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Sue & Iain Robertson,
coordinators for this edition.

Stephen's Letter

Rhythm of Life

*Jesus said "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."
Matthew 11v28*

After our summer holidays, hopefully we are feeling refreshed and re-energised, ready to go back to work, or to start the new academic year at school or college. Nevertheless, however eager and renewed we might be after time off, energy soon dissipates, and sometimes after only week or so back in the usual routine, we are busy and stressed again, and our holiday feels like a distant memory!

We may be buffeted by the challenges of life, the priorities of others and - these days, in particular - by the expectations generated by electronic communications and social media. Maintaining a good work-life balance, keeping a rhythm of activities over time, and setting aside times of peace and quiet to reflect on life and to step back from the usual busyness has never been more important in our current society.

In his life on earth, Jesus understood the need for times of quiet and reflection, and he often had interludes when he was away from the crowds, and on his own in prayer. Furthermore, with the above words from Matthews Gospel, which also form the Comfortable Words of the Holy Communion service, Jesus encouraged all who were burdened

down with life to seek rest and refreshment in his presence. Jesus has bought us peace with God by his death on the cross, and inspiration for life by his teaching - and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we can experience this peace, inspiration and comfort in the reality of our own lives today.

There is no better place for seeking the peace that the world cannot give than in the tranquility of an English country church, and on Saturday 22nd September, St Andrew's Church, Chedworth will be open all day for you to drop in for a time of peace and quiet (see separate notice). This is for everyone in the parish, whether you are a church-goer or not, with no obligation. Do join us to seek the deep peace of God. And make a good rhythm of life this autumn, whatever you are doing and however busy you might get.

With best wishes,

Stephen



Church Briefing

Services for September 2018

Sunday 2nd September – Trinity 14

Holy Communion	10.30 am – Coln St Dennis
Evensong	3pm – Coln Rogers

Sunday 9th September – Trinity 15

Holy Communion (BCP)	9 am – Chedworth
Holy Communion	10.30 am – Coln Rogers
Tea Time Service	4pm - Chedworth

Sunday 16th September – Trinity 16

Holy Communion (BCP)	9 am - Stowell
Fun Run Family Service	10.30 am – Chedworth Cricket Ground
Evensong	6 pm – Coln St Dennis

Sunday 23rd September – Trinity 17

Family Communion	10.30 am – Yanworth
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Sunday 30th September – Harvest Festival

Benefice Harvest Festival	10.30 am – Chedworth
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Sunday 7th October – Trinity 19

Family Communion	10.30 am – Coln St Dennis
Harvest-tide Evensong	6pm – Coln Rogers

Sunday 16th September - Family Service at Cricket Field

Please join us for our Family Service at 10.30 am on Sunday 16th September, at the Cricket Field, prior to the School Fun Run & 5K at 12 noon. Let's go for all round fitness - physical and spiritual!

Saturday 22nd September - Day of Prayer & Reflection - St Andrew's Church, Chedworth

A Day of Prayer and Reflection will be held at St Andrew's Church, Chedworth on Saturday 22nd September from 10 am to 5pm. There will be prayer stations (suitable for all ages), ambient music and

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three short acts of worship during the day, at 10 am, 1pm and 4pm. Drop in at any point and stay as long as you like! Space for peace, reflection and prayer in a busy and fast moving world. For adults and children - everyone welcome!

Sunday 30th September - Harvest Festival

Our Benefice Harvest Festival Service will be at St Andrew's Church, Chedworth, at 10.30 am on Sunday 30th September. Please bring harvest gifts to church - we will be collecting non-perishable items for donation to the Cirencester Food Bank, and our collection this year will be in aid of Tear Fund. Please do join us for this important event in the life of our rural parishes.

Sunday 14th October - Confirmation Service

On 14th October, in the Tea Time Service slot at 4pm, we will be joined by Bishop Robert, the Bishop of Tewkesbury for our Confirmation Service. Confirmation is an important service where people growing in faith - young or older - have an opportunity to take their faith further, and make a public commitment to the Christian faith. Please do join us for this special service, and pray for Rebecca, Isabella, Harry, George, Phineas and Malcolm as they prepare for confirmation.

Autumn Group - Beta Course

Following on from the Alpha Course which we have run successfully in recent years, this autumn we are running a Beta Course! This an opportunity both to review some of the Alpha material, but also for you to choose areas you have questions about, and would like to explore further! This will take place on Wednesdays from 4th October for five sessions at 7.30pm at the Vicarage. All welcome! If you thought about attending an Alpha Course in the past but didn't get round to it, you are still more than welcome to join us this autumn.

Advance Notice - St Andrew's Day Ceilidh - 24th November

After the success of last year's event, do join us for this year's St Andrew's Day Ceilidh on Saturday 24th November at Chedworth Village Hall - a whole-village family fun event to brighten up those dark winter nights! Join us for an evening of superbly choreographed Scottish dancing (no previous experience necessary!) with ceilidh band, Hetty Pegler's Tump, as well as a delicious Scottish buffet! This event is jointly organised by St Andrews Church and St Andrew's School PTA. Save the date! Tickets available soon - keep a look out in the Hill & Valley Magazine and on the Chedworth Facebook and NextDoor sites after the summer break for ticket details. Help us

make it a Chedworth St Andrews day to remember!

Advance Notice - Hot Desk!

Look out for the Hot Desk! somewhere in Chedworth at some time during the autumn. Free gift for the first adult (and child) to visit the desk.....

Baptisms

The church has always understood that the baptism (christening) of a child is the beginning of a relationship with God - and with the church. Furthermore, the recent Diocese of Gloucester Vision consultation has found most unsolicited enquiries to local churches from people in the 30-44 age group (a group that is under-represented in the church) are baptism enquires. The Diocese has therefore asked parishes to consider how they can improve their procedures

around baptism, and our ministry team has given this careful consideration. Unlike larger churches, we do not have the resources to do intensive training/preparation for families seeking baptism, but we would like to get to know families better. *Consequently, we would like to invite families who are resident in the Hill & Valley Parishes to attend a family-style service (Family Service, Tea Time Service or Family Communion) in the parishes, if they have not already done so, prior to the baptism.* Please contact Stephen if you have any queries.

From the Registers

Baptisms

"You are all children of the light and children of the day". 1 Thessalonians 5v5

Luca North - St Andrew's Church,
Chedworth - 3rd July



Finding out more about God in creative ways.

For 4-11 year olds

Every 4th Sunday of the month

10.15-11.30 am

In Parish Room at The Vicarage, Chedworth

Phone Sally on 720285 to book a place

sally.smith237@yahoo.co.uk

Dates for your Diary

Day	Time	Event	Venue
02-Sep	10:30	Chedworth Roman Trail 10 mile run (rescheduled from April)	Village Hall
04-Sep	10:15-11:45	Mobile Library	Village Hall car park
08-Sep	10:00-18:00	GHCT (Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust) Ride+Stride 2018 [see www.ghct.org.uk/ride-and-stride]	
10-Sep	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
12-Sep	19:15	WI - talk on Card Making	Village Hall
14-Sep	19:30	Back Row Club "The Viceroy's House"	Village Hall
16-Sep	12:00	Fun Run & 5K Trail Run	Chedworth Cricket Club, GL54 4AD
19-Sep	14:30-16:30	Elderberries - Harvest Festival	Village Hall
20-Sep	15:00	Bingo	St Andrew's School
25-Sep	20:00	Open Mic night	Seven Tuns
28-Sep	19:30	Back Row Club "Downfall (Hitler)"	Seven Tuns
29-Sep	19:00	Chedworth Cricket Club Annual Dinner	Village Hall
02-Oct	10:15-11:45	Mobile Library	Village Hall car park
08-Oct	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
10-Oct	19:15	WI - talk on Taste the Memory	Village Hall
12-Oct	18:30	"Bosnia - A Tragedy Revisited" talk by Major General Peter Williams	Village Hall
17-Oct	14:30-16:30	Elderberries - Lands End to John O'Groats by Andy Dickson	Village Hall
19-Oct	19:30	Back Row Club "Darkest Hour"	Village Hall
25-Oct	19:30	Back Row Club "American Sniper"	Seven Tuns
26-Oct	19:30	Paprika (UK's leading Balkan band) concert	Village Hall
28-Oct	02:00	<i>Clocks go back one hour</i>	
30-Oct	10:15-11:45	Mobile Library	Village Hall car park
30-Oct	20:00	Open Mic night	Seven Tuns
09-Nov	19:30	Back Row Club "The Mountain between Us"	Village Hall
10-Nov		Concert to commemorate the end of First World War	Village Hall
12-Nov	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall
14-Nov	19:15	WI - AGM and party	Village Hall
21-Nov	14:30-16:30	Elderberries - Willow Weaving by Allison Oldershaw	Village Hall
24-Nov		St Andrew's Day Ceilidh	Village Hall

See www.hillandvalley.co.uk for more dates of events

Recycling Dates

Domestic Waste & Recycling

**Chedworth Area,
Fossebridge,
Coln St Dennis,
Coln Rogers**

Yanworth



September 2018

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October 2018

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Join Nextdoor today!
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Play your part in keeping everyone in Chedworth and neighbouring areas informed and safe by joining Nextdoor's Chedworth network.

Nearly **50%** of the households in Chedworth have joined. Its members, who all have addresses in Chedworth, have provided up to date local news including water or power supply interruptions, events, traffic information,



winter warnings, safety (including crimes) items for sale etc. as they happen.

Nextdoor is a social media system with a key difference. The information "posted" by its users only goes to Chedworth and (only if set by the user) adjoining Nextdoor communities such as Northleach or Coln St. Dennis.

Unlike Facebook Nextdoor's information cannot be viewed by the whole world!

St. Andrew's C of E Primary School



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Head: Mrs A Fitch BA (Cantab), PGCE



Autumn has arrived at Chedworth Pre-School! We are enjoying walks to pick blackberries along with using the fabulous autumn leaves as inspiration within our art and crafts and of course encouraging Healthy Eating - but don't tell the children!!



Spaces are still available, Monday to Friday 8.45 - 2.45, with the added availability of our breakfast club from 8.20am!

For children aged 2 years upwards. Funding available.

Friday afternoon sessions for our 'Rising 5's' held at St. Andrew's School

For more information please take a look at our website

www.chedworthpreschool.co.uk

Contact Sarah on 07840 370220 or email

chedworthpreschool@gmail.com to arrange a visit!



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Opening hours 8:20-14:45
Monday to Friday

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Holistic approach to learning outdoors and indoors at Chedworth Village Hall. Transition afternoons at St. Andrew's Primary, Chedworth.

Breakfast, hot lunches, snacks and lots of fun!

Government funding, nursery vouchers and tax free childcare.

Chedworth Toddler Group

Meet other families for fun, a healthy snack and toys.

9.30-11.30 Every second Tuesday (change to once every two weeks)

Term time only

£2.50 per child

Chedworth Village Hall

Come and have fun with your child in the light and spacious village hall. Drop in for a hot drink, snack and a chance to relax with other parents. Enjoy the easy & free car parking, with the opportunity to play outside on the field or adventure playground.



Chedworth Parish Council

Thames Water failings under the spotlight again

Once again Chedworth has been without water for an extended period of time and once again Thames Water has failed to come up with a satisfactory response.



Villagers were left with no mains water, no idea what was going on and no bottled supplies.

Clive Poulton has taken on the battle on behalf of the village and is in discussions with Thames who have been made very aware of just how unhappy everyone is about the way we have been treated.

Councillors

Ros Jess (Chairman)	720248
David Broad (Vice-Chairman)	720313
George Broad	720313
Matt Fulford	721134
Ian Morgan	720885
Clive Poulton	720690
Iain Robertson	720683

To contact the Council, email the clerk, Elizabeth Broad (clerk@chedworth-pc.org.uk), or call her on 720313, or get in touch with any of the councillors directly.

For more information check out our website <http://chedworthpc.org.uk>

We will continue to keep you updated with progress but in the meantime here are a few bits of information which you may find useful:

1. People who would find it difficult to pick up bottled water if the supply was interrupted can register for Priority Services as can those who use a dialysis machine at home.
2. Thames Water no longer give an automatic refund for loss of water. If you wish to claim under the Customer Guarantee Scheme you need to ring the Operations Contact Centre on 0800 316 9800.
3. You need to register for text alerts every time the water supply is interrupted as your number is no longer kept on record.

Parking is the exception not the rule

The Parish Council has agreed to the request from Cirencester Athletics Club to allow cars to park on the playing field for the Chedworth Roman Trail Run in September.

The council generally resists requests to park on the playing area, only allowing vehicles behind the goal at the far end. The playing field is an important asset for the village and although there is currently no regular team using the field it is popular with children and families, the school uses it for sporting events and of course the show also makes use of the field.

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In previous years the tenants of the grass keep fields have allowed cars to park on that land but the extreme weather means that every blade of grass is needed for winter feeding and so this year the fields are not available.

The run has already been cancelled once this year because the ground was too wet to allow parking, so the organisers were very keen that it should go ahead this time.

The Parish Council insisted on an undertaking from the athletics club that if any damage was done to the playing field they would be responsible for its repair and councillors stressed that it was only because the ground was so hard that they were prepared to allow the cars to use it.

Pause in First Aid courses

The Parish Council has now organised 3 first aid courses and 35 villagers are now hopefully much better equipped to cope in a medical emergency.

There are currently no plans to hold a further course at the moment, although if you are interested in taking part please let us know and we will add you to a waiting list.

Many thanks to those who made a donation towards the cost which means that the cost to the council has been under £200, and to Phil from Cotswold

First Aid who has done such an excellent job at passing on some of his vast knowledge.

House owners must take responsibility

If you have trees and shrubs which border the road then please remember that you are responsible for making sure that they do not obstruct the highway.

We have received a number of complaints about various locations in the village where the road is being obstructed by hedges and we have written to the landowners asking them to cut them back.

It's worth pointing out that if anyone was injured as a result of overhanging vegetation then the landowner could well be liable.

Dog owners take notice of council

Signs on the playing field and requests in the Hill and Valley for dog owners to pick up after their pets appear to be working. The playing field is now a much cleaner place and the council would urge dog owners to carry on being responsible. We will continue to monitor the situation but please let us know if you find any evidence that dog owners are falling back into bad ways.

Trial run for verge plan

The council is hoping to carry out a trial to find out how practical it would be to do full width cut of verges around the village to encourage the growth of wild flowers and more diverse plants.

One problem which we will be hoping to overcome is the best way to dispose of the cut material which needs to be removed from the verge.

Ros Jess

Chedworth Singers

Firstly I would like to thank everyone for your support at our May concert held at Chedworth Village Hall. It was a total sell out and we raised over £1000. After expenses it will be split between the Sue Ryder Hospice in Leckhampton, and Cirencester Signpost, for those in need.

However we cannot do all of this without singers, and due to retirement and choir members moving out of Chedworth the choir now needs tenors, basses, altos and sopranos. If you would like to see and hear what the Chedworth singers are all about, please come to our **special rehearsal on Thursday evening 20th September at 8pm**. This will take place at Chedworth Primary School and we especially welcome any new members who would like to come and meet the singers and enjoy some refreshments without any obligation to join.

There are no auditions and no previous experience is needed. You don't have to

be able to read music. All we ask is that you enjoy singing and are happy to come along to rehearsals on a Thursday night between 8pm - 9.30pm.

Our next singing engagements will be the Advent Carol service at Coln St Denys church, and Carols at The Seven Tuns in aid of charity.

So if you like singing why not come along? There's a warm welcome for all and we really look forward to seeing you.

Neil Irving
Chairman

Telephone 01285 720403



The Month of September

September (from Latin *septem* "seven") was originally the seventh of ten months on the oldest known Roman calendar. After the calendar reform that added January and February to the beginning of the year, September became the ninth month but retained its name. September was called "harvest month" in Charlemagne's calendar.

The Anglo-Saxons called the month Gerstmonth, barley month, that crop being then usually harvested. It is the month that marks the change from late summer to early autumn as the swallows, swifts and house martins leave on their migration to sub-Saharan Africa and harvest is completed.

St Michael's Day, Michaelmas, falls on the 29th September and remains the name of the autumn term at Oxbridge and is a rent day for many agricultural tenancies.

In the Cotswolds, Michaelmas is the most common term date for farm tenancies, marking the start of the farming year and preparations for the planting of winter cereals. It was also a date associated with changing employment and moving lodgings - a "flitting day". By the first Statute of Labourers in 1351, a worker could go to be hired at the nearest market town on the day after Michaelmas Day - that is, on 30th September - which was when pay rates were set at the statute sessions.

In times past, before Michaelmas there was a series of seasonal celebrations, often fairs, especially sheep fairs, such as Wilton in Wiltshire, where in its heyday, over 100,000 sheep were sold. Geese were also traded at Michaelmas Fairs as a winter staple. Fairs held during this period were hiring or "mops" as described by Thomas Hardy in "Far from the Madding Crowd" :-

At one end of the street stood from two to three hundred blithe and hearty labourers waiting upon Chance - all men of the stamp to whom labour suggests nothing worse than a wrestle with gravitation and pleasure nothing better than a renunciation of the same. Among these, carters and waggoners were distinguished by having a piece of whip-cord twisted round their hats; thatchers wore a fragment of woven straw; shepherds held their sheep-crooks in their hands; and thus the situation required was known to the hirers at a glance.



September is a month for the harvesting and gathering of produce, including fruit and nuts in preparation for winter. In folk lore, blackberries should not be

eaten after Michaelmas because the devil will have touched them! The end of harvest is still marked by church harvest festival services and suppers, albeit these may have less significance now that so few are actively involved in agriculture.



"I hope you don't mind me checking, but we've received an anonymous tip-off about your Harvest Festival offering."

John Clare, one of the greatest English Romantic poets in "the Shepherd's Calendar" describes a harvest supper:-

*Then comes the harvest supper night
Which rustics welcome with delight
When merry game and tiresome tale
And songs increasing with the ale
Their mingled up roar interpose
To crown the harvest happy close
While rural mirth that there abides
Laughs till she almost cracks her sides*

Robert Young



RIDE+STRIDE for Churches

Ride+Stride 2018: Explore & conserve our historic churches

It's that time of year when the team at the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust (GHCT) start dusting off the walking boots, pumping our bike tyres or getting together with friends to plan a driving tour around some of our wonderful local churches.

We're asking anyone who values our region's historic churches to take part in GHCT's sponsored Ride + Stride event on September 8.

It's a great way to explore the local area with the fascinating history of local churches as a focal point. The money raised is split between the Trust and a participant's chosen church.

"Whether you're planning a full day cycling between a hundred churches, or a short driving tour to two or three, anyone can participate in Ride+Stride", said Glenn Duff, Regional Organiser.

"All the region's churches are marked on the map at ghct.org.uk to help people plan a route."

Ride + Stride welcomes cyclists of all abilities, as well as walkers, horse-riders and drivers. Just as important are those who take part welcoming others to their church - perhaps getting sponsored to play music, clean the church or mow the churchyard. If your church doesn't have a Local organiser, perhaps you could co-ordinate the activity?

Contact Glenn if you'd like to know more about taking part, to order a banner advertising the event or to update the information for your church: rideandstride@ghct.org.uk or call 01452 538271.

The event takes place on Saturday 8 September and full details can be found at www.ghct.org.uk/ride-and-stride

GHCT supports Gloucestershire's church buildings - helping keep them alive as places of worship, active centres of community life and landmarks of our architectural heritage.





**The Chedworth & District Branch
of the
Royal British Legion**

Invites you to

**“Bosnia -
A Tragedy Revisited”**

a talk by

*Major General Peter Williams CMG, OBE
formerly Coldstream Guards*

Friday 12th October 2018 at 6.30 p.m

**At Chedworth Village Hall, GL54 4NE
6.30 o'clock**

**Tickets a minimum donation of £15
to include a glass of wine and canapés**

Enquiries:

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01285 720146
simoncolbeck@msn.com

Drinks & Canapés
followed by talk at 7.30 p.m

July / August Report

A slightly smaller number of members than we might have expected turned out for our July meeting, possibly due to a certain football match being played at the same time. Fortunately, at least one of our members had their mobile phone tuned into keep us up with the changes in England's fortunes as they played their World Cup Semi-final. Yes, WI members can be keen on sport as well as cakes!

July business was mostly about cakes and catering for the Chedworth Games and the Chedworth Show, but short and sweet. The main reminder being for the outing to Broughton Castle on the 8th August, in place of a monthly meeting.

Our speaker Alex Starbrooke then took over, having tantalized us by putting out a magnificent display of hats. Her talk was entitled 'Hilarious Hats' but this did nothing to prepare us for her range of lovely, amusing and tear-jerking stories told in great style.

Hats were the linking theme between her tales of the origin of the saying 'Red hat no drawers', re-naming her day hospice visits 'playschool for grown ups' and some stories of some of the clients and clients' husbands/partners and friends who came through her doors when she ran her hat shop for eleven years. (Tip here for husbands/partners/friends, be honest

but not too honest in your opinion of what your wife/partner/friend is wearing, and if you like it say that they look stunning/beautiful/gorgeous - and then shut up! And whatever you do don't ask 'How much is it?!' .

We even persuaded Alex to share some of her tips on hats and shapes and styles to suit those that are tall, slim, short and even those who wear glasses - she could find a hat to suit us all. And tell us how the royals keep those hats firmly fixed to their heads even in a gale.

During tea and afterwards she was kind enough to allow us to try on the hats and prove the wisdom of her advice!

Members went home having had a very happy evening full of trying on hats, friendly chat and delicious cakes. The only downside - England didn't make the final, in spite of one of our members wearing a lucky waistcoat. But what a great team - and I don't just mean Chedworth WI!

Come and join us for our September meeting in the Village Hall at 7.15pm on Wednesday 12th September. The talk will be by Jules Owen about Card Making.

Emma Isaac



WI Summer Outing

WI members and their friends travelled to Broughton Castle on August 8th for the annual WI summer outing. The day was warm and sunny and the coach took us through the Oxfordshire lanes to this manor house near Banbury. Broughton Castle is set in parkland and built of rich Hornton Ironstone. We entered the high gatehouse into the grounds which were surrounded by a moat.



Broughton Castle is home to the 21st Lord and Lady Saye & Sele whose Family name is Fiennes. The ownership of the Castle has remained in the same Family since 1447.

The day proved to be fun and fascinating. On entering the house you



were led through various rooms with wonderful portrait paintings of the family through the ages. We saw the amazing armoury, beautiful textiles and porcelain and went up the different staircases to the top

of the house where it opened onto an outside turret area looking down onto a beautiful walled garden with the family emblem depicted in box hedges.



The parkland scenery with the moat and water lilies was a treat and well worth the visit. The staff were very friendly and knowledgeable guides were everywhere. Combined with the sunshine, café and excellent company this resulted in a very happy outing. A large thank you to the organisers.

Carol Bailey

Elderberries

We were pleased to welcome Margaret Daniels, the Bard of Barnwood, to our May meeting. Her humorous poetry hit the mark, so often reminding us of so many similar incidents in our lives.



At our June meeting our very own Roger ran through his life story starting with his early days in Caerphilly famous for its castle and its cheese. Roger's

earliest recollection was the noise of German Bombers heading for Cardiff Bay and his far from pleasant early school experiences. After school he became a postman before farming which led to his move to Chedworth nearly 50 years ago where his family grew up and were all very much part of village life.



Our annual summer outing took place in warm but cloudy weather to Gloucester

Docks. We had a good time walking through the redeveloped port and then a boat trip through the harbour and down the canal accompanied by frequent, sometimes humorous, commentary from the captain.

Afterwards we had a most pleasant tea in the Waterways Museum



where they had reserved the whole café for us. We are most grateful to all those who helped with the transport.



As always we offer a very warm welcome to anyone over the age of 60 to join us on the third Wednesday of every month starting at 2.30pm. If you would like to know more please ring Helen Taylor on 720702 or Carol Shaftoe on 720074.

Fred Shaftoe

Your Gardening Tips for September



The Chedworth Show will have come and gone by the time this issue reaches you, but I hope that the long hot dry weather did not

discourage too many people from entering exhibits.

- Despite the hot weather and lack of rain by mid-August we had not had a hosepipe ban, so vulnerable plants and vegetables should have survived.
- Continue to deadhead plants such as Dahlia, Delphinium, Rosa and Penstemon to prolong the display and give plenty of colour to the end of the month.
- It is time for some gentle tidying up of the borders, leaving seed heads for the birds. Trim back lavender if not already done. Divide herbaceous perennials, and plant new perennials, towards the end of the month.
- Rake out the dead grass from lawns and treat with autumn feed, but not until the rain has given it a good soaking. Brown, sun bleached lawns will recover once they have been watered.
- Add compost or rotted manure to the garden to reinvigorate the soil over the winter.

- When digging out the vegetable garden leave the pea and bean roots in the ground to recycle nitrogen. Plant out winter lettuce, autumn onion sets, garlic and spring cabbage. Remove yellow leaves from over wintering brassicas.
- Dig up remaining potatoes to avoid slug damage.
- Garden vegetables that become over-ripe are an easy target for some pests. Remove them as soon as possible to avoid detection.
- Resist the temptation to leave the topmost flowers on tomatoes. Cut them off as no significant tomatoes will be harvested from them from now on.
- Plant spring flowering bulbs
- Cabbage White butterflies may no longer threaten your brassicas, but continue to protect them from pigeons
- If you still have white fly or aphids on your plants try wrapping sellotape sticky side out around your hand and patting the affected area. The pests will stick to the tape ready for disposal!
- If you are not going to make soup from the water left from boiling vegetable, pour the liquid (once cooled!) onto your pot plants and they will respond with vigour!

Simon Colbeck

Chairman

Chedworth & District HORTSOC

HortSoc Garden Visits 2018

I am happy to report we have had our most successful year to date. We have enjoyed record numbers of people attending our four beautiful gardens this year and to boot raised £1,000 for charities.

Our last visit on Friday 3rd August was to Kingsmead Mill in Wiltshire. The



garden was designed by Arne Maynard in 2008. Previous owners have been James Dyson and David Puttnam. We had 49 guests who enjoyed a garden tour by estate manager Pete and then we ate our delicious Claire Booth picnic in



the most glorious riverside setting being serenaded by the theme to 'Out of

Africa'. Huge thanks go to Tony Craven Walker who allowed us to visit his private garden. A cheque for £367.50 was sent in memory of his late wife Chris to The Royal Veterinary College Animal Care Trust.

Our July visit was Thursday 19th to Cherry Orchard Barn, Luckington. 40

visitors enjoyed this lovely garden which up to 7 years



ago was a farmer's field. I was lucky to be asked to design it for

the current owners Paul Fletcher and Tim Guard who were fabulous hosts for the evening. We enjoyed watching the sun go down with a glass of prosecco in the West Courtyard. A cheque for £280.00 was donated to the charity Dogs for Good.



Thursday 28th June was our evening visit to Greywalls, Chadlington. I have been working on this garden for the past year, revamping the borders for our

delightful hosts Nick & Katie Peto. Nick is great nephew of Sir Harold Peto the great garden designer and architect. We enjoyed being entertained and experienced the garden at its best. 28 visitors meant we donated a cheque for £140.00 to the Peto's church.

Our first visit on Friday 25th May was by coach to East Lambrook Manor, Somerset. This was the garden of the great cottage gardener doyenne Margery Fish. The current owners do open to the

public. We enjoyed a Claire Booth picnic in their wonderful coffee barn



and we all shopped at the fabulous nursery bringing home

special plants for our own gardens. 28 of us meant £238 was raised to help them keep the gardens for future visitors. Thank you to the Hort. Soc. for subsidising the cost of the coach.

If you are a Hort. Soc. member you will be emailed details for 2019 visits as they

become available or look out in the Hill & Valley. Don't forget non-members are very welcome, but it is cheaper to join and you enjoy subsidised members prices. Come and see a variety of different gardens for inspiration for your own.

Thank you all for attending the trips and making the outings very special.

Sue Bradbury

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Garden Visits Organiser, Chedworth & District Hort. Soc

Chedworth Open Gardens weekend 2019

Advance notice - save the date

Due to the success of our Open Gardens last year. The HortSoc have decided to make this a biannual event. Therefore please save the date **Saturday 15th & Sunday 16th June between 11a.m. and 5p.m.**

We have a lovely selection of 9 gardens throughout the village whose owners have kindly agreed to throw open their gates to share with visitors. But this time we shall be opening under the National Garden Scheme as we have done many years ago.

Visitors to the village will park in the field at the village hall and a mini bus will shuttle continuously around Chedworth as before. Lunches, Tea's and refreshments will be available from the village hall and there will be plant, flower and other fabulous stalls available too.

We will be asking for help nearer the time with stalls, manning gardens, car parking etc. again please let me know if you are able to help with this.

Many thanks, *Sue Bradbury*. Open Gardens Organiser
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New Church Heating System

Update

Thank you very much to all those who kindly donated to the new heating system appeal which has enabled us to meet the estimated cost of the scheme before the start of the work. The church authorities have now issued the faculty (permission to go ahead with the scheme) after what seems an inordinate time! Matt Fulford, who is project managing the scheme is now instructing the contractors and suppliers. The work involves digging a trench for a three phase electricity supply from the pole in

the church verge to the boiler house. The trench will also be used for a water supply from the mains in Church Row, to be connected to a stand tap at the back door of the church. The electric heating system will comprise under pew heaters and wall radiators to the tower, chancel and vestry. The old radiators, heaters, above ground pipe work, boiler and oil tank will be removed. The aim is for the system to be completed by the autumn.

Robert Young

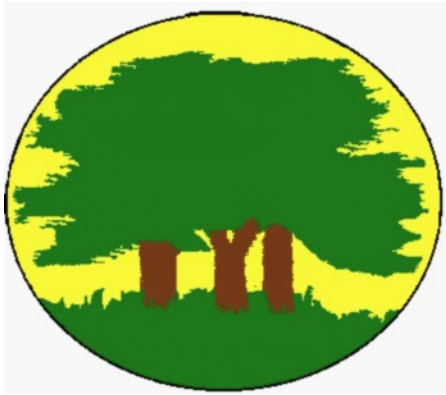
World War One Concert



Please make a diary note that on **10th November in the evening at the Village Hall** there will be a concert marking the end of the First World War featuring readings, music played by the Chedworth Silver Band, a compendium of songs by children from St Andrew School, and The Chedworth Singers.

Following the success of the concert in 2014 that marked the beginning of the War 100 years ago it is hoped that this concert will be as well supported. More information will be in October's Hill and Valley Magazine. Profits will go to the Royal British Legion.

Chedworth Cricket Club



Ten days after the successful 10km run from Chedworth Cricket pavilion, the ground had turned from green to brown as the Club hosted five sides in a competitive and enjoyable 8-a-side tournament on Sunday 1st July. Much skilful bowling and strong batting sending the ball into the surrounding fields, concluded with an exciting final match in which Sheepscombe narrowly beat the hosts, Chedworth. Thanks must go to all who helped out on the day and to the umpires organised by Clive Poulton.

Three more victories have set the cricket team up for a confident finish to the season. In a game shortened to 25 overs to allow both sides to watch England triumphant in a World Cup Match, Chedworth beat Churchdown, the top side in the league. With brisk runs throughout from Jamie Lait (65), Alastair Milne (32) and Henry Lait (47), the side posted a competitive score of 195. The opposition were well beaten

by 43 runs. Apperley 2nd XI were bowled out for 210 with a destructive spell by Elliot Lockey of 5 for 40. Chedworth chased the total with ease with Henry Lait (90), Chris Heaps (40) and Oliver Lockey (49) all batting fluently. In the third victory, Painswick 2nd XI were bowled out for 155 with James Binns leading the attack with a penetrating 4 for 10, ably supported by Oliver Lockey 3 for 37.

To conclude the season, the Chedworth Cricket Club Dinner will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday 29th September at 7.00pm for 7.30pm. The tickets are £20.00 each and the evening will include a two-course meal, a silent auction and a fine, local band. The main item for the silent auction is a Balloon Ride for 2 people which the organisers say can start from a safe launch site chosen by the highest bidder, (for example, we would welcome anyone to take off from the cricket ground). Tickets can be purchased from Alastair Lockey (01285 720002).

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Prize Draw Results August 2018



As in previous years, Sweet Fuels donated 1000 litres of heating oil for our free annual prize draw.

I am pleased to announce that the following

members won prizes. Winners were announced at The Chedworth Annual Show on 25 August 2018 and published afterwards by email to CHOC members.

First Prize

300 Litres - Joanne Thompson

Second Prize

250 Litres - Nikki Jones

Third Prize

200 Litres - Ian Morgan

Fourth Prize

150 Litres - Andrew Pease

Fifth Prize

100 Litres - Steve Scott-Smith

Congratulations to the winners who have all been informed.

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See elsewhere in this magazine for full details



Fun Run and 5km Trail Run

Sunday 16 September 2018

**starting at
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Fun Run - 12 noon

5km Trail Run – 12.45 pm

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Back Row Club

Maggie's Poem

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Her target she hopes is ten thousand
To this total may our good Lord be praised
To all that suffer illness or pain on their way
May God be there to guide us
In our prayers we should say

Maggie Scrivens



Old leaf?

A little boy opened the big family Bible. He was fascinated as he fingered through the old pages. Suddenly something fell out of the Bible. He picked up the object and looked at it. What he saw was an old leaf that had been pressed in between the pages.

'Mum, look what I found!' the boy called out with astonishment in his voice. He turned the leaf over and over. 'I think it's Adam's underwear.'



We need your Opinions

Chedworth Village Hall is a Charity funded by the activities going on in the Hall and other donations. It is managed and run entirely by volunteers for the benefit of all of Chedworth.

The Village Hall Committee are really keen to understand your opinions and ideas about your Hall.

You can give your views and ideas with an online survey at tinyurl.com/chedworthvh or using the form that accompanies this magazine.

Make haste! Please let us have your views by Saturday 29th September!

Activities coming up

The Chedworth Show marked the end of the summer holidays and a quieter period for activities in the Village Hall. The months ahead will see the Hall coming back into full swing with the return of Pre-School, fitness classes to suit all abilities, the Back Row Club film nights, a concert marking the end of World War 1, a ceilidh, a play by the Chedworth Drama Group plus exciting AIRinG performances. For more information, including dates, keep an eye open in the Hill and Valley and on the Hall's website.

Improvements

The Committee are actively working on improvements not only to the Hall itself but also how to go about ensuring that the Hall has a sound financial future.

There is lots to do, including incorporating your feedback in our survey. We look forward to ensuring that the Village Hall is both a relevant and vibrant part of our community.

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Events and Activities in September

Regular Activities

Claire's Fitness - Tuesdays and Fridays

Jacki Hood's Keep Fit - Thursdays

Pilates - Fridays

Table Tennis - Thursdays

Brownies - Thursdays

French Club - Wednesdays

Parish Council Meeting - Mon 10th

WI Meeting - Wed 12th

Elderberries - Wed 19th

Education

Chedworth Pre-School - Monday to Friday

Entertainment

Back Row Film Club - Fri 14th

For more details see elsewhere in this magazine or on our website's Booking Calendar page.

Ideas

Do you have ideas for bringing entertainment and activities to Chedworth? Let us know, we would love to help you make it happen!

Cost of Hiring the Hall

Hire the whole Village Hall from £150 per day or the Main Hall from £25 per session. See the website for full details.

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Arts in Rural Gloucestershire

Arts in Rural Gloucestershire (AIR in G) is coming to Chedworth again!

What is AIR in G?

AIR in G is a county-wide organisation that offers financial and practical support to individuals or organisations who wish to host performances at their local village hall, community centre or school.

Under this programme the Village Hall has already hosted performances from international performers The Churchfitters, Kathryn Roberts and Sean Lakeman, and Ninebarrow.

In the months ahead there are 4 more AIR in G live performances coming to Chedworth Village Hall.

Paprika - UK's leading Balkan band

Friday 26th October



Paprika is the UK's leading Balkan band whose line-up consists of two accordions, guitar, and percussion with regular guest members on violin and bass. This electrifying group fuses Eastern European, Balkan, Gypsy and Classical music in a whirlwind performance of frenzied virtuosity. Fiery melodies and foot-tapping rhythms interspersed with lilting laments in high-energy sets from this exciting group.

The Little Match Girl - The Last Baguette Theatre Company

Friday 7th December



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chattering Christmas tree. In this touching, madcap and heart-warming Christmas show, *The Last Baguette* use visual storytelling, live music and puppetry to shine a light on Hans Christian Andersen's classic winter tale.

Swingin at the Speakeasy - After Hours Quintet

Saturday 26th January



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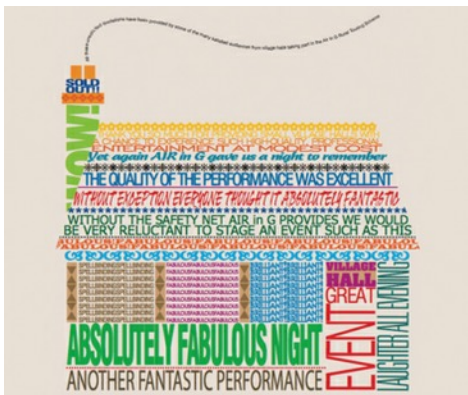
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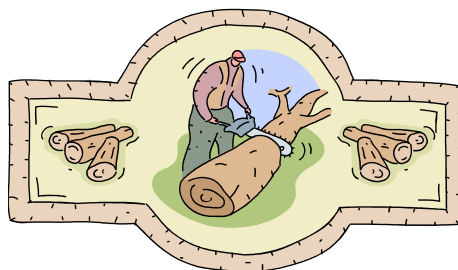
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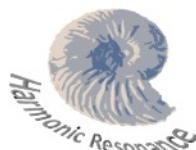
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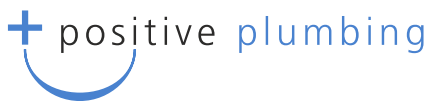
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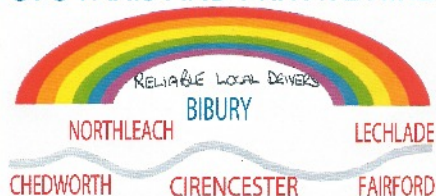
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