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#### **CHAMPIONS**



The Chequers Inn Aunt Sally team finished top of Section C in the Abingdon & District Aunt Sally League. And what a tense finish to the season!

With one match to play and in fourth position they faced leaders College Oak, Abingdon who had a 4 point advantage. Two wins and a draw gave The Chequers 5 points to their opponents 1 and put the two teams' level on points. The results of other matches were awaited.

A narrow win by the The Hatchet from Childrey in their final match resulted in three teams finishing with the same points.

In an exciting play off final at a neutral ground in Abingdon between Childrey and Charney Bassett each team won one match with one match drawn. In a further three stick play off THE CHEQUERS held their nerve and outscored their opponents to finish as Champions!

To learn more about the game go to the Charney Bassett Website or http://abingdonauntsally.com/

## THAMES VALLEY POLICE HAVE YOUR SAY MEETING

Saturday, 10 October 2015 12:00 - 12:30 Main Street, Charney Bassett PCSO Alex Hill in attendance

Just pop along and look for the parked police car.

At the last 'Have your Say Meeting' held in the Village Hall, residents raised the issue of parking on pavements. The Police advise that in general terms:

'It is not an offence to park a <u>CAR</u> on a pavement if there is enough room for someone to pass by the vehicle. Even if the car takes up most of the pavement, obstruction only occurs if someone wants to pass and is unable to do so.

All relevant circumstances need to be taken into account including the length of time of the obstruction, the place where it occurred, the purpose for which it was done and whether it caused an actual as opposed to a potential obstruction.

If anyone believes an offence has occurred they should call the Police on the non-emergency number 101. If duties permit, an officer will visit the location and assess whether an offence has been committed and, if so whether the matter should be dealt with by advice or the issue of a parking ticket.'

#### PARISH COUNCIL TAKES ACTION TO ADDRESS RESIDENTS' CONCERNS ABOUT SPEEDING

The Parish Council has joined forces with Stanford in the Vale, Shellingford, Littleworth, Longworth, East Hanney, Kingston Bagpuize with Southmoor and West Hanney to purchase a mobile speed indication device as part of a joint Community Speedwatch initiative.

Stanford in the Vale Parish Council has been nominated as the lead Council and the exercise will be coordinated by a resident from Shellingford Parish.

- Community SpeedWatch is backed by Thames Valley Police.
- The focus is on education rather than enforcement.
- Volunteers trained by the police operate at the roadside in areas with 20, 30 and 40 mph limits, monitoring speeds with the aid of a portable speed indication device (SID).
- Volunteers record and report the speed and identifying details of vehicles travelling at or above specified speed thresholds.
- The police send letters to the registered keepers advising them of the speed and reminding them of why it is a community concern.
- If problems persist, the information enables the police to target their enforcement activities.
- Insurance is provided by the Parish Council

In Charney Bassett, eleven volunteers have received police training and seven venues risk assessed by the police as suitable for carrying out checks

The speed of traffic travelling through the village was identified as a major concern by residents (Neighbourhood Plan Survey October 2014) and the use of this device on different days and times and at different locations in this and other villages will hopefully encourage drivers to keep within speed limits when driving through our villages.

David Roberts
Chairman Parish Council

#### **HARVEST CELEBRATION AT THE CHEQUERS**



lan, Jacqui, George and staff would like to thank villagers and friends for supporting the recent fundraising event at the Chequers Inn

Thanks also go to those who donated cakes, produce, raffle prizes and items for the auction.

The grand sum of £1,340 was raised for St. Peter's Church.

## HISTORY OF CHARNEY BASSETT AND ITS ACTIVITIES

Following the article in last month's Chatter six individuals have expressed an interest in the initiative.

More information next month.

Joe Ody

#### ADDITIONAL BROWN BIN COLLECTION

For householders with Brown Bins an additional bag of garden refuse can be placed alongside the brown bin for collection on:

MONDAY 19TH OCTOBER

#### **WANTED - OCCASIONAL CRIB PLAYERS**

For the first time in many years the Chequers Inn has entered a team in the local Crib League.

Matches are played on a Monday evening.

If anyone is interested in playing on an occasional basis please contact lan for more information (868642)

#### **DIDCOT DIVAS PROMS PICNIC CONCERT**

Fine weather ensured a perfect start to our concert. Our ever dependable "team' had set up gazebos on the village green complete with a stage and sound in Lucy's Barn. At 6.15 Lucy and her family served up a delicious "hog roast" which we enjoyed al fresco. Judith Sawyer then joined us with some 22 Didcot Divas. All resplendent with their pale blue corsages they sang in aid of their chosen charity. The Alzheimers Society. What fine entertainment - we enjoyed a complete variety of classical, light and traditional themes which they delivered with great feelina.



At half time we were served a delicious range of home baked cakes with tea and coffee. The Divas returned with two of their gentlemen who read moving poems dedicated to those who served in the 1st and 2nd World War. Union Jacks were distributed and everyone joined in the traditional Proms favourites. Judith distinguished herself with a fine rendition of Land of Hope and Glory. The Concert ended with great acclaim and encore when the Divas reprised their interpretation of All That Jazz. They went home happy with a generous donation to their Charity. The other beneficiary was funding to our lovely Church of St Peters.

Judith has already asked to join us for Christmas Carols this year which is a brilliant prospect. Whilst there could have been more in attendance we were competing with other village functions. What became clear though was great enthusiasm and joy during the concert. I cannot name everyone without accidental omission. Let me just record great thanks for all of you who dedicated your time and efforts to make the event so successful.

**Doug Hughes** 

#### JOIN OUR NEW RECTOR

11th October 10am St Peter's Church Charney Bassett. Family Service by our New Rector Revd Talisker Tracey-Macleod

Following her Licensing on 29th September our new Rector Revd Talisker Tracey -Macleod will lead us in worship at St Peter's. This Service will be her introduction to Charney Bassett. She is keen to embrace a family theme and meet as many of you as possible. So please come to our lovely Church and stay on for a chat with Talisker and refreshments.

Doug Hughes Church Warden

## **CHAFT**

# Charney Hall and Field Trust Meeting

The details of the next meeting of the CHAFT Trustees are shown below. All residents of Charney Bassett are welcome.

# Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> October 2015 7.30pm Charney Bassett Village Hall

#### Agenda

- Village hall kitchen equipment
- Village hall acoustics
- Charney Field Notices and Signs
- Charney Field children's play equipment
- Village hall fire alarms & emergency lighting service contract
- Charney goes West barn dance and fund raising report

If you have any queries or items you'd like to add to the agenda, please let the Secretary know on: 867587 or by email to: charneychaft@gmail.com

### CHARNEY VILLAGE COLLEGE

#### **'KEEP FIT SESSION FOR MEN?'**

The current keep fit classes of pilates and yoga run by the college are attended almost exclusively by ladies. Would any of the gentlemen in the village like to attend a 'men only' session of maybe either a pilates class or a general keep fit session?

If you would be interested could you email me with what would interest you and what time of day would suit best ie during the day or early evening? I'm just trying to gauge interest and so this will not commit you to anything.

#### SATURDAY WORKSHOPS AND OTHER CLASSES

If anybody has any ideas for future workshops, or indeed courses of any kind, do please let me know and I will do my best to find tutors. Alternatively if you know of any tutors who may be interested in running a workshop or course then I would be very interested to hear from you.

Christine Trotman <u>cbvillagecollege@btinternet.com</u> or telephone 869171

#### FROM YOUR MP - Ed Vaizey

Themes of the September report are:

- White Paper on the arts and heritage
- Syrian refugee crisis

Click <u>here</u> for full report



#### **CHARNEY 100 CLUB SEPTEMBER DRAW**

The results of the draw on the 8<sup>th</sup> September are as follows:-

 $1^{st}$  Prize (£25) - No 3 - Steve Burge  $2^{nd}$  Prize ((£10) - No 20 - Mary Castle



Mahala and David 100 Club Organisers

## 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.

CHAFT COMMITTEE MEETING -

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> October, 7.30 pm, Village Hall.

**POLICE HAVE YOUR SAY MEETING -**

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October 12-12.30pm, Main Street.

#### **VILLAGE DINER**

Held in Buckland Memorial Hall 12.15 pm

Two course lunch with tea and coffee £5 per person

#### Wednesday 21 October

For more information please call Deborah Lewis 868536

## 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

The next meeting of the CLET Trustees will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2016. Please contact the Clerk for a Grant Application Form, which should be returned to her for consideration at this meeting.

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**DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE**: 20<sup>th</sup> October 2015. Entries to: <a href="mailto:chatterinbox@btopenworld.com">chatterinbox@btopenworld.com</a>

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