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The celebrations of Her Majesty's 90th birthday continue this month with the Avening Tea Party on 5th June and then on the 12th Cherington have a HOG ROAST lunch, (details from kategegg@hotmail.co.uk). Also on the 12th the ducks race back to Avening for the annual Church Fete. As always, don't forget to take your camera. We would love some of your photographs to put in future editions of the Villager.

As the football season has now ended, our thanks to Elsie for her reports about Forrest Green Rovers, which helped to make her runner-up in the ambassador of the year competition. Congratulations Elsie! Do we have any budding young reporters, who would like to send in reports on local clubs or summer sports?

Are you, or do you know someone in Cherington or Avening, who is 90 in 2016 ? If so, we would love to hear from you, as we thought it would be very interesting to write a piece, comparing those other lives to that of her Majesty the Queen. Please contact :- kategegg@hotmail.co.uk (or the editors, if you prefer) 01453834805

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Many thanks to Tony Slater 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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... a date for your diary ...

CHERINGTON SHOW

Sunday 24th July 2016

Starting 2.00 pm

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stalls, kids' games, traditional crafts, flower arranging competitions, vegetable and handicrafts too, cookery, photography, art, raffle, teas and homemade cakes, Avening Silver Band, Morris Dancers ...

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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
Flamenco Dancing	Monday (excluding school and bank holidays)	7.00 - 8.00pm	Memorial Hall	Lina Wirths 07417451815
Cherington PC	4th Tuesday Bi-monthly	6.30pm	Village Hall	Frances 01453767384
Youth Club	Tuesday	6.15 - 7.45pm	Memorial Hall	Cassie 01453 834182
Bell Ringing	Tuesday	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Church Bell Tower	Steve 07807 700004
Line Dancing	Tuesday	7.45 - 10.30pm	Social Club	Mel 01453 833760
Baby and Toddler Group	Wednesday	1.30 - 3.00pm	Avening Playgroup	01453 625983
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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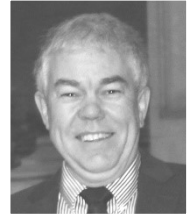
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Avening Bell Tower Captain	Steve Uzzell	07807 700004
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Cherington Church Flower Team	Elizabeth Workman	01285 841294
Cherington Church Organist	Elizabeth Workman	01285 841294
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Tetbury Hospital		01666 502336
Women's Institute	Gwyneth Simpson	01453 836556

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Letter From Avening Parish Council Leader



Having had time to reflect on the Annual Parish Meeting, I can confirm that I am still very disappointed. Not with the councillors, organisations, choir, and the (few) villagers who came along, but I am disappointed that another village event was poorly attended.

My first thought was to use this column to have a whinge and a moan that around 975 people (plus 3 or 4 key organisations) didn't want to use a great opportunity to find out what is going on in their village, and exchange views and ideas to make Avening even better. But then I remembered how counterproductive that can be, and instead decided to have a good long look at WHY very few came. I can't continue to ask my stalwarts to give up their time and energy in organising and attending these events, if it is not what the village wants. Times change, and the way we do things may also need to change, so between now and next May I will be asking my councillors to come up with new ideas to engage as many people as possible, and try to get some momentum on progress. Since last year, we have a new hall committee; a new playing field committee; new audio visual equipment in the hall... to name a few. How is the playgroup doing? What's happening at the school? What about the dreadful state of the roads? As you can see, there is a lot happening, but I need your help – how would YOU like to find out what's going on? It may not be one size fits all, or even a single public event, but do pass on your ideas on what you would like to see.

Later this month we all have a very important, once in a generation decision to make – to quote the Stranglers, should we stay or should we go?

On the one hand, the EU could be considered a purely political project, by politicians, for the enrichment of politicians, to create an anti-democratic, corrupt European super state. On the other hand, nobody really knows what will happen if we leave – the economy could implode, leading to years of turmoil and uncertainty. Tough choice – but please do use your vote!

***Tony Slater, Chairman,
Avening Parish Council***

Letter from the Revs. Maslen

NOT quite a case of 'deja vu' because we know full well we have been here before! And, what is more, we very much look forward to being here again, and thank you all, and Poppy Hughes, for the privilege of joining regularly in church life and its central place in Avening, Cherington, and Nags Head. It is sometimes said the second time round is often the best. So we expect the best is yet to come. Ever the optimists!

What God wants of any of us is not always easy to see at once, but in this case we had no trouble. We are very happy to help out, not just “again”, but because it seems so right at this time. Just as if the Master says “You never know what I have in mind, do you?” We are not so presumptuous as to believe we know how God thinks, but He certainly knows just how we tick. We are very glad to be back on a more regular basis.

We know of such lovely people in the villages, so we also look forward to offering pastoral care if it is needed. Never be afraid to ask if there is anything we can do. So far as the liturgy is concerned, well we may be old (ish) but we are not old-fashioned. Nor, we know, are the church communities we are so glad to help.

There is a great feeling hereabouts, of hope and confidence in the future. We share with you much Christian hope and great personal confidence in the gospel mission entrusted to us all.

Richard and Margaret Maslen

Anna Lewis of Cherington

Anna Lewis of Yew Tree House, Cherington, died on April 23rd and her private funeral was at Cheltenham Crematorium on May 13th.

Simon, her son, is arranging a memorial service at St Nicholas' Church, Cherington on Friday, June 24th at 11am.

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Hog Roast, Coxes Farm

Tickets: £10 (Children over 5 years £2.50)

RSVP:- kategegg@hotmail.co.uk

Please book early for catering purposes.

Avening Bear Hunt

Saturday 18 June - 1pm - 5pm



We're going on a bear hunt...join us on an adventure around Avening to spot some amazing bears...we're not scared!

Avening school and villagers will put on an amazing display of bears around the village for you and your family to find. Among the bear folk we expect you to find Bear Grylls, Teddy Wogan, Bearak Obama, Beary Manilow, Duke of Edinbear, Star Paws, The Three Bears, and many, many more.

Maps will be available from school leading up to the event and tea and amazing cakes will be on sale in the school garden throughout the afternoon, along with a teddy bears picnic.

Please speak to a member of FOAS or contact us at [facebook.com/friendsofaveningschool](https://www.facebook.com/friendsofaveningschool) if you would like to host a bear in your garden!



Village People

SHE'S LEAVING !

Beryl Milsom: Cherington Resident for 59 Years



Beryl, who has lived for so long in Cherington, is now to move into Cirencester which is wonderful for her, starting a new chapter, but she will be very sadly missed not only as an individual, but as someone who has done so much for the village. She came here aged 24 years from Ashley, another nearby village, on her marriage to Monty, who worked on a Cherington Farm

So what are her memories of the village then ? Her overall comment was that it was noisy and busy!

Children playing on the green, sounds of farming, sounds of children at the school, deliveries to the village once or twice a week by a butcher, fishmonger, grocer, greengrocer and baker. Few cars, and horses and bicycles. Water and electricity coming later, 1954 for electricity and in the 60s for water to all the houses. The vegetable garden was an essential part of life, now replaced in the main with lawns and flowers. Most of the men came home for lunch, which was the main meal of the day. And life revolved around the farming calendar.

Beryl had started her training to be a pharmacist but gave this up as many women did to marry and raise her family. As a farmer's wife she helped delivering eggs, pulling wild outs and many other tasks, as well as raising her two sons, Kim and Alan. The whole family were involved, as many families were, with a love of the countryside, shooting, fishing, and village cricket.

But Beryl's legacy will be her work in the village - those many, many hours she gave supporting the Church and the Village Hall. So where do we start with all she has done?

She is a great needlewoman, frequently winning the Handicrafts Cup at the Cherington Show and it is her needlework skills that embellished one of the altar cloths and other hangings in the Church, which she made with Liz Workman.

She plays the organ, which she started in 1989 when the current organist Liz was on extended leave and since then substitutes here and in other churches when needed.

As Sacristan, she supports the Church Wardens in getting the Church ready for services, getting those much needed heaters on so the congregation do not freeze, washing the altar cloths, doing the reading rota where she tries to encourage and include as many people as possible to read at all the festivals. Not many people feel they can say no to Beryl. She was a Church Warden herself for six years.

She is one of the Trustees of the Village Hall and with the other Trustees, Hilary and Wendy, the Hall is always ready for use.

Many of you will too have been persuaded to buy one of her bi-annual quiz sheets to raise money for the Village Hall. Questions are usually about wild life, gardening and literature and they are not easy – but you know that at the end of it your knowledge has increased or - your use of Google!

Liz Workman and Beryl worked together to produce the Cherington Millennium Book. This is a book recounting the history of the village with wonderful photographs and stories. Liz told me that Beryl's family contributed so much in memories and photos. She also said "It was a pleasure and revelation to work with Beryl, she was so enthusiastic, and so diligent in doing the research which fired my enthusiasm."

Beryl is really looking forward to her move but she has some sadness at leaving the village and friends.

When I asked her about her favourite place she mentioned a few but said but there are always new places to see. When I asked her about her favourite piece of music she said "I have lots but then I hear a new piece on the radio and love that." Her favourite book - well, probably the one she read yesterday! As she said, there are always new things to see and do. She said she was someone whose cup was half full, always positive.

No Beryl - I think your cup is at least three quarters full!

We shall miss your energy and vitality, your enthusiasm, your laugh and your lovely singing voice, but we wish you well in your new life.

Kate Gegg



Avening School

Avening's Own Olympic Champions!

Summer term is well and truly in full swing now and as usual the school is a hive of activity – of Olympic proportions - inside and out!

We have been making the most of our school garden in this good weather with our school gardening club keeping on top of the pruning and planting; our forest school sessions producing all sorts of wonderful works of nature art to make the garden look creative and fresh; and new equipment such as the much

anticipated 'mud kitchen' making the garden a fun place to be during playtimes. Last month, we also used this wonderful space as our backdrop for our whole school photograph.



Sports mania has also hit our school with the whole school involved in a variety of sporting activities. Our Avening sports superstars have made two amazing sporting achievements over the past month. Our tag rugby team came a brilliant first place in a Cirencester schools tournament and our Avening tennis stars followed their success by winning first place a couple of weeks later in a tournament held at SWR! An amazing achievement



for a small school and huge congratulations to our talented sport-stars! Go team Avening!

Still on a sporting note, we are looking forward to welcoming David Abrutat, the Great British Olympic hand cyclist, to our school to inspire the children to be active and to try their best in everything they do. David is the winner of 5 gold medals at the National Veterans' Wheelchair Games and in 2005 achieved the World 1-hour cycle track record – what a privilege to meet him in person! David is going to be leading fitness sessions for each of the classes, as part of the Sports for Schools initiative.

Last month our Year 2 and Year 6 children worked incredibly hard during their SATS weeks. Our Year 6s took subordinating and relative clauses, prepositions and modal verbs, the subjunctive form, various tense types, adverbs and adjectives, semi-colons and inverted commas, conjunctions and antonyms all in their stride! Our Year 2s performed with similar resilience and we are proud of all of the children's perseverance and determination.

During this final half term of the school year, the trips and opportunities continue in abundance. Our Y2 pupils will get the chance to experience school swimming lessons ahead of next year's sessions with a special one off session this month with Years 3 and 4. The Hawks (y3/4) are particularly excited about participating in 'Quadkids', a sporting event taking place at Kingshill School. Not only will they be the athletes, in the form of the Avening Strikers and Avening Avengers, we have a leadership team responsible for helping to organise the event, a media team responsible for statistics and reporting, and a coaching team. The Hawks will also be visiting the Cheltenham Science Festival in June.

This month, our Owls class (Years 5 and 6) have their residential trip to Minehead Adventure Centre where they will take part in activities such as archery, high rope climbing and buggy riding. Meanwhile, the rest of the school will be preparing for our annual musical soiree at the end of term, an Olympic-themed enrichment week and school sports day.

An action-packed diary as usual!

For further information about our happy, busy place of learning, please see our school website www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk or contact our school office 01453 833191.

Alex Adcock



Friends of Avening School

Thank you to everyone who attended The Grey Earls Concert last month. The event not only raised much-needed funds for the school but was also a really enjoyable evening. Much fun was had by all.

In recent months, FOAS have been able to fund the cost of coaches for the KS1 trip to SS Great Britain, the Hawks trip to the Cheltenham Science Festival and the Mayan day activities for the Owls class before Easter. With your help and support we can continue to fund these trips which enrich the children's learning and give them unforgettable experiences.

SAVE THE DATE – SATURDAY 18th JUNE - THE AVENING BEAR HUNT!

On Saturday 18th June, FOAS will be hosting a bear hunt around the village. There will be 25 bears to find and identify and teas, coffees, cakes and refreshments served in the village hall and school garden as well as face painting and a bouncy castle. 1 – 5pm. Maps will be available to buy from the village hall on the day. For further details on this event or if you would be willing to bake a cake for the bear hunt, please contact the school office.



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Tetbury Hospital 2016 House-to-House Collection

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This year the Friends are aiming to raise £15,000 to buy a fluid management system to assist the theatre team during gynaecological procedures as well as a portable ECG 24 hour recording device for heart patients.

Although the Friends have a loyal band of collectors who have helped over many years, they always need new volunteers. So, if you would like to help your local hospital by collecting in your own or in a neighbouring street or village - contact John McGrath at jbmcgrath99@gmail.com or telephone 01249 721 589.

Tetbury Hospital Trust is a charity established in 1991 which receives payment from the NHS for patient treatments though not for new or replacement equipment. The Hospital's survival depends on local fund-raising and the generosity of local people. In addition, local people donate money through their wills and over recent years income from legacies has grown.

Since the recent NHS re-organisation, the Hospital serves both Gloucestershire and Wiltshire with more than 20 consultants from both counties holding regular clinics there.



Thanks to the support of Tetbury Town Council, from 6 April, local charity Citizens Advice Cotswold District will be providing advice from the Town Council offices on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 -12.

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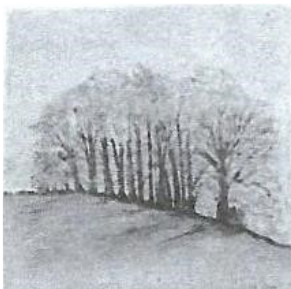
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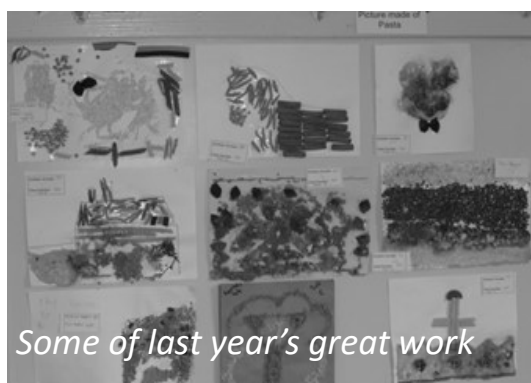
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Having Fun Making Things: A Workshop for Children

16th July 2016: 2pm – 4pm: Cherington Village Hall



Children love making things and also have a wonderful sense of achievement when they see what they have made. Cherington Show has for over 70 years had a section in its flower, vegetable, and craft show for children's work – in fact over 20 competitions are for children only. We love seeing how creative they are and each year we try and change the competitions to make them more interesting. But we also

know how busy life is at school and at home so we thought we would run again our craft workshop on Saturday 16th July in Cherington Village Hall for children to come along and make some of these items which will then be entered into the Cherington Show on the 24th July 2016.

Age Group :- 5years to 11 yrs (but definitely yes to under 5's if accompanied by an adult). All materials are provided. There will be a very small cost to cover refreshments and materials of £2.00.

Call Christine Williams on 01285 841337 or e-mail Kate at kateegg@hotmail.co.uk. Workshop is open to all children, not just children from Cherington.

In our horticultural section we have a section for our young gardeners too ! We know that children love growing things We can mail you a competition schedule – that misshapen vegetable, sunflower head and more. We would love to have more entries.



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Avening W.I.

Our walk entitled Bulrushes to Bow Wow was at last on a beautiful sunny day. Setting off from the Gateway Information Centre we walked part of the towpath of the Thames and Severn Canal into South Cerney and then between the river and the mill race along the strangely named but beautiful lane called Bow Wow returning via some of the lakes to have lunch outside at the Gateway Centre.

Since then we have taken a longer walk from Avening to Tiltups through the fields lunching at the pub there. Heavy rain was threatened but the heavens smiled on us that day and it stayed dry.

The annual Group meeting is hosted by Tetbury this year and the speaker will be Philip Serrell, well known on various antiques T.V. shows. The competitions will demonstrate skills in flower arranging, painting photography needlework and craft. The group entry is 'An afternoon tea for the Queen' so we are getting a team together to work on that.

Our speaker this month was Melissa Ravenhill from the Woefulane Dairy talking about cheese making. Woefulane Farm is an organic enterprise with 80 dairy shorthorn cows and all the milk, yoghurt cream butter and cheese which she and her husband make is sold locally. She brought samples of four very different types of cheeses made at the dairy for us to try. We tried to make some butter during the evening but it was too warm in the hall for the cream to work despite vigorous shaking by all the members in turn!

The speaker at our next meeting will be Liz Allen on the subject of aromatherapy in the home.

Our next skittles round is against Newent Lakeside W.I. which will be held in Haresfield. We have not met their team before.

The coach for our day trip to Dyffryn Gardens near Cardiff on 23rd June is filling up but there are a few spaces left. If you would like to join us please telephone Sue Osborne on 01453 839327. The cost is £15 for the coach. As Dyffryn is a National Trust property members are admitted free otherwise it is £6.50 .

Visitors are always welcome to attend our meetings held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall.

Gwyneth Simpson

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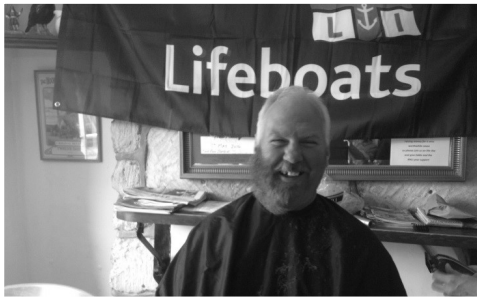
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By donation and pledges around the village Eddie has raised in excess of £1000-00 with some small amounts yet to arrive. Supported by the RNLI who sent tee shirts and a flag, plus badges a fun time was had on bank holiday Monday when his beard was shaved off in stages.

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I also try to go to most of the Avening monthly Lunch Clubs at the Social Club (which I can thoroughly recommend!) as well as having a 'surgery' at Tetbury Council offices twice a month and once a month at the Trap House (Council office), Minchinhampton, also at the Library, Nailsworth, usually the 1st Monday of each month between 2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.

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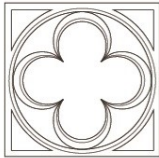
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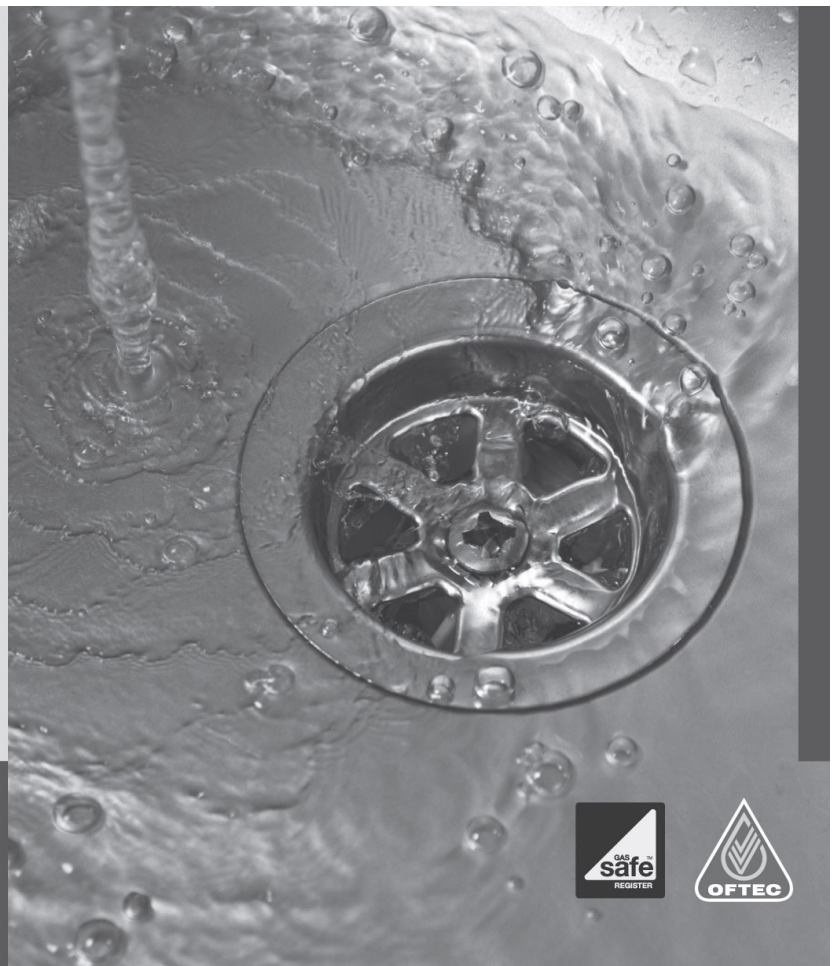
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Elsie's FGR Experience

On Sunday the 15th of May, OVER 4000 Forest Green Rover fans came along to watch FGR play against Grimsby in the play-off finals at Wembley. The winner would then get promoted to League 2 along with Cheltenham; who automatically went through as they won the league.

My family and I got to Wembley early and had a look around the area, but as we were exploring all we could see were Grimsby supporters who were everywhere. They must have had a pretty long journey to Wembley to see their team. However, we knew that Grimsby would play their best as this was their 4th time in a play-off final so they knew the ground well. FGR had recently made their youth team coach, Scott Bartlett, the caretaker manager, who has been coaching the team for the last couple of games for FGR. Even though Grimsby were the favourites to win, we still tried our best not to make it easy for them.



It was a hard fought first half and just on half time Grimsby scored a lucky goal from a deflection which upset the way FGR played. Grimsby were clever and used this to their advantage and immediately scored another lucky goal after our goalkeeper dropped the ball. So far things weren't going to plan! Second half and Grimsby got a little bit worried when Keanu Marsh-Brown scored a brilliant goal right into the

top corner of the net, easily the best goal of the game. We were all up on our feet cheering as loud as we could which also kept the Grimsby fans quiet.

After that, we had another couple of shots which could have put us level but unfortunately we couldn't finish them off, meaning that the score was still 2-1.

It was nearing the end of the game when Grimsby had to be really cruel and score another goal, again, another lucky goal. My head was in my hands as I realised that League 2 was not in our reach, but I wasn't annoyed or disappointed. Little old FGR went to Wembley, scored at Wembley, and scored the best goal of the game. That's something to be proud of. The players did amazingly well and tried their best and you can't really ask for much more.

In the end the score was 3-1 meaning that we will still remain in the National League. But there are still high hopes to beat our record season next year and

win the league to get automatic promotion or to play again at Wembley Stadium in next season's play-off final.

So, Grimsby and Cheltenham are going through into league 2 but that means 2 teams from league 2 have to be relegated and those teams are: Dagenham & Redbridge and York. They will be joining us next season in the National League.

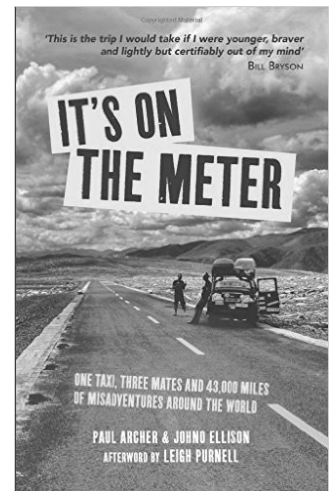
Look forward to next season, and I'll see you there!

COME ON YOU ROVERS!!!!!!

Elsie

WELL DONE ELSIE on being chosen as runner up ambassador of the year we look forward to your reports in the next football season. Ed's

Do you remember Hannah the taxi and her 43,000 mile Guinness record-breaking journey around the world? Ever wondered about the adventures the three guys driving her - including Avening lad Paul Archer- got up to on their travels? Now you can read all about the people they met, the hilarious and often hair-raising scrapes they got into and some of the amazing people they met on the way.



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Down to Earth

Sometimes, a garden will attain an almost magical aura on account of its setting and the knowledge that the creator was of a single-minded, indomitable, not to say, obstinate spirit, whose presence is still felt in the choice and positioning of



Abbey Dore Court

fine plants. Such a garden is Abbey Dore Court, situated at the southern end of the Golden Valley in Herefordshire. The Court is an eighteenth century coaching inn, adjacent to the priory ruins, with a Victorian wing. It was bought in 1967 by Charis Ward, who created gardens in the six acres, while the house itself fell into a state of dilapidation. Sadly, Charis died in January of this year, but the garden is being maintained and kept open

by her daughter and grandchildren. This is not a manicured garden, but the array of good plants is inspirational. I particularly liked the use of a variety of euphorbias in the walled garden. Peonies are another speciality.

We visited Abbey Dore on a sunny May morning on our way to Llanthony Priory. Everyone must have a favourite place and this is mine. Not so much a garden as a landscape. The estate was once owned by the nineteenth century writer, Walter Savage Landor, and the ruins, now owned by our friends, the neighbouring farmers, were painted by J. W.M Turner. It never was part of a landscape garden, but so easily might have been. The ruins and the dramatically twisted church of Cwmyoy nearby, (twisted, it is said, by a landslide. Enter – and you feel slightly sea-sick.) would have been objects of desire to the eighteenth century landscape gardeners who sought 'eye-catchers' to enhance their landscapes. Oh, and there is a little bar and hotel, once the prior's house, hidden in the corner of the ruins. Perfect.



Llanthony Priory Ruins

Back in our garden, plants and weeds are growing apace. I have just performed the 'Chelsea chop' on a couple of plants. Am I giving in and following fashion? Would I ever? No, these plants were being moved (sigh ...yet again) to a better place (for me – and I hope for them, too). If you are digging up and relocating a plant in full leaf, it is often advisable to remove a third to a half of its top-growth. Think of the roots as drinking straws. Damage or reduce these in number and the plant will struggle to quench its thirst, look at you miserably and, if you're

unlucky, pass away to that garden in the sky. To have fewer leaves means less water loss through transpiration and fewer shoots and leaves requiring a drink.

For the dedicated followers of fashion, on the other hand, the 'Chelsea chop' is performed on herbaceous perennials in late May (around the time of the flower show). The cut removes the waving and ready-to-flower buds and encourages the later production of a second flush, on shorter stems. This is particularly useful (though I can't say I've ever done it) if you fear there will be nothing in flower for your garden party in mid-August, for example.

I wouldn't call myself a plantswoman (knowledge far too sketchy and unreliable) but once in a while I like to buy something weird and wonderful. My *Doronicum peltata* (look it up!) flowered for the first time this year. The flowers appear first. Describing them calls to mind that wonderful poem, *Welsh Incident*, by Robert Graves, where the poet/narrator cannot quite formalise a description. Then follow the umbrella-like leaves. You expect Jeremy Fisher to be seated on one, rod in hand.



Doronicum

The other unusual plant which I added to my collection recently is the *dodecatheon*. Also referred to as the American cowslip and belonging to the primrose family, this is such a pretty thing, with delicate, reflexed magenta flowers that dance above the foliage.

Now, I hope all you keen Avening (Cherington and Nag's Head) gardeners are preparing some plants for the plant stall at the summer fête. Think of it as sharing what you have and simultaneously contributing to the success of the event. If you wish me to collect on the day before, ring me on 835820. Otherwise, bring it on Sunday morning to where we shall be setting up the stalls.

Marilyn Jones

Tony's Quiz Night at the Bell, Avening

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Avening Playgroup

We are very excited at playgroup to have received an Active Together Grant to enable us to buy some storage and new equipment for our outside area. It should have arrived by the time you read this. We are planning to spend the morning of Saturday 25th June putting the items together and doing some painting outside. If you are able to help we shall be there from 10 o'clock.

Avening Playgroup is a small playgroup and charity which needs a committee of willing volunteers who support the staff who teach and care for our lovely children. Over the 40 years the playgroup has been in Avening the playgroup has been lucky to have had support from a lot of parents and villagers.

We are always looking for new members, do come along at our next meeting at 7pm on Wednesday 8th June at the playgroup if you would like to find out more. We are particularly looking for a treasurer at the moment. This role would suit someone who has accounting experience and who is able to donate two or three hours each week to helping us.

This month in addition to our lovely committee, I would like to thank Stephen Uzzell for continuing to cut our grass, Andrea Glover for singing with the children and Derek and Tobi who have dug over our vegetable patch ready for the children to plant some vegetables.

If you would like your child to join our playgroup or would like to find out more about the committee you can phone playgroup any week day morning on 01453 832695.

Debbie Brown

AVENING PLAYGROUP WORKING PARTY

Saturday June 25th 10am onwards

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Avening Youth Club

Avening Youth Club is a vibrant friendly group who meet every Tuesday evening during the school term between 18.15 and 19.45 at the Avening Memorial Hall.

The Youth Club welcomes young people aged between 8 and 14 and offers instructive fun and lively activities presented to them by a trained and caring group of instructors. It is led by Cassie Vickery who has been the stalwart of Avening Youth Club for many years and assisted by Simon Sveder-Cain on most Tuesdays, who provides fun and fitness sessions.

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Cinema Club

The film to be shown on Wednesday June 15th at 7.30pm at the Social Club,
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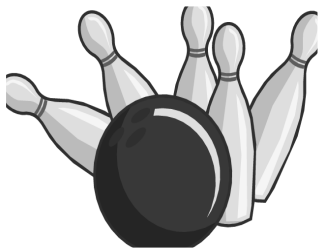
In 1950s Australia, beautiful, talented dressmaker Tilly returns to her tiny hometown to right wrongs from her past. As she tries to reconcile with her mother, she starts to fall in love while transforming the fashion of the town.



on Fri 15th July; The film will be Eddie the Eagle

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Cherington Parish Council

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Visit www.cotswold.gov.uk and go to 'planning' section for more information

Broadband Update

Cllr Kate Gegg has registered with Fastershire, BT's broadband update provider, who has offered to visit Cherington and discuss broadband needs for the parish.

Cotswold District Council has a £1million fund to boost faster broadband coverage across the district and aims to ensure everyone has access to faster broadband by 2018.

Queen's 90th Birthday – Summer Event – June 12^h 2016 - lunchtime

Cherington Parish Council discussed ideas at the Annual Council Meeting in May for an event to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday, based on feedback from the Annual Parish meeting held in April. It was decided that an celebratory event would take place on Sunday June 12th at lunchtime. Look out for details!

Goodbye Beryl – Cherington won't be the same without you!

The Parish Council is very sad to say goodbye to Beryl Milsom who has lived in the parish for many decades and has been very much involved in the life of the village, a member of the village hall committee, responsible for hall bookings and is also the church organist. We wish her well as she heads off to pastures new in nearby Tetbury and hope she will come back to visit Cherington when she can.

Parish Council meetings: The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday July 12th 2016 at 6.00pm** in the Village Hall. Future meeting dates for parish council meetings: Tuesdays September 13th and November 8th at 6pm – Village Hall. All residents of the Parish are welcome to attend parish meetings. There's 15 minutes of public time at the start of each meeting where you can bring up any issues. If you have any concerns, issues, queries or comments you would like to make relating to the Parish then please don't hesitate to contact the Parish Clerk – Frances Ashfield on 01453 767384 or via email at cheringtonparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk



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AVENING MEMORIAL HALL - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday, 20 June 2016 at 7.30 pm

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ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING

Avening Angels opened a very successful Village meeting on 7 May that was well supported by residents. Cllr Tony Hicks gave a brief report from Gloucestershire County Council; Cllr Jim Parsons reported from Cotswold District Council, John Collinson, the Parish Council's Project Manager, reported on current projects; and Cllr David Bendall reported on the progress to provide a Village Shop.

Cassie Vickery and representatives from the Youth Club demonstrated the new equipment in the Hall while Gwyneth Simpson and Bridget Seward provided refreshments.

The outgoing Clerk, Caroline Braidwood, was presented with a bouquet and voucher.

NEW CLERK to the PARISH COUNCIL

Sue Bryant, our new Clerk to the Parish Council can be contacted:

parishclerk@avening-pc.gov.uk and by phone on 01452 770792 or 07866 297098

VILLAGER of the YEAR

Riley Vincent was announced as **VILLAGER OF THE YEAR 2016** in recognition of all he has done for the Village.

AVENING PLAYING FIELD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

At the AGM on Thursday, 28 April the following Officers were elected:

Steven Harris (Chairman), Matt Withington (Secretary), Paul Hancock (Treasurer) together with John Luff and Click Mitchell. The new Committee is

looking to raise funding to improve facilities in the Play Area and on the Playing Field.

DONATIONS MADE BY THE PARISH COUNCIL

During the last Financial Year, the Parish Council made the following donations: The Parish Council is keen to support local organisations. If your Group needs funding to develop activities or for a specific project, please contact the Parish Clerk.

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Gloucestershire Archives.....	£50.00
RBL Poppy Appeal.....	£100.00
Cobalt Appeal.....	£50.00
The Villager.....	£1,250.00
Total	£3,646.64

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Will be held on Thursday, 16 June 2016 at 7.30 pm in the Chamberlain Room at the Memorial Hall.

EVERYONE IS WELCOME

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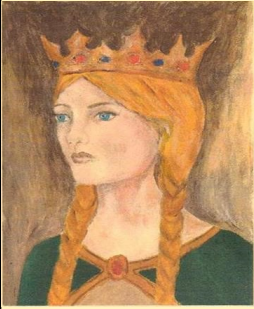
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Sunday June 12th	9.30	Cherington	Holy Communion (CW)
		Avening	NO SERVICE FETE
Sunday June 19th	9.30	Cherington	Holy Communion (CW)
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion (CW)
Sunday June 26th	9.30	Cherington	Morning Prayer (BCP)
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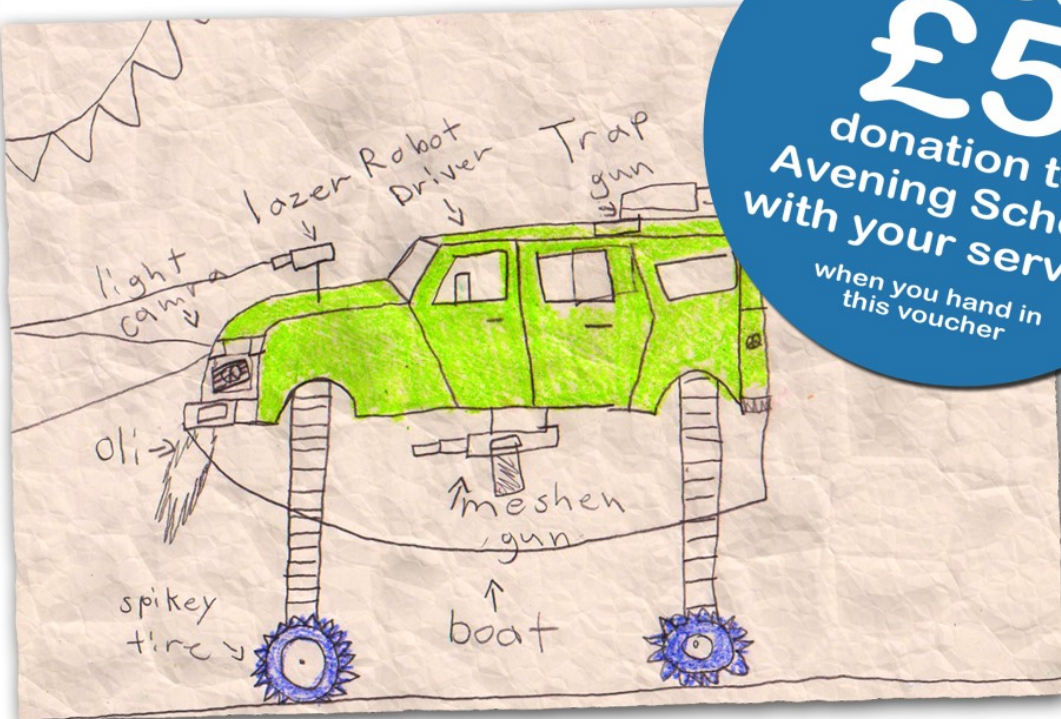
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Sunday 12th June	Avening Fete and Fun Dog Show	Village Hall, School Garden & Church	2.00pm
Sunday 12th June	HM The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations Hog Roast	Coxes Farm, Cherington	12.30pm
Wednesday 15th June	Cinema Club—The Dressmaker	Avening Social Club	7.30pm
Thursday 16th June	Avening Parish Council Meeting	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Saturday 18th June	Avening Bear Hunt	All around the village	1-5pm
Saturday 18th June	Tony's Quiz Night in aid of Cobalt Appeal	The Bell, Avening	8.30pm
Saturday 25th June	Avening Playgroup Working Party	Playgroup	From 10.00am
Tuesday 12th July	Cherington Parish Council Meeting	Cherington Village Hall	6.00pm
Saturday 16th July	Art and Craft Workshop for Children	Cherington Village Hall	2.00-4.00pm
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