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Advance Notice

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on **Wednesday 22nd April at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall. All electors of Chilton are entitled to attend – this is your meeting and your opportunity to put your point of view on any Parish matter that you are concerned about. Do come along to make a comment, ask a question or to just listen.

The next Chronicle is the Annual Parish Meeting edition and any Village group or organization is welcome to send in an annual report.

Please let Liz Morris have the reports by **Wednesday 1st April** on a disk or email: parishclkchilton@btinternet.com



Police Surgery

The next Police Surgery will be held in the Meeting Room at Chilton Village Hall on the **20th March 19.00-20.00 hrs.** PCSO Mike Clayden will be attending and villagers are welcome to come along and speak on a one to one basis in confidence about any issues they feel are in his capacity as a PCSO to deal with.



Chilton Toddler Group Nearly New Sale

Saturday 28th March, 10-12am - Chilton Village Hall. Sale of toys, books, baby equipment, maternity, baby & children's clothes.

Entry by donation. Refreshments available. Contact Emma Coghill on 01235 820260 or e.coghill@har.mrc.ac.uk for more information

Our fundraising will be going towards replacement toys and equipment and shelving for our large toy-storage shed. Money raised through sale of donated cakes will go to the Oxford Children's

Hospital. We raised and donated £55.34 to this cause from our last nearly new sale.



London Marathon 26th April in aid of Helen and Douglas House

I would like to thank all those who have already supported me with this challenge, and to let everyone know that (with help from the Goodalls) I have raised nearly £1000 so far. I still have another £500 to raise before reaching my target and if anyone would like to sponsor me they can do it by going on line to www.justgiving.com/annabelhoadley otherwise they can pop over to 8 South Row where I have a sponsor form.

Thank you very much

Annabel Hoadley

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Managing Diabetes

Woodlands Medical Centre, Didcot, and its Patients' Group have arranged a talk by Professor David Matthews, Churchill Hospital, Oxford, on 'Managing Diabetes'. It is aimed at helping patients and carers to manage diabetes and will cover:

- What is diabetes?
- How does it affect you?
- Keeping control
- How to manage diabetes when you are ill
- Healthy eating

The talk will be on **Monday 20th April 2009 at 7pm** in the 'CORNERSTONE' Arts Centre DIDCOT.

There is no charge for this open meeting but places may be limited. Please book places by ringing or leaving a message with your name and telephone number on 01235 750524.



Crafts End Green

The Crafts End Green residents' meeting advertised in Chronicle 347 was held on 27 February and was well attended. The meeting was chaired and co-chaired by Crafts End residents John Downey and Matt West. John set out the several options available and the meeting discussed the various advantages, disadvantages and possibilities. It was then decided by a large majority on a show of hands to proceed with a village green application.

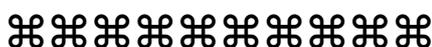
This legal procedure for registration of the land as a village green under the Commons Act 2006 can be conducted either with or without a landowner's support. The application would be submitted to Oxfordshire County Council (OCC) and in this case, to be successful, would need to be supported by a portfolio of evidence questionnaires compiled from members of the public. These would need to show conclusively that the land had been used continuously for public recreation for at least 20 years.

The landowner wanted to sell the land in question by public auction in December 2007 and while it is therefore very possible that such an application would be contested, a well put-together application accompanied by a significant portfolio of questionnaires would stand an excellent chance of being successful.

The questionnaires are not long (a few pages) but need to be carefully completed to ensure that each will count as valid evidence in support of the application, which is adjudicated legally by an OCC-appointed independent assessor. The meeting felt that a Crafts End Green Working Group could greatly help make this happen. If you would like to join this group, please contact John Downey on 01235 835827.

If you live in Crafts End, please consider helping us on this worthwhile initiative, whose success would ensure the Green remains the public open space so enjoyed by residents for over 35 years.

John Downey, 18 Crafts End



Chilton W.I.

The next meeting of Chilton W.I. will be on **Thursday 16th April at 7.45pm** in the Village Hall. The talk will be by Ms Barbara Minter "Best Job in the World – a Chiropractor". The competition is spring flowers in a jug.

Make a Note

We are having an evening meal out at the Rose and Crown on **Thursday 2nd April**. For more details please contact Gwen Pearce.

The annual "Too Good to Be Jumble" sale will be on **Saturday 6th June 2.00pm – 4.30pm** in the Village Hall.



Chilton Wives' Group Meeting

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 14th April at 7:45 pm** in the Church. The speaker will be Kate Thomson talking about Sir Michael Sobell House. There will be a Bring and Buy sale in aid of Sobell House. Visitors are welcome to this meeting and we would be delighted if you could join us. For further details please contact Judy Goodall, 43 Crafts End - Tel 834503

Chilton Wives' Group would like to thank everyone for the amazing response to the Charity Quiz Night. At the time of going to press we can say that all tickets were sold in advance. Details of the amounts raised on the evening will appear in the next Chilton Chronicle.

Judy Goodall

Chilton Wives' Group is holding their annual **Grand Plant Sale and Coffee Morning** for Christian Aid on **Saturday 16th May between 10 am and 12 noon** in Chilton Village Hall. This is a great opportunity to buy bedding plants, vegetable plants, shrubs and herbs. There will be a well-stocked Book stall and a Cake and Home Produce stall. Coffee and tea with home-made biscuits are also available.

We would be delighted to receive any offers of plants, books or cakes and we hope that you can join us to stock up your gardens, browse over books or chat over a cup of coffee.

Further details or offers of items for sale to Judy Goodall, 43 Crafts End - Tel 834503
Cryptic Quiz Sheets on the topic of Puddings and Desserts will be available

around Easter priced at £1 each from Judy as above or from

Gwen Pearce, 8 Manor Close 831930
Audrey Slater, 9 Latton Close 834558
Karen and Phil at the Rose and Crown
Post Office on Site

All proceeds go to Christian Aid.

Judy Goodall

Chilton Bell Ringing in April

There is no ringing during Holy Week, 6th to 11th April; ringing resumes for the church service on Easter Sunday, 12 April.

April practices in Chilton are on Thursday evenings the 23rd and 30th April, between 7.30 and 9pm. We welcome visitors who would just like to watch to see how it is done, but phone first to confirm the dates. Contact Alec Samler for details tel: 834589

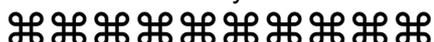
Extra ringing

There are 2 bands of visitors in April. On Saturday morning 4th April we welcome an educational Group learning the method, Grandsire, from the Radley Course between 11 and 12.30pm. On Monday evening 20th April an expert band from Marston in Oxford is coming to ring between 7.30 and 8.45pm For further information, including the history of the tower, bell restoration and records of peals and quarter peals rung here please look at our website:

<http://fortran.orpheusweb.co.uk/Bells/chbell.htm>

Kate Crennell

Chilton Tower Secretary tel: 834357

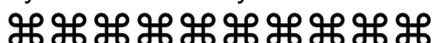


Harwell Fun Club

Harwell Fun Club is happy to announce the date of its Spring Baby and Toddler Nearly New Sale, **Saturday 9th May 2009**, Harwell Village Hall, 10am - 12 noon.

Toys, equipment, clothes, books plus lots, lots more.

Entry by donation. See you there.



Advance Notice

The 10th Anniversary Abingdon Air & Country Show will be taking place at Abingdon Airfield, Dalton Barracks, Abingdon on **Sunday May 3rd** and the tickets have gone on sale.

Air displays already confirmed include the Dukes of Cassutt air racing team, a newly

restored Hawker Hurricane and a T-28 Fennec. Other air displays will be announced over the coming weeks. There will also be static aircraft, an aircraft fly-in and pleasure flights.

On the ground, new attractions this year include a farmers' market and live musical performances by Fiona Harrison, who will be performing a medley of 1940s numbers.

Other highlights include an RBS Williams Formula 1 Grand Prix Show Car, classic cars, a mobile farm, vintage military vehicles, Doctor Who Daleks, tank rides, arena events, trade stalls and a craft fair. For more information please visit www.abingdonfayre.com.

Colin Smith (Village Postman)



The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 1st April at 8.00pm.

Members of the public are invited to attend.

Provisional Agenda

1. Apologies for Absence
2. Declaration of Interests
3. Area Beat Officer's Report
4. Open Forum
5. District Council Report
6. County Council Report
7. Planning
8. Minutes of the last PC meeting
9. Matters Arising from the Meeting
10. Finance
11. Your Vale - Your Future Report
12. Agenda for APM
13. Report of Meetings Attended
14. VHMC Report
15. Play Equipment Inspection
16. Correspondence.

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk (preferably by email or on a disk) by **Wednesday 1st April**
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Do You Want to Book the Village Hall?

If so, please contact Keith Woods, Layton
Cottage, Main Street 01235 831750 for
details.

Mislaid Your Chronicle?

You can find it on the Village Hall website:
www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk