

# *The Villager*

*A Magazine for Avening, Cherington and Nags Head*

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## *Queen Matilda's Day Celebrations!*



*Wow! The pics say it all!  
See inside.....*

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Day / Date	Time	Church	Event
Sunday October 3rd	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School (& coffee after service)
Sunday October 10th	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
	09.30	Cherington	Matins BCP (& coffee after service)
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
Sunday October 17th	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
Sunday October 24th	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
Friday October 29th	7.00pm	Avening	ALL SOULS NIGHT
Sunday October 31st (All Saints)	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School (coffee after service)
Sunday November 7th	08.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCP
	09.30	Cherington	Holy Communion BCW
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School & the Baptism of Elliot Young (& coffee after service)
	12.30	Cherington	3The Baptism of Hugo Moffat

# The Parish Letter

We have just celebrated Harvest Festival, and the Churches in both Avening and Cherington looked stunning, decorated with an abundance of fruit and vegetables and Harvest Gifts from the children. Amidst the thanksgiving and joyful Harvest Hymns it is sometimes difficult not to feel a stab of guilt. Guilt that we have so much, when others have so little, guilt that we live in a land of plenty when others are starving, guilty too that we have the freedom to celebrate when others are living in fear.

But should we feel guilty? Compassionate....yes.....bewildered... and even indignant.....but guilty? It seems that Christians feel guilty so much of the time and for so many reasons. For things we have not done, for the things we have, or have not said, for people we haven't had time to see, for not doing enough, for not *giving* enough. Endlessly, we feel guilty, often to the point of exhaustion and not achieving *anything*.

No wonder outsiders don't feel attracted to the Church when She exploits our natural guilt. Who wants to enter a camp of self-incrimination, or be drawn under a cloud of gloom and despondency? Yet, God does not want us to feel like this.

But is it really surprising? We are all fed, daily, a diet of disaster and suffering....not only through the media, but also by a barrage of appeals for good causes on the radio, television or through our letter boxes. Terrible, heart-rending stories and photographs. As I said, the Church, itself, is not slow at exploiting our feelings of guilt, until, in fact, the most common characteristic to all Christians, is a feeling of inadequacy!!

Jesus never undermined the confidence of His disciples. He didn't continually make them feel guilty and hopeless. He encouraged them, filled them with Hope, and told them that they could do anything when filled with the Spirit of God.

If we dwell for too long on those things beyond our control, such as feeling guilty about Pakistan or the victims of the Middle East, we are likely to be so overwhelmed by the enormity of the World's problems that we give up in despair.

Instead, allow any guilt you may experience, over something beyond your control, to energise you into doing something you CAN do. God is every much as concerned with the single parent living down the street, or the loneliness of the person next door, as He is with the hundreds and thousands in the camps on the Gaza strip, the victims of the floods and in the tragedies in Iraq and Afghanistan.

He wants us to *pray* for the things we cannot do anything about and then, *pray and do* something about those near to us. If we allow ourselves to be overburdened by things too big for us, we become ineffective and useless, when we *could do* something positive to those we *can* help.

To keep ourselves buoyant in a world fast sinking into despondency, we need to give over to God the things too big for us..... and at the same time, use them, as a reminder to be deeply thankful for what we have. To know, with humility, that we are greatly blessed. To appreciate and enjoy to the full what we have and be willing to share it, above all to recognise our dependence on God and feel the outpouring of His Love. It is only then.....that we will receive the fruits of the Spiritual Harvest:

Hope, Joy, and Fearless Love

The world is as hungry for these...as it is for Bread.

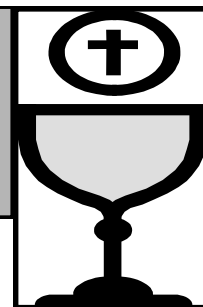
**AMEN**

**Rev Celia**

## **SERVICES IN WINTER MONTHS**

**From November until early spring I shall be celebrating  
Holy Communion at 8.00am on the  
1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month**

# *Church Duties in Evening*



<b>Date</b>	<b>Sidespersons</b>	<b>Chalice Assistants</b>	<b>Sacristan</b>
October 3rd	Cas/Margaret	Paul	Marion
October 10th	Stephanie/Jeanie	Hamish	Ann
October 17th	Piers/Ann	Stephen	Elizabeth
October 24th	George/Frances	Derrick	Ann
October 31st	Margaret/Jeanie	Paul	Marion
November 7th	Cas/Piers	Hamish	Elizabeth

## ***ALL SOULS NIGHT***

### ***HOLY CROSS CHURCH***

**Friday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2010, 7.00pm**

*A service of meditation and music by candlelight to remember with thanksgiving those who have died.*

During the service you are invited to light a candle for a loved one. A list of names you wish to have read out during the service will be at the shop, the Bell, and the church.

## Church Floodlighting

*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, please contact:*

**Paul Brown 01453 835 983**

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September 30th

In loving memory of  
Michael Powell  
From Thelma, Kevin &  
Columba.

September 15th

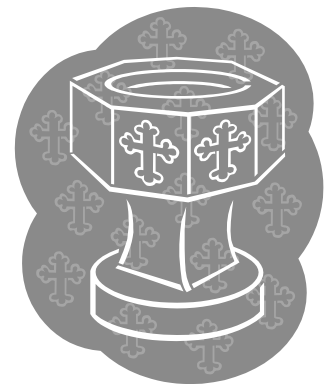
To the memory of Elsie  
Wiltshire, a wonderful  
Wife, Mother,  
Gran and Great Gran.

September 22nd

In loving memory of John Arthur Dubuc, Nashua, NH, USA.  
From Kerensa Adams and the Adams family.

## Forthcoming Baptisms

10 October	Herbie A'Hern	12.15pm Cherington
10 October	Cameron Bendall	3.00pm Avening
7 November	Elliot Young	11.00am Avening
7 November	Hugo Moffat	12.30pm Cherington



# **Avening Roll of Honour**

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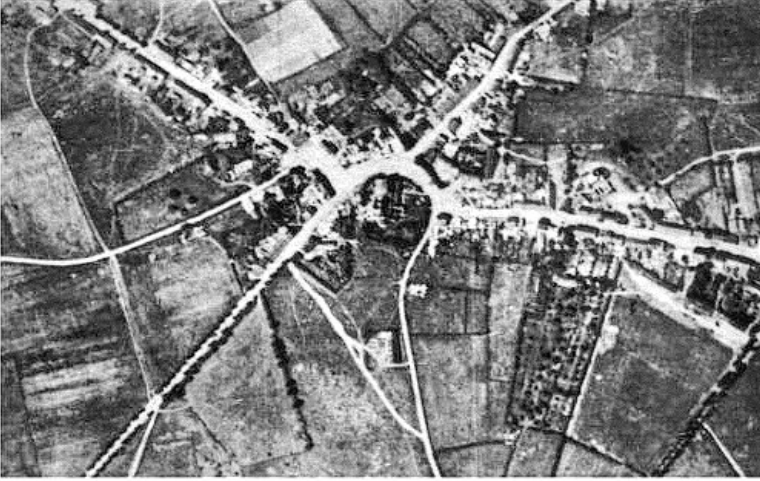
**Augustus Clapton**

**Private: Royal Marine Light Infantry**

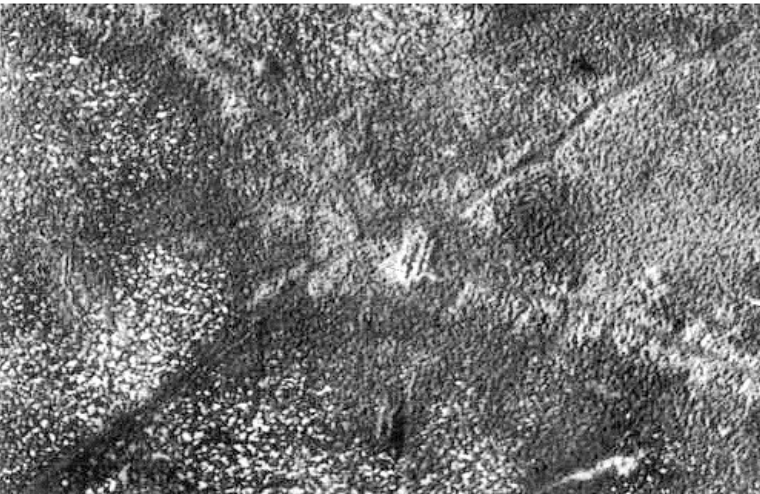
The 1st World War military documents of many Avening men did not survive, and Augustus Clapton is no exception. We are lucky in that we do have his Military Record Sheet from the time he joined the Royal Naval Division on the 17th of April 1917. He was a transfer, having enlisted as a volunteer on the 11th of December 1915. The document we have tells us that he joined at Tetbury and that he joined the "Army". No regiment, no service number!! He was given a new number with the Marines so it is unknown what he was doing for the previous eighteen months or so. He left for France on the 7th of August 1917 and was unable to be at his father's funeral which took place a month later. He was drafted to the 1st Royal Marine Battalion on the 27th of September and from here on it was a baptism of fire and mud for he and his colleagues became involved in the second battle for Passchendaele. Again, we are unsure as to his movements but from the record he appears to have been removed from the strength on the 26th of October only to return on the 31st, some five days later.

This particular battle lasted until the 10th of November but rest came only in short bursts. By December they were in action again in the Battle of Welsh Ridge shortly after the Cambrai offensive but things became quieter until Ludendorf's last big push ("Operation Michael") on the front east of the Somme on the 21st of April 1918. The Marines were not directly involved on the first day but were drafted in as support during the retreats from overwhelming forces. They fought at St Quentin and pulled back to Bapaume on the 24th. It was on this day when Augustus was declared "missing". After weeks of anxiety, his family received a postcard from him (probably via the Red Cross) saying that he was a prisoner in Eastern France.





*Passchendaele,  
before and after the  
1917 battle.*



The Stroud News reported on this good news on the 5th of July but only ten days later, Augustus died in a German hospital. The cause of death is not known but the Naval records do not mention "of wounds".

He was the youngest of seven children born to Sydney Clapton and his wife, Harriett (nee Fletcher). He was born at Barn Row, Point Road on the 20th of March 1889 and was baptised in our Church a month later. He was a baker, working for the Fowles family at the bakery at the entrance to Point Road. He was buried at Valenciennes Communal Cemetery in France, is remembered with honour on our Memorial in the Church and also on the Royal Marine Memorial in St James' Park, London. He is also remembered on his parents' headstone in our churchyard. He was unmarried and, although he cannot be found on the Medal Rolls, his mother would have received his Victory and British Medals.

We have been unable to locate any living relatives.

# Village People

To meet Ruby Fay is to bring a ray of sunshine into your day. With a smile that lit up her face the first thing she said to me was “I have had a wonderful life”, and you can ask no more than that.

Ruby has lived in Avening for 38 years but does not originate from Gloucestershire; her soft Scottish voice gives away her place of birth. Indeed she was born just outside St Andrews, where her father ran a bakery business in the local town. Ruby grew up in Scotland and was married at the age of twenty in Edinburgh. What followed was a very happy life as Ruby’s sense of adventure was fulfilled as she travelled widely with her husband who was a ship Surveyor for Lloyds Register. Whenever her husband tentatively suggested that the company needed them to move again it was always met with enthusiasm by Ruby, who required only that he found her a church so she could continue her Sunday worship!

After fifteen wonderful years living in France, Ruby and her husband came to live back in England. By chance their son William, a surveyor, had found them a perfect house that was being built in a little village called Avening. They arrived and loved it, and here they settled until Ruby’s husband’s sad death two years later.

Since arriving here 38 years ago Ruby has always been very much part of the community. When I asked her if she had ever been a member of any organisations she laughed, “oh yes! Only six months after I arrived it was ‘suggested’ that I was the very person to run the Good Companions, an organisation that brought retired people together.” In her fifties at the time, it was hoped that Ruby could bring down the average age of the membership and encourage others to join. This indeed she did, and in her role as president she succeeded in raising the number of members from 16 to 60 in just five years. I think there are a few committees in the village now who could do with Ruby’s recruitment powers!

Ruby talks fondly of the Good Companions and she showed me photos and newspaper cuttings of the many trips and events they organised for the older people in the village – whatever happened to such a wonderful organisation Ruby and I wondered?



Never one to turn down a worthy job, Ruby took on delivering 'Yours' - a free newspaper to the retired people of the village. She said she had been persuaded to do it as 'I had a dog and could deliver the paper when I took him for a walk!' She remembers how long those deliveries took as each house she called at she was offered a cup of tea and a chat! It was a great way to get to know everyone" she said, "Sadly people don't have the time these days."

In 1985 Ruby married again. She and Jim Fay had become friends when they met at the numerous committee meetings they both attended each week. Jim lived in Nags Head where he had retired to from London. He had been billeted in Avening during the war and always remembered it fondly. Having not quite got the travel bug out of her system Jim and Ruby went back to live in France, though never selling the house in Avening. They lived near Toulouse for 12 years and Ruby returned here in 1997 after Jim's death.

Ruby now lives in Avening with her son James. She loves living in the village and though sad that she sees far fewer people these days "as everyone goes off every day in their cars", she would not miss her Sundays at church and her regular trips to the golf club, - although it is in the club house you will find her rather than out on the course!

# Nathaniel Thornbury

## Vicar of Holy Cross Church, Avening

1779 to 1816

### Have Languages - Will Travel

Regular readers will recall my report on the recent visit of Nathaniel's 5x Great Granddaughter and I am now pleased to give a brief write up on Nathaniel's life.

Born in 1746, he was the son of another Nathaniel who was a merchant in The Hague, Holland.

By his early thirties, Nathaniel Junior was well educated and well travelled, having visited many cities throughout Europe, and it was in 1778 that he set out with three friends on "the Grand Tour" to Italy, Sicily and Malta. His friends were all European and it is reported that they conversed with each other in Latin. The four took along with them an artist who was to sketch their tour as they went along. This was probably Nathaniel's last major journey as he took up his post of Vicar of Avening in 1779. He married Mary Webb in London before his arrival here and the couple settled in the Old Rectory.

All of their nine children were born in that house, Nathaniel the eldest, in 1782 and the youngest, the exotically named Horatio Nelson Thornbury in 1798.



Nathaniel took his work seriously and became enthusiastic about Sunday School for the children of the village. He started such a school in 1800 and would preach vehemently about the advantages to children attending.

It is reported that Nathaniel actually died in the Church after having taken the Sunday School, although his date of death is known as the 11th of March 1811, which was a Monday. It may be that he had a seizure<sup>12</sup> on the Sunday and, having been taken home, died there the following day.



There are two plaques in the Church in his remembrance. He was succeeded by William George.

Nathaniel's second son, William also had two sons, the second of whom was Frederick Charles Thornbury. It was he who founded the two settlements in Ontario, Canada named Avening and Thornbury.

The portrait is one of Nathaniel painted after he had taken up his post in Avening. The sketch was made by his travelling companion at Tarantino in Italy. Nathaniel is the one with the umbrella on the right of the group of three.

*Fred Vening*

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# *Avening Memorial Hall*

## **News from Avening Memorial Hall**

The Annual General Meeting was held on 13 September. The management committee were re-elected to serve for another year, and a review of the work carried out in the last year was given. The Memorial Hall is grateful to Gloucestershire County Council and Avening Primary School who jointly funded replacement of the windows, a new storm drain and new side gates. Over the next year the management committee are planning tasks including:

- Repair of the flat roof over the Chamberlain Room
- Repainting and minor internal repairs with the support of volunteers.
- Finding cost effective and energy efficient heating to replace the storage heaters

If anyone would like to get involved in any of these or in the general running of the Memorial Hall, please contact Simon Wheatley on 833838 – we warmly welcome new volunteers!

The Memorial Hall is available for hire for parties and celebrations of all kinds, as well as clubs and societies. Please call or text 07583 073 604 for a quote.

## **Memorial Exhibition**

13 November 2010 in the Memorial Hall

Ever wondered why the Memorial Hall is so called? The Hall was paid for by local people as a memorial to those villagers who died in the First World War and we are proud to be holding an exhibition of photos and memorabilia to continue the tradition of remembrance and to give a flavour of life in Avening over the years.

The exhibition will culminate in a talk in the evening by a local historian, Riley Vincent. If you have any photos, memorabilia or stories that you would like to contribute please contact Click on 836442

Keep a look out for further details nearer the time.

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Does anyone know the whereabouts of the display case that used to be kept in the Memorial Hall? It is possible someone took the case home for safe keeping during a clear out two years ago.

We would like to include this in the Memorial Exhibition.

Please contact Click on 01453 836 442.

**\*\*\*SOS\*\*\*SOS\*\*\*SOS\*\*\*SOS\*\*\*SOS\*\*\***

## **Holy Humour**

There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country.

"Is there anything breakable in here?" asked the postal clerk.

"Only the Ten Commandments!" answered the lady.

## **Cherington Village Hall Coffee Morning & Table Top Sale**

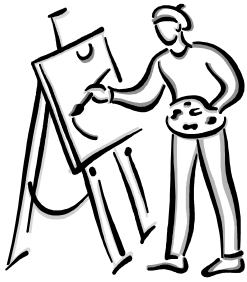
**Saturday October 30th  
10.00am—12.00noon**

Raffle, Bring & Buy. Entrance 50p, includes coffee.  
In aid of funds for the Village Hall

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## ALMOST ANGELS

Rehearsals start on Sunday October 17th  
12.15 in the church. Now practising for  
Christmas Carol service, Midnight Mass,  
carols in the pubs, carols in the street after  
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raffles, gifts, *bring and buy*!!!!

Everyone welcome!!!



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## Holy Humour

There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday and announced to his congregation: "I have good news and bad news. The good news is, we have enough money to pay for our new building program. The bad news is, it's still out there in your pockets."



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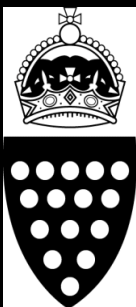
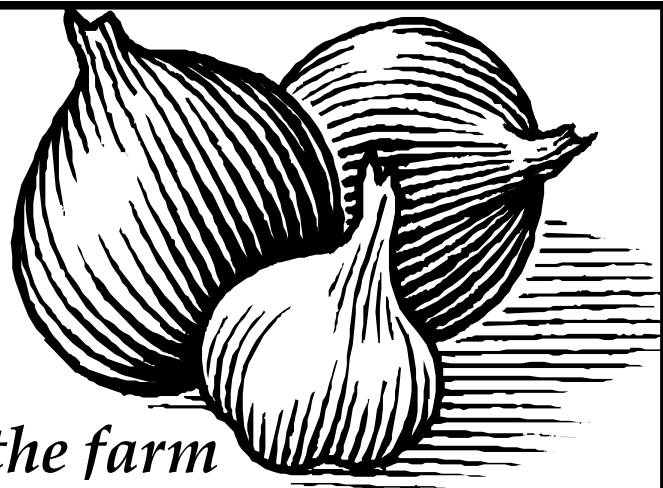
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Sue Watkins and her nephew, John Uzzell, both well known in Avening and Cherington, recently went on a canal holiday with DART on the Grand Union Canal near Hemel Hempstead. They were on no ordinary canal boat, this one (called 'Close Shave') has been adapted for disabled use and was capable of taking 3 crew, 4 carers and several disabled persons.



Their adventures included seeing a swimming snake, dropping the all important lock key into the canal (yes, it was fished out with the help of a giant magnet... obviously not that uncommon

an event), passing caged tigers and camels (part of a circus camping nearby), etc.

Sue says that 'was good to see disabled people getting out and about, doing things that most of us take completely for granted.'



Mary Uzzell continues to raise funds for the new Cobalt Unit at Cheltenham Hospital. Mary came to Cherington when she married Bob, over 60 years ago. Bob had lived in the village for 80 years when he died not long ago. The rest of us are complete newcomers....

## Queen Matilda's Weekend

THANK YOU ALL who helped to make the Festival of Queen Matilda and Pig Face Day such fun and such a success!!

The display of Wedding Dresses was truly amazing ...and our thanks go to the many brides who lent us their dresses and photographs....and to Sarah Stone and her friends, Sandy and Clare, for being so brilliant in designing the display.

Thank you too, to the two Jims for the band, those who lent and put up the tents, the Bell Inn for manning the Bar, and Sid and Vere for the delicious Hog Roast, and all who dressed up and joined in the fun. Also thanks to all who worked to clear the Church and make the service so special.

Thank you, too, to Cassie Chesterman for the hugely popular 'Jester's Disco' which started off the Weekend's festivities wonderfully and gave the youngsters such a good time.

Also thanks to the Avening Parish Council who helped sponsor this unique Avening event.

*Rev Celia*

## **SCOTTISH DANCING**



Avening Social Club, 8-10pm  
£2 per session.

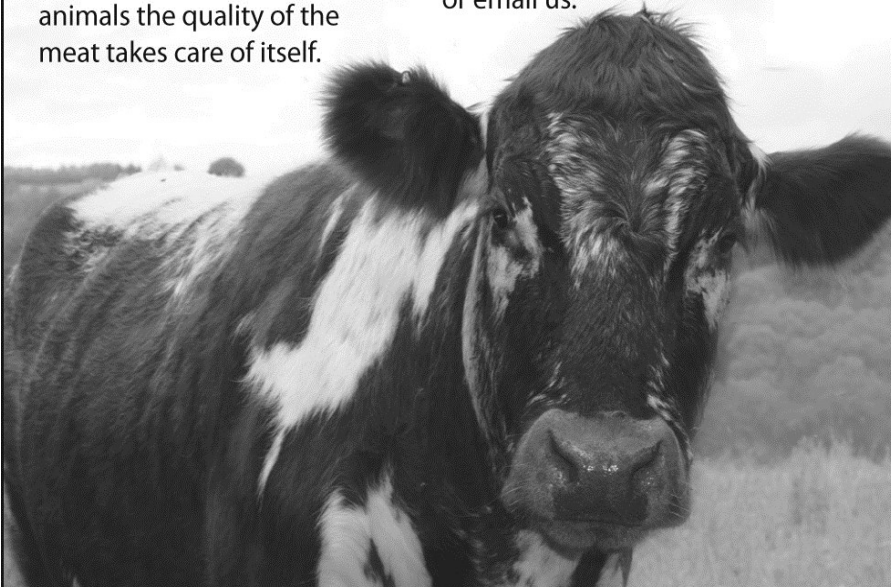
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# Matilda's Weekend Celebrations

Friday 10th September

## Jesters Disco

Celebrations started the weekend off with some wild dancing by the younger generations, evidenced by these rather grainy photos.

*(don't all good parties have grainy photos? - Ed)*

Although these don't show it, there was a great turnout, resulting in a fair few tired but happy children the next day....



# Matilda's Weekend Celebrations

Sunday 12th September

## Church Service, followed by Hog Roast







**Now, My Son, tell me all your (obviously numerous) problems....**



**Click in full swing. Click was largely responsible for organising this wonderful weekend event. THANK YOU CLICK!!**



# Matilda's Weekend Celebrations

Weekend of 11th & 12th September

## The Wedding Dress Exhibition

We were all stunned by the loveliness of the exhibition, largely created by Sarah Stone and two friends, Sandy & Clare, but with many other helpers. There were around 30 dresses on exhibition, along with various wedding photographs and memorabilia. Over 200 people came to this, with the church creating a superb backdrop to the whole event.

If you couldn't make it, here is just a small taster.....



*Rev Celia's mother's wedding dress from the 1920's (above)*



# Archive Corner



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# Avening Primary School

## INDIAN CULTURE BROUGHT TO LIFE

The culture of India was brought to life early on in the autumn term ... via a visit to Stroud! Years 1 to 6 pupils visited the Museum in the Park to take part in Kalamkari workshops.

The inspiration for the workshops is a fabulous exhibition of textiles from Southern India. The intricate hangings show scenes of rural life, animals and traditional stories. Three textile artists from Southern India, experts in the hand painted Kalamkari cloth of their home town Sri Kalahasti, gave the children an insight into the language, art and culture of their home. Each of the children had an opportunity to paint traditional designs onto a piece of cotton and then to watch as these were boiled to fix the dye.

In addition Gloucestershire-based award-winning children's author Jamila Gavin was there, telling Indian stories to the children.

The children were also able to appreciate the importance of textiles in the past in the Stroud area, finding out more about the old mills, the importance of the water supply and unusual manufacturing such as fabric for tennis balls and snooker tables!

Here are some of the children's views of what they saw and heard during their trip. Having an opportunity to try out the techniques really enabled the children to appreciate the skills involved.

**Olivia** said: *"The way they did the drawing was so detailed. It was amazing that they could do it with just a stick. I liked the main Gods who have blue faces and that was all in the pictures."*

**Oli** said: *"They used not like pens or crayons, they used a stick and cotton around it and you draw with it ... I didn't know that."*

**Elsie** was amazed by the source of some of the dyes: *"They used a beetle to make cochineal to make the scarlet colour."*

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**Tobi** said, “I put the red Army coat on made from Stroud wool felt. It made me stand up straight although I usually slouch.” He was very impressed by the opportunity to wear a red dress coat and to learn why British soldiers were referred to as the ‘red coats’.

**Ophelia** said: “It was really difficult to draw because lots of splats came out onto the fabric.”

**Lucy** explained: “I loved the signing with the Kalam pen – it was difficult when the dye went in big blobs ... easier when it went smoothly.”

**Lily** said: “I liked the stories as they were so interesting because they told me things I didn’t know. I like listening to Bible stories so I enjoyed those about other beliefs.”

**Jasmine** said: “It was amazing that it took a really long time to go through the process ... each colour is drawn one at a time and in between the cotton has to be washed, boiled and dried.”



**Ellie** explained: “The dye was a yellowy-orange but when they put it in the boiling water it went red or yellow.”

# Avening Youth Club

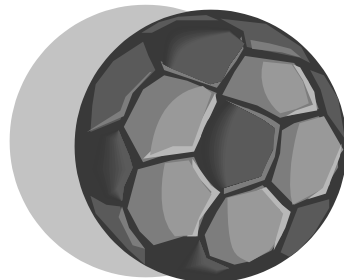
The Youth Club meets every Tuesday evening in the Memorial Hall. It has grown and grown to become firmly engrained in 8-15 year olds as the weekly event one simply cannot afford to miss.

Bella Winkfield writes: "At Youth Club we can play Nintendo Wii games and we do lots of fun games in the hall. We can take our bikes and scooters, listen to music and dance. One of the best things about it is the tuck shop where you can buy sweets and



crisps, some sweets are only 1p! Every week there is a different theme; from fencing to pasta shape pictures.

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*Cassie Chesterman  
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### Casserole

2 lb beef (stewing or braising) cut into 2" cubes  
1 lb chopped onions  
1 lb diced carrots  
1/2 lb diced swede  
1/2 lb diced parsnips  
1/2 lb diced celery  
3 tbsp plain flour  
2 tbsp tomato puree  
1oz butter and 2tbsp oil  
2 bay leaves and sprig of thyme  
1 tbsp balsamic vinegar (or similar)  
1 heaped tbsp red currant jelly (or similar)  
1/2 bottle red wine  
1 1/2 pints good beef stock  
1 level tsp salt and good grind of pepper

### To make the Casserole

Mix flour and salt & pepper together and coat the beef.

Heat the oil and butter in large frying pan until foaming, then brown the beef on all sides. Do not overcrowd the pan, so cook in batches and remove to large casserole dish. Add onions to pan and brown lightly. Add rest of the flour, tomato puree, balsamic vinegar, jelly, red wine and stock, making sure all brown bits are scraped into the mix. Put the vegetables and herbs into the casserole. Pour over the stock, mix, cover and cook in oven for 2 1/2 hours at 180 degrees C .

### To make the Dumplings

Mix flour, seasoning and suet in a bowl. Add the parsley and horseradish and mix with enough milk (approx. 1/4 pt) to make a sticky dough. Divide into dumpling size pieces, roll in flour and add to the casserole (may need to add a little more stock). Cover and cook for a further 20 mins.

Serve with cheddar/horseradish/garlic mash.

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### Dumplings

6 oz suet  
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# Cherington Parish Council

## New Planning Applications/Decisions – September 2010

10/03326/FUL	Grove Farm, Cherington, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8 8SH, <b>Proposal:</b> Creation of conservation and wildlife lake (Reduction in scale of lake permitted by 09/01873/FUL)
10/01641/FUL	Lane From A433 To Cherington, Cherington, Gloucestershire <b>Proposal:</b> Retention of sixteen timber telegraph poles and replacement of one existing telegraph pole (Retrospective) <b>Decision:</b> Application Refused

Plans can be seen on [www.cotswold.gov.uk](http://www.cotswold.gov.uk) go to weekly planning list.

Cherington Parish Council is pleased to have co-opted Mr Henry Arden of Coxes Farm onto the Parish Council. It was a difficult decision for the Councillors as three candidates had shown interest in the vacancy .

The Parish Council is pleased that the CDC Planning Committee agreed with their objections to the proposed retention of the BT poles, it has been a lengthy process to reach this outcome. New technology is and will be required but underground wires especially where existing is desirable in a AONB.

They would also like to thank everyone who supported the removal of the poles and especially Mrs Liz Workman who attended the CDC meeting on Cherington Parish Council's behalf.

The next Parish Council meeting in the Village Hall on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2010 at 6.30pm all residents welcome to attend.


**Sue Russell**  
**Clerk to Cherington Parish Council**

*After objections from Cherington Parish Council, this row of timber telegraph poles, for which no planning permission had been applied, will now have to come down.*



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# Avening Parish Council

## New Planning Applications/Decisions –September 2010

<u>10/03478/FUL</u>	79 The Sunground, Avening, GL8 8NW <b>Proposal:</b> Amendment to planning application and permission 10/01304/Ful to include a staircase and window to side The Parish Council had no objections to the application.
<u>10/03612/FUL</u>	14 Sandford Leaze, Avening, GL8 8PB <b>Proposal:</b> Erection of single storey extension to lower ground floor to rear, with part two storey to extend the ground floor, creation of balcony at ground floor level at rear, installation of 3 new dormer windows to front and 2 new dormer windows to rear, together with other external alterations. The Parish Council had no objections to the application.
<u>10/03650/FUL</u>	Little Fields, Cherington Lane, GL8 8SE <b>Proposal:</b> Erection of a summer house and plant room The Parish Council had no objections to the application.

<u>10/02031/FUL</u>	Ayres Cottage, 41 High Street, Avening, GL8 8NF <b>Proposal:</b> Erection of single storey rear conservatory Date decided: 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2010 Decision: Application Permit
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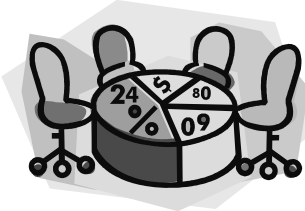
## Presentation



Cllr Jim Parson's was presented with a carriage clock and pen at September's Parish Council meeting in appreciation of his work as Chairman of the Parish Council. Cllr Parsons stood down as Chairman of the Council in May, but remains an active member of the Council.

## Avening Forum

Calling all business owners/self employed in Avening parish. The Parish Council is starting a forum for Avening, the first meeting will be for business owners on **Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> November 2010 at**



**7.30pm at the Social Club.** We plan

to have a presentation from Businesslink and discussion about how local businesses can work together to improve their situation

and how the Council can help encourage local businesses.



## BT Telephone Kiosk Adoption



The Parish Council has now adopted the two telephone boxes at High Street and Nag's Head. The boxes are in need of a repaint. **If you are a painter/decorator and would like to submit an estimate/quote for the works please contact the Parish Clerk for details.** The Parish

Council aim to award the contract in their October

meeting.



## Emergency Plan

The parish council is creating an emergency plan for the village. The emergency plan will help lessen the impact if an emergency occurs in the village. We have set up a group who will carry out

certain jobs to help the emergency services manage the emergency.

If you have some expertise or are just prepared to lend a hand in an emergency please contact the parish clerk. We are looking for doctors/nurses, people with first aid training and vets/vet nurses. Tree surgeons, those with 4x4 driving skills. People with access to tractors, trailers and generators. People with spare rooms who might be prepared to take someone in, spare blankets etc. People who might be able to look after pets for a short while.



The Parish Council will hold a list of volunteers that the group can contact in an emergency. We hope the day never comes where our volunteers might be needed. But in local communities the plans are already having the

effect of helping people to get life back to normal as quickly as possible after an emergency.

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If your tree is subject to a tree preservation order permission will be required from CDC. Please see [www.cotswold.gov.uk](http://www.cotswold.gov.uk) for more information.

Branches and hedges causing a hazard/obstruction can be reported to the County Council who will visit the site and issue notices requiring the work to be carried out.

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The next meeting of the Meeting of Avening Parish Council will be held on Thursday, 21<sup>st</sup> October 2010 and then Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> November 2010, at 7.30pm, in the Memorial Hall. All Welcome.

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## **FOR AVENING PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish of Avening.

### ***INTRODUCTION***

There were 4 substantiated crimes between 1st July and 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2010, this compares to 3 for the same period of 2009.

The Year to date 1<sup>st</sup> Apr 2010 to 31st Aug 2010 stands at a total of 15 Crimes compared to 8 at the same point in the previous year.

### ***SUMMARY***

The figures for the past two months have been reasonably consistent when compared to last year.

3 incidents that we require help with are –

Theft from a shed at the Holy Cross Church, where an unknown person/s have removed the padlock and stolen a Lawn mower. This took place between 1900 22/06/10 and 1200 25/06/10.

Theft from a driveway in The Sunground where an unknown offender has stolen an Ivory coloured Avondale caravan with the registration plate L831 WBP. Offence took place between 2230 13/08/10 and 0750 14/08/10

Burglary at the Cross Inn, unknown person/s have gained entry probably through a ground floor window and stolen items. Between 2359 05/09/10 and 0700 06/09/10

If any resident has information as to who may have carried out these incidents then please contact the local Police or Crime Stoppers on 0800 555 111

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To find out more about this service, please contact the Gloucestershire Stroke Association Stroke Club Coordinator, Caroline Seguro.

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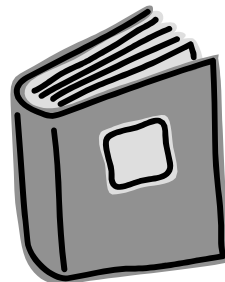


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Date	Event	Place	Time
Monday 4th October	Avening PCC meeting	Holy Cross Church Avening	7.30pm
Friday 8th October	Avening Primary School Open Morning	Avening Primary School	9.15am—12.00noon
Saturday 9th - Sunday 10th October	Avening Art Group Art Exhibition	Avening Memorial Hall	All weekend
Thursday 14th October	WI Birthday party	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Thursday 21st October	Avening Parish Council meeting	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Friday 22nd October	School breaks up for half term	Avening Primary School	
Monday 25th October	Cherington Parish Council meeting	Cherington Village Hall	6.30pm
Saturday 30th October	Cherington Village Hall coffee morning and bring & buy	Cherington Village Hall	10.00am - 12.00noon
Tuesday 2nd November	Pub Quiz Night	The Cross Inn	7.45pm
Wednesday 3rd November	School resumes after half term	Avening Primary School	
Wednesday 10th November	Avening forum Meeting for local businesses/ self-employed	Avening Social Club	7.30pm
Saturday 13th November	Memorial Exhibition	Avening Memorial Hall	All day
Tuesday 16th November	Pub Quiz Night	The Cross Inn	7.45pm
Tuesday 20th November	Maud's Coffee Morning	Avening Memorial Hall	10.00am - 12.00noon

## *Useful Telephone Numbers*

Avening Parish Council Clerk	Deborah Cook	01285 656139
Cherington Parish Council	Sue Russell	01666 503370
Cotswold District Councillor	Jim Parsons	01453 836596
Avening Sunday School	Debbie Brown	01453 835983
Avening Tower Captain	David Govier	01453 882914
Avening Primary School	Diana Boulton	01453 833191
Avening Playgroup	Debbie Brown	01453 832695 Home 835983
Avening Village Agent	Carolynn Dent	0781 0630156
Avening Youth Club	Cassie Chesterman	01453 834182
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Friends of Avening School	Katie Turner	01453 832556
Cherington Village Hall	Beryl Milsom	01285 841248
Avening Memorial Hall		07583 073604
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Avening Group Oil Coordinator	Frances Lindley	01453 835115
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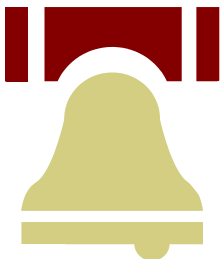
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