



### **ST PETER'S CHURCH CAROLS ON THE GREEN**

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December**

**7.30pm**

A lovely festive gathering for all the family.  
Followed by mince pies and mulled wine in  
The Old Stables' Barn

A collection in aid of charity will be taken.

Don't forget to bring a lantern or a torch!

We look forward to seeing you.

### **OPENING OF NEW PLAY PARK**



A big thank you to all of you who braved the cold and came along to the opening of the new playpark. Unfortunately Councillor Eric Batts was unable to join us for personal reasons but Amelie and Isabelle gamely stood in and cut the ribbon and officially opened the park. We then enjoyed afternoon tea, scones and cake in the Village hall.

On behalf of CHAFT thank you to all of you who have offered your support and help. This project would have been impossible without your support and encouragement so thank you.



### **VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MEAL**

**AT THE CHEQUERS**

**MONDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER**

Details have been posted through your letter box.  
Please return booking form by the end of  
November

### **LADIES WALK**



**Wednesday 14th December**

Meet at 11.00am - Charney Bus Shelter

Walk from Hatford to Buckland with lunch at  
The Lamb, Buckland and return  
or just join us for lunch there.

Please let me know by the **1<sup>st</sup> December** if you  
are coming

Ring Jane - Tel. 868114  
or email [jane.e.fry@btinternet.com](mailto:jane.e.fry@btinternet.com)

### **LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS PRESENTS?**



Why not purchase this shopping  
bag with a picture of Charney  
Bassett church on it! Only £3.00

Available from Mary and John  
Daglish 868557

All proceeds go to Charney  
Church



### **Coffee Hour**

The sale of Christmas cards and gifts held on 1st November raised £225, to which the Coffee Hour added a donation of £100. Thank you to everyone who came and supported this event

John and Mary Daglish

### **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**



### **CHRISTMAS GREETINGS WITH A DIFFERENCE**

Don't forget to contact Amanda Graham to send an electronic Christmas greeting to your loved ones. Donations to the RDA Abingdon.

<mailto:amanda@amandacreates.co.uk>

### **THE 2016 POPPY APPEAL**

The total collected in Charney Bassett was £425.02. A very big THANK YOU to you all.



Joe Ody

### **BILL MCKINNON IN CHARNEY CHURCH – A GOOD TIME WAS HAD BY ALL.**



On October 29<sup>th</sup> Charney residents and those from further afield were treated to a wonderful, evening of folk and Irish music at Charney Church, courtesy of the talented Bill McKinnon and his fiddler friend Ann Tarrant.

The audience tapped their feet and sang along to a huge variety of well-known and not so well known folk tunes including Scarlet Ribbons, Hip Hip Horray and The Bell Ringing Song. As a special treat Bill also played a lovely piece written by our Charney friend Ruth Gerring all about the River Ock.

It was an excellent evening. In fact, it was such a good evening Bill's Irish band Clíodhna have been booked for an Irish evening at Charney Church on 18<sup>th</sup> March. If you like the idea of an Irish stew together with Irish beer and Irish music pop the date in your diary and watch out for more information in the next issue of Charney Chatter.

Pam Edwards

### **FROM YOUR MP – Ed Vaizey**



Themes of the November report:

- Secured a visit from Secretary of State for Education to Technical College in Didcot.
- Secured a debate on the safety of the A34
- Plight of AEAT pensioners.

Click [here](#) for full report

### **WHAT'S NEW ON THE CHARNEY BASSETT WEBSITE?**

- [November update from the Neighbourhood Policing Team](#)
- [Draft Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> November.](#)
- [Improved home page – featuring latest news](#)



### VILLAGE DINER WITH FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Community lunch served from 12.15pm in Buckland Memorial Hall on 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month (excluding December). Two course seasonal lunch with tea or coffee, cooked by Clare Connolly, £5 per person.

Further information from: Lucy Courtier-Dutton  
[courtierdutton@hotmail.com](mailto:courtierdutton@hotmail.com) 07894 219972.

**NO LUNCH IN DECEMBER**  
**NEXT LUNCH: Wednesday 18 January 2017**

### SPOOKY HAPPENINGS!



On the 31<sup>st</sup> October spooky happenings occurred at the village hall. Ghoulish characters from the village descended upon the location for an evening of spooktacular games and a feast fit for the devil himself. Amazing fun was had by children young and old, many thanks to all that made it happen. Diane Ewart

### WATCH FOUND



Watch found on the football field. Contact [echatter@btopenworld.com](mailto:echatter@btopenworld.com)

### LETTER TO THE EDITORS:

A quick note to pass on enormous thanks for the wonderful children's Halloween party this week. The children had a fantastic time and we are very grateful for all the effort the organisers went to!

Best wishes  
Ruth, Mike, Darcie and Eva



## Open Morning At Charney Church

The open morning was a great success. There were lots of displays all about the history of Charney Church, together with opportunities to have a go at ringing the bells and lots of tea, coffee & homemade cake.

A big Thank you to all those who helped bring a good event together.



### CHARNEY 100 CLUB – NOVEMBER RESULT

The result of the November draw will be published in the January edition of Charney Chatter and on the web.

Mahala & David

## NEWS FROM THE HISTORY GROUP

### WE ASKED – CLIVE TOLD US!



We asked in the last Charney Chatter if anyone could help with the identification of the vehicle outside 'Bobby' Woolford's – probably from the 1920s.

Clive Dunn came up trumps with:

*The vehicle outside 'Bobby' Woolford's is a 1928 Season Morris 10 cwt Light Van, we can say with confidence that the photo was taken sometime after August 1927.*

Click [here](#) for the full identification.

### WHAT'S NEW ON THE HISTORY WEBSITE SINCE NOVEMBER'S CHATTER?

There have been lots of updates across the website here are some of them:

- [Recollections from Manor Farm](#)
- [Women's Institute](#)
- [Cricket Club](#)
- [Minutes of Smallholders' Meetings – Selected Extracts](#)
- [Mass dial and other additions](#)
- [Village Cross sundial updates](#)
- [School punishment book](#)

**Electricity arrives at Charney but do you know what delayed the big switch on?**  
Look [here](#) to find out

**Can you help put names to faces and places on the [cricket photographs](#)?**

**Can you put names to the [school photos](#)?**

Visit <http://history.charneybassett.org.uk/>  
E-mail: [charney.history@btinternet.com](mailto:charney.history@btinternet.com)



**Fancy doing a History of Charney Bassett Christmas Quiz after your turkey dinner? Details will be available soon.**

Amanda and Ian Graham

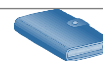
### CHARNEY BASSETT AND LYFORD EDUCATIONAL TRUST

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 Chairman: Mr Nicholas Milne at The Old Vicarage, Lyford, OX12 0EF, Tel: 867495, e-mail: [nick@themilnes.net](mailto:nick@themilnes.net)

The next meeting of the CLET Trustees will be on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Please contact the Chairman for a Grant Application Form, which should be returned to him for consideration at this meeting

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



**COFFEE HOUR** - Every Tuesday, Village Hall from 10.30-11.30am. £1 pp, including as much tea, coffee and biscuits as you like. **Last coffee morning 13<sup>th</sup> December – restarts Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017.**

**VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MEAL** – Monday 5<sup>th</sup> December, Chequers Inn.

**CAROLS ON THE GREEN** – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30 pm.

**LADIES WALK** – Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 11.00am, meet Charney Bus Shelter.

**VILLAGE QUIZ NIGHT** – Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> January, Village Hall.



## **'TAKE A STANCE AGAINST SCAMS'**

Scams affect the lives of millions of people across the UK. People who are scammed often experience loneliness, shame and social isolation.

**VIEW** the five minute online awareness session (and the 31 slides at the end) at <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/page.php?xPage=elearning.html>

**BECOME** more aware of the different scams and those who fall victim to them.

**SPREAD** the message, change perceptions, help to prevent people becoming victims, keep an eye on the most vulnerable.

For more information about the initiative go to <https://www.friendsagainstscams.org.uk/> or contact

Margaret Roberts (Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator)  
David Sibbert (Faringdon East Neighbourhood Action Group)

### **Oxfordshire Historic Churches Trust Ride and Stride**

Thank you very much to all the people who sponsored Charney Bassett's Striders and Riders, Jacqui Harrison and Lucy Gildersleeves, who raised the sum of £523.50.

This money will be shared equally between the O.H.C.T and St Peter's Church. O.H.C.T. makes grants to churches in Oxfordshire towards the cost of major fabric repairs and we hope to make use of this in the future to preserve our church.

12 Striders and Riders visited St. Peter's (on a very wet and windy day) who were very grateful for a warm welcome and refreshments.

Mary Daglish  
Church Co-ordinator for O.H.C.T.

### **HOME LIBRARY SERVICE**

The Home Library Service is offered in partnership with Age UK and the Royal Voluntary Service to people who are unable to visit the library themselves through frailty, infirmity or a disability and have no other means of getting access to reading materials. Full-time carers and those who might need the service on a short-term basis following debilitating illness or hospitalisation can apply too.

For more information go to:  
<https://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/content/home-library-service>

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

*Merry Christmas*

**PLEASE NOTE:** Due to the Christmas/New Year period the deadline for the January 2017 issue of Charney Chatter is **15<sup>th</sup> December**. Entries to: [chatterinbox@btopenworld.com](mailto:chatterinbox@btopenworld.com)

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