



Creating Our Poppy Waterfall

We hope you managed to see the Poppy Waterfall during November. This stunning display was created by the Knatty Knitters, with contributions from Chipperfield walking groups and ladies from Portobello Place Care Home. We are delighted that the Portobello ladies are keen to be involved in future group projects.

I was responsible for keeping a running total of completed poppies and attaching them to netting with cable ties. The grand total of poppies in the waterfall was 2,435 and 13-year old Harlee won the competition to guess the total - congratulations!

Justin, Richard and Stephen devised a cunning plan to display the waterfall. Ropes attached to tennis balls would be thrown in either direction over the church roof and be used to pull the waterfall into place. This took a few attempts, with the person throwing the ball standing at the top of a ladder. The ladder and a number of poles taped together were needed on the opposite sides of the church to retrieve the tennis ball and ropes.

We stapled the poppy net to a plank of wood to which we attached the ropes before slowly and steadily pulling on them to raise the waterfall into place. There was a challenging moment when the ropes snagged on each other but, after a bit of people repositioning, a few rope shakes and one final pull, the waterfall was secured in place. We then added the school's poppies made from plastic bottles.

Knatty Knitters is a friendly group that has been a lifeline for members going through illness and bereavement. If you would like to join us, pop in for a cuppa and cake on Wednesday afternoons from 2.00 - 3.30pm. You will be very welcome!

Bethan Rees-Whybrow



URGENT APPEAL - PLEASE READ

We are delighted to have identified a new advertising manager for Chipperfield News who fills one of the two essential roles that are imminently falling vacant.

However, if Chipperfield News is to continue for the rest of 2026 and beyond, it is a matter of urgency that a volunteer is found to take over the finance role from Peter Corbett who has now completed his term. Without a successor coming forward very soon, Chipperfield News will cease as we cannot operate effectively without Peter's replacement being in place.

It would be a shame to lose Chipperfield News, which is such a valuable village asset.

Specific experience is not essential, other than numeracy and the ability to engage with people. This voluntary role is part of a small, friendly team of volunteers who produce Chipperfield News 10 times a year. As Peter has recently moved us onto Quickbooks, which automates the majority of the work, activities shouldn't take more than a few hours per month at most. We will, of course, provide a handover and continuing support.

If you or someone you know might be interested in the role or in learning more about it, please contact one of the following team members as soon as possible. Thank you.

- Peter Corbett (Finance Manager): 01923 267066
- Chris Pinney (Chair): 01923 269604

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Remembrance Sunday 2025

It seems a long time ago that so many of our loyal residents joined us on the Common to commemorate the 46 Chipperfield villagers who lost their lives for us in the two World Wars.

This year the standard-bearer, Royal British Legion, Brownies, schoolchildren and preschool children, wreath-layers and church choir walked together from the church to the War Memorial, where a record 21 of our village clubs, societies, organisations and institutions each laid their wreath. A short service took place, including The Last Post, after which we observed the 2-minute silence, during which the village clock dutifully struck the hour.

Then followed the almost standing-room-only service in St. Paul's Church at which children from the school and 1st Chipperfield Brownies played key roles in escorting the colour, laying poppy sprays and reading out the names of the fallen from Chipperfield. A particular highlight was the reading of 2 poems by their young authors. Once again, we were treated to having 3 RAF servicemen, resplendent in their immaculate uniforms, to carry the standard, read the lesson and lay sprays of poppies. Along with our trumpeter accompanying much of the singing, this was truly a most memorable occasion.



Sgt Marcus Rees-Whybrow, Cpl Adam Bruerton and AS1 Chad Kenney. Photo credited to Bethan Rees-Whybrow.

The families, children, dogs and horses who joined us to remember are a vital part of ensuring that we never forget the ultimate sacrifice paid by those 46 young men. It may all have happened many years ago, but it is only by continually involving the young of our community that we can keep their memories alive. We are so grateful to everyone who gave up their time to join us on this particularly special day. Mark Jarrad



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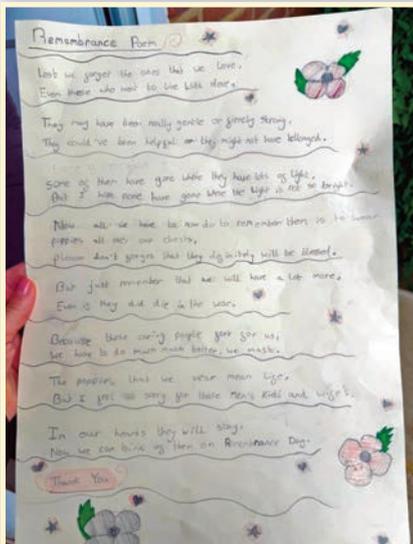
Wine Alert

Following on from the success of last autumn's launch night, the next Chipperfield Village Hall/Dalling's Wine Evening is scheduled for Saturday, 11 April 2026.

Advance bookings:
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www.dallingandco.com/tastings/

Full details, including further dates throughout 2026, will be provided in the March issue of Chipperfield News



Remembrance Poem

by Naomi, 1st Chipperfield Brownies.

Lest we forget the ones that we love,
Even those who went to live with dove.

They may have been really gentle or fiercely strong,
They could've been helpful or they might not have belonged.

Some of them have gone where they have lots of light,
But I hope none have gone where the light is not so bright.

Now all we have to now do to remember
them is to wear poppies all over our chests.

Please don't forget that they definitely will be blessed.

But just remember that we will have a lot more,
Even if they did die in the war.

Because those caring people fought for us,
We have to do much, much better, we must.

The poppies that we wear mean life,
But I feel so sorry for those men's kids and wives.

In our hearts they will stay,
Now we can think of them on Remembrance Day

Thank you



Chipperfield's Magic Carpet Ride

Chipperfield Theatre Group performed its 2025 pantomime 'Aladdin' between 27th - 29th November, receiving rave reviews from new and seasoned audience members alike. Plenty of fun was had both on and off stage in bringing this magical tale to life. Once again, the group combined the passions and talents of all-age performers from across the local villages to bring theatre to the heart of Chipperfield. The group is looking forward to presenting a new murder mystery on Friday 24th and Saturday 25th April 2026 - save the date and look out for ticket information soon! *Nel Godfrey*

Photos by Mike Brankin



Chipperfield Sings Christmas

This year's programme, devised and conducted by our Musical Director **Sheila Cornell**, included some much loved favourites (where the audience joined in with gusto) and some newer carols by living composers. Two favourites in the 'newer' group were 'My Lord has come' (*Will Todd*) and 'In the stillness' (*Sally Beamish*). With the combined forces of choir, audience and the mighty St Paul's organ, the closing carol 'Hark the Herald Angels sing' almost raised the roof of the church!

Our wonderful soloist, **Jacob Cole**, is a recipient of the Choral Society Hammond Award which is enabling him to complete his studies at the Guildhall School of music. Jacob has a very lyrical

tenor voice and enchanted the audience with a piece from The Messiah and the Bach/Gounod Ave Maria. Our wonderful **Rosemary Venner** provided sensitive accompaniment on the piano as always. **Jonathan Lee** came all the way from Sussex to play the organ for us as he enjoys our Christmas concerts and demonstrating the many capabilities of St Paul's organ.

Our next concert, comprising the Mozart Requiem and the Haydn 'Maria Theresa' Mass is on **Saturday, 14 March**. If you enjoyed our carol concerts, come along and hear more beautiful works from the choral repertoire. Tickets will be available nearer the time from choir members, the Box Office (01923 400520) and the choir website www.chipperfieldchoral.co.uk. *John Morrish*



Creative Wreaths for Christmas

I can't believe it's been 9 years since Annabel Heathcote and her sister Amanda Girling Heathcote first ran a pre-Christmas wreath-making workshop in the village, which has now become an annual event.

Last November, twenty ladies attended the workshop in the Small Hall and had a wonderful time creating stunning wreaths, expertly guided by Amanda (a florist) and Annabel.

My own wreath-making skills haven't improved much over the years, but it's always an enjoyable evening, aided by tipples and nibbles. Thank you to Amanda & Annabel for helping the Christmas Season along in Chipperfield. All profits from the evening have been donated to the pre-school. *Ann Waine*



An 'Inspiring' Christmas Afternoon

On 1st December, the Inspire ladies enjoyed a wonderful afternoon of festive creativity. With help from Bethan Rees-Whybrow, we made our own Christmas table decorations, each one unique and beautiful. It was amazing to see how much talent and imagination shone through in everyone's creations.

A big thank you to Bethan for generously giving of her time and sharing her skills with us. Your inspiration made the afternoon very special!

Inspire ladies meet on the first Monday of the month from 1.30-3pm in the Parish Room and we would love to welcome new ladies. *Fay Dent*



St Paul's Churchyard Working Party

A few of November's workers at St. Paul's. Enormous thanks to all (in the photos and invisible!). *Frances Onians*





**Poppy Appeal
Final Accounts
2025**

Once again, with Chipperfield and Bovingdon villages working together, a staggering and unexpected **£11,324.65** has been raised.

Thank you to the Bovingdon volunteers who worked hard to achieve this result.

In Chipperfield, £732 was donated through our four contactless machines, and the QR code was used extensively to raise **£221.37**. Our thanks go to the *fifty-three* hard

working volunteers in Chipperfield. **£620.36** was raised by *five* hardy door-to-door collectors, of whom Doris Yates, completing her 33rd year, collected **£45.75**. Thirty nine table top collectors, together with collectors on the Common on Remembrance Sunday and collections by the Choral Society and Village Fair, raised **£2,230.66**.

A big thank you to the guys who put up in the gazebos and tables early on two Saturday mornings and who rescued a flying gazebo, caught in a sudden gust of wind.

The village shops, pubs, churches, cafés and garage collected **£859.65** and St Paul’s school **£169.46**. St Paul’s church, and VE

and VJ days collected **£533.30** and **£321.83** respectively. A huge thank you to all those involved and also to all the village organisations who laid wreaths at the War Memorial and donated **£690**. Gift Aid added a further much-appreciated £279.50.

These precise accounts are the result of hours of work put in by **Mark Jarrad**; every penny accounted for after the tins had been emptied and counted by a cheerful band of volunteers.

Many, many thanks to you all; I couldn’t do my job without any one of you.

Sue Walker, Poppy Appeal Organiser

**A Huge Thank You from
Chipperfield Preschool and
Out-of-School Care**

We were again very lucky to receive a very generous donation of **£115** from the very popular wreath-making workshop held in November by **Amanda Girling-Heathcote**. Amanda’s sister **Annabel Heathcote** attended the workshop and has been a friend of Chipperfield Preschool since

her own children came to us. We are extremely grateful to Amanda and Annabel for their thoughtfulness. Their support for our preschool means a great deal to us.

Their donation will be put towards developing storytelling for the children. We will be purchasing some sensory resources to support children’s emotional needs and also some new open-ended story sacks so that children can create their own stories. *Juliette Cresswell, Manager, Chipperfield Preschool*

**A Heartfelt Thank You
from Chipperfield News**

We are enormously grateful to the family of the late **Rita Forsythe** for their generosity in making a contribution to Chipperfield News from some of the monetary donations received after the service of thanksgiving.

Their gift reflects Rita’s active involvement in delivering Chipperfield News for many years and her enjoyment in reading the paper each month.

Thank you all for this much appreciated donation. *Jane Deal, Editor*



Parish Council Update - January 2026

Dear Villagers

A very happy New Year to you all!

Firstly, many thanks to all who contributed time and effort to the events and festivities held through the holiday season, including at the churches, school and Village Hall, as well as our local pubs and restaurants. How lucky we are to live in such an active village!

In December, the Council finally received details of the cuts by DBC to our parish budget and so were able to finalise this and the precept increase for next year. In short, we have lost 25% of DBC funding but have worked hard to minimise the impact on the village and on the precept.

Following Remembrance Sunday last November, we renewed the hedging around the Memorial, which is a huge improvement. A very big thank you goes to one of our villagers, who made a generous contribution towards the costs, and to our warden Vas, who worked hard to implement the changes.

DBC SANG work continues on the Common, with big improvements to seating, paths, the various ponds, notably Apostles Pond and reduced tree cover. Many new signs, illustrated by a budding local artist, have been installed and are designed to be informative. These are

a SANG funding requirement and, as one older and wiser villager remarked, a small price to pay for all the positive work being completed. On a final note, if you can help in any way to avoid the throwing of branches into Apostles Pond, this would be much appreciated.

Lastly, on behalf of all CPC Members, please take care during the cold weather, look out for neighbours, especially elderly ones, and please accept our very best wishes for the coming 12 months. *Paul Foxall, Parish Council Chair*

Planning Application

Decisions as at 9 Jan 2026:

- 25/02785 The Two Brewers Inn - Fell and works to trees - Granted
- 25/02723 The Bungalow, Croft Lane - Side fill extension - Granted
- 25/02648 Old Stocks, 86 Scatterdells Lane - Proposed outbuilding/ carport - Refused
- 25/02114/02115 The Pale Farm, The Street - Barn to residential use ancillary to main house, air source heat pump, replacement conservatory, new glazed opening to barn doors - Granted

**Cher Tribute Night at
Osteria**

December 24th saw Chipperfield’s Osteria brimming with Christmas cheer and song for a Cher tribute evening, with the star portrayed by the talented Lisa Mills.

The first set covered Cher’s greatest hits, including Believe, It’s in his Kiss, I Got You Babe and Walking in Memphis, together with Super Trouper and Fernando by ABBA.

For Lisa’s second set of the evening, she gave a power-packed vocal performance of crowd-pleasing pop and rock classics, including La Bamba, Back to Black, Under the Moon of Love and Merry Christmas Everyone, ending with The Summer of ‘69 as a rousing encore.

Everything had the Osteria’s packed house singing, dancing and swaying along. It was a great night to start off the festive season and Osteria’s staff provided a worthy support act on the night. *Mike Beeson*

CHIPPERFIELD CLUBS, CLASSES AND SOCIETIES

EVENT	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
Art Workshop	Saturday monthly	9.30am	Parish Room
Brownies	Wednesday	6.30pm	Parish Room
Cake & Create - Decorating class	Tuesday 10 & 24 Feb	10.00 am to 1.00pm	Village Hall
Chipperfield Care - Coffee Club - Tuesday 17 Feb	Tuesday monthly	10.30am to 12.30pm	Village Hall
Chipperfield Choral Society	Thursday	7.30pm to 9.30pm	Village Hall
Chipperfield pre-school and out of school care	Monday - Friday (Term time)	7.30am to 6.15pm	Small Hall
Church Choir	Friday	7.45pm	Parish Room
Drumming	Tuesday monthly	7.00pm	Parish Room
Eurythmy, followed by coffee	Monday	10.15am to 12.15pm	Parish Room
Gentle Yoga	Monday 2, 9 & 23 Feb	1.30pm to 3.00pm	Village Hall
Inspire (ladies group)	first Monday of the Month	1.30pm to 3.00pm	Parish Room
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
Knatty Knitters	Wednesday	2.00pm to 3.30pm	Parish Room
Pilates	Tuesday	9.30am and 10.30am	Blackwell's
Pilates	Wednesday	6.30pm to 8.30pm	Blackwell's
Pilates	Wednesday - 4, 11 & 25 Feb	9.00am to 11.00am	Village Hall
Pilates	Monday - evenings at 6.50pm and 7.55pm (for an hour each)		Parish Room
Pilates	Wednesday (for an hour each)	10.00am, 11.05am, 12.10pm	Parish Room
Pilates	Friday (for an hour each)	10.00am, 11.05am, 12.10pm	Parish Room
RSPB Talk - "Skomer" by Mike Wallen	Monday, 2 February	7.45pm to 9.45pm	Village Hall
Selah Church	Sunday	9.30am to 1.30pm	Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Tuesday	7.00pm to 9.30pm	Village Hall
Short Mat Bowls	Friday	2.00pm to 4.30pm	Village Hall
T'ai Chi	Friday	1.45pm	Parish Room
Tappy Toes - Tots Toes - 2.6 yrs to 5 yrs	Friday 6, 13 & 27 Feb	9.30am to 10.00am	Village Hall
Tappy Toes - Toddle Toes - walking to 2,5 yrs	Friday 6, 13 & 27 Feb	10.15am to 10.45am	Village Hall
Toddler Group	Tuesday	9.30am	Parish Room
Yoga - all levels	Thursday	10.00am	Blackwell's
Yoga for men	Tuesday	7.00pm	Blackwell's
Yoga with Carolyn	Thursday	7.00pm to 8.00pm	Blackwell's
Youth Group www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7587	Thursday	6.30pm to 8.00pm	Parish Room
Zumba	Thursday	10.30am to 11.30am	Village Hall
Zumba	Friday	11.30am to 12.30pm	Village Hall

For information about an event, club or class, contact the appropriate hall booking agent listed on the back page or visit the village website: www.chipperfield.org.uk/organisations.

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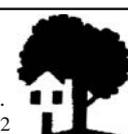
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ST PAUL'S AND HOLY CROSS

View From the Pew

Some folk are natural listeners. I'm capable of making some pretty casual, banal and vapid comments, but a late friend of mine in particular always listened intently. It was very affirming, if somewhat disconcerting. Philosopher Simone Weil (1909-1943) said that 'attention is the rarest and purest form of generosity'.

Søren Kierkegaard's parable of the clown has been much retold and re-imagined:

A fire breaks out in a circus and is in danger of spreading across the dry stubble. The ringmaster sends a boy clown, dressed for performance, to the neighbouring village to alert them and get help. The clown runs in haste to the village and delivers the message to the inhabitants, but they laugh at him. They think it's a ruse to get them to go to the circus. The more the clown pleads, the more the villagers laugh, even applauding him for his performance! The clown's anguished pleading to the villagers to listen was in vain. Unable to secure help, the circus and the village were destroyed by the fire.

It is recorded in the Bible (Luke 8:18), that Jesus spoke to his followers: "**Take**

heed how you hear" - wise words, spoken 2000 years ago and maybe pertinent to much of our society today.

'A man hears what he wants to hear and disregards the rest', sang Simon and Garfunkel more than 50 years ago (gulp!). We joke about selective hearing. Do we sometimes bring a closed mind to those with whom we disagree? Or have we assumed we will disagree? Do we tend to react, rather than respond? These days, much information and discourse is conducted through "social" media, where trained influencers, commentators and activists have sway, not all of it benevolent. Echo chambers form where individuals can discover and connect with countless others who reflect and reinforce their own views.

My listening Christian friend was also a questioner, and Jesus's guidance, "**Take heed how you hear**", seems very relevant. Christians, whether committed, enquirers or seekers, may listen for God in various ways, including prayer, reading the Bible, general reading, walking and worship, but few would expect an audibly voiced response. Substituting the word 'attend' for 'hear' (or 'listen') may nuance and help our understanding.

Alan Poulton

OUR LADY MOTHER OF THE SAVIOUR RC CHURCH

Patience Strong was a British poet and author, who was best known for her short but inspiring poems and sayings that often appeared in newspapers and magazines. One of her sayings about February is this: "**While it is February, one can taste the full joys of anticipation. Spring stands at the gate with her finger on the latch.**" I think we all tend to spend more time indoors in the winter so it is good to know that the days are gradually getting longer and Spring is on its way. Just as the earth comes alive again after a cold winter, God gives Christians a chance to start anew too.

This year we celebrate the beginning of the Season of Lent, Ash Wednesday, on the 18th February. Lent is a period of preparation for Easter, and it's a season of the Church's year where the emphasis is on repentance. Lent reminds us that, through Jesus Christ, God came to free us from our weakness and sinfulness, and so, if we turn to God and strip away distractions, we can ask for forgiveness. It might seem difficult, but it is possible to recommit ourselves to God's way of life.

The readings for Ash Wednesday Mass set the tone for the entire season of Lent. "Now, now - come back to me with all your heart", says the prophet Joel in the first reading, speaking on behalf of God, "with fasting, and weeping and mourning". Then St Paul, in the second reading, says something similar to his fellow Christians: "Be reconciled to God. We beg you once again not to neglect the grace of God that you have received". In the gospel, Jesus gives his disciples some precise instructions about what to do to help to bring about that turning-back to God that Joel was appealing for. The practices of prayer, fasting (self-denial) and almsgiving (charity) are the means by which we deepen our love of God and neighbour. Whilst these qualities are highlighted, it also reminds us that our Lenten observance should be carried out humbly. Giving things up for Lent is often practised as a way of fasting or refraining from a pleasure or routine for 40 days (Ash Wednesday to Easter), which reflects Jesus' time spent in the desert. It calls us to focus on self-discipline, rather than worldly luxuries. This gives us time for thought - a time for reflecting and seeing whether we are still on course, or whether we need to re-align our lives in the light of the example and teaching of our Blessed Lord. Making a Lenten sacrifice is not like another New Year's resolution, which is often broken within days, but we all know that when we

experience want, even short term, it can help us to appreciate how blessed we are in our lives. I normally give up chocolate for Lent as that's my guilty pleasure. Do you give anything up? Of course, it is also acceptable to take up something that will help and make a difference to others. Let's allow this season of Lent to shape us, improve us, and move us closer to God.

Sue Croucher



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CHIPPERFIELD CARE, ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING, Tuesday, 10 March 2026 at 1.30pm, St. Paul's Parish Room

We would love to invite anyone who is interested in the work of Chipperfield Care to join our volunteers for our AGM. At this meeting we hear from our Organiser, Patricia Harrison, about the work that the organisation has carried out over the past year, and we also adopt the charity's accounts for the year 2025 which are explained by our Treasurer, Juliane Coupland. We do, of course, welcome any questions.

After the formal meeting, we would be delighted to invite everyone to stay on for refreshments, with an opportunity to meet up with friends old and new.

If you are not currently a volunteer, but might be able to spare 2 or 3 hours a month and are considering joining Chipperfield Care, either as a Driver or a Duty Officer (or both), you would be particularly welcome to stay on after the AGM to chat with other volunteers about what we do and how we do it.

If you would like any further information, please contact either:

Judy Saunders 01923 269270 (Chair)
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9am	Morning Service	Holy Cross
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist	St Paul's
Sunday 8	2nd Sunday before Lent	
9am	Morning Worship	St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist	Holy Cross
Sunday 15	Sunday next before Lent	
9am	Morning Worship	Holy Cross
10.45am	All Together Benefice Eucharist	St Paul's
	gathering at 10.30am for pastries & drinks before the service	
6.30pm	Compline (traditional night prayer)	Holy Cross
Wednesday 18	ASH WEDNESDAY (1st day of Lent)	
6.30pm	Service for Ash Wednesday with imposition of ashes	Holy Cross
Sunday 22	1st Sunday of Lent	
9am	Morning Worship	St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist	Holy Cross
MARCH 2026 (first part of month)		
Sunday 1	2nd Sunday of Lent	
9am	Morning Service	Holy Cross
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist	St Paul's
Sunday 8	3rd Sunday of Lent	
9am	Morning Worship	St Paul's
10.45am	Benefice Eucharist	Holy Cross
Sunday 15	MOTHERING SUNDAY (4th Sunday of Lent)	
9am	Family Service for Mothering Sunday	Holy Cross
10.45am	Family Service for Mothering Sunday	St Paul's
6.30pm	Compline (traditional night prayer)	Holy Cross

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Sunday	10.00	Mass	<i>NB For further information regarding</i>
Saturday	18.30	Vigil Mass	<i>weekday Masses, please check the</i>
Friday	10.00	Mass	<i>newsletter available at Saturday Mass</i>

**It is with sadness that we announce the
deaths of Valerie and Tony Briselden.**

Valerie and Tony lived in Chipperfield and were very much involved in village life for many years. They will be sadly missed by both their family and so very many friends.

A memorial service will be held at **St Paul's Church, Chipperfield** on **Monday, 23 February** at **12 noon**. All are warmly welcome to join the family at both the church and afterwards at the Two Brewers.In lieu of flowers, the family has requested donations to either **The Hospice of St Francis, Berkhamsted** or the **British Heart Foundation**.If you would like to attend, kindly drop a line to Valerie and Tony's son for catering purposes at guy.briselden@me.com

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Chipperfield Horticultural Society

Happy New Year!

With a sprinkling of snow and several hard frosts making the winter garden look beautiful, our thoughts turn to the gardening year ahead. We look forward to welcoming members old and new to our full programme of events for 2026.

Our **AGM** is on **Monday, 2 February** at **7.30pm** in the **Parish Room**, followed by a talk by **Steven Werrell** from **Dacorum Borough Council** on the management of Chipperfield Common, with refreshments, including cheese and wine, to follow.

Our **Spring Show** will be on **Saturday, 21 March** in the **Village Hall**. Daffodils should take centre stage, along with other flowers, vegetables and a chance to show off your winter handicrafts. Photography categories are: FROSTY FEBRUARY, SIGNS OF SPRING and TIME.

So check your phones, computers or even head outside to look for inspiration. Domestic classes include: 4 Hot Cross Buns, a Chocolate Sponge, and a Bakewell Tart (specific details and other classes are in the Show Schedule).

For Juniors we have A POTATO PRINT PICTURE (A4 SIZE) and A DECORATED BISCUIT.

On **Tuesday, 19 May** our first talk of the year is by **Dr. Twigs Way**, a professional landscape and garden historian, on **'Death in the Beds, Poison in the Borders'**. This will be held in the **Parish Room** at **7.30 pm**, followed by questions and refreshments.

We are a supportive, friendly group and would welcome new committee members to help run the Society going forwards.

Members should be receiving emails updating them of our plans. If not, or if your contact details have changed, please contact us at **chipperfieldhortsoc@hotmail.com**.

Mo Barton

Village Hall Winter Fair

The Village Hall Winter Fair once again proved attractive to many of our village friends and neighbours.

There was a definite 'buzz' about the day and the excitement for our younger visitors increased when Father Christmas arrived. The blend of stalls with excellent autumn offerings, refreshments with an impressive choice of primarily home made cakes (a big thank you to the VH Committee 'bakers'), together with a brilliant choice of raffle prizes, proved popular with everyone - a masterpiece 'pulling it all together', thanks to Janet Newman.

The focus of the event was to raise funds to support the Village Hall.

A total of £898 was raised and we were pleased to also be able to raise £40 for the Royal British Legion. Thanks to all who joined the day.

Paul Elkin, Chair,
Chipperfield
Village Hall



Knatty Knitters' first Christmas lunch!

On 3 December, the Knatty Knitters enjoyed their first, and very delicious, Christmas lunch at Chipperfield Garden Centre. Thank you to the garden centre for their wonderful hospitality. *Photos credited to Bethan Rees-Whybrow.*



SANG Update - January 2026

Many may have noticed the new boards and directional posts. The information boards give a brief history of the Common and highlight its features. There are three waymarked routes, and I would recommend walking the 'Heritage Trail', which is a revival of a former trail that highlights key features. We are delighted to have worked with local village artist **Olivia Webb**, who created the wonderful illustrations.

We have also continued important management around Apostles Pond. Ecological tree contractors have re-'pollarded' (cutting back to growth points) the majority of the existing lime trees. This will help them live longer and increase light for plants below. The remaining works will be completed next winter.

Further works relating to the Common include:

- Planning path resurfacing and surfacing new pathways.
- Tree safety works on potentially dangerous trees.

The Chipperfield Common Working Group meets every two months to discuss plans for the Common. If you would like further information, please contact me at steven.werrell@dacorum.gov.uk, or Chipperfield Parish Council.

The Friends of Chipperfield Common run practical tasks on the Common each month, alternating between Thursdays and Saturdays. We meet at the Cricket Ground Car Park for 9am. All tools, gloves, high-vis, tea, coffee and biscuits are provided. If you would like to join our friendly group, either meet us there or email me for more information.

The next date will be Saturday, 21 February.

Steven Werrell, SANG Officer

SANG = Suitable Alternative Natural Greenspace



DENS: Help to rescue people from fear and isolation this winter

With freezing, dangerous nights approaching, Hertfordshire-based charity, DENS, has launched its Winter Appeal to provide vital support for local people experiencing homelessness.'



DENS shared the story of Amy – who faced cold winter nights alone, frightened and without a safe place to turn.

Amy had a steady job and home, but when

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DENS is asking its community to give an extra gift this winter, so that they can help rescue people like Amy from fear and isolation.

Wendy Lewington, DENS CEO, said: "This winter, we're facing something overwhelming. Homelessness is rising. There is a cost of living and mental health crisis. We're seeing more people than ever arrive at our door in deep distress and not knowing where else to go. "We urgently need your help to make sure no one gets turned away."

To help give someone a warm and safe place to sleep this winter, and help them rebuild their life, donate now at www.dens.org.uk/winter-appeal-25.

If you are concerned about a rough sleeper in the borough of Dacorum, please call DENS on 01442 800131 or create an alert at www.thestreetlink.org.uk.

Pints of View, Monday 16 February

February Pints of View will be held at **The Boot in Sarratt** on **Monday 16th**, starting at **8pm**. **Andy Coote** will lead our informal discussion on his topic, originally scheduled for January, **"What does the development of the Silk Roads tell us about modern trade wars?"**. Come along on the 16th and consider how the world can be put to rights. Everyone welcome. *John Guy*



Chipperfield Corinthians Youth Football Club

At a recent Chipperfield Corinthians Youth Football Club meeting, **Stewart Hunt** (Club Chairperson) announced an exciting new partnership with Berkhamsted Ladies Football Club. Following initial discussions with **Amy Dunton-Payne** (Director and First Team Manager) at Berkhamsted Ladies, it quickly became clear that a joint alliance would bring real benefits for both clubs - including opportunities to share coaching resources and explore plans for a future development ladies team.

The women's and girls' game continues to grow year on year, and this is clearly reflected at Chipperfield, where there are now more girl members than boys, with eight girls' teams and six mixed teams playing every week.

The launch of the Wildcats programme, delivered in partnership with Herts FA, has also played a major role in encouraging more girls to try football, attend training, and progress into newly-formed teams at Chipperfield.

This agreement ensures that girls of all abilities can enjoy playing the sport in a supportive environment, while also creating a clear player pathway for those aspiring to progress into senior football. It also means that the girls' pathway now sits proudly alongside the boys' pathway, which leads into the Chipperfield Men's First Team currently competing in the Herts County Premier League.

Tony Evans (Coach of the Under-14 Girls) commented: *"This is a great example of how forward-thinking Stewart and the CCYFC committee are. It's a fantastic initiative, and we're really looking forward to working with Berkhamsted. Hopefully we'll see some of our girls stepping out at their home ground at the Glencar Stadium in the future."*

Berkhamsted Ladies currently compete in the Bedfordshire and Hertfordshire Premier League, where they sit third in the table, and they also participated in this season's FA Cup, narrowly exiting in the second qualifying round.

T Evans (Coach U14 Girls Team)

Chipperfield Short Mat Indoor Bowls Club

At our last Presentation Dinner, we added one more club member to our list of Long Service Award winners.

An outstanding bowler, four times winning partner in the Pairs Competition - his first win was 13 years ago - this club member has been involved in and supported all activities of the club as well as being our club treasurer. We were delighted to make this award to **Alan Betts**. Many congratulations!

John Theobald



Photo Credit: Marion Brown



Chipperfield Corinthians Football Club

The battle for this year's Premier League is already shaping up to be a titanic battle between 4 teams and Chipperfield is firmly in the mix.

If all teams were to win their games in hand, then only 2 points would separate the top 4 at the half way stage of the season. In addition, the club has progressed very well in their cups - through to a semi final and two quarter finals - so there's clearly lots to play for.

The reserves season has started really well. A good committed squad has been built up and has won 9 of its last 11 games, drawing one and only losing one cup game to a team sitting top of the division above. The team has also done well in the cups and is through to two quarter finals.

The third team has had a tough first half to the season, with availability not as good as it could be, and a couple of games have been lost by narrow margins. We hope things will pick up in the second half of the season.

Games are played every Saturday afternoon at Queen St, with kick off now usually at 2.00pm. All support is very welcome.

Martyn Dicker, President, Chipperfield Corinthians FC

Memories of Chipperfield

Photos taken by Tony Thompson on a snowy day in December 2000. The first is of Garden Scene (previously Simmonds Nurseries and now the Post Office), with Chipperfield Machinery (owned and run by Andrew Gunn and Mark Wilson) to the right of the picture. The second photo is of Croft Lane, looking down from Chapel Croft.



An early start for woodpeckers and me

As I sit writing my notes in the middle of the first cold snap of the winter, spring seems a long way away. This morning the ice on the wildlife pond was thick enough for me to cut the reeds down. I slide the hedge cutter over the ice to cut them and then rake off the dry stems. It's so easy, as long as the ice is thick enough to bear my weight! I do wear my waders just in case, but this year it was strong enough.

I may not be feeling spring-like, but the great spotted woodpeckers are already drumming to mark out their territory. This morning three different 'woodies' were drumming at dawn as Tom and I had our first walk of the day through Scatterdells Wood. We set out in the gorgeous light of the Wolf Moon and came home with a wonderful sunrise, the ground hard with frost. I love

crisp winter mornings, preferring them to the heat of summer.

We were woken early by the eerie calls of foxes, a vixen screaming in the distance and (probably) a dog fox yelping as he followed her trail under our bedroom window. Foxes mate at Christmas and New Year and are at their most vocal at this time, making all kinds of strange, often eerie, sounds. The vixens are only fertile for three days a year so they need to keep in touch! In about 52 days the vixen will have her cubs in a cosy earth somewhere safe, and in no time at all the cubs will be playing in the spring sunshine.

I love the changing of the seasons, but I am still hoping for a proper fall of snow before this winter is over!
Wendy Bathurst



HEMEL HEMPSTEAD LOCAL GROUP

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

Our next meeting is on **Monday, 2 February** with a talk by **Mike Wallen** entitled '**Skomer**'.

Mike will lead us on a journey around Skomer Island, the jewel of the Welsh wildlife reserves. According to Mike it is the most beautiful place on planet earth, and he has been visiting it for 40 years! He will show us the amazing fauna and flora of this incredible island.

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.



Short-eared owl. Copyright is with Mike Wallen

Our next outing is a car share trip on **Saturday, 17 February to RSPB Rainham Marshes, Essex**. Rainham Marshes is a haven for wildlife, such as birds, water voles and dragonflies. It features areas of clumpy wet grassland and semi-permanent pools - ideal habitat for marshland birds such as lapwings, redshanks and wintering wildfowl, with ditches for water voles, reptiles and amphibians. Areas of tall grass and scrub provide ideal hunting grounds for wintering short-eared owls.

Anyone is welcome to attend the monthly meetings and outings, whether experienced or not. RSPB membership is not essential. There is no annual membership fee, but a small entry fee. So, please come along and/or visit our website at <https://group.rspb.org.uk/hemel Hempstead/> or by contacting **Mary** on **01442 264752**. For outing details contact **Axel** on **01442 257856**.

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



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