

# Chilton Chronicle

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## Happy Christmas

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### *Carol Singing*

*Monday 14 December from 8pm at the  
Rose and Crown, Chilton*

*Monday 21 December from 6.30pm  
starting at Church lychgate and we will  
sing around the old village.*



### **Thank You**

A big thank you to all those who helped out in the churchyard on Saturday 7 November. Despite the wind and the rain quite a lot was achieved including weeding, ivy removal, shed demolition and the removal of several tons of leaves.

Judith Russell



### **Paddock for Rent Preliminary**

#### **Notification**

A two acre paddock owned by the Parish Council is now vacant and the Council is seeking a new tenant .

The Paddock is located off Lower Road by the allotments. It is fenced with good access and will accommodate a maximum of two horses. The new tenant will be responsible for providing their own shelter and arranging for a water supply, maintaining the grazing, fencing and all aspects of the horse's welfare.

Interested parties, who should be Chilton residents, will be invited to submit bids after the next Chronicle is circulated.

Any questions should be addressed to the Parish Clerk. email  
parishclkchilton@btinternet.com



### **Christmas Menu at The Rose and Crown**

The Rose and Crown's traditional Christmas menu will be available every day until 23 December, lunch time and evening.

To start: Seafood Salad, Country Pâté, Prawn Cocktail or Homemade Soup.

Main courses: Roast Turkey, Poached Salmon or Vegetarian Crumble.

Desserts: Traditional Christmas Pudding, Homemade Bread and Butter Pudding, or Chocolate Sponge Cake.

1 course £15.95, 2 courses £16.95, 3 courses £19.95 (if your appetite can take the challenge!).

Please book in advance on 01235 862992.

### **Christmas and New Year Opening Times at The Rose and Crown**

Christmas Eve, Thursday 24 December 12 noon until 12 midnight.

Christmas Day, Friday 25 December 12 noon until 2pm

Complimentary nibbles and mulled wine.

Boxing Day, Saturday 26 December 2pm until 9pm.

New Year's Eve, Thursday 31 December 12 noon until after midnight

New Year party starts 8pm with complimentary buffet and music.

All other days normal opening times. We look forward to welcoming you over the festive season.



## Pears

To whoever came into our garden and stole all the pears off our tree that night in late October just before we were going to pick them: we hope you enjoyed the pears. But could we have them next year, please?

Kate Walter and Mike Swan  
Place Farm House



### **Get ready for Christmas & New Year with**

**Manshed.** Order hampers or

stocking fillers of pickle, smoked salt and apple juice. Order your bacon & smoked salmon for your special meals and party nibbles.

#### **Manshed Hampers** **£20**

Gift box with bacon, smoked salmon, brinjal pickle, smoked salt & apple juice, plus a marmalade or grape jelly.

#### **Manshed bacon, @ £20/kg**

200g smoked or unsmoked £4

Any size of back (sliced) & streaky (sliced, chunks, lardons).

#### **Manshed salmon, @ £40/kg**

150g hand sliced packs £6

Half a side, unsliced £15

Half a side, hand sliced £18

Whole side, unsliced £28

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## **The Lydia Thomas Chilton Gift Fund**

The Trustees of the Lydia Thomas Chilton Gift Fund are looking forward to visiting some of the senior citizens of Chilton on New Year's Day to distribute parcels of groceries or baskets of fruit provided by the Fund.

The distribution of these groceries is an annual event and on 1 January this year we were delighted to be able to supply some substantial gifts because of the generous donations from kind parishioners which swelled the Fund.

We always welcome donations from parishioners to increase our budget. Donors

may specify whether they would like their gift to be spent in the current year or whether they would prefer the Trustees to invest the gift so as to enhance our spending power in future years. **So if you would like to make a donation to the Lydia Thomas Chilton Gift Fund** please contact one of the following Trustees:

Brian Morris    6 Latton Close  
Audrey Slater    9 Latton Close  
John Berry       'Schneeberg', South Row  
Pam Rolls        15 Elderfield Crescent

**The Trustees are also glad to hear of any potential new recipients – to qualify recipients must be aged 70 or over and have lived in Chilton (including Chilton Field) for at least 6 months. Please let us know if a family member, neighbour or friend is eligible.**

*A little background information: Lydia Thomas was a benefactress of Chilton who died in 1807 and provided in her will the sum of £333-6-8d in 3% Consols for distribution of £10 each New Year's Day for the benefit of the poor. The endowment was administered by the Churchwardens and Overseers of the Parish and used for a distribution of goods, usually of loaves of bread. It is believed that Lydia lived at the Malt House in Main Street. In 1975 the Fund was amalgamated with the Chilton Aid Fund (set up in 1955) to form the present day Fund. The Chilton Aid Fund arose from the Chilton share of the proceeds of the sale of the Nurse's House administered in connection with the Harwell and Chilton Nursing Association. That charity was comprised in a conveyance dated 1926.*



## **Oil painting for Starters**



Lin Kerr is running an oil painting course for absolute beginners Oil painting is surprisingly easy, but the materials list can be daunting, so all the equipment is supplied. Lin has been teaching art in a wide range of media for thirty years at all levels and loves giving

people confidence in their own creative abilities, especially if they feel anxious! Consecutive Tuesdays or Occasional Saturdays, 10.00am - 1.00pm : 4 sessions: £120 including materials.

Starting on 19th January or 27th February.

email Lin for more details or view

[www.linkerrdesign.co.uk/oilpainting/](http://www.linkerrdesign.co.uk/oilpainting/)



### **Chilton School Nursery Class**

Are you interested in your child attending Chilton School's Nursery Class?

If so, please pop into the school office and pick up an application form or make an appointment to have a look around.

### **School Admissions**

We still have a few places in some year groups. Please contact the school for more information.

### **Lunchtime Supervisor**

Would you like to help our children enjoy their lunchtimes? We are looking for lunchtime supervisors for an hour a day (12.15-13.15). Please contact the school office for more details: 01235 834263, office.2555@chilton.oxon.sch.uk



### **Chilton WI**

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 10th December** at 7.45pm in the Village Hall and it is our Christmas Party, so make sure your party dresses are ready.

Liz Morris



### **Didcot & District University of The**

#### **Third Age**

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 2pm at Didcot Civil Hall. Visitors are welcome to come to a meeting as a taster before joining.

Our meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> December is the Christmas Entertainment.



### **Blewbury Players**

**Auditions for A Midsummer Night's Dream** will be held at Blewbury School on **31<sup>st</sup> January**. An alternative audition date will also

be available on 7<sup>th</sup> February and probably a workshop. If these dates are impossible please do still ring and discuss it. In our anniversary year we are as keen as ever to encourage new people to come along and take part and for those who have been involved in the past to return and help us celebrate. **THERE ARE LOTS OF PARTS FOR A VARIETY OF AGES AND ALL LEVELS OF EXPERIENCE.**

**We are delighted that** Laura Baggaley is returning to direct after the success of The Winter's Tale for us in 2007 and Twelfth Night in 2009. She will be joined by Andrew London, who will support her as movement director. (He was the front puppeteer of Joey, the hero of Warhorse, in the National Theatre production for more performances than anyone else.

**Performances will be on 20 – 23 July 2016** and will celebrate **Blewbury Players 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary year** and the 400<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Shakespeare's death.

Contact is by email please:

**blewburyplayers@gmail.com** or call Sheila on **01235 850537** if you would like to book an audition or discuss the production further.

If want to get a flavour of previous productions and activities please do look at our website where you will find many photographs. **www.blewburyplayers.co.uk**



### **Hobbyist nail tech.**

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Want to know what classes are on at the Village Hall or the Community Room?

Then go to the Village Hall website <http://www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk/> and check out the Regular Hirers section.

To book either venue contact the **Bookings Clerk on [bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk](mailto:bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk) 01235 861253**



The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> December at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.**

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. Minutes of the last PC meeting
6. District Council Report
7. County Council Report
8. Planning
9. Matters Arising
10. Finance
11. VHM Report
12. Play Equipment Inspection
13. Correspondence.

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk (preferably by email) by **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> December**

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