

CHARNEY CHATTER

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JANUARY 2019

THE CHEQUERS INN

Ian and Jacqui would like to thank village residents for all their support throughout the year.

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR OPENING HOURS

Christmas Eve

Bar open all day 12 noon – 12 midnight
Food served 12-2pm and 6-8pm

Christmas Day

Bar open for drinks 12 noon to 2pm

Boxing Day

Bar open 12 noon to 5pm
Food served 12-2.30pm

New Year's Eve

Bar open all day from 12 noon
Food served 12-2pm

Evening

Join us and celebrate the New Year
Food served 6-8.30

Hot buffet & cheeseboard £20 per head
Please book in advance

New Year's Day

Closed

2nd January 2019

Closed



CHRISTMAS TREE

Thanks to the Chequers once again for the Christmas tree and to all those involved in making it such a great feature over the Christmas period.



KINGSTON BAGPUIZE POST OFFICE

If you want to join the campaign to keep the Post Office where it is and NOT in the Hinds Head Co-op then your only opportunity is to raise your objection.

Probably the strongest argument is to object to even more traffic having to cross the A415 in order to access the Co-op car park whereas parking at the existing Post Office is safer.

J Stiles

Editor's note:

Click on the link for more information on the consultation process.

<https://www.postofficeviews.co.uk/national-consultation-team/kingston-bagpuize-ox13-5aa-236137/>

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee Hour will finish for the Christmas break on Tuesday 18th December and will restart on Tuesday 8th January 2019.

CHARNEY HISTORY GROUP

RE-ENACTMENT OF THE 1860 MUMMERS PLAY

On the 8th December 2018 we held a re-enactment of the mummers play, as noted down and sketched by GWW Minns in 1860.



Charney Mummers sketch – Christmas 1860

It is the oldest known illustration of a mummer's play, drawn from life.

The play took place in the village hall to a sell-out audience which included 16 members of the Minns' family group. A shortened version of the event was repeated in The Chequers later in the evening.



We are indebted to Alison Minns for finding and sharing the play and to the National expert on the origin of folk plays, Peter Millington, for deciphering and interpreting the text and for giving a presentation on the night. Also to all those who took part, helped, supported and who came to watch and join in.

An unequivocal success

lots of laughter

Expert Peter Millington later commented: *'There was quite a buzz in the hall as villagers gathered, and there was a large contingent of Minnses, who had travelled especially from London, Brighton and Hampshire. ...There was general acclaim when the Mummers came on to perform, because they had made a superb effort to replicate the costumes shown in Minns' sketch. The performance stuck closely to the original text, with but a couple of modifications. In an atmosphere akin to attending a pantomime, there was lots of laughter and spontaneous applause, and it was an unequivocal success. Everyone then moved round the corner to the Chequers Inn where the play was repeated, and where we socialised before dispersing.'*

spontaneous applause

Go to [1860 Mummers Play Re-enactment](#) to read about the event and to watch the video of the performance in the Village Hall.

Ian Graham

CHARNEY VILLAGE COLLEGE

NEW

BRIDGE WORKSHOP

Saturday 12th January 2 – 5pm. Cost £5 per person to include refreshments.

Nothing to do in January? Would you like to play Bridge? Then join us for a workshop in the Village Hall and learn the basics from an expert.

PILATES

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. There are places available in the following classes:-

Mondays 1.40 – 2.40pm

Tuesdays 6 – 7pm

Thursdays (Men) 6-7pm

YOGA

Friday 7pm – 8.30pm.

To reserve a place on a workshop or for an enrolment form for a class please contact Christine Trotman preferably by email cbvillagecollege@btinternet.com or 01235 869 171.

THEATRE TRIP



On 28th November, the Charney Theatre Club had its first day trip! A very smart and comfortable coach picked us up from the bus shelter at 10.00am and by the time we had completed a light hearted quiz, it was 12.30pm and we were dropped off close to the theatre.

Everyone went their separate way to find lunch, and we met back at the Theatre Royal at 2.30pm to see 42nd Street. What a show! Super music and amazing dancing. Thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

By 5.30pm we were back on the road, and driven safely and comfortably by Charlie back to Charney for 8.00pm. The cost was just £50.00 to include the £75 seat in the stalls, and the coach. There was enough left from the proceeds (£355) to buy a new bench, made of recycled materials, for the area by the phone box.

AND NEXT YEAR???

There will be another trip in 2019, and full details will be announced in the Charney Chatter.'

Peter Busby

CHRISTMAS WASTE COLLECTIONS

Don't forget that your waste collection days will change over Christmas and New Year – to find out when your bins will be emptied please see: [Christmas collection dates](#).

You can get all this information at your fingertips by downloading the smartphone app, Binzone. Just search Binzone on your phone's app store.

WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR EXTRA WASTE

You'll probably have extra waste over Christmas and most of this can be recycled. You can put out extra recycling in a cardboard box or clear sack next to your green wheelie bin. Extra food waste can be put into a thin plastic or compostable bag and left on top of your food bin. See [our website](#) for more information.

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING



If you are signed up to our garden waste service, you can put your real Christmas tree out next to your brown bin on your scheduled garden waste collection days in January. The maximum size of tree for collection is 6 ft. If it is bigger than that then please cut it to pieces which are less than 6 ft before putting out for collection.

If you are not a garden waste customer please see whitehorsedc.gov.uk/christmastrees to find out where your nearest Christmas tree collection point is.

BE PREPARED FOR WINTER WEATHER

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

CHARNEY BASSETT 100 CLUB - DECEMBER DRAW 2018

The results of the draw held in the Village Hall on Tuesday 4 December 2018 during Coffee Hour are as follows:-

1st Prize £100 No 27 Emma Buchanan
2nd Prize £50 No 8 Alex Jacob

Merry Christmas

Mahala & David
Charney 100 Club Organisers



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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

Tuesday 8th January 2019

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday 9th January 7.30pm, Village Hall

BRIDGE WORKSHOP – Saturday 12th January 2.00-5.00pm, Village Hall.

HISTORY GROUP MEETING - Friday 18th January, 10.15am, The Chequers Inn.

CHAFT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING – Monday 21st January, 7.00pm, Village Hall.

VILLAGE FETE – Saturday 7th September

ALL YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR PARISH COUNCIL!

OK. It might not be your first point of call when you go on the internet but the village website now provides quick access to a one-stop shop of information on your Parish Council.

AN OPEN AND TRANSPARENT COUNCIL

Go to <https://charneybassett.org.uk/council-parish/> to see how it is fulfilling its commitment to provide enhanced information for local residents.

WHO'S WHO?

Your elected Councillors, their responsibilities and appointments.

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How it conducts its business, including agenda papers, minutes, financial information, how your money is spent, data protection, etc.

SUPPORTS 7 VILLAGE GROUPS

Details of Parish Council supported groups and their lead appointments, for example, the footpaths and archaeological groups – to name just two.

VILLAGE PLANS

The Village-Led Community Plan and the Emergency Plan!

AND MUCH MUCH MORE

Go and have a look! <https://charneybassett.org.uk/council-parish/>

If you want to know more about the role of the Parish Council please contact Trevor Brown at: parishclerk@charneybassett.org.uk.

WHAT'S NEW ON THE CHARNEY BASSETT WEBSITE

- [Faringdon Neighbourhood Policing Update](#)

From the Charney Chatter Team



FROM ST PETER'S CHURCH

A huge thank you for your support at the Christmas Bazaar and Coffee morning in November - we raised £310 for St Peter's Church.



Thank you to everyone who braved the cold weather to sing carols around the Christmas tree and share mulled wine and mince pies on the village green on Wednesday. You helped to give a donation to Wantage Silver Band for playing the carols music and you raised £107 for Helen and Douglas House charity. Merry Christmas!

**Join us on Christmas
Eve**

Family Carol Service

St Peter's Church

24 December

4.00 pm

Lucy Gildersleeves



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