News and Views around

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St Swithun's Appeal Auction raises £2000

From chandeliers and chaises longues, rocking horses, pedal cars and bicycles to garden furniture, golf sets, guitars and a croquet set, the St Swithun's Appeal 'Good Old Fashioned Auction' had something for everyone. TV auctioneer, David Palmer,





rattled through over 300 lots to help raise £2,000 This brings the Appeal Fund to within about £5,000 of the £50,000 two year target set in December 2014. The Appeal Committee wants to thank everyone who contributed by selling, buying, making tea and cakes, portering, clerking, barbequeing and more, to make a successful village event.



Great Chishill Open Gardens In aid of St Swithun's Church And our Parish Charity 'Open Door'

Saturday 19 June 2pm - 6pm

Entrance £5 (children free) Refreshments will be served at **Rectory Farmhouse from 3.15pm**

And.....

Entertainment from 5pm in The Marquee at The Manse With the New Essex Blue Grass Band See next page for more information)

Cann Twins Concert

on 2 pianos

Friday July 1 at 7.30pm Holy Trinity Church, Chrishall Tickets £10 (£5 students and children) 01763 837272 or iwp.erica.debnam@gmail.com

Charity Band Night

7.30-12.00 Village Hall Two

18 June

Bands

In aid of breast cancer charity

Walk the Walk

£10 from Tracey 07726 996694

TWO VILLAGE ICONS JOIN FORCES FOR A MUSIC NIGHT **SATURDAY 16 JULY** IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM **ONLY £10!**

The St. Swithun's Appeal Fund and the Windmill Trust combine to hold a Music Evening on 16 July. A fantastic line-up is planned. So far booked to appear are the Elderly Brothers, Out of the Blue (all the way from Liverpool). 1966 Reunited (2 guys who played in bands in the 60's reunited for the first time to celebrate their 70th birthdays).

A ploughman's supper and chocolate brownies are included in the cost of the ticket. There will be a bar and we'll have a raffle.

Don't miss out, order your tickets from: Hazel Hayden: 01763 838254 or email: hrhandmaj@btinternet.com

Village Meeting **Reviews Progress**

Parish and District councillors and representatives of village organisations reported a year of progress to villagers at the Annual Parish Meeting. Highlights: PC Leader Andrew Gardiner reported stable finances with £34k in hand, and an unchanged precept. The proposed telecoms mast project seemed to have stalled. District Councillors told of a difficult year with impending boundary changes, rescheduled elections and planning delays as developers challenged planning refusals. But there were successes too -£600,000 saved by sharing waste and recycling with Cambridge City Council. Speedwatch results were roughly unchanged with 30% clocked at 35+mph past the Pudgell, and 16% on Hall Lane. But someone passed the flashing sign on New Road at 72mph!

Welcome to.....

Lisa Mackenzie, who moved into

Barley Road last month. She has relocated from Yorkshire so was delighted to find a lovely village on



top of a big hill to make her feel at home. Despite working long hours as a consultant at Addenbrooke's Hospital she is looking forward to joining in with as many community events as possible and has already been to her first wine circle meeting!

WANTED - Old pine wardrobe, max width 45 inches FOR SALE - Single 3ft divan bed with 2 drawers, clean, good quality Sleepeezee

pocket sprung mattress £40 **Contact Andrea 838465**

You are invited to a very special party to celebrate the 90th birthday of HRH The Queen



The Pheasant Great Chishill 11 June 2016 Noon - 6pm

Music + food and Mini Beer Festival + Children's Fun and Games + Tractor Rides

The Parish Council will present Chishill children with a commemorative gift

A good old - fashioned village celebration - we look forward to seeing you there!

Women's Institute

21 June, Village Hall 7.30pm Dr Peter Greene 'Wicken Fen - Past, Present and Future' Visitors welcome - call Angela 837353

00 **Great Chishill** Village Fun Day Sunday 17th July 2-5pm Fun and games for all ages with teas, tombola, raffle, bouncy castle, dog show..... and lots more! To get involved contact Emily 836257 or Islay 838194 ۲ **BIN COLLECTIONS** Blue & Green Black June 4 (Sat) 10 17 24 1 July

Sorry I got it wrong in May!

Great Chishill Open Gardens – the Grand Finale Sunday 19th June: The Wedding Garden

After a delicious tea at Rectory Farm you are warmly invited to join us in the "Wedding Garden" and marquee, at The Manse on Barley Road.

The New Essex Bluegrass band will entertain us, there will be pizza (please preorder), ice cream (children can design their own!) or indulge in some good old fashioned sweets from the Wedding Sweet Cart. There will be a fully licensed bar so you can enjoy a drink while enjoying 'country/jazz' style music to close Open Gardens for this year.

The band will be playing from 5pm until 8.30. If you're not sure what Bluegrass is and what it sounds like, why not come along and have a taste?

Join in the competition to identify wedding flowers and try our raffle for both adults and children.

Early bird ticket prices are £10 for adults, £5 for children (Under16) and a family (5) ticket for £25, the price includes pizza and ice cream.

For tickets and any other information please contact Ro Gadian on 01763 837075 or email

1drakeal@gmail.com

All proceeds will go towards St Swithun's Church refurbishment appeal.



God Save the Queen!

A service celebrating the Queen's 90th birthday at Holy Trinity, Chrishall, 10am, with the Icknield Way Choir. And followed, after a short interval, by a brief service of Holy Communion (BCP). *Coffee and birthday cake will be served after the service*.

Royston Choral Society

is set to continue to surprise audiences with its next concert in Barkway Parish Church on Saturday 25 June at 7.30 pm

In a double bill celebrating the work of Henry Purcell, RCS presents the first English opera, *Dido and Æneas* (1689) and *Come Ye Sons of Art*, an ode for the Birthday of Queen Mary in 1694.

Dido is perhaps Purcell's greatest work, showing us humanity at its best and worst: triumph, deceit, sailors, witches, and to finish, Dido's tragic aria 'When I am laid in Earth'. With soprano Nina Bennett and a baroque orchestra this concert will be a stunning finale to Royston Choral Society's first season under the baton of Andrew O'Brien.

Tickets £12 (Concessions £9 school students £1) from choir members, on the door, or from Caroline Franks Tel 01920 822723 Email

<caroline.franks@rf152.co.uk>

From our County Councillor: BREXIT: WHAT WOULD COME NEXT FOR EU TRADE?

For a chance to learn more about just one aspect of Brexit, Dr Chris Grey, Professor of Organization Studies at Royal Holloway, University of London (and a Shepreth resident), has kindly agreed to speak on two occasions: Friday 10 June, 7:45 PM, Foxton Village Hall meeting room, and Tuesday 21 June, 7:45, Upstairs at the Shepreth Plough. Dr Grey has written widely on Brexit practicalities. Free entry, all welcome.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

Royston and District Community Transport serves Great and Little Chishill, and would love to hear from anyone living in those villages who could spare time to serve as a volunteer driver. Please ring RDCT on 01763 245228 to learn more. We will hold another 31 bus users' meeting in the autumn. **ADVICE SURGERY** at the Melbourn Hub every first Monday of the month between 2:30-3:30 – next on June 6th. Susan van de Ven,

susanvandeven5@gmail.com, 07905325574