

CHARNEY BASSETT PARISH COUNCIL
INVITE YOU TO CELEBRATE THE
CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III

Sunday 7th May 2023

1.00pm-4.30pm

The Green



Come together at 1pm
with your own picnic lunch
accompanied by live music.

Oxford Jazz 3/4
playing throughout the afternoon.



Disco Bouncy Castle
Games on the Village Green
Complimentary Cream Teas
Village Tug of War

Dress Your Garden to
Impress
with
bunting, ribbons, flags and
flowers



For
King Charles III's
Coronation
and win a
Bottle of Champagne!
Judging Friday 5th May
Winner announced at the
Coronation Celebration Tea
on Sunday



Coronation Celebration: the boring bits



All residents, family and friends are welcome at the event.

Should the weather be a let-down and we end up with a wet day, the event will be moved to St Peter's Church. More information will be circulated via the email communication system.

Main Street will be closed between Chapel Lane junction and Chequers car park access. Appropriate signage will be in place.

Anyone who can help set up in the morning or clear up at the end - please just turn up anytime from 9.30am onwards. The Charney Army is also being mobilised.

The Chequers PH is open as usual.

- Any drinks purchased must be consumed on pub premises (the Village Green is not a licensed area).
- The pub toilets are for customers only (the toilets in the Village Hall will be open for the Coronation event).

Think carefully how to handle any glasses brought onto the Green as part of a picnic - to avoid broken glass in the grass and a pain in the (you got it).

The Bouncy Castle will be supervised but it's a still good idea to keep an eye on your children (sorry parents, it's not big enough for you to have a go).

It would be great to have a plentiful supply of scones for the cream teas. If you can help by baking scones, or even donating shop bought ones, please contact Mary Castle on 868371 or email marycastle476@gmail.com. Also let Mary know if you can lend a hand for half an hour to assist with the cream teas (between 3 and 4.30pm).

The Pandemic is still with us. If you feel unwell, take a test before considering attending.

The tug-o-war should be fun for all but sit it out and cheer from the side if you risk aggravating an existing condition.

So let's all get together and help make this a great Village day to remember.

The Coronation Committee

Communithea



Another delightful event in store for villagers, family and friends to enjoy.

Get the **Flower Festival** in your diary and come along on either Saturday 17th or Sunday 18th June (11 am – 5 pm) to look at the amazing **Communithea**-themed floral displays on show in St Peter's Church, Charney Bassett.

Tea, coffee, cake and other refreshments will be available.

Donations for entry and refreshments



Charney Mill will also be open to view.
Make the most of this rare opportunity.



May Day 2023 on Charney Green

On Monday 1st May, there will be there will be the traditional May Day celebrations on The Green.

The new May Queen will arrive at 2.30 pm to be crowned, followed by Maypole dancing and refreshments.





In April, Charney came into bloom and saw Easter celebrated by each in their own way – attending church services, creating bonnets, spending time with family and friends, enjoying the arrival of spring, gorging on chocolate, taking a much needed break.



A delight of Easter bonnets created by local youngsters and the Thursday sew and social ladies



Willow

Again this year, thanks go to Anna & Sylvia plus a small team of planters and weavers, who prepared the willow structure for its annual 'outing'.

Did you know that the willows form a double helix (as in the structure of DNA, in this case special Charney DNA)?

Over the year, watch the willow rejuvenate, explore the structure or find your way to the centre where you can quietly contemplate the nature around you.



On 13th April a craft sale was held in the Village Hall. In addition to an array of beautifully handcrafted and unique gifts (not the Chinese mass-produced stuff beloved by so many), there was also a wide collection of very competitively priced sewing and crafting items available.

Local turnout was rather poor but many thanks to those who did come along and show their support and a big thankyou to the ladies who organised and ran the event.



Charney Bassett Parish Council

Agenda and minutes of meetings can be found online at charneybassett.org.uk including the draft minutes of the meeting held on 8th March.

The next Parish Council meeting is due to be held on Wednesday 10th May in the Village Hall and will be preceded at 7.00pm by the Annual Parish Assembly. An officer from the Vale Council's Waste Team will speak **at the beginning on recycling and answer questions**. Should be interesting: please come along.

Parish Clerk: Trevor Brown parishclerk@charneybassett.org.uk or 868282.

4th May Election news

A notice of uncontested election for Charney Bassett Parish Council was posted on 6th April and there are no councillor changes. However, there will still be a District Councillor election. Please don't forget to bring your photo ID to the polling station if you intend to vote.

School's Out?

McBains have submitted a planning application (P23/V0829/FUL) for housing on the old school and yard on New Road and this will be discussed at the Parish Council meeting on 10th May. You can find full details of the application [here](#).

Household Waste Recycling Centre Strategy 2023-2043

Oxfordshire County Council is consulting on its strategy for household waste recycling centres. If you would like more information and take part please click [here](#).



Charney History & Archaeology Group

Coronation Celebrations from The Charney History Website

From St. Mary's, Longworth, Parish Magazine August 1911

The Coronation Festivities [June 22 1911 King George V] at Charney passed off very nicely. The day's programme consisted of a cricket match between married and single (victory being with the latter), a procession of children and adults, carrying flags and singing a processional hymn to the Church, where there was a Service at 11 a.m. with special hymns accompanied with harmonium and violin and joined in heartily by a large congregation, athletic sports which took place in a meadow kindly lent by Mr. Clapton and a meat tea for adults and children in a barn kindly lent by Mr. Pinnell. Thanks are due to all those both inside and outside of the parish who so generously subscribed to the Festivities' Fund, as well as to all the ladies who helped to decorate the barn so nicely and worked so energetically and willingly to make everything go off so successfully. *Vivat Rex et Regina.*

Charney Bassett Coronation Celebrations, 2nd June 1953

The programme arranged for your pleasure is:

At 10.30 am – 1.30 pm

A TELEVISION SET will be available in the Chapel to show the coronation ceremony etc.

At 2.00 pm

PUBLIC OPENING of the bus shelter by Mr. J.B. Chapman assisted by the Parish Council

At 2.30 pm

SPORTS for the children and adults with lots of prizes to be held in Mr. Cox's field at the top of New Road. Children bring your tricycles & prams.

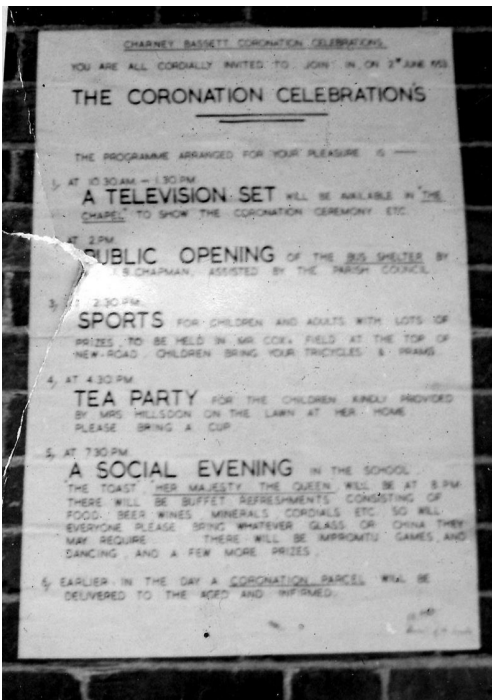
At 4.30 pm

TEA PARTY for the children, kindly provided by Mrs. Hillsdon on the lawn at her home. Please bring a cup.

At 7.30 pm

A SOCIAL EVENING in the school. The toast to 'Her Majesty the Queen' will be at 8.00 pm. There will be buffet refreshments consisting of food, beer, wine, cordials etc. So will everyone please bring whatever glass or china they may require. There will be impromptu games and dancing and a few more prizes.

Earlier in the day, a coronation parcel will be delivered to the aged and infirm.



The **History & Archaeology Group** will next meet in the Chequers Inn on Wednesday 26th April at 11.00am for an 11.15 am start.

Dates For Your Diary

SEW & SOCIAL SESSIONS (all welcome) - Thursdays, 10.00 am – Noon, Village Hall

MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS – Monday, 1st May, from 2.30 pm, Village Green

CORONATION BIG BASH – Sunday, 7th May, Village Green

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – Wednesday, 10th May, 7.00 pm, Village Hall

COMMUNITEA FLOWER FESTIVAL – 17th & 18th June, St Peter's Church, Charney

VILLAGE FETE – Saturday, 2nd September, Village Green

Charney 100 Club Draw

The results of the April draw are:

£25 No 117 Nicola Martin £10 Jaqui Crayford



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The [Police and Crime Commissioner newsletter](#) is also available online.

What's New On The Charney Bassett Website

[News from your MP – David Johnston](#)

Charney Bassett and Lyford Education Trust (CLET)

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

The Trustees are willing to support children who may need additional tutoring to address educational gaps, which have arisen as a result of the pandemic.

Online applications are welcomed at any time and forms can be found on the Charney Bassett village website (see below), or contact the Clerk Ruth Clements for further details at cletclerk@gmail.com

Applications will be considered by the Trustees who meet in January, May and September.
<https://charneybassett.org.uk/our-village/charney-bassett-lyford-educational-trust/>

DEADLINE FOR NEXT ISSUE: 20th May

Entries to: chatterinbox@btopenworld.com

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