

Chilton Chronicle

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Foxes

The Parish Council has continued to receive complaints regarding the feeding of the WILD foxes that are around the Village. They are causing a problem for people who have chickens in their gardens.

Please do not feed them, they are wild animals. If the problem persists then the Environmental Health Department at the Vale will have to be contacted.



Advance Notice

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held on **FRIDAY 26th 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 3rd April** preferably as an email: parishclckchilton@btinternet.com



Ridgeway Charity Hike 2013

On **26th April** *The Ridgeway Rabble* will take on the task of walking the full length of the Ridgeway National Trail in 3 days. Yes, 3 days to cover nearly 90 miles!

The Ridgeway Rabble is a team of ten blokes, many of whom are residents of Chilton. Our aim is to raise £2000 for The Reading and District Stillbirth Fund. More details can be found on our website <http://ridgewayhike.weebly.com/> where you can also find more information about members of the Rabble, why we chose that charity and details of the challenge.

You can also read our blog which is regularly updated with photographs and news of training progress.

You can sponsor the Rabble through our JustGiving page

www.justgiving.com/teams/RidgewayRabble



Chilton Wives' Group Charity

Quiz Night

Thank you to everyone who supported the quiz evening. It was a fun evening with plenty of hot food. Over £1,000 was raised from the evening and from the sale of Cryptic quiz sheets beforehand. This money will be divided equally between Hamlin Fistula UK and funds to improve the footpath to the Church and graveyard at All Saints' Chilton so that there may be easy access for all. The winning team came from Blewbury and the cryptic quiz was won by Julia Gilling from Plymouth. The next Cryptic Quiz will be out on Tuesday 9th April.



Produce Market

The next Produce Market will be held on **Saturday 13th April**; the Charity Stall will be raising money for the "End Polio Now" Campaign .



Enjoy the spring weather in front of the log fire at the Rose and Crown

If the cold weather continues into April you can take comfort from the seasonal log fire in the Rose and Crown, which Shea will keep burning until warm sunshine finally returns.

The pub is open all day every day, with home cooked food. Enjoy a warming roast

at Sunday lunch time from £6.95, and children eat free on Sundays. Tuesday is quiz night, with the brainiest receiving a prize of drink vouchers



All Saints' Chilton Evergreens

The next meeting will be on **Tuesday 2nd April at 2.30pm in the Village Hall**. The speaker will be Mr John Baron who will give a talk on '**The History of Banking**'. Come and join us and have a cup of tea afterwards. Visitors are always welcome. For more details please contact Audrey Slater on 834558.



Have Your Say Meetings (HYS)

Please come along, this is your opportunity to speak with your Neighbourhood Officers to discuss any local issues of concern you may have. The next meeting is on **Saturday 13th April at 4pm – 5pm** in the Village Hall.



Chilton W.I.

Chilton W.I meet on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 18th April at 7.45pm** in the Village Hall. The talk will be "Planting Design" by Lindsey Evans. The competition is your favourite photo of a garden. We are a friendly group and visitors and new members are always very welcome. Please just come along to a meeting. Or phone Liz Morris on 834233 for more details.



Enjoy a Ridgeway Day

The Ridgeway is an ancient track across England, a 4,000 year-old trade route, and today a National Trail. It links hill forts, barrows and hill figures and passes through spectacular landscapes. It is Britain's oldest road and it's right on our doorstep, on the edge of the Downs, for everyone to enjoy.

On **Sunday, 7 April**, *The Friends of the Ridgeway* are holding an Open Day at the Court Hill Centre near Wantage. Why not take a walk on The Ridgeway, and enjoy one of Britain's finest views. Visit nearby Segsbury Castle hill fort, and spot wildlife and spring flowers. Drop in to the Court Hill Centre any time between 10.30am and 3.30pm and find out more about the trail and how you can help to keep it special. Have a snack at the Barn Café. Meet the volunteers who help to preserve the ancient track, and join in a discussion about the future of the National Trails. With exhibitions of art inspired by the Ridgeway landscape and a birds of prey display, there's something for the whole family to enjoy.

To get to the Court Hill Centre, take the A338 south from Wantage for 2 miles. Turn right into The Centre just before the crest of Court Hill.



Table Top Sale

Chilton Wives' Group are holding a Table Top Sale in Chilton Village Hall on **Saturday 20th April** from 10 am to 12 noon. Tables will cost £7.50 in advance and £9 on the day; customer entry will be free. Tea, Coffee and biscuits will be on sale and there will be cake, home produce and book stalls.

All profits from the event will go towards improving the access to the Church and graveyard at All Saints' Chilton.

To reserve a table please contact Judy Goodall, 43 Crafts End - Tel 834503 or Audrey Slater, 9 Latton Close - Tel 834558



Didcot & District University Of The Third Age

Didcot & District University Of The Third Age meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 2pm at Didcot Civic Hall. Visitors are welcome to come to one meeting as a taster before joining.

The April meeting of D&DU3A is being held at 2pm on **Tuesday 16 April** at

Didcot Civic Hall. The topic is The Berks, Oxon and Bucks Air Ambulance.

U3As are self-help, self-managed lifelong learning co-operatives for older people no longer in full time work, providing opportunities for their members to share learning experiences in a wide range of interest groups and to pursue learning not for qualifications, but for fun. A wide range of interest groups has already been set up including wine appreciation, creative writing, walking, bridge, crafts, books, poetry, singing, photography and 5 languages.

Tel: 07804159993

Email: didcotdistrictU3A@virginmedia.com

Website: <http://u3asites.org.uk/didcot>



Chilton Wives' Group

The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday 9th April** at 7:45 in the Church and will be a musical evening with Kate Evans accompanied by her husband David on an Easter theme. Visitors and new members will be warmly welcomed. Contact Judy Goodall – see below.



Grand Annual Plant Sale and Coffee Morning

This will be held on **Saturday 11th May** from 10 am to 12 noon and is organised by Chilton Wives' Group to benefit Christian Aid.

It provides a great opportunity to buy bedding plant, perennials, small shrubs, herbs and vegetable plants. There is also a well-stocked second-hand book stall, and a cake and home produce stall. We would welcome any contributions of plants, books or cakes.

Please join us on the morning of 11th May to stock up your garden, browse over books or chat over a cup of coffee. Contact Judy Goodall at 43 Crafts End Tel 834503 with offers of help.



Back by popular demand, bringing Armed Forces Families and Local Communities together, the Award Winning VAUXHALL BARRACKS PLAY & ACTIVITY DAY

Wednesday 10th April 2013 – 11am until 3pm

FREE Entrance and FREE Activities – Play and Fun for ALL the Family and for ALL Ages

Vauxhall Barracks, Pedestrian Access via Main Gate, Foxhall Road, Didcot.

Disabled Parking Only – No Childcare Is Provided

For further information please contact Oxfordshire Play Association on 01865779474 or

martin.gillett@oxonplay.org.uk

www.oxonplay.org.uk

This event has been funded by the MOD Community Covenant and Oxfordshire County Councils Big Society Fund via Didcot's County Councillors



Ladies Pamper and Shopping Evening

Chilton School Friday 26th April from 7pm to 9pm

Come along and spoil yourself, indulge with a treatment and then browse around the stalls from Jewellery to beauty products. Bar and delicious cakes available

Tickets £5.00 entry includes a glass of wine (first 30 tickets pre- booked receive a goody bag)

To pre-book tickets contact

ChiltonPTA@chilton.oxon.sch.uk or

amypeach@btinternet.com



Don't' forget - Abingdon Air & Country Show

Sunday 5th May Abingdon Airfield - Air and ground attractions include flying displays, static aircraft, vintage vehicles, crafts stalls, entertainment and much more. Something for all the family.

Colin (the Postie)



Gardening

Light gardening available now that spring and summer is on its way. Contact Kate Hunneman 07770 511495 01235 835163.



Childminder Vacancies

My Name is Claire and I have lived in the village for the past 6 years. I have 3 children, ages 5, 3 and 1 and I am currently in the process of becoming an Ofsted registered childminder.

I am expecting to be up and running by July and will have vacancies for children of all ages for childcare during the school holidays and term time. I will have places for all day or before and after school care with flexible hours to suit the parent. I will also do drop off and collect from Chilton Primary School and Pre-School.

If you are looking for childcare please contact me on 07947 311300 or via email claireneville3108@hotmail.com



The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 10th 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. Chilton Field
 - (i) Community Room
 - (ii) Village Hall Improvements
 - (iii) Chilton Field Play Equipment
 - (iv) Chilton Field Work of Art
8. Planning
9. Minutes of the last PC meeting
10. Matters Arising from the Meeting
11. Finance
 - (i) Expenditure
 - (ii) Income
12. VHMC Report
14. Play Equipment Inspection
15. Correspondence

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk (preferably by email) by **Wednesday 3rd April.**

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Please contact our County or District Councillors if you have any problems.

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Mislaid Your Chronicle?

You can find it on the Village Hall website:
www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk, also available
on the website are minutes from recent
Parish Council meetings.

Do You Want to Book the Village Hall?

If so, please check the calendar on the
Village Hall website for dates:
www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk and then
contact Keith Woods, Layton Cottage,

The Parish Council does not accept any
responsibility for the adverts placed in the
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Useful contact numbers

Electricity	08000 72 72 82	power cuts or emergencies
Rose and Crown	01235 862992	
National Rail Enquiries	08457 48 49 50	train times and fares
Newbury and District	01635 33855	bus 6/6A to Newbury
Police	101	non-emergency
Thames Travel	01491 837988	bus X32 to Oxford
Thames Water	0800 714 614	water and sewage leak

