

# CHARNEY CHATTER

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## NEW NETS



Thank you CHAFT - Football nets are up in the park and our youngsters are making good use of them.

George who plays for Kingston Colts says he has been to the park everyday this half term to practice and has enjoyed using the nets for rugby kicking practice too.

Matthew who plays in goal for Kingston Colts and Reading JPL says having the nets makes it much easier for him to practice.

Flynn who plays for Hanney Youth U13 was spotted having a fun time with George taking turns with penalties.

Here's hoping all our village aspiring footballers including Adam another Kingston Colt and Holly who plays for Wantage Girls will make use of the field as the weather improves.

Kick about anyone!!!

Helen Royan and Diane Ewart



L to R – Freya, Erin, George, Flynn, Natalie, Chloe

## IN THE NEXT CHATTER.....

Look out for an initiative by the Chairman of the Parish Council

***“walking football”***

(using the new nets of course).

## FROM THE THAMES VALLEY POLICE

**Thames Valley Police is calling on friends and family to help tackle the problem of Courier fraud by taking ten minutes to talk to elderly friends and relatives.**

Courier fraudsters phone and trick victims into handing large sums of cash to a courier that arrives at their home.

To beat this, officers have created prompt cards that can be pinned next to the front door and put next to the phone to explain to vulnerable and elderly people how to recognise courier fraud, and to stop them from becoming a victim.



**Beware of courier fraud!**

Do they want cash, your bank cards, or your pin number?

1. **Close** the door
2. **Lock** the door
3. **Call the police** on 101, or call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040

Remember:

- Police officers and your bank will **NEVER** send couriers to your home to collect cash or bank cards
- **NEVER** give your pin number to anyone
- In an emergency call 999



www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk



**Beware of courier fraud!**

Do they want your bank details, your pin number, or to send a courier?

1. **Hang up** the phone
2. **Find a mobile** phone
3. **Call the police** on 101, or call Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040

Remember:

- The police will **NEVER** ask for your bank details
- **NEVER** give your pin number to anyone
- To make a phone call straight after you've hung up, **ALWAYS** use a different phone



www.thamesvalleyalert.co.uk



For more information go to <http://www.thamesvalley.police.uk/newsevents-pressreleases-item.htm?id=328870>

**From your Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, Margaret Roberts**

*“If you know of a vulnerable local resident who would welcome a visit from the local neighbourhood police team on this, or any other matter, please contact the Neighbourhood Policing Team by telephoning the non-emergency number 101 or email [FaringdonNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk](mailto:FaringdonNHPT@thamesvalley.pnn.police.uk).”*



## **AND OTHER NEW CON .....WATCH OUT FOR BOGUS WEBSITES ADVERTISING ELECTRICAL GOODS AND DOMESTIC APPLIANCES**

Fraudsters are setting up high specification websites advertising various electrical goods and domestic appliances. These goods are below market value and do not exist. The website will state you can pay via card; however when the purchaser goes to pay, this option is not available and the payment must be made via bank transfer.

The fraudster entices the purchaser and reassures them it is a legitimate purchase by using the widely recognised Trusted Shop Trustmark. They then use the Trustmark fraudulently and provide a link on the bogus electrical website to another bogus website (which purports to be Trusted Shops). This website shows a fake certificate purporting to be from Trusted Shops and provides thousands of reviews for the bogus electrical website. These reviews are all fraudulent. The website has not been certified by Trusted Shops and therefore the purchaser is not covered by the Trusted Shop money-back guarantee.

### **Protect yourself:**

- Check the authenticity of the website before making any purchases. Conduct a 'Whois' search on the website which will identify when the website has been created. Be wary of newly formed domains. You can conduct this search using the following website – <https://who.is/>
- Conduct online research in relation to the website, company name and the business address provided to identify any poor feedback or possible irregularities.
- Check the Trusted Shops Facebook page where warnings about websites using their Trustmark are published. If you are in doubt about the legitimacy of a Trustmark then you can contact Trusted Shops on 0203 364 5906 or by email [service@trustedshops.co.uk](mailto:service@trustedshops.co.uk). They will confirm whether they have certified that website.
- Payments made via bank transfer are not protected should you not receive the item. Therefore always try to make the payment via PayPal or a credit card where you have some payment cover should you not receive your product.
- If the item advertised seems too good to be true, then it probably is.

If you, or anyone you know, have been affected by this fraud or any other scam, report it to Action Fraud by calling 0300 123 2040 or visiting [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk). **VISIT THIS WEBSITE TO KEEP UP TO DATE WITH THESE MESSAGES.**

(With thanks to John Ingram-Johnson for passing this on)



## **Ladies' Walk**

**Buscot to Kelmscott  
(approx. 4.5 miles circular walk)**

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

**Meet at Charney bus shelter 10.30 am**

**Start walk from Buscot car park**

**Lunch at The Plough, Kelmscott and back to Buscot**

**Please let me know if you are coming  
Telephone Stephanie Wright 867418 or email  
[wrighthome12@gmail.com](mailto:wrighthome12@gmail.com)**

## USED WINE CORKS!

Amanda Graham in Barnfield, has started a craft hobby creating art out of used wine corks. If anyone would be prepared to keep hold of theirs and then ring Amanda (868974) and she will collect. Many Thanks

Amanda Graham  
3 Barnfield  
Charney Bassett



## CHARNEY PANCAKES

Many thanks to all who supported the Pancake Party on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February which raised the sum of £281. This will become over £300 when gift aid is added.

Over 100 pancakes were served to a gathering of some 40+ residents who enjoyed the morning

John and Mary Daghish



## OPERATING CHARNEY SPEEDWATCH



Click [here](#) to read an online version of what appeared in the Oxford Times

## WHAT'S NEW ON THE CHARNEY WEBSITE?

[Neighbourhood policing team update](#)

[Updated format on the River Ock flood levels](#)

[Parish Council Section updated for transparency code](#)

[Parish Council Emergency Plan updated](#)

[Community-led Plan final draft](#)

## GO ACTIVE GOLD - New 60+ Bowls Session

Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor Bowls Club, who always welcome new members, will run a new Bowls Session for people aged 60 and over in partnership with GO Active Gold.

GO Active Gold is a new project that will support people in rural areas, aged 60 and over, to live more active lifestyles by setting up local, affordable physical activity sessions that are fun, friendly and for all abilities.

The 60+ Bowls Session will include basic instruction and an outline of the outdoor game. Fun, friendly and welcoming in its nature, the session is ideal for beginners, new starters, and anyone who wants to try the game. All necessary equipment will be provided at the sessions by the club.

The session will run at Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor Bowls Club (Old Oxford Road, Kingston Bagpuize, OX13 5AP) for six consecutive Mondays, 11am-12noon, starting 14th March 2016 and is £2 per week (£12 upfront).

To book your place or for more information please contact the GO Active Gold team.

Email: [goactivegoldvale@southandvale.gov.uk](mailto:goactivegoldvale@southandvale.gov.uk)  
Tel: 07717 346351

Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor Bowls Club  
Tel: 01865 821996



## HAVE YOU FOUND ANY HISTORICAL OBJECTS IN YOUR GARDEN?

As part of their research into the history of Charney Bassett, The Charney History Group would be interested to know of any historical objects that you might have found in your garden. These might be:

**Worked flint - Coins - Potsherds - Old bottles etc**



e.g. this is a picture of a potsherd found in a garden in Charney. It comes from a bottle or flagon probably made in Cologne or Frechen, around 1500 – 1700 AD. A great deal of this pottery was imported to England in the seventeenth century, as was the white wine of the region.

If you haven't found anything then keep a special look out when you're digging the garden this spring, you never know. If you have a modern house you may still have history in your garden.

Contact details: Sue Wales [charneyarchaeology@aol.com](mailto:charneyarchaeology@aol.com) (or 01235 868182)

## IS ALEXANDER THE GREAT DEPICTED IN OUR CHURCH?

In an article by Christopher Howse in the Daily Telegraph on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> February 2016, he refers to

"A semi-circular carved stone, a tympanum that used to sit above the south door. It is 900 years old and carved in a vigorous style associated with Herefordshire, most notably at Kilpeck. Here at Charney Bassett (once in Berkshire, but now conquered by Oxfordshire) the tympanum shows a man standing between two beasts.



A hurried glance on an overcast day might take him for Daniel in the lions' den. But wings grow from the shoulders of the beasts, which grip with beaked jaws the upper arms of the man between them. They are clearly griffins. He nevertheless stands resolutely with his hands round their necks. Perhaps he is Alexander the Great".....

To read the full article click [here](#).

## CHARNEY 100 CLUB FEBRUARY DRAW

The results of the draw held in the Village Hall during Coffee Hour on Tuesday 9 February 2016 are as follows:-



First Prize     £25     No 60 Barbara & David Sibbert  
Second Prize   £10     No 44 Derek McClintock

Subscriptions for the year 1 April 2016 to 31 March 2017 are now being collected, the charge being unchanged at £12 per number for the year. The proceeds are used by CHAFT to help pay the running costs of the Village Hall and Playing Field.

Mahala and David  
Charney 100 Club Organisers

## FROM YOUR MP – Ed Vaizey

Themes of the February report are:

- Clean for the Queen
- 2016 Young Games Designers' Competition
- Grants to help young sports stars with their development.
- Food waste

Click [here](#) for full report



## ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETINGS (APCMS)

Every parish is legally required to hold an Annual Parish Meeting to elect Churchwardens and an Annual Parochial Church Meeting to conduct other parish business. For the Annual Parish Meeting, any member of the civil electoral roll of the civil parish or someone on the electoral roll of the parish church can attend and vote. For the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, only those on the electoral roll of the parish church can vote.

The Electoral Roll is currently being revised: if you would like to be added to the Roll, please contact the Electoral Roll Officer, Jackie Harrison, on 868330.

A report on the activity of the Parochial Church Council during 2015 and detailed accounts for St Peter's will be presented at the APCM. Copies of both of these documents will be placed in the church from 1st March for anyone who wishes to read them. If you would like to have a copy of the reports emailed to you, please contact Tracey Burge on 868897.

The Annual Parish Meeting and APCM will take place in St Peter's Church on Wednesday 16th March, starting at 7.30pm. Please go along if you can, to show your support, find out what has been going on in your parish and have your say in the elections.

Tracey Burge

## COMMUNITY LED PLAN IN FINAL STAGES OF ADOPTION

Following the provisional approval of the Community Led Plan by the Parish Council at its meeting on the 17th January the final draft was submitted to various interested bodies including the Vale of White Horse District Council, Oxfordshire County Council, Community First Oxfordshire (previously called ORCC) and other local groups. We received many positive comments and suggestions and have now loaded the [Community Plan](#) on to the Charney Bassett website. This is to enable any final comments from the community to be considered for inclusion in the plan – The contact point is [cbclpfeedback@gmail.com](mailto:cbclpfeedback@gmail.com).

The forward timetable for adoption is;

1 - 31st March - Village Consultation on the plan, available on the website

1-15 April - Final version of Plan compiled

**23rd April - Community meeting in Village Hall to present the Plan and encourage participation**

11th May - Formal adoption by the Parish Council

After adoption a summary leaflet will be distributed to every household and the Plan posted on the website.

Charney Bassett Community Led Plan Steering Group

## 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](mailto: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 WITH FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Please come and enjoy our Benefice villages' community lunch which is served in Buckland Memorial Hall from 12.15pm on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month (excluding December).

A 2 course lunch cooked by Claire Connolly with tea or coffee at £5 per person. Next date:

**Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March**

For more information or if you would like to volunteer to help occasionally, please call Deborah Lewis on 868 536 or email [cjanlewis@btinternet.com](mailto:cjanlewis@btinternet.com)

**It's back!**

## Family Quiz

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> March**

**6.30 pm for 7.00 pm start**

**in Charney Bassett Village Hall**

**Come along for an evening of family fun:  
make up a your own team - ideally 6 players -  
or ask us to join you with others on the night**

**8 quiz rounds, plus a tabletop Marathon**

**All questions to the team - no individual questions**



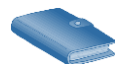
**Use your team  
Vulture to  
discard a bad  
round!**

**Use your  
team Joker  
to double  
your points!**



**There will be a raffle on the night.**

**Tickets - 5.50 per person,  
includes half-time finger-buffet and coffee  
from Lucy (867116 or 07702 421256)  
or email me on [gildersleeveslucy@gmail.com](mailto:gildersleeveslucy@gmail.com)**



### **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.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** – Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30pm, Village Hall.

**QUIZ IN THE VILLAGE HALL** – Sunday March 13<sup>th</sup>, 6.30pm

**60+ BOWLS** – Kingston Bagpuize and Southmoor Bowls Club, Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March 11am-12noon (£12) in conjunction with Go Active Gold (pre-booking essential)

**ANNUAL CHURCH MEETINGS** – Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 7.30, St Peter's Church

**CHILDREN'S TREASURE HUNT** – April 9<sup>th</sup>

**COMMUNITY LED PLAN PRESENTATION** – Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 2-4pm, Village Hall.

**QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS** – Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June, Village Green

**CHAFT AGM** – Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30pm, Village Hall

**HARP EVENING** – Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July

**VILLAGE FETE** – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July, The Manor.

**DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE:** 20<sup>th</sup> March 2016. Entries to: [chatterinbox@btopenworld.com](mailto:chatterinbox@btopenworld.com)

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