## Chilton Chronicle

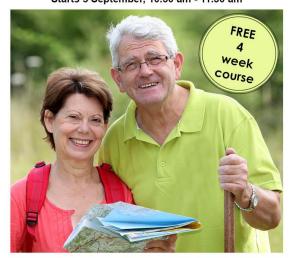
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## Orienteering for beginners

Fitness and fun for mind and body

Chilton Recreation Ground Starts 5 September, 10.30 am - 11.30 am





**To book contact:**Annalie Thomasson 07766 991487
annalie.thomasson@southandvale.gov.uk







#### **CHILTON IN WW1**

Would you be interested in helping with a project investigating the history of Chilton village during the First World War?

We are looking for volunteers to help investigate various aspects of life in the village between 1914 and 1919 including:

- the men commemorated on the war memorial
- servicemen/women who fought and survived
- everyday life in the village at this time
- photographic records of the people and the village

NO PREVIOUS RESEARCH EXPERIENCE IS NEEDED Find out more at these meetings:

Chilton Village Hall Committee Room on:

#### **Thursday 7th September 2017**

Chilton Fields Community Room on:

#### Friday 8th September 2017

Time for both meetings: 7pm

If you are interested in helping with the project but can't make either of the meetings or if you are not interested in taking part but have photographs or documents that you think might be of use for the project, please contact Barbara Hately: 01235 831935 or chiltonww1@gmail.com



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## **Charity Market Stall**

The market stall on Saturday 9th September will be for the Oxfordshire Branch of the Crohn's and Colitis Society. Please come and support us. There will be a great selection of White Elephant items, hundreds of second hand books and a wide range of cakes, tarts and jams.

In August £300.00 was raised for the Oxfordshire Branch of the Motor Neurone Association and £400.00 in July for "End Polio Now". Thank you to everyone who supported these very needy Charities.

## **Cryptic Quiz Sheets**

The next Cryptic quiz sheet will be out on the 9th September and will be available at the Saturday market on that day and also from Atomic Hair, Shea at the Rose and Crown, Audrey Slater at 9 Latton Close and Judy Goodall at 43 Crafts End.





Crafts End Hobby Horse Championships 16<sup>th</sup> September – See end of Chronicle for more details!



### New menu at the Rose and Crown

Shea has updated the menu at the Rose and Crown. Starters include Mushrooms in White Wine Sauce (£4.95), and Chilli Cheese Nachos (£5.95).

Main courses include Sausages & Champ (£7.95), Deluxe Homemade Burger (£8.95), Dublin Coddle (£8.50), and Irish Stew (£8.95).

Other pub favourites are still on the menu. Come along and give them a try.

The Carvery with a choice of roasts and vegetables remains on Sunday lunchtimes, £9.95 and £5.95 for children under 10 and free for under 5s.



## The Danger of Computerised Bus Timetables

The Chilton bus timetable was distributed with the July edition of the Chronicle. This was produced using the timetable on the bus company's website and a certain amount of human common sense to iron out the computer's anomalies.

However, when Thames Travel's timetable went on the bus stops in Chilton we immediately noticed that about half the new route 98 departures were missing. The 0913, 0943, 1013, 1043, 1113 and 1143 to Didcot were there, but the 1208, 1238, 1308, 1338, 1408, 1438 and 1508 to Didcot were missing.

It was evident what had happened. In the morning the 98s from Didcot go the Harwell Campus where, from the computer's point of view, they terminate. A minute later they restart and make a circuit around Chilton village before going to Didcot, so the computer identifies them as a Chilton to Didcot service.

However, in the afternoons the pattern changes and the 98s go first to Chilton, then to Harwell Campus where they terminate. A minute later they restart and go to Didcot. So the computer sees the afternoon departures from Chilton as a service to Harwell Campus only, and does not recognise the continuation to Didcot.

We pointed this out to Thames Travel and they reprinted the summary timetable we had distributed with the Chronicle, which they have now displayed on the bus stops at Latton Close and Main Street in the village. However, we have now noticed that the original information with inaccurate information is still in the bus stops on the A4185, used by residents of Chilton Field. Our advice is to stick with the timetable we sent with the Chronicle.

Even worse, the timetables in Didcot have suffered with the same computer glitch, but the computer is confused in the mornings this time.

The timetable at the Orchard Centre has a note CMS beside most departures on route 98. CMS decodes as: "Does not serve Chilton Main Street". The 0835, 0915, 0945, 1015, 1045 and 1115 departures have this note beside them. Again it is easy to understand what has happened. These buses go to Harwell Campus where they terminate. A minute later they restart and do the Chilton circuit before continuing to Didcot. So the computer interprets that as only going as far as Harwell Campus.

The afternoon departures from the Orchard Centre at 1145, 1215, 1245, 1315, 1345, 1415 and 1445 run via Chilton before terminating at Harwell Campus, so these are shown correctly as serving Chilton.

Thank you for reading this far, and we hope you now understand the folly of letting computers loose without adding a modicum of human common sense. Of course many people, even educated people, boast of being unable to read bus or train timetables. It is a good excuse to use their cars instead. These are the same people who would be ashamed of being unable to read or write!

Frank Dumbleton





We are a mixed group who love to sing a cappella close harmony

We sing songs such as 'And so it goes', 'Blue Moon', 'I got rhythm', 'Only you' and 'Tea for Two'.

We are directed by Bernard Soper, a very enthusiastic, energetic and experienced musician. We aim to learn our music quickly so that we can work on the performance.

We rehearse on a Sunday afternoon from 3.15 to 5.15 in the Chilton Community Room. (OX11 OUE)

## You are invited to an 'open rehearsal' on 24<sup>th</sup> September in the Community Room

We will be using this rehearsal to help us in the search for new singers for Crescendo. All are welcome

For more information please email us at <a href="mailto:info@crescendo-acappella.org.uk">info@crescendo-acappella.org.uk</a> or phone Helen on 07881 504623 and we will get back to you as soon as we can.

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#### **Chilton WI**

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 21**<sup>st</sup> **September** at 7.45pm in the Village Hall. This month the speaker is Christine Green, "A Creative Life". Christine is a BBC designer, paper cutting artist and will be giving us an insight into her creative life. Visitors are welcome.

We are a friendly group and new members are always very welcome. Just come along to a meeting, or phone Liz Morris on 834233 for more details



## Wanted for the Rose & Crown

#### Part-time bar staff

Shea is recruiting part-time staff for the Rose and Crown. If you are interested please call on 01235 862992.

### **Astons Online**

Contact Astons Online for Broadband and Wi-Fi advice. Free-of-charge drop-in workshop for the Astons, Blewbury, Chilton, Cholsey, Goring, the Mortons, Streatley and Upton. Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 10.00am to 12.00 noon in Aston Village Hall

You'll find a warm welcome at our event. Astons Online is the place to bring your problem using your computer, tablet, smartphone, email or browsing the internet. Our website is <a href="www.astonsonline.uk">www.astonsonline.uk</a> Contact us using <a href="mailto:theastonsonline@gmail.com">theastonsonline@gmail.com</a> or 07780 958249



## <u>Poppy Appeal 28th October – 12th</u> November

If you would be willing to call house to house during the end of October and early November to collect for the 2017 Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, please contact Hazel Benton hazel.benton@btinternet.com or call 01235 821714



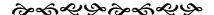
## <u>Chilton Churchyard Working Party</u> <u>Saturday 4 November</u>

#### We Need You!!

Volunteers are needed to help with tidying up All Saints churchyard on Saturday 4 November any time from 9.00am and finishing in time for lunch. This is open to everyone in the village, we would love to see lots of people come and give a helping hand for as long as you like as there are lots of jobs to be done to tidy up before winter and to have it looking good in time for the Remembrance Day services. The main jobs are: weeding the borders in the Garden of Remembrance, trimming and tidying round grave stones. and of course raking leaves. For those looking for a heartier workout (treat it as a green gym perhaps?!) there is some clearing of the French drains around the church.

While we have some gardening tools if you are able to bring your own it would be really helpful, not forgetting the gardening gloves. Thank you.

For more details please contact Judith Russell on 01235 832484.



# **Volunteer for Oxfordshire's Water- Blitz**

Volunteers needed for one day only! Schools, local groups and individuals are invited to take part in the county wide water blitz. Check the water quality of your local stream, pond, ditch or river and help build a water quality picture for Oxfordshire. For your free sampling pack register today by

emailing <a href="mailto:hilary@wildoxfordshire.org.uk">hilary@wildoxfordshire.org.uk</a> subject "Waterblitz" and join in on Monday

2nd October. EarthWatch have volunteered to handle the data and map all results on their global water-hub with the resulting data available to everyone involved.

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an afternoon of volunteering, plus jobs and

training SIGN UP to Wild Oxfordshire's email bulletin. Just click on their website <a href="www.wildoxfordshire.org.uk">www.wildoxfordshire.org.uk</a> Clare Mowbray Wild Oxfordshire



## Notices from the Parish Council

**Wooden Climber on Playing Field** 

Unfortunately this piece of equipment has had to cordoned off following inspection by RoSPA as some of the timbers are rotten. The Parish Council is waiting to hear from the manufacture about the next step.

#### **Overgrown Hedges**

The Parish Council has received a complaint regarding overgrown hedges in Main Street. This is particularly a problem at the Crafts End of Main Street where several hedges have encroached over half of the pavement width. This makes it very difficult to get a pram or pushchair along the pavement without having to go into the road. Please can householders cut back their hedges.

#### **Garden Waste Dumping**

The Parish Council has received complaints that garden waste is being dumped in the hedgerow along Lower Road. Please can this stop, not only is it unsightly it is also fly tipping.

Want to know what classes are on at the Village Hall or the Community Room?

Then go to the Village Hall website http://www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk and check out the Regular Hirers section.

To book either venue contact the Bookings Clerk on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk 01235 861253

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September at 8.00pm in the

**Community Room.** Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Parish Council website can be found at http://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 **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September.** 

<u>Clerk:</u> Liz Morris, 6 Latton Close, 01235 834233 Email: parishclkchilton@btinternet.com

#### **Parish Council Chairman**

Mr Chris Broad 14 Latton Close 01235 834347

<u>Please Note:</u> The Parish Council does not accept any responsibility for the adverts placed in the Chilton Chronicle.



## See the attached flyer for this event!

# Crafts End Hobby Horse Championships



Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2017
14.00-16.00hrs
Crafts End Green

- Races and Fun Competitions for all the Family (all ages welcome)
- Refreshments

Bring along your trusty steed (hobby horse)... Be creative...!

# Contact:

lindamcwhirter@hotmail.com or text 07800 512695 with your children's ages please