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A Magazine for Avening, Cherington and Nags Head

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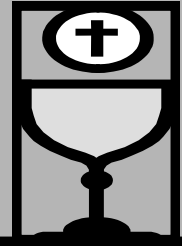
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Services in Avening and Cherington

Day/Date/ Officiant at main service	Time	Church	Service Details
Sun. 2nd June	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
AVENING		CHURCH	FETE
Sun. 9th June	08.00	Avening	NO SERVICE
<i>Rev Maslen</i>	09.30	Cherington	Matins BCP
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School.
Sun. 16th June	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
<i>Rev Maslen</i>	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCP
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
Sun. 23rd June	08.00	Avening	NO SERVICE
<i>Rev Maslen</i>	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
Thur. 27th June	7.00pm	Avening	Compline / Evening prayer
Sun. 30th June	8.00	Avening	No service
<i>Rev Maslen</i>	9.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
Sun. 7th July	8.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
<i>Rev. Jan. Moore</i>	9.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School

Church Duties in Evening



Date	Sides persons	Chalice	Sacristan
June 2 nd	No 11-00 service		
June 9 th	Stephanie/George	Stephen	Ann
June 16 th	Margaret/Piers	Paul	Elizabeth
June 23 rd	Jeanie/George	Derrick	Ann
June 30 th	Cas/Margaret	Hamish	Elizabeth
July 7 th	Stephanie/Piers	Stephen	Ann

**THERE WILL BE COFFEE AFTER THE SERVICE IN AVENING ON
July 7th**



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Thought for the Month

On May 19th we celebrated Pentecost, when we remember that God sent his Holy Ghost (or as it could more correctly be called Holy Gust or Wind), to support the disciples in their ministry to spread the Gospel to all nations. At the same time as that wind came to those gathered there, what looked like small tongues of fire touched everyone present, and it is that part of the story that started me thinking about the words of that song from Rogers and Hammerstein's film *Carousel*, because this is the time of year when:-

June is bustin' out all over
All over the meadow and the hill!
Buds're bustin' outa bushes
And the rompin' river pushes
Ev'ry little wheel that wheels beside the mill!

One verse in the song is:-

March went out like a lion
Awakin' up the water in the bay;
Then April cried and stepped aside,
And along came pretty little May!
May was full of promises
But she didn't keep 'em quickly enough for some
And the crowd of doubtin' thomases
Was predictin' that the summer'd never come

As we watch the new shoots of vegetation spring forth, whether it be the buds on the trees, rapidly becoming leaves and flowers, or the grass shooting up in the fields and our lawns, all of the countryside around us looks so fresh and bright in its new spring clothing. It seems to me to be a good time to look anew at ourselves and the world in which we live, and then to start spreading the seeds that will inevitably spring forth from all of those new shoots.

Derrick Pierce



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We have changed the title of this page in the hopes that someone else might like to make a contribution. Let us know or email editors@acvillager.co.uk.



AVENING CHURCH
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Photographs in The Villager Magazine

Many thanks to **Jacob Wheatley (Aged 9)** for our cover photo. If you have a photo of Avening or Cherington which you would like to share with us, please feel free to send it to us. You never know, it might turn up on the front cover...!

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What's On In Avening and Cherington

Please let us know if we have forgotten any regular event or if there is something you would like to have included here.

Event	Day	Time	Where	Contact
Line Dancing	Monday	7.30 - 10.00pm	Social Club	Mel 01453 833760
Cherington PC	4th Monday each month	6.30pm	Village Hall	Sam 01285 885334
Book Club	First Monday	7.30pm	The Bell	Kristiana 01453 836515
Youth Club	Tuesday	6.00pm - 8.00pm	Memorial Hall	Cassie 01453 834182
Line Dancing	Tuesday	7.45-10.30pm.	Social Club	Mel 01453
Line Dancing	Tuesday	7.45 - 10.30pm	Social Club	Mel 01453 833760
Yoga	Wednesday	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Memorial Hall	Elles 0781 555 2952
Over 60s Lunch Club	1st Wednesday each month	12.30pm	Social Club	Christine 01453 833246
WI	2nd Thursday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	Maisie 01453 834679
Avening PC	3rd Thursday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	Caroline 01285 380041
Quiz Nights	1st /3rd Saturday each month	7.30pm	Cross Inn	Rob 08444 123 100
Avening Angels Choir	SUNDAY	4-30pm	Various	Derrick 01453 835090

AVENING CHURCH FETE

Sunday June 2nd at 2 pm

All the usual attractions, including:

Cake Stall, Bric-a-Brac, Plants.....and many more

Grand Raffle

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Fun Dog Show

Art Show

Chidrens' Stalls, Games & Bouncy Castle

and not forgetting

AVENING'S FAMOUS DUCK RACES



AS A RESULT OF SEVERAL REQUESTS, A SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER WILL BE HELD AT 7.0 PM ON THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

THE FIRST OF THESE NEW SERVICES WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE 27TH JUNE

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The relevant telephone numbers can be found on page 3

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over the age of 8 is welcome.

Just £1 entry.

Contact Cassie Vickery (01453 834182) for
further details or just come along and give it
a try!



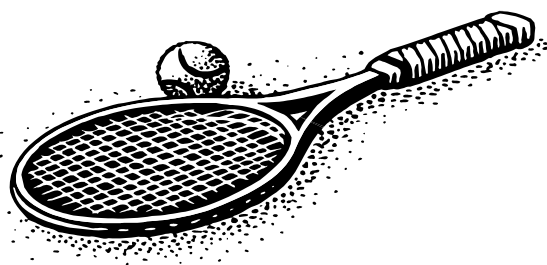
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CHILDREN'S CRAFT WORKSHOP IN CHERINGTON

Because children's entries had dwindled and we realise that family lives are so busy, last year we held a craft workshop for children to make items for entry into several classes at Cherington Show. This was well attended and a great success – lots of fun was had with the children producing some wonderfully creative work. SO - we're doing it again this year!

WHERE

Cherington Village Hall

WHEN

between 10.00am and 12.30pm on Saturday 15th June

COST

£3.00 per child to include all materials and a mid-morning snack

BOOKING

places are limited so be sure to book early by contacting one of us by 'phone or email:

Christine email: christinecherington@hotmail.co.uk
Tel: 01285 841337

Kate email: kategegg@hotmail.co.uk
Tel: 01453 834805

Dying without a Will. Now that's a real tragedy.

No-one likes the thought of dying, so it's hardly surprising that almost 3 out of 5 UK adults don't have a valid Will (source: www.unbiased.co.uk 2010). Yet having one is one of the most important arrangements you can make during your lifetime.

My name is David Martin. I live in Nailsworth and I'm the local consultant for *Steele Rose & Co* - one of the UK's Premier Professional Home Visit Will Writers. After 22 years serving my country in the RAF, I have spent the last 28 years of my life professionally advising my clients on all personal financial matters and specialising in Wills.

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David Martin

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LOCAL SCULPTOR FIRES CLASS IMAGINATION



The Kestrels class has been learning about sculpture this half term. They spent two weeks learning about the sculptor Andy Goldsworthy who is famous for creating beautiful sculptures out of natural materials.

They then moved on to look at the work of Henry Moore, talking about some of his more well-known pieces and discussing what they might feel like. The children loved the idea that Henry Moore created his pieces of sculpture to be touched, viewed and enjoyed in the outside world. The children all created a design of a clay sculpture, inspired by Henry Moore.

This work was fascinating, but nothing beats meeting a real life sculptor – and we happen to have one living in Avening! We were lucky enough to find out that Giles Rayner, (father of one of the Kestrels class pupils) is a professional artist and sculptor. We invited him in to school. He showed the children some of his work and supported them whilst creating their own sculptures. He was an inspiration! The children were amazed at the size and beauty of his sculptures - he has had commissions from all over the world! His knowledge, encouragement and experience were invaluable and the children were all captivated. Thank you Mr Rayner!



The younger children in the Eagles class enjoyed some rare May sunshine on a trip to Abbey Home Farm in Cirencester. The children had a wonderful time on their trip to

this organic farm, finding out lots about the plants and animals around us.

And the older Owls class pupils are looking forward to some decent weather (fingers crossed) for their residential trip in the middle of June at South Cerney in the Cotswold Water Park.

If you are interested in finding out more about our school please take a regular look at our website (www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk) which is updated often. In particular take a look at the interesting introduction to all our staff – with pictures courtesy of the children!

Job Vacancies at Avening School

We currently have several job vacancies at our school. Application forms and job descriptions can be collected from the school office or can be downloaded from the school website. Please apply using the standard GCC application form together with a letter, to include names, addresses and telephone numbers of two referees. The closing date for applications is Monday 3 June. The posts will begin from September 2013.

Breakfast Club Supervisor (temporary contract in the first instance)
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Avening School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people, and expects all staff and volunteers to share the same commitment. These posts are subject to an enhanced DBS Disclosure check.

Avening's Choir



Continuing the village's long tradition of musical endeavour, **Avening Angels** was established about four years ago to provide an outlet for the many people who like to sing in the shower or hum along to the car radio. Founding Choirmaster and organist, Stuart Walkley, cajoled a handful of unsuspecting volunteers from Avening and the surrounding area to come together to make vocal music in a friendly and unchallenging environment. Under Stuart's gentle guidance the group gradually grew in confidence and began to perform a range of choral music for its own entertainment and occasionally in public. Known variously as 'Almost Angels' or even 'Fallen Angels' the choir has grown to include about 20 people of widely-varying talent who meet once a week for about an hour to practice and experiment with a wide selection of songs and choral works. The types of music which have been performed to date include popular ballads, old time, Christmas carols, folk and religious compositions. Members are encouraged to suggest their own favourite pieces for inclusion in the repertoire. While the emphasis is on having fun, the choir also likes to stretch itself with occasionally challenging

pieces in four-part harmony, as well as some easier sing-along numbers.



Avening Angels performs in public about once a month at village events such as the School and Church Fetes, Christmas carol sessions in the pubs and religious occasions such as Easter and Christmas in Holy Cross Church and St Michael's in Tetbury. Performances have also been given for the entertainment of

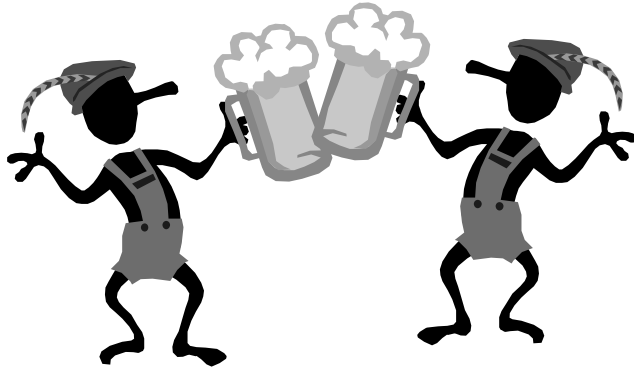
residents in Old Quarries and Ilsom House. Bookings are gladly accepted for private celebrations including weddings, dinners and parties.

The Choir is open to all-comers of all ages and all levels of musical ability. There are no auditions and it is not a requirement that the singers need to be able to read music or play any instruments. New members are always very welcome and quickly get involved in the enjoyment that is involved in making music together. If you would like to participate as a member, book the choir for your celebration, or just come along to watch or join in a practice session, please contact Derrick Pierce on 01453 835090. Email: derrick.pierce@hotmail.com

Life as it was 70 years ago.

Some extracts regarding Tax Increases and Rationing.

Taxation: In May 1943, changes in taxation were announced to help raise more revenue for the War Effort.



Beer, spirits, tobacco and entertainment were all subject to an increase in taxation.

Beer became 1/3 (7p) a pint, whiskey £1/5/6 (£1.26) per bottle, wine was 5p more per bottle and cigarettes were nearly 2/6 (13p)

for twenty.

The entertainment tax meant that a cinema ticket of 1/6 (7p) rose to 9p and the cost of a stall at a West End theatre rose by 5p.

Purchase Tax was removed from all utility cloth and textiles, including towels, linen, furnishings and handkerchiefs.

However, on all luxury items, such a fur coats, leather bags, cosmetics, perfume and jewellery, tax was increased to a level of 100%.

Road Accidents: It was stated that more people were killed or injured on the roads in 1942 than the total casualties of the UK armed services during the first two years of the war. 145,000 people died on the battlefields during 1939 and 1940, whereas 147,500 road casualties occurred in the year of 1942.

This was despite a fall in the number of private cars on the road, from 2 million in 1939 to 718,000 in 1943.

Clothes Rationing: It was announced that clothes rationing had reduced the money spent on clothing, by the average family of four, by three-quarters, from £30 per head before the war to £7.50 per head in 1943. This had saved around £600,000 worth of material. The ban on turn-ups alone saved five million yards of cloth!!

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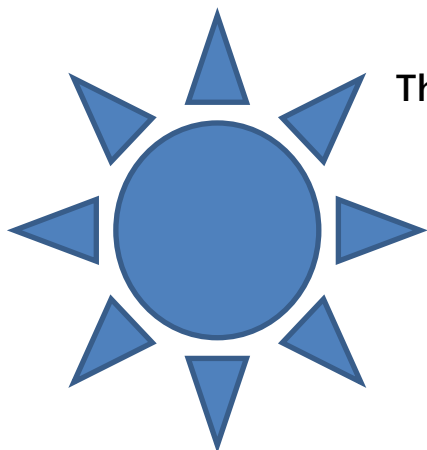
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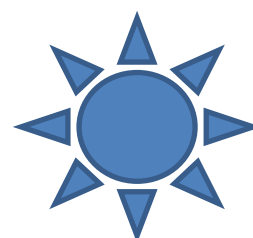
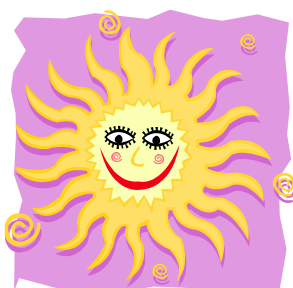
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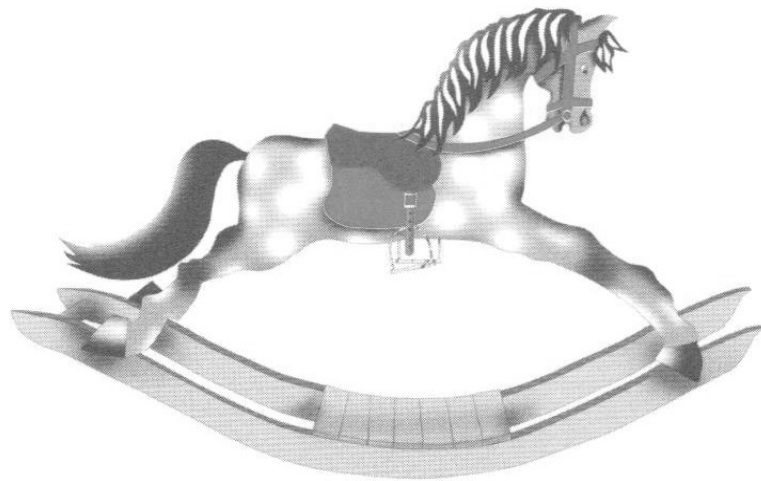
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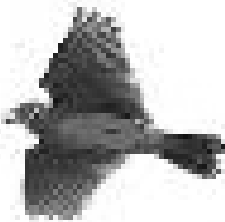
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MINCHINHAMPTON FOLK CLUB

'Minch 500' to celebrate folk club's tenth birthday
Saturday June 29 2013,
lunch till late



Minchinhampton Folk Club is to celebrate its 10th birthday this summer by putting on 'Minch 500', a mini music festival based on its old home at The Crown in the centre of the town.

The club was founded by Minchinhampton resident John Mills, still a regular performer. Its very first meeting, on July 3 2003, had a surprise visit from folk superstar Martin Carthy, who delighted those present with an impromptu performance. Over the years since then the club has met every Thursday (except when it clashed with Christmas or access was disrupted by snow and ice) and hundreds of performers from all over the UK and abroad have sung and played there, representing every style of music from traditional English, Irish and Scottish folk to Americana, blues, country and bluegrass – there have even been a few jazz and classical performances.

"We pride ourselves on a relaxed, light-hearted atmosphere" says club organiser Chris Newton. "We encourage all styles of music and believe in giving a warm reception to newcomers, whether they are beginners or professionals. We reckon we will have met 500 times by the end of June - hence the name Minch 500."

The club had to leave the Crown in December 2011 when the pub closed for a while following a change of ownership, and since then it has been meeting upstairs at The Cross in Avening. With effect from Thursday May 30 it is moving back to the Barn at the Crown for at least the next few weeks, courtesy of landlord Niall McInerney, as it's the turn of The Cross to close a room for refurbishment.

The main event of the mini-festival, on Saturday June 29, will be a concert in the Market House from lunchtime till late, for which there will be a modest admission charge. Open sessions will be held in the Barn all afternoon and evening – all are welcome to play or watch free of charge. (watch out for Avening's own 'Almost Angels' making a brief appearance!) There will also be informal music in the bar and outside in the garden if fine.

Performers signed up so far include local bands Blondes with Beards, Folklaw, Harpers Ferry, Jeff & Elaine Gillett, Quietfire, Take Two, Tinkerscuss and Trouble House Halt as well as many of the folk club regulars. Prominent local singer and musician Johnny Coppin will be making a guest appearance.

More news at www.minchfolkclub.org

Avening Playgroup



The children have really been enjoying playing in the sunshine and making the most of our lovely outdoor area.



Each day the children take part in an activity from the booklet 'Letters and Sounds', which consists of lots of activities which help to develop the children's listening, speaking and early reading skills. Recently the children have been enjoying activities which help them to learn about the beat in rhymes. For this we use a special toy called a 'Beat Baby' and he is very popular.

We are currently compiling a list of children who will be coming to playgroup next year. We have a lot of names down already, so if your child will be 3 before the end of August 2014 and you have not already booked your place, please ring Debbie on 01453 832695.

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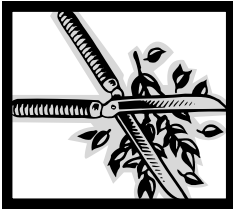


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As usual the ladies of the W.I. have been very busy. The fun quiz organised by Shirley Hand was a great success raising £155 for the Great Western Air Ambulance. Well done Shirley who also provided the much appreciated ploughman's supper during the quiz.

The W.I. Skittles team won their first round in the County Competition beating Larkhall from Gloucester very convincingly. We are hoping to build on our progress as we have not got beyond the quarter finals in previous years.

11 ladies + 5 dogs enjoyed a morning walk on the fields and tracks above Avening finishing at Shirley's for an excellent lunch.

At our monthly meeting the speaker was Bill Francis an enthusiastic and long serving volunteer of the Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust. His talk was very interesting, describing how it was started by Sir Peter Scott who was the first person to be knighted for services to conservation. Slimbridge was starting to be developed as early as 1946. There are 8 other WWT centres all around the coast including one in central London. Bill told us about the many success stories of breeding programmes which have brought nearly extinct birds back from the brink. One of them is the breeding and reintroduction of the Ne-Ne back to its native Hawaii. These geese will be very familiar to those of you who have visited Slimbridge as they are the ones which are very tame and follow you on the paths demanding to be hand fed. The numbers in the wild had fallen to 30 but now over a 1000 have been reintroduced from WWT centres in Britain and the U.S.A. The other success story is the conservation of the Laysan Teal, a duck whose numbers had fallen to 9 individuals. Cranes, beautiful statuesque birds, had died out from the U.K in the 17th Century, but have now been successfully reintroduced in small numbers in East Anglia and Somerset. There is a pair of cranes who have made Slimbridge their home.

In addition to the wildfowl other creatures have been introduced at Slimbridge including otters and beavers and there are many new attractions which have been developed over the years to encourage enthusiasm for conservation.

We still have seats on the coach for our summer trip to Waterperry Gardens near Oxford on 8th August so please get in touch if you are interested.

Gwyneth Simpson

Evening Book Club

The First Monday Book Club

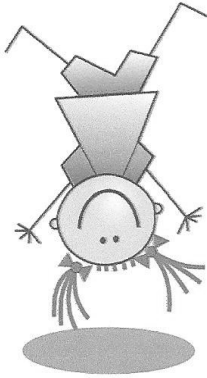
Gone Girl by Gillian Flynn



Gone Girl sits firmly in the thriller genre, another first for our book club. It's difficult to review this book without giving the game away; suffice to say it's full of twists and turns and all is not as it seems. It manages to throw an interesting and critical light on the American judicial system. It also scrutinises relationships and what can drive, motivate and destroy them "Friends see most of each other's flaws. Spouses see every awful last bit." Amy, one of the two protagonists, has a novel way of trying to salvage hers. I might add that both of the main characters are intensely dislikeable and certainly deserve each other. They are deftly drawn and Amy (the more twisted of the two) is often depicted with sardonic humour "I feel myself trying to be charming, and then I realize I'm obviously trying to be charming, and then I try to be even more charming to make up for the fake charm, and then I've basically turned into Liza Minnelli: I'm dancing in tights and sequins, begging you to love me. There's a bowler and jazz hands and lots of teeth." Nick at best is a hapless chump and at worst, a moody, dishonest, emotionally remote and sly individual.

The chapters alternate between these two highly duplicitous individuals leading the reader on right-royal-merry-dance. This is however, part of the book's appeal. We can't trust either Nick or Amy and what we learn and what unfolds gets turned on its head. This wore a little thin for me by the end of the novel; I think I was suffering from plot-twist fatigue. Saying that, this book is a real page turner. It is pacey, at times unbearably so – it is impossible to put it down in parts and leaves the reader breathless. All members of the book club enjoyed this and would probably find themselves recommending it. Flynn also manages to deliver this genre without ever becoming gruesome or brutal, making the novel infinitely more palatable for those who don't normally read thrillers, hence its broad appeal. Her warped and damaged characters, her obliquely feminist approach, and the way she messes with her readers' perceptions are splendid. All that and it is only £2.95.

Kristiane Maseyk



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New Planning Applications:

13/01948/FUL

Vale Farm, West End, Avening, TETBURY, Gloucestershire, GL8 8NE

Erection of glazed link extension to converted barn

13/01944/FUL

Vale Farm, West End, Avening, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8 8NE

Conversion of barns to residential use (revised scheme) and reinstatement of horse engine house (Variation of conditions 2 and 7 of permission 12/01553/FUL to substitute revised plans to amend the number of rooflights, the insertion of a larger flue and a change to the roof covering of the Horse Engine House)

Planning Applications Responded to:

13/01770/TCONR

Lavender Cottage, 5 Star Lane, Avening, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8

8NT Fell weeping birch tree

No Objections.

Decision Notices Received:

13/01705/TCONR 51 High Street , Avening , Tetbury , Gloucestershire ,

GL8 8NF

Sycamore (T1) - Crown reduce by up to 50% in height and radial spread

No Objections (County) 3 May 2013

Parish Council Grants

Grant application forms are currently being circulated to local organisation and must be returned to the Clerk by Monday, 17 June so that they can be considered at the Parish Council meeting on Thursday, 20 June. If your

organisation would like an application form please contact the Clerk – contact details below.

Annual Parish Council Meeting

Cllr Jim Parsons was elected Chairman and Cllr Tony Slater was re-elected Vice Chairman. Cllr Mick Williamson was thanked for all his work for the Council and the Village during the past 2 years.

PCSO Paul Hancock attended the meeting and received Members' praise for the amazing reduction in the crime figures.

The next meeting of **Avening Parish Council** will be held on **Thursday 20 June 2013, at 7.30pm, in the Memorial Hall**. Parish Council meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of the month. All Are Welcome. The Parish Council address is:

***Caroline Braidwood, Parish Clerk, 77 Pheasant Way, Cirencester,
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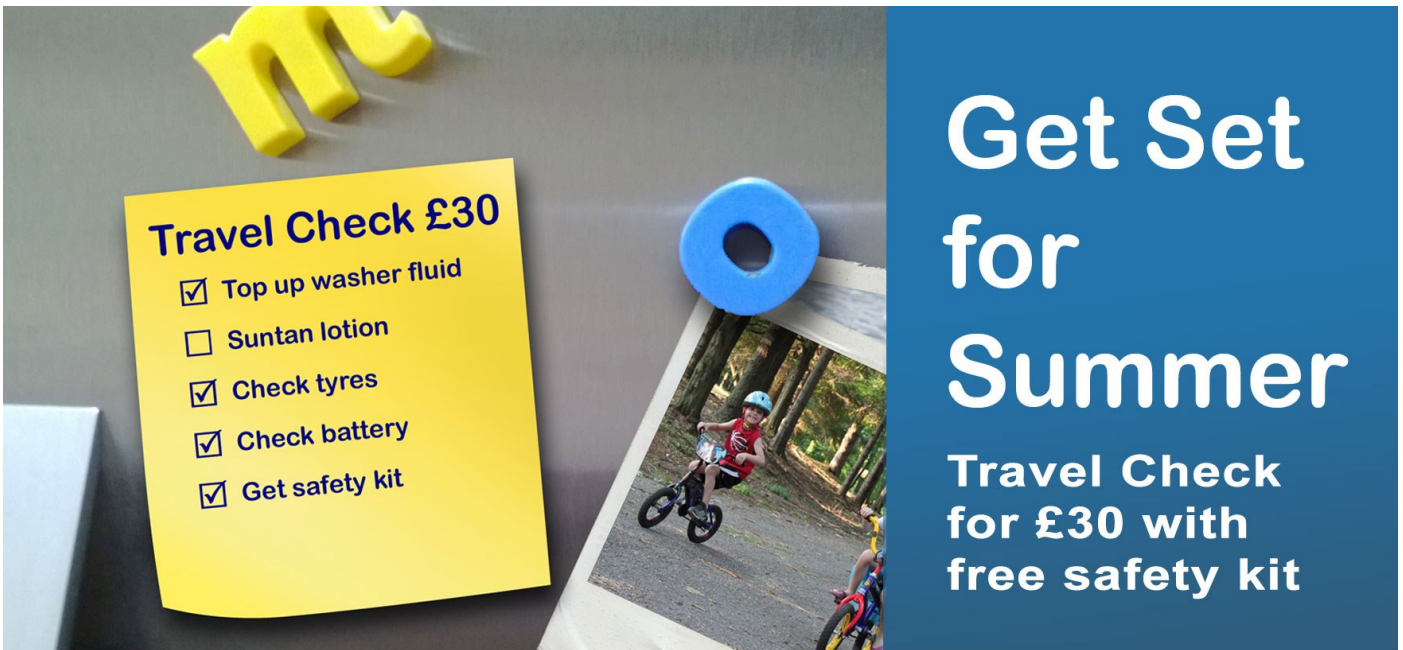
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Avening Book Club	Kristiana Maseyk	01453 836515

Dates for your Diary

Sunday 2nd June	Avening Church Fete	Various venues	2pm
Friday 31st May - 2nd June	Avening Art Show	Holy Cross Church	Various opening times
Wednesday 5th June	Forever young		For details ring: Chris on 01453 833246
Sunday 9th June	Open garden in aid of Stroud & District Citizens Advice Bureau	Ozleworth Park	2-5.30pm
Saturday 29th June	Minchinhampton Folk Club Festival	Minchinhampton	Lunch till late
Saturday 15th June	Children's Craft Workshop	Cherington Village Hall	10am-12.30pm
Monday 24th June	Avening Memorial Hall AGM	Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Saturday 13th July	Avening School Fete	Avening School and Village Hall	12-4.00pm
Friday 19th July	Avening School	End of Summer term	
Sunday 21st July	Cherington Show	Various venues	Afternoon
Thursday 8th August	Avening WI coach trip	Waterperry Gardens	
Mon-Wed 19th, 20th & 21st August	Gymnastics camp	Nailsworth C of E Primary School	9.0am-3.15pm
Tuesday 3rd September	Avening School	Start of Autumn term	



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