



Family Picnic

Charney Playing Field

Saturday 8th August from
12.30pm

Bring a picnic, blankets, chairs
and outside games

A great opportunity to meet up
and enjoy our lovely field

There will be organised
games and craft activities run
by CHAFT

No charge

Any questions contact
helenroyan@btinternet.com

St Peter's Church

Charney Proms Picnic Concert

starring

The Didcot Divas

*performing a lively selection of songs and
monologues*

Saturday 12th September

Charney Bassett Village Green, OX12 0EU

Hogroast picnic at 6.15 pm

Didcot Divas on stage 7.00 pm

Join in with the sing-along spots!

Coffee and cake in the break



Concert proceeds will support Didcot Divas'
nominated charity of the year Alzheimer's Society
and St Peter's Church

Tickets: £12.00 per adult (children under 12 free)

*Alcoholic drinks may be purchased from the
Chequers Pub*

For more information and seat reservations please
contact Doug (01235 868438) or Lucy (01235
868782) or email doug.hughes@live.co.uk

WHAT A WONDERFUL EVENING

Our lovely church was full to capacity when Keziah Thomas and Hannah Phillips returned for their 3rd Annual Concert. Showcasing their unique skills with Gaelic and Classical Harps they entertained us with a delightful repertoire. Before each piece they guided us with an informal explanation which really enhanced appreciation. A particular highlight was attendance by the renowned Harpist Stephen Dunstone who introduced his new composition "The Forest Pool" which Keziah and Hannah played to great acclaim. This wonderful evening finished with drinks and canapes and a collection of some £500 to our church funds.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to his highly enjoyable concert.

Dough Hughes
Church Warden

Thank you

A huge thank you to everyone who came along to Charney Goes West and the evening barn dance on July 4th. It was fantastic to see so many people dressed up and enjoying such a lovely afternoon and beautiful evening. There are too many people to thank individually but you know who you are and your support was much appreciated!!

All raffle prizes have been claimed and we raised £1750 which is amazing.

Thank you again on behalf of CHAFT

SOME IMAGES OF THE DAY



UPDATE YOUR VOTER DETAILS

From Tuesday 14 July Vale of White Horse District Council will be sending a form to every household across the district asking them confirm the details for all eligible voters at their property.

People must respond to this request for information, even if they are already registered to vote.

The easiest way to confirm whether the details on the form are correct is to do so online at www.registerbyinternet.com/southandvale using the security code found on this form.

Everyone who confirms their details immediately will avoid receiving reminder letters and potential visits later in the year.

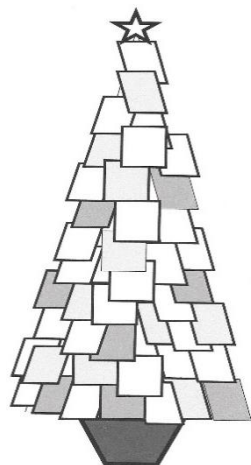
Any household who hasn't received a form by the end of July should get in touch with the Electoral Services Team on 01235 540351 to ask for a replacement.

Calling all knitters and crocheters!

Will you help us make a

Giant Benefice Christmas Tree

out of blanket squares?



We need loads of blanket squares 20
cm x 20 cm

to grow our tree as it moves around the
Benefice during Advent.

After Christmas the squares will be
sent to charities supporting winter
warmth for the elderly in the UK and
AIDS orphans in Africa to be made
into cosy blankets.

Get out your knitting needles and your crochet hooks now
and start making those squares over the summer holidays!
The more squares you make, the more trees we build - and
the more blankets we can give to those who need them.

For more information please contact Lucy (01235 868782)
or on sleevescttee@aol.com

Thank you!

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee Hour now on summer
break – starts again on

TUESDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER.

CLOSURE OF WINTER LANE HANNEY

This road will be closed from the
3rd-7th August for site investigations.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



COFFEE HOUR – Starts again on
Tuesday 8th September

FAMILY PICNIC – Saturday 8th
August, Charney Playing Field, from
12.30.

**CHARNEY PROMS PICNIC
CONCERT** – Saturday 12th
September, Charney Bassett Village
Green, £12 per adult (children under
12 free).

FROM YOUR MP – Ed Vaizey

Themes of the July report are:

- Holidays abroad – check
passports, EHIC cards
etc
- Mobile roaming charges
- Protection of bees

Click [here](#) for full report



WALK TO COLESHILL

Recently 14 ladies had a
very enjoyable walk from
Great Coxwell Barn, through
Badbury Wood to Coleshill
and return. Lunch was at
the National Trust Teashop.

Why not join us next time.
More information from Jane
Fry 868114

CHARNEY BASSETT AND LYFORD EDUCATIONAL TRUST

CLET supports a range of educational projects, with grants awarded both to individuals under the age of 25 and to community groups in the villages of Charney Bassett and Lyford.

Applications will be considered by the Trustees who meet in January, May and September. For further details please contact the Clerk: Mrs Frances Rothwell, Oldwalls, Buckland Road, Charney Bassett, Tel: 868704,
E-mail: rothwell555@btinternet.com.

Please contact the Clerk for a Grant Application Form, which should be returned to her for consideration at the meeting.

CHARNEY 100 CLUB JULY DRAW

The results of the draw held in the village hall during coffee hour on Tuesday 7 July 2015 are as follows:-

First Prize	£25	Number 10	Frances Rothwell
Second Prize	£10	Number 8	Martin Smith

Best wishes to all members

Mahala and David
Charney 100 Club Organisers



VILLAGE DINER – DATES FOR 2015

Held in Buckland Memorial Hall

12.15 pm

Two course lunch with tea and coffee

£5 per person

August – Please note there is **NO VILLAGE DINER IN AUGUST** as Buckland Village Hall will be closed for roof repairs.

Wednesday 16 September

Wednesday 21 October

For more information please call Deborah
Lewis 868536

USE IT OR LOSE IT



The mobile library visits Charney Bassett every alternate Thursday and the van will stop at:

Charney Bassett Orchard Close 1135-1155.

Next Visit 13th August (Click [here](#) for further dates)

WHAT'S NEW ON THE CHARNEY WEBSITE?

- [Draft minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 8th July](#)

AUNT SALLY AT THE CHEQUERS

Home matches in August

Wednesday 5th August v Fox A Denchworth

Wednesday 19th August v Bowyers Arms
Radley

Matches start at 8.15 pm

BOWLS EVENING 20TH JULY

Charney villagers and friends enjoyed a super friendly bowls evening at Kingston Bagpuize bowls club, assisted by the club members. The evening was rounded off with a delicious buffet and drinks from the bar. A great evening enjoyed by everyone.



REQUEST FROM THAMES WATER TO CUSTOMERS WITH PRIVATELY OWNED SEWAGE PUMPING STATIONS

PUMP HUNT FOR SEWAGE STATION OWNERS

- **Thames Water to take on the responsibility of 4,000 sewage pumping stations from property owners and managers**
- **Utility will take over electricity and maintenance costs under new legislation, potentially saving customers thousands of pounds**
- **Firm appeals for help tracking 1,800 'missing' stations**

Thames Water is appealing to customers to help identify privately owned sewage pumping stations.

The utility, which serves 15 million customers across London and the Thames Valley, will take responsibility for around 4,000 pumping in October 2016, but needs to track down 1,800 currently off its radar.

New legislation means sewage pumping stations, which power wastewater away from properties and out into the public sewer pipe network, currently owned and maintained by customers will become legally owned and operated by the local water company.

The pumping stations are found in all shapes and sizes, and can be in places where there are a number of properties needing to connect to the public sewer network. Customers will know they have one as they'll be paying to maintain and power them.

Jerry White, of Thames Water, said: "This is really good news for customers. We'd urge anyone who thinks they may have one to get in touch so we can check they are eligible for the transfer of ownership. In some cases, as well as electricity savings, maintaining and replacing pumps can cost thousands of pounds so it's an excellent deal for them.

"We believe we know where approximately half of the stations we need to take over are, but really need help to find the other 1,800. Please get in touch if you think this applies to you and we can take on the responsibility forever."

Anyone with a private pumping station can make Thames Water aware at thameswater.co.uk/pumphunt

Notes to editors

A sewer pumping station is likely to be 'adopted' by Thames Water if it:

- was in use before July 2011 (and)
- serve a single property, and is outside the property boundary (or)
- serves two or more properties
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More information:

www.thameswater.co.uk/pumphunt

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