

CHRISHALL VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2018



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WHAT'S ON AT A GLANCE

- Regular Meetings: Chrishall W.I.: 3rd Wednesday of the month in the Village Hall, 7.30pm. Details: Margaret on 838358 and page 10.
- Open Door: 1st Monday of the month in the Village Hall, 12-2pm. Details: Jenny on 838386 and page 12.
- Parish Council: 1st Tuesday of the month (no meeting in December), 8pm in the Village Hall. Details: Belinda on 838732.
- Village Lunch Club: 4th Thursday of the month (December – 2nd Thursday). Details: Meg on 838936.
- Society of Chrishall Artists: last Thursday of the month, Village Hall 7.30-10.00pm. Details: Helen on 838930.
- Yoga Classes: Village Hall, Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday mornings and Tuesday evenings. Details: page 15
- Keep Fit: Ladies' Keep Fit, Village Hall Tuesdays 9.15am. Mixed Keep Fit, Thursdays 7.00pm. Details: Nic Bennett on 838711 or ingoodnic@hotmail.co.uk
- Church Mice: Parent and toddler group with a Christian focus. Songs, stories, craft and more. Village Hall, 2nd and 4th Wednesdays during term-time, 10am-12 noon. Details: Sally on 263231
- Carpet Bowls: Village Hall, 2nd Wednesday of the month, 7.30 to 9.30pm. Details: Mike on 838027 and page 19.
- Lingualounge: Language classes for adults. Tuesday evenings and Wednesday and Thursday mornings in Royston, Monday and Tuesday mornings in Saffron Walden, Friday mornings in Cambridge. Details: Sarah on 07775 640794 or see www.lingualounge.co.uk. and page 24
- Pilates: Tru-2-pilates. Mondays, 9.45 and 10.45am, and Fridays 9.30 to 11.30am in the Village Hall. Details from Chloe on 849113 or chloe.romans@gmail.com.
- Chrishall Library: Details and opening times page 4.

Youth Club: monthly at the Village Hall. Details from Belinda on 838732.

'Drop in and Draw' sketching group; 1st Wednesday of the month at the Pavilion from 1.30pm. Details from Paula on 836240.

Knitting and Crochet group; 1st Saturday of the month, commencing July 7th at the Pavilion, 10am to 12noon. Details: Barbara on 838626.

- Autumn Events:
- Sept. 9th: last cricket match of the season. Details p7
 - September 25th: Macmillan Coffee morning, 10.30am to 12noon. Chrishall Village Hall.
 - October 13th: Khandel Light Autumn ceilidh. Details p7
 - November 7th: Archive Group evening lecture. Details p18
 - November 17th: Village Hall fundraising event. Details p10

USEFUL INFORMATION

Parish Council Chairman	Derek Ailes	838222
School – Head teacher	Tracey Bratley	838592
Pre-school	Abby Musk	07817 940813
Neighbourhood Watch	Paul Lewis	838737
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	info@helenbennett.com	
Church Office	Erica Debnam	837272
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Open Door	Jenny Rodda	838386
WI	Margaret Rogers	838358

Library Van - every second Thursday, 11.40-11.55 am at Pinkeneys, Crawley End, and 12.55-1.25 pm at the School.

Newspaper delivery	Mr Harvey	01223 834591
Milk delivery	Steve Davies	01279 777591
Saffron Walden Police (non-emergency/crime incident)		101
Medical assistance (when medical help is needed fast)		111
Royston & District Community Transport		01763 245228
Uttlesford Community Travel (Book-a-Ride)		01371 875787

History websites: Fred Davies www.chrishessex.com
www.recordinguttlesfordhistory.org.uk
Parish website: John Kay www.chrshallpc.org.uk
Village Hall website: Richard Keeling www.chrshallvillagehall.co.uk

EDITORIAL

Welcome to the Autumn 2018 edition of the Chrishall Parish Council newsletter. Many thanks to all our contributors.

Can I remind you that the deadline for sending in pictures for the Parish Council young peoples' wildlife photography competition announced in the Summer newsletter is September 30th.

I hope you will enjoy reading the newsletter.

Stephen Foote

DEADLINE for copy for the **Winter 2018** issue is
Friday November 23rd 2018

I will send a reminder to all our regular contributors and advertisers by e-mail about a fortnight before the deadline. If you don't get these reminders and would like to be on the mailing list please let me know.

Contributions in Microsoft Word format using Verdana 12 font would be especially appreciated. It is also helpful if texts and pictures are sent as e-mail attachments.

Please Note: I cannot handle documents in **.pdf** format at present.

Contact – e-mail: stephen@tambourine.org.uk
or phone me on 838936

CHRISHALL COMMUNITY LIBRARY

First of all, I would like to say a big thank you to all those who have kindly donated books to the library, some of which have been very special. This has enabled us to have such a wide choice both of novels and non-fiction. Our thanks also to all those who have, or are, using the library. It makes it much more interesting and rewarding for the volunteers who give their time to be there. We are always pleased to see new faces and in particular it is most rewarding to see children (and teenagers) interested in reading.

We have recently received what is probably a complete collection of Agatha Christie novels. If there is an avid reader of Agatha Christie in the village please ask the assistant. We have not been able to display these books in the library as we do not have the space, but they are available.

Several people have taken advantage of being able to order any book from Essex Libraries and this has proved to be very successful. Forms to order from Essex Libraries are available in our library. Please ask.

Before the holiday season was really upon us we were very pleased to see some new faces. As the evenings continue to draw in we hope this will continue and improve. We are always happy to see regular borrowers and new faces. After all what can be better than "losing" oneself in a good book, with or without a box of chocolates!!

Best wishes to all

Barbara Smith

Library opening hours:

Monday 9 – 10am
Tuesday 2.30 – 4.30pm
Wednesday 9 – 12 noon and 2.30 – 4.30pm
Thursday 2.30 – 4.30pm
Friday 9 – 10am
Saturday 10 – 12noon
Sunday 1st Sunday of the month; 2 -5pm.

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WEATHER RECORDS

May rainfall 2.46 ins
June 0.00 ins
July 0.48 ins

June is the first month that has had no rain at all since 1976!!
In July the rain that fell happened in the last week of the month
So far in August the rainfall has been 1.27 ins

It has been the most glorious summer with temperatures getting as high as 35C. The downpour last Thursday morning, and a few days of unmeasurable rainfall except for 0.51 ins on Wednesday 8th August, makes this a dry month too. There were a few thunderstorms, with fantastic light shows, to stand and watch if you were brave enough. Shame the evening the moon was eclipsing the sun and Earth we had one of the few cloudy days so we weren't able to see anything. No drying the corn this year as it all came in bone dry and the crops suffered drought conditions. Also the garden was the same with bleached leaves, the grass brown and our runner beans didn't appreciate the hot dry weather either.

12.16 ins is the amount of rainfall over the last seven months which is very dry. I expect we shall be paying for it later on in the year to bring the rainfall up to 18 inches which is very dry. Not as dry as NSW in Australia, we are lucky rain has fallen here I'm surprised there weren't more fires as everything was tinder dry around this area.

'Weatherwise'



Are you finding life or work a strain?
Having trouble making sense of your life?
Not feeling like your usual self?
Feeling stuck in repeating patterns?

Counselling can help.

Confidential local counselling service now available
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Please contact me, Amanda Bettison, for more information
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CHRISHALL CRICKET CLUB

2018 season commentary:

The season will end on September 9th when the cricket club play the first Big Bash match against the school and its students' parents.

This season saw a mix fortune in terms of results but an increase in local interest and involvement. The nets next to the club house proved a great success and hopefully we will see the benefit in the quality of our bowlers .

The outfield has proved a real challenge this season. The drought saw huge cracks appearing which took huge quantities of loam on mornings of match days to fill with mixed success. However the wicket did get some water and as a result played very well with total runs scored often reaching 400 in an afternoon.

The club is always keen for new players of any age and or ability. Cricket teas have once again proved to popular to players but are also there for spectators. Do come and half a cup of tea when the matches are on.

Matches are on a few Sunday afternoons. They do not last more than a round of golf. Come and play and be surprised how well you do!

Lucas Ling

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City and Guilds-qualified pet grooming for your dogs and cats. Hand stripping, clipping, brushing and nail-trimming, all part of our caring salon-based service in Chrishall. Prices start from £25 for a full groom for pooches and £20 for pussycats. Difficult customers welcome (and their pets!).

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AN APOLOGY

Unfortunately due to pressure on space, we have had to hold over Neil Marshall's article of the 'Plastic Bags for Charity Scam' which should have appeared in this issue. We will include it in the winter edition.



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Khandel light

The legendary Khandel light Ceilidh takes place on October 13th at Great Chishill Village Hall.

7.30pm

£18

There will be supper, a raffle, and an auction of watercolour paintings and the Cambridge University Ceilidh Band!

Tickets from Bridget: 07815846447

Or from Karen: marriott_karen@yahoo.co.uk



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YOUR VILLAGE HALL – LATEST NEWS

First of all, a date for your diaries: The Village Hall Committee's annual fundraising event will be held on Saturday November 17th from 7.30pm. This is always an enjoyable evening so look out for further details.

At the request of Chrishall Parish Council, the Committee has agreed with Uttlesford District Council that the village hall's South Hall will be Chrishall's polling station for future elections.

When you next use the village hall, look out for photographs of old Chrishall on the walls. These have been selected in conjunction with the Chrishall Archive Group.

The Village Hall Committee is required, as a charity, to register a Governing Document with the Charity Commission. The last document registered with them is from 1951 and is seriously outdated. We are therefore pleased that the Charity Commission has recently allowed us to replace it with our Constitution. We are most grateful to the Parish Council for providing vital input on the ownership of the former village hall to our discussions with the Charity Commission.

If you wish to book the village hall for your party or other event, visit www.chrishallvillagehall.co.uk, select the Current Bookings page and check that the hall you require is available. If it is, click on the '+' sign for the event day and follow the online instructions.

Richard Keeling-keeling.r@gmail.com. Secretary to Chrishall Village Hall Committee.

Charity no. 301281

CHRISHALL WI

Chrishall WI meet on the third Wednesday of the month in the South Hall Crawley End at 7 30pm except for August when there is no meeting. In July we celebrated the Centenary of the Suffragettes walking with banners from the South Hall to the Red Cow pub for a meal.

Some of us have spent the day at Southwold enjoying the sun, paddling, the pier and of course the theatre playing Funny Money this year. A good time was had by all.

3 members went to Denman College which belongs to the WI in Abingdon Oxfordshire learning new skills such as mosaics on glass, Gilbert and Sullivan and dyeing.

Fenland Fair takes place on the bank holiday weekend 26th and 27th August, if you haven't been you are missing a great day out. This year a group of us are making an exhibit called 'A Day at The Sea Side'. There will be many exhibits from other WIs too.

This year our WI will be holding the Harvest Supper on the 20th October 2018 with entertainment! Make a note in your diary for this event.

19th September our speaker will speak to us about – From Plough Witching to Christmas Waits.

17th October one of our members will be showing us how to make Canapes and other Party Food.

If you are interested in the WI and are afraid to come on your own for the first time give one of us a call and we'd be delighted to take you along.

Numbers underneath.

Tuppa Wiseman 838282
Carol 838645

BRAND TRUST

This year we gave grants totalling over £16,000 to people in the parish of Chrishall. As a village we are very fortunate to have the Brand Trust.

We make grants for lots of different things such as:-

- for Heating - please apply on the form below
- grants for educational purposes both university and adult - including transport costs and this year we are also including any bus transport costs for post 16 year old pupils – this is a new idea from someone in the village – thank you.
- help to pay for the Care Line
- stair lifts
- anything in the house to make life easier for those who need it

We are always looking for new ways to help people so please let any of the trustees know about your ideas.

It's important that we include all the people who need the grants so if you know anybody that needs help or you need it for yourself, then please contact any of the trustees in complete confidence.

Some people are shy in coming forward and feel they are too proud as they are reluctant to accept charity. We appreciate their sentiments but this money has been left for the specific purpose of supporting local people in need and it would be a great pity for someone to suffer hardship when a friendly helping hand is available.

The trust was set up in 1994 under the will of William Walter Brand, a Chrishall farmer. The capital is invested and produces an income of about £23,000 pa.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Trustees:- Mark Garrett 838409 Sue Pegram 838185
Margaret Rogers 838358 Bill Rodda 838386

Brand Trust Heating Allowance Autumn 2018 (up to £200)
Application to be received by 31st October 2018

Name Tel No.....

Address

Type of heating Amount Requested.....

My household income is less than £20,000/greater than £20,000.

Signed.....Date.....

USE IT OR LOSE IT

There is no such thing as a free lunch, BUT at Open Door you will get a high quality, home cooked, extremely cheap lunch.

Starting on Mon. Sept. 3rd Open Door will take place only on the 1st Monday of each month, as last year, so please do come along and join us at 12.00. It is for all ages and both sexes, - we welcome young families along with pensioners. It's a great way to meet village folk while enjoying a good meal.

The dates for the year are as follows and all take place from 12.00 in Chrishall village hall:

3rd Sept, 1st Oct, 5th Nov., 3rd Dec.

7th Jan., 4th Feb., 4th Mar., 8th Ap., 13th May, 3rd June.

(NB Dec.3rd is the Christmas party for regular attenders and people need to sign up in advance for this)

RED COW DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

The work goes on at The Red Cow developing the five guest rooms in the barn and old post office.

The builders, Woodgrove Developments, have taken care to ensure all the salvageable old oak was retained and new oak is used to replace the areas which were unusable.

In the case of the barn, the old oak frame was tilted into place by slowly ratchetting it up over a period of a couple of weeks. At this point the underpinning took place and the foundations laid with a new base plate of oak on top to support the entire frame.

The work to replace the entire roof was carried out carefully to ensure that a replica shape was achieved. After which the roof was made water tight with layers of board. The internal timbers were then sand blasted to clean them all and will be treated with preservative. Then the boards between the roof rafters were put in place ready for the plastering to commence.

Finally, the supporting scaffold was removed. This then allows for the entire floor to be laid. Then things will get very exciting as the first electrical and plumbing fix takes place. Both the barn and the old post office will be fitted in unison.

Toby and I have several detailed meetings with the plumber and electrician who have been great regarding our very specific needs. We have emphasised the need for plentiful soft, hot and high pressure water. As well as great Wi-Fi, beautiful lighting schemes and plenty of sockets and charger points.

We spent an initial four and a half hours designing the bathroom suites with the Bath Store in Harlow and with a few tweaks we're going to have lovely bathrooms with digital showers, underfloor heating, well-lit with good extraction and beautiful mirrors. I'm especially proud of the accessible wet room we have designed for people with limited mobility. I'm sure it's difficult to find beautiful, period properties that are fully accessible, we really hope will have achieved this, so that anyone can come and stay.

Finally, the landscaping plans are taking shape. We want to create a central courtyard area, much as we have had for many years, but with a



few touches that will make the area a really beautiful and tranquil place to sit and relax. We will be providing bike racks for the cyclists who often drop in, seating areas and plenty of new planting. To keep dogs and children safe we will be fully enclosing the area with traditional picket fencing to reflect the cottage garden feel of the pub and the adjacent properties.

Regarding booking our rooms, keep checking the website for updates. We are sourcing an on line booking system which can be used to book rooms through the website, via our Facebook page or by simply calling us and booking directly over the phone.

Next jobs are picking out curtains, bedding and lampshades... watch this space.

Best wishes
Alexis and Toby

The Red Cow Barn Development is funded with the help of The Rural Development Fund for Europe which is funded by DEFRA and the EU. The European Agricultural Fund for Europe For Rural Development : Europe investing in rural areas.



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WEEKLY YOGA CLASSES Chrishall and Barkway

Monday:	Power Yoga	09.30
	Gentle Yoga	10.45
Tuesday:	Flow & Restore	19.30
Wednesday:	Restorative (monthly)	19.30
Friday:	Gentle Yoga	09.30
Saturday:	Vinyastra Flow	09.00

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CHRISHALL VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE 100 CLUB



The final quarterly draw of the 100 club 2017-18 season took place on Sunday 29 July at The Red Cow and the winning numbers were drawn by: Carol Wootton.



1st prize £130 won by Jean & Peter Hards-Nicholls
2nd prize £75 won by Carol Wootton
3rd prize £45 won by Susan Potter

Congratulations to these winners.

The next draw will take place on Sunday 28 October 2018, 4.30 p.m. at the Red Cow. You are most welcome to attend.

The 100 club draw entrance fee is £36 and we currently have only 42 paid up members for the next 2018-9 year. In order to make the 100 club worthwhile we need more participants. This past year with 60 members we have been able to offer £1,000 in prize money and the balance makes a valuable contribution to maintaining the village halls.

Helen Melville-Smith

telephone: 838930 or email: cvh100club@gmail.com

**THE ROYAL OBSERVER CORPS
OCT. 3RD 1938 – MAY 12TH 1945**



(Editor's Note: In the Spring 2010 'Newsletter' there was a short article on the Chrishall ROC post. Bruce Drury has kindly provided the below account by an observer who served at the post. It is undated but seems likely to have been written shortly after the cessation of hostilities in 1945).

I joined this corps on October 3rd 1938 under the local police before it was properly organised under the Air Ministry. War was in the air and the Civil Defence was being formed. The police first came asking for volunteers for a job that was to remain a secret, to work under them to watch and look out for any enemy activity in the air or on land but chiefly for enemy planes and para troops. I at once volunteered and did occasional training up to August 24th 1939 when we started manning the lookout post in earnest and until May 12th 1945 we were constantly day and night in touch by telephone with the Cambridge centre and other posts.

I have never regretted being an observer; it has been interesting work and to me, never lonely because though standing alone in the long hours of a winter's night there was always some voice in your ear from the centre or other posts to break the silence and though your nearest post was miles away you would be listening to the same plane and plotting its course. Then standing alone in the centre of the space you would hear a soft voice in your ear "London 3, can you hear a plane coming SW at 09?" and would pick up a sound, do your best to decide what it was and pass it over to the Watford centre.

There was the night when the enemy bombed Bristol, it was very still with a light breeze coming from the west and all night we in Cambridge could hear the explosions across 140 miles of flat country. It was ascertained at the time that there were no other guns or bombs between us and Bristol. Then the nights when swarms of bombers passed over us to Coventry and we saw the barrages put up. We had a great skyscape and landscape from our post in Chrishall situated on the extreme north-eastern spur of the high ground that runs out of the Chiltern Hills and overlooking almost the whole of Cambridgeshire. 400 ft up we could see down into Bedfordshire to the west, then all of west Cambs with L1 Arrington post 10 miles away, Cambridge below us and C4 post on Gog Magog, Ely, Soham and Newmarket Heath and east Cambs. I enjoyed all this on a clear day and I shall miss it. So I must remember the time when Jerry fighters came close over us shooting up Duxford and Bassingbourn and how one night I put a fighter on the tail of one that came round shooting up the dromes. I also remember our own planes coming home damaged in fog, would get lost and we would log their position, then see the flares go up from some aerodrome to help land them.

It was always interesting to me to watch the sky on a clear night and the clouds and the dawn break which is often wonderful. One morning we watched 4 Hurricanes get up from Duxford and fly NE into the rosy light of dawn until they were just 4 black specks in the binoculars, and ascertained from the centre that they were over Norwich, 70 miles away.

Watching for a navigation light in a sky full of stars was queer; you had to watch for the star that moved then plot that, it was the same size and colour. Occasionally you would get a plane sailing right across a full moon, again with a thin layer of cloud and planes just above it between you and the sun or moon, the shadows would be silhouetted plainly enough to be plotted on the instrument. Then with a gale and patch of cloud and a few stars about, the stars looked just like navi lights and more than once have been plotted – but perhaps the queerest thing of all was when you saw planes fly backwards even though you had had nothing in your tea! This was when the clouds were flying faster than the planes going the same way in a gale, which gave the impression that they were backing into the clouds. The prettiest and most thrilling sight was on D-day at 3am when I saw all the fighters and bombers get up from the 6 dromes around me all carrying red and green lights; the sky was full of the them and their roar, all keen to meet the Hun. I should have liked to go on that trip as a seaborne observer but that was out of the question in my case.

There was some real hard work put in studying silhouettes and getting proficient in recognition and it needed effort to learn them but after we were transferred to the Air Ministry in 1940, things tightened up and we became air minded and, I think, a good set of observers.

It's nice now to see the planes that used to pass over in hundreds to bomb Germany now going out to drop food to Holland and bring prisoners home. I shall miss the watching and the comradeship and the talks between the two of you about everything under the sun during the longest hours of the 24 (12 midnight to 3) but I think its been worthwhile and I'm glad to have done my little bit. I ought to have mentioned the bitter cold we went through in 1941 when the temperature fell below zero and the only shelter we had was straw bales and no fire but we were no worse off than the others.

So, with no regrets,
J.Haggar
L3 Cambridge Group, ROC

CHRISHALL ARCHIVE GROUP

Chrishall Archive Group present the second Irene Cranwell Memorial Lecture at Chrishall Village Hall on Wednesday 7th November at 7.30pm

WW1 Chrishall - a talk by Dr Deborah Thom from Robinson College, Cambridge.

Refreshments will be served. Look out for the posters very soon.

CHRISHALL CARPET BOWLS CLUB

We meet in the Chapel Hall at the Village Hall on the second Wednesday of the month from 7.30 to 9.30 pm, with a break for refreshments. The cost of the evening is £2.50 per. person.

Although there is an element of competition we don't take the proceedings too seriously with the emphasis on having some fun and laughter and meeting and mixing with other villagers.

As many of our members, both male and female, have taken to the game for the first time we are always keen to accommodate new members who have never played before and introduce them to an enjoyable game that has elements of skill that are quickly acquired (but not always executed!).

Tuition and rules of play will be explained to anyone who would like an introduction to the game, so please take the opportunity to come along and give it a try.

All new or experienced players would be very welcome.

If you require further information please contact me on 01763 838027.

Mike Dearman

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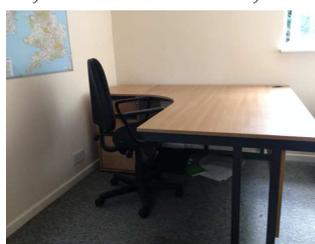
Book Case: H – 165cm, W – 77.5cm, D – 30cm

Filing cabinet: W – 41cm, D – 60cm, H – 72cm



Desk with Filing cabinet (bottom drawer for hanging files):

Desk: W – 160cm, D – 160cm long side, 80cm short side, H – 72cm



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REPORT FROM CHRISHALL PARISH COUNCIL

By Belinda Irons, Clerk, 14 Crawley End, Chrishall. SG8 8QL. 01763-838732

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Parish Councillors:

Chairman: Derek Ailes

Councillors: Stephen Foote, Jane Holloway, John Kay, Sheena Lashko, Ian Pitfield, Steven Parish, Tracey Slade, David Thomas

Uttlesford District Councillors: Robert Chambers and Julie Redfern

Essex County Councillor: John Moran

Parish Council meetings for 2018:

First Tuesday of the month in the Village Hall

4th September, 2nd October, 6th November

Defibrillator:

the defibrillator is in a cabinet on the outside of the village hall.

Robert Reed Hall:

This building is leased to the school for pre-school use and provides some £3,000 per year income to the Parish Council. Unfortunately, the roof leaked very badly at Easter this year, and the Parish Council had to replace the roof and the ceilings which were water damaged. I am very pleased to report that the Parish Council took this opportunity to replace the ancient wiring, and has upgraded the lighting system with LED lights, which actually cost very little more than replacing the old lighting units.

The Parish Council would like to thank CLS Roofing Specialists for their excellent work replacing the roof on what was the hottest summer recorded. The chaps started work at 6am to miss the worst of the heat. The roof was replaced in record time.

The Parish Council would also like to thank Richard Burns for his electrical expertise, and Hadham Ceilings for fitting a great split design ceiling which is part plasterboard and part suspended ceiling which has acoustic panels which will help to reduce the noise levels in the two halls.

The improvements will reduce the overall energy use of the building and thus reduce its environmental impact

The Parish Council would also like to thank Cllr Robert Chambers for supporting the Parish Council's grant application to Uttlesford District Council which provided £3,500 towards the roof replacement.

The Parish Council's insurance company provided a substantial sum towards the replacement ceilings.

Whilst the cost was not inconsiderable, the outstanding cost of the full repair will be recouped through the rental element within 4 years.

The Brand Pavilion:

The core Parish Office opening times will be Monday, Wednesday and Friday between 10.30 and 12.30. Other times by appointment.

The *Book Exchange* needs your support. Please do use this facility.

See the website for opening times of the *History Archive*:

<http://chrishallessex.co.uk>

Youth Club: Cllr Tracey Slade opened the Chrishall Youth Club every Tuesday evening during the summer holidays to ensure that the local children had somewhere to meet their friends. There was an excellent turnout, and the Parish Council would like to thank Tracey and her helpers for running the Youth Club for the benefit of the local community children.

Tracey wants to continue supporting the Youth Club, and it will be open once per month to start with – please see flier on the notice boards. We would like to establish a youth council who will play a big part in running the group, and organising activities. The Youth Club has been affiliated to the Essex Boys and Girls Clubs and there is a wealth of opportunities for members and leaders, including trips abroad. If you have youngsters who want to be involved please let me or Tracey Slade know.

The Drop in and Draw group meets each month in the pavilion. The knit and crochet group had a great turnout of ladies and children. It is open on the 1st Saturday of the month in the pavilion.

If you have any ideas for the use of the main area please let me know. It would be great to have an informal coffee shop run by volunteers with donations to support the purchase of goods such as tea, coffee, milk and sugar.

Trees, Hedges and ditches:

Can you please make sure that trees and hedges are not cut until after the bird nesting season which commenced 1st March and finishes at the end of August.

Bonfires:

If you have a bonfire, can you please make sure of the wind direction before you light it. Don't let the smoke blow across your neighbour's

gardens or across the road. Please do consider your neighbours and restrict lighting bonfires to early evening. Should smoke from your bonfire travel across the public highway you may be liable should there be an accident.

Green Waste Collection:

There is a monthly green waste collection which alternates between Pinkeneys and the Red Cow. The dates will be posted to the website and the notice boards.

Uttlesford District Council also provide a weekly green waste collection for a fee of £40 per year which reduces the need for most bonfires.

Highways reporting:

It is much more effective if individuals report Highways faults directly onto the Essex County Council Highways fault reporting section of the website. If drains are blocked, or if pot holes appear, please do report them directly as you will know exactly where the fault is.

Dates for the Diary:

World War One: Chrishall Parish Council would like to mark the end of WWI in a special way which the community supports. If you have any ideas please do contact me or a Councillor.

**GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATIONS:
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7. THE RIGHT TO OBJECT:
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Chrishall Parish Council will keep the privacy policy and privacy notice updated on a regular basis and the updated documents will be put onto the website.



MORE WOMEN CYCLING MORE OFTEN: GREAT NEWS FOR SOUTH CAMBS & NORTH ESSEX

Cycling is a really sociable & fun way to exercise - why not come along & give it a go

Breeze is all about remembering how good it is to ride a bike with friends. Organised by British Cycling trained Breeze Champions, these free rides explore local, accessible routes in small friendly groups. Rides take place all year round and are ideal for women who are looking to get back on a bike and are a great way to make new friends - we always finish with coffee, sometimes cake, and a chat at the end of the ride

Several ladies who have been riding with Breeze locally over the past year have now completed their Breeze Champion training and we can now, as a group, offer a greater variety of rides from starting points in Duxford, Fowlmere, Great Chishill, Linton, Barton, Dry Drayton and, occasionally, Saffron Walden. During September & October we are offering a series of introductory rides suitable for beginners - these will help build your confidence, skills and stamina. Over the two months we will gradually increase the distance and eventually add in a couple of small hills. We also have rides suitable for those who like a longer ride at a leisurely pace plus some challenging rides at a brisker pace. However, and most importantly, we always ensure that no-one gets left behind.

Have we got you interested? For more information and to register your free place on a Breeze bike ride, visit www.letsride.co.uk/breeze. Our local rides are called Sassy Lassies Cycling! If you have any questions about the rides then please do contact any of us below:

Duxford & Saffron Walden - Jenny Parker - jennifer.parker5@btopenworld.com
07752 247007

Linton - Rachel Hampson - racheljhampson@hotmail.co.uk 07971627332

Dry Drayton & Barton - Claire Thorby - claire_thorby@btinternet.com 07952
761984

Great Chishill & Fowlmere - Helen Whitehead - white.night@btinternet.com

We look forward to meeting you and cycling with you soon.

Jenny Parker

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AND FINALLY

Our wild-life photographer Richard Keeling was out and about by the river Great Ouse at Ten Mile Bank in the summer and photographed this lovely seal!



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