



The Chishills

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WINDMILL GUIDING

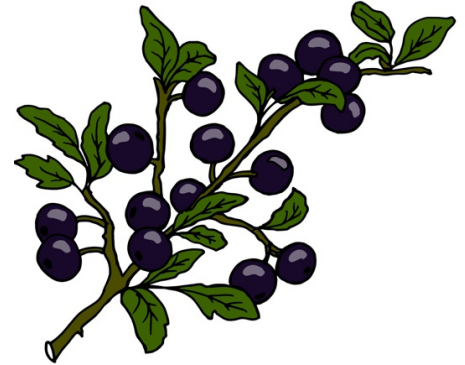
For the last two summers I have been one of a team of volunteer guides at Chishill Windmill. The mill is open on alternate Sundays from March to



September, when visitors can turn up and be shown round by our friendly volunteers - it's a popular destination for families. Three guides at a time are 'on duty' for 3 hours only, either a morning or an afternoon, and it is great fun and very satisfying. However, we do need more volunteers. If you are interested in finding out what is involved, please call me (contact details in the banner at the top) or call Neil Heywood on 07941 682052. Neil will give you excellent instruction before you are let loose on your first guests!

Will Parsons

SLOE GIN COMPETITION



Did you make any sloe gin this autumn? Why not enter Great Chishill's very own Sloe Gin Competition which will be held in February.

Entries need to be dropped off at 19 Heydon Road by Mon 17th Feb at the latest, with a completed entry form.

The results party is on Saturday 22nd February, at 7.30 pm in the URC Schoolroom, 7 Barley Road, Great Chishill. Everyone is welcome to this social, village event and all the entries will be there for you to taste as well as canapés and a bar.

Classes are: Nouveau, Vintage, Ringers' Delight and Non-Alcoholic. Entry is £8 per competitor, with free entry to the results party. Non-competitors can attend the party for £10. For full details please look at the entry form, found at www.greatchishill.org.uk

PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Great and Little Chishill Parish Council are looking for a new Clerk. If you think this interesting and varied role might be of interest to you, in the first instance, please contact Sarah Scott - clerk@greatchishillpc.com - and she can send you a job specification and answer any questions you may have. Thank you!



Royston & District
Community Transport

Royston and District Community Transport is a local charity. We have volunteer drivers using their own cars to "take you where you need to go".

The service is available to anyone over 60 and those with mobility problems and unable to use public transport. We charge 60p per mile to cover driver's expenses, with a minimum charge of £6.

The service is door-to-door, with the driver waiting for you, unless the appointment is over two hours (such as the eye clinic and some day procedures) in which case it would be a double run with the driver returning to pick you up at your request.

While the majority of our journeys are health related, we can usually offer other journeys such as to the hairdresser (or barbers), shopping trips and possibly social visits, depending on driver availability.

We do ask for at least two days

notice, to enable us to find a suitable driver. For more information, or to book a journey, please contact our office on 01763 245228.

DRIVERS WANTED

Although we are covering the majority of our journey requests we always are need of volunteers to give flexibility and easier coverage.

As a volunteer you would let us know your availability - for example, some drivers can only do certain days, or just one day, but any additional help is always welcome.

We ask for at least a mid-size 4-door car, as many of our passengers have manoeuvring difficulty, and we would check if you can accommodate a wheelchair or walker aid. You would receive 50p per mile, which is the amount currently allowed as expenses under HMRC rules, with the mileage charge starting from your home.

If you can offer us some of your time please contact our office on 01763 245228.

**Directions to the SNOWDROP viewing on
Saturday 8th February**

If you are planning to come to this private 12-acre snowdrop reserve, the site is approximately 8 miles from Great Chishill located off the A10 between Foxton and Harston on the East Side. The reserve is up a farm track and there will be a person in a Hi-Vis jacket at the entrance. It is safer to approach the turning from the Harston direction where the entrance is on the left and easier to spot. Approaching from Foxton requires a right turn off the busy A10. The What Three Words code for the entrance is ///lifelong.rivals.issues. The post code is CB22 7NJ. The entrance has a sign 'CP2' and is just before Cambridge Plants coming from Harston.



There are thousands of snowdrops, all planted by hand over a period of 30 years. This is a unique opportunity as the site is threatened by the East West



rail link and may not be accessible in the near future. We plan to provide light refreshments, as before, or feel free to bring a picnic. Donations are requested.

There are still a few places available, please let us know how many people are interested and what time you are likely to arrive. This will help spread out the traffic flow and give us contact details in the unlikely event we have to cancel due to the site being waterlogged. Please email info@greatchishillwindmill.com or call John Wahlich on 01763 838044. Any offers to help with catering and setting up would also be much appreciated.

FEBRUARY AT THE PHEASANT

Wednesday 12th February - Quiz night

£2 per entry, max 6 people per team.

This event books out quickly, so book soon!

Thursday 20th February - 7 pm



Paint and sip with Creative Canvas, "Lady of the Woods". Paint this Silver birch for Galentine or Valentine and celebrate friendship and love. £30 per person. Canvas size is 40 x 50cm. 18+ event.

Friday 28th February - Fishy Friday

Chef Ben and his team will craft a fine dining fish menu that caters to the most discerning palates. Indulge in exquisite seafood dishes, each prepared with the utmost care and culinary expertise. It's an evening of gourmet delights you won't want to miss!

Every Wednesday Evening - Pie night

You won't find a better pie in the area! Handmade every time.

Saturday Breakfast

Every Saturday from 10am.

IT'S NOT ABOUT THE WINE, IT ISN'T A CIRCLE

It's all about getting together as members of a community. No fund raising, just chatting and enjoying a drink together with some nibbles.



The Wine Circle has been going in Great Chishill since the '70s. Then it was a chance to show off home made wine. Now its just getting together, chatting, putting the world to right, finding out what's happening locally, and sipping something - usually but not always, wine.

The wine doesn't have to be anything special and the nibbles don't have to be anything fancy.

So - all this happens in someone's home, usually on the evening of the last Wednesday or Friday of the month - and herein lies the problem - we need some more hosts. Wine glasses are supplied so all you have to do is to be prepared for folks to turn up anytime after 8 pm, lay on a few packets of crisps / tortilla chips / nuts or whatever you like.

So how about it? Email greatchishill@gmail.com if you can anytime this year. (February 22nd will be the Sloe Gin Party so we won't try to do one then).

Phil Maynard

United Reformed Church

Sunday January 2nd

Communion Service 6 pm

Led by the Reverend Sue Fender

Sunday January 16th

Morning Service 9.30 am

Led by the Reverend Sue Fender

BIN DAYS - FEBRUARY

Tue 4 Black

Tue 11 Blue & Green

Tue 18 Black

Tue 25 Blue only

St Nicholas, Little Chishill

Sunday February 2nd 9 am

BCP Holy Communion

St Swithun's

Sunday January 9th 11 am

Pet Blessing Service