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WHO'S NEW?

Alex and Alex are a young couple who moved into Hope Cottages early this year and married in February. They met when they previously worked together and have literally escaped the big city where they had lived for 2 years to live in the country

They came here for Alex's job as Marketing Director in a medical research company in Cambridge so Alex had to give up her teaching post in Hackney where she also trained after graduation. Now she teaches in an academy in St Neots.

In Chishill they have acquired more space to welcome Alex's daughter who comes to stay with her father some weekends as well as for their new cat Zaza that they saved from Wood Green in Heydon.

They are very happy with what they have found here and don't want to move again.

They enjoy eating well, music, football, swimming and gardening not forgetting their new hobby, going to the Pheasant.

THE BELLS WERE RINGING A PEAL

On Saturday 10th March a visiting group of bell ringers managed to ring a peal at St Swithun's.

Ringling a peal is not an easy thing to do. It involves ringling the bells in different orders on each round of 5 rings (in our case) 5040 times!

Not only did this feat of a peal take 3 hours to complete but it also coincided with 3 celebrations in the village; Janet and Brian

Crouch's Golden Wedding anniversary, Jean Wiseman's 70th birthday and Claire Maynard's engagement.

Congratulations to all concerned!



JUBILEE GIFT MUGS

The Parish Council will be providing a Jubilee gift to all children aged 12 and under who currently live in the village. To ensure that your child does not miss out, please can you contact Sarah Scott and provide her with their names, ages and street name, ideally by the 10th April. Her contact details are 837112, sascott42@gmail.com and her address is 17 Hall Lane.

DOUBLE WHAMMY



On 19th March when the B1039 to Barley was being closed for repairs to the bridge at Cumberton Bottom, the pictured car hit one that was parked which then hit the side of the house on the left. The blue car was turned on its roof. Consequently, Barley Road was blocked in both directions until the cars were cleared. Fortunately, nobody was injured.

FROM OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR:



What's happening to the 31 bus?

The County Council has now told us that its subsidy for the 31 bus will be withdrawn in September 2013.

They have also promised to 'consult with the local community' about their transport needs and aim to have 'as good or better alternative transport' ready to go when the bus subsidy ends.

It's very concerning that for the first lot of bus subsidy cuts in September of this year (including part of the Citi 7 route, and also the 101) there are no viable alternative transport arrangements yet in sight. Hopefully by the time September 2013 comes around, progress will have been made. Last week I attended a transport workshop called 'Enhancing Positive Deviance' which I think meant that we need to think in new ways. However, the fact remains that for those people who need the 31 bus, it's rather important.

My colleague in the Duxford division and I are tackling this together as the 31 runs through many villages, and I will keep you posted. Meanwhile please don't hesitate to get in touch with any queries. I've put a longer explanation of what's happening on my website.

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OPERATION TWIST - online reporting facility

People will be able to report suspicious activity online for the first time.

The facility is part of Operation Twist, the crackdown on rural burglaries in Huntingdonshire and South Cambs. People can report suspicious activity in the two districts through the force website or via email.

Det Insp Jon McAdam, who is leading Operation Twist, said: "Offenders will often visit an area in the days leading up to a burglary to scope out potential targets.

"It's at this point that people are most likely to notice something unusual but may not think it is worth reporting.

"We want descriptions of these people and any vehicle details that may be linked to them.

"We appreciate that not everyone may want to phone through with this type of information and hope the online facility will provide an effective way of doing this.

"However, if people suspect there is a burglary in process then they should always dial 999."

To report suspicious activity or information about a burglary visit the 'Operation Twist' page of the force website -

www.cambs.police.uk. Or email - burglarycrackdown@cambs.pnn.police.uk

Patrols continue to be increased in rural villages, as well as investigative and forensic work to target those responsible.

Det Insp McAdam added: "Forensic and analytical work

continues to get a clear understanding of this crime series, as well as investigations into potential offenders." Anyone with information should use the online facility or call police on 101. Or contact Crimestoppers, anonymously, on [0800 555 111](tel:0800555111).

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CALLING THE YOUTH OF GREAT CHISHILL



SUMMER KICK-OFF

egg hunt time trials
music prizes
free food
And lots more!!

Tuesday 17th April, 7.00 - 9.00 pm
Great Chishill Pavillion
Ages 11 - 17
For more information contact
Fred Smith 07976 883524
01763 838513

DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS
Barn Dance at Hall Farm
Saturday 2nd June
Fête on the Plaistow
Monday 4th June

BARLEY TENNIS CLUB QUIZ NIGHT was a very successful sell-out and raised around £900.

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE
2nd Friday in the month
13th April, 11th May



The Church
13.25 - 14.05

MELBOURN LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri: 14.30-16.30
Thurs: 17.00-19.00
Sunday: 10.00-12.00

HEYDON & GREAT CHISHILL WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

"Gardening" - Peter Jackson from Scotsdales
Tuesday, 17th April at 19.30
in Great Chishill Village Hall

COMMUNITY AWARD NOMINATIONS



If you think that somebody in Great or Little Chishill is eligible for a community award, please write their name on a piece of paper together with your name & the reason for the award and place it in the green box on the bus shelter.

TRIMMING

Now that trees and bushes are beginning to sprout again, please make sure that yours do not overhang or encroach on public footpaths or obscure road signs. Richard Leitch is available for general garden maintenance work and tree surgery. Phone: 837073



BIN COLLECTIONS

Black	Green & Blue	
April 13	07	Sat
27	20	
May	04	