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### **CHALGRAVE NEWS**

The free community magazine delivered to homes and businesses in the Chalgrave Parish



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### **Dates for Your Diary**

Day/Date	Event	Location/Contact	Time	
3rd Tuesday of each month	Parish Council Meeting	Memorial Hall	7.30pm	
Every other Sunday	Quiz Night	Plough Inn	9.00pm	
Mondays	Dominoes	Plough inn		
Mondays & Fridays	Live entertainment	Queens Head	7.30pm	
Tuesdays	Darts	Queens Head		
Thursdays	Dominoes	Queens Head		
Weekdays	Book Club	Linda Hadden		
Thursdays	Zumba Fitness	Memorial Hall	7.00pm	
2nd Tuesday of each month	W.I.	Memorial Hall	8-10pm	
16th March	Games Planning	Queens Head	8pm	
22nd March	Community Meeting	Toddington Fire Station	7-9pm	
2nd April	Quiz Night & Supper	Memorial Hall		
29th May	Rogation Walk	Queens Head	10am	
30th June	West Charity Deadline	Norman Costin		
9th July	Chalgrave Games	Memorial Hall	1pm	
	Other Dates of Inter	est		
8th March	Pancake Day			
18th March	Red Nose Day	www.rednoseday.com		
30th March/13th April	Digital Switchover	www.digitaluk.co.uk/anglia		
3rd April	Mothering Sunday			
22nd April	Good Friday			
25th April	Easter Monday			
29th April	Royal Wedding	11am		
19th June	Fathers Day			

The Chalgrave News team produce The Chalgrave News in good faith and do all we can to ensure that no offence ts caused to any individual or organisation.

We also reserve the right not to publish articles and contributions submitted to us if they do not comply with our policy.

A belated Happy New Year to Everyone.

It has now been a year since we (the new News team) took over The Chałgrave News & we hope that you have enjoyed the 2010 editions.

We are always keen to hear what you have to say and would like to invite you to contribute your articles, jokes, photos, opinions etc; in fact anything would be appreciated....good or bad, from all residents of Chalgrave both children & adults.

We have a busy year ahead, starting with the Family Quiz Night & Supper on April 2<sup>nd</sup> (details on pg 15). The Royal Wedding I'm sure will be celebrated in some way or another by many of you, and the highlight of the year as usual will be The Chalgrave Games on July 9<sup>th</sup>. This year we badly need more help with various aspects of The Games, so please phone Su Parker on 873963 if you are able to help in any way, big or small. Without you we cannot run the event.

Please dan't farget ta submit entries to Phil Parry for the Community & Millennium Awards (which are presented at The Games), by  $14^{th}$  June.

Thank you to all those of you who made Tebworth look very festive with your Xmas lights & especially the lovely Ice Sculpture featured on the front of this issue.

The Santa Run, organized by The Rotary Club was a big success, but takes even longer now with the ever increasing number of houses being built in Hockliffe every year!. A big thank you must go to the Keech, Parry & Osbourne households for providing much appreciated warm seasonal beverages and food to keep us going on our way! A special thanks to Sue who even came to find us with the sausage rolls which were still cooking when we turned up with Santa!



And finally, it was good to see so many youngsters from the Village involved in The Crib Service at Chalgrave Church which was well attended and enjoyed by all.

We wish you all a great 2011.

#### Deadline for next edition: 2nd July

Please submit entries by email to: thechalgravenews@live.co.uk Or by phone to: Emma: 877327/Su: 873963 / Debbie: 877149

### Chairman of the Parish Council

#### June Horne

We were very saddened by the news of the death of June. She has been an important part sure they keep to the speed limit. If you are of the Parish Council for very many years as a Clerk, Councillor and Chair. As June had lived in the Parish all her life, her depth of knowledge had been tremendous and invaluable. She has been a great servant to the Parish in so many ways. We will greatly miss June as a valued colleague and as a friend. Our thoughts and condolences go to her family.

#### Parkview Lane

You will have seen that the lane has been resurfaced - at last. It now looks much better. Additionally, a new soak away has been created and the camber on the lane has been adjusted. This should alleviate the flooding problem. We shall see when we get heavy rains.

#### Potholes

We are aware of potholes in many of the Parish roads - including Featherbed Lane, the end of Wingfield Road by Tythe Farm and the lane leading to the Church. They have all been reported to Central Beds. We hope that they will be filled as soon as possible.

#### Precept

We have increased the precept by 3.5% in line with inflation. This means on average an increase of £1.12 per household for the year.

#### Lorries

There have been a number of articulated lorries speeding through Tebworth. We have attend any Parish Council meeting. reported this to the Police and have contacted the companies e.g. Fred Sherwood.

Unfortunately we cannot stop them travelling through Tebworth but we can try to make aware of trucks exceeding the speed limit please make a note of the number and company. We are looking into getting a lorry ban once the A5/M1 link is open.

#### Awards

We need nominations for the Millennium Youth Award (18 and under) and the Community Award. Both awards are a recognition for an achievement - perhaps sporting, academic, service to the community, charity work, coping with adversity, etc. The awards are presented at the Village Games in July. If you know of anyone who deserves an award please contact the Clerk, Lesley Smith (details in Useful Contacts) by 14th June.

#### Parish Assembly

The next Parish Assembly will be on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011. This is open to everyone from the Parish. You can meet the councillors and representatives from local organisations as well as the police and Central Beds Councillors. It is an informal meeting and an opportunity for you to ask questions and raise any issues.

#### Elections

If you want to be on the Parish Council there are elections in May. If want to know what is involved and the process, please contact Lesley Smith or speak to any member of the present Parish Council.

As always, you are welcome to

Phil Parry, Chairman



### www.chalgrave.org

### Have you looked at our website recently?

If you haven't and are interested, these are some of the things you can find from the INDEX

#### RECENT HISTORY

In 1996 John Pilgrim and Eddie Almond interviewed some villagers in and around the Queen's Head for 3 Counties radio. Hear firm Stringer -Who acted as "my old man's a dustman" with his daughter Wendy in one of the village concerts



MERITAGE TRAIL You can download copies of the Heritage Trail Map and see details of the 5 display panels



PROTO ALBUM You can find past and present photos of Chalgrave We are always on the look out for more please



USEFUL LINKS You can find useful links to other sites about Chalgrave and its locality



Hear Dot Brinklow and Michael Kingham - Outside the Post Office Dot was chair for many years and was then vice Chair Michael was then the footpath committee leader. Hear Cecil Brinklow -[No relation to Dot] First World war veteran. Was 96 at the time





Hear Colin Edwynn - Still our esteemed Queens Head landlord Actor and bit part player in a multitude of radio and TV and Liz Edwynn -Another star actor who played lead roles in the west end and Rep.



and see agendas for the next meeting

CHAIGRAYE

OTHER PARISH ORGANISATIONS You can get PDF copies of the Chalgrave news There are pages for the Memorial Hall Sports club



#### PARISH HISTORY In 1986 Stephen R Coleman from what was then Beds County Council produced an interesting "History Landscape and Archaeology of Chalgrave" that can be





Contact: Ken Green on 874107 or kenandlyn@tinyworld.co.uk with any comments or ideas.

### View from the House: Andrew Selous MP

Andrew Selous is MP for South West Bedfordshire and can be contacted on 01582 662 821 or selousa@parliament.uk

#### Getting the best NHS for the future

Most people care more about the health service than any other part of our national life. The NHS saved my life when I was 24 and had an emergency operation in the middle of the night. It was there for me when I needed it and I

want to make sure it is always there for everyone else too. This week has seen the publication of the Health and Social Care Bill and there have been some wild allegations flying around about it that are not helpful.

The Government is right not to be satisfied that someone is twice as likely to die from a heart attack in the UK as they are in France and that our survival rates for some cancers are among the worst in the OECD. The aim of the Bill is to deliver the very best outcomes for patients, free of charge on the NHS. To achieve this we will increase the NHS budget above inflation every year. More money alone will not achieve the outcomes we want though.

We will cut the bureaucracy which saw the number of managers in the NHS double under the last Government and productivity fall year on year. As we hand over power to patients, frontline doctors and nurses and local communities we will be able to make £5 billion of administrative savings, every penny of which will go straight back into patient care. That is the equivalent of 40,000 extra nurses. We have already put an extra £50 million into a new Cancer Drugs Fund to ensure patients get the treatment they need.

The power and responsibility for decisions about NHS services will be transferred into the hands of doctors and nurses on the frontline instead of more distant organizations that few people have heard of. The means that the NHS's money will no longer be spent by 'Primary Care Trusts', but instead by groups of GPs working in partnership. It will also mean that hospitals become 'Foundation Trusts' which are free from central Government interference.

Some people have claimed that these changes were not in the Conservative and Liberal Democrat manifestos. In fact there were at least six clear references to these plans. Others have also claimed that the changes are about privatizing the NHS which is also not true. We will never privatise the NHS. The NHS will always be there for everyone that needs it, funded from general taxation and based on need and not ability to pay.

We do want patients to be able to choose to be treated wherever they want, whether in an NHS hospital or one in the voluntary or private sector as happens already in many European countries. We will not set a target for the amount of private sector involvement in the NHS as the last Government did and nor will we pay the private sector more than the NHS, again as also happened under the last Government.

### Welcome from All Saints Church



All Sunday Services at 9.30am are Sung Holy Communion.

On the first Sunday

in each month we heve e shorter service, sometimes accompanied by a band, and as the service is child friendly as we do not have a Sunday School.

#### **Mother God**

Sunday 3rd April will be Mothering Sunday, a day when mums up and down the country are given a rest and spoiled with breakfast in bed, a fabulous bouquet of flowers, and a day free from the usual household chores of washing, ironing, cleaning and generally clearing up after everyone else. Well, I'm hoping that will be the case in the Crawford household, but.....?!

Mothering Sunday (not the same as Mother's Day, an American secular celebration held in May) is of course a Christian Festival which honours and gives thanks for the Mother Church which brings us to spiritual birth and nurtures our faith in God. It falls half way through the penitential season of Lent, and historically it was the day when girls and boys in service were given a Sunday off to visit their mothers and spend the day at home with their families, many of them taking along a Simnel Cake to be eaten at Easter. Mothering Sunday was also the day when Christians were encouraged to attend the church of their baptism – the church where they were brought to spiritual birth in the waters of the font, ie their 'mother' church.

Mothering Sunday is also a day when we recognise that the love of God for us is not only mirrored in the unconditional love we receive from our own mothers, but also in the love and care we receive from others, be they man, woman, child, friend or stranger. As Christians we are all mothers if we help others to come to know Jesus – we help to give birth to faith, to new life and new hope in the people we meet. 'Mother's Day' is too narrow a name for Mothering Sunday because in truth everyone can 'mother' another person.

On Mothering Sunday we celebrate the motherly love which surrounds us every day, and we give thanks for the motherly love of God, who brought us to birth

physically and spiritually and provides us with all we need to live life on this beautiful planet.

Lots of people think that the idea of a 'mother' God is something of a modern feminist notion, but it has its roots deep in the Old Testament and in ancient church tradition. St Anselm who was Archbishop of Canterbury in the 11th century wrote prayers to 'our

mother Jesus', and we hear Jesus being referred to as our mother in the writings of people like Julian of Norwich 600 years ago. When we look in the new testament, in Matthew and Luke's Gospels, we find Jesus referring to himself as being like a mother hen to his people, longing to bring us, his chicks, under his

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wing for safety and comfort. And because I love that image of Jesus as a mother I have a beautiful hen with her chicks embroidered on the stole I wear when conducting services in church – especially appropriate for Mothering Sunday!

We're used to God being likened to an eagle in the Old Testament, powerful and magnificent, soaring high above the earth, but a mother hen is a much gentler image. Jesus teaches that his love is there to provide protection, we are tucked under the safe and gentle wings of his love, gathered together with our brothers and sisters and kept safe from anything that can harm us.

We give thanks on Mothering Sunday for all those people we know and love who have nurtured us in the faith of Christ, for those people, men, women and children, who have brought new life to birth in us. Take some time this Mothering Sunday to think about who may be a Mother Hen for you - who nurtures your life and shelters you from the storms of life? And then give thanks to God for them.

With every blessing for a holy Lent, a happy Mothering Sunday and a joyful Easter,

Anne

#### Church Calendar 2011 at a Glance

7" March - Fund Raising Meeting - 7pm The Plough

10<sup>th</sup> Murch – Beetle Drive with a sausage and mash supper 7 for 7.30 at The Memorial Hall 10<sup>th</sup> April – Annual Parochial Church Meeting – After Sunday Service

17 April – Bishop Richard joining All Saints Chalgrave for Palm Sunday 9.30am

18th April – Compline All Saints, Chalgrave 21th April – Maundy Thursday Service at All Saints, Chalgrave

22" May – Sponsored walk – to raise money for All Saints Church

27th May – Messy Church – Family fun and Worship at the Wilkinson Hall 3.45-5.30pm 1 June to 30th September – the church will be open for tea and coffee, Saturday morning 10.30 to 12.00 and every Sunday afternoon 2-4pm 21th June – Messy Church

14" July - Bishop Richard to join a joint PCC meeting at the Vicarage

11" September – Pig Roast and Fete – All Saints Church

22 October - SPAB Course - How to look after medieval Churches

#### PCC meetings

Should you want to raise any points with the PCC then please let me know on 01525 210161 or diarcrw@aol.com and I will add to the agenda. Meetings are held every two months:

31/03/11 26/05/11 28/07/11 29/09/11 24/11/11

#### What's happening?

The new heating is in and makes a big difference to the Sunday morning service.

The Beetle Drive – is with a sausage and mash supper at the Memorial Hall all profits will go to the Church.

It starts at 7.30pm and tickets can be bought from Kate Smith, Margaret Chalmers, Beverley Crowe, and Steve Oliver. Prices: £6 adult, Under 12 £4.00

Eve Oliver has agreed to be the Chef for the night, there will not be a bar but please bring along any drink for the evening.

#### Church Sign

We have asked the Council if we can erect a sign on the A5120, on the triangle piece of grass at the top of the lane. We are hoping that it will encourage people to join our Worship, as some people think the Church in the field is not used.

#### Donkey Wanted

Do you have a donkey that we could borrow for Palm Sunday? If you do, please can you contact myself on 01525 210161 or Anne on 01525 872298

#### Messy Church - Volunteers

\*Messy Church\* is a way for families who might want to meet Jesus, belong to their local church and bring up their children as Christians in a group setting. It's a once-a-month time of creativity, worship and eating together. Its early days for All Saints, Chalgrave in organising this, but we do require people to help. So if you feel you can help, then please let Anne know. - Thank you.

Service Times

1st 2nd, 3nd and 4th Sundays of the month 9.30am Parish Communion

5th Sunday - Joint service with St George's Toddington. Please see notice board for time and place.

Should you have any fund raising suggestions or are part of a group that you would like mentioned then please do not hesitate to call Beverley Crowe military and communication of the state of the stat



### Street Party in Tebworth to celebrate the Royal Wedding



Friday 29th April

3pm to 8pm

Venue to be confirmed

Bring food to share and your own drinks

A short questionnaire will be sent to you so that we can gauge interest.



Contact: Phil Parry on 01525 875169 Email: philparry1@live.co.uk

# Let's Talk Together

### Community Meeting for the Leighton Rural area

Let's Talk Together community meetings are for local residents to come along and speak to the organisations who supply public services, share views on local issues and help shape community safety priorities.

Please come along and tell us what matters to you.

Tuesday 22nd March 2011

**Toddington Fire Station**, Dunstable Road, Toddington, Beds. LU5 6DR 7pm – 9pm

Meeting will be chaired by Councillor Tom Nicols, Central Bedfordshire Council.

There's no need to book, just drop in when you can. For the first half of the meeting public service providers will be on hand to answer your questions. In the second half of the meeting we will set the local community safety priorities for the area together.



### Dog Poo—The Owner's Responsibility!

Unfortunately the perennial problem of dog's mess still hasn't gone away, in fact it seems to be particularly bad in some areas, so bad that below is a message we have received from a local (dog owning) resident, and we have to agree with her!

Please remember that the Public footpaths are there for everyone to use and enjoy. It is unpleasant enough to have to step over mess which has been deposited on the pathway by a dog, but even worse when owners just leave it there, as so often seems to be the ease around the fields.

Whilst we realize some of this may come from outsiders driving to the country to walk their dogs, it is the owners responsibility to ensure that the dogs bins are used.







Nice thought.....

Preferred option!

Then place in one of these!

The council receive many complaints regarding dog mess not being picked up. The following is taken from the Central Beds Council website:

The council's dog wardens have the power to hand out **fixed penulties of £75** to any dog owners who don't clean up after their pet when it's in a public place. Dog walkers must scoop their dog's mess up from all designated land to which the public have access.

If you want to report a problem with dog mess, please call 0300 300 8631 (North)/8632 (South) or email customer.services@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk

If you are a dog owner, here are some things you can do to help:

- If you walk your dog always carry the means to clear up after them. A simple plastic bag will do the trick or buy a poop scoop from a local pet shop. You can also buy biodegradable plastic 'Doggy Bags' from a number of pet supply retailers.
- Every time your dog fouls, bag it and bin it. Take the poop scoop home and dispose of it there or use one of the bins if available. Remember rain does not wash the problem away.
- Never let your dog out alone to "go to the loo".

I am a dog owner in Tebworth, who, when walking the other day was horrified by the amount of dog poo left on the public footpaths in the area.

It was not a pleasant walk, instead of looking at the lovely countryside, I had to keep my eyes on the ground to avoid stepping in it. It's no wonder so many people are unti dogs!

Please pick it up and give us a good name.

Sarah

### **Gourmet Evening at The Plough**

Since moving to Chalgrave in 2004 we have been avid supporters of local events. As we are also interested in anything foodie, we were amongst the first to put our names down for the recent "Gourmet Evening" at The Plough.

Usually when out to dinner, I let Paul taste the dishes that I have ordered, seems fair given that he pays the bill. But on this occasion there was no way I was sharing, so he was only offered a potato I couldn't manage.

Wikipedia tells me that, as they were selected by the chef rather than the diners. the correct term for the scotched quails egg, smoked salmon spring roll and crab pate on mini toast that started the meal is "amuse gueule" or "amuse bouche", which translate as "titbit" and "mouth amuser" respectively. They are designed to excite the taste buds and demonstrate the chefs approach to cooking, and a very good job they made of it.

Scallops with black pudding and pea puree and baked goats cheese with beetroot, honey and thyme were the starters. My scallops were excellent, sufficiently full of flavour not to be overpowered by the black pudding. Main courses, herb crusted lamb that melted in the mouth or partridge cooked two ways, which I am told was good, but did not get to try.

The hardest decision was choosing the pudding.



The chocolate pudding with cherries looked lovely, but I went Debbie Hampson for the trio of

boozy desserts, Cointreau jelly, Tia Maria ice cream and Baileys cheesecake and they were delicious.

Having eaten four courses I was beginning to struggle, then the cheese board appeared. It took two chefs to carry it in and it was a delight. A great selection of locally sourced cheeses, (Wobbly Bottom was my favourite) with figs, grapes, apple, celery, you just had to try everything.



The food was excellent and at £40 a head I thought it was good value too.



Compliments to chefs Fred McGinty and Ben Burden who, hopefully, will be persuaded to put on another such evening again very soon.



Pancake

Pancake Day or Shrove Tuesday, as it is also known, is the traditional feast day before Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent.

Lent marks the 40 days leading up to Easter and was traditionally a period of fasting. The name Shrove comes from the word 'shrive' which means to confess.

Makes approx. 15 pancakes

#### Ingredients:

- 300g plain flour
- 4 eggs, lightly beaten
- 500ml milk
- buttet
- 60ml lemon juice, approx
- 2 tablespoons caster sugar, approx

#### Method:

- 1. Sift the flour into a bowl. Combine the eggs and milk then add to the flour. Mix until the batter is smooth then cover and leave to stand for 30 minutes.
- 2. Lightly grease a heated pan with butter then pour in about 3 tablespoons of batter. Tilt the pan to spread the batter evenly. Cook until a light golden brown underneath, flip and cook the other side.
- 3. Keep pancakes warm while cooking remaining batter. Serve the pancakes sprinkled with lemon and sugar.

#### Did you know ...

The world record for the highest pancake toss is 329cm.



Do Something **Funny for Money** 

18 March 2011

The Comic Relief Red Nose Day takes place this year on 18th March.

If you and your friends and family or your organisation are doing '... something funny for money', then let us know and we can print the details of your fun and efforts in the next edition of the News. Don't forget to take photos to send to us too.

Remember to stock up on your Red Nose essentials at Sainsbury's and Oxfam and pick up your Red Nose Tshirts, designed by Vivienne Westwood, from T.K. Maxx. Alternatively, visit www.rednoseday.com to buy, get fundraising ideas, fun kids games and more.



#### Digital Switchover Reminder



Recently you will have received a guide to switchover through the post that outlines the details of the switchover and how it will affect you.

In our region digital switchover takes place in two stages on 30th March and 13th April.

Remember that you will not need to buy a new TV as you can convert your current one with a digital box connected to the TV.



For further details visit www.digitaluk.co.uk/anglia or call 08456 50 50 50.

If you are eligible for the Help Scheme visit helpscheme.co.uk or call 0800 40 85 900.



#### Question:

Does anybody have a straightforward answer as to why Easter moves about every year? We seem to agree that Jesus was born on the same date each year, so why didn't he die on the same date each year? Christmas doesn't move so why should Easter? Should be on the same date every year, don't you think?

#### Interesting Fact:

Did you know that...

It took the previous Government 9 years to sign contracts to widen the M25 between junctions 16-23?

They paid out over £80 million to consultants!

It came to light that it would have been considerably cheaper to have hard shoulder running, rather than widen it.

This information is from Public Accounts Committee chaired by Margaret Hodge. All a bit late now then!

The good news is that it should all be done by the time the Olympics start, perhaps they might get a move on with the M1 while they are about it!

### Grumpy Old.....

By the way, with 50% of speed cameras switched off, could anybody tell me if the average ones on the M1 are working, as it is driving me up the wall doing 50mph every time I go up or down it! How can it take so long to put in hard shoulder running, when the hard shoulder is already there! How difficult can it be? Perhaps they are using the same consultants they used on the M251



Announcing our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual .....

# FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 2 APRIL 2011 CHALGRAVE MEMORIAL HALL **TEBWORTH** 

# 1st PRIZE £100

6.30pm start

#### FISH 'N' CHIP SUPPER INCLUDED

A fun evening for ALL the family Teams of up to 8 (including children)

£4 child (under 16) £8 Adult Tickets from Punch Opticians, Toddington Su 01525 873963

Entry by pre-purchased ticket ONLY

BAR!!

### Chalgrave W.I. - Reborn!

We are now officially set up as the Chalgrave W.I. We have 30 members currently, of which, 3 were members of the original group which folded around 20 years ago.

In December we held a "pot luck" supper with Christmas crafts. At our January pamper evening Sandy Ryan and Tina Cocking gave an excellent summary and demonstration of different holistic therapy treatments. I have been able to put these new skills into practice and my daughter, Phoebe, is now a keen advocate of Indian Head Massage!

At our last meeting we showed the film "Julie and Julia" about a woman's aim to cook her way through Julia Child's "Mastering the Art of French Cooking" in one year. Popcorn, nachos and chocolate were served. Lesley Mead made an excellent "Reine de Saba" (Queen of Sheba) chocolate and almond cake from the Julie Child cook book and we were amazed to see the identical cake featured in the film!

Details of our future branch meetings are shown below. We would welcome new members so please contact me if you are interested in joining or if you would like to learn more. Our Towcester races trip will be open to non members (even men!) so do get in touch if you would like to join us.

#### Debbie Parry

Chalgrave WI (07770 543797, debbie.parry@accenture.com)

Day / Date	Time	Details	Location
Tue 08-Mar 8pm		Dog obedience demonstration	Memorial Hall
	<del> </del>	Speaker Helen Mead with Majic, Nevan and Griff	Memorial Hall
<b>=</b> 42.4		Royal Wedding Celebration,	
Tue 12-Apr	8pm	Indoor street party. Red, White & Blue theme.	
	<del> </del>	Best decorated hat competition and Royal themed quiz.	Memorial Hall
		Pamper evening – choice of mini treatments	
		· Mini manicure	
Tue 10-May	8pm	· Indian Head massage	
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		· Reiki	
		Back, neck and shoulder massage	Memorial Hall
Fri 20-May Evening	Evening	Towcester races - Ladies Night (£10 plus travel)	
Pri 20-iviay		Friends and Family Welcome	Towcester
Tue 14-Jun	8pm	Dream Interpretation - Frances Masters	Memorial Hall
		Image Consultant	
Tue 12-Jul	8pm	Wardrobe and shopping tips	
		How to use accessories	
		Life beyond "safe" black trousers	
		How to dress for your shape	Memorial Hall
Tue 09-Aug	TBC	Family picnic/barbecue	Memorial Hall
Tue 13-Sep	8pm	Country walk	Chalgrave
Tue 11-Oct	8pm		The Vicarage,
106 11-000		Ghostbusting evening	Tebworth
Tue 08-Nov	8pm	AGM	Memorial Hall

# EASTER!!!

#### SPOT THE DIFFERENCE

Can you find 5 differences between these two baskets of Easter eggs?





#### WORDSEARCH

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Easter
Chocolate
Chick
Basket
Lamb
Bunny
Hot Cross Bun

### All Our Yesterdays - No 4

#### THRESHING CORN AT TEBWORTH

This is a copy of an actual postcard. Emerton's cottage was in a row of cottages now converted to Lyndie and lan's that ched house at No. 30 The Lane. Con onyone guess where taken or have any more info on people?



Stamp is Edword VII who reigned 22/01/ 1901-06/05/1910 Post mark is LUTON, 8.18 PM, SP 6, 06, So I think this is 6th Sept 1906

1901 Census shows:-Arthur Emerton, Age 40 Born Tebworth, Lived in Croydon, occupation Carpenter.

#### Translation as far as possible:-

To Mr Emerton 6a Berdett ? Rd Croydon Surry

#### Dear Dada

Just a line to let you know I am alright and have got back from Tebworth alright. I enjoyed myself fine Thore ? payed? and visited all around Ethel had some Straw work to do this afternoon so I took Pricie? baby out in the mailcart.

I will leave all news till Saturday I am longing for ??? to come.

THEN UPSIDE DOWN ON TOP: love to all from us oil I remain Your loving D.Florrie

#### Re: last editions photo's at the old hall

No replies on old B&W one but Mandy Higgs, who used to live at 2 The Lane has given some names from the later coloured one. From the left :-

Wendy Stringer or Susan Tomkins? Ted Yirrell, [Ted's wife Barbara was an Emerton] Elaine Mooring, ?, ?, Carol Higgs or Liz Wing? Melanie Higgs, Mandy Higgs, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, ?, Mandy Hinks it was taken in 1972.

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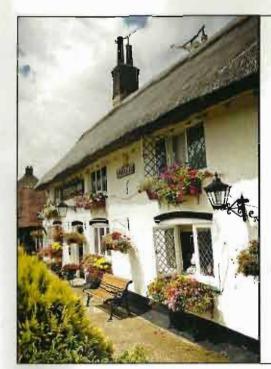


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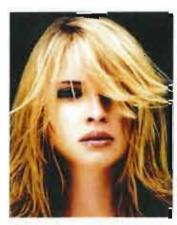
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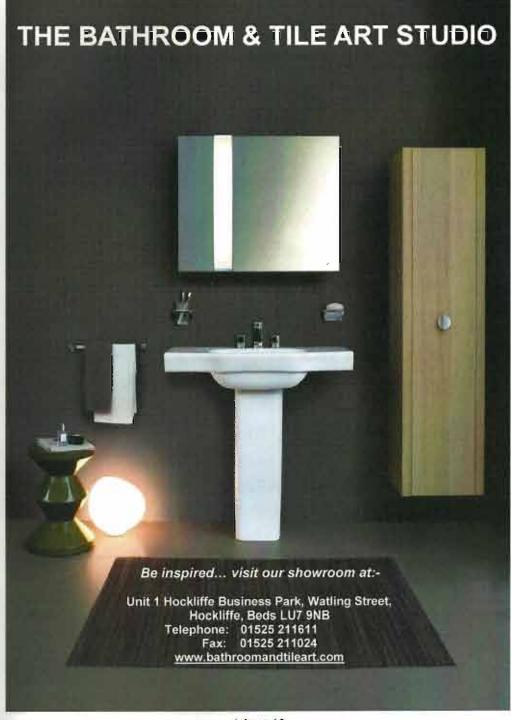
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The Chalgrave Memorial Hall Committee

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The Queen's Head share of the profits was donated to Headway. Colin would like to thank Brent, Peter and Harry. Particular thanks go to Harry for arranging all backing tracks and providing the audio equipment.

### Clubs & Committees



I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and have been enjoying the snow and intense cold of this winter!

The Book Club has been quite active, starting the winter with an outing to Milton Keynes theatre to see ROMEO AND JULIET performed by the Royal Ballet Company. We began by enjoying a meal in a nearby restaurant and really must thank Sherry for arranging it all - not an easy task! The hint of incest running through the story. Mostly evening was a great success and we all loved watching the ballet absorbing its wonderful atmosphere.

In December we went to The Five Bells at Stanbridge for our annual Christmas lunch. Thanks go to Lyn for arranging this very enjoyable feast which was - as usual - excellent! With good company, good surroundings and good food and drink!

Our book reading has been quite prolific, starting with THE GIRL WITH THE DRAGON TATOO by STEIG LARSSON. This was a book everyone enjoyed, although some of us found it difficult to get into. Corporation business came out as being very siek and a thread of child abuse ran through the story. However it was a gripping read and the LINDA HADDEN eharacters very believable. The author went on to write two sequels which we have decided to read individually rather than as a group.

We then went on to read THE SMALL HAND by SUSAN HILL. This is a ghost story narrated by an antiquarian bookseller who stumbles across a family secret when a small hand is firmly placed into his every time he goes near the lake! The hand belongs to a little boy who drowned there in the past. Most of us liked the book but some felt it too gentle and rather dated.

It did invoke a long discussion about ghosts and an interesting exchange of ghostly stories!!

Next to come under our scrutiny was by MARY WESLEY. What an amazing woman she must have been! She started writing novels - the most well known being 'The Camomile Lawn' - in her seventies, and managed more than a dozen before she died! The one we read was called NOT THAT KIND OF GIRL and is about an elderly lady who is sorting out her recently dead husband's effects and thinking back on her life. She had been having a secret affair with a soldier since before her marriage - and really behaved in a racy manner (there you are -'old speak'). The characters were all rather selfish and there was a enjoyed but we did have criticisms!

So now its time to clean our glasses and prepare for another year of excellent reads and interesting discussions in comfortable surroundings. If you wish to join us we meet monthly (arranging dates to suit) in members' homes. Please ring me on 01494 782634.

Our next choice is THE WINTER GHOSTS whose author KATE MOSSE wrote Sepulchre and Labyrinth both of which we have enjoyed. I look forward to discussing this at our next meeting.

I hope it's not too late to wish you all a very Happy New Year!



It really has been a busy few months for the Memorial Hall Committee.

Organising the Chalgrave Games (to be held on 9th

July) is very time consuming and our thanks for this onerous task go to Sue Parker, ably assisted by Barbara Jackson for the fabulous job they are doing. The games have been running for many years now and has been growing year on year. Originally the aim was to bring the two villages (Tebworth and Wingfield) together for a fun day for all the family. This has been achieved by ensuring that the children are entertained along with the adults. Over the years this entertainment has become increasingly expensive for the Hall to fund, but we have still managed to at least break even, thanks to the support of all those attending and the introduction of the Grand Draw. Other people and local organisations, such as the Chalgrave News and Chalgrave Sports Club have supported us and we are hopeful that even more will do so this year. If you would like to have a stall at the games, or host an event, please call Su on 01525 873963. A planning meeting is being held on 16 March, see page 33 for details.

I would also like to record my thanks for the many people who are helping out behind the scenes to make the Games day special for the Parish. This year we are hoping to have a 'themed' day but as yet no decision has been made as to the 'theme'. So watch this space.

The Hall has had a very successful 12 months and has been very well used. So much so, that the committee have decided to forgo asking the Parish Council for a grant for 2011. Hopefully this will go in some small way to help the Parish in the current economic difficulties.

Fees and charges have been increased for this year, but once again we have not increased the charges for residents. This now makes your hall amongst the cheapest to hire, so please use it.

Finally, we are still looking for new members to join the committee. If you would like to become a member, please contact myself or any member of the committee You can be assured of a very warm welcome.

Roger Masters

#### **Chalgrave Sports** Club

The new cricket season will shortly be under

way and we are looking forward to another close run title race. We are currently preparing a new fixture list, together with the very popular 10/10 competition, and we will publish these as soon as possible on the Chalgrave Sports website:

chalgravesportsclub.co.uk.

Work has started on the new roof for the clubhouse and we hope this will keep everyone a bit drier. We also hope to improve the clubhouse bit by bit as we go along. However, all this takes guite a bit of money, which we are trying to raise all the time.

Net practice will commence as soon as the weather permits and also at the indoor nets at Dunstable. Anyone interested should visit the Chalgrave Sports website where this information will be posted.

New players, whatever your age, are always welcome.

Roger Burden

### **Good Neighbours?**

There is a huge house in our street. The extended family is run by a grumpy old woman with a pack of irritable dogs allowed to run without leads. Her car doesn't even have a number plate, but the police do nothing. To the best of my knowledge, she has never worked.

Her bad-tempered old husband is notorious for racist comments, and is surely an alcoholic. Her elderly mother was definitely always drunk before she dropped off the perch!

All her kids have broken marriages except the youngest, who everyone thought was gay - he probably is, so the marriage is probably just a sham.

An Arab shopkeeper blamed her for arranging the murder of his son and his son's girl-friend, who used to be married to her layabout useless eldest son, but nothing has ever been proven.

Her two grandsons are meant to be in the Army but are always out partying in nightclubs, and one of them appears to have Neo-Nazi tendencies! It is not even known if they even have the same father. The whole family is clearly out of control.

I hate living near Windsor Castle...!

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This year we will experience 4 unusual dates.... 1/1/11, 11/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/11/11....

Now check this out .... take the last 2 digits of the year you were born, then the age you will be this year add them together and it will equal 111!



Every continent starts and ends in the same letter. Think about it...

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### **Queens Head Update**

Hello everyone it is so nice to be able to communicate with you all through the written word, and particularly, through The Chalgrave News because, as you no doubt know, it is the best parish magazine in the area and is eagerly awaited by a lot of people, and not only within the confines of the parish. Some of the customers who come into the pub from Luton, Houghton Regis, Hockliffe and beyond also look forward to its publication. Sorry, I'm starting to ramble....

Talking of rambling. Did you know that our very own Chalgrave rambler Mr Ken Green has been very ill with some strange sort of illness he picked up on his travels, but I'm enjoy yourselves. really pleased to report that he is now fully recovered and can once again be seen striding about the Parish in his "walking hat" and is still a regular supporter of the live music

evenings that we have at the Queens Head every week. Talking of which, it is still a surprise to me to see whoever turns up to "do a turn" as I keep forgetting to book anyone until the day before the performance - something to do with age they keep telling me!

The darts team are going from strength to strength, winning more matches than they are losing but they are still on the lookout for new members, as are the domino teams who are also winning the majority of their matches and they are always here on a Saturday night for a practice session so come and join them for a few and you never know you might even

Be safe, I'll see you in the pub.



### The Plough

The domino season is nearly over and The Whist and Tipple we are currently third in the league, within catching distance of the leaders, and we are through to the knockout final.

The new crib season will commence in early April and once again we will be running two teams. Any crib players who are interested in playing should contact us.

The PIGS golf society goes from strength to strength and our next society day is March 25th 2011. The renewed. price for rolls and coffee beforehand, a round of golf and a two course meal at Woburn is £60.00 per head. Anyone interested should put their name forward at The Plough.

The quiz nights, which are held on alternate Sundays at 8pm, are well attended and anyone wishing to take part will be welcome. We like to limit teams to 4 people where possible. Anyone interested in participating are always welcome. The next quiz night is 6th March and fortnightly from thereon.

Our two gourmet nights held on 31st January and 13th February were a great success and we will be hosting as similar event later in the year.

card school on Thursday nights go from strength to strength and is an enjoyable evening.



Please note that the 20% discount on meals for 'locals nights' on Monday and Tuesday evenings is still applicable on production of their voucher. Anyone living in Chalgrave who has lost their voucher should contact The Plough where it will be

#### 29th April - THE ROYAL WEDDING

We are going to celebrate this occasion at The Plough by having an all day barbecue and a television will be on hand for those who want to watch the wedding. There will also be a disco in the evening.

Further details will posted at The Plough and on our website.

### Christmas Kids Film: Elf



The Christmas Film show in December was enjoyed by both local village children and their friends from the surrounding areas.





The film is about Buddy, an 'Elf' who discovers who his real father is, with some hilarious antics as he tries to fit into his new life.

Thank you to all those who braved the snow and the chilly Memorial Hall (frozen pipes meant we had no radiators working!!), but popcorn and various refreshments seemed to keep everyone going!!

### WINNER!!!!

The winner of the colouring competition from the last Chalgrave News was Millie Parker!



Here she is collecting her prize from Father Christmas

Well done Millie.



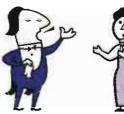
### Everybody's Entitled To My Opinion

I would like to point out something that is obvious to all but the Government. Small companies are different to big ones! Seems obvious, but clearly it is not, especially to whoever it is who thinks up Employment Law. One example is maternity/paternity leave. Now mothers have been entitled to take up to a year off to have a child and not tell their employer if they are going to go back until the very last moment, as my wife did a few years back. Now, if you are a large company with say 100 staff, and 1 person is on maternity leave you have lost 1% of your staff, if you are a small company with 5 staff and 1 goes off, you have lost 20% of your staff! The employee has the same rights whatever the size of the company, this is clearly ridiculous!

As you are not allowed to ask anything when interviewing a prospective employee, as no doubt there is some law to prevent it, smaller companies have been protecting themselves for some time from these events by simply, yes you've guessed it, not employing women of child bearing age in the first place! That gets around the problem, but it takes out a lot of good quality prospective employees as well. Now there is paternity leave for Fathers to add to the burden, so we can't employ them either, this means that anybody over about 55 is suddenly a jolly good prospect! Not only are they unlikely to have any more children but, are also more likely to turn up on time, not take liberties, not turn up with a hangover, and generally be a good employee! Now you can't retire until you are 92 because you won't have a pension, a whole new career awaits!

# Monday Night Blues?

### Try the Queens Head



You all know that Colin has live music every Friday night but are you aware of the Bi-weekly Monday sessions.

Colin lays on free food and the singers all perform for free.

You really ought to give this a try. There is a real "club type" atmosphere. For example on Monday 24th Jan there were 8 different singers including of course "mine host" Colin.

Not only does the Queen's head need your support but this is something special that it is a shame not more people take advantage of it.

I earnestly hope you will give it a try. Look on the board for dates.

Ken Green







A man and his wife were awakened at 3:00am by a loud banging on the door; the man gets up and goes to the door where a drunken stranger is standing in the pouring rain asking for a push. "Not a chance" says the husband "it's three o'clock in the morning!" and slams the door and returns to bed. "Who was that?" says his wife,

push"
"Did you help him?"

"No I did not, its three o'clock in the morning and it's pouring with rain out there"

Just some drunken bloke asking for a

"Well you've got a short memory" says his wife "Don't you remember about three months ago when we broke down and those two young guys helped us? I think you should be ashamed of yourself, go back down and help him. The man does as he is told, gets dressed and goes out into the pouring rain

He calls out into the dark "Hello are you still there?"

"Yes" comes back the answer,

"Do you still need a push?"

"Yes please" comes the reply from the darkness.

"Where are you?" calls the husband,

"Dver here on the swing"



### Sense in Switching?

At a time of rising energy prices, on-line comparison sites can help you save money. Switching energy supplier on-line is easy. A switch usually takes effect within 6 weeks and can result in annual savings of up to £100 a year.



Switching supplier makes no difference to the actual gas or electricity you receive. The big six providers share the same supply infrastructure. However, customer service, payment options and price do vary significantly.

Comparison sites can help you compare customer satisfaction ratings, penalties for leaving contracts, capped price options and dual fuel discounts. A green electricity tariff is the best for the environment and usually costs extra.

To switch you need to know the name of your existing supplier(s) and either the cost of your energy for the last year or (for improved accuracy) the number of kWh used.

You won't be able to change suppliers if you are in debt to your present supplier. The Home Heat Helpline on 0800 33 66 99 can help in this situation.

Even if you are happy with your current supplier, you may still be able to save money by moving to direct debit and on-line account management.

For more information visit www.cocoonyourhome.co.uk/saving

Switching supplier, tariff, or payment method can cut bills

Photo courtesy of cocoonyourhome.co.uk

If you work for a big company the higher up the ladder and therefore the more senior you get, the amount of actual work you have to do decreases and the amount of responsibility you take increases. Once at the very top, you don't have to do anything at all except a bit of PR, several 'business' lunches a week and attend a few 'bored' meetings. This gives you more than enough time to count all the money you are earning and work out what to do with it. But, before everybody puts in for promotion, there is just one small problem. This is all well and good while everything is ticking along nicely, when it all goes pear shaped however, YOU are responsible. If you have sorted it all out in advance you will be fine because you would have seen 'it' coming and made arrangements for when the brown stuff hits the fan. If you are any good you can increase your PR, appear on Breakfast TV and tell the world what a great job you are doing, if you are rubbish, you appear on the same program, in a stupid reflective jacket, and make excuses as to why Heathrow is shut because of the snow!

### Roll up for the Mystery Tour



Rogation Sunday this year is 29 May and as usual the walk around the Parish Boundary will start at 10am outside The Queens Head and we aim to be at The Fancott for a lunch break around 1 pm.

Added to the usual entertainment of scrambling up and down muddy banks, dropping old age pensioners in streams and beating small children about the head on the boundary markers, will be the added excitement of not being sure of the route!

Our Illustrious leader of many years, Ken Green, may be sunning himself in America on the day. He has promised to teach me the route and lend me his ladder, the importance of which will be known to those who have done the walk before.

Hope to see you on 29 May.

Debbie Hampson

### Grumpy Old ....

I have a yellow line outside my Business, and although I have ample customer parking, some people still park on it. This attracts the attention of Traffic Wardens, or Parking Enforcement Officers, or whatever they are called this week.



Recently, a customer's car was being ticketed by a "helpful" Warden so I engaged her in conversation. I suggested that handing out tickets to my customers was not a good thing to do and was not going to assist in local business/council relationships. Had she bothered to look up she would have seen that the car's owner was only a few yards away and had she shown herself, rather than hiding behind a wall, it would have saved him a fine. Her response to my suggestion was, shall we say negative, and her expression was similar to the one you get when accidently treading in dog's mess. She issued the ticket and her expression changed to the one you get when getting rid of trapped wind!

I returned to the scene of the crime a some time later to continue our discussion when I observed the Warden sitting in her car across the road on.... a yellow line, where she had been for 25 minutes! I took a photograph!

Obviously, it's clearly ok to park wherever you like so you can issue tickets to members of the public? In this most useless of occupations, there's one rule for them and one for the rest of us!

I shall, of course, be writing to the council to ask for an explanation, although I doubt if they will bother to reply. In the meantime, if you get a ticket, have a look round for the Warden's car just to see where it is parked!

JP

### Thank You

A big thank you to **Maurice Brinklow** and **Brian Horne**. During the deep snows of December they cleared the driveway leading to the garage block in Wingfield Road then they gritted it all, quite a big job.

They also cleared garden paths for some who were unable to do it for themselves. It was much appreciated.

Michael Kingham, on behalf of fellow garage owners.

### **Christmas Roundup**



Christmas
Lights:
During the
festive period
the Chalgrave
News spies were
out admiring

the lights and decorations in the Parish, with the view to present a prize for the best display.

After much deliberation we are pleased to announce that the winners are the **Greenwood family from The Lane** for their imaginative use of scaffolding! **Vicki, Mark, Harry & Harvey** have done a fabulous job. A prize of Poplars vouchers are on their way. Well done.



The residents of St Mary's Close must get a mention for their displays that were, as ever, fantastic and certainly brightened up a very dreary December.



Santa's
Float:
Once again
Santa and his
helpers were
well received
on their

Proceeds go to the Rotary Club and to provide Christmas lunch for the elderly of the Parish.

Thank you to all those who helped with the collections and made it another very successful outing.















# Grand Draw 1st Prize = £100!!!

DOG SHOW WATER SPORTS WELLY WANGING

TEA & CAKES

BBQ

**BEER TENT** 

RIFLE RANGE

SIDE STALLS

CHILDRENS GAMES AND MORE ....





### The Chalgrave Games 2011

We are already planning this year's Games, but we need your help to make it work.

- Could you man a stall for an hour on the day?
- Sell some draw tickets?
- Help with the children's games?
- · Bake a cake?
- Do you have any ideas for activities/stalls?

We are holding a Meeting on March 16<sup>th</sup> @ 8pm at The Queen's Head and would be delighted to see anyone who may be interested.

Contact Su Parker on 873963 if you have any questions.

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### Everybody's entitled to my opinion!

Recently, I have been forced to use, of all things, Public Transport!! Yes I know, but it was unavoidable, I may even have to use it again. There are people I believe who use it everyday to go to work, some have to stand for the whole journey and pay the same as those who sit. I travel off peak so I can sit down and can afford the worst of the ridiculous fares. The other day I thought I would try and work out why it is such an unpleasant experience. It isn't the fact that it's expensive, doesn't usually run to time, smells, has disgusting toilets, or can be cancelled because of 'A Trackside Failure' near Derby. It is, I have decided, that you have to travel with other people, that is the problem. I do not want their germs, I do not want to hear half of their telephone conversation, I do not even want to share their lunch, or sit in their spilt coffee. I want my own space with my own lunch, I want to listen to the radio without headphones and be master of my own destiny. That is why a car is best, unless you are going into London, Birmingham or any other city or, using the Motorway which will be subject to a 50 mph speed limit for 'The Safety Of the Workforce' who aren't there.

#### **Greatest Woman!!**

He didn't like the casserole
And he didn't like my cake,
He said my biscuits were too hard
Not like his mother used to make.

I didn't perk the coffee right He didn't like the stew, I didn't mend his socks The way his mother used to do.

I pondered for an answer
I was looking for a clue
Then I turned and smacked the
\*\*\*\* out of him...

.....Like his mother used to do!

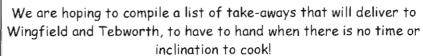
Please submit entries by email to: thechalgravenews@live.co.uk

Or by phone to: Emma: 877327/ Su: 873963 / Debbie: 877149

Note: Where possible please submit written articles as a **Microsoft Word** document, ready for publication.

Remember to send us details and photos of your Royal Wedding street party and any Comic Relief fundraising events.

Do you crave a Korma, are you desperate for dumplings or have a passion for pizza - but don't know who will deliver to Chalgrave?





To recommend your favourite take-away, please forward the details to the Chalgrave News email (the chalgravenews@live.co.uk) and over the next few months we will compile the names and numbers for publication in a future edition.