

The Chishills



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FIRE IN THE VILLAGE

After the record breaking heat in July our fields are tinder dry. Please be extra careful and try and avoid barbecues and bonfires until we have had a prolonged period of rain.

REEVES PIGHTLE

Great Chishill has some odd street names. Although reeve is a Saxon term, by the 14th century a reeve was usually a permanent officer of the local Lord of the Manor. He had the job of organising and overseeing the peasants' labour on the manor's land, attending the manor court and keeping financial accounts. He was usually a peasant himself. In some manors the reeve was appointed by the lord of the manor, but in others he was elected by the peasants, subject or not to a right of veto by the lord.



Pightle is an East of England dialect term for a portion of enclosed land set out to one side from an open field. A pightle was often an awkward shape and therefore more difficult to plough. We can therefore assume that our own Reeves Pightle was one such small piece of land given to the local reeve. There is an alternative possibility, however. Reeves is a local family name going back several centuries. The village's oldest resident is Dudley Reeves, who was 101 in July. Great Chishill's Reeves Pightle may simply have been owned by one of Dudley's forefathers many years ago.

WELCOME TO THE ALGER FAMILY

Paul and Jane have recently moved to the village from North London with their two young children, Jamie and Sophia. They still work in London, Paul in the music industry and Jane in the film industry, and they are thoroughly enjoying the peace and tranquility that Great Chishill provides.

They are looking forward to joining in community events with their family and thoroughly enjoyed the Jubilee celebrations that they were able to attend.

Please say hello to them if you see them around.



CHARLES HALL - PROFILE

Charles is our newest Parish Councillor, having being coopted to the council in July. He moved to Great Chishill in 2011 with his wife Celia and their son, William, aged 9. Charles works for Airbus in Stevenage, although he has also lived and worked in France for 3 years (in Paris & Toulouse).

His interests outside work include gardening, films and attending live sporting events (rugby union and motorsport especially). Charles is an avid Leicester Tigers supporter, although his national allegiance is with Wales. He recently returned to running and he is working towards the sort of performances he last achieved in his early twenties (He is now 49). He goes to the Wimpole parkrun most Saturdays, either to run or help out as a volunteer marshal. Charles also made his debut this year for the village cricket team.

Charles says that he is looking forward to working with the other councillors to help keep the Chishills as a wonderful place to live.



WINDMILL OPEN DAYS

The windmill will be open to visitors from 10 am to 4 pm on Sunday 7th and Sunday 21st August. All visitors will be shown round by a guide and there is no specific charge for a tour. However, we are very grateful for donations that will help to keep the mill in the condition you now see it.

By the way, in this lovely summer weather there have been some spectacular sunsets at the windmill.

It is a delightful location at which to enjoy an evening drink, so why not wander along there one evening for your sundowners? Enjoy!



VILLAGE CEILIDH

More than 100 people enjoyed an evening of great fun and good company at the village hall on Friday 19th July. The sun shone and the organisers had put tables and chairs outside the hall overlooking the cricket pitch where we enjoyed our drinks and an excellent ploughman's supper.

The Cambridge University Ceilidh Band performed and were brilliant in getting so many of us, young and old, dancing and enjoying ourselves.

More than £1,600 was raised for the Bell Restoration Fund. Very many thanks to all concerned, although a very particular thank you to Helen Whitehead who did so much to make the evening a success.



GREAT CHISHILL CRICKET CLUB

Recent Results

June 25th – Home versus Little Shelford

Great Chishill won by 7 wickets
O Gent 93, J Piper 64. J Thompson 2-36

July 2nd – Away versus Birchanger

Great Chishill won by 77 runs
D Nicholes 122. O Brunt 3-49

July 9th – Home versus Linton

Linton won by 41 runs
N Bent 59. A Cockerton 2-29

July 16th – Away versus Cambridge NCI

Great Chishill won by 7 wickets
D Nicholes 79, J Piper 63*. O Gent 3-45

July 23rd – Home versus Elmdon

Great Chishill lost by 6 wickets
O Brunt 45. O Gent 2-26

Forthcoming Fixtures (all start at 1.30 pm):

Saturday 6th August

Home versus Audley End & Littlebury CC

Saturday 13th August

Home versus Ashwell CC

After this game we aim to have a BBQ and drinks and anyone from the village is welcome to come up and watch from tea (around 4 pm) onwards and enjoy the post game hospitality.

Saturday 20th August

Away versus Ickleton CC

Saturday 27th August

Away versus Little Shelford CC

Great Chishill Cricket Club Juniors

The U11 Juniors had their first fixture versus Ickleton on Sunday 3rd July. Two GCCC teams of 12 each played one Ickleton team of 12 with a mixture of girls and boys. The format was soft ball QuickCricket. The first 12 batted first and won their game comfortably by 32 runs, the second 12 batted second and again won their game comfortably by 46 runs.

55 local primary school age children attended 11 juniors' coaching sessions. All have progressed well with batting, bowling and fielding and lots of fun has been had. We aim to increase the difficulty for the older children next year with a move to hard ball cricket with pads and helmets etc. The plan is for the juniors to start playing for the senior team when they turn 14 so that the older members of the team can do less running around!



GCCC celebrating in Cambridge after beating Cambridge NCI



GCCC Juniors celebrating with the Ickleton Juniors

BIN DAYS - AUGUST

Tue 2	Blue & Green
Tue 9	Black
Tue 16	Blue & Green
Tue 23	Black
Wed 31	Blue & Green

St Nicholas, Little Chishill

Sunday 7th August 10.00 am
BCP Holy Communion service

St Swithun's

No services in August

United Reform Church

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