News & Views around

The Chishills

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THE DIAMOND JUBILEE BARN DANCE

As part of the Chishills' Diamond Jubilee celebrations there was a proper Barn Dance at Hall Farm on Saturday June 2nd. Mark11 Ceilidh Band expertly supplied the live music

and dancing.

The event was very well attended and much enjoyed. Over £2000 was raised for the Bells Restoration Fund.

GC Bellringers organised the event and would like to express their thanks especially to Peter and Jean Wiseman for the huge amount of work that they put into clearing and cleaning the barn, organising the catering and hosting the event. Special thanks also go to Stella and Nigel for running the bar all evening, to Simon and Ollie for the donation of the keg of beer, and to all the people who cooked sausages and potatoes and supplied an amazing selection of puddings, and supplied raffle prizes. Many other tasks were also done behind the scenes and thanks go to everyone who contributed in any way to making the event such a great success.

Thanks to the Chishill website for this news

DIAMOND JUBILEE FETE ON THE PLAISTOW

The sun featured a little to keep the rain away and entice a large number of people to turn out for the PFA fête in June

It was a great success and many villagers and their families came along to enjoy the traditional games. The tombola, cake stall, bric a brac and food stalls were all popular. Celebration mugs from the Parish council were handed out to children aged 12 and under who live in the village.



A very healthy profit of over £800 was raised for the PFA. Thanks go to everyone who worked hard to pull it all together and also to everyone who came along and supported the event.

REMEMBER 1 JULY, from 14:00 (weather permitting)

GREAT CHISHILL

GRAND FETE

Tug-of-War competition, games stalls, refreshments. Village Hall & playing fields With Memorial Cricket Match

OPEN GARDENS

A big thank you is owed to everyone who opened their gardens to raise funds for St Swithun's Church.
Thanks go to Jean & Peter
Wiseman & their team for providing a beautiful venue for their teas.
The Taxi Service was the highlight of the afternoon for many and The Duxford Workshop Band entertained us with an afternoon of

Issue 4 July 2012 musical delights.

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£880 were raised which was the result of much hard work by many.

FOOTBALL END OF SEASON PROMOTION

Great Chishill has had a successful 2011/12 season, seeing the first



team's promotion to Division 1a after finishing runners up in their league.

The reserves had a steady but enjoyable season and had a midtable finish in division 5b.

The club would like to thank everyone from the village who support the teams every Saturday as well as all Vice-Presidents and especially John and Andrew Drury for managing the teams.

Nick Branwell

OLYMPIC TORCH RELAY

NEAR HERE Saturday, 7 July



Stansted Mountfitchet

11:58 start
Newport
12:19 start
Saffron Walden
12:40 start

NATIONAL BELL RINGING TO OPEN OLYMPICS

On 27 July everyone can join in a huge national ring when the opening day of the London Olympics will be heralded at 08:00 by 3 minutes of simultaneous ringing of church bells, hand bells, bicycle bells, Morris dancers' bells, market bells or any bells you have to hand!

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Great Chishill Village Hall 19:30 Tuesday, 21 August Cake Decoration

by Mary Jenkins of Mary's Cakes, Meldreth

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SPEED WATCH

Many thanks to the valiant speed watch team who have braved inclement weather over the years to try and make Chishill safer. Now it is for the police and County Council to take action.

DO YOU KNOW WHO'S NEW?

If there is anybody who would like to feature in the future Who's New articles, please let the editor know.

A NEW LIBRARY SYSTEM

Cambridgeshire County Council has recently installed a new modern Library Management System that will improve the library catalogue and provide a wider range of services, including a new Library App for mobile devices. This may have caused some disruption last month. Feedback on the new system is welcomed.

POLICE REPORTS

A confidential hotline to report drink drivers and those driving under the influence of drugs is being piloted until the end of August. Using the 0800 032 0845 number, which is available 24/7, people can get involved in the campaign by supplying police with information about drink and drug drivers.

After three recent burglaries from garden sheds in Foxton when bicycles, a lawnmower and a strimmer were stolen, here are a few tips to try and secure your sheds better:

- 1. Install a lighting system that covers the area of the shed.
- 2. Use a heavy-duty hasp and staple and secure it with suitable coach bolts and locking nuts.
- 3. Prevent the thieves from "window shopping" by obscuring the windows.
- 4. Fit a shed alarm to the door of your shed.

Imperial War Museum CCTV

POLICE have released CCTV footage of a ram raid at the Duxford Imperial War Museum. Offenders used a stolen red Land Rover to ram their way into the Visitor Centre on Wednesday, 30 May at 1.40 am.

FROM OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

SPEEDWATCH MEETING, GREAT CHISHILL

The county council officer and cabinet member for road safety have now accepted my invitation to visit Great Chishill in early July to try and understand the persistent speeding problems faced in particular parts of the village. Let's hope this produces results!

POLICE PANEL 17th JULY
The next Neighbourhood Panel
meeting takes place on 17 July,
19:00 for 19:30, at Bassingbourn
Village College. This is a public
meeting and a good opportunity to
voice any concerns you have.

SUMMER OPPORTUNITIES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Any young person looking for summer opportunities, including Duke of Edinburgh skills and volunteering, would be welcome to join in one of the Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Rail User Group's various on-going projects. Currently we have D of E students doing light gardening and taking minutes at Rail User Group meetings, for 'skills' and 'volunteering.' Please contact me at susanvandeven@yahoo.co.uk.

WHAT NEXT AFTER FIRST CAPITAL CONNECT?

First Capital Connect's franchise comes to an end in September 2013, and the Meldreth, Shepreth and Foxton Rail User Group will be responding to the Department for Transport's consultation for the new franchise. Please see

http://melbourn.org.uk/railusergroup/.

TRANSPORT STRATEGY At last the county council is preparing a transport strategy for South Cambridgeshire (together with Cambridge City). An integrated policy across the city and rural areas makes sense. This comes at a time when population around the city fringes is set to increase dramatically, and when the county council is removing its bus subsidies and building a new station at Chesterton. If you are interested in contributing your views, please take a look at the consultation documents at www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/tscsc. I'd be happy to receive any comments to feed in on your behalf.

DROP-IN SURGERY: Jose Hales and I will be holding a councillor's drop-in surgery at Melbourn Library Access Point, adjacent to the entrance to Melbourn Village College, on 2nd July, 14:30-15:30.

Susan van de Ven, County Councillor



The Church 13:25 - 14:05

MELBOURN LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri:

14:30-16:30Thurs: 17:00-19:00

Sunday: 10:00-12:00

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