

# The Chishills

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#### **REEVES PIGHTLE**

I don't normally print letters to the editor, but I thought this was worth it!

Regarding the article in the August newsletter, my belief is that Reeve's Pightle is named after the Reeve families (Reeve without an S) who lived at Home Farm, the house where Suzie Harrison now lives. Home Farm house was semi-detached - two separate households. In one half lived Len and Aggie Reeve and their sons Colin and Terry, and in the other, Len's uncle William Reeve, his wife Rose and their sons Con and John (my father). Len Reeve and William Reeve were both farmers, William died in 1946 a few years before I was born so I never knew him. I'm afraid I don't know anything about Len's parents but presume they lived there before Len and Aggie.

By the way, the Reeve family and the Reeves family are not related.

Sue Pegram (née Reeve)

A very interesting letter, but afterwards Peter Wiseman told me the true story. Apparently the name Reeves Pightle was simply chosen by the developer who built the small collection of houses there. He thought it sounded rural and traditional. The developer was right!

### THE HUNDRED PARISHES SOCIETY

The Hundred Parishes is a large, attractive area of northwest Essex, northeast Hertfordshire and southern Cambridgeshire, which includes Great and Little Chishill. It is largely unspoilt and richly endowed with many fine examples of old buildings and an exceptional

depth of visible agricultural heritage. There are ancient field patterns, ancient woodland, winding roads, sunken lanes and ancient hedgerows.

The area is largely unknown. Many folk who live here may take it for granted, forgetting how special it is or how far it extends.

The Hundred Parishes society (www.hundredparishes.org.uk) is a

membership organisation and also a registered charity, which promotes the area. We have recently expanded our activities by launching The Hundred Parishes group on Facebook and by producing a calendar for 2023.

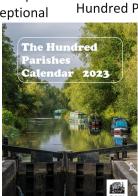
If you already use Facebook, just carry out a search for The Hundred Parishes. You do not have

> to be a member of the Society to join the Facebook group.

The Hundred
Parishes 2023 Calendar
is now available from
several local outlets
including Barley Stores.
It features photos of the
local area and can be
purchased for £10. We

hope many people will buy a copy to hang on the wall.

Ken McDonald, Secretary



#### WHAT'S ON AT THE PHEASANT IN OCTOBER?

Book up for Supper Club on October 5th (a great way to meet new people). The quiz night returns on Wednesday the 12th of October.

Thursday the 27th of October we have Theme Night at The Pheasant! Our themed evenings are always popular, so make sure to book in advance! Tel: 01763 838535

On Halloween, 31st of October, we will have an evening for the family. Keep an eye on the website for more event information.

Finally, just a quick note to say we've got Tom Huttlestone playing on New Years Eve! Bookings now open.

#### **COFFEE MORNING**



St Swithun's plans to have a coffee morning in the church on the first Wednesday of every month

The next one will be 5th October from 10 am - 12 noon. Everyone is welcome

#### **CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR**

Advance notice - The next craft fair will be on Saturday 3rd December. If you would like a stall please contact Lindsey Crawley on 07775 727541.

#### YOUTH CLUB

Great Chishill Youth Club is now open again after a summer break. We run every 2nd & 4th Tuesday in term time (closed Oct half term) from 6.30 - 8.00 pm, Great Chishill Village Hall.

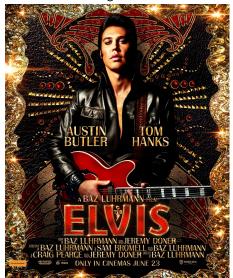
The club is for all local young people from age 10. New starters warmly welcomed, and any new volunteers!

For more info contact Emily on 07900 243491

#### **FILM NIGHT**

Tuesday 11th October 7.30pm in the URC schoolroom.

Showing ELVIS. A great cast starring Austin Butler, Tom Hanks and Olivia de Jonge.



Open to everyone from other villages.

£7 to include a free glass of wine. Tea, coffee, beer, ice-creams and popcorn available.

## CHRISTMAS IS COMING A message from Tess Gent

Now that we are back in the house I will be doing wreaths again this Christmas.

We also plan to repeat a village-wide Christmas event in December. It may be advent calendar windows again, or it may be something different, but we are looking for new and existing volunteers to take part.

#### **FLU JABS**

Have you booked your flu jab appointment yet? If not, but you are eligible, please do so. Call your local GP surgery, or try Tesco or Lloyds Pharmacy, in Royston. If you are eligible for a free vaccination on the NHS then it will also be free at a retail pharmacy

#### **BIN DAYS - OCTOBER**

Tue 4 Black

Tue 11 Blue & Green

Tue 18 Black

Tue 25 Blue & Green



#### **WINDMILL NEWS**

The Open Sundays for the Windmill have now finished for the year. However, if you would like to have a tour, please contact John.Wahlich@gmail.com and we can arrange an ad hoc visit. Don't forget that the windmill site is perfect for watching the sunset while the weather is still fine.

#### **SCOTTISH DANCING**

Monday Evenings 7.30 in the URC Schoolroom. We welcome anyone of any age who fancies an evening of a great fun, excellent exercise and good comradeship. We mix and match, so you can come without a partner. No experience required, just a sense of humour!

A wee dram at half time tends to improve the dancing!

#### **NEW AGE KURLING**

A new village activity taking place in the Great Chishill Village Hall on Friday evenings at 7.30 pm.

For more information contact Alison Truett 01763 838093. A cross between traditional curling (without the ice!) and bowling. Lots of fun.



#### St Nicholas, Little Chishill

**Sunday 2nd October** 9.00 am **BCP Holy Communion service** 

#### St Swithun's

Sunday 9th October 10.45 am Family worship

Sunday 30th October 10.45 am
Combined Common Worship with
Holy Communion

#### **United Reform Church**

Sunday 2nd October 6.00 pm (shorter service)
Harvest Festival Service led by Reverend Sue Fender.
This will be followed by the Village Harvest Supper, in the school room.

Everyone, including children, really very welcome to a Pot Luck Supper with a vegetarian option. There is no obligation to attend the service if you would prefer to come to the supper only. Please let Tess know (07721 398642) so enough places are laid.

Sunday 16th October 9.30 am

Morning service led by Reverend Sue Fender
continuing with the theme of Creation and the Environment.

Tea and coffee served afterwards.

Newcomers warmly welcomed to join us.