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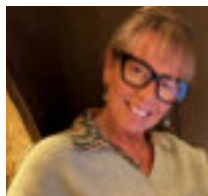
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Julie Young Coordinator for this edition

Karen's Letter



I grew up not knowing my grandparents, aunts, uncles or cousins. My three sisters and I were sent to

boarding school where we were separated in different dormitories. We saw our parents for a month in the summer and two and a half months in the winter. My Mum would write an informative letter to us every week, which Dad would add a one liner at the end.

I guess this is why I love seeing my children and my grandchildren every week, doing ordinary things together. I also love being part of a thriving community. Human brains have evolved to connect to other brains and it's a joy when that works well. I love being with people here in Chedworth and listening to life stories, laughing and sharing time together. The Pop-Up Pub and the Café provide wonderful opportunities for this. Thank you to all who make those happen every week!

Church services provide a similar opportunity, in 900-year-old sacred spaces where people have celebrated life events, grieved, prayed and reflected on life together. We are so fortunate to have five beautifully maintained buildings in our Benefice that connect us to our history. Thank you to those who make that possible too.

There will probably come a time when many of them will have to close, unless more people get involved in keeping them open. Winston Churchill said, "A nation that forgets its past has no future." If attending church is something you've fallen out of the habit of, or if it's something you've never done, I invite you to the next Happyfull service is the 26th July. You won't regret an hour spent in St Andrew's reflecting on life, connecting with others and enjoying this gorgeous thin place between heaven and earth. May we be a community that has a future because we value our heritage and our connection to the past.

Karen



Church Briefing

Hill & Valley Benefice Church Services

Everyone Welcome

5th July

Book of Common Prayer

9.00am at Stowell.

Matins Service

10.30am at St James the Great, Coln St Denys.

12th July

Holy Communion

10.30am at St Andrews, Coln Rogers.

July 19th

Holy Communion

10.30am at St Andrew's Church, Chedworth.

July 26th

The Happyfull Service

10.30am at St Andrew's Church, Chedworth.

Our Agape Service

13-18/07/2026 – 10.30am – 4.30pm Art'n'Soul Exhibition.

18/07/2026 – 7.00pm **Carmen, A Pocket Opera**. Tickets £15.00 on the door or can be purchased through the QR code on the posters and flyers available.

See Pages 39 and 40



For the last time! - Which member of the Junior Choir put bubble mixture in the organ-blower?!

Dates for Your Diary

Date	Time	Event	Venue
8 July	19:18	WI -Gillian Cane "The Miracle of Bletchley" (Open Meeting)	Chedworth Village Hall
10 July 1	19:30	Backrow Club - The Ballad of Wallis Island	Chedworth Village Hall
13-18 July	10:30-16:30	Art'n'Soul Exhibition	St Andrew's Church Chedworth
17 July	13:30-15:00	St Andrew's School Summer Fete	Chedworth Village Hall
17 July	18:00	Pop up Pub 2 nd Birthday Celebration	Chedworth Village Hall
18 July	9:00-12:00	Chedworth Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
18 July	10:30-13:00	Art'n'Soul Exhibition	St Andrew's Church Chedworth
18 July	19:00	CarmenCo - "Carmen - A Pocket Opera	St Andrew's Church Chedworth
20 July	17:30	Fish and Chip Van	Chedworth Village Hall
21 July	14:30	Garden Club visit to Green and Georgeous, Wallingford	
12 Aug		WI - Pimms and Puds in Bee's Garden	
10 July 1	19:30	Backrow Club - I Swear	Chedworth Village Hall
15 Aug	9:00-12:00	Chedworth Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
29 Aug		Chedworth Village Hall Golden Anniversary Event	Chedworth Village Hall
9 Sept		WI - Outing	
10 Sept	19:00	NLive - Les Liasion Dangereuses	Chedworth Village Hall
11 Sept		Golf Day	
19 Sept	9:00-12:00	Chedworth 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	2	July
Thursday	16	July
Thursday	30	July
Thursday	13	August
Thursday	27	August

Dates may change due to holidays

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booking enquiries

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Year 5 & 6 had an amazing time away during their residential! So much fun was had by both the children and staff and all were exhausted by the end of the week! All of the staff at PGL commented on how brilliantly behaved our pupils were.

Early in June, Year 6 visited Gloucester Cathedral for their leavers service- it is such a special time for everyone to come together and celebrate their time at our school.

During May we held another ground force day and were so grateful to the many members of the community and parent body who came to mow, weed, plant and generally support us on the hottest day of the year!

We are really keen to hear from anyone with any skills that would help us to maintain our vast site. If you have any handyman skills, carpentry or general building skills we'd love to hear from you!



Rowan and Oak class visited Cheltenham Science Festival and had the best time exploring all of the workshops and bringing Science to life. We used our MAT mini bus for transport, making things so much more efficient!

We have a very busy term ahead with Sports Day, Summer fetes, school productions and musical recitals as well as our 'Big Sing' performance at Longborough Opera House. We are also looking forward to hosting our annual Mini Wimbledon tournament at the Hill & Valley tennis club for other schools in our MAT and cluster to enjoy.

Our sporting successes have continued this term with 8 children securing places in the area finals for athletics, following on from a competitive district athletics round. We sent a team of Year 5 & 6 to a rounders tournament in Longborough and came in first place and our Year 3 & 4 tennis team competed in a tournament at St James securing multiple wins and 2nd and 3rd places. The children always represent our school with pride and achieve highly in all areas of sports!

Upcoming Dates!

Thursday 18th June Music Recital 3.15pm (Parents and community invited).

Friday 3rd July Sports Day (at the Village Hall Field).

Tuesday 14th July KS2 Performances

Friday 17th July Leavers service at St Andrew's C of E Church (9.30am)

Friday 17th July Summer Fete 1.30pm Village Hall Field



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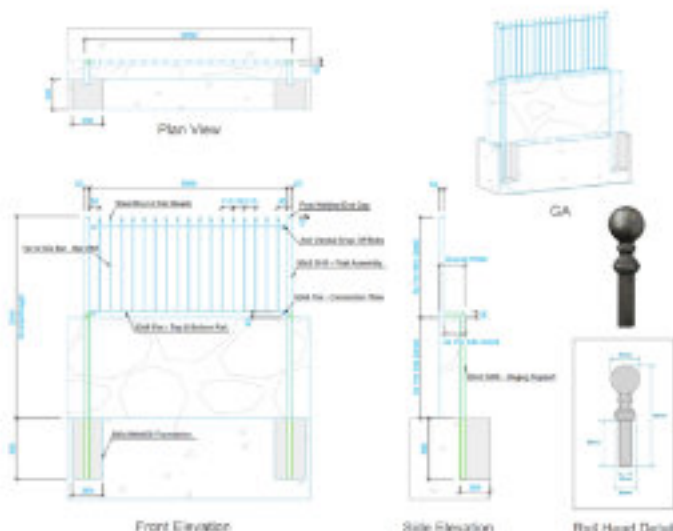
Please keep an eye out on our Facebook page for further information about our CIF bid and plans. Below is a brief overview.

We are writing to inform you that the school will shortly be submitting a planning application for the installation of Department for Education (DfE) standard security fencing around parts of the school site. The primary purpose of this project is to improve the safety and security of our pupils, staff, and premises. As schools continue to face increasing security requirements, it is important that we ensure the site meets current standards while maintaining a welcoming environment for our community.

We recognise the importance of the school's relationship with its neighbours and have been careful in developing a design that is sensitive to the character of the area. Throughout the planning process, we have sought to ensure that the proposed fencing enhances security without significantly altering the appearance of the school or its surroundings. The design has been selected to be as unobtrusive as possible while still meeting DfE guidance and security requirements.

The planning application will provide full details of the proposal, and there will be an opportunity for interested parties to review and comment through the usual planning process.

We value being part of this community and wanted to make local residents aware of our intentions in advance of the application being submitted. Should you have any questions, please contact admin@st-andrews-gloucs.sch.uk



Backrow Club at the Village Hall

Never too old for cricket

“Well, well,” said the old gentleman to some boys who were playing cricket. “I wish I could join your game, but I’m too old.”

“You CAN join in,” said one young player. “Our ball has just gone through that window. You can go and ask for it back.”

Chedworth Parish Council

Village Hall Noticeboard

The Noticeboard at the Village Hall is now back in action thanks to Mr Ray Hedger who has refurbished the backing and repaired the woodwork. Prior to Ray's kind offer to do the work if the PC provided materials, the board was looking very tired and only two of the three sections was usable. Many thanks Ray.

Tuns Hill

The much-promised Tuns Hill resurfacing is now scheduled for October. Works to repair the waterfall, the roadside culvert and the pipes under Tuns Hill, are also planned, but as yet no date has been set.

Playground Designs

Watch social media and the PC Website for the details of the Playground design consultation.

A working group has been consulting with several Play Equipment and

Playground design firms for suggestions as to how enhanced play facilities can be provided. The Parish Council has not seen the plans yet and so have no preferences so please take the opportunity to let the working group know your views. Details of who to contact will form part of the consultation.

Charity Trustee

The Laines Allotment Charity has a vacancy for a trustee. The Charity manages an area of agricultural Land and makes payments to those "in need" and if surplus income for that year is left at year end it can spend that money on leisure and similar facilities to improve the quality of life within the village. As with all charities Trustees can face difficult decisions. If you would like to be considered for the role, please contact clerk@chedworthpc.org.uk.

GoodSAM

The Parish Council has agreed to provide funding for the development and promotion of GoodSAM. GoodSAM is the UK's national cardiac arrest alerting system. Since 2 June 2025 it has been live with South Western Ambulance Service (SWAST), the service that covers Chedworth. When a 999 call is identified as a suspected cardiac arrest, the system alerts registered responders within 500 metres of the patient. The responder can help with CPR and, where possible, collect a defibrillator in the critical minutes before Community First Responder (CFR) or an ambulance arrives. Each minute without CPR or defibrillation reduces survival chances

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by approximately 10%. Resuscitation Council UK reports that a GoodSAM response is associated with a tripling of the chance of survival. The proposal is a natural progression from the Council's existing investment: three Council-maintained defibrillators and four well-attended first-aid courses funded over the past year. The next gap is human: how a partner or neighbour performing chest compressions actually gets a defibrillator to the patient. GoodSAM closes that gap by mobilising

trained neighbours. We need volunteers to sign up so, if that sounds like you training is provided, look out for more information. Iain Robertson and Ian Morgan are the team working on this.

David Broad

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Your Gardening Tips

Who knows what the summer will bring in this world of turbulent weather. It will be wise to prepare for all eventualities including the use of grey water to keep your garden plants alive in prolonged periods of hot weather. If you can keep your summer flowering plants going you



should be able to enjoy a them in all their vibrant colours.

- Warmer wet weather will bring ants to the surface of lawns, together with piles of soil. Brush away the raised loose soil and nematodes can be used to disperse the ants. Ant powder works well if the ants and the eggs are near the surface, or you can leave them for the Green Woodpeckers. If your lawn



looks tired, give it a quick acting summer feed. If the forecast is for dry hot weather keep your grass 1.5 inches long. Use Chafer grub nematodes in August if your lawn shows signs of damage.

- When watering plants and shrubs at this time of year, it is best to



thoroughly drench them every two or three days rather than lightly watering daily.

- Remove leaves from tomato plants once fruits have set, to improve air flow and allow the fruit to develop and be protected from blight. Apply diluted tomato fertilizer once a week. In August pinch out topmost growth above four trusses outdoors and six trusses under

Your Gardening Tips

glass. You may find that you have blossom end rot on some of your tomatoes which is caused by a lack of calcium possibly due to the compost being too dry at some time. Keep feeding and watering daily in hot weather. Affected fruits will not recover but can be eaten with the damaged area removed



- Stop harvesting rhubarb in late July to give it time to build up reserves for next year. A good dollop of manure will ensure a good harvest next year.
- Picking runner and French beans regularly will encourage flowering and therefore more cropping. Pinch out the tops once they have reached their optimum height to encourage side shoots. Believe it or not there still time in July, to sow another crop of French beans
- Liquid feed containerized plants and keep moist in dry periods. Long term container plants can be vulnerable to vine weevil so should be checked regularly. Treat with nematodes or liquid pesticide drenches if necessary
- In July, thin overcrowded apples, pears and plums leaving two fruits per clump. Water fruit trees and bushes (drenching) in dry weather. Remove damaged fruit and treat bitter pit in apples with calcium nitrate spray.
- Keep removing aphids from rose buds by hand or wash off with a mild soap mix. Pinch out and eat the tops of broad beans to avoid black aphids collecting there.
- Take cuttings of shrubs such as Choisya, Hydrangea, Flowering Currant, Weigelia and Philadelphus in July, semi ripe ie before the

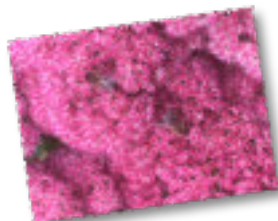
stems harden. Pruning these shrubs will also encourage new growth next year.

- Black Spot on roses is common in August, but not treatable at this time of year. Sweep up dead leaves and burn them.
- Treat apple scab. In late August, prune plum, apricot, peach and cherry trees to reduce the risk of silver leaf disease.
- Deadhead flowering plants regularly, especially in high summer. Cut back hardy geraniums alchemilla and delphiniums after the first flush to encourage new growth.
- Prune wisteria in August and plant out daffodils.
- August is the latest month for cutting conifers to avoid the risk of die-back
- Lift and pot up or plant rooted strawberry runners. Take cuttings of patio and container plants ready for next year.
- Lift onions and shallots once the foliage has yellowed and toppled, and leave to dry in the sun or a dry place, for two weeks before storing in a dry cool place. Lift ripening pumpkins and squashes off the ground to prevent rotting.
- Protect carrots from carrot root fly with a fine mesh if not planted between guard plants such as onions.
- Clear algae and debris from ponds

and keep them topped up with water.

- Hebes and lavenders can be given a light prune after flowering in August. If, however, you want to capture the full flavor of lavender essential oils for scent or culinary use, cut it when the flashes of the petals are just showing. When bagged lavender flowers will act as a good clothes moth deterrent.
- Take cuttings of penstemons and salvias in August.
- Cut out one in three stems and shorten new shoots of rambling roses once they have finished flowering but leave roses that have attractive hips.
- Continue cutting out old fruited canes on raspberries, and water well in dry periods.
- Keep sowing salad seeds such as parsley, lettuce, leaf chicory, radishes and rocket for a healthy Mediterranean diet.
- Wasps are often vilified but are useful controllers of pests such as caterpillars and aphids which they feed to their grubs, but it is later in the summer, when the demand for protein drops that they seek sugary substances such as fruit.

- Think about bees and how essential they are for pollinating fruit trees.
- Check for discoloration caused by



leaf and bud eelworm on herbaceous plants such as Chrysanthemum, Anemone and Penstemon.

- Consider growing green manure in areas that have been cleared of vegetables.
- If you have a perennial wild flower area that is choking with grasses sow yellow rattle after the main summer cut and keep grass mowed until March
- Put out ware for the birds if we have a long dry spell.
- Take time to enjoy the fruits of your labours!

Simon Colbeck
Chairman Chedworth Gardening Club

Church Bulletin Notices

Some church bulletin notices have a charm all their own, when you know that they MEANT to say....

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practise.

Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.

Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.

Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married last Saturday in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.

Please place your donation in the envelope, along with the deceased person you want remembered.

We were welcomed to our June meeting by Sheila, on a slightly grey and damp evening – not quite flaming June!

Six members are going to Kiftsgate on the 25th June. The prices have been fixed for the main annual outing to Tewkesbury and The John Moore museum on the 9th September. Thanks to the generosity of the committee using WI funds to pay for the Coach members only have to pay £7 and visitors £10 for a day trip to Tewkesbury with the visit to the museum (with tea and biscuits!) in the afternoon. All visitors are very welcome to join us.

Angela, in spite of having had a hip replacement had already completed her task of embroidering our WI name for the Gloucestershire calico dress. As you would expect it was immaculately done in the required chain stitch and thread (slightly skimpy amount of thread Angela felt!). Thank you Angela. Hopes are that Angela might feel up to producing something a little more for the dress with her immense flare and self-expression being allowed rather more free rein – Penny is investigating.

The monthly lunch is on June 25th. May's lunch was very successful but perhaps not as well attended as it might have been.

Helen will be reporting fully on the NFWI AGM (nice few initials there!) which took place by zoom this year, at

the July meeting. But she did confirm that there was 90% support for the resolution on Accessible toilets for all, and 92% support for the resolution for Action on Women's Homelessness.

Having completed the business we sat back to be entertained by Sue Black and her 'Adventures in Opera'. I must admit I was not at all sure what to expect from that title – perhaps some stories of missed calls, rushing on stage, little singers desperate for the toilet rather ruining an important aria? Well we had all those, and the tale of Sue's burgeoning love of singing when from the age of three she stood on an upturned bucket in the cow byre on the family farm in Cumbria to sing to an imaginary audience. Sadly in spite of her success in competitions and singing festivals her father could not or would not pay for her to go to music college, but Sue was encouraged on her marriage and move down to Malvern, to join the chorus of Geishas in a production of Madame Butterfly and her operatic career was finally launched.

What perhaps none of us had expected was to be treated to extracts of arias from Mozart, Puccini, Purcell, Puccini and Gershwin! It was an amazing performance! And we could all see and hear how and why Sue had been so successful.

Sadly it was rather too much flinging herself off the 'battlements' at the end of her most favourite role of Tosca

that resulted in a knee replacement and Sue's formal retirement. But we were treated to a lovely extract from perhaps Tosca's most famous aria "Vissi d'arte" – so all was not lost.

After such excitement we all needed our tea, cakes and other delicacies prepared by the hard working

hostesses, plus of course the friendly chat.

Next months meeting is on Wednesday 8th July, 7.15pm at Chedworth Village Hall, the speaker is Gillian Cane on the 'The Miracle of Bletchley Park'. It's an open meeting so everyone is very welcome.

Emma Isaac

Chedworth Silver Band



Chedworth Silver Band had its first outdoor engagement of the summer by playing at the Fresh Air Sculpture Show preview at Quenington on 13th June. The sun shone and a large number of art lovers attended to see the artwork displayed around the immaculately maintained lawns and gardens at The Old Rectory.

The Band has a number of vacancies, notably for a percussionist (Drummer) so if you are interested, please see our Facebook page, email chedworthsilverband@mail.com or

ring 01285 720313 and we will go from there. Practice is Tuesday evenings 7.30 pm until 9.30 pm.

The Band's next engagement in Chedworth itself is at the Village Hall's 50th anniversary celebrations on Saturday 29th August, where the band will play from around 3pm, while the Pop Up cafe serves afternoon tea. At present the band is still seeking a sponsor to pay for this performance.

For details, please email chedworthsilverband@mail.com

David Broad

Chedworth Gardening Club

A Blooming Great Start to 2026!

We have now completed the first two garden visits of our 2026 season, and what a start it has been! The weather gods have smiled upon us, delivering beautiful sunshine for both outings.

Our first trip took us to Black Dog Cottage in Little Barrington. This stunning space was designed by our very own garden queen, Sue Bradbury. Sue treated us to a wonderful, informative tour, sharing the garden's journey from inception to the present day. We were all captivated by the gorgeous design features, including a tranquil water rill and beautifully trained espalier trees.

For our second visit, we travelled to the spectacular Sezincote House and Garden. We were treated to an expert garden tour by Head Gardener Greg, who explained how he and the owners are collaborating to introduce a more natural design and planting scheme that blends seamlessly with the surrounding landscape. To top off a perfect day, we also enjoyed a fascinating tour of the house itself.



Green and Gorgeous, Wallingford

There are still tickets available for our next visit on 21 July to Green and Gorgeous at Wallingford

Green & Gorgeous is a highly regarded, sustainable flower farm and studio offering artisan flowers, expert-led workshops, and premium seeds. Reviews frequently describe the farm as an "idyllic" and a "special place", praising the high-quality, fragrant blooms and educational, hands-on courses in a serene, natural environment.

The hour-long tour will be followed by tea and cake and a floristry demonstration. There will also be the opportunity for some plant shopping!

The visit is open to Chedworth Gardening Club members only, so if you aren't yet a member and would like to join us, here is how to do it:

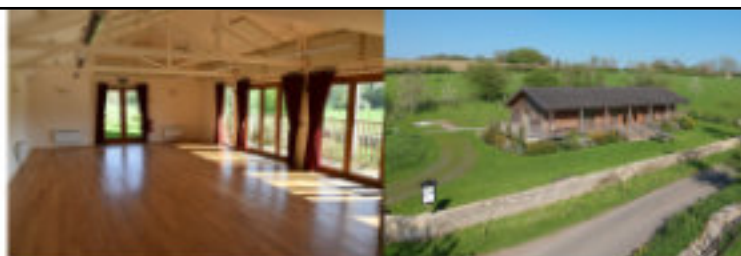
Individual - £15
Joint - £25

Please pay online by BACS. Your 2026 membership card will be sent to you.

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*Ang MacNaught
Garden Visits Organiser*



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Chedworth Village Hall 50th Celebrations

Join us as we celebrate a remarkable milestone — the 50th Anniversary of the opening of Chedworth Village Hall at its current location. On Saturday 29th August 2026, we are planning an afternoon and evening full of community spirit, entertainment, memories, and celebration for all ages. For fifty years, the current Village Hall has been at the heart of the community, bringing people together for family and group celebrations, hosting a wide variety of clubs and societies, health and wellbeing classes and many other events. This special anniversary is not only a chance to honour its history, but also to celebrate the people who make the village such a welcoming and vibrant place to live.

Step back in time and re-visit 1976, the year the current Village Hall first opened its doors to the community. We are busy curating a display of photos and other memorabilia for display at the event, to showcase the history of our village hall and how it has evolved into the valued community asset it is today.

The afternoon will kick off at 2.00pm and will include children's entertainment and traditional fete games, kindly organised by St Andrew's School Parents' Association. You will be able to relax with a delicious cream tea, provided courtesy of the ever-popular Pop-Up Café team, whilst catching up with friends, and meeting new neighbours, plus enjoy live music from Chedworth Silver band.

There will be a break in proceedings from 5pm - 7pm in order to allow set up for the evening entertainment and,

for those of you who plan to attend both parts of the day, to return home and put on your dancing shoes.

Evening events will run from 7.00pm - 11.00pm. There will be a hog roast (pre-order advised - details on how to order will be sent out to those who register their interest in attending) plus The Nutty Roaster food truck. The Village Hall bar will be open during the evening.

The evening entertainment will see the return of the 'Queen Street Band', who debuted at the Tuns Hill Party last year, and who are certain to get the party started. The live music will be followed by a 1970's themed disco playlist for you to dance the night away to. From nostalgic favourites to lively entertainment, the celebrations promise a wonderful atmosphere from start to finish.

To help the organisers, please register your interest in attending using the QR code on the event advertisement page, or via www.ticketsource.com/cvh50th. Further information will be sent out in due course on how to pre-order your hog roast meal. Registration and entry to the event is free.

The Hall committee is planning a much-needed kitchen refurbishment as part of the 50 year anniversary plans. There will be opportunities to support this project on the day.

Whether you are a lifelong resident, new to the village, or simply visiting the area, everyone is warmly invited to join in, celebrate community life, and make new memories together.

**Chedworth Village Hall is celebrating its 50th year
on the current site
with an afternoon and evening of events at the
hall on Saturday 29th August 2026**

1976 **Afternoon 2pm - 5pm** **2026**
Evening 7pm - 11pm

**Join us in celebrating our wonderful
community hall**

Afternoon fun including fete stalls
 Children's Entertainment
 Afternoon Tea from The Pop Up Café
 Chedworth Silver Band
 Display of village hall memories
 followed by



Live Band entertainment from Chedworth's very own 'Queen
 Street Band' and 1970's music to dance the night away
 Licensed Bar
 Hog Roast with side salads and Nutty Roaster food truck



Something for everyone
Free entry



To help the organisers please register your interest in attending via the QR
 code
 or via www.ticketsource.com/cvh50th
 Registration is free

So, come and celebrate the past,
 present, and future of Chedworth
 Village Hall — we look forward to
 welcoming you.

*Chedworth Village Hall 50th Anniversary
 Committee*

A Quiet Group

A quiet group

I thought I'd join a quiet group -
reflective, rather quaint -

Where folks would calmly watch a
demonstration - and then paint

A lovely landscape or a flower, whilst
chatting to each other.



The subject of the conversation might
be dog walks or the weather.

There would be time to talk about the
kind of art we knew

And maybe there'd be coffee, biscuits
or a herbal brew.

It would be good for mind and soul -
we'd all leave quite renewed.

We did not entertain the fact that we
might paint - a nude.



But week by week, we felt relaxed and
then became quite chilled

We'd get up from our work and pause;
our jam jars would get filled.

The questions about life and loves
would all come pouring out.

Confessions rained down thick and fast
just like a water spout.

The history of the village (like you
have never heard)

Remembered and relayed between us -
oh my word!

The scandals and the stories, the
naughty times were told,

Then certain mem'ries (some quite
raunchy) soon they did unfold.

I will not now divulge the names or
places in these stories.

Suffice to say they are as juicy as the
ones from Tories.

We sat there with our mouths agape,
our brushes they were still

And listened avidly to every word, no
coffee did we spill.



We all attend the group each week but
not so much for art

Although we draw a little, and some
paintings we do start.

We copy flowers and landscapes, birds
and bamboo sticks.

Our paintings Ray examines closely,
then attempts to fix.

But though we concentrate and
sometimes there is silence

We wait for one of us to break it (with
artistic licence!)

We go there for the gossip, for the talk
and twaddle.....and

We do not want to miss the week we
draw a naked model!



Sheila Vene



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GoodSAM: Helping Neighbours Save Lives

Over the past year Chedworth Parish Council has invested in improving our village's emergency response. The Council has funded four well-attended first aid courses and helps maintain three public-access defibrillators. In addition, there are defibrillators available at Pike Farm, Fosse Cross and, during school hours, Chedworth School.

The next step is to make sure these life-saving resources can be put to use as quickly as possible when they are needed.

The Parish Council has therefore agreed to support the promotion of GoodSAM, the UK's national cardiac arrest alerting system. Since June 2025, GoodSAM has been operating with South Western Ambulance Service, which covers Chedworth.

When a 999 call is identified as a suspected cardiac arrest, GoodSAM can alert registered volunteers who are

nearby. These volunteers may be able to start CPR, collect a defibrillator, or assist family members before a Community First Responder or ambulance arrives.

Those first few minutes are critical. Every minute without CPR or defibrillation significantly reduces a person's chance of survival. Research by Resuscitation Council UK has shown that a GoodSAM response can dramatically improve survival rates.

The success of GoodSAM depends on local people being willing to help local people. We are therefore looking for volunteers from across the village to join the scheme. Training and support will be provided, and you do not need to be a healthcare professional to make a difference.

If you would like to play a part in strengthening Chedworth's emergency response, please look out for further information in the coming months.

Iain Robertson and Ian Morgan are coordinating the project on behalf of Chedworth Parish Council.

And now food for thought....

If your supermarket has been lowering prices every day how come nothing is free yet?

Media power...

Taken from a newspaper:" Owing to the overcrowded conditions of our columns a number of births and deaths are unavoidably postponed this week."

Lists

I love to make a list. When I get to the shops and find that I have left it behind on the kitchen counter, I like to try and guess what I put onto it.

Bucket list

I'm proud to announce that I have completed the first item on my bucket list. I have the bucket.



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We're the team working on GoodSAM
for Chedworth.



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to strengthen our village's
emergency response

Playing like a Roman

Playing like a Roman: Timeless board games from the past

For the Romans, games were an important part of everyday life. Whether in busy towns, quiet homes or even along the edges of streets, people made time to play, compete and socialise. Simple boards were often scratched into stone or wood, and pieces could be anything from pebbles to coins. The games didn't require much, but they offered plenty of challenge and fun.

Though simple in design, each rewards careful thinking, sharp observation, and a willingness to outwit your opponent. Below are some of my favourite games to play - simple to start, but full of challenge once you get going.

Rota: Strategy in a Circle

Rota, meaning 'wheel', is a fast-paced game played on a circular board. Each player has three pieces, and the aim is straightforward: be the first to line up all three in a row. In many ways, it's like tic-tac-toe, or noughts and crosses, but with an added twist.

Players take turns placing and then moving their pieces around the board, watching closely for opportunities while blocking their opponent's progress. While the rules are easy to learn, winning requires planning ahead and anticipating your opponent's moves. It is a perfect example of how the simplest games can offer surprising depth.

The Bear Game (Ursa): Hunt or Escape?

The Bear Game, also known as Ursa,

the Latin word for 'bear', is a dramatic contest of strength versus teamwork. One player controls a single 'bear' while the other controls a group of hunters.

Games like this belong to a wider family of ancient 'hunt games' where one powerful piece faces a group working together against it. Variations were played across Europe and beyond for centuries, and while we do not have a confirmed Roman rulebook for this exact version, similar designs and carved boards have been found at Roman sites suggesting games of pursuit and escape were familiar and popular forms of entertainment.

In this version, the game is played against the clock. The hunters have 30 turns to capture the bear. The bear must survive this onslaught, moving carefully to avoid being surrounded and trapped. Meanwhile, the hunters must coordinate closely, working together to block escape routes and close in before time runs out.

Five Lines (Pente Grammai): A Game of Position

Five Lines, known in the ancient world as pente grammai, meaning 'five lines' in Greek, is a simple but thoughtful game of movement and control. It is one of the oldest recorded board games, played in Greece long before becoming known in the Roman world.

The board is made up of five parallel lines, and players move their pieces between intersections, aiming to gain advantage through clever positioning. While the rules may have varied over



*Roman gaming board inscribed stone at
Chedworth Roman Villa*

time and are not fully recorded today, the central idea remains clear. Control the board and outmanoeuvre your opponent.

Ancient writers mention *pente grammai*, sometimes describing it as a game of skill and strategy. It may even have had cultural significance, with certain lines on the board considered particularly important or symbolic. As the game spread, it was adapted and played in different ways, but its core appeal stayed the same.

Though its exact rules are lost to us, *Five Lines* gives us a glimpse into early strategic thinking in the ancient world. Like many Roman games, it shows how a simple design can offer a deep and engaging challenge, requiring patience, planning, and a keen eye for opportunity.

Nine Men's Morris: A game through time

Another game with a long history, *Nine Men's Morris* has been enjoyed by players for centuries, and it is one you can still play today. Boards for this game have been found carved into stone across the Roman Empire, from forts and towns to public spaces, showing just how familiar and well-loved it was.



*Roman gaming tokens in the museum at
Chedworth Roman Villa*

Each player has nine pieces and takes turns placing them on the board, trying to make a line of three, called a “mill.” Every time you manage it, you can remove one of your opponent's pieces, gradually tipping the game in your favour.

Once all the pieces are down, the game shifts. Instead of placing, you start moving your pieces around the board, looking for new ways to form mills while stopping your opponent from doing the same. As the game goes on and pieces are removed, the board can suddenly feel wide open or tightly contested, where every move really matters.

What makes *Nine Men's Morris* so special is how long it has lasted. It carried on long after the Roman period, through the Middle Ages and beyond. Even today, you can still spot boards scratched into castle walls, benches, and church stones, small reminders of people passing the time, just as we do now.

It is more than just a game. When you play, you are stepping into a tradition that stretches back centuries, sharing the same simple challenge of thinking ahead, planning carefully, and trying to outmanoeuvre your opponent.

Playing like a Roman

A Shared Pastime

These games remind us that Roman life was not just about grand buildings or historical events, but also about everyday moments - people playing to pass the time, to challenge each other, and to enjoy a bit of friendly competition.

What is striking is how familiar it all still feels; standing in a place like Chedworth Roman Villa today, it's not hard to picture these quiet scenes: someone tracing lines into stone, another planning their next move. The boards may have changed, and the pieces might look different, but the experience remains the same: thinking

ahead, taking risks, and celebrating a well-played move.

Today, visitors to Chedworth Roman Villa can explore not just the remains of Roman life, but also the quieter human moments that sites like this preserve. Whether you're lining up three in Rota, surviving the hunters as Ursa, or setting a clever trap in Nine Men's Morris, you are doing something people have done for centuries: playing, learning, and connecting through a simple game. Why not come and have a go yourself at Chedworth this summer?

*Aimee Williams,
Chedworth Roman Villa*

A vibrant, cartoon-style poster for the 'Chedworth Roman Villa Summer of Play' event. The background is a bright yellow. At the top left is the National Trust logo. A string of colorful triangular bunting hangs across the top. A large, smiling sun is in the top right corner. In the center, the text 'Chedworth Roman Villa' is in black, and 'Summer of Play' is in large, bold, pink letters. Below this, the dates '18 July - 31 August' are written in black. A quote in a speech bubble says: 'Play the Roman way' this summer and discover a hoard of Roman games and activities that all the family will enjoy. The illustration shows three children: a boy on the left with blonde hair and glasses, wearing a striped shirt and blue pants, holding a hula hoop; a girl in the middle with dark hair, wearing a blue shirt and pink pants, holding a wooden stick; and a boy on the right with dark hair, wearing an orange shirt and purple shorts, holding a small object. There is a treasure chest on the ground, a ladybug on a sunflower, and a purple bird flying in the sky. At the bottom, a purple banner contains the text: 'For more information about what's on, visit nationaltrust.org.uk/chedworth' and '© National Trust 2026. Registered charity no. 205846.'



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The Popup Crew

I thought I'd do a quick review
Of all the members of our crew.
You know me well – I name and
shame

There's always someone gets the
blame.....

For faffing or not being slick
For putting things away too quick
For pouring coffee from the base,
For never being on the pace
For taking mugs from customers
I can't think to whom I refer.

The ones who shine are plain to see
Like Sue R., Kate and Angie C.

They lift the tables like a man
And closely stick to someone's plan.

The kitchen crews are multi-skilled
Like Helen F, and Jan and Gill

They put up with my bossiness
Which is quite dreadful, I confess.

There's Susie who will call me boss
But sometimes couldn't give a toss.

And Allison's a steady cook

Who never fails to take a look..

At croissants, sausage rolls on  trays

She never sets them all ablaze

There's one or two who like to chat

That's Jayne and Carol – but what of
that?

Venetia likes to write the chits..

For everyone – she calmly sits.

And Sue Rose give us all her views

While Bella sometimes will amuse.

When on the Till, the girls are slick

Like Helen M, Ann D and Mick.

On boxes Heather puts out plants

To make sure people don't just glance.

The newbies always pull their weight

Like Sophie M and Katy Wright.

Now we must not forget the boys

The ones we have do not
make noise

They put out tables, carry
signs



They fetch the chairs to put in lines.

That's Mike and Alan, Neil and Tony

And none of them are slack or

phoney.

What would we do without Ann's
eggs?

That's something you can't get at
Greggs

And Claire brings sausage rolls and
more

While Sarah's cakes are to
die for.



Now I've not mentioned Rosh and
Sophie

Who started this whole Popup Café

The success it's been – well – who
knew?

So three cheers for our merry crew.

Sheila Veuve





**Monday 8th June was our Birthday -
We are 5 years old!**

To celebrate, we were very pleased to
be joined in the Village Hall by
many of you, our loyal friends & neighbours;
it was fun!

Everyone got a piece of the delicious special
cake made for us by Sarah Godwin,
our very clever cake maker.

And then as a reverse birthday gift,
the Cafe donated 5 cash prizes to 5 charities,
chosen at random from ideas submitted
by our customers...

1st prize (£500) went to Macmillan Nurses

2nd prize (£250) went to Scrubditch Care Farm

3rd prize (£250) went to Helen & Douglas House

4th prize (£250) went to Coln River Guardians

5th prize (£250) went to Prostate Cancer UK

All of this money comes from profits accrued over time
by the Cafe. So in effect it comes from you lovely lot - we
couldn't do it without you!

Thank you for this, and for all your support over these 5 years



Long may it continue



Wild Flowers-Road Verges

The copious rain in the early part of the year provided a good reservoir for plants which resulted in an excellent showing of spring wild flowers. The early species, especially primroses and violets, were followed by vibrant bluebells, cow parsley (known as keck in the Cotswolds), wood anemone etc. The cowslips were particularly prominent this year, their soft yellow colour has now been replaced by



yellow rattle which plays an important part in reducing the grasses which suppress wild flowers. Species such as campion, oxeye daisy, vetch, crosswort, lady's bedstraw, goats-beard, meadow cranesbill and common orchids etc are now growing strongly

Wild flowers, especially those in road verges play a very important part in the

environment by absorbing carbon, providing a vital wildlife habitat, especially for pollinators, as well as being aesthetically pleasing.

In the spring, Sophie Blackwell and her team distributed small packets of wild flower seed to each household in Chedworth. Hopefully, the results of the seeding are now showing.

The Butterfly Orchid that first appeared last year in a strip of rough grass by our spinney has flowered again this spring; they are quite rare. They are best seen and smelt in the evening, they are particularly attractive to moths, especially elephant hawk moths. This is the first year that muntjac deer have attacked our garden and so a tall wire guard has been placed around the orchid!



Robert Young

Strange Hedgerow Webs



Wild Flowers



More photographs of wild flower in the road verges by Sophie blackwell



In May and June, you may spot large silken webs embracing hedge branches and full of caterpillars.

These are ermine moths.

In the Autumn, the moths lay their eggs on branches and cover them with a tough, transparent protective layer. In summer, the caterpillars spin large webs in which they shelter before forming individual cocoons from which to pupate into moths.

Mark Aveline

Rendcomb Surgery Newsletter

Welcome to our July update. As summer continues, we would like to share important health information, seasonal advice, and updates to help keep you and your family well throughout the warmer months.

July Health Awareness – UV Safety Awareness Month

July is an ideal time to raise awareness about the importance of protecting your skin from harmful ultraviolet (UV) rays.

Too much exposure to UV radiation can increase the risk of skin cancer and premature skin ageing.

To protect yourself:

- Apply sunscreen with at least SPF 30 and reapply regularly
- Wear a hat and sunglasses when outdoors
- Seek shade during the hottest part of the day
- Take extra care with children and older adults
- Check your skin regularly for any unusual changes

If you notice any new or changing moles or skin lesions, please contact the surgery for advice.

Staying Hydrated During Summer

During warm weather, it is important to drink enough fluids to avoid dehydration.

Signs of dehydration can include:

- Feeling thirsty
- Dark-coloured urine
- Dizziness or light-headedness
- Headaches
- Tiredness

Older adults and young children can be particularly vulnerable.

Aim to drink water regularly throughout the day, even if you do not feel thirsty.

Summer Holiday Health Advice

If you are planning a holiday this summer, please remember to:

- Order repeat prescriptions in good time before travelling
- Pack sufficient medication for your trip
- Carry medications in their original packaging
- Take a copy of your repeat prescription if travelling abroad
- Check whether you require travel vaccinations well in advance

Being prepared can help ensure a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Managing Hay Fever

Many people experience hay fever symptoms during July.

Common symptoms include:

- Sneezing
- Itchy eyes
- Runny or blocked nose
- Itchy throat

Helpful tips include:

- Keeping windows closed during high pollen days
- Showering and changing clothes after being outdoors
- Using pharmacist-recommended antihistamines
- Checking daily pollen forecasts

If symptoms are severe or difficult to manage, please contact the surgery for advice.

Using the NHS App

The NHS App remains one of the easiest ways to access healthcare services.

Using the NHS App you can:

- Order repeat prescriptions
- View your medical record
- Check test results
- View appointments and referrals
- Access a range of NHS services online

Visit: www.nhs.uk/nhs-app

If you need assistance setting up the NHS App, our reception team will be happy to help.

Did You Know?

Many routine healthcare needs can be managed through your local pharmacy.

Pharmacists can provide advice and treatment for a range of minor illnesses, including:

- Coughs and colds
- Sore throats
- Hay fever
- Minor skin conditions
- Earache

Your pharmacist is a highly trained healthcare professional and can often help without the need for a GP appointment.

Patient Feedback

Your feedback helps us improve our services. You can: Speak to reception or Submit feedback via our website

Thank you for your continued support and for helping us provide the best possible care for our community.

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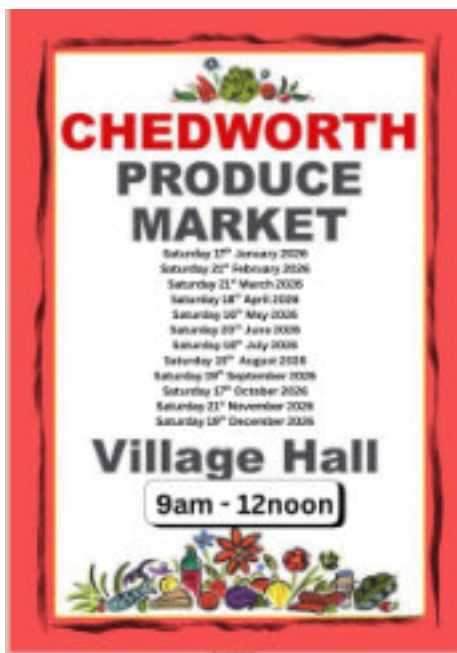
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Hill & Valley Lawn Tennis Club

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CLUB NEWS

The best midsummer tennis weather will hopefully arrive for the holiday season and may the sun shine upon us all! Well attended social sessions, where all levels of tennis ability are welcome, are being enjoyed in a convivial atmosphere and much good humour; Mens and Ladies team league matches are in full swing.

Our 43rd Coln Valley Open Mixed Doubles Tournament was held on Saturday, June 13th. We were blessed with a sunny day for our main annual fundraising event for the club, our local churches and our village school. 96 players enjoyed this special day of social tennis playing on 12 beautiful local private courts very kindly loaned for the day. A delicious lunch was provided by [Claire Booth Cooks](#) The semis and finals were watched with a glass of Pimms in the afternoon sunshine with some thrilling tennis. Many congratulations to member Leila Lodwick and her brother Alasdair winning for the second year running! Huge thanks to the wonderful court owners and all the fabulous jolly gang of people who helped, made and baked for their contribution to make the event such a success.

Robert Baker, Chair hillandvalleylta@gmail.com



WHAT'S ON

WALKING TENNIS

Every Friday from 2.30-4, open to non members
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Junior Orange/Green for 8-11yrs at 4.30-5.30pm

Junior Yellow for 11yrs+ at 5.30-6.30pm

Ladies/Mens Team Training for Team players at 6.30-8pm



SATURDAY COACHING FOR ADULTS AND JUNIOR

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Mini Fun Red/Blue for 4-8yrs at 11-12

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Adult Ace for Intermediates and Advanced players at 1-2.30



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Pop Up Pub Birthday Celebration

On behalf of the Pop Up Pub Team

Save the Date – Pop Up Pub 2nd Birthday Celebration!

This July marks 2 years of the opening of the Pop Up Pub at Chedworth Village Hall and we'd love you to join us for a special celebration.

Friday 17th July From 6.00pm

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There was a poll put on the village hub WhatsApp group and it would be great if you could respond to the poll so we can gauge likely numbers.

Everyone is welcome – whether you're a regular at the Pop Up Pub or have never been before.

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- **Friday 17th, 2.00pm - Beccs & Sarah - Cello, piano and saxophone**
- **Friday 17th, 3.00pm - Steven Reid Williams - piano & vocals - any requests**
- **Saturday 18th, 7.00pm - Carmen, A Pocket Opera - (tickets £15)**



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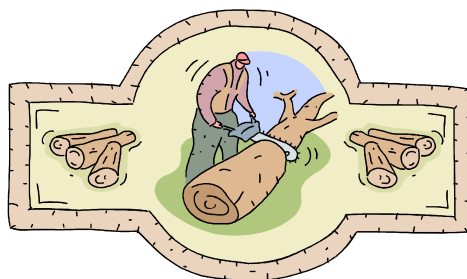
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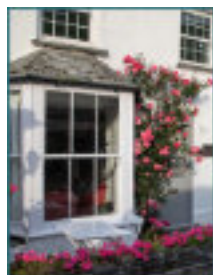
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