



The Chishills

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ACT OF REMEMBRANCE

All our local parishes will get together for the annual Act of Remembrance at Great Chishill War Memorial on Sunday 9th November. The event will start at 10.45 am with a bugler sounding the last post followed by the 2 minute silence at 11.00. Afterwards the Remembrance service in St Swithun's will be supported by the wonderful Chishill Voices.



Heydon and Great Chishill WI

Festive Wreath Workshop



Sunday afternoon
30th November 2025
2-4 pm

in Great Chishill Village Hall

£35 per person

Including materials and refreshments

Please bring your own Secateurs

To book contact Alison White
alisonwhite@sheepythings.com 07910 473 264

CHRISTMAS WREATHS

If anyone wants Tess to make them a wreath this year please contact her -

tessgent@gmail.com or
message on
07721 398642 as
soon as possible
please.



WINE CIRCLE

The November wine circle will be on Friday 21st November at 80 Heydon Road, hosted by Ray and Maggie Hill; time to be confirmed. This is open to all, just bring a bottle.

It would be great to see as many of you as possible.

THE PHEASANT - NOVEMBER

Saturday 1st November - Fishy Saturday!

This is October's Fishy Friday, pushed back by one day because of Halloween. Please pre-book your table to secure your place.

Saturday 8th November - Bonfire Night

We've partnered with the Great Chishill Playground again this year. Bring your old wooden furniture to add to the burn pile! Join the village in supporting the playground fund.

Wednesday 12th November - Pub Quiz

7 pm £2pp. Monthly quiz with Mark and Gemma.

Saturday 15th November Live Lounge - Vintage Vegas

Free entry; performance from 7pm. An evening of vintage Vegas magic as Fred pays tribute to Frank Sinatra and Elvis Presley with timeless hits and smooth arrangements. Booking essential.

Friday 28th November - Fishy Friday

Please pre-book your table to secure your place.

Every Wednesday

Gourmet burger night! On Wednesday evenings, we serve up gourmet burgers in place of pies. For more details of the weekly menu, please give us a call.

Every Saturday

Saturday Breakfast from 10am.

01763 838535

GREAT CHISHILL YOUTH CLUB

After much consideration we are sad to announce that the current committee and volunteering team will no longer be running the Youth Club after Christmas.

We have had a few years of struggling with volunteer numbers, and with over 30 years' combined commitment to the club between us, we are all ready to step down. We will really miss all the kids, their wonderful energy and fun, and ability to consume so many tuck shop treats!

It would be wonderful to see the club continue, and we would love to hand this over to a new team, so please do get in touch as soon as possible if you can help.

Please contact Emily on 07900 243491

HOMEBREW AND SLOE GIN COMPETITION



In the spirit of the competition's origins, this annual parish event in February will, for the first time, include a category for any type of homebrewed beer. This will be in addition to the regular categories for sloe gin and other combinations of fruit and spirits. We hope to entice even more keen foragers and brewers to take part in this friendly and fun event. These things take time to prepare and you will need to get your skates on to pick the last of this year's sloes or other berries and get them steeping. Full instructions can be found at <https://sipsmith.com/how-to-make-the-perfect-sloe-gin>



WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

This month's WI meeting, at 7.30 pm on 18th November in the Village Hall, will be a talk by Amanda Sutherland entitled "Make do and mend". Amanda is an engaging speaker and previously came to us with a talk about her fascinating career in film, television and theatrical costume design before starting her own business. She also brings with her a selection of beautiful handmade items which are available to buy. Visitors are welcome to come along to see if they would like to join.

Lesley Cannon

ARTISAN EVENING

The village organised a superb Artisan event in mid October, which raised an amazing £5,000 for the Playground fund. It seems that the setting up was almost as much fun as the event itself. Here are two separate pieces about it.



Who knew that putting up (and taking down) marquees and nailing down carpets could be such a pleasure? Once again, Great Chishill pulled together in true village style ... a blend of teamwork, planning, and just the right amount of "creative improvisation". What could've been hard graft somehow turned into great fun, full of chatter, laughter, and that unbeatable feeling of achieving something together. It's proof that when our village joins forces around a common goal, we can make memories, build community, support local businesses and charities and, of course, construct the occasional slightly wonky marquee, but a mighty fine venue. The coffee and bacon rolls did help to fuel the whole process!

Rob Weatherley

HARVEST SERVICE AND SUPPER

We were absolutely delighted to have 50 at both the Harvest Service and the Supper that followed immediately afterwards. Revd Michael Hodgson from St Andrews URC in Walton on Thames, gave a very animated and engaging service which the children, in particular, enjoyed! We were particularly pleased that the youngest member of the congregation read a lesson.

The windows were decorated with branches of berries, fruits, vegetables, nuts and all the other items we just take for granted. There was an exceptionally generous collection of toiletries, tins and everyday essentials for Jimmy's Night Shelter, together with a substantial collection from the service. Jimmy's were so grateful for our donations. It gave us enormous pleasure delivering Harvest food parcels to those unable to join us at the supper, and also the chapel flowers to those who are particularly in our thoughts and prayers at this time.



and so we sat around the altar table, for what it was used thousands of years ago.

Five different main courses with ratatouille vegetables were on offer and an amazing array of incredibly delicious puddings were so kindly brought and shared. The charming young in the congregation were fantastic and helped take orders, deliver and clear. A little sip of wine was enjoyed! and some had to be asked if they had a home to go to and reminded that it was a school night!!! It really was a lovely evening with a wonderfully happy atmosphere.

Tess and Angus Gent



I'm always reminded of the phrase "it takes a village to raise a child" and I thank God that we chose this village to raise our children surrounded by so many people willing to spend so much time and energy to hold events like this.

What a perfectly joyful evening we all had on Friday evening thanks to Tess, Helen and their incredible team! Not only have I been able to make a start on Christmas shopping but the evening was such a treat, catching up with friends and seeing every age group having so



much fun. Everyone was beautifully fed and watered and buzzing when they went home. A really special village event, thank you once again to everyone involved.

Islay Dring

THANK YOU

A very grateful thank-you comes from Jeanette Packer and her family to those who very generously made donations in memory of her husband Ian. Jeanette has very kindly donated all monies to the Great Chishill Playground Project.

St Nicholas, Little Chishill

**Sunday November 2nd 9.00 am
BCP Holy Communion**

St Swithun's

**Sunday November 9th 10.45 am
Act of Remembrance at Great Chishill War Memorial followed by Remembrance Service with Chishill Voices**

**Sunday November 30th 10.00 am
Common Worship Holy Communion**

United Reformed Church

**Sunday November 2nd
Communion Service 6 pm
Led by the Reverend Sue Fender**

**Sunday November 16th
Morning Service 9.30 am
Led by the Reverend Sue Fender**

BIN DAYS - NOVEMBER

Tue 4	Blue & Green
Tue 11	Black
Tue 18	Blue & Green
Tue 25	Black