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WHO'S NEW?

CHRISTINE & ANDY RIXON

moved to Great Chishill in May 2009. They met whilst Andy was working in Barnard Castle, Co. Durham, where Christine is originally from, whilst Andy hails from Henley.

Andy's job was transferred to Puerto Rico, that lovely island, with its friendly people and sunshine, so every weekend during their 3 year sojourn there, was like being on holiday.

Great Chishill is obviously less exotic and they haven't yet got to know a lot of people, but because a village with a good pub was one of their criteria whilst house hunting, they are starting to meet people at The Pheasant. More opportunities will arise whilst Andy plays golf and when Christine joins the Book Club as well as the Ladies' Luncheon Circle. They are both keen walkers and appreciate the lovely countryside around here together with the expansive views from their living room. Andy is also a keen gardener and finds himself with plenty of scope here. At the same time, they are still making their bungalow "theirs".

Christine has a father in Co. Durham and Andy has a grown up son and daughter in Barnard Castle.

Northerners may have a reputation for being friendlier than southerners, but Christine finds that Chishillites say hello even if they don't know you.

Welcome to Chishill, Andy and Christine.

SAVE THE CHILDREN VALENTINE'S EVENT

Saturday 13 February
Town House, Barley.

Tickets: £16 p.p.

include a three course
Mexican-style supper
with a welcoming drink
on arrival.

Bar & Raffle.

7.30pm for 8.00pm

Tickets available from
Kate Gardiner on
838511 -

garfirtree@aol.com.

Look forward to seeing
lots of you there.



CUT-OFF DATE for
COLLECTION for our postman,
Graham Parish's retirement is
13 February 2010.

Judy Saunders and her family would like to thank all those people who sent letters and cards following Stephen's death. We have all taken great comfort in the kind words that have been written and been touched by the tremendous support that has been shown to us all over the last couple of weeks.

Thank you all so much.

A number of vehicles are having batteries stolen and elements removed to get to the lead. This is occurring across rural South Cambs villages and some farms are also experiencing missing batteries from machinery left overnight in fields and barns. If you notice anything suspicious please report it to us on 0345 456 4564.

Melbourn Neighbourhood Policing Team.

Gt and Lt Chishill Youth Committee needs YOU!

Currently we have vacancies for both Chairperson and Secretary.

We aim to hold quarterly planning meetings, which steer the direction and design of our Youth Club, incorporating the views of youth club members, with an annual AGM held in October.

As an established Youth Club (2.5 years), we now receive financial support from Cambridgeshire County Council to support the employment of a JNC level 3 youth worker. In addition, Gt and Lt Chishill Parish Council support us by financing a second JNC level 1 youth worker.

If you are interested in ensuring this valued provision continues into 2010, please speak to
Fred Smith on 01763 838513

FIRST MEETING: LOCAL RAIL USER GROUP

The first meeting of the Meldreth, Shepreth, and Foxton Rail User Group will take place on Tuesday, 23 February, 7pm, at the Elin Way, Meldreth, Sheltered Housing Communal Room. We will be receiving an update on progress in the ongoing rail campaign, and discussing ways in which local residents can contribute toward ongoing improvements. All welcome.

GRITTING AND SNOW CLEARING PRIORITIES

Please let me know your views on worst affected areas in our villages where no gritting or clearing takes place, for a priority list to take to the County Council. It would be particularly helpful to have views on types of areas, such as pedestrian links between sheltered housing accommodation to village shops, or untreated bus routes, and so on.

POT HOLE REPORTING

New pot holes are painfully obvious following the big freeze. There is a statutory duty to fill dangerous potholes on an emergency basis. The most efficient way of reporting these is to send an email direct to

street.scene@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

Susan van de Ven

Liberal Democrat County Councillor for Melbourn Division and District Councillor for Meldreth Ward

Sloe Gin Competition

 12 March
at the Dibbles,
Crosshill House

GREAT CHISHILL IN THE PAST VILLAGE SLIDE SHOW

Saturday 13 March
7.00pm
Great Chishill village
hall
licensed bar & raffle

tickets £7.50
including supper
available from
Janet Crouch 838301
Phil Maynard 838311
Liz Parkes 838380
Jean Wiseman 838263

Proceeds to
the village hall and

UP TO DATE ON THE
VILLAGE WEBSITE?
Many thanks to Dawn
Crow who was webmaster
before Phil Maynard

Mobile Library Bus
Feb 12, 26 March 12, 26

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE
Tuesday 16th February
when Robert Scott will
demonstrate
'Glass Blowing'

NEW POLICE STATION


Plans have been agreed by South Cambs District Council for a purpose-built police site to be constructed at Melbourn Village College.

SOMETHING TO SING ABOUT!

Royston Choral has been awarded a grant of £4,450 as part of the government's Grassroots Grants scheme. The money will help the choir to realise a musical ambition - to recruit and rehearse, in conjunction with Bishop's Stortford Choral Society, 120 singers over a four month period for the biggest concert in the Royston Choral Society's 35 year history - a performance of Verdi's Requiem.

The Society is keen for new singers to join the choir.

The choir rehearses in Royston Parish Church on Tuesday evenings. To find out more about plans for rehearsing Verdi's Requiem, call Heather Howard on 01763 249058 or e-mail heather@lemonyellow.org

 Big Band Swing with the Duxford Saturday Workshop Jazz Band
(& Maggie Mather singing)

Tickets from Liz Halliday 838699
or the Church Office 837272
Saturday 6th March 7.30pm
Great Chishill Village Hall
Tickets £7.50 including supper
(bring your own drinks)

February BIN COLLECTIONS

05	Black
12	Green
19	Black
26	Green

March	
05	Black
12	Green