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Sunday 1st September	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
Rev John Martin	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW
Sunday 8th September	08.00	Avening	NO SERVICE
Revs Maslen	09.30	Cherington	Matins BCP
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW
Sunday 15th September	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
Revs Maslen	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCP
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Sunday 22nd September	08.00	Avening	NO SERVICE
Derrick Pierce	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
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Thursday 26th September	7.00pm	Avening	Compline/ Evening Prayer
Saturday 28th September	6.00pm	Cherington	Harvest Festival followed by Harvest Supper in Village Hall
Sunday 29th September	08.00	Avening	NO SERVICE
Revs Maslen	09.30	Cherington	NO SERVICE
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW
Sunday 6th October	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
Archd. Robert	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
Springett	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW

Church Duties in Avening



Date 1st Sept.	Sides persons George/Piers	Chalice Stephen	Sacristan Ann
8th Sept.	Margaret/Stephanie	Derrick	Elizabeth
15th Sept.	George/Cas	Paul	Ann
22ndSept.	Irene/Jeannie	Hamish	Elizabeth
29th Sept.	Piers/Stephanie	Stephen	Ann
6th Oct.	George/Irene	Derrick	Elizabeth

THERE WILL BE COFFEE AFTER THE SERVICE IN AVENING ON 1st September & 6th October

PLEASE NOTE

All requests for weddings, baptisms or funerals MUST be made through the church wardens, doing this will ensure that the church is available.

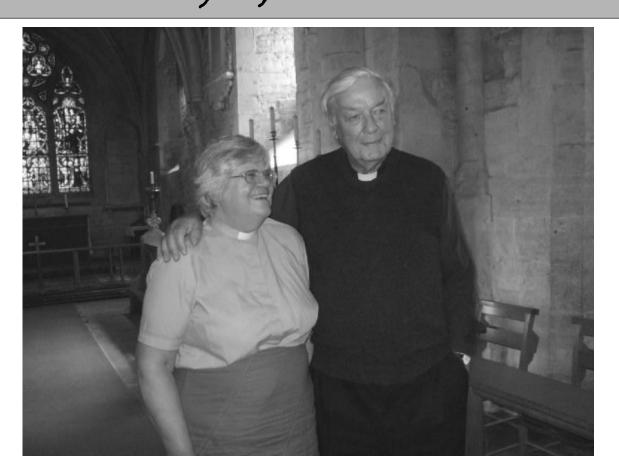
The relevant telephone numbers can be found on page 3

A SERVICE OF EVENING PRAYER WILL BE HELD IN AVENING AT 7.00 PM ON THE LAST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH.

THE NEXT COMPLINE SERVICE WILL TAKE PLACE

ON 26TH SEPTEMBER

Thought for the Month



A message from the Revs Richard and Margaret Maslen

We had a marvellously happy morning at Holy Cross, Avening on Sunday, July 21st when so many lovely people came to church to help us celebrate two separate, but at the same time inseparable, anniversaries in the best way we could imagine.

This year sees the 21st anniversary of our ordination as deacons, and our 20th wedding anniversary. We are now retired, and without a church of our "own", our hope to have a dedicated celebration of the Eucharist to mark the occasion might have been difficult to realise. As it happens, it was a delight. We have been fairly regular at Avening and Cherington since Rev Celia Carter first asked us to help out about six years ago, and lately during the interregnum. When Avening Churchwardens George and Stephanie heard about it they not only kindly allowed us to ask family and friends to join in the parish communion on the 21st, but organised a glass of wine and 'nibbles' afterwards to add to the festivities.

It was a great occasion and we will never forget it. The service was very well attended with over 80 communicants and even more people in church. The day was enhanced by the presence of Canon John Fuller, formerly Principal of the Southern Dioceses Ministerial Training Scheme, based at Salisbury and Wells Theological College (as it was) who was in charge of our training for priesthood which we did together. He preached a sermon majoring on the gospel story of Martha and Mary, which was apt and just happened to be the reading of the day. He is now retired to Shaftesbury, and came with his wife Jill.

Our loving and sincere thanks to everyone who came, and helped to make it everything we hoped for. We felt happy and at home, and blessed by you all.

Richard and Margaret



Church Floodlighting

21st August Happy 90th Birthday, Mum Love Jane, Shere, Katie and Sammy xxx

The Church looks lovely when it is lit up at night. If you would like to have this in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a special event, contact

> Paul Brown 01453 835 983 The cost is £5.00 for 2 hours

Photographs in The Villager Magazine

Many thanks to **Nigel Bowsher** 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
Bell Ringing	Tuesday	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Church Bell Tower	David 01453 882914
Line Dancing	Tuesday	7.45- 10.30pm.	Social Club	Mel 01453
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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
Dial-a-Ride	Thursday	9.30am		Liz Truman 01666 502514
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
Avening Angels Choir	Sunday	4-30pm	Various	Derrick 01453 835090

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Churchyard map

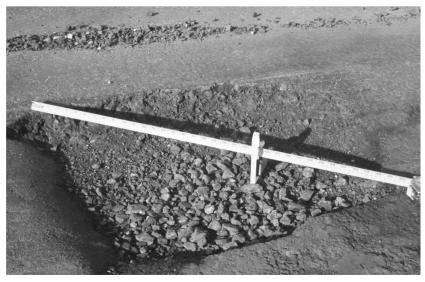
Avening History – photos & documents

Display of old pictures of the village and villagers

Website: www.aveningchurch.info

Message from Avening Parish Council

You will no doubt be aware of the poor state of many of our local roads and lanes. and the situation is not likely to improve in the foreseeable future. The Parish Council works closely with the Cotswold Highways team. and regularly send updated lists of the worst potholes and worn out road surfaces to for them. prioritisation. However.



while I have made Highways aware of many of the problem areas, I don't know them all, and it would help our case if members of the public also reported dangerous potholes. This can easily be done online at www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/reportit, or by phone on 0800 051 4514 – these contacts can also be used for issues around street lighting, drains, and overhanging trees.

Here are some specific road updates:

- The Parish Council have been working with Highways and GCC to improve the junction at the Cross. Although funding is not available for the preferred option, the junction will soon have improved markings to help control traffic, and aid pedestrians crossing.
- We have also been working with the Environment Agency to identify the causes of flooding by the school. The stream will have improved walling and landscaping to prevent School Lane from flooding – this will take place in October.
- Point Road A section of Point Road by the old phone box will be closed between 30th September to 1stNovember to allow a supporting wall to be rebuilt. Pedestrian access will remain open.
- Point Road A number of potholes have been filled this week, and the middle section by the long stone wall is on the list to have a proper patch, as it is still very uneven.
- Old Hill This will be resurfaced, but there is a delay until the stream is cleaned out to reduce the risk of flooding.
- New Inn Lane Potholes were filled this week, and with the repairs carried out last winter, we shouldn't have a repeat of the water/ice issues. The section at the intersection with Point Road will have additional guttering to

help keep the spring water off the road.

- West End A number of large potholes were filled this week. This road will be resurfaced in the autumn – it will have to be closed at certain times, but details will follow once they have been confirmed.
- Nags Head Lane Some potholes were filled this week, but I have asked Highways to prioritise the section by the Dower House for resurfacing.
- Star Lane The section beyond the houses, to the 'pill box' will be added to the patching list. The drainage issues where the drain at the Cross keeps silting up will be investigated, with the possibility of gullies being dug to catch some of the run off.
- Sandford Leaze A drain at the top of the road, and nearby potholes will be filled soon. A collapsing BT cover on the pavement in the middle section will be passed to BT to repair.
- Chavenage Lane The section from the B4014 to Chavenage Green has had repairs to the edges, and a section from Chavenage House will be resurfaced soon

The gas main between Avening and Tetbury is in need of replacement, and regularly leaks – if you smell gas, contact the gas emergency line on 0800 111 999.

Cllr. Tony Slater



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The 'Seed of an Idea' Blossoms!

The sky teased us throughout Sunday morning; would the clouds bring rain or disperse? In the event, the sun shone down on a happy band of villagers from Avening and around in the garden of Jeannie Pargeter. Everyone enjoyed their picnic listened lunches and to musical entertainment provided by Georae Buchanan's impromptu Irish band, the singer/songwriter Nicola Clarke, Jim Hill, and the folk duo Richard and Jo.

Jeannie spoke of her 'seed of an idea' to create a musical 'happening' in Avening - the forerunner, it is to be hoped, of an Avening Music Festival. Watch this space!



What's Your News.....?

This is **your** magazine. Why don't you let us know your news - births, marriages, exam results.....we'd love to hear from you. Got a gripe? Just let us know and we'll pass it on.

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The Great Wall of Nags Head!



For years now, motorists, walkers and horse riders have run the gauntlet on the uphill section of Nags Head Lane. A long section of wall bordering Laurel Cottage has gradually been slipping and sliding in to the lane, helped along by many overgrown tree roots and bad weather.

The heavy rains of late have hastened the decline of this long stretch of wall, making passage up and down the hill troublesome. The owner of the wall has now recruited local dry stonewaller, Paul Kirby, to reinstate the wall.

Paul and his team have worked for many weeks to renovate the wall, during which time the hill has been closed. It has been fascinating to

watch the progress of the team as they work their way down the Lane, leaving the completed section behind them. No mean feat, considering the length of the wall is around 130 metres and at its highest is around 2 metres.

Now nearing completion, the new wall looks very impressive and transforms the Lane.

Jo Harwood



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Village People



LIZ WORKMAN

It was on one of those glorious summer afternoons in July this year that Liz and I sat under a parasol in her beautiful garden and she told me about her remarkable and happy life. She and Peter have made their home in Cherington over the last thirty-five years and she told me how special the village and her many friends in it are to them both.

Liz remembers her childhood as an idyllic one. She was born near Market Harborough in 1940, where her father farmed. She and her elder sister and brother enjoyed all that the countryside around there offered children half a century ago; the freedom to play outside and ride extensively. She remembers the rationing and the presence of eight German and Italian prisoners of war, who helped on the farm and lived in the farm

buildings; and her father in the Home Guard and on the War Agricultural Committee.

She recalls going away to school at the age of seven. She loved it, especially her prep school, which offered her so much artistically and musically. On leaving school it was off to Oxford, where she had fun and trained as a secretary - a career which was to offer her endless interesting jobs, mainly in the advertising world. She enjoyed a spell in Brussels as an au pair, then back to London, sharing a flat with three other girls and working for Pearl and Dean. This was exciting, but after a time, Liz thought that she should see the world. In 1960 she emigrated to the U.S.A., arriving at the height of the Kennedy-Nixon election campaign, and staying for more than two years, being able to work in New York with her Green Card, and sharing an apartment with two girlfriends. She vividly recalls spending her 21st birthday sleeping in a caravan in a garden in Charleston, South Carolina, awoken by the song of the mocking bird and watching red cardinals darting amongst the trees. The three girls had driven there in an old station wagon, (having first passed the driving test in New Jersey). The girls ventured across to the West Coast through the National Parks to L.A.

(broke) and to San Francisco for the summer to work. Back in New York, she remembers with particular pleasure her job as P.A. to the President of Schweppes, the charismatic Commander Whitehead, as well as seeing the Kennedys as she walked down Fifth Avenue and finding herself sharing the ladies powder-room mirror with Jackie Kennedy, whilst at the Schweppes Christmas party at 21 Club.

Then it was back to the UK where she met Peter at another job in advertising. They were married in 1965 and set up home in Tite Street in Chelsea, where Catherine was born. They moved to Kew to a more family-friendly location, and Bobby was born in 1968. In 1974 Liz and Peter decided to buy a holiday home near the Dordogne in France, which they kept for 24 years – this was where Liz really started painting.

All was set fair, but then one day in 1975, Peter, then the director of a substantial agency, suddenly announced that he felt like a complete change of scene and lifestyle and what he would really like to do would be to take the family away for a year on a boat. Liz with her boundless energy and enthusiasm embraced this change with characteristic gusto. Luckily Peter

was able to finance the purchase of their boat, using the golden handshake offered to him. For those who know about these things, what they bought was a luxury twin screw diesel yacht with a steadying sail built in 1936 on the Clyde. Off they set with the children aged 7 and 9 and sailed across the channel and down the canals of France, wintering in Port Grimaud, where the children attended a local school, and on to the Ionian Islands in Greece for a whole summer.

By 1977 the family were back in this country and Liz and Peter were working with some friends running a picture framing business in the New Kings Road. It was while Peter was starting up an advertising agency in Bristol – with the same group - that they bought at auction what was to be their Cherington home. It was in a completely uninhabitable state and it took some time to make it into a home. As far as I can see, this project in



Peter, Liz, Catherine and Bobby leaving the Marina Chiswick Bridge, London on the 'Alauna', 17th July 1975

making their house ever more comfortable and delightful seems to have continued up to the present time!

Liz remembers Cherington when she and Peter first came here as being predominantly the home of those working locally on the land. There was still a pub and the village shop/Post Office; the cricket club was and continues to be an important part of village life and of course the wonderful Cherington Flower Show, started in 1945, is a pivotal event in the annual calendar. Liz runs Horticulture and supports Peter in his role as Chairman of the Show for the past 6 years. Over the years she and Peter have enjoyed playing their part in village life. She has played the organ since the early 80s. She was clerk to the Parish Council and continues to be Secretary to the PCC. They have seen so many changes but nothing that has spoilt the essential Englishness of a quiet little country village, an entity which is becoming rarer and rarer and therefore all the more precious.

In 1989 there came another break in Liz and Peter's life when he retired (for a second time) and once again they took to the water in a 47 foot yacht. This time they ventured from Southampton Water across Biscay to the Mediterranean - Spain, France and Italy, to Greek islands, to Turkey and the former Yugoslavia. The house in Kew became home to them when they returned, while the Cherington house was let out from 1989-1992.

In 1996 they founded the International Festival of the Sea in Bristol - Liz was responsible for the Festival music, bringing in performers from around the world. Peter was Managing Director of the Matthew project, building a replica of John Cabot's ship of 1497, which sailed to Newfoundland and opened up ever more interesting horizons.

For the Millennium Liz and Beryl Milsom collaborated on producing a book about Cherington. If any of you do not yet have one, I can't recommend it enough. I am sure that Liz or Beryl would still be happy to sell you a copy! It makes fascinating reading and throws a little more light on this lovely corner of our country.

So here are Peter and Liz in their beautiful home, which they have steadily added to over the years and where Liz can indulge in her three favourite activities; painting, gardening and playing the piano – her idea of the perfect day. In between they are enjoying skiing and the opportunity to travel the world, her pleasure only added to by the visits of their children and five grandchildren, ranging from 15 down to 2.

I loved hearing about Liz and Peter's eventful life and want to thank her for telling me about it.

Frances Conway

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

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Avening Primary School

EXCITING CHANGES FOR START OF NEW SCHOOL YEAR

As well as lots of new children's faces, and welcoming our new Reception class, we have seen some other exciting new changes at school for the start of this school year.

We have created a new 'free-flow' outside area for our Eagles class. A team of volunteers (staff, governors, parents, pupils and ex-pupils) gave up a July Saturday morning to clear the old planters and trellis posts from our playground in order to allow space for this free-flow area to be created. This space will allow the reception children unlimited opportunity to access the outside area to support their learning.

Our after school Kites club is now complemented at the other end of the day with the launch of our brand new Kites breakfast club, run by Lisa Pedoe. These clubs are designed to extend the service the school can offer and support working parents.

We said farewell to our dedicated long-serving school crossing patrol man, Charles Rymer at the end of last term. We now welcome Mr Bond who steps into this important safety role for our school. We welcome Tina Boulton to our team as a new Teaching Assistant in the Eagles class. We also welcome Tamsin Cory and Rebecca Maidment to our Midday Supervisor team. Mrs Maidment will be a Play Leader, supporting children's play and training children to be 'Young Leaders' so that they can promote active play with the younger children.

In other exciting news for this school year, we continue to celebrate the success of the Olympics by participating in the 'Be the Best you can Be!' 21st Century Olympic legacy programme, founded by Dr David Hemery CBE - the Olympic Champion and World Record Holder in the 400m hurdles. The programme is designed to encourage children to take ownership of their next steps to make a positive difference to their own lives, drawing on the experience of successful athletes and sports coaches. After a staff training session, the classes will be visited by Mel Clarke, British Wheelchair Sport female athlete of the Year, who won a silver medal in archery in the Paralympic games last year. She will inspire and challenge the children to follow their own dreams in their own areas of interest. The children will then explore and draw upon the qualities discussed to enhance their learning - we look forward to seeing great results!

The Owls class will be studying the Romans - visiting Caerleon in September. The Hawks are visiting Swindon Steam Museum to kick start their learning about World War II.

If you are interested in finding out more about our school please take a regular look at our website (www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk)



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Down To Earth

Gervase Markham wrote in 1613: 'There is to be required at the hands of every perfect Gardiner three especiall vertues ... Diligence, Industry, and Art'.

Although few, if any of us, can hope to attain the status of 'perfect Gardiner', it is encouraging to be told that we are exercising these three virtues in our horticultural endeavours. And we can all do it, turn a space, of whatever dimensions, into a garden, whether it be a balcony or window-sill bursting with potted plants or a plot of land artfully created to be whatever we design: a wildflower garden, a formal garden, a kitchen garden or all three. As the



Eryngium (sea holly) loved by butterflies and bees

gardening writer Anna Pavord said on Radio 4 in an interview around the time of the Chelsea Flower Show, few of us can hope to compose a symphony or a produce great work of sculpture but all of us can create a garden; a work of art, however modest.

This year, after hearing so many depressing reports about the decline in numbers of butterflies and bees, it is been a real delight to see them swarming around such plants as lavender, *echinops* (globe

thistle), *calendula*, cosmos, *lathyrus* (sweet pea) and *eryngium* (sea holly). Much good work is being done by the RHS, the National Trust, Buglife and other conservation groups urging us to plant insect-friendly plants. This summer we should be taking note of what they feast on. We need the

pollinators and perhaps we need constantly to be reminded not only of the interrelatedness of all living things but of the fragility of the balance.

Recently, I discovered that the flower stems of my *verbascum phoeniceum* (purple mullein) were being consumed (or rather: 'chomped') by a large number of very hungry caterpillars, coloured white with yellow and black spots. In



Epimedium

course of time, they had their fill and prepared to turn into less colourful mullein moths. But the plants have survived - minus flowers now!

At Hidcote Manor this summer, the Rose Walk was dotted with clumps of *eryngium* which was covered in bees: quite a spectacle. This is a most attractive architectural plant, in shades of silver through to electric blue as in the picture above. Good nurseries, such as Miserden, stock them. Miserden Nursery has a fine selection of plants and the owner is knowledgeable and helpful. On every visit I buy far more than I intend to. Do I ever regret it? No!

Now, where am I going to put those epimediums I bought at the Cherington Show? These are pretty little flowers of late spring / early summer; the foliage is often tinted bronze. They prefer light shade and some protection from severe frosts.

Like the grand finale of a firework spectacular, the late 'doers' are blazing onto the scene, among them: rudbekias, sedums, asters and agapanthus. September is a



Borlotti beans

time for saving seeds as well as produce. An alternative way of dealing with a glut of climbing beans, after giving some away, is to let the beans swell in the pods and freeze these, after blanching (2 minutes in boiling water, 2 minutes under the cold tap in a colander!). I like to grow the Italian borlotto bean 'Lingua di fuoco' (both pod and bean are covered in red splashes like a 'tongue of fire'). They are deliciously sweet and can be taken out of the freezer during the winter and cooked with pasta and frozen tomatoes, adding garlic, herbs, cream, cheese and olive oil, to make a classic Italian dish: real comfort food.

Onwards, then, into autumn! Happy gardening!

Marilyn Jones

Many thanks to Marilyn, who answered our appeal for a gardening correspondent - and judging by her first offering, this should be a great regular addition to the Villager.

Marilyn describes herself as an enthusiastic amateur, and welcomes comment and discussion on her monthly column. Just write to her at editors@acvillager.co.uk



ARE YOU OUR MISSING SECRETARY?

The Stroud & District fundraising group for Marie Curie Cancer Care is looking for a volunteer Secretary to join them.

The group meets locally once a month to plan events and activities to raise money and awareness for the network of Marie Curie Nurses living and working in Gloucestershire.

This support is vital to ensure these Marie Curie Nurses can continue providing the free hands-on quality nursing care for terminally ill patients and their families in their own homes.

The Secretary will attend these monthly meetings, take minutes and help the group organise future events. Computer and email access is essential.

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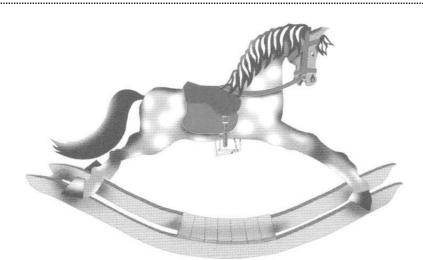
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Avening & Cherington Cricket Club

THE PRESIDENT'S CRICKET MATCH



On Sunday 18th August this annual event took place on the Cherington Cricket Field. The President, Roger Gegg, had gathered together his XI, comprising players aged between 15 and ? (now that would be telling) – a team that collectively offered experience, skill, enthusiasm, fitness and speed, ready to play against the Avening and Cherington Cricket Club. They had travelled far for this prestigious match - from London, Bristol, Bournemouth and even Nags Head.

The weather was on our side, the spectators suitably seated around the pitch, and with anticipation the game began. The Club won the toss and elected to bat. Wickets fell, catches were dropped and the club after 30 overs had 188, a target for the Presidents men. After tea and wonderful cakes, the President's team commenced battle. Wickets started to fall very early on and after a spirited innings the team were all out for 125 - an excellent score for a team which had never played together before. All agreed it was a great game and the Club were worthy winners.

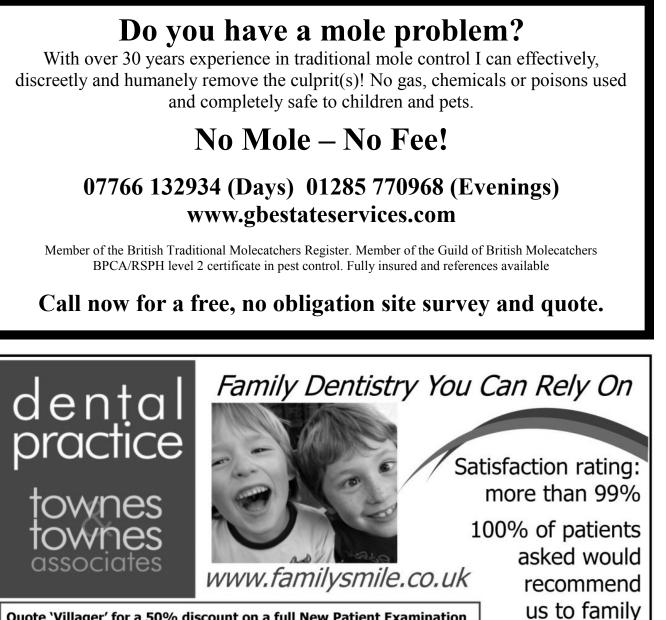
The President wished Derek Ind, the Chairman, a very Happy Birthday and thanked him for his immense contribution to the Club and congratulated him

on his recent award by the Gloucestershire Cricket Board to people who have made a contribution to cricket. Derek is the heart of the Club - preparing the wicket, maintaining the outfield and everything in between!

The game over, there was a barbecue and drinks amid the conversations on how it all went. The Presidents team were heard to say "actually I was better than I thought", "perhaps with a bit of time in the nets...." etc.! All good stuff which proved it was a great game, a great day and all ready to fight another day. This is an annual event so if there is any hidden talent in Cherington and Avening (apart from this current group of course) let us know for August 2014.

Kate Gegg

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The trust requires confirmation that a non-conditional place has been accepted by the applicant.

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Friends of Tetbury Hospital held their first Annual Golf Tournament at Minchinhampton Golf Club's Avening Course on Friday 16th August. The Tournament, which was organised by Jane and Shane Roche of Sandford Leaze, was a great success and raised over £4,000 for Tetbury Hospital. Over 70 players took part in teams of four in a hugely enjoyable competition in good weather. Participants travelled from as far afield as Kildare and Yorkshire to play the testing Avening Course. The winners, after an exciting putt-off, were a team blending the youth and athleticism of brothers Adam and Seb Byron with the experience and gravitas of Chris Redpath and Kieran Archer. They received their prizes from local celebrity, star of stage and screen, Nathaniel Parker. The day culminated in an excellent lunch at the Golf Club which included a competitive auction of valuable items and raised much-needed funds for the Hospital.

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They have a lovely holiday cottage up there, and write: The holiday cottage here is up and running, so if anyone in Avening holidav fancies а in the Snowdonian mountains with the attached coastline less than fifteen minutes drive away, then just tell them to telephone Rosie 01766 770627 on or email rosie@seren-wib.com



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Next time you are passing the Nag's Head telephone box, have a look inside



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Avening Book Club

Sweet Tooth by Ian McEwan

"My name is Serena Frome (rhymes with 'plume') and almost 40 years ago I was sent on a secret mission for the British security service." This is how this novel opens. We may from this expect a spy story, but Serena doesn't do any spying, although there are references to spies and the paranoia of this time in history and its role of identifying, monitoring and combating communism or leftist sympathisers. Serena's mission for MI5, is to recruit some undiscovered and hard-up liberal but anti-communist writers to counter to the perceived leftish journalism and commentary of the 70s.

Serena Frome is a very unlikely candidate for MI5. She is recruited by her older lover, a Cambridge don, just before he ends his affair with her, under circumstances that leave Serena and the reader confused and intrigued. This lover, Tony Canning, remains in the novel throughout, and we learn in an unexpected twist his possible motive in recruiting Serena and why the affair was ended so abruptly and in such a way. There are several leads that keep the reader involved and interested, but then turn out to be not as essential to the story as we may have expected. In many ways this novel shows McEwan's talents as a writer; not only is he very diverse, but in the character of Serena he does something that is very hard to pull off. Serena comes over as rather a flat, indistinct, wooly, one-dimensional character. She is the protagonist, and despite being unconvincing, McEwan engages the reader more than enough to want to continue and find out where we are being led.

Serena, who reminds us frequently of her prettiness, is given a young writerto recruit - Tom Haley, teaching at Sussex University (McEwan's university) . As well as portraying the MI5 chauvinists from private schools, and the women with first-class degrees who are little more than administrators, McEwan also highlights the snobbery surrounding 'new universities'. Haley is in the early stages of a literary career, and can't quite believe his luck with Serena's offer. Serena predictably falls in love with Haley but then she is caught in a dilemma: how can she tell the man she loves and who loves her that the generous grant that he received and enjoyed in the name of some literary foundation is really from MI5?

McEwan pulls off an extraordinary surprise at the end, leaving the readers of this book club incredibly touched by the ending of the story and extremely impressed with the writer's skill .

Kristiane Maseyk

02.09.2013 The Bell 7.30 *Merivel: A Man of His Time* by Rose Tremain 07.10.2013 The Bell 7.30 T.B.A.



<u>Tetbury Dial-a-Ride Community</u> <u>Bus</u>

Tetbury's new Dial-a-Ride bus has arrived and after some initial hitches should be winging its way around Tetbury as usual!

If you would like information about using the service please call in to the office or phone and speak to either Liz or Seiglinde who now works on Wednesdays. We are always looking for volunteers for the Dial-a-Ride bus and adapted car as drivers and escorts. If you would like to find out more about the roles or are looking for other volunteering opportunities do come in or phone.

Regular Dial-a-Ride Schedule

TUESDAY MORNINGS: 9.30am. Tetbury Town (including appointments) **THURSDAY MORNINGS**: 9.30am. Nailsworth & Avening with Sainsbury's, Stroud, Thursday, 9am 26th September

THURSDAY AFTERNOONS: 2.30pm. Tetbury Tesco.

FRIDAYS: 10.30am. trips: Yate, 6th September

Cirencester, 13th September Dobbies Garden Centre, 20th September Library Club, 27th September

Please ring or call in to talk to us about volunteering, trips and membership, we look forward to meeting you. Liz Truman and Seiglinde Bannister

Tel: 01666 502514 (Tues/Wed/Thurs, 9-1pm). Tetbury Volunteer Centre, 63 Long Street, Tetbury.





Avening Parish Council

Planning

Planning applications can be found on Cotswold District Council's website at <u>www.cotswold.gov.uk</u> - go to weekly planning list. You are also able to sign up for Planning Alerts so that the emails can come straight to your inbox.

NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

13/03105/FUL 55 High Street, Avening, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8 8NF

Erection of 3 dormer windows

Response by 22 August 2013

13/03106/FUL Land Parcel Adjacent To 11 High Street, Avening, Gloucestershire

Erection of detached live/ work unit with off road parking

Response by 5 September 2013

13/03107/CON Land Parcel Adjacent To 11 High Street, Avening, Gloucestershire

Demolition of stone front boundary wall

Response by 5 September 2013

DECISION NOTICES RECEIVED

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The next meeting of **Avening Parish Council** will be held on **Thursday 19th September 2013, at 7.30pm, in the Memorial Hall**. Parish Council meetings are usually held on the third Thursday of the month but please note that there will be no meeting in August.

All Are Welcome.

The Parish Council address is:

Caroline Braidwood, Parish Clerk, 77 Pheasant Way, Cirencester, Gloucestershire GL7 1BQ Tel: 01285 380041 Email: <u>parishclerk@avening-pc.gov.uk</u>

Cherington Parish Council

CHAIR:- Mike Mitchell

CLERK:- Vacant

At the August meeting Councillor Mike Mitchell took over as Chair of Cherington Parish Council. He thanked Kate Gegg for all her work over the past 6 years.

The meeting included representatives from Rodmarton Parish Council to discuss the proposal for a solar farm at Hazelton. As the land bordered both Councils, it was agreed that the two Parish Councils would work together on a response, having agreed that this was not an appropriate location for this. (Since this meeting the proposal has been withdrawn)

The Council had received 4 applications for the post of Parish Clerk and hope to have a Parish Clerk in post by September.

The Parish Plan was discussed and there will be a public meeting in the Autumn for all residents to hear proposals and to set up group to formulate this.

Next Parish Council Meeting:- 1st October 2013 6.30 pm Village Hall

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Tetbury Hospital		01666 502336
Avening History Project	Fred Vening fred@fvening.fsnet.co.uk	01285 850624
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The Cross Village Shop	Karen Vickery	01453 833240
Avening Book Club	Kristiana Maseyk	01453 836515

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 3rd September	Start of Autumn term	Avening School	
Friday 6th September	Licensing Service for Tetbury's new vicar	St Marys', Tetbury	7.00 pm
Saturday 14th September	Children's Nearly New Sale (some of proceeds to Avening Playgroup)	Avening Memorial Hall	10.30 am - 12.30 pm
Saturday 14th September	The Quarry Gig in aid of Meningitis Trust	Kirby's Quarry (Avening,Tetbury Road B4014)	1.00 -11.00 pm
Thursday 19th September	Avening Parish Council Meeting	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Monday 23rd September	Mobile Police Station	Avening	9.30 -10.00 am
		Cherington	10.15 -10.45 am
Friday 27th September	Michaelfest Concert	St Michael's Church, Tetbury	7.30 pm
Saturday 28th September	Harvest Festival and Supper	Cherington Church and Hall	6.00 pm
Tuesday 1st October	Cherington Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	6.30 pm
Sunday 6th October	Rotary Club South Cotswolds Horseless Team Event	Badminton Estate Park	11.00 am start
Saturday 12th October	Avening Family History Day	Memorial Hall	10.00 am - 4.00 pm



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