

The Chishills Newsletter

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Sarah Scott has stepped down from the editing team. Thank you, Sarah, for all the help in getting the newsletter off the ground. If any one is itching to give a hand, please let me know.

GREAT CHISHILL JULY EVENING FETE REPORT

Rain, rain and more rain! The evening fête scheduled for Friday 20th July had to be postponed until the next day. On the Friday the fête area was like a pond. Several volunteers had vainly struggled all through the morning to erect gazebos but in the end we had to admit defeat. A local weather forecast had predicted rain until 9.00pm. In the end that proved inaccurate and Friday evening was in fact sunny.

The volunteers gallantly met again on Saturday and were ready for the 4pm start. As the church clock struck 4 the rain came down again.

The fête was well supported and the majority of the stalls and games were busy. One of the star attractions as always was Alan Parkes' and Hazel Haydon's emporium where the most amazing bargains were available.

The tombola stall had never had so many prizes with a full range of wines from across the world. Iris Manning's cake stall attracted much interest and was quickly sold out and Tim Scott's plant stall had some wonderful bargains that were

quickly snapped up. Watch out Scottsdale's! Sarah Scott's stall for the children's playground was very popular with the younger children with its array of enticing home-made sweets and simple games to keep the toddlers amused. A wonderful very rich cake made and donated by Bidy Lawrence helped to significantly boost the funds. It is difficult to mention all the helpers but it was a reflection of the day that Judy Saunders' food stall was at its busiest and by the end of the afternoon was completed sold out.

Thank you all for supporting the fête and a big thank you to the stall holders.

The **total raised** for the playing fields funds came to a healthy **£1063**.

Royston Choral Society: 'Fine Music Made Locally'

Did you use to sing in a choir and have just never found the opportunity to do so again? Or have you always wanted to join a choir?

We are a 4-part **choir** of 30-40 singers who come from Royston and the surrounding area. We are always keen to welcome new singers and have regular performances and a varied repertoire.

We have **two events in September** that might just be the chance you are looking for.

Tuesday 11th September our usual **open rehearsal** for potential

new singers, at Royston Parish Church (St John's) from 8:00 - 10:00 pm. No auditions, no commitment to carry on if it does not suit you.

Saturday September 29th a **workshop** at Greneway School, Royston, as part of the newly revived Royston Arts Festival.

Please get in touch with Elisabeth Spain: Elisabeth@ejspain.demon.co.uk or on 01763 262 007 (evenings / week-ends) if you are interested in finding out more about either event.

W.I. Meeting: Tuesday 18th Sept 19.45 in the village hall Alan Brigham – *20 years on the Streets of Cambridge* (as a road sweeper & Blue Badge Guide)

“The Goats” – Great Chishill Football Club



With the summer months creeping towards an end, and the cricket season winding down, it is almost time for the big kick-off again in the football calendar.

This season, Great Chishill, nicknamed *The Goats*, will be entering a new second team into the Cambridgeshire League Division 5A, in addition to the team that was promoted to Division 2A last season...

This will almost guarantee a match at the Playing Fields every Saturday. The club ran two teams up until the 1999/2000 season, when John Drury took over the running of the club, and a decision was taken to downsize into one team.

Since then, a mixture of young lads from the village and surrounding area have built up a steady team, which has attracted an increasing number of players to join *The Goats*. It was midway through last season that John had the idea to expand again. He said, "*We had several players not playing as much as they deserved. I know for a small village it's quite difficult to keep two teams going, but we've attracted more players from outside the village, and we're all looking forward to the challenge ahead.*"

Chishill are still looking for players to join this season, so if you're 16 or over and would like to get involved, give John a call on 837030, or alternatively come along to a training session, Wednesday evenings, 6.30 at the Playing Fields.

Robert Drury

Village Hall toilets' refurbishment is completed!!

Buses? What buses? Have your say on Bus Services

Everyone has a view of bus services regardless of whether they use them or not. Many though have no idea where to express those views.

Passenger Transport services at Cambridgeshire County Council has taken steps to solve that problem. We have posted a survey on the web, which is quick, simple and easy to complete.

All the responses received will be compiled regularly and will be one of the contributory factors used to develop our plans for the future. The survey can be completed as many times as you like as we will continually review the results.

The address below will connect you directly to the survey

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/consultations/bussurvey

Finding out what you really think about bus services is vital. The on-line survey gives those who have a view, but don't know where to express it, the opportunity to be heard. With your help we can make the survey a success.

Stephanie Wade

Passenger Transport

... and looking ahead

The Children's Playground Committee

Auction of Promises fundraiser at **The Pheasant** on Sunday 14th October at 7:30.

Proceeds towards the upkeep and maintenance of this great village amenity. If you have any 'auctions' you might like to donate, please do contact Annabel, otherwise we look forward to welcoming you all on the night.

Further details from Annabel Rudd on 838464.

 **Nearly time to start picking sloes and making your **sloe gin** for the annual competition!**

 **"Who's new?"** future feature

YOUTH CLUB

Tuesday 2nd October
Signing on - the opportunity to join and for parents to ask questions.

Tuesday 9th October
Opening night

The Pavilion

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