



Charney Village College

Pilates – NEW CLASS

Wednesdays 10am – 11am

Age 60-85+ Standing and chair work

Gentle exercises to improve: overall body strength, flexibility and mobility, posture, balance and coordination. All whilst relaxing and unwinding the body in a friendly environment.

The classes will be taken by Sally (www.pilateswithsally.co.uk) who is a level 3 certified Body Control Pilates teacher with specialist qualifications in bone health, older person and mat work. She is a Back4Good practitioner and Back Care Professional member.

This class is aimed at the older person who may have mobility or joint problems. There will be no floor work in these classes

The classes will run for a trial four weeks from 11th April – 3rd May at a cost of £30 for the four sessions.

Yoga – New Class

Friday 7pm – 8.30pm

After much searching we have now found a new yoga teacher. We have vacancies for this class the first block of which will run from 6th April – 4th May.

Pilates

Tuesday 6 – 7pm. Places available

Pilates for Men

Thursdays 6-7pm. Places available

For enrolment form and further details about any class please contact

Christine Trotman preferably by email cbvillagecollege@btinternet.com or 01235 869 171

CHARNEY ARMY CHANGE OF GUARD

Peter Busby has agreed to take on responsibilities for the co-ordination and running of the 'Charney Army', the group of volunteers that undertakes work on behalf of the Parish council, with a view to maintaining and improving the village environment. He takes over from John DGLISH who has been the mainstay of the 'Army' since its inauguration in the early 2000's. We are indebted to John's loyal service, and support for this important group of members.

Our grateful thanks for all he has done in the past, and welcome to Peter.

David Roberts
Chairman



ACCOMMODATION IN LYFORD OX12 0EF

The Oliver Ashcombe Almshouses Charitable Trust has ground floor small unfurnished units to let.

Rural village location, communal garden, exterior parking. Please note NO public transport in Lyford.

No 6 comprises a bedroom, sitting room, kitchen and a bathroom/WC.

No 7 comprises a bedroom, kitchen/sitting area and bathroom/WC.

Terms of the charity state that tenants are to be "from the local area, elderly and of good character."

References required.

For info: please contact:
John Gunn 01235 868329 or
Caroline Milne 01235 867495.

CHARNEY'S GOT TALENT

Photography? Wood Carving? Painting?

ART & CRAFT EXHIBITION

St Peter's Church, Charney Bassett

Friday 11th – Monday 14th May

THEME: 'IT'S A WONDERFUL WORLD'

Open

2-4 Friday

10-4 Saturday and Sunday

10-12 Monday

Tea and Coffee will be available

**To exhibit contact Ruth Gerring for entry
form 01235 869083**

(offers of help much appreciated)

HEREABOUTS

Go to the links for more information on local events.

KBS drama group presentation
<https://kbdqshow.com/>

Friends of the Ridgeway – Swire Ridgeway
Art5s Prize Exhibition -
<http://www.ridgewayfriends.org.uk/swire-ridgeway-arts-prize-2018/>

The Beacon – The Wizard of Oz
<http://beaconwantage.co.uk/whats-on/the-wizard-of-oz>

Keep up to date with what is going on in
neighbouring villages:
<https://charneybassett.org.uk/contact/>

RUNNERS AND CYCLISTS THROUGH THE VILLAGE

Sunday April 8th – White Horse Harriers – the race runs North to South through the village.

Saturday April 21st – Cycling event – enters the village on Buckland Road and exits on Longworth Road.

TREE MAINTENANCE ON BRIDLE PATH

The Charney Army will be working on the trees along Bridle Path on

Wednesday 4th April.

SAVE THIS DATE

CHARNEY FETE

**SATURDAY 30TH
JUNE**

**CHARNEY MANOR
GARDENS**

CHARNEY 100 CLUB – MARCH DRAW

The results of the draw held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 13 March 2014 during Coffee Hour are as follows:-

1 st prize	£25	No 70	John Wright
2 nd prize	£10	No 137	Richard Smith



Mahala and David
Charney 100 Club Organisers

NEWS FROM THE HISTORY GROUP

RECORD ATTENDANCE. Fourteen members and one guest attended the March meeting.

VILLAGE MAP. Ruth Gerring produced an excellent village map. The Parish Council has been asked to consider if they wish a weather proof version to be put on public display.

VILLAGE MEMORIES. Barbara and David Douglas have written their memories of life in Charney Bassett. Sheila Terry's memories of Charney Manor have also been posted on the web. **BOTH WELL WORTH A READ!**

Rachel (daughter of the late Vic Hodgkins) handed over a document file containing personal information about Vic's life. File contents are to be studied and information posted on the website.

WAR MEMORIAL. Joe Ody and Peter Busby have volunteered to spring clean the war memorial and undertake a condition survey.

PUBLIC FOOTPATHS. Sub group formed (Hugh Brookes (lead) Peter Busby (co-lead), Ruth Gerring and Joe Ody) to assist the Parish Council to undertake further research into public footpaths.

VILLAGE FETE. Display will be organised, probably linked to a 'walk round history trail' round the Manor grounds organised in a way which will not take attendees away from the main event.

TERMS OF REFERENCE. Draft terms of reference for the History Group & Archaeological Group are under preparation.

NEXT MEETING. Friday 15th June 2018 at The Chequers

CHARNEY BASSETT HISTORY WEBSITE

The website been moved to a new provider which has speeded up the site, especially when loading pictures. It will also make it easier for Amanda and Ian to manage. **WHY NOT TRY IT NOW** <https://history.charneybassett.org.uk/>

RECENTLY ADDED

- [Memories of The Manor by Sheila Terry](#)
- [Photo c1966](#) of the school
- [Council for British Archaeology village survey 1978](#) – a comprehensive overview of the village
- [St Mary's, Longworth, Parish Magazine](#) – further years added re Charney
- [Lyford Bridge over The River Ock and date stone](#) – Pictures
- [Vic Hodgkins – Royal Engineers](#) – WWII
- [Youth Club - The History of Charney Bassett](#)
- [Memories of the early 1960s by Barbara Douglas](#)

SPARE A THOUGHT...

If it seems like a long and cold winter with more snow than usual this year then spare a thought for the days in Charney Bassett before [electricity \(1953\)](#) and before mains sewage when most properties had an outside toilet. Several of the outside toilet buildings remain, now as garden sheds, and especially those architectural ones of the New Road Pusey Estate buildings. Emptying the chamber pots (gazunders) was never a favourite task see <https://history.charneybassett.org.uk/charney-life/memories/manor-sheila-terry/>

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Cllr Sue Dobson has given notice of her intention to resign from the Parish Council in May. If you are interested in filling the forthcoming vacancy please contact the Chairman, David Roberts for more information (email dabe26@hotmail.co.uk or tel 868285)

REVIEW OF EMERGENCY PLAN

There is an urgent need to review and update the Charney Bassett Emergency Plan. Residents are invited to study the [plan](#) and identify any perceived shortcomings. Comments to Cllr David Nellist (email mmdnellist@btinternet.com or tel 868593)

THE FULL AGENDA PAPERS AND DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MARCH MEETING CAN BE READ [HERE](#).

They cover a wide range of issues including:

- Provision of additional dog litter bins
- Reports from the County and District Councillors
- Financial reports
- Road safety
- Planning matters
- Grass cutting
- Footpaths
- Memorandum of Understanding with Charney Hall & Field Trust
- Restoration of Charney Mill
- Improvements to the Parish Council section of the village website
- Treework on the Bridle path
- 100 years of Remembrance
- Terms of reference for the Village College

The next meeting of the Parish Council is on Wednesday 9th May, 2018

STOP PRESS

ROAD SAFETY CONSULATION – SATURDAY 24TH MARCH



Around 40 people came to the meeting on road safety on Saturday 24th March. Many thanks to those who attended and to those who submitted written comments.

Feedback on the meeting will be provided shortly.





WARNING

Please be aware that there are groups of thieves in certain parts of the country that are turning up in villages and attempting to remove telephone kiosks. They claim to be from BT but of course are not.

We would therefore recommend all communities with a phone box to be cautious and report any such activity to the police.

CHARNEY BASSETT AND LYFORD EDUCATIONAL TRUST

CLET supports a range of educational projects, with grants awarded both to individuals under the age of 25 and to community groups in the villages of Charney Bassett and Lyford.

Applications will be considered by the Trustees who meet in January, May and September. For further details please contact the Clerk:
Pam Edwards, 26 New Road, Charney Bassett, OX12 0ER. Tel: 07809250262
Email: cletclerk@gmail.com

WHATS NEW ON THE CHARNEY BASSETT WEBSITE

[Ed Vaizey's latest newsletter](#)
[Neighbourhood Policing Newsletter, March 2018](#)
[Parish Council draft minutes of meeting 14th March](#)

NEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL COUNCILS

<http://news.oxfordshire.gov.uk/can-you-help-combat-con-men-like-the-fraudster-from-faringdon/>

<http://news.oxfordshire.gov.uk/this-is-how-we-are-fixing-oxfordshires-damaged-roads/>

<http://news.oxfordshire.gov.uk/volunteers-help-clear-the-way-for-countryside-walkers/>

<http://www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/news/2018/2/018-02/government-green-lights-first-use-autonomous-vehicles-uk-roads>

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

TREE MAINTENANCE – Bridle Path, Wednesday 4th April.

ART & CRAFT EXHIBITION – 11th-14th May, St Peter's Church.

CHAFT AGM –Wednesday 30th May, 7.30pm Village Hall.

HARP CONCERT – Friday 29th June, 8.00pm, St Peter's Church.

CHARNEY FETE – Saturday 30th June, pm, Charney Manor Gardens

NEW CHARNEY BASSETT VILLAGE GROUP FACEBOOK PAGE



Message from Lorraine Ashton

I have created a Charney Bassett Village Group Facebook page. I felt it was about time we had our own as those in Hanney and surrounding villages are popular.

The group can be used to advertise village events, post pictures of the village, highlight issues and any other appropriate messages. All posts and member requests are checked by a moderator (Me).

If you would like to join please send a request to Charney Bassett Village Group on Facebook.

CHARNEY MILL VOLUNTEER(S) REQUIRED

The Parish Council is required to open Charney Mill to the public from time to time. National Mills weekend is on 12th and 13th May.

Volunteers are needed to help open the Mill on Sunday 13th May (2.00-5.00 pm). No experience required: a briefing will be provided.

Please contact Trevor Brown (01235 868282) or parishclerk@charneybassett.org.uk



By popular demand the plant stall is coming back to Chequers in Charney.

Using the money we raised last year we are making a bespoke wooden stall which will be opened on

Monday, 7th May 2018

So, please, as you plant your seeds plant a few extra for the stall.

We already know there will be tomatoes, runner beans, courgettes and butternut squash but any spare plants you have will be much appreciated.

The proceeds from the stall will simply be divided between CHAFT and Charney Church to help towards the upkeep of the buildings.



Thank You

Any queries
please call Pam on:
07809 250262.

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