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# The Chishills

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## CHILDREN SAY THANK YOU TO NHS AND ALL WHO HELP US

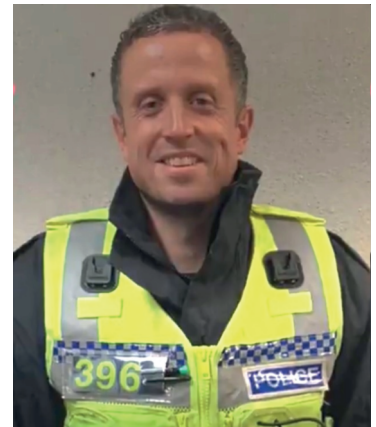
This spectacular banner at the crossroads was the work of Chishill children, to show their understanding, gratitude and thanks for our care and support workers. Children around the village were given a heart or letter, and they all coloured one each in their own rainbow style to make the banner (see above). Said one grandparent: "It was something a little less stressful or dull than school work, it didn't involve staring at a screen - and their parents didn't have to be involved!"

## VILLAGE PC'S HALF MARATHON - IN FULL RIOT GEAR



Trumpington -nearly there.  
That's Georgina on the bike

The Woollard family has lived in the village for 35 years, and they have two children, Tom & Georgina. Historically, Tom has played both for our village Football and Cricket teams. Tom, as a Police Constable, decided to run a half marathon on Thursday 30th April wearing full riot gear, marking the 100th birthday of Captain (soon to be Sir) Tom Moore as well as fund raising for our wonderful NHS. His route was from Royston Police Station to the Accident & Emergency Department at Addenbrookes Hospital. His sister Georgina was his support, following by bike (which she has not ridden for over 15 years), carrying water and high energy drinks. Tom completed the run in just over three and a half hours. His Just Giving donations have exceeded £2,600.00 - that's



over £3200 including Gift Aid. To donate, visit <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/tom-woollard396>.

## Release your Inner David Bailey, Says Windmill Trust

You can't fail to notice our windmill as you approach the village from Barley and it is certainly looking splendid in the sun. So, why not stop by, or better still, take a walk on the footpath that runs around the fields at the back and picture the old beauty close up? Folk are coming from far and wide as its reputation spreads - only the other day a maintenance engineer stopped to take a few photos and told us that he intended to bring his wife for a picnic to celebrate their wedding anniversary. We do, also, have visitors who know how to put together stunning



images. Chris Shaw from Huntingdon took this cracking photo of the mill at sunset. But you don't need to be a professional to capture a good shot. We took the photo of the

VE Day decoration on a mobile phone! There are also a few paintings of the mill that you may have seen. So here's a little challenge to all looking for light relief in these days of lockdown - visit the windmill, let your creative juices flow and send us a picture, be that drawn, painted or photographed, that sums up this 200 year-old wonder. We will publish them on our website (provided you give permission) and the best will go to the archive to be preserved for future generations. Please send your images to [dm@greatchishillwindmilltrust.com](mailto:dm@greatchishillwindmilltrust.com) before June 30 and they'll be kept for posterity!

## OPEN GARDENS GO AHEAD! (VIRTUALLY)

Chishill's gardens will be open for inspection again this year. Angela Patrick and her team plan to offer a virtual garden experience, and are looking for volunteers willing to have their gardens visited on-line, with some pictures and a brief description (no address required). Visitors will be able to make a Just Giving contribution to Church funds. Here's an opportunity to show off your prize blooms without people seeing that untidy patch in the corner. The virtual garden video will be on YouTube – Parish of the Icknield Way Villages and the donations are also online at <https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/Icknield-Way-Parish>.  
Contact Angela 01763 837353 / 07712 444303

## CRICKET – 80 TEAS NOT OUT

**We have delivered 80 teas to the local GCCC faithful so far, and raised in excess of £200 for the NHS charity.** (See below for action pics of our crack delivery team)

In the absence of real cricket in the village we have started the 'dice cricket' season with the usual lack of consistency! We have 'played' 4 games, won 1, lost 2 and had a game defaulted in our favour - Thriplow were gridlocked and unable to get here, due to the tip opening!!

Great Chishill Cricket Club thanks you all for your loyal support, good humour and enthusiasm for this bit of fun! We are all looking forward to playing the 'real' game soon. If anyone would like to book tea in the future; to mark a special occasion or just to enjoy in the garden please do contact me, [angusgent@gmail.com](mailto:angusgent@gmail.com)



## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

This self-isolation's not pleasant  
Normal life is on hold for the present  
How long must we wait  
For that glorious date  
When we meet for a pint at the  
Pheasant?

## BIN DAYS - JUNE

Black	Blue / Green*
2	9 (Blue&Green)
16	23 (see note)
30	

\*SCDC don't guarantee to empty green bins on the 23rd. But they will try, so do put your green bin out and hope for the best!

## FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council would like to say 'thank you' to all those volunteers who are helping out in our community, either via Chishill Care or the Covid 19 Villages Support Group. You are doing a fantastic job and it is greatly appreciated.

## HARRIET'S TOMS RAISE £500 FOR FOCS & EACH

Thank you to everyone who bought tomato plants from Harriet's stall. She sold out in record time and has raised just over £500, which will be split between FOC's (Friends of Chishill School) and EACH (East Anglia Children's Hospices), plus a little bit of pocket money.

**Write Here, Write Now:** Hilary Goodall invited Chishill residents to send her poems, prose or images on the theme *Reflections of a Village in Lockdown*. She had a great response, but we have chosen poems written by the two children who responded. Thanks and respect to both!

## Isolation Song

By Imogen Clements aged 9

I wake up in the morning  
And wish that this was all a  
dream  
But every day the truth is  
dawning  
The planet earth is all one  
team  
===

We're all at home in isolation  
I want to go back to school  
It's just the same for the whole  
nation

Waiting to get the call  
===

When we look back at this  
strange time  
We'll know it changed all our  
lives  
There'll be things we have lost  
forever  
But lots of things that have got  
better  
===

We'll appreciate things we took  
for granted  
Holidays, school and friends  
Traffic jams will be enchanting  
And what is more we'll wash  
our hands.

## Great Chishill Lockdown

Kenning Poem by Ula Dring

Unusual-living,  
Tough-times,  
Closer-together,  
Friendly-faces,  
Helping-hands,  
Brave-workers,  
Different-dilemmas,  
But,  
Always-answers

## Royston & District Community Transport

At Royston & District Community Transport, we continue to offer essential travel only to our clients. If you need a journey, please call 01763 245228 as usual, 9am-3pm, Monday to Friday. Our drivers will wear a mask, and car surfaces will be cleaned between journeys. Drivers will offer physical help only if necessary, and will try to maintain social distance whenever possible. Our thanks go to all the drivers who are volunteering to help clients and as a consequence are putting themselves on the front line and in harm's way.

## Get It Delivered! (or collect it)

Last month we published a list of traders offering home delivery of essential food items and ready-cooked meals. Things have moved on and there are some additions to the list:

- **Essentials by Bam Bam** (based here in the village) deliver a wide range of flours and other baking products, eggs, dairy and pasta. Order on their Facebook page.
- The **Fox And Hounds** in Barley are re-opening and offer 'pub favourites to take away' Thursday - Saturday, plus Sunday afternoons for a roast. 802505 (NB collection only).
- The **Coach House** at Flint Cross (pizza and burgers) deliver to Chishill Fridays and Saturdays, and on Sundays for their carvery. 208272
- The **Chequers** in Barley are delivering pizza and pasta Tuesday - Sunday, and there's a different special dish every Thursday. 849144
- **Lotus House, Wing On** and **Rasa Sayang** in Royston are now open for collection only.
- **British Raj Express** 244544 and **Mughal Kitchen** 243750 both deliver to the villages.
- And don't forget our tremendous **Barley Post Office and Stores!** Dave and his team have done an amazing job in stocking up with nearly everything we need, and social distancing is in force. Check [www.greatchishill.com](http://www.greatchishill.com) for opening times.