



## D-Day Commemoration

**BOVINGDON'S Beacon Brazier will be lit on Thursday 6 June to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings.**

It will be only the second time the brazier has been lit since it was installed for the Platinum Anniversary of her late Majesty the Queen and it now stands proudly on Bovingdon Green as a lasting legacy to her memory. The Brazier will be lit at **9.15pm** by County Councillor Richard Roberts who represents Chipperfield and Bovingdon and is also leader of Herts County Council. The official D-Day Tribute will be read just prior to lighting the brazier.

During the evening a Bovingdon Cricket Club team will play a friendly match against The Grove, starting at 6pm. The Cricket Club bar will be open and the regular weekly visiting Howe & Co fish and chip van will be serving supper - Thursday 6th is also National Fish and Chip Day.

The event is being organised by Bovingdon Parish Council and the village community events team. Bovingdon Parish Council Chairman, Graham Barrett, said, *"It will be a commemoration not a celebration, a time for reflection honouring all those who were involved in this momentous event"*.

Representatives of the Chipperfield and Bovingdon sub-branch of Hemel Hempstead Royal British Legion have also been invited to attend. We would also like our neighbours from Chipperfield to join us. D-Day pins will be available.

Gary Cullum, editor of *The Villager*

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## HEMEL HEMPSTEAD LOCAL GROUP

Meetings are normally held on the first Monday of each month in the Chipperfield Village Hall featuring a natural history talk, not necessarily just about birds.

Our next meeting is on **Monday 13 May** which is a week later than usual due to the previous bank holiday. On this occasion, we will have three talks by our Members, together with a short AGM.

Doors open at **7.15pm** with the meeting starting at **7.45pm** and finishing at around **9.45pm**. As usual, there will be refreshments, raffle, displays of members' photographs, local news, and other activities.

The next outing is a car share trip on **Saturday 18 May** to **RSPB Lakenheath Fen Reserve** and to **Weeting Heath National Nature Reserve**. Both reserves are located near Brandon on the Suffolk / Norfolk border. Trip details can be found on our website.

Anyone is welcome to attend the monthly meetings and outings, whether experienced or not, RSPB members or not. There is no annual membership fee, only a small entry fee.

So, please come along and/or visit our website at <https://group.rspb.org.uk/hemel Hempstead/> or contact **Mary** on **01442 264752**. For outing details, contact **Axel** on **01442 257856**.

*We look forward to seeing you at our monthly meetings.*

## Choral Society Concert

**Sheila Cornall's first major concert as Musical Director with the Chipperfield Choral Society was a musical triumph.**

In our performance of *'The Creation'* by Haydn she inspired the finest choral singing in absolute harmony with the orchestra. The audience in St John's, Boxmoor, were treated to a wonderful evening of lyrical solos with the voices of our magnificent young soloists, **Holly Brown (Soprano)**, **Jonah Halton (Tenor)** and **Jacob Harrison (Bass)** and with the choir and orchestra on top form. *'The Creation'* tells the biblical story of the creation with English text starting with *'The Representation of Chaos'* depicting the world prior to creation and concludes with soloists, choir and orchestra combining in the final uplifting chorus *'The Lord is great, his praise shall last for aye!'*

Our next concert is on **Saturday 22 June** in **St Paul's Church, Chipperfield** and will feature songs from *Oklahoma* and *Captain Noah*

*and his floating Zoo* together with a selection from the *Sprig of Thyme*. As usual, full information is available from our website:  
[www.chipperfieldchoral.co.uk](http://www.chipperfieldchoral.co.uk).

*John Morrish*

*Sue Jones, our Chairman, John Morrish and Deputy Mayor Brenda Link who attended the concert in official capacity*



## A review of the Tina Turner Tribute Night at Osteria on Sunday 10 March

There was no better place to be on a cold, wet Sunday evening than in Osteria which was holding one of their regular tribute nights, the perfect remedy to banish those end of weekend blues. This remedy was a **Tina Turner Tribute**, courtesy of the very talented, vivacious **Carrie-Anne Rendell**.

The first of two forty minute sets saw the blue denim jacket look of the Private Dancer era. The appreciative, packed restaurant audience were treated to numbers such as, *The Best*, *What's love got to do with it*, and the Sixties pop classic, *River Deep Mountain High*.

Following a short interval Carrie-Anne returned as Tina in a fringed red mini-dress and red high heels for a great rock and soul second set.

With it being Mother's Day and song requests being taken from the audience, we were treated to a selection of great pop songs – *Proud Mary*, *Jumpin' Jack Flash*, *Rockin' all over the world* and *Mamma Mia*, all of which had the people singing along and clapping.

All too soon it was time for the last number which had to be *The Best*. A rousing finale to a great evening's entertainment.

So, look out for Carrie-Anne / Tina Turner the next time she plays at Osteria.

The Osteria staff were a worthy support act on a fabulous evening.

*Mike B*







## Chipperfield Corinthians Football Club

**With two thirds of the season having been completed, the first team remains in a strong position.**

They sit currently 3rd in the Premier Division in what is a very competitive league, but a lot can happen as there are still 13 games to be played with a backlog again due to the horrendous wet weather. In the Cup we lost on penalties in a semi-final against Westmill having been 2-2 at the end of normal time. Last week in another Cup game, this time a quarter final, we drew 2-2 with Catholic Utd (having been 2-0 down with 10 minutes left) and the game went to penalties, but this time we prevailed and play local rivals, Belstone, in the semi-final next week.

The Reserves are sitting in 8th place (out of 13 in their league) but due to poor weather again they have 3 games in hand on most teams and if these were to be won they could move up to 3rd in the league and be one point off 2nd. They also made it to a semi-final and the game ended 2-2 after normal time but was then lost on penalties.

The Third Team plays in Division 4 and is sitting comfortably in mid-table with only one league game left to be played. Leading goal scorer is Chipperfield Born **Tommy Gray** who has notched up 10 goals from his 13 games played. On Saturday they play Hadley Wood in the Bingham Cox semi-final.

All home games for the First Team and the Reserves are played at Queen St on Saturdays and any support is very welcome.

*Martyn Dicker, President, Chipperfield Corinthians FC*

## Chipperfield Short Mat Indoor Bowls Club

**The last match of our current indoor short mat bowls season is almost here. What a really great time it has been for the companionship, competition and that feeling of being with like minded people on a weekly basis.**

We have had new members; you have been so welcome. Some of you had not played before, some from other clubs with different lengths of mats or greens but how quickly you all adapted. It has been a joy to watch new members become so quickly an important part of the Bowls Club, that you tend to forget that last month you may not have even known them.

There are those whom I call the 'foundation Club members'; those who have been here, there and seen it all. Their names as winners of the Competition Cup, still playing 24 years later, how lucky we are to have them with us. We have had recently our Pairs Competition with some excellent bowling; congratulations to the winners and all those who took part, you all made it an exciting event.

Many Club members will transfer to other clubs during the summer months for outdoor bowls on the lawns. Some will take advantage of the fine weather to holiday and travel. Some, like me, will just rest the weary old legs for a while and perhaps just potter in the garden. Most of us will be dreaming of the time in October when the indoor short mat bowls season will start up again. The excitement of meeting up again with old and new friends, because that has been the joy over the past months, playing the wonderful game of Short Mat Indoor Bowls in the lovely village of Chipperfield.

Why not come and join us when we return to have some fun and companionship; we know you will love it.

**Contact John Theobald  
on 07761256462**



## Chipperfield Clarendon Cricket Club News

**Welcome to the May newsletter for Chipperfield Clarendon Cricket Club. We hope you are all enjoying the start of the cricket season and are looking forward to some more exciting matches!**

April saw our senior teams busy with indoor nets, outdoor training sessions and friendly matches to prepare for the season ahead. The junior teams also put in some hard work. They have been working on their skills where the focus was on helping to develop a love of the game amongst the youngsters.

The season is in full swing and there is either practice or a match on daily at the Club. We encourage everyone to come down and support those playing. The bar will be open so you can grab a pint and enjoy some great cricket.

In addition to cricket we have a budding social darts team who are playing in the Bovingdon Social Darts League. Home games are on alternative Tuesdays so they will be on the go while practice or a match is happening on the pitch.

As the weather warms up, we encourage all members to stay hydrated and take care of themselves during training and matches. We are at the start of a long season and so it is important for all to stay safe and enjoy the game responsibly. We encourage spectators to do the same on the sidelines.

Lastly but importantly, we would like to thank all our sponsors and supporters for their continued support. Your contributions help us to provide the best possible experience for our players and community.

If you have any news, updates, or photos you would like to share with the Club, please send them to us at [chipperfieldcricket@gmail.com](mailto:chipperfieldcricket@gmail.com) We love hearing from our members and sharing your achievements with the rest of the Club.

Here's to a successful and enjoyable month of cricket ahead!

*Yours in cricket, Dave Henderson*

## 'Silver lunches' at Blackwell's

**Every Thursday at 12.30** come to **Blackwell's** for lunch and meet with some of your fellow diners for an exceptionally good value meal of a main course, a dessert and coffee or tea. All you need to do is phone **Blackwell's, 01923 264708**, to book. If you need transport, **Chipperfield Care, 01923 264700**, is able to help.

*Jacky Simmonds*



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## Chipperfield Parish Council

The local planning authority for Chipperfield is Dacorum Borough Council (DBC). Your Parish Council is a statutory consultee and has a planning committee that meets every three weeks. The committee seeks to reflect the views of the community in its response and comments to DBC. Just a reminder that this committee is open to pre-application discussions with residents / applicants to help anticipate potential issues or concerns.

### Applications

24/00747 **40 Tower Hill** - Outline approval for 3 dwellings and conversion of existing dwelling from 2 flats to single dwelling

24/00727 **The Cow Shed, Tenements Lane** - Demolition of Barn and construction of single storey bungalow

24/00692 **106 Scatterdells Lane** - Rear extension under permitted development

24/00683 **106 Scatterdells Lane** - Side extensions, new dormer, convert outbuilding to pool

26/00600 **9 Tower Hill** - internal and external renovations

**Decisions**

23/02918 **The Cow Shed, Tenements Lane** - Conversion of agricultural barn to dwelling - Granted

23/02339 **Flat 1, The Street** - Detached double garage - Refused

24/02323 **Mulberry, Chapel Croft** - modifications to existing converted garage - Granted

# CHIPPERFIELD CLUBS, CLASSES AND SOCIETIES

EVENT	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
Art Workshop	Saturday monthly	9.30am	Parish Room
Ballet 12 yrs+ - Holly Collins	Monday	5 - 6pm	Blackwell's
Ballet 7-13 yrs+, 3 classes - Holly Collins	Tuesday	4 - 6.45pm	Blackwell's
Ballet 9 yrs+ - Holly Collins	Thursday	5 - 6pm	Blackwell's
Ballet, exam coaching 5 yrs+ - Holly Collins	Friday	3.45 - 7.30pm	Blackwell's
Ballet 4 classes 3-8+ and babies - Holly Collins	Saturday	9 - 12.15am	Blackwell's
Brownies	Wednesday	6.30pm	Parish Room
Chair Fitness	Mondays	10.45 - 11.45am	Village Hall
Chipperfield Choral Society	Thursday	7 - 10pm	Village Hall
Chipperfield pre-school and out of school care	Monday - Friday (Term time)	7.30am - 6.15pm	Small Hall
Church Choir	Friday	7.30pm	Parish Room
Core Pilates. All levels. Using chair and/or mat	Mondays	10.30 am - 11.30am	Village Hall
Core Fitness: Chair Fitness	Mondays	10.45 - 11.45am	Village Hall
Drumming	Friday monthly	7.00pm	Parish Room
Eurythmy, followed by coffee	Monday	10.15 - 12.15pm	Parish Room
Gentle Yoga	Monday	1.30 - 3pm	Village Hall
Indoor Bowls	Returns Tuesday 1 October	7.00 to 9.30pm	Village Hall
Invigorating Local Walks	Tuesday and Thursday	9.30am	Blackwell's car park
Keep Fit	Tuesday	11.30am	Parish Room
Keep Fit - gentle!	Thursday	9.30am	Parish Room
Keep Fit	Thursday	10.30am	Parish Room
Pilates	Tuesday	9.30am and 10.30am	Blackwell's
Pilates	Wednesday	6.30 - 7.30 / 7.30 - 8.30pm	Blackwell's
Pilates	Wednesday	9am - 11 am	Village Hall
Pilates - 9 classes per week	Wednesday & Friday mornings,	and Monday evenings	Parish Room
RSPB natural history talk	Monday 13 May & 3 June	7pm - 10pm	Village Hall
T'ai Chi	Friday	1.45pm	Parish Room
Tots Toes ages 2.6 to 5yrs	Friday	9.30am - 10am	Village Hall
Toddle Toes walking to 2.5yrs	Friday	10.15am - 10.45am	Village Hall
Toddler Group	Tuesday	9.30am	Parish Room
Yoga - all levels	Thursday	10am	Blackwell's
Yoga for men	Tuesday	7pm	Blackwell's
Yoga with Carolyn	Thursday	7 - 8pm	Blackwell's
Youth Group <a href="http://www.hcsp.net/youth">www.hcsp.net/youth</a>	Thursday	6.30 - 8pm	Parish Room
Zumba	Thursday	10.30 - 11.30am	Village Hall

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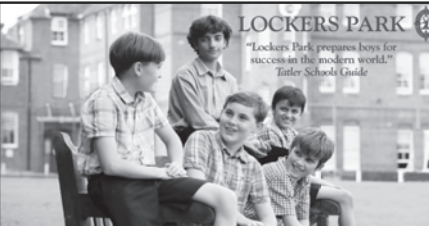
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## ST PAUL'S AND HOLY CROSS

### A reflection on Lent

Advent is a time of waiting and preparation for Christ's birth; Lent is a time of penitential preparation for Christ's death on the cross and resurrection.

Many of us will have enjoyed Pancake Day and then marked Lent by abstaining from chocolate or another personal luxury for forty days, as Jesus fasted in the desert and endured the temptations of Satan. We end our Lent on Easter Sunday with Easter egg hunts and gatherings with family and friends.

This year, along with a group from Holy Cross and St Paul's, I took part in a Lent course. Each week we met to learn about prayer using our Lord's Prayer as the basis to reflect on the elements of Adoration, Petition, Intercession, Unanswered Prayer, Contemplation, Listening and Spiritual Warfare.

This was way outside my comfort zone. However, I was challenged and committed myself to experiencing something new.

The culmination of the course was a 'Soaking'. With little knowledge and some trepidation of what to expect, we met at St Paul's with duvets, blankets and pillows. We started by laying on the floor, a cellist played sounds that reverberated around the room and the floor whilst we all focused on prayer. Each of us experienced it differently. I felt the tumultuous, epic nature of the mountains, through to the flow of the tide or the rhythm of breath, into a final dawn or awakening. To my surprise I was totally immersed and couldn't wait to share my experience with others.

I gained so much by experiencing this period of Lent with a focus which made me consider and have a better understanding of the true meaning of Easter. The message that resonated was that by dying Christ took away our sin and through his resurrection gave us eternal life.

How ever you celebrated Easter, I hope you feel renewed and energised along with the 'Darling Buds of May'.

*Jennifer Roberts*

## OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE SAVIOUR RC CHURCH

The merry month of May. As a child growing up in Chipperfield I can remember the excitement of going to Sarratt Fair at the beginning of every May. The innocent delight of riding on the carousel and dodgem cars or trying to win a coconut or a goldfish. This was, of course, way before the advent of today's theme parks such as Alton Towers, Thorpe Park, Legoland, etc. What else do you associate with May? Maypole, May Queen, May blossom? Even Mayday! Mayday, repeated three times, has become the global radio signal for help that is used mostly by aircraft and boats to warn of distress and possible life-threatening emergencies. We always pray we won't hear it said when we are off on our travels!

Forty days after Easter the Church celebrates the Ascension of the Lord into Heaven. The feast of Pentecost is then celebrated 10 days afterwards – this year on 19 May. The apostles returned to Jerusalem after Jesus' Ascension and met in the same Upper Room where they had celebrated the Last Supper. Jesus had asked the apostles to remain there in prayer until the coming of the Holy Spirit. Were they scared and fearful, I wonder? Did they want to shout 'Mayday' three times? Yet after the appearance of the Holy Spirit, on that first Pentecost, we read of a remarkable transformation in the apostles – no longer fearful but full of courage, energy and enthusiasm. They had been entrusted with the mammoth task of conveying Jesus' message to all nations. They were the witnesses to Christ's presence on earth so they immediately went into the streets and told everyone about Jesus, his teaching and what he had achieved through his life, death and resurrection. Amazingly, people of all lands and languages understood what they were saying. The apostles' firm commitment to their mission laid the foundation for the spread of Christianity

worldwide. Initially, Christian communities began to form and, where the apostles could not be physically present, they sent letters to convey their knowledge and understanding. They did undertake remarkable missionary journeys, too, even in the face of persecution and martyrdom. We now take for granted how easy it is to travel from one country to another but obviously this was at a time when there was limited transport, no mobile phones and without the other many wonders of twenty-first century technology! History tells us that John, who lived to a ripe old age, was the only one of the original apostles who was not put to death for his faith. Their dedication to spreading the message of Jesus Christ was so inspirational that Pentecost is often referred to as the birthday of the Christian Church. There is no doubt that the world has changed since Jesus embarked on his earthly ministry, two thousand years ago. Yet the Gospel is just as significant today. Over the centuries, Christianity has grown in numbers as it has spread around the world. The apostles showed their faith by their assertiveness, their bravery, and their readiness to sacrifice all for the cause of Jesus Christ. What a wonderful example they set to all who followed them.

*Sue Croucher*

## PINTS OF VIEW AT THE PLOUGH

The next Pints of View will be on **Monday 20 May** at the **Plough, Belsize**, starting at **8pm**. We will consider the topic postponed from April. Ron Hildick will lead our informal discussion on what is meant by the **Circular Economy** and the advantages and disadvantages of this economic model. Everyone is welcome.

*John Guy and Alan Milsom*

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Sue Walker



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## Spring Sunshine!

After such a wet winter a nice sunny day is a welcome treat, even more so when the first Yellow Brimstone butterfly of the season flutters across the garden.

They spend the winter as adults hiding in thick vegetation, waiting for a sunny day to start feeding on nectar and looking for a mate. They are quite large butterflies with wings shaped like leaves; strong fliers that can whizz over a hedge and be gone in the blink of an eye. The garden is full of primroses just now and I tried to take a photo of one butterfly feeding but, in an instant, it was gone! The males are a rich yellow colour but the females are more of a pale green with a bright orange spot on the back of the wing. They will soon be looking for a buckthorn bush on which to lay their eggs but I

hope to see them in the garden for a few weeks.

On Tom's afternoon walk we saw our first orange tip butterfly; we get quite a lot of these as there is a lot of garlic mustard, cuckoo flower and honesty in the garden on which they lay their eggs. The caterpillars will feed on these plants then pupate in the summer and spend winter as a pupa before emerging in the spring to start the cycle of life all over again.

Dilly the sheep had a lovely pair of lambs, quite unusually at 10 in the morning; they seem to have them at dawn or dusk. At 9-30 she was under a tree pawing the ground and trying to get herself comfortable so I went back to check on her half an hour later and she was cleaning up the second one. Good sized lambs, one of each. It's lovely to see them all skipping about. Although there is a couple of weeks difference in age, all four run 'wacky races' in the early evening, whizzing up and down the paddock before suddenly flopping down for a rest before going off again. Sometimes it's hard to get on with the jobs in the garden as they are such a joy to watch. *Wendy Bathurst*

## Chipperfield Horticultural Society

The sun appeared and a fabulous Spring Show on Saturday 6th April saw the Village Hall filled with colourful flowers, long stems of rhubarb, pot plants and the creative works of our artists, crafters, bakers and photographers.

Sue Tyler took home the Abrahams Cup as overall points winner. The H. Simmonds Cup for runner-up was won by **Andrea Dunsby** with **Elise Tyler, Bethan Rees-Whybrow, Gail Compton, John Hopkins, Rita Musk** and **Catherine Percy** only a point or two behind.

Tea and home made cakes were enjoyed as always. We thank our wonderful ladies who volunteer their time to bake and serve such delights.

A fantastic raffle and plant stall gave our visitors an additional opportunity to support the Society. We thank all our members, exhibitors, supporters and judges for their commitment and continued support.

Our **Summer Show** is on **Saturday 15th June** when, if the weather allows, sweet peas and roses will be the stars of the show. Photography classes are: lost items, wellies and it's a bug(s) life.

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*Mo Barton/Gail Compton*







## Easter Celebrations for the schoolchildren at St Paul's Church

Before the Easter holiday break, the children at St Paul's School attended a short Easter service with Rev'd Sarah Collins and Ian Chantrell; the origin and meaning of Easter were brought closer to the children. This was followed by several Easter activities in the Parish Room which were lovingly prepared by the Reverend and a wonderful team of volunteers. The children were able to make a small Easter garden from an egg box for the tomb, closed by a stone. This was placed in a box with soil, moss, flowers and a wooden cross to mark the burial place. The children could also create the same scene with biscuits, icing and sprinkles. On another table the children coloured a paper spin wheel to show the different days of Holy Week and, at a further table, the children were invited to make Easter cards. It was lovely to see everyone so engaged in the Easter crafts. We would like to thank Rev'd Sarah for the time and love she put into preparing the service and the activities; the children were so proud taking home their achievements, although the biscuits didn't last that long!

Meike Asbach, TA at St. Paul's Primary School

## Dotty the Donkey Easter Trail

Our party of 4 children, two 5 year olds, 1 nine year old and shepherded by an 11 year old, seemed to enjoy following the Easter trail which consisted of 12 posters positioned around St Paul's churchyard.

Each poster told a part of the Easter story and suggested a simple related activity which the children could attempt. Our lot probably didn't do the trail in quite the intended order but all 4 cards came back with 12 stamps collected, one from each of the posters.

At the end they were all delighted to receive their chubby egg-filled chicks which, of course, did not remain chubby for long but they were able to take the hand knitted chicks home, hopefully to be filled again next year.



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