

## The Chishills

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#### **SLOE GIN COMPETITION - 2022**

The annual Great Chishill Sloe Gin Competition took place on Thursday 24th February. This year there were 42 entries across 3 categories, all of which were sampled by the judges!

This was followed on Saturday 26th by the Sampling Party, when everyone had the opportunity to try the entries themselves. This year, thanks to the virus, things were a little

different, with the event taking place in the Village Hall. Also, as a break from tradition there was a raffle, a sale of the table decorations, and an auction of the winning entries of the 'Vintage' category. The whole event was run to raise funds for the Great Chishill Bell Restoration Project and more than £730 was raised.

The winners were:

Nouveau Sloe Gin

1st - Stella Russell. 2nd - Trudie Adcock. 3rd - Sue Maynard.

Vintage Sloe Gin

1st - Ivan Sharpe. 2nd - Ivan Sharpe. 3rd - Ivan Sharpe.

Ringers' Delight

1st - Sue Maynard. 2nd - Kathryn Farrow. 3rd - Rosi Maslin.



Ivan Sharpe



#### **GREAT CHISHILL VILLAGE HISTORY IN PICTURES**

A fascinating look at our village through the ages, with stories from local people who wish to pass their knowledge on to future generations.

\* Slide show \*

\* Sausage supper \*

\* Bar \*

\* Raffle \*

Saturday 23rd April, 6.30 for 7.00 pm at the Village Hall.

Last time this event was run five years ago it was so popular that people had to be turned away at

the door! Entrance is by advance ticket only, priced at £12.50 per ticket, Tickets can be purchased from Peter or Jean Wiseman on 01763 295002. All money raised will go towards the Bell Restoration Fund.





Sue Maynard

#### **ADVANCE WARNING - HARRIET'S TOMATOES!**

Once again Harriet and her Dad, Tim, are busy nurturing their home

grown tomato plants which will be for sale later in the year. As ever, there are a variety of plants producing fruits of different shapes, sizes, colours and flavour for you to purchase and enjoy. As well as a little bit of pocket money for Harriet, she would like proceeds to help two of her friends who have been selected to represent Hertfordshire, and indeed the UK, at the 25th World Scout Jamboree in Korea. For this they each need to raise £3750; this money also helps fund those less fortunate than themselves to attend the event next year.



#### FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL.

This year is election year in South Cambridgeshire. If an election is contested the Great and Little Chishill Parish Council polling day will be 5th May. The official notice will be displayed on the Parish Council noticeboard from the 28th March. Nomination forms (and full instructions) can be obtained by going to <a href="https://www.scambs.gov.uk">www.scambs.gov.uk</a> and following the link for elections 2022.

#### **GREAT CHISHILL CRICKET CLUB**

The winter is nearly over and the GCCC season of 16 league games gets under way on 30th April versus Birchanger at home. We have an additional new net on order to improve our outdoor training facilities and we also have sight screens arriving before the season starts. Last year we used 46 players for our 13 completed fixtures however we are always looking for newcomers. If anyone wants to get in touch and have a go in the nets, particularly any future Ben Stokes 14+ teenagers who want to take up the game and bring our average age down. The junior section is all booked up with 50 U11 children ready to commence training on Saturday 23rd April, we will also run additional "academy" nets for the keen juniors and we are organising some junior fixtures and tournaments. We look forward to a busy and hopefully sunny and COVID free 2022 season, anyone is welcome to pop along to support us and watch our home games and grab a cup of tea in the pavilion.

Alastair Cockerton - GCCC Captain.

### ST SWITHUNS' BELL AND CHURCH FUNDRAISING GROUPS

Would like to welcome you to our

# Coffee Morning

#### **APRIL 6TH**

10am-12pm

A unique chance to see the new bell and the newly refurbished bells when they (hopefully) arrive back from Oxford, before they are raised into the tower.

Future dates for your diary: **April 23<sup>rd</sup>** Peter Wiseman's Village Slideshow **May 14<sup>th</sup>** Maggie Mather's Musical Quiz

Both at the Village Hall.





#### JUBILEE EVENTS BEING PLANNED

The new bells will be rung on the morning of Friday 3rd June, as part of the collective bell ringing being organised nationwide to coincide with the Service of Thanksgiving taking place at St Paul's Cathedral. Afterwards there will be a picnic at St Swithun's.

The Pheasant will have an event - "Fez Fest" - running the whole weekend from Thursday to Sunday. It will have



live music and activities for all ages. There will be Morris dancing in the Pheasant car park (or perhaps garden) on Saturday 4th from 11.30 am to 12.00. There may also be children dancing around a Maypole in the

Pheasant garden on one of the days, but that is not yet finalised.

There will be an event at the Windmill on Sunday 5th June.

Please let me know about any other events being planned, including street parties, and I will publicise them in the May newsletter

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#### **PLATINUM JUBILEE STREET PARTIES**

If anyone wishes to organise a street party there are some 'light touch' Government regulations:

- Street parties should be self organised
- \* No formal risk assessment is needed
- \* There is no requirement to have insurance
- \* You may need to complete an application form, but check with SCDC. At the moment they have not updated their own guidance to reflect the Government's specific Platinum Jubilee advice
- \* No licences are normally necessary unless the sale of alcohol is involved
- \* If you want to close your road, all your council needs to know is where and when the road closure will take place. Or you can organise a 'Street Meet' instead on a driveway or in your front garden.

#### **BIN DAYS - APRIL**

Black Tue 5 Thur 21
Blue & Green Tue 12 Wed 27

#### St Swithun's

Sunday 10th April Family Worship 10.45 am

Sunday 24th April
Common Worship with Holy
Communion 10.45 am

#### **CHURCH SERVICES**

**St Nicholas** 

Easter Sunday 17th April BCP Holy Communion Service 9.00 am

#### **United Reform Church**

Sunday 3rd April Evensong 6.00 pm

Easter Sunday 17th April
Morning service with Holy
Communion 9.30 am
followed by tea and an Easter goodie