



CAROLS ON THE GREEN
(with Wantage Silver Band)

Wednesday 17TH December

7.30pm

Meet outside the Gildersleeves' Barn on
The Green
and share mulled wine and mince pies

Charity Collection



REMINDER

**ST PETER'S CHURCH 'BRING AND BUY'
BAZAAR**

Charney Village Hall

Saturday 29th November

10 - 12am

**SNIPPETS FROM THE NOVEMBER PARISH
COUNCIL MEETING**

Flood Prevention project (CHAFFINCH) discontinued.

Neighbourhood Plan on target for completion in
May and referendum in Sept 2015.

Allotments at Charney Manor to be administered by
Parish Council.

New Manager for the Village College.

Click [here](#) to view draft minutes.



**VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MEAL
AT THE CHEQUERS**

Monday 1st December.

Last few places available, ring Jacqui or Ian 868642

CHARNEY 100 CLUB NOVEMBER 2014 DRAW

The results of the draw on the 11th November are as
follows:-

1st Prize (£25) – No 80 – Julie Adam
2nd Prize (£10) – No 32 – Sylvia Gibbons



In December the first prize will be £100 and second Prize
£50.

Mahala and David Charney 100 Club Organisers

**CHAFT NEWS - New Swings for Play Area
ordered.**



The new 4 bay Swing set has now been
ordered from Safe and Sound Playgrounds,
Westcott, Bucks with a projected lead time of
6 to 8 weeks to installation. We are reusing
the existing swing seats and chains to save
additional outlay and these can be replaced
as and when necessary, on an ongoing basis.

Looking forward to a swinging time.

Jane Fry - CHAFT Chair.

FROM YOUR MP – Ed Vaizey

Themes of the November report are:

- SUDEP (Sudden Death in Epilepsy, based in Wantage)
- National Adoption Week.

Click [here](#) for full report





A message from your Neighbourhood Policing Team

My name is Andy Gunn and I am a Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) in the Neighbourhood Policing Team based at Faringdon.



The latest statistics for the South Oxon/Vale of White Horse Area show crime levels have been further reduced and detection rates improved.

Our Neighbourhood Policing Team recognise the valuable role you play in providing local intelligence and information.

Here is a check list of how you can help us keep our villages safe:

- Sign up to the ALERT messaging system (www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk).
- Sign up for receiving text messages asking for urgent information on 'live' crime incidents (www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk).
- Telephone 999 if you see a crime in progress or 101 for non-emergencies, or to provide information.
- Telephone 101 if you think a potentially vulnerable person might welcome a visit from us.
- Contact the Neighbourhood Policing Team on 101 for crime prevention advice.
- Liaise with your street Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator when appropriate, listed at http://charneybassett.org.uk/?page_id=1026

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Tel: 101

Email: Andrew.Gunn@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk

Twitter: @TVPSouthandVale





CHARNEY ARMY PLAN AHEAD



In mid-November ten members of the Charney Army met in the Chequers to plan the year ahead. Fortified by coffee and biscuits kindly provided by Jacqui and a more than generous supply of sausage rolls and cheesy scones donated by Jane Fry, the group enthusiastically identified a task list for the forthcoming months. This includes:-

- Jubilee Orchard – secure expert advice on pruning the fruit trees, replace a dead plum tree and arrange for harrowing the ground to make mowing easier.
- Contact the Environment Agency to take up their offer of half day help to assist/advise on maintenance of Charney Wick Ditch and provide advice on silt removal in the culvert under Main St, along the bridle path, and downstream of the Mill. Also seek advice on the installation of a warning water level indicator
- Hire tree surgeon for tree work along bridle path with members providing assistance.
- Complete installation of defibrillator in telephone box.
- Trim the hawthorn hedge, attend to the willow arbour and mow the long grass on the playing field.
- Arrange for the servicing of the churchyard lawnmower.
- Arrange working parties in the Spring to clear the road gutters, clean the street and road signs and repaint the railings on Ock Bridge.
- Arrange working party to plan maintenance and undertake improvements to the allotments at Charney Manor.
- Recruit working party to assist CHAFT with maintenance work at Village Hall and Playing Field.

This is a formidable list and no doubt more tasks will come to the fore in the Spring. This year we have benefited from three new members but additional volunteers are always welcome. In particular, it was noted that the village hall which was refurbished and extended a few years ago is now in need of some maintenance work.

If you have the time and inclination to help in any way, contact the editors of this newsletter who will pass your name on to the organisers of the Charney Army. We normally meet on the second and last Thursdays of the month from 10.00am to noon. Additional sessions are arranged, when necessary.

Stephen Cowlam,
Clerk to the Parish Council and member of the Charney Army.

CHRISTMAS AT THE CHEQUERS



Christmas Lunch or Dinner

Available 2nd to 23rd December 2014

Mon-Sat 12.00 noon to 2.00pm
6.30pm to 9.00pm

Sunday 12.00 noon to 8.00pm

Starter	£5.95
Main	£12.95
Dessert	£5.35

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

**Pick up your Menu and Booking Form from
the Chequers**

(Normal Menu Also Available)

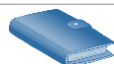
Christmas At Charney Manor

*Charney Manor welcomes you to enjoy our
fabulous food in a relaxed and peaceful setting
throughout the festive period*

*Choose either a 2 or 3 course meal, served with all
the traditional trimmings, both with
complimentary coffee and mince pies to finish*

*To see our Festive Menu and details of how to
book, please find the link below*

[www.charneymanor.com/sites/default/files/Chris
tmas%20menu%20for%20website.doc](http://www.charneymanor.com/sites/default/files/Christmas%20menu%20for%20website.doc)



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

COFFEE HOUR – Tuesdays in the Village Hall
from 10.30-11.30am. £1 pp, including as much
tea, coffee and biscuits as you like. **Last Coffee
hour 16th December, restart Tuesday 13th
January.**

CAROLS ON THE GREEN – 17th December,
7.30pm

LADIES WALK – 18th December (details to follow)

CHRISTMAS EVE FAMILY CAROLS – St Peter's
Church, Charney – 4.00pm

CHRISTMAS DAY FAMILY COMMUNION – St
Peter's Church, 10.00am

CLET Trustees meeting – Wednesday 7th January
2015.

VILLAGE DINER – Wednesday 21st January
2015, 12.15pm, Buckland Memorial Hall.

REMINDER Community Oil Buying Scheme
Please note you cannot order via this scheme
in December. The next order date is
12th January 2015

WHAT'S NEW ON THE CHARNEY WEBSITE?

- [Minutes of the Neighbourhood Plan
Steering Group November 7th](#)
- [Parish Council Draft Minutes of meeting
November 12th](#)

CHARNEY BASSETT AND LYFORD EDUCATIONAL TRUST – NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 7TH JANUARY 2015

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.

VILLAGE DINER – DATES FOR 2015

Held in Buckland Memorial Hall

12.15 pm

Two course lunch with tea and coffee

£5 per person

Wednesday 21 January
Wednesday 18 February
Wednesday 18 March

For more information please call Deborah Lewis
868536

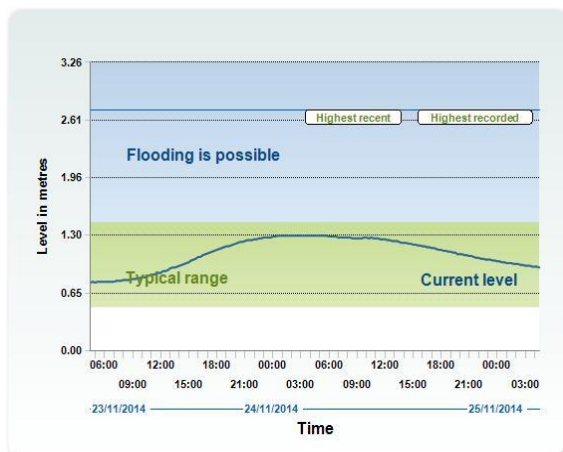
NOVEMBER LADIES WALK



Eleven ladies, plus a lovely dog Nell, had an enjoyable walk around Ashbury on the 12th November. Even though it was pouring with rain at 8.30am, we had a dry sunny walk and stopped off in the Rose and Crown for a delicious lunch.

December's walk is on the 18th, walking from Uffington to Woolstone and back, more details later. (Jane Fry)

HEAVY RAIN! Check the [Environment Agency website](#) to find the level of the River Ock



The illustration shows water level as recorded every three hours during two days this month

Better Broadband



BETTER BROADBAND

FOR OXFORDSHIRE

Connecting homes and businesses

November 2014

Following our recent announcement in the last Charney Chatter that BT Infinity is now available in Charney Bassett, the latest update on the Broadband project from Oxfordshire County Council can be viewed [here](#).

A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL OUR CONTRIBUTORS AND READERS FROM THE CHARNEY CHATTER TEAM

Merry Christmas

PLEASE NOTE: Due to the Christmas holidays the deadline for the next issue will be 15th December and publication around the 22nd December.

Charney Chatter e-news is published monthly on behalf of the Parish Council and co-edited by Rosemary McClintock 868817 and David Sibbert 868734. Occasional News Updates may be sent to subscribers at the discretion of the editors. Contributions should be e-mailed to chatterinbox@btopenworld.com in WORD format by the 20th of each month (unless otherwise stated). You can unsubscribe to this e-chatter by e-mailing echatter@btopenworld.com. Residents without e-mail facilities can ask for the monthly edition to be delivered.