

**TEAM LETTER**

We're back to the season of harvest, and if you have not done so already, celebrations of the annual cycle of the land coming to an end in Harvest Festival services. Also of course, prayers for the beginning of a new one.

What sort of harvest it will be for the farmers remains to be seen. We have suffered extraordinary weather this summer and quality yields may well have suffered, but as I understand it, there are shortages on a world-wide scale which are certainly affecting prices and may mean better income than expected. I gather that the blight on the countryside – 'set-aside' – is to be abandoned, as the government is now set to encourage maximum production to lead us as a country towards self-sufficiency in food production. Maybe we have had food too cheap for too long; certainly we take it for granted. The harsh reality is that even in those parts of the world where there are dire shortages of food, the responsibility can largely be placed at the door of humanity – through war, floods, bad land management, or the whims of international markets.

'All good gifts around us are sent from heaven above,  
Then thank the Lord, O thank the Lord, for all his love'

So goes the chorus of the harvest hymn most of us remember well. But do we believe it, or do we believe that, actually, our provision is in the hands of the farmers, politicians, Tesco, or Brussels? I think we have yet to be really aware of the implications of this year, as harvests round the world are safely, or otherwise, gathered in. Pray for our farmers, for whom it is a time of great worry and uncertainty. But I wonder, if God was truly central to our understanding of the harvest, and indeed for our very being, whether our handling of the harvest – and our very being – would be rather different.

**With my love in Christ**

**Nicolas**

# YOUR CHURCH IN OCTOBER

[God@heaven.org](http://God@heaven.org)

You rule, up and down. We need grub and a break.  
 Will pass it on, keep us focused.  
 You totally rule, long term, Amen  
 (The Lord's Prayer in mobile phone text message form)

Name and Date	Time and Service	Sidesmen	Readers & Readings	Prayers	Flowers	Cleaners
7 Oct Trinity 19	6pm Harvest Festival	Carolyn & All	<b>Carolyn</b> – Deut. 26:1-11 – Luke 6: 25-35	ME	Everyone!	John & Janet
14 Oct Trinity 20	11am Village Communion	Mary Amanda	<b>Joanna</b> – 2 Tim2: 8-15 <b>Eileen</b> – Luke 17:11-19	Mary	Amanda	
21 Oct Trinity 21	11am Baptism	Lesley Amanda	tba	Vikki	The Three	Anne & Amanda
28 Oct Trinity 22  <b>SUMMER</b>	9.30am Holy Communion  <b>TIME</b>	David Amanda  <b>ENDS</b>	<b>David</b> – 2 Tim4: 6-8 & 16-18 <b>Mary</b> – Luke 18: 9-14	ME	Dorothy	
4 Nov 4 before Advent	6pm Traditional Evensong	Carolyn Chris	<b>Carolyn</b> – Eph 1:11-23 <b>Bill</b> – Luke 6: 20-31	Amanda	Isobel	Chris & Vikki

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## CHURCH DATES

**Sunday Club: 10.00-11.30pm on Sunday October 7<sup>th</sup>** in the Village Hall

**Monthly Munch: 1pm on MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> October** at Providence Cottage.

**Harvest Festival: 6pm on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October**

Please bring gifts of flowers (and pumpkins and squashes etc) and produce to the church by 10.00am on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October. They, together with any store cupboard foods you may like to deliver to the church at any time, or bring with you to the service, will be given later to the Andover Crisis and Support Centre.

**Harvest Supper** will be after the service in the Village Hall, from about 7.30pm. The Hatchet this year will help us provide you with a delicious meal! If you haven't got your tickets yet (£6 each and bring your own drink), please do so quickly from the Browns (730236), or the Aldersons (730388) (The Woods have sold out).

**Bible Study** (a general term for looking at and discussing Christian themes) 8 Mondays through October and November, looking at the book '**How to explain your faith**' £5 by the new Bishop of Oxford, John Pritchard. This is such a good opportunity to engage with tricky concepts in a friendly atmosphere with a cup of coffee! We will start by meeting in Stephen and Ann Trapnell's Downs Cottage in Shalbourne 7.45 for 8pm to finish by 9.30pm. on **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October**. Ring Amanda (730 233) for a lift or directions.

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> October - 3 Parish Walk** (a cluster activity) **11am from the Cross Keys** and coming back to the Cross Keys for lunch. Earlier in the year we joined with people from Ducis and Kingston and walked to lunch in the Shears, and it was much enjoyed. Everyone welcome!

**30<sup>th</sup> November!** Advance notice of another cluster (3 Parish) activity for us with the Collingbournes – **Scottish Dancing** (with a professional caller, so anyone may have a go!) and supper in Ducis Village Hall on St Andrew's Night! More details next month.

Looking back to 16<sup>th</sup> September, the Pets' Service was fun and the weather kind enough for us to be outside the Village Hall with the Phoenix Brass Band to accompany us. Photos on the website- [www.savenaketeam.org.uk](http://www.savenaketeam.org.uk)

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## CHUTE PARISH COUNCIL

### Planning Applications

57225/Tr2 Box Cottage, Chute Standen. Reduction in Sycamore tree. No objection by PC

### Planning Application Outcomes

56745/F Scots Poor, Upper Chute. Stable block. No objection by PC. Now approved by KDC

57070/TR2 Well Cottage, Chute Cadley. To fell Eucalyptus tree. No objection by PC. Now approved by KDC.

57105/F Highlands' Upper Chute. Erect single storey kitchen extension. No objection by PC. Now approved by KDC.

### Amenity Skip for Lower Chute

Chute Parish Council has arranged a skip for the weekend beginning **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October** – it will be sited on the village green at Lower Chute for parishioners. Please note this will be a general purpose skip – the content goes to landfill – so is not intended for recycling materials.

### Audit of Accounts

You may be pleasantly surprised, some may be amazed, to learn that once again your Parish Council's accounts have satisfactorily completed audit by Mazars. The statement of accounts is now on display on the official notice board at the village hall.

### BT Pole at Chute Cadley Green

After 12 months effort we have finally managed to get BT Openreach to concede that, as owners of the Green, Chute PC was entitled to be consulted over the erection of the extra pole. We met with BT representatives recently and they have agreed to attempt to find alternative ways of meeting their needs without the additional pole (the second one). We also obtained their assurance that, this time, they will also consult with the folk who would be directly affected by any alternative proposal. Since they now seem to be behaving in a reasonable fashion I think it behoves us to be co-operative where we can.

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## **Fly Tipping**

I was recently told of some fly tipping (in Chantry Lane), and duly reported this to Kennet District Council. They say they are committed to providing a first class service on such reports and certainly demonstrated this – they found, assessed and removed the waste within 48 hours and then apologised for not responding within 24 hours. If you come across any fly tipped stuff you can report it to KDC but, if you prefer, I am content to make the report - just make sure I have full details. By the way, I have discovered that, to enable KDC to take formal action to prosecute the 'fly tipper', the tipped waste sites are necessarily treated rather like a 'crime scene' that is, it is important not to interfere with the waste... just note the details and leave their enforcement team to do the necessary.

## **Food Waste Digesters**

I am told that food waste makes up about 30 per cent of the average household bin but there is no easy recycling option and it usually ends up buried in landfill where it produces the greenhouse gas methane. So Wiltshire County Council has linked up with a company called Green Cone to supply a limited number of food waste digesters to residents, heavily subsidised by the council. A limited number of these digesters are still available at the subsidised prices of £15 for a Green Cone and £20 for a Green Johanna. More information can be found on the [Recycle for Wiltshire](#) website or ring 0800 0192064.

**Next Meeting of the Parish Council** will take place on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November at 7.30pm – venue the Village Hall. As always, you will be welcome to attend: the agenda will be displayed around the Parish and the previous (draft) minutes will be displayed on the Council notice board at the Village Hall.

David Clark  
*Chute Parish Clerk (Tel 730782)*

**Free to a good home, 4 small Purple Sage and a 2 yr old Viburnum Tinus – (evergreen shrubs). Plus a 'baby' Angel's Hair/Pony Tail ornamental grass. All ready to plant out.**

Call if you need further info

**Fran Clark 01264 730782**

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## CHUTE FOREST PARISH COUNCIL

### **Date of Next Meeting:**

Parish Council Meeting:  
Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30.pm  
Chute Village Hall.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

### **Planning:**

Applications Considered:

K/5707/TR2 – Application from Mr Hill & Miss Hicks to fell a Eucalyptus tree at Well Cottage Chute Cadley

**Members had previously RESOLVED not to raise any objections.**

Outcomes:

K/57008/F – Notice of Full Planning Permission for Front Extension to form enlarged porch at 5 Orchard Cottages, Chute Forest.

**Members noted the granting of permission.**

K/57007/F – Notice of Full Planning Permission for Workshop and alterations to existing vehicular access at Chute Forest Cottage.

**Members noted the granting of permission.**

K/57010/LBC – Notice of Listed Building Consent to remove existing door to southeast elevation and replace window and alterations to staircase at Chute Forest Cottage.

**Members noted the granting of Listed Building Consent.**

### **Annual Accounts:**

Copies of the audited accounts are available at 10 Foxtail Gardens, Ludgershall, S11 9TB from 27 September 2007 to 15 October by prior arrangement with the Clerk on 01980 602 600 or 01264 398 534. Copies can be made at 50p per copy.

### **Volunteer:**

A volunteer is sought to cut the grass on the Lower Chute Green, prospective volunteers should contact the Chairman on 730 260.

**Philip Gill, Clerk to Chute Forest Parish Council**

01980 602 600 / 01264 398 534

# *Autumn Jam*

Sat 13 October 2007

at

## **“The Chute Club”**

(Lower Chute, near Andover)

### **“Out of the Blue” & “Arctic Blue”**

*Blues & R&B House Band courtesy of  
The Moose, Blues Venue Basingstoke*

**Do you play an instrument or sing the Blues?**

**Got an up and coming group?**

**Want to do a first-time R&B number in public?**

**Can you jam or do you just like watching live music?**

**Whatever, come and join us for an evening's fun at**

**The Chute's quarterly jam**

PA, Mics and Drum Kit supplied, just bring your 'thing'

No age limit – bring Grandad and the spoons!

**Bar open 7.30pm, Jam 8 till late, bar food, large car park**

**Musicians free. Spectators & Groupies £1 on the door**

Muso's please call Sheila or Peter on 01264 772459

**The Chute Club, Hatchet Hill, Lower Chute,**

**Nr Andover, SP11 9DU**

(take the road to 'The Chutes' by Hatchett Pub)

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## CHUTE WEDNESDAY CLUB

Forty Seven members enjoyed our latest trip to Swanage on Wednesday September 19th. The day was dry, sunny and breezy. We had a pleasant stop in Burley on the way as we travelled through the New Forest.

On Wednesday October 17th we will be visiting Perry's Cider Mill near Ilminster, Somerset. The coach is almost full for this trip, just 7 seats spare at this moment so phone as soon as possible if your name is not on the list.

**Eileen Soper 730698**

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### THE ALPHA COURSE - AUTUMN 2007

Alpha is an opportunity for anyone to explore the Christian faith in a relaxed setting over ten thought-provoking weekly sessions. It is low-key, friendly and fun – and is supported by all the main Christian denominations.

***Why not take this opportunity to explore the meaning of life?***

**10 Weekly Sessions:** Starting Tuesday 2nd October from 7pm to 9:30pm (includes supper)  
Vernham Dean Millennium Hall

**Alpha Day Away:** Saturday 10th November – venue to be confirmed

**Alpha Celebration Supper:** Tuesday 11th December at 7pm  
Vernham Dean Millennium Hall

Please contact Greg & Anita Nicholson on 737332, David & Eileen Sullivan on 736514, Pam Mills on 736286, Sylvia Clarke on 737517, or e-mail [chef1837@aol.com](mailto:chef1837@aol.com) for more information or to book. There are no limits on numbers but we need to get an idea of numbers for administration purposes. There are no costs involved for attending.

**We would love to see you there!**



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## VILLAGE DIARY

<b>OCTOBER 2007</b>			
Saturday 6 <sup>th</sup>		Chute Conservatives Dinner	Village Hall
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>		Harvest Supper	Village Hall
Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup>		Quiz	Cross Keys
Friday 12 <sup>th</sup>		Barn dance	Village Hall
Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup>	pm	Private function	Village Hall
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Gardening Club	Village Hall

<b>EVERY WEEK</b>			
Monday		Line Dancing	Village Hall
Tuesday		Quiz Night	Hatchet
Wednesday	10.00am	Mothers & Toddlers	Village Hall
Wednesday	7.30pm	Choir Practice	St Nicolas
Thursday		Curry Night	Cross Keys
Thursday		Curry Night	Hatchet
Friday		Fish Night	Cross Keys

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### CHUTE CRICKET CLUB

And so the season draws to an end with the last 2 fixtures being played in good conditions; and what fixtures they were!

The home rematch against Linkenholt CC was a much better game than the away fixture, with the visitors being carried by young Simon Wellstead who really is an excellent young cricketer. His 89 not out, including 12 fours and 2 sixes, was just too good, allowing them to amass 180 for 3 off the allotted 35 overs. In response, Paul Struthers again top scored on 44, with James Cracknell contributing a further 43 towards Chute's 128 for 7.

The final game was very exciting, but also an enormous social occasion as the regenerated club welcomes back the old boys from Chute. The old boys opened with a very creditable 176 for 7 off 40 overs (Oxley 39 not out, Chris Hopton 34, Dan Staff 3 for 32 off 7, Chris Stock 2 for 47 off 5), the 'reformed' club fighting back with 146 for 8 off their 40 (Dan Staff 43 not out, Jon Harries 32). If only somebody (me!) hadn't given away 20

runs off the last over of the game . . . . .As the season finished, we reflect on what might have been. Eleven matches had been organised – it was only 4 last year – with losses against a Charlie Gold XI, Linkenholt CC, Leckford CC and the old boys; we won against a Dan Staff XI; with the weather preventing games against Inkpen CC (H & A), Shalborne CC, the Chris Stock Family XI and the single wicket competition. But without doubt, the club has grown and the seeds are sown. All the clubs we played this year want fixtures next year, as do a number of other clubs, so 2008 should be exciting; we now have the platform from which we can develop – assuming the weather allows us to, of course!



There are a lot of people who deserve our thanks, and club members will be duly recognised at the club dinner in late November, but a big thank you to Jim Foxen for all his efforts on the outfield and pavilion. Also to both the Fete Committee and Test Valley DC for their financial support; unfortunately no club can survive without finance, so it really is much appreciated.

Without wishing time by, here's to a sunny and warm 2008!

Chris Stock

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## **CHUTE GARDENING CLUB**

The next talk to the Gardening club will be:

**“Vegetable Gardening”  
Mike Burgess.  
16<sup>th</sup> October  
8.00 pm Chute Village Hall.**

New members are very welcome.

The Gardening club is already preparing for the Plant Sale next year. If you are digging up unwanted perennials or splitting them and have spare roots, please do think about the Gardening club and donate unwanted plants to the plant sale.

Hope all is going well.

*Sally Tweed*  
Secretary Chute Gardening Club  
730365

**A Trip to the Hawk Conservancy  
Owl Flights by Night  
Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

**£22. Includes a Sausage and Mash Dinner,  
make your own way there.**

**Please contact John Wood for further  
information.  
01264 730685**



With Bonfire Night approaching, we here at Wiltshire Fire and Rescue Service would like to offer the following information and advice to help you and your family have a safe and happy Bonfire Night:-

Did you know that Fireworks cause hundreds of avoidable injuries every year. In the last five years (2000-2004) 5,647 people were hurt and required hospital treatment. In the same period there were two deaths, in 2004 there were 1,160 injuries. In 2004 the highest number of injuries – 590 – occurred at family or private parties, followed by incidents in the street or other public places and large public displays.

Government statistics show that the most common firework injuries in 2004 were caused by rockets (283), sparklers (149) and air bombs (121). Before you start thinking that it's not going to happen to you, consider this. Last year around half of all injuries happened to children under the age of 16 years of age. That's a lot of kids who may have ugly burn scars – for life!

***Please follow the following safety code to ensure you have a happy and safe Bonfire Night celebration:***

1. Only buy fireworks marked BS 7114.
2. Don't drink alcohol if setting off fireworks.
3. Keep fireworks in a closed box.
4. Follow the instructions on each firework.
5. Light them at arms length, using a taper.
6. Stand well back.
7. Never go near a firework that has been lit. Even if it hasn't gone off, it could still explode.
8. Never put fireworks in your pocket or throw them.
9. Always supervise children around fireworks.
10. Light sparklers one at a time and wear gloves.
11. Never give sparklers to a child under five.
12. Keep pets indoors.
13. Don't let off noisy fireworks after 11pm.

**And remember...**

**Fireworks. Be safe not sorry. Always follow the code.**

Firework parties with family and friends have become increasingly popular in recent years. Parties, of course, usually involve the consumption of alcohol. In fact, research shows that at 90% of firework parties in back gardens, alcohol is present.

The same research shows that 84% of respondents said that people setting off their fireworks had consumed at least 2-3 units of alcohol (2-3 cans of beer/lager or several glasses of wine). One respondent said he was so drunk that he had to let someone else take over the lighting of the fireworks.

If you require any further information or advice please contact:  
Melanie Jezzard, Community Safety Advisor, Wiltshire Fire & Rescue Service  
Tel: 01380 731188 E-mail [melanie.jezzard@wiltfire.gov.uk](mailto:melanie.jezzard@wiltfire.gov.uk)

CHUTE VILLAGE HALL  
FUND-RAISER

***CHRISTMAS TABLE TOP SALE  
24TH NOVEMBER 2007  
CHUTE VILLAGE HALL***

**\*\*\*SELLERS REQUIRED :  
£10.00 PER TABLE\*\*\***

*CONTACT CLAIRE Tel: 730603:  
([claire@warrendertv.plus.com](mailto:claire@warrendertv.plus.com))*

*Or any of the Village Hall Committee members*

*Do you bake, make, create or sell : Cakes, Jam,  
Pickles, Chocolates, Sweets, Dried Flowers,  
Christmas wreaths and decorations, Cards and  
wrapping paper, Books, Toys and Games,  
Jewellery, Beauty Products, Candles,  
Aromatherapy, Ceramics and Artwork. Other  
ideas welcome!*

Registered Charity Number: 305492

# The Cross Keys Inn

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## Upper Chute



'The finest view from any pub garden in the South of England'

### **New Head Chef – New Menu**

We are pleased to announce that our new Chef, Richard Donohue, has started at the Cross Keys. Richard has brought many new skills and exciting ideas with him. He looks forward to meeting you and serving you items from our constantly changing menu.

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### **Guest Ales for October**

*HSB – Wells Bombardier – Old Hooky – Swift One*



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Gourmet Night – 19<sup>th</sup> October  
Bonfire & Fireworks – 3<sup>rd</sup> November  
Live Music – Less is More – 23<sup>rd</sup> November

Now Taking Bookings for Christmas Parties and Christmas Day



The Cross Keys Inn, Upper Chute, Andover, Hampshire, SP11 9ER 01264  
730295 [crosskeysinn@upperchute.com](mailto:crosskeysinn@upperchute.com)

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## LOWER CHUTE VILLAGE GREEN

The Lower Chute Village Green is in a fabulous focal point for the village and is in wonderful condition. This has been down Roly Williams who has regularly mown the grass for 6 years or so. Now that Roly and Debs have moved Gordon White has kindly agreed to take on this vital job. This is very much appreciated.



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## APOLOGIES

The editors would like to apologise to all readers for the delayed availability of the September edition of the Chronicle. We understand that the new printers, who have generally improved the quality considerably, encountered unexpected problems, which was then aggravated, in some parts of the village, by distributors being away on holiday.

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## CHUTE VILLAGE WEBSITE

There is a Village Website at [www.thechutes.org.uk](http://www.thechutes.org.uk) . At present there is limited content, but we'd very much appreciate any contributions you might have. Photos of Chute (especially historic ones) would be wonderful. Equally, any historic aspects would be appreciated. And adverts!

E-Mail [simon@thechutes.org.uk](mailto:simon@thechutes.org.uk) with any content.

Date	Burbage	C' Ducis	C' Kingston	Grafton	Gt Bedwyn	Ham/B'mere	Little Bedwyn	St Katharine	Shalb'n/ Bagshot	Tidcombe
2 Sept 13 after Trinity	8am HC 11am Family Service	8am HC AD	9.30am Family Service LD	11am HC RH	8am HC RH 11am Matins	9.30am HC AD	9.30am Family Svcce + Baptism	6pm Evening Prayer RG	11am Family Service LD	-
5 Sept (Wed)	2.30pm HC Seymr Ct 8.00pm Mid-week	3pm HC West Farmhouse ME	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9 Sept 14 after Trinity	8am HC NLH	-	8am cluster HC ME	10am Prayers Walk & Picnic	-	8am cluster HC RG	8am cluster HC RH	-	-	-
12 Sept (Wed)	9.30amHC 7.00pm Worship Seymr Ct	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16 Sept 15 after Trinity	8am HC 11am All Age	6pm Evensong ME	9.30am HC ME	11am Matins RH	8am HC 11am Family Svcce	11am Harvest Fest at B'mere	6pm Evening Prayer	9.30am HC RH	9.30am HC AD	-
23 Sep 16 after Trinity	8am HC 11am Harvest + Baptism 6pm E'sng	11am Harvest Service ME	6pm Evensong ME	11am Harvest RH	6.00pm St Mary's Praise RH	>>>	8am HC RH	11am HC NLH	11am Worship (joint with Ham)	9.30am HC NLH
26 Sept (Wed)	9.30amHC 7.30pm Alpha	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30 Sep 17 after Trinity	8am HC 11am All Age	-	-	-	-	11am Harvest Service	6pm Harvest RH	9.30am united HC RH	9.30am HC at Bagshot	-