits of the **Elder *Sambucus nigra*** beg to be made into wine. **Wild Plum *Prunus domestica*** has many subspecies, there are several locally and I struggle to make a firm identification but it doesn't stop me eating the fruits and scattering the stones in the hope more will be there in the future. The smaller blue-black fruit of the **Blackthorn *Prunus spinosa*** may make good sloe gin but are much too sour to eat. **Hazel *Corylus avellana*** has delicious nuts but the local squirrels eat most of them before they are properly ripe.

The red hips of the trailing **Field Rose *Rosa arvensis*** can be easily identified by the fused styles of the flower still clinging to the tip of the fruit. The **Dog Rose *Rosa canina*** also has red hips but lacks the small pin-like projection. Haws are found on most of the hedges, they are mainly from ***Crataegus monogyna*** with only one seed in each fruit. A few are from the **Midland Hawthorn *Crataegus laevigata*** each fruit with 2-3 seeds. **Wayfaring Tree *Viburnum lantana*** produces clusters of fruit with a characteristic mixture of colours as they ripen. **Dogwood *Cornus sanguinea*** has purplish-red twigs and black berries but most splendid of all are the pink and orange technicolour fruits of **Spindle *Euonymus europaeus***.

Finally, binding the hedge together are the climbers, beautiful in their own right - **Ivy *Hedera helix***, **White Bryony *Bryonia dioica*** (a poisonous member of the **Cucurbitaceae** or marrow family), **Black Bryony *Tamus communis*** (a poisonous member of the **Dioscoreaceae** or Yam family) and last but not least **Traveller's Joy *Clematis vitalba*** or **Old Man's Beard** with its floating feathery white plumes which stay on into winter, glistening in the first frosts.

jo@joanna-bell.net



**People living
with dementia
and their carers
can have fun!**

Chipping Norton Theatre Relaxed Performances and Screenings

Relaxed Performances and Screenings are open to everyone but are particularly suitable for people living with dementia and their carers and for people with learning disabilities. Tickets are £5 and carers go free. Contact The Theatre for further details on 01608 642350

Forthcoming Relaxed events:

We're going on a bear hunt (drama)

Thursday 10th October, 4.00 pm

A family go on an expedition of a lifetime – running down the grassy bank, wading through the cold river, squelching over the oozy mud, stumbling into the dark forest, then peering into a cave... what will they find?

Downton Abbey (film)

Monday 14th October, 10.30am

Puss In Boots (drama)

Friday 29 November, 1.45 p.m.

The Theatre's panto twist on this classic tale, set in 1950s London, is "stuffed full of daring escapes, ruthless robberies and frankly spectacular car chases."

Walk and Talks

Organised by AgeUK, who invite you to join them for a leisurely stroll that is just over a mile finishing at a coffee shop. Most walks are wheelchair accessible but please check with the AgeUK contact (below) for details. (Not organised specifically for people living with dementia and their carers – all very welcome.)

Blenheim Palace:

Every 2nd Tuesday from 2pm. Starting 11th June.

Meeting point at The Great Court Gates (free parking through main entrance).

Contact Sian Whitlock on 07827 235448 or sianwhitlock@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk

Charlbury, Cotswold View Camping Park,

Banbury Hill Farm, Enstone Road
Every 2nd Tuesday from 1pm. Starting 11th June.

Meeting at The Old Shed.

Contact Sue Richmond on 07827 235414 or suerichmond@ageukoxfordshire.org.uk

If you need a lift in order to take part in a walk, don't forget that All Together In Charlbury (ATIC) are here to help if they can – phone their call centre on 01993 776277

Moving Music

This series of concerts is devised especially for people living with dementia and their families, friends and carers to enable them to enjoy a concert experience together and to help unlock memory and movement through the power of music.

The next concert will run twice on

Monday, 21 October 2019:

11:30am-12:30pm, refreshments from 11:00am

2:00-3:00pm, refreshments from 1:30pm

Venue: Radley College, Kennington Road, Radley, OX14 2HR

(Oxford Bus Company, city35 stops outside the gate)

This concert will feature a selection of entertaining mixed duos performed by Christopher Redgate (piano, oboe) & Celia Redgate (flute, violin) with Christine Cairns leading sing-along songs.

Admission charge payable at the door:

£5, including refreshments (carers free).

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Dementia Friendly Charlbury is a local group of volunteers whose aim is to be a local contact point for anyone who is worried about their memory and thinking skills, or who is worried about someone they know, and who wants to know how to get support. Have a look at our page in the Community section (Health and Wellbeing) of the Charlbury website: www.charlbury.info. You can contact us via Meryl Smith on 01608 810192 or Sue Smith on 01608 811007 or email us at charlburydf@gmail.com.



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Charlbury Pre-School, Autumn 2019

There's nothing like that nostalgic smell of sun-tan lotion to mark the beginning of the summer... but after applying and reapplying all different varieties for many different children through the summer months, our staff might not feel the same! ... a good reminder to say thank you to our wonderful, experienced, patient, nurturing and enthusiastic staff who keep the children safe, cool and protected on those hot summer days. We hope that everyone has had a great summer break. We are looking forward to seeing the children back at the pre-school this autumn and welcoming new faces too.

In July we said goodbye to a wonderful group of school-ready 4 year-olds and their parents as they went off on their next adventure. Every individual will be missed. Parents, please do let us know if you would like to receive occasional emails with news and events from the committee. We are not allowed to keep your contact details without your permission, so get in touch and we will add you to our 'Friends of Charlbury Pre-School' mailing list.

Thanks to the lovely Chloe Horner, parent and cook, who led a goodbye lunch at the pre-school, all prepared by the children. Chloe is generously organising a fundraising children's supper club at the Memorial Hall on 28th September. Look out for announcements and ticket info.

For anyone who has been involved in the Vicar-of-Dibley-esque duck saga, we can now announce that we've wrapped it up! With the expert help of pro. chef Lewis we've been professionally storing and selling duck throughout the past year after having supplies left from Wilderness 2018. We've sold duck wraps at the Rose & Crown winter beer festival and the Street Fair, warming cassoulet at our fireside spring party and burgers too! The

episode concluded at Riverside this year when we sold absolutely loads of delicious duck burgers and fries, raised tons of money and finally waved goodbye to the last of our stock. Thanks to every person who has been involved in this duck tale. We're thrilled with the amount of money we have raised. Please continue to support Lewis and his local stall 'Wot the Duck?'. His food is totally tasty and addictive! We also had a great time as ever at the Riverside Tea tent. Headed up by the brilliant Jan, we sold home-made cakes, teas and coffees and enjoyed our relaxing busking stage - thanks to Chris and everyone who played.

Charlbury Beer Festival has funded some much needed outdoor storage and Blenheim Palace has funded some amazing outdoor water play equipment. Thank you to them and to Riverside Festival, as always!

The summer has great fundraisers this year but we do need more help all year round, to enrich the experience of our pre-schoolers and make the setting better and better. Any help and support we can get makes a huge difference this includes simply signing up to do a shift/ washing up/ buying a ticket... anything!

Upcoming fundraisers include Supper Club 28th September, a Halloween Disco on 1st November and Bandoke ... look out for posters and announcements or contact us to be added to the mailing list!

Registrations for 2020 are now open. Please contact us admin@charlburypreschool.org.uk 01608 811200 if you would like to arrange a visit. There is also lots of information on our website

www.charlburypreschool.org.uk

Jackie Daish



Charlbury a Cotswold Gateway Town

As part of an initiative by the Cotswolds AONB Charlbury has been designated as a Cotswold Gateway Town. As a result funding has been made available to improve signage of cycling routes through the Town and also to improve and provide new footpaths.

For footpaths the focus has been on establishing two circular routes which would previously have meant having to walk on busy roads into the Town from Spelsbury and Enstone. New sections of the footpaths have now been established by Cotswold Voluntary Wardens work parties during the summer. Signage and information about these routes is also being provided. This has been made possible by agreement of landowners to allow new permissive paths through their land.

The first route is an improvement of the Mill Field Circular path by providing access alongside Pound Hill with an upgraded permissive path, through land owned by the Church Commissioners, over the stream in the field opposite the Water Lane triangle which leads up to the cemetery.

This involved installation of new kissing gates and a bridge. The route back to Charlbury goes along the public footpath to the side of Nineacres and leads to the Community Centre. A further improvement is the widening of the kissing gate into the Mill Field to allow access by pushchairs. The total length of

the circular route is about 1½ miles. The second path goes to Banbury Hill Farm and the Old Shed with a new permissive path through Ditchley land, owned by the HDH Wills Charitable Trust, from Hundley Way leading into Widdows Wood. It continues back to Charlbury using the existing footpath by the side of Enstone Road and then along an improved permissive path through Wigwell Nature Reserve, across the bridge and back up to Nineacres.

The new permissive path has been fitted with gates that allow pushchair access. The length of the path is about 1 mile to Banbury Hill Farm or 2 miles for the circular route.

These routes will make the walks safer and more accessible throughout the year with improved surfaces. These short circular paths will give walkers the opportunity to enjoy the countryside with safer access to the Town avoiding difficult stretches of Pound Hill and Enstone Road. As such they form the recommended safe routes to and from Charlbury.

In particular, the new circular route to Banbury Hill Farm offers two safe routes for campsite visitors to and from the Town and also for local residents going to the Old Shed.

More details on the routes are available on the Charlbury Website (www.charlbury.info/walking) and on the Walkers are Welcome information board by the Co-op. *Tony Merry*

Relax, unwind, read the papers, catch up with friends and colleagues and enjoy some delicious home-made cake along with a steaming cup of Fair Trade tea or coffee at the

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News from Charlbury Library

Charlbury Library has already had loads of children sign up for our "Space Chase" Summer Reading Challenge. Well done guys! The Challenge doesn't actually finish until mid-September, so there's plenty of time to join in. It's free to sign up for, you just need to register at the library, pick up your Space Chase starter folder and then read a minimum of 6 books over the summer.

Each time you've read and returned a couple of books, you get stickers and rewards to encourage you to borrow and read more books. The Summer Reading Challenge is aimed at primary school children, but there's a Mini-Challenge for pre-schoolers too. There's certificates, medals and special stickers once you've completed the challenge. Ask at the library for more information.

We'll be holding a special Space Chase Stories & Craft session at the Library on Wednesday 21st August from 2.30 – 3.30pm. It's aimed at primary school children, but it's open to all as long as a parent or carer is on hand to supervise and help out with the activities. These sessions are usually very popular, and space is limited, so you'll need to let the Library know if you want a place for your child by phoning, emailing or popping in to collect a free ticket.

Oxfordshire Reads is a scheme for older children/adults and this will finish in early September. The customer just has to complete a postcard by recommending 2 books they've read recently (or listened to – audio books count too), with a few comments as to why they found the books so good, and then they are entered into a prize draw.

There are many prizes on offer, such as tickets for experiences or days out, gift cards, and nice treats to eat or drink so it will be well worth entering. The entry postcards are on the Library counter, so please help yourselves, then hand them in to a volunteer or staff member.

We are always on the lookout for people who have a few hours to spare each month to volunteer at Charlbury Library. Like so many of Oxfordshire's smaller libraries, we run with a mixture of paid staff and willing volunteers and we could always do with extra volunteers to add to our rota.

Duties could include shelving books, unpacking deliveries, assisting customers with their enquiries, arranging our book displays, and generally helping to keep the library tidy, welcoming and accessible for our customers.

Volunteers always work either with staff, or with other volunteers, so no one is expected to work alone, and you can always stop for an excellent cup of coffee at the Community Centre's café in your tea break!

If you want to find out more, please pop into the Library or leave your contact details by phone or email (see information below).

The Library is also glad to provide volunteering opportunities for young people embarking on their Duke of Edinburgh Award, whether it's for Bronze, Silver or Gold.

If you enjoy reading and being in a community environment and have an hour to spare once a week after school (Wednesdays or Fridays only) we'd be very happy to help.

Our free Rhymetime sessions will start again from Wednesday 4th September. This is aimed at pre-schoolers, with their carers, and runs term-time only, 2.15-2.45pm. It is run by volunteers who sing nursery rhymes and simple songs with the aid of musical instruments and puppets and everyone has fun!

Julie Ward
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THE PROBUS CLUB OF CHARLBURY & DISTRICT

Have you heard of Probus ? It's a great way to meet new people over a good lunch and to listen to interesting talks and we have a branch here, the Charlbury Probus Club.

If you are new to Charlbury or have recently retired then could it well be something to interest you. We are a group of men from a wide variety of backgrounds and we meet once a month on the first Wednesday at Witney Lakes for lunch and a drink, have a chat and listen to talks on a number of interesting and varied topics.

Recent talks have ranged from ones on causes of Russian Culture, Policing in the 1970's, Travels in South America and Snowhill Manor. This year as a new event we had an inaugural joint barbeque with the Ladies Lunch Club at Charlbury Bowls club in August.

Although membership is currently limited to men there is no restriction for guests. We also hold guest events where wives or partners are welcome and also arrange regular trips and outings to places of interest and concerts.

This year our annual trip was to Bristol for a guided tour of SS Great Britain and the life of Brunel museums with a chance to also visit the Bristol Blue Glass Factory. Our outings have included a matinee visit in August to the Watermill Theatre near Newbury for a production of 'Kiss me Kate' with music and lyrics by Cole Porter, and in November we will also be going to hear the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra perform music by Haydn and Mozart.

In previous years we have had trips to the Severn Valley Railway, and to Stratford on Avon with a visit to Shakespeare's birthplace, also followed by a trip on the river with lunch included.

To start the year off, or to see out the old one, we hold our annual dinner around the third week in January each year. Unlike some traditional Probus Clubs we now have a very relaxed attitude to dress and ties are not expected, smart casual wear is fine. The cost of lunch is currently £20 which includes a draw for a bottle of wine. The annual membership fee is £15.

If you are interested in joining us then you may contact any member or the secretary (see below) and your first lunch will be completely free and allow you to experience one of our meetings before you decide to join us which we very much hope you will do.

The Club is run by a committee elected by the members and our Annual General Meeting which was a lively affair with some interesting debates to consider what we will be doing in the coming year

We always welcome new members; if you are interested in joining or simply want to find out more about us please contact the Secretary at this address or email:

Mike White, Ashmead Cottage, The Slade, Charlbury, OX7 3SJ

or

mike.ewhite7@gmail.com



Charlbury Corner House and War Memorial Charity

The Corner House was purchased in 1938 by Mr and Mrs C H Morris, then of Lee Place, Charlbury specifically with the intention of donating the building for the benefit of the people of Charlbury – which they did in 1944 having first completed a number of improvements.

They also intended that a hall should be constructed in the garden as a memorial for the loss of Charlbury lives during the war.

It is believed that the earliest parts of the Corner House date from the 1600s. The front wing was added in about 1720 when the house was occupied by William Spendlove, a prominent local Quaker.

The Corner House and the Memorial Hall were for many years within the care of the town council, effectively acting as trustees of the endowment. But in 2008 an independent charity was registered «Charlbury Corner House and War Memorial Charity» and this is now responsible for the two buildings. The town council are «custodian trustee» holding the title deeds.

The Objects, which must be followed by the charity, state that the buildings are to be for use by the inhabitants of Charlbury for – Meetings, lectures and classes, and other forms of recreation and leisure time occupation, with the object of improving the conditions of life for the inhabitants.

The museum is recognized as an important part of that agenda and occupies parts of the estate for a peppercorn rent and is responsible for the for maintenance and the garden too.

One room is let to the NGO «Global Healthcare Information Network», whilst other rooms and the hall are available for ad-hoc rent and generally used by community groups and societies.

Organizations which use space regularly are invited to nominate trustees, no more than 24 in total, who if elected at the October annual general meeting form the trustees and management committee. In addition to trustees elected in that way, the charity constitution seeks the involvement of two bodies permanently responsible for the wellbeing of the whole town: the town council and the parish church. The town council is to appoint two members to the board of trustees, and the church PCC one member. Up to four other persons can be co-opted if agreed at a trustees meeting.

Income from the hire of rooms and the hall covers most of the regular maintenance costs. In the year ending June 2018, income from rent was £23,294. Total expenses for the year were £29,931. Charlbury Street Fair exists to support the Corner House, and every year brings in an income of about £10,000. Other fund-raising events, plus a town council grant, bring in more funds so there is really no cash problem to pay for regular expenses.

The charity benefits from the unpaid voluntary work of the officers (secretary, treasurer, chair) and of all trustees who together try to do their best to keep the buildings open for the benefit of the town as expected from the original gift and the constitution of the charity. Caretaking is the biggest single expense each year: that work which includes some admin and day to day maintenance roles being done by a self-employed couple paid a monthly fee for their services.

At the Corner House, larger maintenance requirements have come to light in recent years – especially a leaking roof and also evidence of damp and dry rot. These known issues have been attended to. New heaters have also been installed in both the Corner House and the Memorial Hall. An extension to the Memorial Hall was added in 2015, creating an additional room, extra space behind the stage and a new kitchen equipped to commercial standards.

Charlbury Library occupied part of the Corner House for many years but the space was inadequate for them and the Library eventually became part of the new Community Centre organized by Thomas Gifford Trust. The departure of the library, along with a realization that the building fails to properly meet a number of requirements of access, facilities, layout and safety, has prompted a thorough review of the building. It is clear that some major restructuring and updating is necessary if the building is to continue to meet the needs of the town and the requirements of its constitution.

A small working group of trustees has tried to put together a proposal to satisfy these issues and make the Corner House more attractive to use and more functional, whilst taking care to preserve its overall character so much loved by the town. The proposals call for improved circulation arrangements on the ground floor and a new and generous circular stairwell and lift to bring people into the second floor – replacing the existing stairwell and making the whole entrance foyer more open. If implemented, there will be a new kitchenette zone to satisfy coffee mornings, and the possibility for those events to spill out into the rear garden. There will be new toilets close to the front of the building.

A particular feature of the plan is that the museum, which does not have sufficient space to display its full collection, would be enlarged into the rear of the Corner House. The intention is to have glass doors and wall between the spacious new Corner House foyer

and the museum, so that the museum becomes a more prominent and inviting feature in the town.

These developments will of course require larger amounts of funding than are readily available to the trustees, but valuable help has been offered in asking for large grants from various foundations.

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Coffee break page

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1. Which British city was known by the Romans as Deva Victrix?
2. For which element is Sn the Chemical Symbol?
3. What is the name of the manservant in the Cinderella Pantomime?
4. What colour is the circle on the flag of Japan?
5. Which city is the national capital of Australia?
6. In which London park would you find the Serpentine?
7. Bono is the lead singer of which Irish rock band?
8. In computing, what does the acronym HTML stand for?
9. Who was the only legitimate son of Henry VIII?
10. Who sang the theme song to the TV comedy "One Foot in the Grave"?
11. Who did John Lennon marry in 1969?
12. For which movie did Daniel Day-Lewis win his third Best Actor Oscar in 2013?
13. What is the highest number used in a Sudoku puzzle?
14. Where in London would you find the Lutine Bell?
15. What fictitious town is home the Dandy's Desperate Dan?
16. Which of the Beatles is/was the oldest?
17. Tokay or Tokaji wine is a product of which European country?
18. What codename was given to the 1942 Allied Invasion of North Africa?
19. Who wrote Chitty Chitty Bang Bang?
20. What was Elvis Presley's middle name?
21. Which author created the fictional detective Philip Marlowe?

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What's On in Charlbury

September

- 3—Yack & Yarn, 7.30pm, The Bell
- 7—Garden Society Annual Show, Memorial Hall
- 8—ChOC, 7.30pm, *The Old Man & The Gun*, Memorial Hall
- 10—Scrabble, 2.30—5pm, at the Community Centre
- 12—CADS, Drama Workshop (see p.20)
- 14—Farmers Market, 9am—1pm, Playing Close
- 14—Ride & Stride, from 10am, St Mary's
- 14—Last Night of the Proms, Memorial Hall
- 18—Charlbury WI, 7.30pm, Memorial Hall
- 20—Egg Throwing, 6pm, Church Street
- 21—STREET FAIR, 2pm—11pm
- 22—Cornbury Classic Run, Cornbury Park
- 23—Charlbury Bowls Club Bingo Night, 7pm, Bowls Club
- 25—Age UK Film showing 2pm, Charlbury Community Centre
- 25—Quiz Night, 7.15pm (for 7.45pm start), Charlbury Community Centre
- 28—Pre-School Supper Club

October

- 1—Charlbury Exhibition Foundation Grants to be applied for (p.7)
- 1—Yack & Yarn, 7.30pm, The Bell
- 5—Town Council Surgery, 10am, Corner House
- 8—Scrabble, 2.30—5pm, at the Community Centre
- 11—Charlbury Society, 7.30pm, Memorial Hall
- 12—Garden Society Coffee Morning, Corner House
- 13—CRAG Concert, 3pm, Memorial Hall
- 13—ChOC. 7.30pm, *The Keeper*, Memorial Hall
- 16—Charlbury WI, 7.30pm, Memorial Hall
- 17—AGM British Legion, Corner House
- 23—Age UK Film showing 2pm, Charlbury Community Centre
- 23—Quiz Night, 7.15pm (for 7.45pm start), Charlbury Community Centre
- 31—Grants submission to Town Council deadline, 12 noon

November

- 1—Pre-School Halloween Disco
- 3—CRAG Concert, 3pm, Memorial Hall
- 5—Yack & Yarn, 7.30pm, The Bell
- 8—British Legion Band Concert, Memorial Hall
- 9—Charity Christmas Card Sale, 10am—12pm, Memorial Hall
- 10—Remembrance Day Parade & Service, 2.30pm, Spendlove Car Park
- 10—ChOC, 7.30pm, *Yesterday*, Memorial Hall
- 12—Scrabble 2.30—5pm, at the Community Centre
- 20—Charlbury WI, 7.30pm, Memorial Hall
- 24—Charlbury Christmas Fair, 10.30—3.30pm, Memorial Hall
- 27—Age UK Film showing 2pm, Charlbury Community Centre
- 27—Quiz Night, 7.15pm (for 7.45pm start), Charlbury Community Centre

If you would like to include your event in this list, please contact me at editor.chronicle@outlook.com just stating your organisation, date and time of the event, and place of the event.

Weekly events

Monday

9.30am—Toddlers Group, Memorial Hall
1.30-3pm—Tennis Club
1.15—2.15pm —Strength & Balance, Community Centre
2.30—3.30pm—Strength & Balance, Community Centre
7-8.30pm—Scouts, Scout Hut

Tuesday

10-11am—Bump to Two, Community Centre
11-12pm—Well Baby Clinic, Community Centre
6pm—Bowls Club
8pm—Wychwayz Border Morris, Scout Hut

Wednesday

9-10am—LeanGym, Community Centre
9.30-11am, Stay & Play, Community Centre
10—11.30 am - Yang style Tai Chi, Methodist Hall
11.15-12pm, Toddler Gym, Community Centre
11.45—12.45pm - Qigong and tai chi principles, Methodist Hall
2.15-2.45pm - Rhymetime, Charlbury Library
3—4.30pm—Walking Football, Community Centre
6-7pm Hatha Yoga, Community Centre
7.45pm—Bell Ringing, St Mary's
8-10pm—Volleyball, Community Centre

Thursday

10-12pm—Font Café, St Mary's
4—5pm—Junior Sports Club for 8-11 year olds, Community Centre
5—6pm, Basketball for age 11+, Community Centre
5-6.15—Beavers, Scout Hut
6.30—8pm—Cubs, Scout Hut
6.30-7.30pm—Circuit Training, Community Centre
7-9pm—Tennis Club
8-9pm—Walking Football, Community Centre

Friday

9.30am—Exercise for 50+, Memorial Hall
10-12pm—TG's Coffee Club, Community Centre
2-5pm—Tennis Club
7pm—Choir Practice—St Mary's
7-9pm—Youth Club, Community Centre

Sunday

10-11am, Circuit Training, Community Centre



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You do not have to be a churchgoer to take part and enjoy a really good day out. You can sign up at ohct.org.uk/ride-stride/ and start getting sponsorship online. There are also sign-up and sponsorship forms in each of Charlbury's churches.

And for children of Primary School age there will again be a junior version – a bike rally round the five churches of Charlbury. This year there will be an extended route for children over 8, and the children will be raising money for the Charlbury School playground as well as for OHCT.

The Rally will start shortly after 11.30am. Parents should sign their children in from 10am at St.Mary's. We are also recruiting marshals to help with the traffic at the various crossroads on the children's route. They will only be on duty for about an hour and a half that morning. If you would like to help this very Charlbury event please contact Alison Eastwood 0787 089 3223 (stableyardalison@gmail.com) or Basil Eastwood 0796 997 0003 (basil.eastwood@gmail.com)

CHARITY CHRISTMAS CARD SALE

Saturday November 9th 2019
10am – 12 noon
Memorial Hall, Charlbury

Once again we shall be holding our traditional Christmas Card Sale in the Memorial Hall.

The various charities taking part sell not only cards, but also a huge variety of different gifts for Christmas, jewellery and decorations.

There is a stall selling lovely home-made cakes and savouries, together with our now famous raffle.

Refreshments, including our delicious mince pies, coffees and teas will be on sale throughout the morning.

Contact Clare Elson 01608 810310



Hope for Children is a British registered charity working with children, their families and communities across eight countries in Central and Eastern Europe and Africa, to help children grow up in safe and productive environments.

The charity moves children out of institutions into family-based care, helps keep families together who are at risk of breakdown due to the pressures of poverty, disease or conflict and works to prevent child abandonment.

As usual, I will run a stall for this charity at the Street Fair and would be grateful if you could contact me regarding bric-a-brac, toys etc.

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The Royal British Legion – Charlbury Branch

The Branch AGM will be held in the Corner House at 8.00pm on Thursday 17 October 2019. All members are encouraged to attend. Anyone who would like to join the Branch is most welcome to attend.

The Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning will be held in the Corner House on Saturday 2 November 2019 with raffle, cakes and poppies for sale. For further information please contact Jane Parsons on 810822.

The Annual Band Concert will be held in the War Memorial Hall on Friday 8 November 2019 with the fantastic "Accidentals", once again. There will be a raffle, light refreshments and a licensed bar. Details may be obtained from the Branch Secretary on 01608 810822 or from posters in the usual places nearer the time. Tickets may be purchased in advance from the Cotswold Frames or on the door. All the proceeds will go to Poppy Appeal and everyone is welcome, members and non-members alike.

Remembrance Day Parade and Service – Sunday 10 November 2019. The Charlbury Parade forms up at the Spendlove Car Park at 2.30pm and the Service is at 3.00pm in St. Mary's Church. Everyone is welcome to join the parade and/or the service.

The parade will be led by Pipers and Drummers of the Scots Guards Association (Berks, Bucks and Oxon Branch) under the direction of Pipe Major Steve Duffy (details correct at time of going to press) and commanded by the Charlbury Branch President, Major Nicholas Potter (late Scots Guards).

The salute will be taken by Mr. Charlie Hurst, a lifelong resident of Charlbury and a member of the Legion. Charlie served with the 6th Battalion Oxfordshire and Buckinghamshire Light Infantry in

the Second World War in India for which he was awarded the Burma Star.

Wreaths will be laid by the Legion, Charlbury Town Council, Thames Valley Police, Oxfordshire Fire and Rescue Service and Charlbury WI.

After the Service and Parade tea and biscuits will be available for all marchers, Legion members, serving and ex-serving service personnel, in the War Memorial Hall.

The rehearsal for all standard and flag bearers, wreath layers and readers etc will be at St Mary's Church at 6.30pm on Thursday 7 November 2019

The Poppy Appeal

Poppies will be on sale in and around the Town from 26 October to 9 November and at Charlbury Station on the mornings of 29 October and 5 November. Pam Rolls and Ian Parsons are our Poppy Appeal Organisers for Charlbury and the surrounding villages. Anyone who would like to help with the Poppy Appeal in any way is asked to get in touch Pam on 01608 810042 or Ian on 01608 810822.

The National Two Minutes Silence will be at 11.00am on Monday 11 November 2019. Please support this small yet significant event.

Trip to the National Memorial Arboretum The Branch is planning a coach trip to the N.M.A. at Alrewas in Staffordshire on Wednesday 3 June 2020. Expressions of interest to Jane Parsons on 810822. More details to follow, non-members welcome.

For more information about the work of the Royal British Legion, becoming a member or for assistance, please contact Nick Potter (Branch President) on 01608 810388, Derek Fowler (Branch Chairman) on 01608 811706 or Jane Parsons (Branch Secretary) on 01608 810822. Any queries about subscriptions should be made to the membership Secretary, Barry Canham on 01608 811176.

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Celia Faulkner 1950 – 2019 Museum Curator 2010 - 2019

It was with great shock and sadness that we learnt of the sudden death of Celia, our Curator, in June. After some years on the museum committee, Celia took over as Curator in 2010. As a life-long resident of Charlbury and with a passion for history, she was ideal for the role. She was a natural collector and over her lifetime she kept anything and everything to do with the history of the town. We only had to mention a Charlbury event or resident for her to say "oh I think I've got something about that in my garage or in the attic" – and true enough, she always had!

Celia worked tirelessly and always cheerfully for the museum. Thanks to her hard work and guidance, the museum developed and evolved into the asset to Charlbury that it is today. She forged links with other museums in the county and was particularly anxious to reach out to children and encourage them to take an interest in the town's history. She will be greatly missed by all of us and we will do our best to ensure that the museum continues to thrive and develop. Our heartfelt condolences go out to her husband Paul and all her family.





Street Fair day at the Museum

The museum will be open **all day** on **Street Fair** day, **Saturday 21st September**

10.30 am - 5 pm. Call in and see our farming exhibition and other displays, we would love to see you.

Plus

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Charlbury has fun: past Street Fairs and carnivals

People in Charlbury have always enjoyed getting together to socialise and have fun. Re-visit past Street Fairs and see how the town has regularly enjoyed street parties over the last century.

The museum will also be open through September on **Saturday mornings 10.30 - 12.30** and **Sunday afternoons 2.30 - 4.30pm.** We close for the season from 1st October.

Return of the Wagon

We are now working to bring the wagon back to Charlbury in mid-October -check the Charlbury website for updates on this.

Judy Dod



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Charlbury Church Services



Charlbury Baptist Church, Dyer's Hill

Contact: Secretary (01608 810107)

Sundays Service at 10.30 am. Fourth of each month with Methodists in Fishers Lane

Thursdays 7.30 pm at the church for midweek study/discussion

Afternoon Carol Service: Thursday December 5th at 2.30pm

charlburybaptistchurch@gmail.com

www.facebook.com/dyershill/



St Mary's C of E Church, Church Street

St Mary's Church, Charlbury and All Saints Shorthampton

Full details of all church services are available in the Leaflet or in the Church porch or on p. 39

Vicar – Revd Dr Sally Welch Parish Office (01608 810230)

www.stmaryscharlbury.co.uk



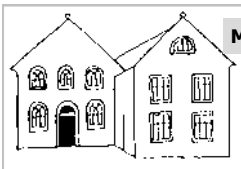
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For further details contact Sue Terry (01608 811033)

email: sueeterry@btinternet.com



Methodist Chapel, Fishers Lane

Sunday services at 10.30am

Further information from Gill Grason (01608 810154)



St Teresa's R.C. Church, Fishers Lane

Sunday Mass. 9.15am every Sunday at St Teresa's.

9.00am on second Sunday of each month at St Kenelm's Enstone.

Weekday Mass. 9.30am on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at St Teresa's.

Parish Priest. Fr Tony Joyce, Holy Trinity, Chipping Norton (01608 642703). Charlbury Catholic Parish

Council joint chairs: . Clare Carswell and Mike Flanagan (chair.stteresaschurchcharlbury@gmail.com)

Website: <https://stteresaschurch-charlbury.com/>

Churches Together in Charlbury

None of us can remain hopeful and energised without getting enjoyment from life and something that has given many of us pleasure recently is the new reredos of five mosaic panels in St Kenelm's Church, Enstone. Our local Roman Catholic parish holds a Mass in St Kenelm's once a month and parishioners are enjoying the new artwork. We are delighted that the artist and designer, Nicholas Mynheer, has agreed to come and talk to us about the inspiration for the mosaics at our Annual General Meeting in November. This will be held in St Mary's Parish Church on Tuesday 19 November. The meeting will start with a short business agenda including a report on the year's activities at 7pm, with the talk starting at about 7.30pm. Everyone is welcome.

Before that on Saturday 21st September we are looking forward to taking part in the Charlbury Street Fair. We are running a stall for home grown fruit and vegetables and homemade jam, cakes etc. All donations will be very welcome and can be brought to St Mary's on Friday afternoon and Saturday morning or to the stall when the Street Fair starts at 2pm.

In October we will be holding a united service for One World Week with the theme 'Climate Changes Everything: now is the time to act'. The service takes place on Sunday 20 October at 9.45am in St Mary's Parish Church. It will be led by members of the Baptist Church and the Revd. Luke Walton (who grew up in Charlbury and is now working for the Bible Society) will be preaching. Again, everyone is welcome.

Finally we want to thank everyone who helped with the house to house collection in Christian Aid Week in May and those who donated generously. This raised £3224 for Christian Aid's support for development and relief aid around the world and is greatly valued.

*Rosalind Scott
Secretary to Churches Together in
Charlbury*



CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES

Spread the joy of Christmas to needy children and adults in Eastern Europe by filling a shoebox with gifts. Details are available on the www.teams4u.com website where you can obtain ideas for getting together with your friends and share the offers available in the bargain stores etc. to help fill your boxes.

If you enjoy crafts, knitting, crochet etc., hats, scarves and mittens are most welcome. If you would like further ideas of things to make, do please get in touch.

Cover your box and lid separately with decorative paper and decide whether you wish to fill it for a child or family. Please include a donation of £2.50 to cover transport costs. If you need help obtaining or covering the box please phone. Surplus empty shoeboxes also welcome.

Leaflets containing all the information will be available in the churches and the Corner House. Collection date will be Saturday, 9th November at the Baptist Church, Dyer's Hill, between 10 am and 12 noon or phone to make an alternative arrangement.



St Mary's Services

Messy Church 9am St Mary's on:
15th September
3rd November

Ignite (Contemporary worship)
6pm St Mary's on 15th September

Choral Evensong 6pm St Mary's on
22nd September

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Introducing CRAG's new season of winter tea concerts!

Our **fourth** concert series will open on **Sunday October 13** with a performance of Messiaen's epic work *Quartet for the End of Time* played by the clarinettist Tony Pay and friends. Many of you will remember Tony's evocative rendition of the solo clarinet movement from this piece at his concert two years ago, so don't miss the work in full.

On **November 3** we have a performance of the Mozart Divertimento for string trio with Clare Hoffman (violin), Lisa Cochrane (viola) and Jane Fenton (cello), followed by a seasonal concert on **December 8** by the acclaimed Somerville College Choir.

January 19 sees the return of one of our most popular performers – the harpsichordist Alastair Ross, who will once again be sharing the stage with the wonderful recorder and baroque flute player Rachel Beckett. **February's** concert is yet to be confirmed.

The season will draw to a close on **March 15** with the return of the pianist Maggie Cole and flautist Philippa Davies, who will be joined by the cellist Sebastian Comberti.

Put the dates in your diaries now. Some very special treats are in store! Each concert begins at 3pm and lasts approximately one hour, followed by an amazing choice of cakes and tea. Proceeds go to refugee support across Europe.

We will announce ticketing arrangements, and how to buy season tickets, in our September newsletter. Email charlburyrefugee@gmail.com to make sure you get it!

You raised £2500 for Refugee Community Kitchen

Amazing! We hoped to top £2000 in our week of fundraising in May during Artweeks. We provided coffees, teas, cakes and two lunches in aid of Refugee Community Kitchen. **And when we did the sums, we found we'd made just over £2500.**

Thanks so much to all the people who made this possible! That includes St Mary's church and the lovely Artweeks artists who made us so welcome, plus of course everyone who baked cakes, cooked lots of different dishes for the mezze lunches, served behind the counter and washed up!

A team effort everyone can be proud of.

What's more, our dedicated team of cooks, having cooked, tested and adapted all 12 recipes in advance to ensure perfection on the day, have published them in a booklet with quantities that will work for you at home. You can enjoy everything from flatbreads and two kinds of hummus, tabbouleh and muhammara, to khyar bi laban, aubergine chermoula, herb and za'atar falafel, mahshi waruk enab, a couple of salads and a dressing.

For a mere £3 you can enjoy them all, and every penny you pay will go to RCK in Calais to help provide hot meals for refugees and asylum seekers, many of them young and sleeping rough. Email your order to charlburyrefugee@gmail.com (or phone 01608 811378) and we will rush round with your copy! You'll be supporting www.refugeecommunitykitchen.com/

Jon Carpenter



Charlbury Town Council News

Town Council elects a new Chairman

At the Town Council's Annual Meeting on 22nd May, members elected Richard Fairhurst as Chairman for the coming year. Peter Kenrick was elected as Vice-chairman.

Next Town Council Election – May 2020—Could you be a town councillor and make a difference?

The council is now well into the final year of its four-year term and all twelve seats will be up for election in May 2020. The town council has an important role to play in shaping the future of the town and supporting our great community. With all the pressures and diversions affecting higher levels of government, our role has never been as important as it is today. If you care about your community, please give some thought to standing for election next May. You can really make a difference and the council needs people representing all parts of the community. You can find out more about what is involved from the Town Clerk or just have a chat to any of the current councillors. There is a list on the Town Council website at www.charlburytowncouncil.co.uk/.

Grants for the Financial Year 2020/21

Each year the town council can make grants to local organisations for the benefit of the local community. Any organisation that thinks it may need a grant from the Town Council for the financial year 2020/21 must obtain an application form from the Town Clerk and return it together with supporting documents by midday on 31st October. Late applications cannot be considered. The Clerk can advise on what can, and cannot, be grant aided under the Local Government Act.

Neighbourhood Plan

After a lot of hard work, a draft version of Charlbury's first Neighbourhood Development Plan will be available and open for public consultation this autumn. The Plan, which will become a legal part of the planning system, will help to direct development within the parish of Charlbury for many years to come.

The draft plan will become an important document for the future of the town so we urge you all to read it and to take part in the consultation process. You should have received a leaflet through your door explaining the purpose of the plan and how to get involved in the consultation process. There is also a separate article elsewhere in the edition of the Chronicle summarising this information. Please take time to read the leaflet, read the draft plan, come and talk to us at Street Fair and other public events and take part in the consultation. This will be YOUR plan. Draft plan documents and response forms will be available online at www.charlburynp.org.uk and at the library.

New Clubhouse for the Charlbury Football & Sports Club

The town council is pleased to support the Charlbury Football & Sports Club with the construction of its new clubhouse adjoining the Nine Acres Pavilion and we are delighted to see good progress being made with the building work. We look forward to the opening of the new club as another valuable asset for the town. Another project by and for the community of Charlbury. Well done to all concerned!

20mph Zone for Charlbury

Following prolonged work with the OCC Highways Department, we are pleased to report that plans for the introduction of a 20mph zone within Charlbury are being

published for public consultation. The zone will extend throughout the town centre and also around the Enstone Road cross-roads. Assuming that the public are supportive, we are hopeful that OCC Highways engineers will be able to put up the signs late this year or early 2020. This will be a significant step towards improving pedestrian safety in the town so it will be really important for Charlbury people to write in to show support for the plans when they are published. Details of the plans will appear on noticeboards around the town and on the Charlbury website – please take a look and please send in your comments to support the scheme.

New Safe Walking Routes

Continuing the theme of pedestrian safety, we are delighted to announce that two new short safe circular walking routes have now been created for the benefit of local residents and visitors to the town. These paths have been created as part of the Cotswold Gateway Town initiative in conjunction with the Cotswolds Conservation Board who manage the Cotswolds AONB. One of these walks links the town with Banbury Hill Farm and The Old Shed Café and provides 2 safe walking routes, both avoiding the dangerous section of the Enstone Road. The route includes a new short permissive path linking Hundley Way to Banbury Hill Farm across Ditchley land by kind permission of the HDH Wills Charitable Trust who own the land. You can read more about these new paths in a separate report elsewhere in this edition of the Chronicle. Special thanks are due to Cllr Tony Merry who has worked hard to establish these new routes.

Other Matters:

Wild Swimming in the Evenlode.

We know that an increasing number of people like to enjoy wild swimming in rivers etc., especially during the summer months. Whilst we do not wish to spoil anyone's enjoyment there are very real risks. We must therefore emphasise that the town council does not encourage this activity. In respect of the River Evenlode and Mill Cut accessible from the Mill Field

island anyone choosing to do this, does so at their own risk.

Dogs on Nine Acres Recreation Ground.

If you choose to take your dog onto Nine Acres, please make sure that you keep it on a lead at all times and do not allow your dog to foul anywhere within Nine Acres. Remember that this wonderful facility includes a well used and much loved children's play area as well as three football pitches used regularly by many youth as well as adult teams. There are real health hazards associated with dog poo and it is also an extremely unpleasant matter for football or tennis players or others to encounter and have to deal with. Please act responsibly and respect other users of the recreation ground. Don't let a few spoil it for everyone else.

Overhanging Branches. Encroaching hedges etc

These matters can be a real nuisance to people using our pavements, paths and public spaces, particularly those with push chairs, mobility scooters etc. So please be considerate to others by cutting back branches that overhang pavements and trimming back hedges that are difficult to pass. Thank you.

Wigwell Nature Reserve.

The reserve is well managed for wildlife conservation by the Wychwood Project with assistance from local volunteers including Cotswold Voluntary Wardens and the Wigwell Friends. Our thanks to all of them. The flora and fauna have been particularly rich this summer and we are fortunate to have this asset on our doorstep. Much of the site is managed under a Higher Level Stewardship (HLS) agreement which tightly regulates certain aspects of the management regime. It is important for everyone to respect this, especially those whose property borders the site. If you need more information, please contact the Wychwood Project

www.wychwoodproject.org

Contacting your town council

All town council meetings are open to the public as observers. Ten minutes are also available at the start of each full council meeting for representations from members of the public by prior arrangement with the town clerk.

Full Council meetings will be held in the Corner House (normally the Morris Room) at 7:30pm on Wednesday 25th September, 30th October and 27th November. Planning applications relating to Charlbury will be considered at separate meetings on the Monday preceding each full council meeting at 8pm (7:30pm if there is a speaker) in the Ann Downer Room.

Councillor surgeries are scheduled for Saturdays 5th October and 7th December from 10am to noon in the Morris Room. You can also contact Roger Clarke, the Town Clerk by email at charlburytc@btinternet.com or telephone 01608 810608 9am to 5pm (not weekends or Bank Holidays).

Further information can be found at www.charlburytowncouncil.co.uk

Peter Kenrick

Charlbury Day Centre

Well the good news is that we have little to report except to say that everyone is really enjoying their days at the Centre.

We have a full membership at the moment, but, as always, would appreciate more volunteers to help with driving the members to and fro from their homes, assisting the coordinator or helping with the cooking.

If you think you could spare an hour or so a month please get in touch with me on 01608 810150, alternatively pop into the Memorial Hall any Wednesday between 10.00am and 3.00pm.

Bob Tait



**Charlbury Beer
Festival passes
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As many of you will know, we had a wonderful Charlbury Beer Festival this year, with glorious weather, a great atmosphere and all the usual offerings of Aunt Sally, live music, Culture Club and of course 50 cracking beers, plus the popular Pimm's, gin, wine and cider bars. For families there was lots of fun to be had at the Children's Tent and the Camp Wilderness and youth football activities.

Thanks to all of you who came along and supported the event, and to our sponsors and our volunteers, we were able to raise over £21k from this year's beer festival. This means that we have also raised more than a staggering **£250,000** for good causes during the 22 years of our operation, making it the biggest fundraising event in town. Charlbury School has been our principal beneficiary, we have supported 47 local organisations in total, plus 9 overseas projects/organisations.

In addition, other local organisations have been running stalls at the beer festival since we've been down at the Cricket Cub, raising a further £20k for their own causes.

I hope you agree that the Charlbury Beer Festival goes from strength to strength, we are always looking for ways to improve so please do get in touch with any suggestions or indeed if you would like to help and be part of the team. Be sure to visit our 'human beer machine' stall at the Street Fair on Saturday 21st September, play for fun and take time to talk with committee members about the work that we do.

Tim Crisp

From County & District Councillor Liz Leffman

01608 810153 liz.leffman@westoxon.gov.uk

I hope that by the time people read this, we will be about to see road repairs undertaken in the centre of Charlbury. I have been promised that Park Street will be done in September and that Sheep Street has been scheduled for October. I know that I have previously written in the Chronicle that these repairs were to be done last autumn, as I was promised, but money has been in short supply, and we have only had the additional funds available since the new financial year began in April.

I have been lobbying since then to get roads in the centre of Charlbury onto the schedule, but as I am sure you can appreciate we are in competition with many other towns and villages, in my ward and elsewhere, for the limited resources that are available. This is because one consequence of the cuts made to local government funding over the last few years is that jobs had to go, and we have only been able to start recruiting since the money has become available.

Recruitment has had to happen not just at the County Council, but also at Skanska, the contractor that manages all road repairs, and recruiting staff in Oxfordshire is not very easy, thanks to the very high cost of living, and the lack of affordable housing.

So although the money is now there to carry out road repairs, the number of

teams available is still lower than we need, which is why there has been a delay. Added to that, there is a huge backlog of work that has resulted from the cuts over successive years. Let's hope that from now on our roads can be better maintained.

As well as lobbying for road repairs, I have been working with the Town Council to get the 20mph zone in Charlbury up and running, and you may have noticed little white marks on the roads around the town perimeter – these mark the places where the new signs will go.

We hope that because the 20mph zone will feature on satnavs, this will also deter lorries from coming through the centre of the town.

From the autumn, a trial is going to be carried out which will ban lorries from the centre of Burford. I am concerned that this may mean lorries will come off the A40 at Witney and use the B4022 to get to Chipping Norton and Banbury.

As part of the trial, there will be monitoring of traffic coming up the B4022 through Finstock and on to Charlbury. I will be keeping an eye on this and making sure that if there is evidence of extra HGVs using this route, our voice will be heard when the trial is evaluated.

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CHARLBURY NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN 2031

Public Consultation on the Draft Plan

The draft neighbourhood plan is now complete and a 6-week period of public consultation is about to begin. The consultation will be launched on Wednesday 18th September and all responses must be received by Thursday 31st October. When it is approved, this plan will play an important role in shaping and directing future development in the town so it is important for the people of Charlbury to take part in this consultation to make sure their views are heard.

All households in Charlbury should have received a pamphlet through the door summarising the draft plan and explaining how to take part in the consultation (these pamphlets are being delivered with the September edition of "The Leaflet" with the kind assistance of St Mary's Parish Office and volunteers). If you haven't received one, there are copies available around the town or you can obtain one by contacting the town clerk (Roger Clarke) by email at charlburytc@btinternet.com or by phone on 01608 810608 (9am to 5pm weekdays excluding bank holidays).

Once the consultation starts, the draft plan and other supporting documents will be available to download from the Neighbourhood Plan website (www.charlburyntp.org.uk) and paper copies will be available to view at Charlbury library. Response forms will also be available to download or complete via the Neighbourhood Plan website. Paper copies will also be available in the library. Responses can be submitted online or posted into a

secure box in the library. Responses can also be sent to the town clerk.

During the consultation, we will publicise and hold open drop-in events starting at Street Fair on Saturday 21st September. A second drop-in session will be held in the Corner House on Saturday morning 5th October from 10 am to 12noon. At these sessions you will be able to talk to town councillors and members of the steering group, to discuss the draft plan, ask questions and let us know what you think. Please do pop in and talk to us.

At the end of the formal consultation period, we will consider all responses and recommend changes to the draft plan. Responses and recommended changes will be documented in a separate consultation statement. When the town council has approved the changes, the draft plan will be updated and the revised draft will then be submitted along with the consultation statement to WODC who are the local planning authority.

After this, WODC will oversee the remaining processes required for the plan to be adopted including an inspection to ensure the legal soundness of the plan and a referendum of everyone on the Charlbury electoral register. If a majority of those voting in the referendum approve the plan, WODC will adopt it and its policies will be taken into account in deciding planning applications within the parish of Charlbury.

Peter Kenrick



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Charlbury Society

The Society finished its 2018/19 season on 10th May with the annual general meeting, at which the members approved our new constitution which brings us into line with current HMRC regulations.

The bulk of the meeting was given over to a talk by Celia Haddon, a local journalist and author, who spoke on the first English Olympic games. This was an event started by Robert Dover at Chipping Camden in 1612, and with a break for the Civil War they continue until 1852, and were revived in 1965. It was an interesting story of 17th century politics and ambition.

In June members and friends joined us on an outing to 'Chavenage House' near Tetbury. It is no ordinary house, for this is 'Trenwith' the home of George Warleggan in the Poldark series on television. We were shown around by a current family member, Caroline Lowsley-Williams, who brought the whole house to life with a sparkling commentary.

It turned out to be one of the Society's best tours for years, judging by the comments which came in afterwards. It will be hard to replicate next year, but the committee have some ideas in mind.

Members of the Society were very saddened to learn of the death of our Museum curator, Celia Faulkner. Celia rarely missed a Charlbury Society meeting, and if the topic of the evening

was anything local, could always be counted on to give us the benefit of her extensive knowledge of Charlbury, past and present. She will be a great loss to the Charlbury Society and Museum, as well as to the wider town.

The Society will then break for the summer, returning on 11 October for the first talk in our winter series. This will be 'Peculiar Ground: A Wychwood Story', by Lucy Hughes-Hallett, a talk around her novel set in an ancient house in Wychwood Forest.

We will also be celebrating the 70th anniversary of the founding of the Charlbury Society and the Museum. On 25th May 1949, a meeting was held at the school to establish the Society.

John Kibble, stonemason and author, was the first president, with Alfred Searle, a consulting chemist elected chairman and Mrs. Evelyn Evans, a doctor's widow, made secretary. The first lecture was held in August, with a talk on Cornbury Park, followed by a tour of the house at the invitation of Oliver Watney.

We look forward to greeting existing members, and hopefully welcoming new people, and visitors, to our forthcoming series of talks in the Memorial Hall. See 'The Leaflet' and local notice boards for details.

*Peter Bennett
Chairman & Treasurer*

CHARLBURY FARMERS' MARKET **on the Playing Close between** **9am and 1pm on** **Saturday, Sept 14th**

Charlbury Farmers' Market is administered by Thames Valley Farmers' Market Co-operative Ltd. and organised by Geoff & Janet Burroughs.

Any queries, please contact Geoff or Janet on the contact details below.

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tel: 07969 208518, 01608 810260



Charlbury Practice Participation Group

MEASLES AND PROTECTION WITH THE MMR IMMUNISATION

Measles is a highly infectious viral disease which can lead to serious complications such as pneumonia and encephalitis (inflammation of the brain) In addition, measles infection damages and suppresses the whole immune system. This means that people who have had measles are more likely to catch other infectious diseases. This effect can last for as much as three years. Worldwide, measles is still a major cause of death, especially among children in resource-poor countries.

At the moment most UK measles cases are linked to travel in Europe. Measles cases have also been linked to music festivals and other large public events. Public Health England is advising people to check that they are vaccinated against measles before they travel abroad or go to large public events in the UK or elsewhere. Children and young people who have missed the MMR vaccine are particularly at risk.

Measles usually starts with cold-like symptoms, red painful eyes and sensitivity to light, a high temperature, and greyish-white spots in the mouth and throat. A red-brown confluent rash usually appears a few days later, spreading from behind the ears to the rest of the body.

Coffee Break answers

Why childhood immunisation is important

Immunisation prepares the body to fight serious infections that might happen in the future. Young babies are very vulnerable to infections, so they need to be protected as early as possible. Your child needs several different vaccines to be fully protected, so it's important to complete their childhood immunisation programme.

Some infectious diseases can kill children or cause lasting damage to their health. Your child's immune system needs help to fight those diseases. Immunisation gives protection against some infectious diseases. Vaccines stimulate the body to produce antibodies that fight infection.

Charlbury patients' MMR immunisation rates:

In 2018, 97.9% of eligible 2 year olds and 89.1% of eligible 4-5 year olds (the preschool booster) were immunised. (source: NHS Digital)

In the first quarter of 2019, just over 98% of 2 year olds and just over 93% of 4-5 year olds received their MMR. (source: Charlbury Medical Practice)

In order to have full protection against measles, mumps and rubella, the preschool booster is essential.

Getting your child immunised

Before your child starts school, they usually get their vaccinations at your doctor's surgery or local health clinic. The Child Health system or the doctor's surgery usually sends you the invitation to make a vaccination appointment.

Your child can get some vaccinations in school. The school will contact you before they give your child a vaccine.

7. 5 Lines in a Limerick; 8. 2 Heads are Better Than One; 9. 118 Elements in the Periodic Table; 10. 6 Zeros in a Million; 11. 12 Members of a Jury; 12. 4 Aces in a Pack of Cards; 13. 8 Bits in a Byte; 14. 4 Inches in a Hand; 15. 48 Counties in England; 16. 24 Hours from Tulsa; 17. 4 Chambers in a Heart; 18. 2 Hands on a Clock; 19. 4 Pedals on a Tandem; 20. 2 Teams in the University Boat Race; 21. 4 Lions around Nelson's Column; 22. 1 Partridge in a Pear Tree; 23. 5 Players in a Basketball Team; 24. 2468 Who Do We Appreciate; 25. 200 Pounds for Passing Go in Monopoly; 26. 2 Shakes of a Lamb's Tail; 27. 5 Loaves and 2 Fishes; 28. 64000 Dollar Question; 29. 10 Downing Street; 20. 30 Jumps in the Grand National

General question answers:
1. Chester; 2. Tin; 3. Buttons; 4. Red; 5. Canberra; 6. Hyde Park; 7. U2; 8. Hyper Text MarkUp Language; 9. Edward VI; 10. Eric Idle; 11. Yoko Ono; 12. Lincoln; 13. Nine; 14. Lloyd's of London; 15. Cactusville; 16. Ringo Starr (Richard Starkey; 17. Hungary; 18. Operation Torch; 19. Ian Fleming; 20. Aaron 21. Raymond Chandler; When rearranged the letters spell—THE CHARLBURY CHRONICLE
Difolds:
1. 2 Hands in a Pair of Gloves; 2. 8 Tentacles on an Octopus; 3. 9 Counties in Ulster; 4. 36 Black Keys on a Piano; 5. 210 Calories in a Pint of Guinness; 6. 225 Squares on a Scrabble Board;



Phone scams are on the rise with criminals targeting households across the UK to try and defraud people out of their money

Typically fraudsters try to cold call members of the public pretending to be from a trusted organisation – like your bank, the police, a utility provider or a computer company.

While the criminals' tactics can vary, the aim is the same. They want to get your personal or financial information, encourage you to hand over your cards or cash, or trick into transferring money into accounts they control.

Don't fall for their tricks.

One of the most common methods we see involves a fraudster posing as your bank or the police. They claim there's been fraud on your bank account and you need to act quickly to protect your money.

Their solution is for you to transfer your money to a so-called 'safe account'. But the account is actually controlled by the fraudster and when you move the money, they steal it.

In a twist on this scam, the criminal asks you to assist in a police investigation of supposedly corrupt staff in a bank or foreign money exchange, who they claim are issuing fake currency.

You're then asked to visit the branch and withdraw a large amount of cash and take it home, where it is collected by a fraudster posing as a policeman or a courier.

Other common phone scams include:

- being told that your computer has a virus or that your internet connection is running slow. The fraudster then takes control of your computer to 'fix' the problem, but instead actually installs software which steals your data. They may also watch you as you're asked to log into your online banking account.
- claiming that you're due a refund or compensation for poor service. They get your bank details, but then say they have accidentally sent thousands of pounds, rather than hundreds, an error which will cost them their job.

They then ask for the difference to be refunded via a wire transfer.

How to stay safe

Fraudsters can sound extremely professional and will do all they can to convince you that their call is genuine. But there are some simple steps you can take to keep safe.

Remember – your bank or the police will never:

- Ask you to transfer money to a new account for fraud reasons
- Phone you to ask for your 4-digit card PIN or your online banking password, even by tapping them into the telephone keypad.
- Ask you to withdraw money to hand over to them for safe-keeping.
- Send someone to your home to collect your cash, PIN, payment card or cheque book if you are a victim of fraud.
- Ask you to purchase goods using your card and then hand them over for safe-keeping.

If you are given any of these instructions, it is a fraudulent approach.

Hang up the phone, **wait five minutes**, then call your bank or card issuer on a number you trust – such as the one on their website or on the back of your bank card.

Criminals may already have some information about you, for example your name and address. So don't assume that a call is genuine just because they have these details or because they claim to represent a legitimate organisation you use or a person that you know.

Never feel pressurised into making a quick response; scammers will sometimes try to hurry you into taking action. A genuine organisation will always give you the time you need to make an informed decision. If you're ever at all suspicious about a call, then just hang up the phone.

The UK banks, building societies and card issuers, with the support of the police, have published a Joint Declaration which clearly explains those requests they will **NEVER** ask of you on the phone.

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