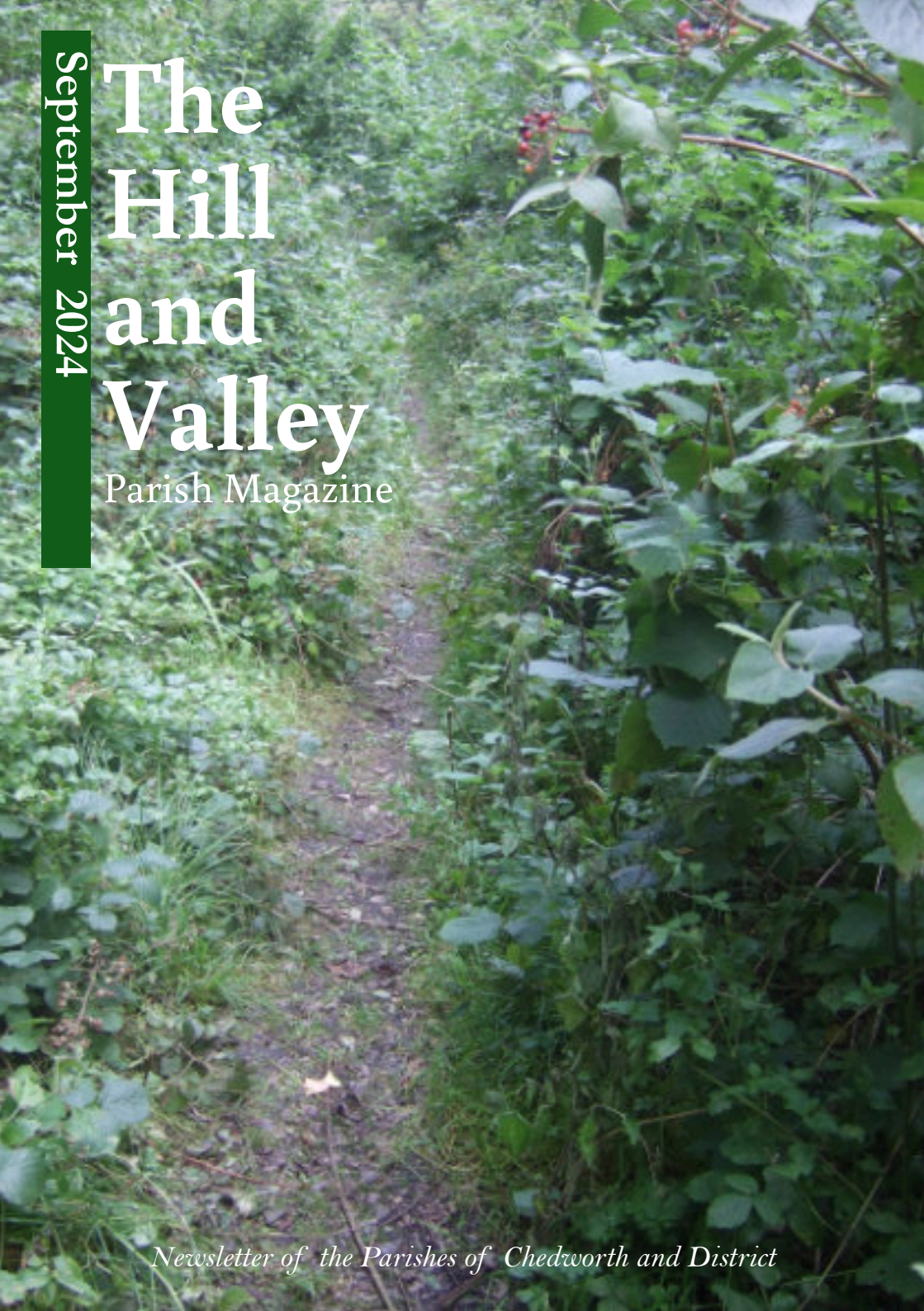




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Julie Young Coordinator for this edition



Karen's Letter

"Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you."

I was humming along with Mick Jagger the other day to "I can't get no satisfaction". I have heard from a reliable source that he spent a week in the Vicarage back in the 70's (I think that deserves a blue plaque, don't you?) I was thinking how his lyrics have resonated with millions over the decades. Next, I was singing loudly with Bono about something similar with, 'I still haven't found what I'm looking for'. I read that he said of it, "It's a song about searching for meaning or transcendence, and the most interesting thing about it is that you don't find it. It's about the search."

A young Berber called Augustine, who lived in Numidia, Roman North Africa, penned a prayer over 1600 years ago expressing a similar sentiment, with a personal twist. He wrote, 'Our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you.' I guess this illustrates that there is nothing new under the sun. Augustine believed that this innate need would be met through connection with God. But which idea of God did he have in mind?

I was asked today if I really believed in God by someone who had suffered quite significantly. Once they had a faith, but it had dried up like a river in drought over the painful years. One of the most

asked theological questions is: "If there is a good God, why does he allow so much suffering in the world?" The answer that many come to, me included at one time, is that there mustn't be a good God.

As I have journeyed on, seeking for meaning, purpose and an intrinsic rest for my soul, my reflection is that just because we have been disillusioned of an idea of God, doesn't mean the real thing isn't out there. Being willing to be surprised as we search for that deep connection which brings rest or as Mick put it, satisfaction, is a vital part of what it means to be human. Perhaps as you go about your day you may glimpse God, like light on water. I saw him in the eyes of my longsuffering friend today. A suffering God in my suffering sister.

Karen Hunter Krimald



Church Briefing

Hill & Valley Benifice Church Services September 2024

Everyone Welcome

1st September

Holy Communion Service

10.30 - St James', Coln St Dennis

8th September

BCP Communion Service

9.00 - St Andrew's, Chedworth

Holy Communion Service

10.30 - St Andrew's, Coln Rogers

2.00 - Hill & Valley Garden Party, The Vicarage, Cheap Street, Chedworth.
(see page 6)

15th September

Holy Communion Service

10.30 - St Michael's, Yanworth

22nd September

"Happifull" informal Communion Service (see page 6)

10.30 - St Andrew's, Chedworth

29th September

Holy Communion Service.

10.30 - St Leonard's, Stowell

From the Registers

Weddings:

14th September

Marriage Blessing Service of Louise Jade Lee Bourns & Bastiain Urbanczik.

2.00 - St Andrew's, Chedworth,

Secretarial Help Required for the Benifice

Help is required for the administration of the Benifice by Karen Hunter Kriwald.

It would involve approximately 5 hours per week and remuneration by agreement.

Further details from Karen

Tel No. 01285 720392

email karen@kriwald.com



Happifull Service & Garden Party

HAPPIFULL An Informal Service of Music &



Communion

We are starting an informal service on the 4th Sunday of the month at 10.30am in St Andrew's Church, Chedworth.

Are you learning a musical instrument or have you been playing for some time?
We'd love to hear from you.

Do you like baking bread? We'd love to hear from you too, so we can share it together along with some grape juice and wine for those who would prefer it.

We will send out the songs in advance with music and lyrics, so you have time to practice. We'll gather together for a run through at 10.00am before the service starts at 10.30am.

Put these dates in your calendar:

Sunday 22nd Sept, 27th Oct, 24th Nov & 22nd Dec.

Looking forward to hearing from you. Email: romek@kriwald.com

Hill & Valley Garden Party, The Vicarage, Cheap Street, Chedworth.

September 8th 2.00pm

**Parking available at the
Seven Tuns**

**Croquet, badminton, children's treasure hunt, live music,
canapes, pimm's & bubbly**

Please RSVP to romek@kriwald.com





Girlguiding

2nd Chedworth Guides

Who: Girls from 10 - 14 years old

What: Games, adventures, camping, climbing, campfires, cooking, badges, trips, crafts, first aid and lots of other activities

When: Thursdays in term time

Where: Chedworth Village Hall

Why: Make new friends, learn new skills, grow in confidence and most of all have **fun!**



All girls aged 10- 14 are welcome – come and meet us to find out more!



Please get in touch to find out more or arrange a visit:

Email Alice at aj.george@btinternet.com

or visit www.girlguiding.org.uk



Dates for Your Diary

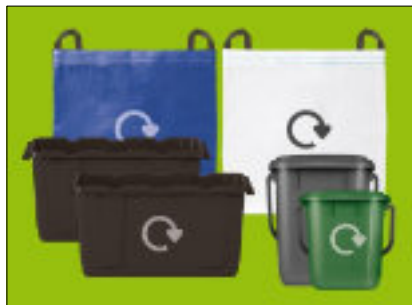
Date	Time	Event	Venue
6 Sept	19:30	Backrow Club - Wicked Little Letters	Chedworth Village Hall
8 Sept	14:00	Hill & Valley Garden Party	The Vicarage Chedworth
9 Sept	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
11 Sept		WI - Outing	
13 Sept		Golf Day	
20 Sept	18:00	RBL Talk - Reflection from Gaza	Chedworth Village Hall
20 Sept		Pop up Pub Closed	Chedworth Village Hall
21 Sept	9:00	Village Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
21 Sept	19:00	NT Live - Prima Facie	Chedworth Village Hall
9 Oct	14:30	Harvest Tractor Trail & Macmillan coffee afternoon	Chedworth School
9 Oct	19:15	WI - How to read an English Country Church (Part 1)	Chedworth Village Hall
14 Oct	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
19 Oct	9:00	Village Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
1 Nov	19:30	FoStA - Talk by Lord Hoffmann	Chedworth Village Hall
11 Nov	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
13 Nov	19:15	WI - AGM and Supper	Chedworth Village Hall
16 Nov	9:00	Village Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
9 Dec	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
11 Dec	19:15	WI - Christmas Flowers	Chedworth Village Hall
21 Dec	9:00	Village Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall



Recycling Dates

Domestic Waste & Recycling

Including glass, paper, mixed recycling, cardboard, garden waste, non-recyclable waste, food waste



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

Thursday	12	September
Thursday	26	September
Thursday	10	October
Thursday	24	October

Dates may change due to holidays

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at*

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Thank you!

Thank you to the many Chedworth community members who came along to support our summer fete. We were extremely lucky with the weather and a great day was had by all. We are really grateful to our wonderful PTA, chaired by Mrs A. Ritchings and all the parents who supported in the set up and running of it including Mr and Mrs South, Mr Pridgeon, Dr Alexander, Mr and Mrs Ledbrook-Jones, Mrs Carnie and many more! Over £600 was raised, all of which will go towards enhancing our children's experiences within school and providing them with opportunities outside of the curriculum.



We would also like to say a huge thank you to David Broad and the phenomenal Chedworth Silver Band, who played beautifully all afternoon. It was such a special treat to be able to listen to them.



Harvest Festival 2024

We would like to have a farmer come into one of our worship services in the Autumn term to talk to the children about the life and work of a farmer. If you think you could help us, please email:

admin@st-andrews.gloucs.sch.uk



**You are warmly invited to our Harvest
Tractor Trail and Macmillan coffee
afternoon at 2.30pm 9th October.**

For the whole of the autumn term we will be collecting any **donations for the foodbank**

Pre-School Places 2024-2025

We are really excited to relaunch our EYFS hub in September and offer places to children from the term they turn 3.

If you would like to come and visit our setting and learn what we do, please book an appointment through

admin@st-andrews.gloucs.sch.uk



We Reap What We Sow

How could God let all these bad things happen?

A journalist once asked Billy Graham's daughter why God allowed all the problems in the world today. Here is what Anne Graham Lotz replied:

"I believe God is deeply saddened by this, just as we are, but for years we've been telling God to get out of our schools, to get out of our government and to get out of our lives.

"And being the gentleman He is, I believe He has calmly backed out. How can we expect God to give us His blessing and His protection if we demand He leave us alone?"

"In America some years ago people complained that they did not want prayer in our schools. And we said OK. Then someone said: 'you better not read the Bible in school ... the Bible says thou shalt not kill, thou shalt not steal, and love your neighbour as yourself.' And we said OK.

"Then Dr Benjamin Spock said we shouldn't spank our children when they misbehave because their little personalities would be warped and we might damage their self-esteem (Dr Spock's son committed suicide). We said an expert should know what he's talking about. And we said OK. "Then someone said teachers better not discipline our children when they

misbehave. The schools feared bad publicity, and said there was no difference between proper discipline and cruel humiliation. And we said OK.

"Then some of our top elected officials said it doesn't matter what we do in private, as long as we do our jobs. Agreeing with them, we said it doesn't matter to me what anyone, including the President, does in private as long as I have a job, and the economy is good. And we said OK.

"Then the entertainment industry said, 'let's make TV shows and movies that promote profanity, violence, sadistic cruelty and illicit sex. Let's record music that encourages rape, drugs, murder, suicide, and satanic themes.' And we said it's just entertainment, it has no adverse effect, nobody takes it seriously anyway, so go right ahead.

"Now we're asking ourselves why our children have no conscience, why our society is so violent and dangerous, why no one seems to know right from wrong, and why it doesn't bother people to cheat, threaten and even kill each other. Probably, if we think about it long and hard enough, we can figure it out.

"I think it has a great deal to do with 'WE REAP WHAT WE SOW'."



Chedworth Parish Council

The Robin

Gloucestershire County Council is running an on demand "Robin" bus service. See <https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/transport/the-robin/>

Fares are very reasonable and is free for Bus Pass holders. The service has been used to connect with trains at Kemble and with a change at Northleach to access Bourton on the Water and Stow. North area and South area services meet at Northleach. and we have received very favourable reports from users.

There are the three easy ways to book your journey:

Via the website - pay via the website or choose to pay the driver.

Via the phone app (FREE download on Apple or Android) - pay via the app or choose to pay the driver.

Councillors

David Broad (Chairman)	01285 720313
Ian Morgan (Vice Chairman)	07778 168822
George Broad	07895 177961
Mike Dentith	07970 900373
Tony Kingsley	01285 720743
Alan McLellan	01285 720642
Bella Amory	07808 724972

To contact the Council, email the clerk, Elizabeth Broad (chedworthpc@hotmail.co.uk), or call her on 720313, or get in touch with any of the councillors directly.

For more information check out our website chedworthpc.org.uk

Or book over the phone - call The Robin call centre on 0345 263 8139 - pay the driver (cash or contactless). The call centre is open 8am – 4pm Monday to Friday.

Village Hall Social Room Refurbishment

The Refurbishment of the Village Hall Social Room has been completed and the transformation from classroom to intimate "Pub" ambience is quite dramatic. The regular Friday evening opening of the bar is proving very popular. The work was done by volunteers and the final cost to the Parish Council was under £10,000 + VAT.

Community Orchard

Councillors Alan McLellan and Tony Kingsley, together with a team of helpers, painted the storage shed with preservative during August. The Community Orchard gate is due to be replaced with slip rails. as it is very difficult to open when the grass gets long. This gate has been used as a footpath but is not a public right of way and there is an equally convenient route via the playing field. The Parish Council continues to maintain the Grass Keep field as a Wildflower Meadow and has arranged for the long grass at both the Community Orchard and the Grass Keep Field to be cut during this month.

Community Speed Watch

The Community Speed Watch team will be performing speed checks again on Fields Road during September. After many years of using borrowed

equipment, much of it obsolete, the Parish Council purchased new Radar equipment earlier this year. The Speed watch team work in threes, one on the gun, one to read out the number plate and one to record the speed and registration number. The Radar "Gun" has a theoretical range of over half a mile, although reading a numberplate at 800 metres would be challenging. Up until now most drivers have been found keeping within the speed limit but details

of any vehicle found to be over the speed limit by more than a small margin will be passed to the Police.

David Broad

Chedworth
Parish
Council



"Finally, we're still waiting for someone from last week's Parent & Toddler Group to come and claim this lost property..."

We were almost up to full strength for the July meeting and back in the village hall, with our President and Secretary present, however our treasurer Chrissy is still going through her radiotherapy in Germany and hopes to back with us by the end of the month. All members wished her strength for the last few treatments! She had of course, sent through, as ever, a thorough financial report, which was read out.

Timings and costs for our September outing were discussed; the coach will be leaving Chedworth village hall at 1.00pm – please aim to be at the hall by 12.40pm and the return coach will leave Kelmscott Manor promptly at 5.00pm! We do still have a few spaces if anyone would like to join us on Wednesday 11th September for a private tour and cream tea.

There were no fixed plans for our August meeting so, given a choice, members voted for a relaxed visit to Cerney House Gardens, on the afternoon of Wednesday 14th August, with tea in the ‘help yourself and honesty box’ area. Fingers crossed for the weather.

The next lunch meeting was fixed for Thursday 25th July at The Bathurst Arms, and the monthly walk for Friday 26th July.

Following the business, we were enthralled by a series of brilliant short films made by Kate Peake of the ‘Cotswold Way’. The chemistry teacher turned hobby film maker showed us

her tiny drone camera and explained how she flew the drone and her mother stood lookout – in case there were dangers that the drone might fly into, or Kate might walk into!

Kate also made use of her family in ‘dramatic representations’ of stories associated with places on the Cotswold way, such as Belas Knapp and Hales Abbey. Fortunately, her mother makes historic costumes!

Kate’s cinematography was brilliant with wonderful lighting and framing of her shots. She also threw in enough fascinating information to keep even the most familiar with Gloucestershire and the Cotswold Way interested and entertained. Before she had left the hall she had been booked for at least one other, and hopefully more, of her superb ‘film’ shows!

There then followed a most delicious tea and lovely catch-up chat.

With August at Cerney House and September at Kelmscott our next meeting in the village hall will be on Wednesday 9th October at 7.15pm. Our talk will be by the Rev. Dr. Nicholas Henderson entitled "How to read and English Country Church (part 1)". Expect to see learned WI members viewing or should that be interviewing churches thereafter! Everyone is welcome.

Emma Isaac

Grand Opening of the PUP (pop-up pub) at the Village Hall



Chedworth Gardening Club



Private garden visits

10% discount on plants, bulbs & seeds at Burford Garden Centre

Discounted prices on compost & soil conditioners

Informal garden visits where you can meet other members in a sociable setting and share successes and failures, spread ideas, swap plants and give growing tips.

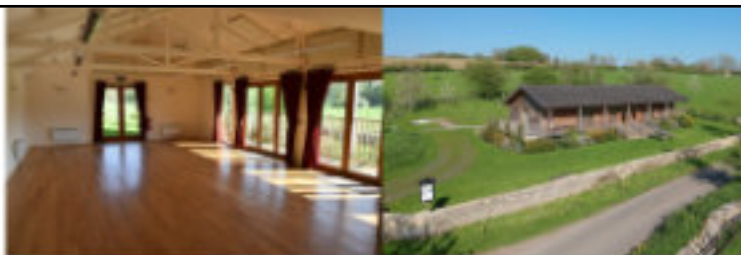
All this and more when you join Chedworth Gardening Club, so come & join us!

The cost of annual individual membership is only £15 and £25 for joint membership.

For more information, contact Chedworth Gardening Club
Chedworthgardeningclub@gmail.com

Permission

Extract from an official letter notifying residents of a new boundary road: "It is hoped to take the new by-pass through the old cemetery, provided we can get permission from the various bodies concerned."



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Chedworth Oil Club News

The Future of Chedworth Oil Club

Chedworth Oil Club is approaching its 20th Anniversary.

For various reasons, including Covid and the takeover of Sweet Fuels by NW Fuels, there has been little recent activity, although members have continued to benefit from the buying discount of 1p per litre.

Over the years many thousand litres of oil have been won by members in the prize draws. Members have benefited from reduced oil prices, priority deliveries in bad weather and at times of oil shortages. The village benefits environmentally with one named day a week for deliveries and local good causes have gained many thousand of pounds in donations.

NWF have expressed themselves willing to revive the previous arrangement with Sweet, but in order to carry this forward, we need to recruit a new administrator and at least one new committee member. Having reviewed the current administration systems, we have decided to move to a new online database system, which will involve all existing members (and all



new members) registering.

BUT if the village wants to continue with CHOC, it needs you!! No expenses are claimed and the work is voluntary. The time needed is not onerous. We normally operate with one administrator and two committee members. The current committee members are Steve Scott-Smith and Denis Moore. There is currently no administrator in place.

If we are unable to fill the above positions, then regrettably we will have no alternative but to close CHOC down. Please think about how you might help to keep CHOC going in future and please do get in touch for more information.

Many thanks

Steve Scott-Smith srscottsmith@gmail.com

Denis Moore zenden.moore@gmail.com



RBL Talk - Reflections from Gaza

**Sebastian Rhodes Stampa,
Chief Emergency Response
Section,
Response Support Branch,
United Nations Office for the
Coordination of Humanitarian
Affairs (OCHA)**

Mr. Rhodes Stampa is the Section Chief of the Emergency Response Section in OCHA's Response Support Branch. For the last two decades, Mr. Rhodes Stampa has been at the forefront of humanitarian response operations, notably holding positions as OCHA's Senior Coordinator for Gaza, OCHA's Senior Coordinator for the Türkiye earthquakes, UN Deputy Humanitarian Coordinator for Ukraine, Mozambique, Haiti, and the Philippines, as well as serving as the



Senior Coordinator for the Rohingya Refugee Crisis response. He has also successfully directed and led numerous UN response teams to sudden-onset disasters and complex emergencies around the globe. Mr. Rhodes Stampa is a graduate of the Royal Military Academy Sandhurst and holds a master's degree in Disaster Management from the University of Leicester.

Friends of StAndrew's Church FoStA (FoStA)

A Talk by our Patron

Lord Hoffmann

At 7.30pm

On Friday 1st November 2024

In Chedworth Village Hall

Tickets £10

From Robert Young 720398 or online

Further details to follow in October





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

Invites you to

Reflections from Gaza

a talk by

Sebastian Rhodes Stampa

**Chief, Emergency Response Section, UN Office for the Coordination
of Humanitarian Affairs.**

Friday 20 September 2024

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

R.S.V.P

Simon Colbeck (on the attached form)
07444701884 /simoncolbeck@msn.co

Drinks & Nibbles

followed by the talk at 7.00p.m

**The Royal British Legion Chedworth
Reflections from Gaza**

a talk by **Sebastian Rhodes Stampa**

Please return this form to:

Maj Simon Colbeck
Ashcombe Edge, Chedworth, Cheltenham GL54 4AJ
07444701884 /simoncolbeck@msn.com

Name.....

Address.....

.....Telephone:.....

Email address:.....

I wish to attend and require.....tickets at a minimum donation of £15.00 per person and
enclose a cheque/cash for £.....(Payable to: RBL Chedworth & District Branch) or

I have paid £..... on line Bank : Sort Code 30-92-06 Account: 00038677

Ref: 'Rhodes Stampa – Payee name'

I regret that I am unable to attend but enclose a donation for £..... in support of
the Royal British Legion

Signature.....Date.....

Tickets will not be sent out but attendance will be recorded on the door.

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Your Gardening Tips for September



Whilst many parts of the world are in climatic turmoil with wild fires or floods and threats of tsunamis we have been blessed with a fairly stable and mild summer. Those Garden Club members who attended this seasons garden visits will assuredly have picked up many gardening tips including how to hang your garden implements neatly!

- This is the month when hydrangeas should be at their best if they have not been affected by the dry weather.
- Continue to deadhead plants such as Dahlia, Delphinium, Rosa and Penstemon
- Trim back lavender if not already done. Divide herbaceous perennials, and plant new perennials, towards the end of the month.
- This a good time to propagate evergreens such as choisyas, hebes, and heathers as well as herbs such as bay, rosemary and sage. Shrubs planted in September will thrive next spring because they have had the winter to bed in.
- If not already done, cut out old fruiting raspberry canes down to the ground before they go brown and are hard to identify. Prune gooseberry bushes by cutting out the centre to allow fresh air to flow through. If you have had a poor crop, heavy pruning should invigorate the plant. It is good practice to clean your pruner after use to avoid the possibility of spreading disease. Any household surface cleaner will do.
- Treat lawns with autumn feed.
- Start to add compost or rotted manure to the garden to reinvigorate the soil over the winter. Give your rhubarb a good dollop too. You will reap the reward next spring.
- Plant out winter lettuce, autumn onion sets, garlic and spring cabbage. Remove yellow leaves from over wintering brassicas.
- 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. In late September cut off trusses of unripe outdoor tomatoes to ripen indoors.
- Plant spring flowering bulbs such as daffodils, crocus and hyacinth and plant Amaryllis in pots for Christmas showing.
- Cabbage White butterflies may no longer threaten your brassicas but continue to protect them from pigeons. Check for flea beetle!
- Check roses for fungal disease such as blackspot and bin the affected leaves
- If you are not going to make soup from the water left from boiling

vegetables, pour the liquid (once cooled!) onto your pot plants and they will respond with vigour! If you are clearing away nettles, before composting them, soak in water for a week and use the liquid as a good fertilizer.

- Try to avoid using peat-based compost if you can but it is hard to find any good peat free potting compost. The Silvagrow range is reckoned by some garden centers as being the best.
- Clear dead leaves from lawns and beds. If you can, shred them

through your lawn mower before composting.

- If you are thinking of planting apples trees you may like to select heritage cultivars such as Ashmead's Kernel, Newton Wonder or Worcester Pearmain which are well suited to the midlands climate.
- Enjoy your garden in the usually climatically stable and balmy September

*Simon Colbeck
Chairman, Chedworth Gardening Club*



Red Arrows rehearsing over Fairford before the Tattoo as seen from Chedworth

By Mark Aveline

Family Summer Picnic

FoStA Family Summer Picnic and Poole Me Hearties Saturday 29th June



We were blessed with a lovely warm evening and a very entertaining and accomplished performance by Rom and Karen's Sea Shantie group, who brought a touch of the coast to Chedworth! The fine weather and the prospect of sea shanties attracted a large attendance of in the region of

140, including many young families.

Thank you to all who supported the event, which raised over £500 For the Friends of St Andrew's Church.

Robert Young



Golf

"I play Second World War golf," one clergyman confessed to another. "You know – out in 39 and back in 45."

St Andrew's Church Chedworth – Charities

There are two charities administered by the Church of St Andrew under the guidance of the Vicar and two trustees, which were registered in 1896 by the Charity Commissioners of England and Wales. The charities have been in existence for a great number of years, originally based on land at Listercombe Bottom, given it was said in the reign of Richard II (1377-1399) for the repair of the church and the relief of the poor.

Church Lands Charity

This charity was established in 1591 and is administered by the Vicar, Reverend Karen Hunter-Kriwald as Chair and warden Mrs Sheila Bowley as Trustees. This charity is solely for the maintenance of the church building and churchyard.

The Chedworth Community Lands Charity

Previously known as the Poor's Lands Charity (the name was changed in 1995) has Reverend Karen Hunter-Kriwald as Chair and David Broad and Andrew Miles as trustees. The trustees hold offices for a term of four years

and are appointed by the Parish Council. Both can be re-appointed at the end of the term.

The objective of this Charity is for the help of the needy of the Parish of Chedworth, which includes health, medical, help for the elderly and also financial help for the pupils from St Andrew's School and Pre-School from Chedworth to continue their education.

The income for both charities comes mainly from the investment of funds from the sale of a building plot in Chedworth and the rent of approximately 19 acres of agricultural land at Listercombe Bottom.

Applications for grants from the **Chedworth Community Lands Charity** should be submitted in confidence with supporting information to Robert Young as Administrator at Malthouse Grounds Chedworth GL54 4NR email robert@zings.co.uk. Applications are considered strictly in accordance with Charity Commission guidelines.

Robert Young

Visit

A bishop visited a primary school in his full episcopal attire – with his mitre, robes and bishop's crook or crozier. A little lad's mother asked him later what he had thought of the bishop's visit to his school. The little boy replied: "It was great – now I know what a real crook looks like!"

Bible sense

Being married to a woman who reads her Bible can have its drawbacks. When a man protested to his wife that wiping dishes was not a man's job, his wife replied simply: "2 Kings 21:13", and handed him a tea towel. Later he looked it up: 'And I will wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it and turning it upside down.'

Backrow Club at the Village Hall

POP UP PUB



The Pop Up Pub in the Village Hall
will not be open on 20 September



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of the month
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Hall

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Hill & Valley Lawn Tennis Club

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HillandValleyTC>

CLUB NEWS

As you can see below July and August have been busy with team matches, club fun tournaments, junior camps and social events. It is wonderful to see the club in action in many different activities for all ages and abilities. Our Winter membership starts on September 1st so if you would like to join this would be a good time, there is plenty of tennis ahead over the coming months, do get in touch if you would like to know more.

Robert Baker, Chair hillandvalleytc@gmail.com

SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS



WHAT'S ON

ADULT COACHING WITH TOM WYMAN

Saturday, September 14th

Group coaching for all levels, to book a space please email us
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ALLISON STOCK DAY

Saturday, September 21st

Fun Club Adult Tournament open to all
For full details and to enter see website

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HillandValleyTC/Events>



WALKING TENNIS

Running every Friday afternoon 2.30-4pm

It is relaxed and fun, you can go at your own pace.
Come along to give it a go! Open to non members

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HillandValleyTC/WalkingTennis>



AFTER SCHOOL JUNIOR COACHING

New course starts on September 11th

Runs on Wednesdays in term time for ages 4-18yrs
Open to non members, rackets provided

<https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/HillandValleyTC/Coaching>



OCTOBER HALF TERM HOLIDAY CAMPS

Juniors 4-13yrs on Tuesday, Oct 29th & Thursday, Oct 31st

5% discount for siblings & 15% discount for members.

Book either a half day £22 (9.30-12.30 or 1-4)

or a full day £39 (9.30-4 Bring a packed lunch)

Teens 13-18yrs on Tuesday Oct 29th, 4-6pm

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FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday, November 22nd, Annual Club Supper & AGM

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Chedworth Gardening Club

Chedworth Gardening Club garden visits 2024

We have now completed our four visits planned this year:

Thorougham Court

Owned by Christine Facer Hoffman, an ex-haematology consultant turned Landscape Architect. She gave us a fascinating tour around her beautiful garden. Not only was it an education in horticulture, but also one packed with scientific and mathematical interest, from an iron gate designed around mathematical probability and a bench carved with the outline of identical twins faces, to six pillars annotating innovations in medical science. These modern artworks blend into traditional Cotswold planting, such as topiaries, box hedging and borders of lavender, alliums, tulips and roses. The setting, overlooking the Missenden estate, was truly spectacular.



Oxleaze Barn

This is currently a wedding venue on the family farm, owned by the Mannings for many years. The garden has evolved over the generations. The current owner, Chipps explained how

she had added more structure to the garden since she had inherited it 40 years ago. The garden and surrounding farm are cultivated organically and she positively encourages self-seeding plants. The vegetable garden was particularly spectacular, full of raised beds in varying shapes and fruit cages that were linked by meandering paths and arches of clematis and highly scented rambling roses. (One particular favourite was Morning Mist.) Chipps is an extremely knowledgeable plants



person and was able to answer our questions on plants that we were interested in planting at home and also on her successes and failures over the years in the garden.

Rodmorton Manor

A spectacular house and garden that looks as though it was built in medieval times but in fact was built during the Arts and Crafts Movement. We were first given a guided tour of the house. Our tour guide explained how the family had encouraged local craftsmanship. Therefore, the house was built by only local stonemasons

and carpenters and local ladies were invited to come to the house to chat and sew (some of their work is exhibited in the house). Before we toured the garden the current owner explained how the garden had evolved over the years and was still very much a work in progress. It is a more formal garden than Oxleaze split into various rooms and themes. The roses once again were truly spectacular in this garden, my favourite being once again a rambler (the owner could not remember the exact name but said it was a Kiftsgate rose). With the most heavenly perfume, it is trained up the house to the Juliet balcony off the main bedroom filling the room with its perfume.



Daglingworth House

A truly beautiful garden and a credit to the owners' vision and creativity over the past 30 years. In their words, it is a garden of "vistas", each area containing somewhere to sit and admire a view. The use of mirrors in many areas was also a very interesting touch. The owners describe themselves as "Mars and Venus". Mars being the lover of straight lines and uniformity with Venus adding the softness, reflection and flow. The topiary is beautifully maintained and includes a hedge cut in the shape of Stephenson's Rocket. Yet another exquisite garden

and, in the words of our local horticultural expert, "Absolutely Stunning"!



All these beautiful gardens are right on our doorstep. Some are open to the public. However, joining the Chedworth Gardening Club gives members the exclusive opportunity to visit these gardens on a private tour with the owners, which is more personal and intimate than if visited independently. All the gardens have been very different, but all have given us inspiration I'm sure to bring back to our own gardens.

We would love more people to join the Gardening Club and join us on these visits. We are already working on 2025 and have some very interesting local gardens already lined up. If you are interested, please contact chedworthgardeningclub@gmail.com for more information.

Ang MacNaught
Garden Visits Organiser

WALKING TENNIS

FRIDAY AFTERNOONS, 2.30-4PM

Hill & Valley Tennis Club, Chedworth

ALL WELCOME to come along for this gentler game of tennis which is suitable for all ages and abilities. It is perfect if you have a health condition or injury that impacts your mobility or you're recovering from an operation or post childbirth or maybe it's a few years since you last played. Suitable for beginners too!

It will help to get you going again and improve your fitness and wellbeing. It is relaxed and fun, you can go at your own pace. You only need a pair of trainers, we can provide a racket if you don't have one plus the balls.

Come and give it a try or you can just come and watch, it is open to non members and friends and family.

We have tea and cake afterwards!

We look forward to seeing you!



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Wine Column



Hello Neighbors

Where are most of the vineyards grown in the UK? Not in the Cotswolds (we are amongst the few that are pioneers here)! Look at the map and you will see that over 95% are grown in Surrey, Sussex and Kent.

The region's warm, dry and sunny climate provides good conditions for high-quality cool-climate grape growing, has the largest proportion of vineyards and wineries in the UK.

There are over 900 vineyards in the UK and over 200 wineries to visit and have a tour! Hungry? You have a choice of 90 places to eat and the same number of wineries to stay overnight and wake up in the vineyards (or you could be our neighbors and have the same effect)!

WineGB, the trade organization that helps with marketing and other things, have said that 2023 saw over 1.5 million visitors to the wine industry, a 55% increase over the year before. Pretty remarkable! Fancy a weekend away but don't want to fly to Tuscany or Napa

Valley? You can drive a couple of hours and be immersed in vineyards and drinking world class wine.

Some of the best rated:

- Oastbrook Winery with a hobbit house to stay the weekend.
- Rathfinny Vineyards you can stay overnight and eat delicious food on site.
- Giffords Hall Vineyard where you can stay overnight in a National Trust site.
- Tillingham Vineyards are organic and biodynamically farmed, they have a restaurant on site and it's an hour from London!
- Camel Valley in Cornwall is one of the hottest sites in the UK (literally) where you can sit outside and bask in the sun while drinking their delicious bubbly.
- Balfour (formerly Hush Estate) has a FAB restaurant onsite and owns others restaurants locally. Really a

gorgeous place to visit with equally gorgeous wines to drink.

- Wiston makes delicious wine, has bike tours and you can eat and stay over. Some of the best quality wines that I have had from England

There are many more to choose from but most deserving of a long weekend of finding your favourites.

Locally in Tetbury, Larkhill Vineyard is doing Friday night pop ups, which have local food trucks and loads of locals drinking wine. They have heated areas and children and dogs welcome.

How fun!

Vineyard Update and Tour the Vineyard:

We have had some major growth in the vineyard over the last two months. If you drive by, you will see some pretty tall vines! This year has been a better growing season than last year at this point. We are not picking a crop this year to let the vines establish their roots systems but next year, we will have the full 3.5 acres ready to pick! We may ask

for your help. 😊

We've had a couple of neighbors and friends ask for a "tour" of the vineyard



and it has been fun for us to do this. We have had 6 couples over so far! Are you interested in learning more about the details of what is happening in the vineyard and our plans? Email us and we can have you come over and we will walk you through.

Until next month, cheers!

Amber cotswoldswineadventure@gmail.com

Follow our vineyard on Instagram or facebook @cotswoldswineadventure

Children's understanding of the Bible can have a charm all its own...

A deacon is a mass of inflammable material.

The Pharisees fasted in public, but in private they devoured widows' houses.

A Republican is a sinner mentioned in the Bible.

Miscellaneous observations on daily life...

The secret to a clean kitchen is simple. Don't cook. Ever.

The probability of being watched is directly proportional to the stupidity of your act.

Microchips: What's left at the bottom of the bag.

The inventor of the doorbell obviously did not own a dog.

The Arts Society Cotswolds

Lecture on Wednesday 9th October 2024

Lecture: The Irritating and Influential Mr. Whistler

An American artist in London, James Abbott McNeill Whistler was a leading proponent of the idea of “art for art’s sake”. He signed his paintings with stylized monogram of a butterfly with a long stinger for a tail – as much a symbol of his love of Japanese art as his assertive and sometimes combative nature.

Having lived and worked with the Paris avant-garde he settled in London in 1859 having created a distinctive Post-Impressionist style at a time when many of his British contemporaries had yet to come to terms with Impressionism. Whistler’s art moved painting towards abstraction, sparked a renaissance in printmaking and gave us the Peacock Room, a masterpiece of interior design.

Inspired, influential, and infuriating, his art was full of subtle delicacy, he had a wide social network of friends and family and yet, if crossed, could be a formidable opponent. He mastered the art of making enemies.

About our speaker:

Julia Musgrave got her first degree in Chemical Engineering and went on to become a Chartered Information Systems Engineer and IT project manager. In 2008 she decided that life was too short for just one career and decided to become an art historian. She now has a Graduate Diploma in the History of Art from the Courtauld Institute of Art and an MLitt in ‘Art, Style and Design: Renaissance to Modernism, c.1450 – c.1930’ from the

University of Glasgow. She gained her PhD at the University of York for her research into the involvement of Roger Fry and the Bloomsbury Group and the social networks of the British art world in the development of the Contemporary Art Society from 1910 to 1939. She teaches Art History at the City Literary Institute (City Lit) and is Co-Director of The London Art Salon.

This hybrid lecture will be held at the Warwick Hall, Church Green, Burford, OX18 4RZ at 11am and via Zoom. Please be seated by 10.50 for notices of upcoming events. Numbers are no longer restricted but booking is recommended to reserve a place via our website (see below) Non-members are welcome (space permitting) at a charge of £10.

Special Interest Day on Wednesday 23rd October 2024

The Seine: River of Light and Artists’ Delight – Home to Impressionism

This wonderful river in France often referred to as the River of Light was a great influence on the 19th century artists and the development of Impressionism. It was the estuary which first attracted them, then the area west of Paris which became known as the Cradle of Impressionism and artists came in their droves to seek inspiration. This series of three lectures follows the course of the river and the artists’ exploits along it and will aim to uncover new revelations!

Lecture 1: The Seine Estuary – Beginnings

Capturing the 19th Century imagination; the ever-changing sky and sparkling Seine estuary where sky, sea

and earth seem to fuse, attracted the 19th artists, writers and musicians. Through the guidance of the “Master of the Skies” Eugene Boudin, Monet took his first ever painting lesson in the open air here. A new way of approaching art was opened up resulting in Impressionism. This lecture will look at the host of artists who flocked to the picturesque harbour of Honfleur and its surroundings to capture, in Baudelaire’s words, “this green and rose vastness which goes to my head like an intoxicating drink”.

Lecture 2: The Ups and downs of the Impressionists in their early careers along what is termed the Cradle of the Seine

In this second lecture we learn how the artists struggled in the early days to make a living and gain recognition: a far cry from the universal popularity they have today. It was in 5 neighbouring riverside villages to the West of Paris that the artists, came to live and explore new motifs.

Monet, Renoir, Pissarro, Sisley and Morisot will be discussed in this lively lecture.

Lecture 3 The Path to Success

Even after the Impressionists started to become known through their Independent Exhibitions, they kept returning to the Seine for inspiration.

In this last lecture we will explore how, they were still drawn to the river’s perpetual magic and success sometimes followed.

About Our Speaker

Carole Petipher acted as a guide for twenty years in France leading tours specialising in art and history. Through that work she lived and worked on a number of converted barges and

bespoke river vessels on the Seine and Paris Basin and confesses that the Seine is very much flowing through her veins. These vessels have proved a perfect moving study and research platform; she has literally walked in the footsteps of those much-loved artists the Impressionists and built up a in depth knowledge and great admiration for them.

The Special Interest Day consists of three sessions, two in the morning, followed by lunch and then another session in the afternoon. It is a smaller event and an opportunity to get to know other attendees over lunch. This day will be held at the Warwick Hall, Church Green, Burford, OX18 4RZ at 10.45am, finishing at 3.00pm. Doors open at 10.15am, with coffee being served. Numbers are restricted so booking is essential to reserve a place via the website (see below) or contact programme@theartssocietycotswolds.org.uk or call Lisa Etheridge on 01285 711805 for a booking form. Non-members are welcome (space permitting) at a charge of £40.

To learn more about The Arts Society Cotswolds and to see what lectures, Special Interest Days and other activities are planned, please log into the website www.theartssocietycotswolds.org.uk

Or contact *Carolyn Walton*
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This month we meet Matt Rowe, who presents the Matt Rowe Money Show every Wednesday at 10am. Matt, who has lived in the Cotswolds for 12 years, is an expert Certified Financial Planner with Piercefield Oliver. In his show, he chats with local people and business owners about the financial topics that matter most to our community. He and his guests give you local business insights and savvy tips for your personal finances.

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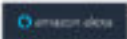
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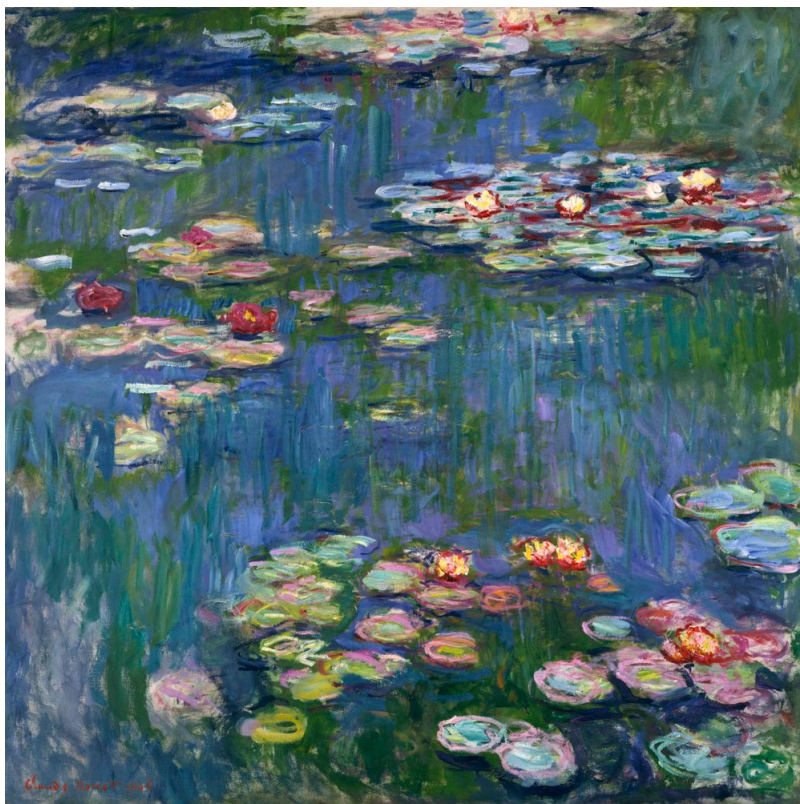
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My dear Nephew Darren

I am surprised you are considering buying a new set of hymn books for your church. I had assumed everything you sang would be projected on to one of those screens which are invariably placed to obscure the altar.

In my – fortunately limited – experience of such devices, they provide the projectionist with endless opportunities for showing the wrong hymn, or the right hymn but from another edition, which will contain either one verse too many or one too few. Should the hymn run to two pages, then the turnover always takes place some milliseconds after that verse has started, so that the congregation is faced with the snap decision of either trying to sing two lines at double time, or just to join in late, making a nonsense of the words.

When we decided to change hymn books some years ago, the reverberations made the consequences of that little event in Sarajevo seem insignificant. The proposal was to move from Hymns Ancient and More Ancient to the more recent version: Hymns Ancient and Slightly Less Ancient.

Colonel Wainwright said he would be happy so long as we continued fighting good fights and urging Christian



soldiers onwards. The men wanted the hymns they remembered from school, the ladies those they sang at their weddings, and no one would consider anything that dropped ‘thines’ or ‘wouldsts’. The basses in the choir wanted hymns they knew the tenors found difficult and those who couldn’t read music wanted more hymns sung in unison. When a rumour started that the books may contain hymns written in the last 50 years, timetables were consulted for bus services to the next village.

Eventually we reached a perfect compromise: doing something which made no change whatsoever. Miss Simpson was charged with buying yards of sticky backed plastic and repairing the current books. She put a note on the front of every copy that if the page for the hymn they wanted was missing, they should share with the person sitting next to them – an experience which will be almost as traumatic as being invited to pass the peace. Yet another decision has thereby been deferred for a Church Council to make some time next century. Harmony reigns once again.

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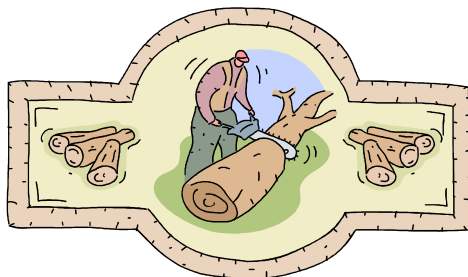
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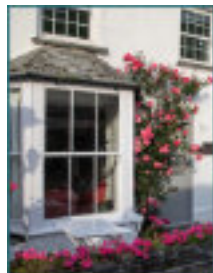
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