

# Chilton Chronicle

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## **Charity Market**

The Charity market in January raised £734.50 for “The Porch” in Oxford supporting homeless people. Thank you to everyone who braved the wild, wet, windy and cold weather.

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## **Welcome**

Attached to the Chronicle is the first copy of the news sheet from All Saints’ Chilton and St Matthew’s Harwell.

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## **Parish Council Elections**

On 2<sup>nd</sup> May there will be an election for all 8 seats on the Parish Council; have you thought about becoming a Parish Councillor and being part of the Chilton community?

All you need to become one is:

- Be interested in local issues, but not just a single issue and have an understanding and willingness to represent the views of the whole community.
- An interest in being a professional and effective councillor.
- Be able to attend regular evening meetings.
- Be aged 18, on the electoral role, be a citizen of UK, Commonwealth, EU or Ireland, or resident within 3 miles of the parish, or own land or work in the parish.

If you are interested please contact Chris Broad, Chair of the Parish Council, 834347, Liz Morris, the Parish Clerk, on 834233 or [parishclkchilton@btinternet.com](mailto:parishclkchilton@btinternet.com)

or any of the Parish Councillors. There is also information on the Electoral Commission website <http://www.electoralcommission.org.uk/i-am-a/candidate-or-agent/parish-and-commuity-council-elections-in-england-and-wales>

Don't just leave it to others, play a part yourself.

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## **Memories of Chilton Primary School**

Our Reception Class Teachers are creating a Chilton Primary History Box to share with the children each year. If any members of the village community have items or photographs from Chilton primary school through the years that they would be willing to part with, they would be gratefully received. The Teachers

would particularly welcome any images of the uniform (or actual uniform!), the people who worked at the school, images of the grounds etc. Thank you.

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## **Café every Tuesday at Warm Spaces in Chilton Village Hall**

Come and enjoy a chat over a cuppa. We are open from 11am till 2pm every Tuesday in the Morris Room. Pop in and meet with friends whilst enjoying a hot drink, tea, coffee, cuppa soup, cheese scones, biscuits and home-made cake. There are also books to borrow and browse over. If you would like a lift please contact Norman and Judy on 834503.

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## **Chilton Village Song Circle**

For a limited time only, join a fun, free singing circle for 6 wintry weeks!

As part of Chilton's warm spaces, I will teach beautiful harmony music to enjoy in the round, like sitting round a cosy campfire. Meet people, use your voice and feel uplifted by the beautiful melodies and harmonies we will share together. No sheet music, no accompaniment, no performing! Just a short course of singing to brighten the winter.

Dates and times TBC (six weeks from mid-February until the end of March), please register your interest to Rachel at [upliftchoir@outlook.com](mailto:upliftchoir@outlook.com), or visit [www.upliftchoir.com](http://www.upliftchoir.com). All sessions are free and you can drop in and out, you don't need to attend all six. We plan to meet in the Morris Room of Chilton Village Hall. I look forward to warmly welcoming you!  
Rachel Holmes

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## **Oasis Cafe**

Oasis Cafe was launched in May 2022 as an opportunity for villagers to gather once a month for a coffee (or tea!) and a convivial chat in relaxed surroundings. The event is held in All Saints’ church on the 3rd Saturday morning of each month, between 10.00 and 12.00, and is free to all comers. At first a dozen or so folk dropped in to take part but in successive gatherings numbers have risen to 30+ and discussions have ranged from village history to electric cars and steam engines.

Next openings

Saturday 18th February

Saturday 18th March

Saturday 15th April.

## Valentine's Charity Market and London Marathon for Helen and Douglas House

There will be a Valentine's theme to the market on Saturday 11th February on Crafts End Green from 9 to 12 noon with beautifully decorated heart shaped cakes just for you and your loved one. There will also be Valentine biscuits, tasty individual chicken and beef pies, hot pasties, cheese tarts, breads, brownies, cakes, Chelsea buns and much more, jams, marmalade and chutney. There will be pots of Spring bulbs, books, jigsaws and a one off bric-a-brac stall. Please come and support this amazing charity.

In April, Marc Knight, who lives in the village, is going to run the London Marathon for Helen and Douglas House. Marc writes :-

### My Story

I'll be running the London Marathon on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023 for Helen and Douglas House.

Helen and Douglas House help local families cope with the challenges of looking after a terminally ill baby or child who will die prematurely. They provide round-the-clock care in a warm, loving environment where families can create happy memories in their last days, weeks, months or years together.

This is a charity very close to our hearts as they support a very dear family who are our friends. As many of you may know, in July 2018, after two years of investigations, Edith was diagnosed with a brain disease called Alexander Disease, which is a rare genetic disorder that progressively damages the nervous system. It is a terminal disease with no current cure. People with Alexander disease can begin to show symptoms at any time in their life, but most first appear in infants and young children. There are approximately 7 children in the UK with the disease and 42 globally.

Edith and her family receive regular support from Helen and Douglas House, including respite care and attending some of the special opportunities they offer, such as their summer party and more recently decorating the Christmas tree with the Queen Consort at Clarence House.

Any funding raised will allow Helen and Douglas House to continue to support many more families so that they don't have to face unimaginable heartbreak alone. To keep providing the care and love these families depend on, the hospice needs to find £3.4 million a year.

Thank you, Marc.

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## News from The Rose and Crown

### FUN QUIZ ON THE LAST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH

Next quiz Tuesday 31 January

Starts at 8 pm. Teams of 2 to 6 people, £2 per head to enter, drinks voucher for winning team.

Special Quiz Menu beforehand designed to get the brain cells working, £8 per meal, served 5.30 to 7.30: Chicken and Chips; Sausage and Chips; Chicken Curry and Rice; Irish Stew; Ham, Egg and Chips.

### SIX NATIONS RUGBY LIVE AT THE ROSE AND CROWN

Watch all the matches of this year's Six Nations with your friends on the big screen in the pub. Shout as much as you like without annoying other members of the family. Drinks at popular prices and complimentary refreshments during each match.

#### Saturday 4 February

Wales v Ireland 2.15pm

England v Scotland 4.45pm

#### Sunday 5 February

Italy v France 3pm

#### Saturday 11 February

Ireland v France 2.15pm

Scotland v Wales 4.45pm

#### Sunday 12 February

England v Italy 3pm

#### Saturday 25 February

Italy v Ireland 2.15pm

Wales v England 4.45pm

#### Sunday 26 February

France v Scotland 3pm

#### Saturday 11 March

Italy v Wales 2.15pm

England v France 4.45pm

#### Sunday 12 March

Scotland v Ireland 3pm

#### Saturday 18 March

Scotland v Italy 12.30pm

France v Wales 2.45pm

Ireland v England 5.00pm

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### RING FOR THE KING!

Chilton and Harwell bell-ringers are looking to recruit new/returning bell-ringers to ring for the coronation of King Charles III.

If you would like more information on joining in this historic event please contact:

Chilton - Stuart Gibson 07802261432

Harwell - Philip Roberts 01235 861409

## Chilton WI

The next meeting will be on February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.45pm in the Village Hall when Marcus Ferrar will talk about his life as a Reuters correspondent behind the Iron Curtain during the Cold War.

We look forward to seeing everyone at these meetings and welcome new members and visitors. For more information, please contact Liz Robbins 834501 or Shona Sugden 831723

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## All Saints' Women's Group

Come and hear Frank Dumbleton on "180 Years of Royal Trains". Discover some of the stories and events that have occurred on these royal journeys, at our next meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February at 7.45pm in All Saints Church.

Everyone welcome. Any queries please contact Judy on 834503.

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## Linda's Quiz

- 1 If you dial 123 on your phone who or what do you reach?
- 2 The ball in which sport is marked with dots of different colours depending on the standard of the players?
- 3 How much does it cost to buy Euston Road in Monopoly?
- 4 Who lives next door to Squidward Tentacle?
- 5 Which duo were the first pop act to tour China?
- 6 Which film of a Charles Dickens book was banned for many years in the USA because it was thought to be antisemitic?
- 7 Which actress did 3 early Carry On films but is best remembered for being painted gold in Goldfinger?
- 8 What does a storm become when the wind speed reaches 74mph?
- 9 Which name is shared by 2 totally separate UK cities?
- 10 A species of jellyfish is immortal; it never dies – true or false?

Answers on back page

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## Steventon Cricket Club - Cricket for all

A New year and a new challenge? I know you have heard it before but this one comes with lots of new friends, a beautiful village green and a bar! Things have been changing at SCC and we have built on the well-established Senior Men's teams who play in the Cherwell League and we now have Ladies Softball and Hardball teams, Junior Mixed and Junior Girls teams

from Under 11 to Under 15. In addition, we run All Stars and Dynamos Cricket sessions during the summer for 5 to 11-year-olds so there really is something for everyone!

We are welcoming players in all sections and it really doesn't matter if you haven't played before as we provide support from our team of ECB qualified coaches. This year we have received a grant from the FCC Communities Foundation which means by the start of the season we will have a new two lane net facility built to ECB Standards to provide state of the art facilities for our members.

Our Indoor training sessions are running from January and March with sessions for Boys, girls, ladies and men. So whatever your age, sex or ability, whether you are an experienced player or completely new to the game please get in touch by emailing [mike.day@covesion.com](mailto:mike.day@covesion.com) or call/send me a message on 07929 043733.

Its great fun, in a fabulous setting and it would be great to see you, oh and did I mention there is a bar!

Mike Day

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## Parish Council Notices

Please note that now the Village Hall and the Community Room are open **please do not use the car parks for private parking.**

### PCSO Tim Deane's contact details.

Mobile: 07976 978916

Email: [tim.deane@thamesvalley.police.uk](mailto:tim.deane@thamesvalley.police.uk)

### Defibrillators

Chilton has three defibrillators, one is on the wall outside the Village Hall, one is on the wall outside the Community Room on Chilton Field and there is also a defibrillator at Chilton Primary School, which is accessible whenever the school is open.

### Lights Out, Potholes, Fly Tipping?

These can all be reported on Fix-My-Street by going to <https://fixmystreet.oxfordshire.gov.uk>

Follow the link above and then enter an Oxfordshire postcode, or **street** name and area; locate the problem on a map of the area; Enter details of the problem.

### Oxfordshire County Councillor - Councillor Sally Povolotsky (Hendreds & Harwell Division)

Hello Residents, making more changes, in order not to fill up your fantastic newsletters and bulletins with my ramblings, please find everything you need on my channels below. I am always around, approachable, and here to listen, just reach out!

Take care and Stay Safe, Sally.

Find Latest News and Information online here.

<https://hendredsandharwell.mycouncillor.org.uk>

Find Daily updates / news and events on Facebook here

- @sally4hendredsandharwell

Share your community news on our new Group on Facebook - Search - Hendreds & Harwell Community Official - where we can share events / news and ideas together

You can WhatsApp / call me on - 07939 912997

You can email me on [sally.povolotsky@oxfordshire.gov.uk](mailto:sally.povolotsky@oxfordshire.gov.uk)

**District Councillor contact details.**

**Email:** [Sarah.medley@whitehorsedc.gov.uk](mailto:Sarah.medley@whitehorsedc.gov.uk)

**Facebook:** [Cllrs Hayleigh Gascoigne & Sarah Medley](#)

The next Parish Council Meeting will be on **Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> February at 8.00pm. This will be in the Community Room and the agenda will be published on the Council website.** Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Parish Council website can be found at <https://www.parish-council.com/chilton> where you will be able to find out details of all the Parish Council meetings, who your Councillors are, and other useful information.

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk (preferably by email) by the 22<sup>nd</sup> February. **Clerk: Liz Morris, 6 Latton Close, 01235 834233**

Email: [parishclkchilton@btinternet.com](mailto:parishclkchilton@btinternet.com)

**Parish Council Chairman**

Mr Chris Broad

14 Latton Close

834347

**Please Note:** The Parish Council does not accept any responsibility for the adverts placed in the Chilton Chronicle

*Answers*

- 1 *Speaking clock*
- 2 *Squash (Blue red green yellow double yellow)*
- 3 *£100*
- 4 *Spongebob SquarePants (or Patrick Star)*
- 5 *Wham!*
- 6 *Oliver Twist*
- 7 *Shirley Eaton*
- 8 *Hurricane*
- 9 *Bangor*
- 10 *TRUE*

Attached is the news sheet from All Saints' Chilton and St Matthew's Harwell.



## Greetings from St Matthew's Harwell and All Saints' Chilton!

We are well into the New Year now and we wonder how many of us have given up on those New Year's resolutions that were launched with the best of intentions but ran out of steam!

Many of us take an opportunity at the turn of the year to review what has happened to us and our families, our villages, our country and our world during the past year and then begin to look ahead.

A hymn we sing often in our churches was written over two centuries ago in 1773 when its author was reviewing his life – exactly 250 years ago!

*Amazing grace how sweet the sound  
That saved a wretch like me.*

Chances are you may have started humming along as you read the lyrics. Some estimations say it's performed about 10,000,000 times a year. WOW!

The story behind the wonderful hymn is its writer, John Newton, whose words summarise his gratitude to God for saving his life, physically and spiritually, during a severe storm at sea.

*Through many dangers, toils, and snares  
I have already come  
This grace that brought me safe thus far  
And grace will lead me home.*

Newton had been the captain of a slave ship but the storm and its aftermath focused his attention on God's grace and love. His life following the storm changed dramatically; this song is about his joy at discovering God's love. Later he went on to campaign for the abolition of slavery.

*I once was lost, but now I'm found  
Was blind but now I see.*

As 2023 unfolds we invite you review your relationship with God in all the storms of life that you might be facing and, if you haven't already, to put your trust in him and know his amazing love and grace.

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear  
And grace my fears relieved.  
How precious did that grace appear  
The hour I first believed.*

We hope like us, 'Amazing Grace' will inspire you and its message shine through. You might like to sing this well-loved hymn yourself or come along and sing it with us, you are very welcome.

Rev Pam Rolls and Rev Jan Radford St Matthew's Harwell with All Saints' Chilton

## What's coming up during February and March 2023

**Monday morning 9.30am-11.30am** – Fledgelings held in St Matthew's Church - a free playtime with refreshments for grown-ups and a snack for children. Singing songs and a short Christian focused story reminding us of God's amazing love for us and the world. Both mornings run within term time only.

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March at 2.30pm**, Generation Gold, this quarter we meet in All Saints' Church Chilton

**Wednesday morning 9.30am-11.30am** held in Chilton Community Room - a free playtime with refreshments for grown-ups and a snack for children. Singing songs and a short Christian focused story reminding us of God's amazing love for us and the world. Both mornings run within term time only.

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month** – Community Café at St Matthew's Harwell - please come along, bring friends and family for good free coffee and home-made cake.

**Thursday midweek Communion** – 9<sup>th</sup> February All Saints' Chilton and 23<sup>rd</sup> St Matthew's Harwell. 9<sup>th</sup> March All Saints' Chilton and 23<sup>rd</sup> St Mathew's Harwell. Everyone is welcome.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month** – Oasis Café at All Saints' Chilton – Everyone is welcome to come along to enjoy free coffee and a chat (always delicious biscuits and cakes too).

**Sunday Services** (please check our website [harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk](http://harwellandchiltonchurches.org.uk) for any updates)

**5<sup>th</sup> February** 9.30am Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am Morning Worship, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

12<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am Morning Prayer (BCP) All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am Chilton Interactive Service, Chilton Village Hall  
10.30am Holy Communion, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Prayer (BCP), St Matthew's Harwell

**19<sup>th</sup> February** 9.30am Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am All Age Worship with Baptism, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

26<sup>th</sup> February 9.30am All Age Worship, All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am All Age Worship, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Communion, St Matthew's Harwell

**5<sup>th</sup> March** 9.30am Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am Morning Worship, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

12<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am Morning Worship, All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am Chilton Interactive Service, Chilton Village Hall  
10.30am Holy Communion, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Prayer (BCP), St Matthew's Harwell

**19<sup>th</sup> March** **Mothering Sunday**  
9.30am All Age Worship with Holy Communion, All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am All Age Worship, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Worship, St Matthew's Harwell

26<sup>th</sup> March 9.30am Morning Worship, All Saints' Chilton  
10.30am Morning Worship, St Matthew's Harwell  
6.00pm Evening Communion, St Matthew's Harwell

Everyone is welcome to come along to any of our services.

## **Interregnum update**

Since 31<sup>st</sup> March 2022 the Benefice of St Matthew's Harwell and All Saints' Chilton have been in Interregnum. The churches have and will continue to provide all normal services, including weddings, baptisms, and funerals. We are blessed in our parishes with a number of clergy including Revd. Pam Rolls, Associate Minister and Revd. Jan Radford, Assistant Minister who continue to play a lead role in many aspects of the ministry.

In addition, the Churchwardens, Eliza Wheaton and Allan Macarthur at St Matthew's Harwell and Judith Russell and Yvonne Sanderson at All Saints' Chilton, continue to take on many of the overall responsibilities of the Rector alongside the Area Dean.

As we did not appoint a new Rector after the November interview day, we will be re-advertising. The advert in the press was released in January, with a closing date 12<sup>th</sup> February, shortlisting on 16<sup>th</sup> February with interviews planned for 8<sup>th</sup> March.

### **Who do I discuss things with when there is no Rector?**

Please contact either:

the Church Office (01235 834256) who will direct your query to the right person

**OR** speak to one of the Church Wardens.

**OR** if it is a Ministry or Pastoral matter then please speak to either Pam Rolls or Jan Radford our Licensed Ministers.