



2017

**CHARNEY BASSETT & EAST CHALLOW  
STUDENTS'**

**PATCHWORK & QUILTING EXHIBITION**

**IN CHARNEY BASSETT VILLAGE HALL**

**SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE**

**10 A.M. TO 4 P.M.**

**ENTRANCE: £2.00 (Children under 12  
free if accompanied)**

**LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE**

**All proceeds in aid of Charney Bassett  
Village amenities**

## **THE CHEQUERS INN**

**BANK HOLIDAY SPECIAL**

**MONDAY 29th MAY.**

**6.30pm – 9.00pm**



### **PIE EVENING**

From £12.95

PLEASE BOOK IN ADVANCE

Tel. 868642

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE CHARNEY HALL & FIELD TRUST (CHAFT)**

To be held in St Peter's Church, Charney Bassett,  
on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2017 at 7:30 pm

*The AGM will be followed by the first meeting of the new CHAFT Management Committee. Residents of Charney Bassett are warmly invited to attend both meetings. Residents of 18 years and over may vote at the AGM.*

**PLEASE NOTE THAT  
BECAUSE OF THE GENERAL ELECTION,  
BOTH MEETINGS WILL TAKE PLACE IN ST PETER'S CHURCH  
AND NOT IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

# **NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL'S ANNUAL MEETING**

## **ELECTION OF OFFICERS**

Cllr David Roberts continues as Chair

Cllr David Nellist continues as Vice-Chair

Trevor Brown is the new Clerk to the Parish Council following the resignation of Stephen Cowlam

Sue Dobson and Mary Castle continue as Parish Councillors

There is one vacancy on the Council following the resignation of Jane Fry and a process is in place to co-opt a replacement. For further information contact David Roberts, 868285

## **APPOINTMENTS**

Road Safety Working Group - Cllr David Roberts

Internal Auditor – Peter Leaver has stood down and a replacement is being sought

Transport Representative – Cllr Sue Dobson

Charney Hall & Field Trust- Cllr Mary Castle

Charney & Lyford Educational Trust – Cllr Sue Dobson and Mrs Jos Bath

Longworth Charities Trust – Cllr Mary Castle

Village College Manager- Mrs Christine Trotman

Communications Group - David Sibbert and Rosemary McClintock (Charney Chatter and email management system) John Wright (Village Website manager) and Amanda Graham (History Website manager). The appointment of a Parish Council representative is under consideration.

SpeedWatch Coordinator - David Sibbert

Faringdon East Neighbourhood Action Group (Police Liaison and Community Safety) David Sibbert (resident representative)

## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

In his annual report for 2016/17 David Roberts makes specific reference to:

- Vale Local Plan 2031 and associated strategic housing matters
- Village Community–Led Plan
- Community initiatives

The full report can be read on the [village website](#).

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

The report of the outgoing Parish Clerk can be read on the [village website](#).

## **COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH INITIATIVE**

The Parish Council received an update on the SpeedWatch initiative

Charney Bassett is one of eight local villages participating in this initiative which focusses on education rather than enforcement. Below is some brief information on operational activity in Charney Bassett during the last year.

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There are 11 trained volunteers.

Seven venues have been approved for SpeedWatch activities

35 operational sessions have been undertaken (normally one hour)

15 sessions have been cancelled (due to weather or unavailability of equipment)

50 vehicles have been found to be travelling at 34mph or more.

5 of the speeding vehicles were not reported to Police due to recording irregularities.

Highest speed recorded 42mph.

Village hot spot appears to be Longworth Road.

Estimated number of vehicles passing through the village in one hour (one way) 30-80

Additional background information and commentary can be read [here](#).

**ADDITIONAL VOLUNTEERS ARE REQUIRED. (Contact David Sibbert on 868734 for more information)**

### **ROAD SAFETY**

The Parish Council considered two detailed reports from the Road Safety Working Group.

**The first report identifies a range of potential options for improving road safety in the village. The report was agreed, in principle, as a basis for further work by the Group, prior to consultation with local residents.**

The Parish Council then considered a [further urgent report](#) from the Road Safety Working Group following an initial meeting with Oxfordshire County Council and agreed to

- **request the County Council to include (at no cost to the Parish) additional road markings in their 2017/18 programme, including 30mph road roundel markings and visual narrowing signs at each of the four village entrances.**



- **fund a local traffic survey using County Council equipment subject to further consideration of the potential benefits, timing and costs.**



**RESIDENTS WILL BE KEPT UPDATED ON THESE DEVELOPMENTS**

## CALLING ALL BUDDING ARTISTS!

### STANFORD ART GROUP – JUNE EVENTS

- 12<sup>th</sup> Life Drawing Workshop with Arran Miles
- 16<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> **Summer Exhibition**  
Faringdon Old Town Hall 
- 1<sup>st</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> **Exhibition**  
Coleshill Tea Room, 3 Old Carpenters Yard, Coleshill SN6 7PT

For further information [click here](#)



**Saturday June  
24th 2017 12.30pm**

Grove Rugby Club, Recreation Lane, Grove OX12 0FL

**A DAY OF  
ENTERTAINMENT  
& COMMUNITY FUN  
FOR ALL THE FAMILY**

For full details click [here](#).

### WHATS NEW ON THE WEB?

- [Draft Parish council minutes of 10<sup>th</sup> May](#)
- [Neighbourhood policing update](#)



### ABINGDON AUNT SALLY LEAGUE

*You know it's good when you hear the wood!*

The Chequers Inn are playing in the B Section this summer. There are six sections each comprising 10 teams.

**Home matches start at 8.15pm**

Wednesday 7th June v Abingdon R.B.L.

Wednesday 21st June v The Vine, Cumnor

For more information on the game of Aunt Sally click [here](#).

### VILLAGE DINER WITH FOOD BANK COLLECTION

Community lunch served from 12.15pm in Buckland Memorial Hall £5 per person.

For more information contact: Lucy Courtier-Dutton

[courtierdutton@hotmail.com](mailto:courtierdutton@hotmail.com) or 07894 219972.

**Next Date: Wednesday 21<sup>ST</sup> June**

### 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:

Pam Edwards, 26 New Road, Charney Bassett, OX12 0ER. Tel: 07809250262

Email: [cletclerk@gmail.com](mailto:cletclerk@gmail.com)

### CHARNEY 100 CLUB – MAY 2017 DRAW

The results of the draw held in the village hall on Tuesday 9 May 2017 during Coffee Hour are as follows:-

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	£25	No 54	Jill Hook
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	£10	No 16	Sheila Terry

Remember that next month the prizes are £50 and £25 to celebrate midsummer.

Mahala and David  
Charney 100 Club Organisers



**Note the new date!**

## **Charney Feast**

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

on Charney Field

Grand Draw ~ Teas ~ Tombolas ~ Cake sale  
Plants & produce ~ Bric-a-brac ~ Books, DVDs etc  
Games and activities and a variety of stalls

### ***It's A Knockout team challenge***

**Have you items to donate for prizes or which we can sell?**

**Do you have a gazebo which you would lend to us?**

**Can you offer a service, e.g car-valet, gardening, ironing, baking or similar,  
for us to auction?**

***Please contact:***

Advertising, auction items, bottles and prizes	Lucy Gildersleeves	<a href="mailto:gildersleeveslucy@gmail.com">gildersleeveslucy@gmail.com</a> 01235 868782
Bric-a-brac items, accessories	Sheila Terry	01235 868777
Cakes, tombola items and games	Diane Ewart	<a href="mailto:dianeewart818@btinternet.com">dianeewart818@btinternet.com</a> 01235 868103
Books, DVDs etc Offers of help with stalls or with set-up and clearing	Helen Royan	<a href="mailto:helenroyan@btinternet.com">helenroyan@btinternet.com</a> 01235 868349
Plants and produce	Ruth Gerring	01235 869083

***Any other offers of help, or to suggest ideas, or to indicate your interest in entering the It's A Knockout challenge – please do contact Diane, Helen or Lucy***

#### ***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.

**CHAFT AGM** – Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30pm, St Peter's Church.

**PATCHWORK AND QUILTING EXHIBITION** – Saturday and Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> June, 10am-4pm, Village Hall.

**TREASURE HUNT** – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 6.30 pm, Village Hall.

**CHARNEY FEAST** – Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, Charney Field.

## UPDATE FROM HISTORY GROUP

### The Chequers at Pendon

The [Pendon Museum](#) at Long Wittenham preserves the idyllic rural scene and transport of the 1920s and 30s in a miniature form for future generations to enjoy. There are some great walks and pubs nearby to make it a lovely day out from Charney Bassett. Pendon Museum: Long Wittenham, Abingdon, Oxfordshire. OX14 4QD.

A fantastic model of The Chequers c1920s has been completed in 2017. It was made by Jane Britton. The photo was taken by John Millman and provided by David Day. There are more photos of this wonderful model on our website.



### What's new on the Website

- [The Chequers at Pendon](#)
- [New and updated St Peter's Church Bells Restoration photos](#)
- [Village Hall Appeal Letter](#)
- [Historic Churches Preservation Trust Letter and Photos](#)

## TREASURE HUNT!

Charney Bassett History Group

# Summer Treasure Hunt

Join us for a  
**Summer Evening Treasure Hunt**  
*around our beautiful village*

How far is it to Stanford in the Vale from the Post Box (according to the footpath sign)?

Do you know where the standing stones of Charney are?

**Wednesday 5 July 2017**  
Gather at 6.30 for 7pm  
**Commences 7pm**  
**Village Hall**  
**Finishes 8pm**  
**Drinks and nibbles 8pm to 9pm**  
(including a brief update on the progress of the website, exciting news about archaeology digs in Charney - ALL WELCOME)  
**Winners announced by 9pm**  
(or earlier if we mark them quicker!)

In view of the recent ransomware cyber-attack which affected the NHS, [ActionFraud](#) has issued the following for individuals:



Action Fraud is not an emergency service  
dial 999 if you are in immediate danger.

**Key Protect advice for individuals:**

- Install system and application updates on all devices as soon as they become available.
- Install anti-virus software on all devices and keep it updated.
- Create regular backups of your important files to a device (such as an external hard drive or memory stick) that isn't left connected to your computer as any malware infection could spread to that too.
- Only install apps from official app stores, such as Google's Play Store, or Apple's App Store as they offer better levels of protection than some 3rd party stores. Jailbreaking, rooting, or disabling any of the default security features of your device will make it more susceptible to malware infections.



**CHARNEY BASSETT MAY CELEBRATIONS  
1<sup>ST</sup> MAY 2017**

As with every year the team looked to the skies with fingers crossed and we were not disappointed. After a torrential downpour about half an hour before the event, Queen Freya Royan and her attendants Libby Jacob and Amelie McNamara paraded from the village hall to the Green in the sunshine. All the children danced beautifully as ever and the musicians were superb as always. Thank you to Dean Ewart for a fantastic job as our MC and to everyone who helped on the day to make May Day one of the best yet.

*Lorraine Ashton*

**STOP PRESS!**

**It's already happened!**

See Road Safety page 3.



**DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE: 20<sup>th</sup> June 2017** Entries to: [chatterinbox@btopenworld.com](mailto:chatterinbox@btopenworld.com)

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