

The Chishills

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

It's been a busy few weeks for the Parish Council. The Annual External Audit is now lodged with the auditors; you can see the AGAR form on the noticeboard and also on the Parish Council Website.



We held our Annual Meeting of the Parish in May and we had a great turnout (thank you to those who came). Nearly 40 people came together to hear reports from

village organisations and also from our District and County Councillors. The Parish Council have taken onboard comments made and will be actioning them if it is practically possible. The Parish Council were thrilled to see from the survey which we conducted on the night that 100% of those who took part, thought we were doing a good job! The minutes from the meeting are on the Parish Council Website.

The Parish Council held a village litter pick and a hedgerow audit as part of the 'Big Help Out' initiative which happened on the Monday of the Coronation weekend. Around 30 villagers (young and slightly older) came together to gather lots of litter from the village and also audit our hedgerows. Thank you to all who took part!





As part of the Coronation Celebrations, the Parish Council presented children from Year 6 and below with a memento of this historic event.

Slow Broadband Speed?

It is always worth challenging your broadband speed with your supplier. Several parishioners have done this and have ended

up with superior broadband speeds.

GREAT CHISHILL CRICKET CLUB RESULTS – MAY/JUNE

May 27th - Away versus Coton

Great Chishill won by 4 wickets

A Gent 67*. J McCaughran 3-15

June 3rd – Away versus Elmdon

Elmdon won by 5 wickets

A Cockerton 65. A Cockerton 1-10

June 10th – Home versus Foxton Granta

Great Chishill won by 105 runs

A Cockerton 90. A Cockerton 5-19

June 17th – Away versus Little Shelford

Little Shelford won by 197 runs

A Wright 39. L Ling 1-38

DUDLEY REEVES

Sadly the oldest Great Chishill villager, Dudley Reeves, died recently, aged 101. Born in the village where he lived all his life, no one has seen more changes in village life than him. He was an outdoor man working on local farms, smallholdings and gardens until he was 85. He remembered how happy he was ploughing

with horses. Within Great Chishill he attended school, could buy bread from a choice of bakers, get shoes repaired, buy provisions at the local shop and wander the countryside freely, without fear. Like Dudley's, most homes had many children who became the backbone of the labour intensive local farming community. Dudley played football for Chishill with local talent. In his later years, friends and neighbours enabled Dudley to live an independent life without social care.



Ever fancied joining a music group?

Come to Heydon Handbells Open Morning, Thursday 14th
September 10am Heydon Church.

Come and have a go. Open to all. Beginners welcome!

Contact Mel: 07879 883265

Heydon Handbells meet every Thursday morning from 10.00 till 11.15. We have recently acquired additional bells and we need



you to play them! We are a very sociable group with a range of abilities, who enjoy making music together and having a chat over a cuppa afterwards. No musical experience required though some familiarity with

notation is an advantage. We can support complete beginners if you are keen to have a go.

CHISHILL BRIDGE CLUB



We are a small, friendly club aimed at encouraging players who have some bridge knowledge to venture into the wonderful world of duplicate bridge. We meet most Fridays in the URC Schoolroom, behind "Still the Manse", at 7 Barley Road, Great Chishill, SG8 8SB, starting at 2.00 pm prompt and finishing at 4.30 pm. Refreshments are provided. We either play a few hands of

duplicate pairs, or have a lesson followed by set hands. You don't need to have a partner, we have a host. We would love to see you. Please call or email me for more information. My contact details are at the top of the first page of this newsletter.

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DUXFORD SATURDAY WORKSHOP

Free Musical Instrument "Taster Morning" at Duxford School on Saturday July 1st

Would you or your child like to play a musical instrument, but you aren't sure which one? Would you like to try out one or more instruments before making up your mind?

If so, Duxford Saturday Workshop Taster Morning is for you!

At this event, experienced tutors and players will help you to have hands-on, practical experience of several instruments. They are available to answer your questions and to help you to decide which instrument is the one for you.

This is completely free. There is no need to book in advance, and you do not have to be a current member of the Music Workshop to come along - so just arrive and have a go!

Of course, if you decide to join us for the next Workshop year (beginning in September) you will be most welcome. If you need an instrument, items can often be borrowed from our hire stock for the year at low cost (currently £25 per year), meaning that it is possible to gain tuition and experience of playing, for a very modest outlay indeed.

Workshop takes place at Duxford School on Saturday mornings during term-time and is very much about enjoying music-making in a supportive and fun environment. All ages, abilities and experience levels are welcome, and we offer both ensembles and tuition to cater for a wide range of musical interests and tastes.

Instruments included in the Taster Morning are: Violin, Viola, Cello, Flute, Oboe, Bassoon, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Cornet, Trombone, Guitar and Ukulele.

When? Saturday morning 1st July, 2023 from 11.00-12.15 Where? Duxford Primary School, St John's Street, Duxford CB22 4RA.

For further info, see: www.duxfordsaturdayworkshop.org.uk
or email: director@duxfordsaturdayworkshop.org.uk

WINDMILL OPEN DAYS

July open days at the windmill are Sunday 2nd and Sunday 16th. All visitors will be shown around by a guide and there is no particular charge for a tour. However, we are very grateful for donations that will help to keep the mill in the condition in which you now see it.

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Saturday 8th July, 7:15 pm

Great Chishill Village Hall Live band, ploughman's supper, pay bar, ice cream van, £17.50 Tickets: 07914 152444

GREAT CHISHILL PLAYGROUND

Many generations of local children have enjoyed their time at the rather blustery Great Chishill Playground over the years. Sadly, time has come to say goodbye to some of the much loved wooden equipment and replace it with another fun, sturdy and safe playground for future generations to enjoy. A community group has been formed with the rather daunting task of raising the funds to buy and install this new fun area. We aim to provide a new zoned play area that is suited to a wide range of ages and abilities with exciting, inspiring and creative play options. The design will be sensitive to the rural setting using natural materials and colours and of course built to the highest safety standards and regulations.

We will be starting work to get ideas and raise funds through our wonderful community, local companies and grants to ensure the children have a safe and fun place to play for many years to come. Please keep an eye out for updates or email GCplayground@outlook.com

Great Chishill Playground Committee:

Trudie Adcock, Lisa Beard, Anna Coney, Claire de Froberville, Jenny Isted, Steph Weatherly, Kath Whittaker, Celia Woods

WINE CIRCLE

This is just a get together of people who live in or around Great Chishill. Just turn up with a bottle of wine - it doesn't need to be anything special - and enjoy the company of others who live nearby. If you haven't been before, just come along - you might just enjoy it!

The next Wine Circle will be hosted by Jenny Leitch on Friday 28th July from 8.00 pm. Please call her for details on 01763 837073.

BIN DAYS - JULY

Tue 4 Blue & Green

Tue 11 Black

Tue 18 Blue & Green

Tue 25 Black

United Reformed Church

Sunday July 2nd
Evening service at 6.00 pm led by
Ben Palmer

We then break for the summer, restarting on 3rd September

St Nicholas, Little Chishill

Sunday July 2nd
BCP Holy Communion at 9.00 am
Sunday July 9th
BCP Holy Communion at 9.00 am

St Swithun's

Sunday July 23rd Family Cafe Church at 10.45am