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DECEMBER 2018

## CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THE GREEN

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December



7.30pm  
The Green

*Followed by Mulled Wine and Mince Pies in the Barn.*

## ANNUAL VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MEAL

AT THE CHEQUERS

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December

7.00pm for 7.30 pm

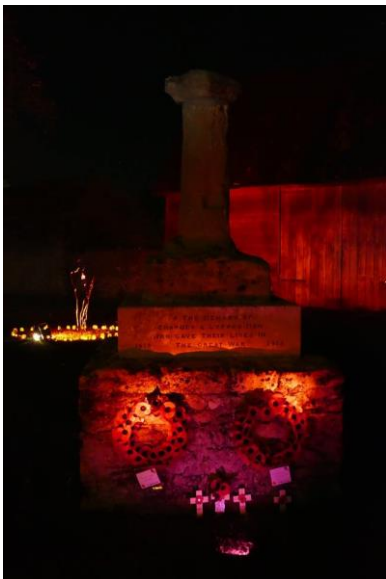
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## REMEMBERANCE DAY – BY NIGHT

The evening was something special



Charney Village College  
Wreath Workshop  
15<sup>th</sup> December 2018  
10am-12.30pm  
£12



To book a place:

[cbvillagecollege@btinternet.com](mailto:cbvillagecollege@btinternet.com)

**NO FLY-TIPPING  
IN  
CHARNEY BASSETT  
PLEASE**



## BE PREPARED FOR WINTER WEATHER

To make sure you are not caught out by the weather this winter visit [whitehorsedc.gov.uk/winter](http://whitehorsedc.gov.uk/winter) for some advice on what to do if conditions take a turn for the worse.

Limited road salt is available for use by residents in the bin by the side of the Bus Shelter.

Fly tipping (including garden waste) is against the law. For further information click this link.

[Fly-tipping - Vale of White Horse District Council](http://Fly-tipping - Vale of White Horse District Council)

# **PARISH COUNCIL NEWS**

## **POTENTIALLY UNSAFE ASPEN TREES TO BE REMOVED.**

The Charney Hall & Playing Field Trust (CHAFT) and the Parish Council have agreed that all the Aspen trees which border the bridleway at the south end of the playing field need to be removed.

The costs will be shared by the two bodies and a preferred contractor has been chosen by the Parish Council.

Stage 1 should see all the Aspen trees taken down quite soon.

Stage 2 will involve a replanting programme with trees of mixed species based on specialist advice. It is hoped some grant funding may be available.



Representatives of the two bodies are to meet with the preferred contractor.

Further details and background information are included in the agenda papers and the draft minutes which can be read [here](#).

## **ROAD SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS – UPDATE**



A further meeting has been held with highway officers from Oxfordshire County Council (OCC). The Parish Council has given further consideration to their comments and studied updated costings on the provision of a mobile vehicle activated sign (MVAS) and the installation of white entrance gates to the village. It is clear the Parish Council will not be in a position to go ahead with both initiatives at the same time. OCC has asked the Parish Council to state its preferred option so it can consider what if any help might be available.

Accordingly the Parish Council has agreed to advise the County Council that it wished to focus on the installation of white entrance gates (with associated road markings) at each entrance point to the village.

Surprisingly, and without notification, shark's teeth have already appeared at the entrance points to the village, thanks to Oxfordshire County Council – at no cost to the Parish Council.

## **PLANNING MATTERS**

- Conversion of barn to dwelling at New Manor Farm, Longworth Road
- Erection of grain store at Bushy Barn, Pusey estate
- Petition against Oxfordshire Growth Board for future development

## **OTHER MATTERS DISCUSSED AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING**

- Concern over the condition of the road between Denchworth Railway Bridge and Grove.
- The County Council has submitted a holding objection to the plans to for a new reservoir at Steventon /East Hanney. The District Council has already objected.
- Proposed Oxford/Cambridge Expressway
- Provision of a Village map.
- Silent Soldier and Poppy Wreath which are being donated to the village

**MORE INFORMATION [HERE](#)**

## HALLOWEEN



A big **THANKYOU** to all the witches, vampires, ghosts and ghouls who joined in the fun and games in the village hall at this year's Halloween Party. Great fun was had by all with gruesome games and freaky food.

## REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

Thank you to all the families who came along to the village hall on Remembrance Sunday to make lanterns that were later used to light up the sculpture on the village green. The creative talents were impressive to behold and it was fascinating to hear quite young children explain to one another why it was important to remember those who fought for us. A special mention and thanks go to those young people who read poems of hope and remembrance on the green.

Helen and Diane  
On behalf of CHAFT



## INFORMATION ON SCHOOL ENTRY FOR:

**Entry to primary or infant school – September 2019**

**Children born between 1 September 2014 – 31 August 2015**

**15 January 2019** – closing date for on time applications. Parents/Carers must apply by this date, online at [www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions](http://www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/admissions) or on paper (forms available from the County Council website or a local school).

**16 April 2019** – letters offering places will be posted second-class. Those who applied online will receive an email and will be able to view the result of their application online.

## Charney 100 Club - November 2018 Draw

The results of the draw held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 13 November 2018 during Coffee Hour, are as follows:-

1<sup>st</sup> Prize £25 No 81 Annabel Brown  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize £10 No 77 Mike Gooding

Remember that the December draw has higher prizes (£100 and £50) to help you celebrate Christmas.

Best of luck in the draw - it may be you that get a surprise Christmas present.

Mahala and David  
Charney 100 Club Organisers



## POPPY APPEAL

The house to house collection in Charney Bassett was a magnificent

**£496.96**

Thanks to all.

Joe Ody.





## Benefice Christmas Appeal 2018

### TOYS, TOILETRIES, HATS and SOCKS

for up to 400 guests at the Christmas Day Lunch  
organised by The King's Centre, Oxford  
and The Oxford Food Bank

For Children:	For Adults:
5 - 10yrs: NEW toys, colouring books, crayons	Toiletries: all sorts NEW hats, gloves, scarves
10 - 15yrs: NEW gifts (not requiring batteries or charging)	and socks

#### Drop off points:

- The Chequers Inn, Charney Bassett  
(Drop off point is the Plant Stall in the rear carpark, not the pub itself)
- Churches, open during the day:  
Buckland, Charney Bassett, Littleworth,  
Longworth and Lyford

For more information, please call:

Tiggy Wildman 01367 870144  
Deborah Lewis 01235 868536/  
07774 245992

**THANK YOU SO MUCH.**

## WHAT'S NEW ON THE CHARNEY BASSETT WEBSITE

- [Ed Vaizey's latest newsletter](#)
- [Faringdon Neighbourhood Policing Update](#)
- [Parish Council Draft Minutes of Meeting, November 2018](#)

## WHAT'S NEW ON THE HISTORY WEBSITE

[Report of the Charities Commission – Miss Mary Dewe's Charity for Infant and Sunday School and Mary Dewe's Charity for the Clothing Club](#)

[Lists of those who served in the World Wars and Roll of Honour](#)

[Engineering Drawings of The Mill, 1974 W Foreman](#)

[Graveyard Inventory Updated](#)

## RE-ENACTMENT OF THE 1860 CHARNEY MUMMERS PLAY

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup>  
7.00 PM, VILLAGE HALL**

**SOLD  
OUT**

We are looking forward to welcoming the relatives and descendants of G W W Minns who recorded this play in his sketchbook in Charney in 1860, together with Peter Millington who will be interpreting it for us.

All being well, a video will be available on the History Website after the event.

If you would like to register in case of any ticket returns please email  
[charney.history@btinternet.com](mailto:charney.history@btinternet.com)

## All it takes is one distraction

Did you know that 1 in 3 people rescued from house fires in Oxfordshire are rescued from cooking fires? Or that distraction is the main cause of cooking fires?

It's easy to get distracted - the phone rings, someone's at the door or a TV show catches your attention. If you need to leave your cooking, even for a couple of minutes:

- turn down the heat
- set the timer
- or ask someone to watch it for you

Or could find that Oxfordshire Fire & Rescue Service firefighters join you for dinner!

Find out more at: [www.365alive.co.uk/cooking](http://www.365alive.co.uk/cooking)



## SOBELL HOUSE COFFEE MORNING

Thank you very much to everybody who came and supported the Sobell House Coffee hour. Over £300 was raised from sales and donations for a worthy cause.

Mary Daglish

## CARD DEFENDER

The Card Defender is a sleeve card holder that provides RFID blocking technology and it protects contactless cards from being read.

The Card Defenders are now available from the Thames Valley NHW Association for just £1.20 each; 5 for £5.00; or 10 for £8.00 plus postage, and the prices for more Card Defenders are available on request.

To order please contact the Thames Valley Neighbourhood Watch Association Secretary: Naomi Arnold MBE, on her personal email address: [naomi.arnold33@gmail.com](mailto:naomi.arnold33@gmail.com).

**Drivers will be able to park without paying for a ticket in South and Vale car parks on the following days up to 24 December:**

### South Oxfordshire

- Didcot – Mondays from 3 December
- Goring – Saturdays from 1 December
- Henley – Tuesdays from 4 December
- Thame – Saturdays from 1 December
- Wallingford -Thursdays from 6 December

### Vale of White Horse

- Abingdon – Saturdays from 1 December
- Faringdon – Saturdays from 1 December
- Wantage – Fridays from 30 November

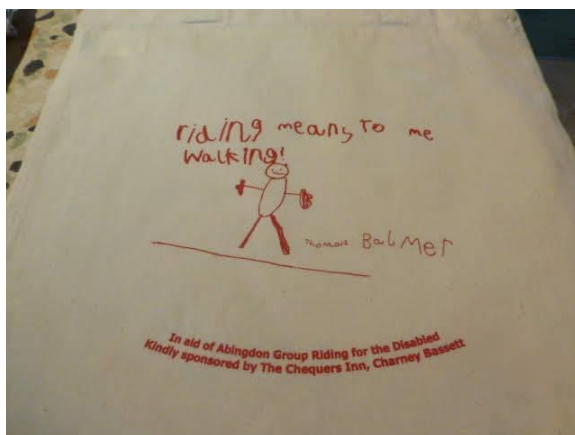
On the above days there's no need to display a ticket.

## HEREABOUTS

### ST JAMES SCHOOL AND HANNEY PRESCHOOL.

A Christmas Spectacular - Christmas Market and Fete. 11am-2pm, Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December. St James Primary School East Hanney.

**Support the local RDA group and buy a Canvas Tote Bag! Only £4.50**



The winning design "Riding means to me WALKING!" in the drawing competition has, with the kind sponsorship of the Chequers Inn, been printed onto a canvas bag, for sale at just £4.50.

All proceeds to the Abingdon Riding for the Disabled Group, Charity Number: 1141360. Contact [sharonchowns@aol.com](mailto:sharonchowns@aol.com), 07974191528

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**COFFEE HOUR** – Every Tuesday 10.30am, Village Hall, £1pp Coffee and Biscuits

**MEDITATION AND MINDFULNESS FOR BEGINNERS** – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 9.30am-12.30pm, Village Hall.

**VILLAGE CHRISTMAS MEAL** – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 7.00 for 7.30pm The Chequers

**MUMMERS PLAY** – Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December, 7.00pm Village Hall.

**CHRISTMAS CAROLS ON THE GREEN** – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> December, 7.30pm, The Green.

**CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOP** – Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> December 10.00am-12.30pm, Village Hall

**PLEASE NOTE:** Due to the Christmas/New Year period the deadline for the January 2019 issue of Charney Chatter is **14<sup>th</sup> December**. Entries to: [chatterinbox@btopenworld.com](mailto:chatterinbox@btopenworld.com)



**ALL ARRIVED BACK SAFE AND HAPPY – A BRILLIANT DAY OUT. THANKS PETER FOR MAKING THE ARRANGEMENTS**

More in the next edition.....



*From a grateful villager*

With another year nearly over, I hope you would like to join me in thanking all those volunteers who have helped to ensure that Charney Bassett remains a lovely village in which to live. The list is long and, no doubt, I'm only scratching the surface but here goes.

Thanks to:

our Parish councillors, who support the local community in so many ways; those who manage and promote activities in the Village Hall, as well as the Hall's weekly cleaners; the Committee and individuals who also maintain the Charney field and play area – the mowers, strimmers, fence painters and so many more; those who support St Peter's church – amongst others, the church wardens, flower arrangers and cleaners; the amazing Charney Army, who undertake so many practical tasks; the Road Safety Team, the pub which hosts events, the produce stall and provides a social hub; those who keep the village looking lovely – the custodians of the planters in and on the outskirts of Charney, the people who pick up others rubbish from the pavements and verges, the responsible dog owners; the May Day organisers, musicians and dancers; the communicators – 'Chatter-ers', 'leaflet-ers', 'Web-ers', distributors of Seven Voices and Hanney News; the historians, "lest we forget"; the many volunteers who help fund-raise for the village and for charity by organising exhibitions, concerts, coffee and pancake mornings, and much more; the fete/feast organisers, stall holders, marquee raisers, furniture shifters, cake bakers, tea makers ...;

And not forgetting the many villagers who importantly support these events by attending them and spending their hard-earned money.

Without you ALL, Charney would be a poorer place.

**You are much appreciated.**



**AND FROM YOUR CHARNEY CHATTER TEAM A BIG THANK YOU TO ALL  
OUR CONTRIBUTORS AND READERS**

*Merry  
Christmas*

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