

# The Chishills

## Work Begins at the Windmill

A team of Rotary Club volunteers, from Saffron Walden and Royston, cut curves at the windmill site this week marking the start of restoration of the landmark. The Great Chishill Windmill Trust aims to preserve the mill in a stable and weather-proof condition for future generations to enjoy. A second phase seeks to make it fit to turn into the wind to allow the restoration of the sails without risk of overstressing the structure. Whilst permission must be gained for work on the Grade II listed building itself, the committee decided to start visible work on the site by uncovering the fantail track. This is the circular track on which the tail assembly wheels travelled as the mill turned into wind around its central post. David Telford, President of the Saffron Walden Rotary Club said: "We were happy to help out on such a lovely day with a glorious view and passing interests. We hope the exposure of the tail track will add momentum to the restoration project."

You can see more of the work and the plan at [www.greatchishillwindmill.com](http://www.greatchishillwindmill.com)



## Toasting Appeal Success!!



St Swithun's Church was pretty in pink for the second week of October, bathed in pink lights to herald operetta trio 'Pink Champagne's' lively evening of song, laughter and audience participation for St Swithun's Appeal Fund. Together with our sponsors Pinkster gin from Barley, pink champagne and pink-themed canapés the audience of 100 enjoyed a programme ranging from the 'Champagne Trio' from Strauss's *Fledermaus* to an Ivor Novello tribute and Lehar's *Merry Widow*. With a well supported raffle, the £950 raised takes the Appeal Fund over its initial target of £50,000 in two years! The Appeal Committee extends a huge thank you to all who have supported events over the last 2 years.

## CRAFTS IN THE BARN

**SATURDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> December 10am - 4pm**

**LYNCHETS FARM, NEW RD, GREAT CHISHILL**

**CRAFTS AND GIFTS MADE BY LOCAL CRAFTS PEOPLE**

**Teas and cakes, Hot Dogs**

## CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE

**Donations for the St Swithun's Restoration fund and the Windmill Fund.**

**Telephone: LINDSEY 01763 838897 for enquiries and Stalls.**

Children's Christmas with fun & games  
from Stripey Wipey, party food  
and a very special visitor!

**Sunday 11th December 3 - 5pm**  
**Gt Chishill Village Hall**

Free to all pre and primary school age children  
in Heydon, Gt & Lt Chishill. Book your place  
by 1st December with Emily 836257 or Islay 838194

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November – Remembrance Sunday**

**10.50am: United Service of Remembrance at Great Chishill War Memorial followed by a service at Chishill United Reformed Church with crèche and Sunday Clubs**

*Handel's 'Messiah' coming to Royston*

Royston Choral Society is excited about the forthcoming performance of Handel's popular 'Messiah' on November 26<sup>th</sup>, 7.30 at Royston Parish Church. As well as East Herts Sinfonia, the choir is supported by a stellar line-up of soloists including Nina Bennet and tenor Ben Thapa - familiar to X-Factor fans, as part the group G4. Laurence Williams, another familiar voice, and Tom Verney complete the talented line-up.

Tickets £15 (school students £1) from choir members, on the door, from Saffron Walden Tourist Information Centre or from Caroline Franks: tel 01920 822723 or email [caroline.franks@rf152.co.uk](mailto:caroline.franks@rf152.co.uk). Tickets also available at Royston Parish Church between 7.15 & 7.45 pm on Tuesdays 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> November

For information about the choir see <http://www.roystonchoralsoc.org.uk>

**CHRISTMAS WREATHS**

A choice of 6 different wreaths to order from Tess at [tessgent@gmail.com](mailto:tessgent@gmail.com)

01763 838941 / 07721398642

**In aid of St Swithun's Church Appeal**

**Farming Memories**

Care Network Cambridgeshire is working alongside the National Trust to create a new group for people who have a background in agriculture. The group is aimed at those who may be suffering memory loss or early stages of dementia although all are most welcome – including volunteers.

If you are interested in finding out more or you know someone who would greatly enjoy the group please contact us at Care Network Cambridgeshire Community Development on 01954 211919.

**Women's Institute**

**14 November 7.30pm  
Christmas Table  
Decorations with Janet**  
Visitors welcome -  
call Angela 837353

**FROM OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR** assume that people won't mind a stay of execution on the 31 bus if this can be achieved, as frustrating as it is to have this matter constantly on edge. The council has no resource even to create alternative provision, and my own investigations with community transport as an alternative have yielded disappointing results. I'm continuing to argue that with no replacement service for people who would be left stranded, it would be unacceptable to lose the 31 bus. The budget decision is in February.

*Next drop-in advice surgery is November 7, 2:30-3:30, at the Melbourn Hub - or please ring/email any time.*

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**BIN COLLECTIONS**

NOV	Black	Blue & Green
	11	18
	25	2 Dec

**Village Voices Perform Haydn's Missa in Angustiis ('The Nelson Mass')**

**Sat 12 Nov, 7:30 pm**



Often called Haydn's greatest single composition, the Missa in Angustiis was first performed in 1798. With Napoleon thoroughly defeated in The Battle of the Nile, the composition quickly became known as the Lord Nelson Mass.

Holy Trinity Church, Church Road, Chrishall Tickets at £10 include a complimentary glass of wine Contact Neil Marshall - [neil@nmarshall.com](mailto:neil@nmarshall.com) 01763 838122 for further information

**SARAH QUALIFIES** Our Parish Clerk, Sarah, has now become a fully qualified Parish Clerk and has obtained her Cillca (Certificate in Local Council Administration). She had to study for this and complete 25 written modules with topics including, law, finance, procedures, employment issues etc. To qualify Sarah had to meet the pass criteria for all 25 modules at the first attempt. *Congratulations!*

**Chishill Chimps**  
TODDLER GROUP

Meets every Thursday 10-11.45  
Great Chishill Village Hall  
Children aged 0 - 4

All local parents/carers and children welcomed for tea & cake, chat and play.  
Healthy snack provided.  
For more information, contact Emily 07900343491  
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