

WINDMILL:

WORK TO START SOON

David McKeown writes:

Scaffolders are quoting; negotiations with a millwright are being finalised; volunteers are poised; work on the structure is about to begin. We will have more to tell next month but watch this space - with good luck and a fair wind we may see the old girl ready for all weathers before next winter!

SUSAN BOWS OUT

Boundary changes in May mean that we become part of a new electoral division (Duxford) within Cambridgeshire. Our County Councillor Susan Van de Ven says goodbye.

I have loved coming up to beautiful Great and Little Chishill these past eight years, and find that my ears still pop every time I reach the village hall. It must be a sign of the times that the first and last council conversations have been about fighting to keep the 31 bus. Andrew Gardiner often talked about the viability of village life without public transport and truly affordable housing for young people, and I'm sure these conversations will continue. Recently I accompanied Meldreth's retired station master, now living at Margaret House in Barley, for a look at the windmill. We met up with David McKeown and remembered Jim Brearley. Most of all I come away grateful to have made wonderful new friends. Thank you for making me so welcome.
Susan van de Ven

"Farming Memories"

Wimpole Home Farm, Agricultural Group

Meets every other Friday between 14.00 and 16.00pm

A group for those in the early stages of dementia, memory loss and their carers with a background or interest in agriculture. Get involved with farming activities and they'll also be time for a tea break and a catch up!



To find out more about the group and how to join please call or email.

Care Network 01954 211919
admin@care-network.org.uk



Care Network is working with the National Trust.

Great Chishill Cricket Club

May fixtures

Saturday (1.00 start)

6th ~ Cherry Hinton I (Home)
13th ~ Saffron Walden III (Away)
20th ~ Newport I (Home)
27th ~ Horseheath (Away)

We look forward to welcoming new players and supporters alike.

For further details please contact Angus angusgent@gmail.com

WHIST DRIVE

**SATURDAY 13 MAY
IN THE URC SCHOOLROOM
AT 7.30PM SHARP!**

MUMMIES' TREAT!

Thursday 4 May, 8-10 pm in URC Schoolroom. Come and enjoy chilled prosecco and naughty but nice eats and an evening of indulgence and instruction about organic skincare. £10 a ticket in aid of the St Swithun's Appeal.

Please contact Milly on 07725812342
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or Tess 07721398642 /
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Masthead picture: these young ladies from Strehthall seemed pleased to greet the Icknield Choir, visiting to rehearse for the Easter Day service in the church.

Cambridge American Cemetery & Memorial, Madingley

'Faces of Cambridge' – May 27-28

Memorial Day is the US equivalent of Remembrance Sunday. This year, Cambridge American Cemetery is taking as its theme, the 75th Anniversary of the arrival of American service personnel in the East of England. It was known as the 'Friendly Invasion', as around 3.5 million Americans passed through Britain 1942-early 1946.

Many of them never made it home – 3,812 are buried in British soil; a further 5,127 are commemorated on the longest US Wall of the Missing in Europe. Researchers, both at the cemetery and all over the US and Europe have been striving to put a face to the names carved in stone, to find out their history, tell

their story and honour their sacrifice.

They were very young, those brave Americans who gave their lives in WWII, for the freedoms we enjoy today. Come and celebrate their lives as we put over 3,600 faces to their headstones, and Wall of the Missing, for one very special Memorial Day Weekend.



Women's Institute
 16 May 7.30pm
Resolutions Meeting
 Alleviating Loneliness
 Plastic Soup: Keep microplastic fibres out of our oceans
 Visitors Welcome - call Angela 837353

MOBILE LIBRARY
 Chishill's mobile library day has changed. This month the date is Wednesday 3 May, from 2:10 pm until 2:40 pm at the Church.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH
 Hear reports and put your questions to Parish Councillors and members of other village organisations
At the Village Hall on 12 May, 7.30 pm

BIN COLLECTIONS

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| May | | 3 (Wed) |
| | 9 | 16 |
| | 23 | 31(Wed) |

Welcome Jean-Martin and Lucy
 The newcomers in Barley Road's Whyte Cottage are Jean-Martin Lapointe and Lucy Goode. The couple have moved here from Montreal. Jean-Martin's Canadian and works in early drug development at Astra Zeneca, and Lucy's a Londoner working in executive search. Steve the cat, adopted from up the road in Heydon, completes the household. Whyte Cottage and discovering its fabulous garden are keeping them busy, but the couple also love walking. Lucy's a keen writer as well as an expert party cook. The Chishills are quite a change from Montreal, but so far, say the couple, they're loving it. And Steve's not complaining either.

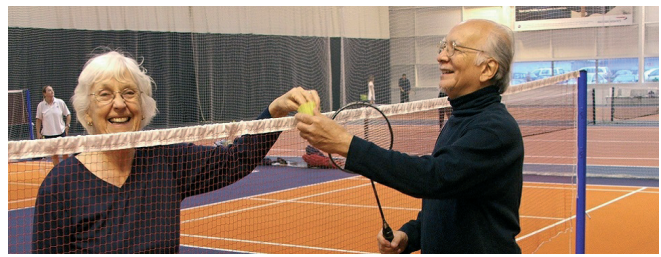
St Swithun's Church Appeal
 Over 80 guests joined us for a fantastic evening of fun and frolics in aid of the St Swithun's appeal, many calories were burnt off and may laughs were had as we danced our way to raising over £1100. A HUGE thank you to you all for making the evening such a success, and yes we will run another one! Save the date....
Saturday 22nd July ~ Skylark in concert. 1920's four piece group.
Saturday 18th June, 2018 ~ St Swithun's Summer Ball



May Services in the URC
 7th 9.30 ~ Angus Gent
 21st 8.30 ~ Christian Aid Breakfast precedes the 9.30 service.
 9.30 ~ Rev Simon Hall, Chaplain King's College School

HARRIET'S LOVELY TOMATOES
 Harriet Scott has been busy helping her Dad grow tomato plants. She has 300 to sell (20 different varieties). Her charities will be FOCS (Friends of Chrishall School) and Barkway Scouts. plus hopefully, a little pocket money for herself. Please contact Tim / Sarah or Harriet on 837112, or email sascott42@gmail.com Thank you!!

FOREVER ACTIVE!
The affordable health club for the over 50s
 If you threw away this leaflet from South Cambs District Council, it's not too late to join a class such as 'Strength and Balance' at Whittlesford Memorial Hall (Tuesdays 2.00-3.00 pm). There are full details of a range of inexpensive activities on the Forever Active website: www.forever-active.org.uk



United Reformed Chapel
 Tuesday 2nd & 23rd ~ Internet Cafe 10.00-12.00
 Tuesday 9th ~ Mamma Mia! ~ Film night and Tapas supper from 6.30. Call Tess 838941

Village Fun Day: SAVE THE DATE!
Saturday 15 July 2017
 Fun and games for all ages with teas, tombola, bouncy castle, dog show, and lots more! To get involved contact Emily 836257 or Islay 838194