

SUMMER 18
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CHALGRAVE NEWS

Celebrating Chalgrave

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Day/Date	Event	Location/Contact	Time
3 rd Tuesday of each month	Parish Council Meeting	Chalgrave Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Every other Sunday	Quiz Night	The Plough	8.00 pm
Mondays	Dominoes	The Plough	
Weekdays	Book Club	Noeleen Thompson	
2 nd Tuesday of each month	WI	Chalgrave Memorial Hall	8–10 pm
Wednesday	Tebworth Tots, bumps, babies and Toddlers group	Chalgrave Memorial Hall	10.30-12
	The Plough Quiz night	The Plough Wingfield	
Fri 31st November and Sat 1st December	Murder at the Old Vicarage	If you are interested in participating, then all budding thespians please contact: roger.masters@btinternet.com	

Deadline for next edition: 30 September 2018

Please send your contributions to: thechalgravenews@gmail.com

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Summer is here! A brief message from the editorial team

Hello everyone.

Summer has well and truly begun!

The World Cup, The Queens Head re-opening and Chalgrave Open Gardens, longest hot dry spell since records began, what a brilliant start!

This year is the second year of the Chalgrave News Open Gardens event and it was a stunning success.

Unlike last year when the heavens opened dead on 1 o'clock, we enjoyed more benevolent weather, that coaxed people out to come out for a walk around. It was quite an achievement to have 10 gardens open in our little parish and it says a lot about our community spirit. I've lived here 35 years and never realised our gardens are so beautiful.

Some were quaint, some cottage style; some larger and more formal. There were beautiful, well tended herbaceous borders, pots and baskets, a Moroccan courtyard, even a little railway running through one! Who knew?

These gems are usually a well kept secret. How generous of people to welcome others in to support the Chalgrave News.

With homemade cakes and cream teas and the large number of plants potted up and sold, we raised over £600 which will go towards printing costs.

A big thank you from the whole Chalgrave News team to everyone who took part, supported us and came along to walk round. Looks like Open Gardens will be part of our calendar every year now.

Well done Chalgrave!

World Cup fever has abated after our wonderful young team's journey came to an end with a win for Croatia in the semi final. It was so good while it lasted and everyone is convinced that they did wonders for the country's morale.

We hope you enjoy this Summer edition.



CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Parking has become an issue in Tebworth. We are aware of the problems of finding a convenient parking place, but we would ask you to be considerate about where you park.

At the **junction of Wingfield Road and Toddington Road**, vehicles are parking too close to the corner and, in some instances, on the corner. This is clearly dangerous.

The Highway Code states -

The nearest you can park to a junction is 10 metres (or 32 feet).

This is to allow drivers emerging from, or turning into, the junction a clear view of the road they are joining. It also allows them to see hazards such as pedestrians or cyclists at the junction.

The other problem area is down **The Lane** by the triangle. Cars are parking in a way that does not leave enough room for farm vehicles and more importantly for Emergency Vehicles.

The Parish Council hopes that residents and guests will use 'common sense' so that other measures are not needed.

Co-option. Unfortunately, Michael Wells had to stand down from the Council because of increasing work commitments. Fortunately, he will continue to lead the Speedwatch team. We went through the co-option process and have co-opted Peter Warburton from Wingfield Road onto the Council. We look forward to working with him.

Queens Head. We are delighted to see our Community Asset reopen and we wish them well.

Great Pond. Unfortunately, the Mediation has been delayed until the Autumn by Land Registry. In the meantime, we have noted that there is now a 'Keep Out. Private Property. CCTV in use' sign on one of the banks of the Pond. However, until the result of the Tribunal, this bank is still public land, not private property, and the public still has access.

If you want to know more about the Great Pond controversy, please ask any of the Parish Councillors.



CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL *continued*

M1. We had a short presentation from Project Managers that will be working on the M1 J13 – J16 Smart Motorway Scheme. This is a three-year project and will cause some disruption. There will be overnight closures of the motorway, but we were assured that traffic will not be diverted through our Parish.

Highways. By the time you read this we hope that CBC Highways will have cut back the grass/vegetation at the junctions of Chalgrave Road and Tebworth Road onto the B5102. As I write this, these junctions are dangerous. We are pressing for more – and more obvious – 7.5 Tonne Limit Signs around J12 of the M1. We are still seeing large trucks driving through Tebworth. Please note that learner HGV drivers are exempt.

Planning. We are concerned about the increase of planning applications for new houses in our Parish on what was land for agricultural use or barn conversions. We are liaising with the Campaign for the Protection of Rural England.

Speed watch. The team is out every month in Tebworth and Wingfield. If you want to help, please contact any of the Parish Councillors or Mike Wells. As always, you are welcome to attend our meetings.

Phil Parry. Chair. .

MARK VERSALLION

Mark Versallion is our Central Bedfordshire Councillor, representing the Ward of Heath and Reach, which includes Tebworth, Wingfield, Hockliffe, Eggington, Stanbridge, Tilsworth and Heath and Reach.

Besides speaking on our behalf at planning committees and many other meetings, he continues to work on issues brought to him at his regular ward surgeries or when contacted through his office.

If you have any questions or concerns, Mark can be contacted on 01525 234 000 or at mark.versallion@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk.



VIEW FROM THE HOUSE

ANDREW SELOUS WELCOMES SUPPORT FOR CONSTRUCTION

Recent figures show that the latest wages in the Construction industry are £92 a week higher than they were in May 2010.

These figures are a welcome boost for the 1,750 plumbers, joiners and builders across South West Bedfordshire.

Andrew Selous welcomed the figures, which show that weekly earnings went up by 4.5 per cent over the last year, nearly double the rate prices are increasing. Commenting, Andrew Selous said: 'This is welcome news, but there's more to do. That's why, through our modern Industrial Strategy, we're working to recruit and train the next generation of high-skilled construction workers.'

'The construction industry makes a vital contribution to our economy, which is why we need to ensure that we have the skills we need to deliver housing across the country and build a country fit for the future.'



CAPITAL GRANTS FOR SCHOOLS

South West Bedfordshire MP, Andrew Selous, has welcomed the success of the applications of eight schools in his constituency in receiving capital grants from the Condition improvement Fund. Andrew Selous said "It is good to see these eight schools receiving money they need to keep their buildings in good working order."

The following South West Bedfordshire schools have received the share of the £514 million distributed by the Government from its 2018 - 2019 Condition Improvement Fund. Thomas Whitehead C of E Academy, Oak Bank School, Beecroft Academy, The Vale Academy, Priory Academy, Cedars Upper School, Vandyke Upper School and Community College and Linslade Academy Trust.

How to contact Andrew -

Following villages surgeries in the constituency last week a large number of residents met with me to discuss their concerns. If I was not able to meet with you and you have any concerns you wish me to take forward on your behalf please either email me on andrew.selous.mp@parliament.uk or write to me – Andrew Selous MP, The House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA or make an appointment to see me in one of my constituency surgeries by telephoning my constituency office on 01582 662 821 to make an appointment.

ON TUESDAY 17TH APRIL IN WESTMINSTER, ANDREW SELOUS HAS MADE A COMMITMENT BY SIGNING THE TUC 'DYING TO WORK' CHARTER. TO SUPPORT AND PROTECT ANY OF THEIR EMPLOYEES WHO BECOME TERMINALLY ILL.

Since its launch in April 2016, The TUCs '**Dying to Work**' Voluntary Charter now protects over half a million employees with companies such as Legal and General, Santander, Co-Op, Carillion, Rolls Royce, Bombardier, Weetabix and the Royal Mail joining E. On and signing up along with a number of public sector bodies including NHS trusts, police authorities and many local authorities.

The **Dying to Work** campaign was set up following the case of **Jacci Woodcock**, a 58 year-old sales manager from Derbyshire, who was forced out of her job after being diagnosed with terminal breast cancer. The campaign is calling for a change in the law to prevent the same thing happening to other working people.

Conservative MP for South West Bedfordshire, Andrew Selous said: "It is shocking to think that if people with terminal illnesses are dismissed or forced out of their jobs that their loved ones will lose the death in service payments that the employee has planned for and earned through a life-time of hard work."

"That is why I am proud to have signed the TUC '**Dying to Work**' charter to protect my employees and I will be encouraging businesses in my constituency to follow suit and sign up to the TUC's voluntary charter."

Andrew Selous continued: "In addition, I hope something will soon be done to ensure that every individual with terminal illness will receive the protection and support they deserve."

The campaign has also been endorsed by a number of trade unions and charities, including The National Council for Palliative Care, Hospice UK, Breast Cancer Care and Second Hope. TUC Deputy General Secretary Paul Nowak said: "Serious illness is tough enough without having to put up with extra hassle at work. Everyone can surely agree that terminally ill workers deserve protection.

"That's why unions, MPs, employers and charities are coming together to ensure that workers get the support and protections they need when times are toughest."

This broad support was demonstrated in a recent poll of over a thousand people which found that 79% of respondents support a 'protected period' for terminally ill workers where they could not be dismissed as a result of their condition with only 3% opposing it.

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS - *Update*

BOOK CLUB REVIEW



Crash by Keith Houghton is a psychological thriller about an architect, Jed Allen, who wakes up at his desk in his New York office having no recollection of where he is or who he is. We soon find out he is suffering from intermittent amnesia following a car crash. He has a photo in his wallet of a girl he assumes is his girlfriend but she is nowhere to be found. As his life slowly unravels he begins to abhor the life he seems to have led. The story is a little slow, but this is a good read even though the characters aren't particularly likeable, with a bit of a twist at the end.

Magpie Murders by Anthony Horowitz is a very clever whodunit, not just one murder mystery but two in one book, and is very much in the guise of an Agatha Christie novel with its sleepy English villages and Poirot like detective. The main story is a novel being written by the famous Alan Conway and it begins with Editor Susan Ryeland settling down to read Conway's latest novel. Horowitz then gives us about 200 pages of the novel, but the ending is missing and the author suddenly dies. Susan then embarks on her own murder mystery in a bid to solve both murders. Once this book gets going it's an absolutely brilliant read.

Our most recent read was Eleanor Oliphant is Completely Fine by Gail Honeyman. This book has been number one on the best seller list for a while and we were a bit worried about this choice for the Book Club as it didn't seem to fit the norm for our Club, not the usual murder mystery that we tend to read, and at first it didn't offer much, but that changes – it certainly deserved to be at the top of the list. It's a charming bitter sweet read following the mundane life of Eleanor Oliphant, who's slightly odd, doesn't mix with her fellow office workers, rarely says a word and goes home to her ordered world of pizza, vodka and Radio 4. There are many reasons for Eleanor's isolation and they gradually unfold throughout the book. She is also hilarious and there are many laugh out loud moments. However, Eleanor does start to interact with the outside world and builds relationships with other people, not always successfully, she also has to contend with the weekly phone calls from her monster of a mother and a misplaced crush on a would-be pop star. This is an excellent debut novel, very well written with a strong sympathetic character, it may not be a murder mystery but it's certainly a page turner.

Noeleen Thomson

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS - *Update*



THE FOOTPATH COMMITTEE

Some 20 Years ago our paths were in a terrible condition and most were unpassable Through a Parish Partnership arrangement with the South Beds Council we set up a footpaths committee and, all bar those that were a dead ends, were cleared and stiles erected. All were way marked, and a map was produced.

We now have a small and it must be said, ageing footpath committee and we urgently need “new blood”, to support and continue the good work we have started.

Basically Farmers/Landowners are responsible for maintaining stiles and gates, keeping cross-field paths clear and leaving headland paths unploughed. Central Beds are responsible for ensuring compliance, signage and way marking and keeping paths clear of weeds. The footpath committee is there to give assistance and feed information. Please consider giving us a hand. You can do as little or as much as you wish, for example:

As a casual helper:

- Take a pair of secateurs with you when you walk a path to clear overgrowing brush around stiles
- Notify me of any problems with stiles, footpath waymark posts and signs, unmarked cross-field paths or any other difficulties.

Be on the Footpaths Committee and undertake some or all of these functions:

- Take responsibility for an area to walk regularly and report problems
- Volunteer to solve some of minor problems
- Report major problems to me so that I can forward to CBC footpath officers or direct to farmers and/or landowners
- Where possible assist in erecting stiles or waymark posts cutting nettles and brush around stiles and gates
- Talk directly with farmers and land owners about problems with paths on their land

Please mail me on kenandlyn@tinyworld.co.uk if you can help in any way.

Many thanks

Ken Green

LOCAL ORGANISATIONS - *Update*

WOMENS INSTITUTE

In **April** we had a talk about gemstones from Andrew Waite of Festoon UK (www.festoonuk.com).

We learned about sterling silver hallmarks and he tested some of our diamonds – luckily all were genuine! We learned about many gemstones such as Amethysts, Amber, Sapphires, Topaz and Tanzanite. He brought along a great selection of jewellery for us to buy.

In **May** Tim Redditt, a forensic pathologist spoke to us about his work and his role in creating a number of award winning stands at the Chelsea Flower Show – themes included “Urban Greenery” and “The Low Allergy Garden”. Through his work he has met various VIPs including the Queen and Joanna Lumley.

In **June** Maureen Randell gave a workshop on “What to do with supermarket Flowers”. There were some wonderful and varied creations.



Please feel free to join us as a guest for one of our future meetings
or contact me for a chat.

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LOCAL ORGANISATIONS - *Update*

WI Forthcoming events

Tue-10-Jul	"Good Morning, Lords and Ladies"
Tue-11-Sep	Herbs and Potions for the Home
Mon-01-Oct	War Horse (MK Theatre)
Tue-09-Oct	Singing session
Tue-13-Nov	AGM
Tue-11-Dec	Christmas Craft or Activity TBC

CHALGRAVE SPORTS CLUB

Are you interested in playing cricket for a local village team?

We are looking for players of all abilities, young and old who are interested in playing a few matches for our team. Don't worry if you haven't played for years—if you still have a hankering for the sound of leather on willow or maybe just want to give it a try then get in contact.

We play about 10 games a year on a Sunday afternoon, mostly in Wingfield. Matches are from around 13:30—18:30 and we don't expect everyone to play every match. There is also no fee to join the team. Teas are provided.

The fixture list is on **www.chalgravesportsclub.co.uk**

We also use a mobile app called Teamer to keep you informed of upcoming games and for you to let us know your availability.

If you are interested, then please get in touch by email or by phone:

Phil Parry – chairman@chalgravesportsclub.co.uk—**07831 605600**

Mike Wells - mike@chalgravesportsclub.co.uk—**07900 253262**

Paul Evans - paul@chalgravesportsclub.co.uk— **07867 497464**

We hope to hear from you soon!

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LOCAL ORGANISATIONS - *Update*

CHALGRAVE SPORTS CLUB *continued*



The new Club House is now up and running. Thanks to Signs of the Times for providing a splendid Chalgrave Sports Club sign which is now on the front of the Club House. We have a few minor tasks to complete – like plumbing in the sink. We are grateful for the hard work and time given by committee and non-committee members. We will be putting up a plaque in the clubhouse to recognise all those who helped. We continue to work on the grounds. We plan to move the container to be next to the clubhouse and tidy that corner of the field, and we need to fill the various dips in the field.

We have a fixture list for the season on our website and have played our first couple of games - but we need players – please contact us if you are interested.

Unfortunately, we had to postpone our Festival of Cricket due to other teams being unavailable. The new date will be in August or early September. We will advertise the date once it is confirmed.

The Easter Golf Day was cancelled because of a waterlogged course. We have Golf Days arranged for the coming year – September and December. The next one is on the 1st September at Aldwickbury Park Golf Course. If you fancy a game and a meal afterwards please contact any of the Committee members or add your name to the list at the Plough Inn.

We had a golf match against The Farmers Boy Kensworth for the Stryderless Cup. We came second! But it was a good day with a lovely curry afterwards at the Plough.

We had a very successful Race Night. Thanks go to all who helped – John Parker, Nicola and Tori Wells, Aidan Hampton, Lesley Smith, Debbie Levy, Tom Petzing, Roger & Theresa Burden and particularly Nev Andrews. Also to our sponsors – Peter Harding, Wright Vehicle Solutions, EM Golf, Robert Upchurch, Rob Flitton, The Ladies With No Will Power, and of course, to all those who attended and made it such a great night.

We are going to have a Quiz Night on the 6th October – watch out for posters and flyers with more details nearer the time.

We play cricket on Sunday. Check out our website **www.chalgravesportsclub.co.uk** and come along to play or watch the fun!

Phil Parry & Mike Wells

THE RESTAURANT REVIEW

The Cross Keys at Totternhoe



Tebadvisor



Great Value. Christine Mc Donagh

A few of us from Tebworth visited the Cross Keys in Totternhoe, the sister pub to our new Queens Head.

We wanted to see what sort of food we would be getting at the Queens Head once it is up and running and we weren't disappointed.

We had a traditional roast beef dinner with all the trimmings Roasted Potatoes, Seasonal Vegetables, Yorkshire pudding and Gravy. The beef is locally sourced and the Yorkshire puddings are home made.

Great value £9.45 Roast Dinner, Desert £4. The house wine was £15 a bottle.

The pub is in a wonderful location with views over the Dunstable downs.

A very enjoyable lunch indeed.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editorial Team

We are the proud custodians of a 1931 Austin Seven owned for 50 years by the Webb family - Harry, Gwendoline and Pearl - who lived at 28, The Lane, Tebworth for most of their lives.

They clearly loved the car, as the MOT certificates we have show they did everything they could to keep it on the road and kept it safe until Harry sadly passed away in 1983/4.

We are putting together a display about the history of the car and the Webb family and have spent a lot of time in the Bedfordshire Archives. We would love to include a photograph of Harry, Gwendoline or Pearl. Could you please ask your readers if anyone has any photographs or memories we could use.

If you are interested, we would be happy to forward an article when we have completed our research. Thanks so much for your help.

Best wishes, Kurt Sauter and Heather Maitland

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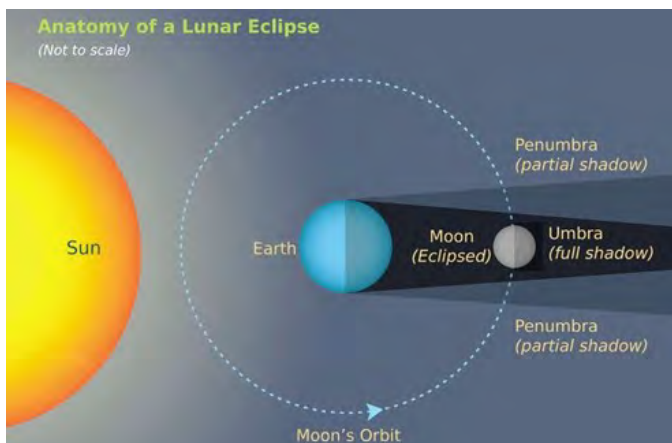


This summer Mars, the red planet, will be at its closest to Earth for 15 years so will appear at its biggest and brightest. It will be closest on 31st July at around midnight but will appear low in the sky near the southeast horizon. With the naked eye it will appear as a large reddish-orange star.

This year the Perseid meteor shower will reach its peak on 13th August. Look to the northeast at around midnight for the most meteors. The moon will be only 2 days old at this time so the sky will be fairly dark giving you the best views.

On 27th July there will be a total eclipse of the moon. As the full moon rises around 9.00pm it will already be eclipsed as the Earth will be between the sun and the moon. When the moon is in the darkest part of the Earth's shadow (the umbra) no direct light from the sun reaches the moon. Light from the sun is bent (refracted) through the Earth's atmosphere and blue light is filtered out but some of the red light reaches the moon giving it a ghostly reddish glow. As the Earth moves in its orbit direct sunlight will reach the moon again and it will begin to brighten. If you're reading this after 27th July sorry, I hope it wasn't cloudy and you managed to see it.

Janet Day



Volunteers at Houghton Hall Park win award

Helpers from the 'Friends of Houghton Hall Park' have won the 'Volunteer Group of The Year' award at the Cheering Volunteering 2018 awards event.

In 2015, £2.2million was awarded to Central Bedfordshire Council from the Heritage and Big Lottery Fund as part of the 'Parks for People' grant scheme to transform the park and build a visitor centre for community use.

With such a small team of staff on the ground, Houghton Hall Park in Houghton Regis would not be what it is today without the enthusiasm, dedication of time, skill and efforts of the local volunteers who have contributed in various ways since early 2016. Their hard work has had a directly positive impact on the local community and wildlife. For instance, volunteers undertake annual litter picks alongside the Greensand Trust, to make the park safer for children, wildlife and more enjoyable for park users.

Conservation tasks have also included hazel coppicing and using the cut branches to create a fort building zone where children can use their imagination to develop the area. Produce grown in the kitchen gardens is used by the café to make homemade meals for the community to enjoy, and volunteers also helped grow pumpkins for a Halloween carving event.

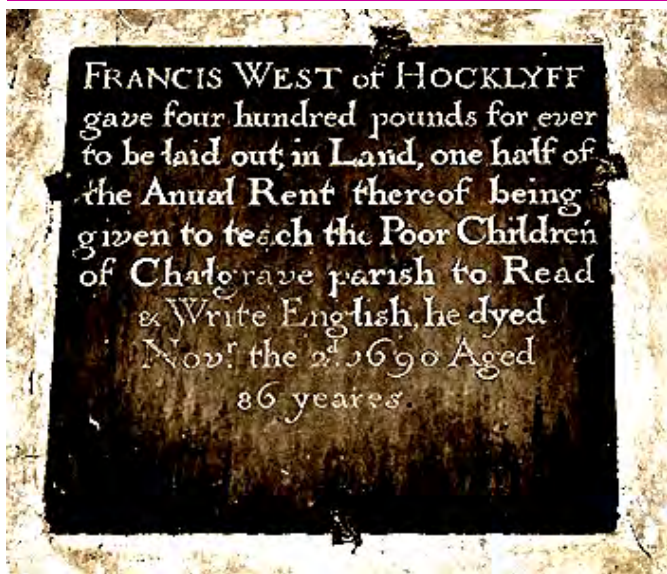
Councillor Ian Dalgarno, Executive Member for Community Services and Leisure, said: "The hard work carried out weekly by this group is invaluable to the visitors of Houghton Hall Park. The group of around 20 volunteers do phenomenal work.

"We are delighted that these dedicated local people have now been recognised for their invaluable support in the conservation and renewal of Houghton Hall Park. They have helped make this historic park an enjoyable space for all."

Held fittingly during national Volunteers' Week, hundreds of people attend the Cheering Volunteering awards at the Grove Theatre in Dunstable earlier this month. The awards recognise and celebrate the inspiring achievements of Central Bedfordshire's many volunteers.

To volunteer at Houghton Hall Park, please email hhp@centralbedfordshire.gov.uk.

To find out more about Cheering Volunteering, visit



Charity plaque in the church June 2012.

In 1690 Francis West of Hockliffe left a legacy of £400 to purchase land to provide an education for the children of the poor inhabitants of Hockliffe and Chalgrave, to be split equally between the two villages.

Note at that time up to 1929 the east side of the A5 was part of Chalgrave Parish .

The Chalgrave vicar recorded: "Mr. Francis West of Hockliffe by Will dated March 31st 1690 and proved in Doctors' Commons November 10th 1690 left £400 to purchase lands, one halfe of the rent to be given to poor Inhabitants of Chalgrave, the other part to poor Inhabitants of Hockliffe".

This fund was used to buy land at Simpson in Buckinghamshire and the rent paid for this property was used to fund a schoolmaster. In addition to making the "poor sort of inhabitants to learn to read and write" surplus income was to be used to *"clothe those whose parents could not afford to do so"*.

If the poor inhabitants could not be persuaded to "suffer their poor children to go to school" then the income was used "for the putting and placing out ... of so many of his poor relations children, either to school ... or [as] apprentices".

Two relatives of West, Joseph Cooper and William Grant, were appointed trustees, and they in their turn appointed as the schoolmaster in Hockliffe a certain Mr. Gould, an Anabaptist **This was controversial because Anabaptists believe in the separation of church and state.** In 1709 Mr. Gould's share of the income from the Simpson land was £8 per annum.

In 1720 it was written "There is a Charity School, whose endowment is the half of the annual rent of £400 worth of Land. The number taught in it is about 20. There was no school at that time in Chalgrave because in 1709-the vicar wrote: "*No Public or Charity Schole, besides Mr. West's endowment*". In 1717 the vicar simply wrote: "*No Publick or charity School*" and in 1720- "*No Charity school*".

It was not until 1844 a school was built in the north east corner of Pondwicks Close, this followed the giving of a triangular plot of land by the Gilpins to the National Society as a school site.

The Wesleyan school in The Lane was built around 1860.

The money was invested wisely from the start and, of course, in the 70's was given a huge boost when the land was sold to the MK development association and the capital is now more than £800,000.

However, it has not been without controversy because in 1820 a lawsuit was heard in Chancery on complaint of the trustees misapplying rents and new trustees

Amounts paid out.

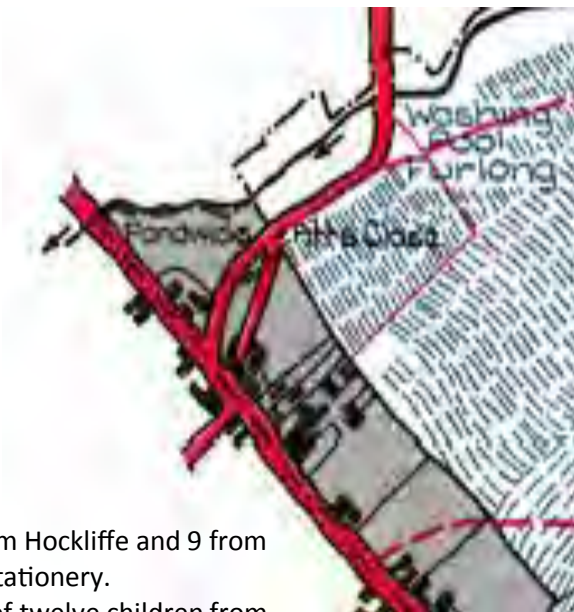
1815- £7.13s a quarter for 9 boys from Hockliffe and 9 from Chalgrave. This included books and stationery.

1822- £5.19s.10d For the education of twelve children from Michaelmas to Christmas, and as payment for books and a fire.

1828- £5 12s.0d For teaching sixteen boys to read, write and do accounts.

1831- £7.1s.6d For educating sixteen boys in reading and writing, and for books

2017- £17,533 For bursaries, grants and maintenance allowances grants to charitable organisation in the two parishes re:- education or the provision of beneficial recreation and leisure facilities for young people.



Comment or questions to **Ken Green** 874107 or kenandlyn@tinyworld.co.uk

For more information about the West Educational Charity please visit www.chalgravepc.org.uk

The Chalgrave Rambler

The Chalgrave Rambler nearly lost a wheel recently in his perambulations around the village and called in his pal 'Pothole Pete' to take a look at the problem.

Pothole Pete is just over four inches tall. When he climbed into the pothole it came up to the peak of his cap, making the hole a hefty three and a half inches deep. This set the Rambler wondering... Just who is in charge of dealing with the numerous potholes around the parish? A quick chat with a local councillor proved illuminating.

Central Beds Council are the guys responsible for repairing potholes and subcontract the work out. In fact they have a pothole reporting area on their website <http://www.centralbedfordshire.gov.uk>

The Rambler was quick to set about reporting said hole. As he progressed through the system, first logging the location, then the width and the depth, up popped a message suggesting the size of the problem warranted immediate action.

There was an emergency contact number, 0300 300 8049. The call was picked up by a very pleasant woman who assured The Rambler the pothole would be repaired that very day.

But what about all the other potholes in the parish? Having taken the trouble to send out a team to the area, could they not look around a bit and sort out the other potholes while they were here? Not so it seems. The computer says no. Repairs are apparently resolved pothole by reported pothole.

Taking action

So, how come this pothole had not been repaired earlier? It's been annoying us all for months now? Even as the Rambler stood scratching his head and examining the situation, a driver (obviously not local and in the know) clanged into it and let out an extended trail of expletives through his open car window, presumably concerned about his tyres, his wheels or his suspension.

The answer comes in a phenomenon known as 'The bystander effect.' In other words, we all think someone else will do something about it, and many people think it's the job of the Parish Council to report it and sort it anyway.

Actually, we can all play our part by reporting problems to Central Beds Council direct and getting a tracking code which updates when the hole is to be filled.

So who is going to report a similar tyre-threatening pothole just 25 yards along the road from the first one? If you know where these pictures were taken you can claim your £5 prize by contacting the Chalgrave News team on thechalgravenews@gmail.com



Interesting facts from the past

They used urine to tan animal skins, so families used to all pee in a pot & then once a day, it was taken and sold to the tannery. If you had to do this to survive you were *"Piss Poor"* But worse than that were the really poor folk who couldn't even afford to buy a pot. They *"didn't have a pot to piss in"* and were the lowest of the low.

Baths consisted of a big tub filled with hot water. The man of the house had the privilege of the nice clean water, then all the other sons and men, then the women and finally the children. Last of all the babies.

By then the water was so dirty you could actually lose someone in it. Hence the saying, *"Don't throw the baby out with the bath water!"*

Houses had thatched roofs with thick straw-piled high and with no wood underneath. It was the only place for animals to get warm, so all the cats and other small animals (mice, bugs etc.) lived in the roof. When it rained it became slippery and sometimes the animals would slip and fall off the roof. Hence the saying *"It's raining cats and dogs."*

There was nothing to stop things from falling into the house. This posed a real problem in the bedroom where bugs and other droppings could mess up your nice clean bed. Hence, a bed with big posts and a sheet hung over the top afforded some protection. That's how canopy beds came into existence.

The floor was made of dirt, only the wealthy had something other than dirt. Hence the saying, *"Dirt poor."* The wealthy had slate floors that would get slippery in the winter when wet, so they spread thresh (straw) on floor to help keep their footing. As the winter wore on, they added more thresh until, when you opened the door, it would all start slipping outside. A piece of wood was placed in the entrance-way, hence: a thresh hold.

(Getting quite an education, aren't you?)



How does your Garden grow?

After a wet and soggy start to the year, this summer is turning into a hot dry one. This can present problems for gardeners in ensuring their plants have enough water. Here are some simple tips to help you conserve water:



Mulching bare soil with organic matter significantly helps to reduce water loss. Suitable materials are: Garden compost, leaf mould, wood chips, used bought compost and grass clippings. You can also use cardboard, although this can be covered with grass clippings for aesthetic purposes. All will rot down slowly and improve the soil's structure and its ability to retain moisture. To be really effective, be generous with your mulch, at least 4 inches (100mm).

Recycle water from washing up and washing vegetables. The small amount of soap or detergents will not harm the soil or your plants.

Most established trees and shrubs will not need watering during a dry spell, however, newly planted trees and shrubs will need watering, as will fruit and vegetables for a good crop.

If you have plants in pots, consider moving them into the shade and group them together as this will reduce their moisture loss.

Water in the evening, this will allow the water to seep down to the roots rather than be lost by evaporation in the heat of the day. It's best to give a plant a good soaking once a week rather than a little every day.

Let your lawns go brown, they will recover when the rains come.

Consider planting more drought-tolerant plants. Many Mediterranean plants such as Rosemary, Lavender, Thyme, Cistus and Sedum are particularly suited to arid conditions.

Regular watering of plants also gives you an opportunity to observe plants up close. Are they doing well? Do you need to move them to a more suitable location? This will help influence your future plans for the garden.

If by the time you are reading this, we're having rain of biblical proportions and you are thinking of building an Ark, my apologies, but at least your garden will be loving it.

Anyway, enjoy your gardening, whatever the weather! **John W**

A CHALGRAVE CHILDHOOD

For the last 70 years, the NHS has shaped our experiences of birth, health, sickness and death.

At its inception in 1948, post-war Britain's labour minister, Nye Bevan, had a vision of a national system of social security for all. The aim of the NHS was to make health care available based on need rather than financial status. Things were certainly very different before the NHS when a visit from the doctor had to be paid for.

One local resident remembers Dr Fawcett, who lived in Toddington. He was quite a character and cut rather a sternly figure when he rode through Tebworth on his horse, wearing a bowler hat, white gloves, gaiters and a tightly buttoned jacket. At his surgery at his home in Conger Cottage, mysterious glass bottles and jars lined the shelves, from which he would make up medicinal remedies, known locally as 'a bottle of jollop.'

It feels strange to consider that, in the days before antibiotics and immunisation, children often succumbed to dangerous childhood ailments such as measles, when the only real treatment was bed rest with closed curtains to protect the eyes plus 'a bottle of jollop' of course!

One resident remembers being struck down with colitis in 1953 and was in considerable pain.

Dr Williams had now taken over and was called out. He came straight away, even though it was a Sunday. He was very concerned about the possibility of appendicitis and called out another doctor for a second opinion. He then arranged for the Pharmacy in Toddington to be opened to make up a special prescription.

A therapeutic diet was prescribed of boiled eggs, black bananas and dry toast, plus apples, peeled and left to go brown!

Happily, the patient lived to tell the tale.

It really makes you think. Over the last 70 years, the NHS has certainly made tremendous progress.....but perhaps we have lost something very special along the way?

Frances Masters





Chalgrave Open Gardens

Saturday 16 June 2018

Our second Open Gardens event proved a great success. What a great day! We were very thankful that the rain held off. Having the event hub at the Village Hall proved a good move and we did a roaring trade in teas and home-made cakes. We had parking organised at the Hall as well as in Tebworth and Wingfield. We made over £600 which will hopefully fund the printing of nearly 2 issues of the Chalgrave News.

Thanks to everyone who opened their gardens and worked so hard to get them looking amazing! Sharon and Stuart Brown, Frances and Roger Masters, Beth and Colin McCausland, Gary Burgess and Eileen Waldon, Lyndie and Ian Lothian, Claude Michel Eveir and Fiona Strong, Bern Inzani, Noeleen and Gary Pottage, Malcom Skevington and Celia, Ann and Roger Costin, and Julia Marsh and Dave Grimes.

Also, a big thank you to everyone who baked lovely cakes and helped with teas, gazebo erecting and un-erecting! Lesley Meade, Sue Watling, Colette Fletcher and family, Tracy Malster, Colin McCausland, Chris McDonagh, Noeleen Pottage, Will Randell and Dave Grimes.

A shout out for Velda and Elaine did a wonderful job babysitting Gary and Eileen's garden and for Chris and Caroline for showing people around Buttercup Farm.

And of course we were so grateful to John and Jan for their amazing plant stall and encyclopaedic plant knowledge (well ok they did have a plant encyclopaedia on hand!)

And finally thanks to everyone who supported the event by turning up. Great to see so many locals as well as people from nearby villages and towns; Toddington, Chalton, Luton, Dunstable - plus further away places such as High Wycombe, Pitstone and Biggleswade.

All in all, a great community effort!





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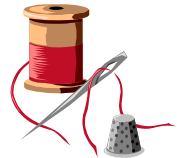
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Creative Gardening From Ken Green

Dear Vincent,

I am feeling pretty sad because it looks like I won't be able to plant my tomato garden this year. I'm just getting too old to be digging up a garden plot. I know if you were here my troubles would be over. I know you would be happy to dig the plot for me, like the old days.

Love, Papa

A few days later he received a letter from his son.

Dear Papa,

Don't dig up that garden. That's where the bodies are buried.

Love, Vinnie

At 4 a.m. The next morning, FBI agents and local police arrived and dug up the entire area without finding any bodies. They apologized to the old man and left. That same day the old man received another letter from his son.

Dear Papa,

Go ahead and plant the tomatoes now. That's the best I could do under the circumstances.

Love you, Vinnie

Congratulations

100th birthday

Mrs Rona Heeps (Nee Foster)

**On the 15th June 2018
my Mum, Mrs Rona Heeps,
former resident of
Willow Tree Farm,
The Lane, Tebworth
celebrated her 100th birthday
At Orchard Lodge Care Home, Tilsworth.**

My Mum was born in Tebworth on the 15th June 1918 in one of the cottages (now number 22) The Lane.

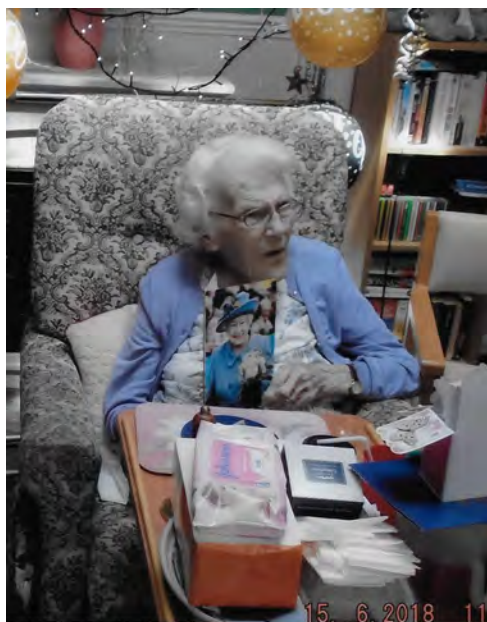


She had two younger sisters, Edna and Greta.
Her parents were Arthur and Edith Mary Foster.

My grandmother died aged 37 when my Mum was only 10 years old and Greta, the youngest was only 2 and a half. Mum was excused from some of her schooling to help look after her sisters.

In her late teens she met my Dad (Mr Percy Heeps) who had come from Wales to work on farms in this area. They were married in March 1939 and started married life in a cottage in Toddington where my brother, Gordon, and I were born.

In 1958 we moved from Toddington down to Willow Tree Farm. Mum and Dad reared pigs and cattle. Mum also kept chickens and sold free range eggs on the farm.



Every July and August Mum would have 100 day old turkeys and 80 day old chickens delivered to fatten up for Christmas. She continued to sell Christmas birds until she was 80!

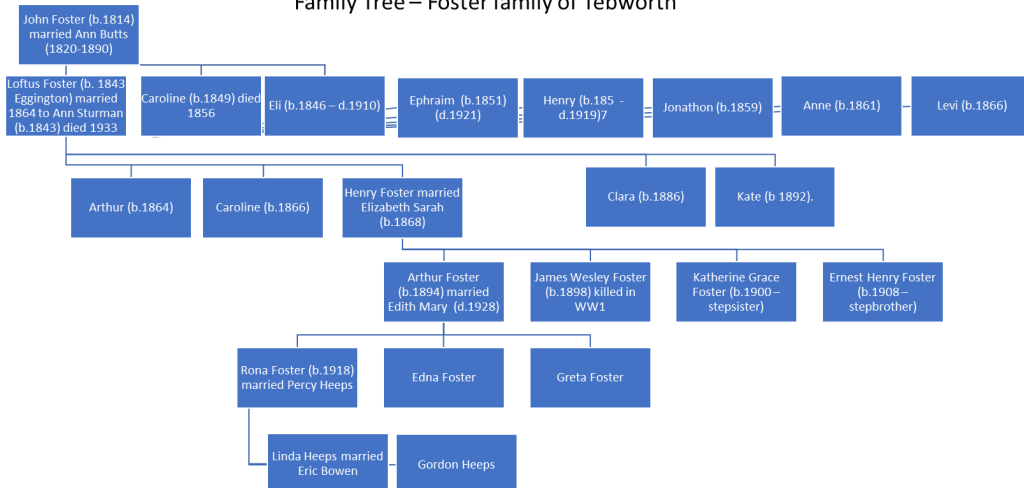
Sadly, my Dad passed away in November 1979, so my Mum had to cut her work down, but she kept a few sheep up to the time she went into the care home in 2015.

My Mum is the oldest resident of Orchard Lodge and their first resident to reach 100. Orchard Lodge threw a big birthday party for her and Mum received a card from the Queen and a telegram from the Secretary of State.

Linda Bowen



Family Tree – Foster family of Tebworth



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Classic Car show July 15th

Just a few pictures from the Annual Classic Car show held in Wingfield.

It was a very hot afternoon, with many beautiful cars on display. A super turn out, lots of families and enthusiasts admiring the exhibits.



News from The Plough

Happy Summer!

Firstly, a warm welcome back to the Parish to the Queens Head. We popped in on Street party day and she's looking great!

With the hot weather we've been having, we are busy in the garden. Val has been hard at work extending the flower borders which are getting more colourful every week. The vegetable bed is finished, and we have new parasols in the front garden. After a very busy 'open gardens' weekend, we hope we can enter our own garden next year.

The menu has been updated for summer to include the likes of Caesar Salad and Mediterranean Tagliatelle. Mussels Wednesday has been a success, so we plan to have other weekly promotions. Keep an eye out for 'Burger Tuesdays' soon with others in the pipeline. All being well we hope the produce from the veg patch will make their way on to plates soon too.

We're growing multi coloured beetroot and carrots, pink and purple radish, several brassicas and some squashes.

Many thanks and congratulations to all those involved in organising the Wingfield Car Show. Thanks also to all those who came and visited us on the day, it was a great to see so many of you contributing to a fantastic atmosphere. We had a great day and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves, roll on next year.

Finally, don't shoot the messenger, but summer will eventually come to an end. We are always looking forward, so plans are afoot to replace the old radiators and install an additional one, plus have the old wood burning stove back in service. This winter we will be much warmer.

Cheers, Stacey, Dave & Team.



A Life on the Ocean Wave !

For many years I've wanted to try tall ship sailing - and I'd also wanted to visit St Kilda. St Kilda is a small island situated about 40 miles from the Outer Hebrides – or in other words it really is in the middle of nowhere. It has an amazing story which you are best to look up on the web rather than me fill the magazine up with it. But just a taster – a storm in the 19th century was so severe it left the islanders deaf for a week and it wasn't unheard of for sheep and cattle to be blown off the cliffs by the hurricane force winds.

So when I saw a trip on the web involving both – sailing a ketch from Ullapool to St Kilda via various Hebridean islands my initial reaction was “one day” but then I thought – “why not now, not getting any younger..”

So I paid my non-refundable deposit and then I had no choice in the matter. I fancied riding my motorbike up there so had to find somewhere to leave it for a week – they have a habit of getting stolen if you leave them out in the street. Found an Airbnb place run by a biker who said he'd look after the bike for a week so that was sorted.

Ullapool is just short of 600 miles from Tebworth so found another Airbnb in the borders. Looked at the packing list and wondered how I was going to pack all those waterproofs and things on the bike but then it occurred to me that the bike gear is warm and waterproof so why not wear it up there on the bike then on the ship – packing issue resolved.

Only thing I didn't have was a decent set of wellies so I sorted that and then a pair of sailing gloves – got a pair for a tenner. Odd things – basically very thin gloves with no fingers so you deal with the ropes and knots and things.

I was to regret this later....

When it came to the big day the sun was shining and temperatures up to around 26. So I removed the thermal linings from my bike stuff – don't need that stuff in this heat – and left them at home

I was to regret this later...

Lovely ride up to the borders, nice Airbnb. Next day English heat replaced by Scottish damp and cold quickly followed by Scottish wet and cold. Where's the thermal liners? Oh 350 miles away – b*gger!

Finally get to my destination and find the pod in the garden – really nice and cosy – have a nice hot shower and then it's into town to hit the high spots of Ullapool! 30 minutes later I'm back at the pod with a takeaway – Ullapool is a nice town but not exactly buzzing. Also saw the ship – not as big as I thought – especially for 40 miles of wild Atlantic Ocean in April – start getting slightly uneasy feeling but more of that later

Next day find I have made a mistake in my timings and instead of being on the ship at 10:00 am we're actually due on at 6:00pm. Make myself known to one of the crew who confirms 6:00pm (b*gger again!). All I have to do now is entertain myself for a day in Ullapool. Then it starts raining. Go to the museum and read the description on EVERY item plus the posters and everything for sale in the gift shop. Go to the library and read lots of magazines. Go for a walk. Have a beer. Have some lunch. Oh good it's now 2pm – only 4 hours to go. Visit every shop in Ullapool. As stated before Ullapool is nice but not the most spectacular place to spend a wet overcast Monday.

A Life on the Ocean Wave !continued

Turns out most of the crew were in the same boat so to speak and nearly all of us were in the museum at the same time but unaware of the common connection.

At last it's 5:30 so down to the ship. 6:00pm on the dot we start to go aboard. Well I say that – the first 5 minutes is spent looking down at the vertical 10 foot ladder down to the ship with little to hold onto and trying not to look at the gap between the ship and the pier with all that dark murky water in it. Gulp – I have to go down that? Carrying all my luggage? What happens if I slip?

Luckily the crew help us aboard but it still comes under the heading of "I Really Don't Like This".

First impressions – bigger than I thought both on deck and inside. The crew is 2 plus a cook (is that all ????) , food excellent, hearty stuff and lots of it. Main room is pleasant and a great place to eat, chat and socialise. The other "sailors" are really nice – typical one being a retired vegan vet who sings in a choir. Though you'd have thought a vegan vet was cutting his own throat if you'll forgive the pun. Two men had lost their wives in last 6 weeks so this was their first trip away without them. We all made a note to keep an eye on them and make sure they got through it as well as possible.

Boat and crew are Dutch but their English is impeccable.

Next day we leave at 2:00pm as Captain has to see a vet about his dog (oddly enough there were 3 vets on the ship but he had to get an official form stamped). First we motor out of harbour then start sailing. Very quiet. So many strings, halyards, sheets, ropes, downho's and what not – very confusing BUT OMG it's cold. Then it starts to sleet. Now I'm a biker and used to cold but yee gods it's absolutely freezing! Motorcycle jacket (no thermal liner) too cold, sailing jacket borrowed from next door neighbour too cold, two together just about slightly ok. Head and hands freezing – those gloves are absolutely useless. Where are my nice warm motorcycle gloves? Packed away on the bike at the pod house (unhappy face...)

Crew commands like "Not a slip knot – use a flat reef knot!" cause panic, confusion and puzzled looks from most of us but there are a few experienced people who do actually know what they are doing and all is OK in the end. Get to Stornoway at 1:00am. Fresh air, exercise, food, wine – can't get to sleep quickly enough.

Next day go shopping in Stornoway. Buy a woolly hat. Don't buy gloves.

I was to regret this later...

Sail to Shiant islands and go ashore in the dinghy. It's just simply stunning, peace, sea, and birds. We are the only people on the island and it's just magical. Still cold though.

Next morning we dinghy along the shore and through a natural rock arch. There are razorbills, gannets, cormorants, puffins, gulls, terns. We are utterly alone. There is also rain and sleet and wind. Did I mention the cold? Can't remember the last time I was this cold (have I ever been this cold?)

Next day we go to Rodel on the island of Harris for a beer in the hotel. Except it's shut for good some months ago so have a beer on the ship instead. Food still excellent and lots of it. Good night's sleep (so warm !) then off to St Kilda. Wind means we have to motor not sail but

A Life on the Ocean Wave !continued

it's still amazing. Forgot to take seasick tablets which means I have a choice – go below to get them (I will be sick) or stay on deck (I may be sick). In the end decide to man-up, brace myself, grasp life with both hands and stay on deck. Then I'm sick.

St Kilda slowly comes over the horizon – it looks like something out of Lord of the Rings with its mountains, crashing waves and amazing light. St Kilda – uninhabited and dreamlike – apart from the 50 contractors building a power station for the RAF radar station on the hill above and the constant noise of diggers and a helicopter. Not quite what I had imagined. The warden opens the little shop for us and we buy books and trinkets then wander round the remains of the one and only hamlet. A few of the old houses have been restored but most have no roofs. Outside each one is a little plaque stating who lived there in 1900 and in 1930 when the island was abandoned. Many of them were uninhabited by 1930 as people left for the mainland and that was why it was abandoned – with only 30 or so people left the island became unsustainable.

Even with building work it was beautiful though – many of the islanders who went to the mainland in 1930 chose to be buried back there and I can understand why. The last inhabitant from before the evacuation died in 2016 - a sort of refugee from another world. That night we set off motoring back to the mainland. In the afternoon we sailed back through the long channel to Ullapool, the sun shone, the blues, whites, greens and greys were incredibly intense and it confirmed what I had thought for a long time – Scotland is the most beautiful country in Europe. Well, when the sun is shining anyway.

Last meal, drink and bed, next day say our goodbyes and back on the bike for the trip home wearing all the warm clothes I'd left on the bike – gosh I can be a prat sometimes!

Ride back through the Highlands and the moors of Northumberland was wonderful – such good riding I actually did the whole 584 mile trip back to Tebworth that day with just one stop for lunch.

Was it good and would I do it again?

It was fantastic but maybe my next trip would be somewhere warmer – either that or use my brain when deciding what clothes to take !

Colin McCausland





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The Queens Head - Revisited

As you all must know by now The Queens Head is now in new hands, Axel and Angie opened their doors on 1st June (with a practice run on 19th May for the Street Party) and I think I can say that they have been welcomed into the Village of Tebworth with open arms.

The 'public' bar has been completely refurbished with a new bar, floor, furniture and blinds, the old saloon bar has also had a makeover and is going to be the eating area. The new kitchen is a work in progress but I am assured it will open soon (keep looking on the notice boards outside the pub). Toilets have all been renewed as well as the car park and the garden is also a work in progress but will be landscaped very soon.

So all is well in Tebworth. Axel and Angie are nice, friendly and helpful and are always willing to listen to your suggestions on how to improve things (keep it clean).

The television in the bar is not always to everyone's taste but with the Football World Cup, Wimbledon and all sorts of national events going on this year they can once more be enjoyed in the convivial atmosphere of 'The Local'.

All we need to do now is give our support to Axel and Angie and hope that our little community can relax in the knowledge that our pub is here to stay.

M McDonagh



AUNT AGNES ANSWERS YOUR PROBLEMS

Hello again dear readers.

You will, I am sure, all want to hear about the difficult time I have had over here in my luxury Caribbean ocean facing villa. Well I have been busy topping up my tan during the heat wave of the past few weeks. I am going to have to write to Mrs May to demand that those of us who have retired to the Caribbean get a larger state pension than those of you who live in the UK as the running costs of our air conditioning systems just cannot be afforded on the current state pension. Why should we get more? Well we have very hot weather all year round so it costs us more to keep cool than those who live in the UK with its cooler climate.



Moving on, I once again have to report yet another print error in my last response to Mrs X of Chalgrave who wrote to me seeking my advice on how to get her two daughters good, well paid, jobs after they left University. Now I don't know how these misprints keep happening but my reply was to get her daughters to draw up two CV's and to make sure they included a very detailed pen picture as this would impress potential future employers when attending interviews.

Unfortunately the Chalgrave News wrongly printed my answer as – to draw up in a 2CV and to make sure they included a very detailed hen picture.

Surely Mrs X you must have realised this was a printing error? You cannot hold me responsible as you state in your, I must say unnecessary vitriolic and most unpleasant, letter of complaint for your daughters arriving for interviews in a 2CV and handing potential employers very detailed drawings of chickens.

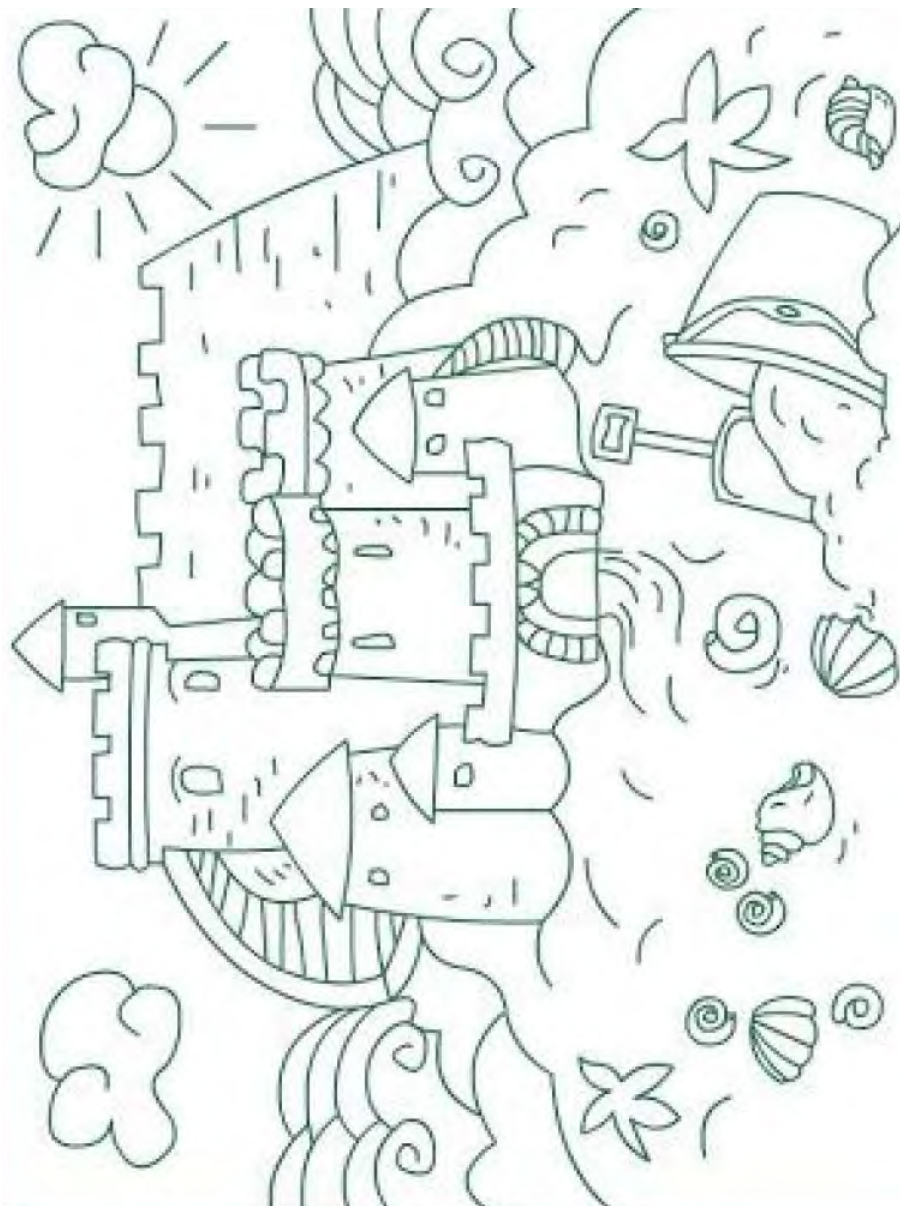
I am sorry that their following interviews did not go well but I do feel it unfair for the girls to be called crackers by the interviewers and also for the mounting repair costs to the 2CV you bought for them.

Until next time dear readers.....



CHALGRAVE KIDS COLOURING COMPETITION

We have a holiday theme this time, Simply copy and colour this page and return to : The Old School. 16 The Lane, in an envelope, by August 1st for judging. (Remember to include your name, age and address on the back of your drawing) Good Luck!



Parish Noticeboard



Colouring Competition Winners

Congratulations to Charlie Osborn, Rosie Williams & Olivia Fox . We all agreed that your colouring pages were fantastic and that you are all winners. Well done! Your prizes are on the way.



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Chalgrave Memorial Hall

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6pm – 12 midnight*	£110	£225	£260
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9am – 6pm	£8.00 per hour	£20.00 per hour	£22.00 per hour
6pm – 12 midnight*	£110	£255	£315
12.30pm – 12 midnight*	£135	£315	£365
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10am – 10pm*	£8.00 per hour	£20.00 per hour	£25.00 per hour
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- Bank Holidays/New Year's Eve – Rates on application
- Committee Room available for hire separately when Hall not hired – Rates on application
- **Block/Regular booking discount of up to 15% available
- Bookings outside above hours subject to individual rates on application.
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- £250 damage deposit required on all bookings – refundable in full subject to no damage caused to Hall, contents, equipment or grounds and the Hall and grounds being left in a clean and tidy state.
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