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The year is certainly flying by. It seems as though we have only just finished writing about summer fetes, holidays and sports days in the Villager - and here we are with an edition jam-packed with information about the Christmas festivities coming up in December. Lots of exciting things in store, and only another eight weeks to go.....

Thinking of which, next month's Villager will be the special bumper Christmas and New Year edition, so why don't you tell us about Christmases you have enjoyed in the past, or your funny family traditions. Perhaps some of our older readers would like to tell us what Christmas was like when they were younger and what the special treats were for them. We love to hear from you!

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Event	Day	Time	Where	Contact
Line Dancing	Monday	7.30 - 9.30pm	Social Club	Social Club 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
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Line Dancing	Tuesday	8.00 - 10.00pm	Social Club	Social Club 01453 833760
Baby and Toddler Group	Wednesday	1.30 - 3.00pm	Avening Playgroup	01453 832695
Yoga	Wednesday	7.30pm - 9.00pm	Memorial Hall	Elles 0781 555 2952
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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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Avening Church www.aveningchurch.info
Cherington Village www.cheringtonvillage.co.uk
Cotswold District Council WWW. Cotswold.gov.uk**

Letter From Avening Parish Council Leader



During a conversation with a PC colleague, he asked what was on the agenda for the October meeting – I responded that it was pretty much a standard agenda, with nothing of significant note. Reflecting on this later, I was concerned. It's far too easy to just keep things ticking over and look after the housekeeping. As nearly all of the councillors were present at the meeting after their summer holidays, I was pleased to hear they were all reinvigorated, and also keen to kick off some new projects in the new term. I have asked them to come to the November meeting with new ideas, but some of us actually kicked off the process in the pub afterwards!

For some of the ideas we have control – more welcoming entrances to the village; bramble clearance at the playing field; helping to push through other improvements at the field; tourist maps to encourage more visitors. However some are a bit more difficult. A member of the public at the meeting had just moved to Avening, and raised a perfectly reasonable request for a mirror opposite to the Old Hill junction. Sadly, Highways will not fit these due to the risk of claims if there are collisions, but we want to approach this type of problem from a different angle to see if we can fix them. Similarly, we are all too well aware of overhanging trees along pathways; blocked road drains; and loose kerbstones – these things should be fixed by Highways, but after years of being low on the list of priorities and nothing happening, we think we can resolve some of these issues ourselves.

We also need your input – what would you like fixed/improved – we haven't got limitless funds (see also below) and can't change the world, but we will try to put the best ideas into action – there may even be a prize for the best one!

At the meeting to look at the Lawrence Road issues, there were no magic solutions on offer from Highways or GCC, but along with one or two local suggestions there is a glimmer of hope for the junction improvement – this will however depend on a sizeable contribution from the PC, so we will need to look at the budgets and priorities. As always it comes down to money!

A correction on the Christmas tree lighting – it is on Sunday 4th December - full details will be in the December Villager, and on the website/Facebook.

Tony Slater, Chairman

Letter from Rev. Richard Maslen

It Could be a Turning Point

It's all 1066 - "and all that", at the moment. By 1066 I mean the Norman Conquest, which although it undoubtedly altered the shape of the nation for ever, according to later assessments it also brought great dividends.

"All that" was Sellers' and Yeatman's incomparable light-hearted history of the bits we think we actually remember. I recall every historical highlight in their view was either "a good thing" or a "bad thing".

Simple, really, but it is not so simple in real life as in humorous history. I venture to say few things, maybe none, are totally good or bad. However hard things may have seemed something good also resulted.

The Church in these villages has had a shock, yet I am convinced good things will result. Already there is proof of this among church people and supporters.

It must not stop there. The parish churches in Avening and Cherington are vitally important spiritually, and also in personal or community terms to everyone who lives in, knows, or loves these villages. I can go on about "Church, Culture, and Community" at some length (although my sermons are mostly reasonably short!) but times like this prove the point. We all need the church, and the Church needs us.

"Bad things" may not always, or entirely, become "Good things" but good will come out of this if everybody, all of us, joins in and gives the churches the support they deserve and need.

Could be a turning point in history.

Richard Maslen

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Avening Bell Ringers

Didn't We Have A Lovely Time The Day We Went To.....Herefordshire



St James the Great, Colwall

On Saturday 24th September several of the Avening bell ringers left Chippenham at an unearthly hour of the morning for a ranch outing to Herefordshire.

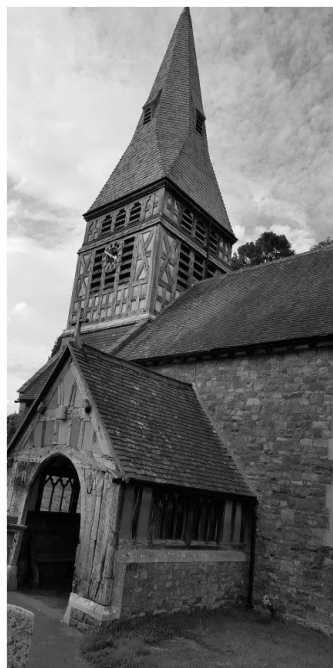
Starting our tour in Colwall, we rang on 10 bells - yes 10 very light bells - at the remotely situated but very pretty James the Great church. After very rudely

waking up all of the sheep we moved on to ring 6 somewhat heavier bells at Holy Trinity church in Bosbury. Lovely bells to ring...shame about the scaffolding!!!

Come the middle of the day, we stopped off at the Oak Inn, in Staplow for an essential pub lunch, pint and for some a quick snooze!!!

Moving on to St. Michael and All Angels Church in Ledbury, we rang 8 bells....some assumed for a wedding....but were left disappointed when no bride arrived at the beautiful church with the stunning stained glass windows.

Then came St. Mary's in Bromsberrow...incredible scenery, a picturesque church... and six bells.



*St. Mary's
Bromsberrow*

Finally arriving at St. Mary's in Newent, some very tired bell ringers rang 8 strange but lovely (and hefty) bells before the mad dash to the local fish and chip shop for a well-earned supper.

We arrived back in Avening late in the evening and a thoroughly enjoyable day was had by all.

IF YOU THINK THAT YOU MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN THE ART OF BELLRINGING, COME AND JOIN US ON A TUESDAY EVENING 7-30 TO 9-00pm. AND LEARN A NEW SKILL. WE RING AT CHURCH SERVICES, OPEN DAYS AND EVEN WEDDINGS (WHICH WE GET PAID FOR!).

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At the time of writing this, 16th October the trees growing behind playgroup which the children have been monitoring are still green. We have added some printed red apples to our tree display. The children were interested in seeing the different shape of the cores inside depending which way they were cut. The children have made some collage flowers and sponge painted hedgehogs which we have also added to the tree display.

We were lucky to acquire lots of playmobil at our Nearly New Sale, a palace and lots of people and vehicles, some with flashing lights. These are very popular and have provided lots of hours of happy play, with the children learning to put them together and play co-operatively with one another.

Outside the children have been enjoying playing with the new trampoline and mud kitchen,(we use sand), we had last term and have spent a lot of time mark making with jumbo chinks and having picnics with the play food.

Our main fund raising event, our Christmas Bazaar will be on Saturday 3rd December from 3pm to 4pm in the Memorial Hall. Father Christmas will be there as usual. We would be very grateful for any support with this, as fund raising is a vital part of being able to have a playgroup in our village. Do come if you can.

If you have a young child that you would like to send to our happy playgroup, do let us know their details, particularly if there are certain days that you would like them to attend. Past parents may be interested to know that we no longer have a parent duty rota.

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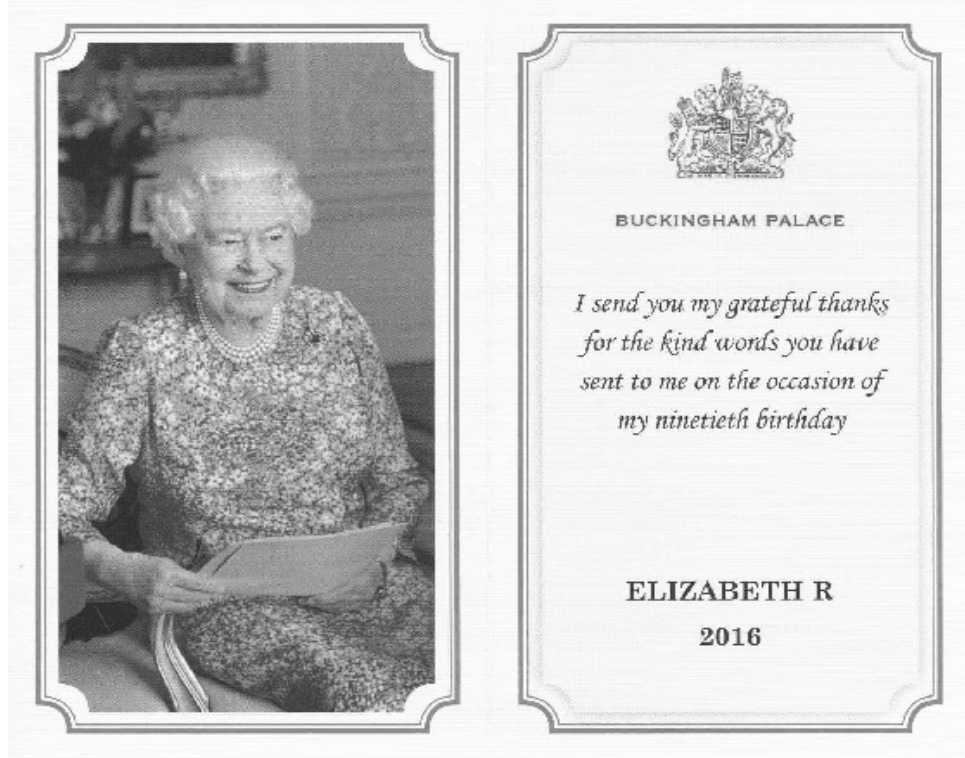
Karen Tweed & Friends

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Tickets and information: Piers Hansen 01483 836207, 0777 0748642 piers.hansen@btinternet.com

Letters to the Editors

The Editors have received the following message addressed to the Villagers of Avening in response to a card that was sent to Her Majesty on behalf of the village on the occasion of her 90th birthday



Some of the beautiful Harvest arrangements in Avening Church

Our thanks to all who helped in any way





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Avening W.I.

The sun shone on our monthly walk which this month was to Haresfield Beacon. Our hopes of seeing the beautiful view from there were dashed, as the valley was full of haze but it was warm enough to enjoy lunch outside the pub after an enjoyable morning.

Our speakers this month were from Waitrose fresh produce departments. We sampled new varieties of carrots, apples, tomatoes and grapes. We learned about growers and meat producers and how British produce is supplied wherever possible. We were shown how to fillet a fish and heard about Waitrose's policy on using fish from sustainable sources only.



Places on our coach trip to Windsor were quickly booked and unfortunately some people were disappointed not to be joining us on this occasion. We had a lovely day including a beautiful sunset on the way home. The castle was

magnificent, particularly St. Georges Hall which has been fully restored following the devastating fire in 1992. The display of the Queen's outfits over the decades was impressive and I am sure all those who attended had a good day.

Shirley Hand is organising another of her popular quiz nights on Friday 4th November to include a ploughman's supper. Any teams of 4 will be welcome to join us for this fun evening at the Avening Social Club at 7.30 pm. £16 per team and some of the money raised will be going to the Western Air Ambulance.

If any of our readers have any unwanted but serviceable reading glasses our friend Pat Chase who runs the Vine Project in Africa would like to be able to take them out to the project in December. Please pass them on to any W.I. member.

Gwyneth Simpson

A Bite to Eat?

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Elsie's FGR Experience

Over the last month FGR have been playing some great football including: a 4-0 away win against Aldershot, a 3-0 away win against North Ferriby, a 0-0 home draw against Barrow. To date we are currently top of the league, but Dagenham and Redbridge are close behind us. However, any game we win or draw still means that we get points adding on to our goal which is to hold on to top position in the table.

On the 15th of October Forest Green played their first FA cup game of the season which was the 4th round of qualifying. Sadly, the FA cup journey had to end quite quickly after their 2-1 loss against Sutton. But think of it as a blessing in disguise, because at least they won't have any distractions on their goal to get promoted to League 2.

To help them achieve that target they have signed a new player called Dan Wishart. FGR have also put Matt Tubbs out on Loan, meaning that other teams can borrow him and he can play for them to get fitter and more agile and come back to help FGR later in the season.

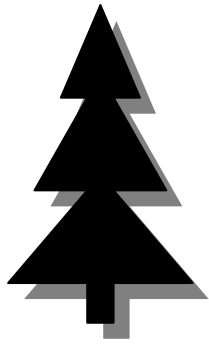
Forest Green Rovers have still got some matches to play in October including a top of the table clash against Dagenham and Redbridge but ones you'll be able to watch during November are:

Who it's against!	Date!	Time!	Home or Away!
Macclesfield Town	12/11/16	3:00 pm	A
Lincoln City	19/11/16	12:15 pm	H
Tranmere Rovers	22/11/16	7:45 pm	H
Wrexham	26/11/16	3:00 pm	A
Aldershot Town	29/11/16	7:45 pm	H

Let's all hope FGR can get some more wins and continue their great league form;

COME ON YOU ROVERS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Elsie

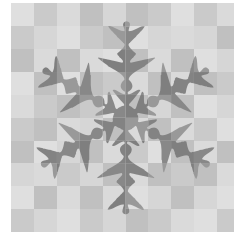
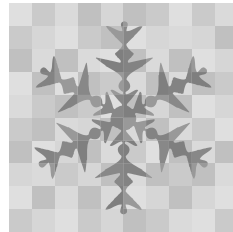


Avening Playgroup Christmas Bazaar



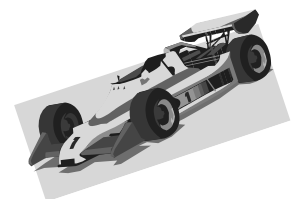
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A Trip Around London (by Boat!)



Launching on the Thames in Brentford

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The boat, *David George*, was built by George Buchanan, who as many of you know lives in Avening. Starting off being built in the stable yards of Brook House, Old Hill, she was completed in 2002 in one of the large sheds up at Jeanie Pargeters Farm. Her design is based on a West Coast American seine fishing boat, a sailing boat where they cast the net overboard, go round in a big circle holding one end and haul the hopefully full net in over the side. She is 19ft long, has a sprit rig with tops'l and a jib, a 2hp engine, a set of oars, is easily launched from her trailer and can carry 5-6 people fairly comfortably. Yes, you can sleep on her but you would be mighty uncomfortable... Seaworthy, very well built, beautiful to behold and excellent pedigree of course, coming from Avening.

3 hours after setting off, we had passed all the spectacular landmarks that most of us are so familiar with: all the famous bridges, Battersea Power Station, Houses

Believe me, I was more than a tad nervous as we cast off from the slipway next to a pub in Brentford, West London, at 9am sharp one Saturday morning. We were embarking, in our modest 19ft boat, on what is known as the 'London Ring': essentially a loop from West London, downstream on the tidal Thames to Limehouse in East London.

Then through on to the canal system and back to where we started via



You should all know where this is...



of Parliament, The London Eye, HMS Belfast, Tower Bridge, etc. The outgoing tide was by now running at full steam with some pretty sizeable waves and after being surrounded by the multitude of pleasure boats, we were feeling like a rather small fish in a rather large pond. We were particularly pleased to see a cheery Limehouse Lock Keeper beckon us in to shelter from the hustle and bustle of the River Thames.

...and this

& surrounds, navigating the many locks, working out where we were, etc. - all cruising along with our trusty 2hp engine. We stayed the night in our friends nearby comfy flat, *David George* safely tied up under one of the bridges in Kings Cross. Yes, the place was humming with bars and revellers, but in a good way and lots of security around so we were not too anxious...

The rest of the trip was slightly less hectic: avoiding swans, pulling up to various waterside eateries, checking out the various characters who inhabit London canals



One of the many locks



Cruising into Kings Cross at 7pm...

The two day trip ended near Brentford again, 31 locks, 178 bridges and two tunnels later... Our puppy Mango had a huge amount of canal side walking and a positive sensory overload from her London trip.

I hope you have enjoyed reading about it, we certainly enjoyed the experience!

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Avening School

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The first half of Autumn term ended last month with our annual Harvest Festival which was attended by parents, as well pupils and staff. Donations were brought into school for the very worthwhile charity Stroud Foodbank and will be delivered personally by members of our School Council at the beginning of November.

Autumn term has so far been a busy one with school trips, workshops, sports events and an open morning during which prospective new pupils and their families visited our school and were shown around by members of our School Council and Year 6 House Captains. We received some truly wonderful comments in our visitors' book, particularly about the quality of the guided tours!

We had another reason to be proud of our pupils last month when two members of the Hawks class, Ollie and Louis, ran their own stall after school one Friday selling Ollie's extensive collection of 'Beano' comics to raise money for 'Best for Ben', a campaign very close to our hearts here in Avening which is raising money to help a local family adapt their home after a life-changing accident. Ollie and Louis sold over 70 copies and managed to raise a whopping £36. As they still have some Beano's left, they hope to run another stall again soon.



Sport, as always, has featured regularly on the school calendar. Our Quick Sticks hockey team were overall winners of a Cirencester schools' tournament. Our rugby players also shone in a Stroud schools' competition. All of the children took part in the World 5,000m challenge at the start of October and our Year 4 children took part in a water sports morning at the lakes in South Cerney.

Avening turns spooky this month with the annual Halloween school disco organised by FOAS for all our witches, wizards, cats, skeletons and even the odd spooky ghost!

The rest of this term, as well as the usual topics and lessons, will be spent preparing for the Christmas productions, held in mid-December - see next month's article for more details!

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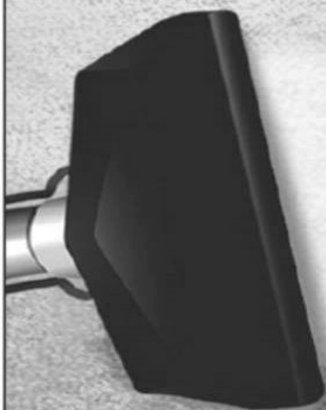
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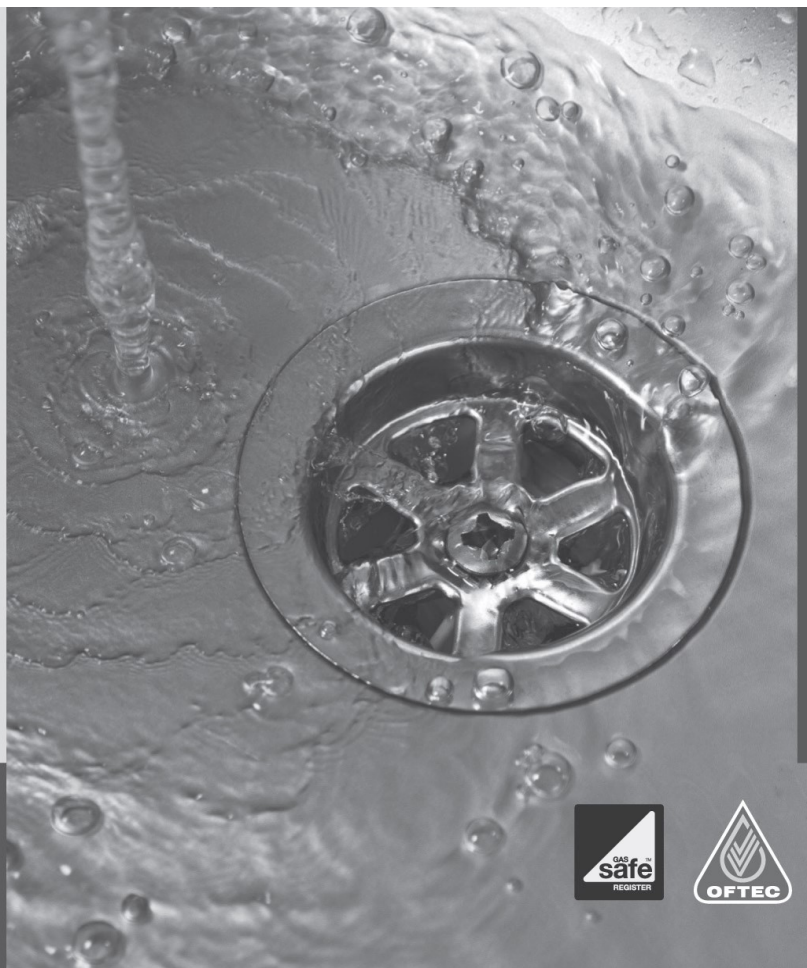
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Down to Earth



Owlpen Manor

On one of those early evenings in October when nature is bathed in a rich, golden, shafting sunlight, I first visited Owlpen (just this side of Uley), where I was able to satisfy both an interest in historic gardens and in Baroque recorder music. An early arrival for the recital allowed for the time to take a peek inside the church, with its Victorian, neo-Byzantine mosaics and late Victorian and

Edwardian stained glass, and be enchanted by a glimpse into the garden. Vita Sackville West referred to it as 'a dream', and dream-like it was, indeed, on this October evening. Sir Geoffrey Jellicoe identified it 'as possibly the earliest domestic garden in England to survive in something approaching completeness' (to quote the guide-

book). 'As Jellicoe noted, the half-acre core of the garden is certainly Tudor, with early Stuart editions.' The Yew Parlour, or Ballroom, dates from the early C18. Topiary was of course beloved of the Arts and Crafts movement and an attitude of sensitive conservation was the key to the repair work carried out by Norman Jewson, architect-craftsman who lived in Sapperton, in 1926-7. Do go and see it for yourselves. (I could arrange a group visit if enough people are interested!)



Charmed by ancient yews at Owlpen.

Now, roses can be particular. We have in recent years had to rescue three damsels in distress: Tess of the d'Urbevilles, Madame Alfred Carrière and Gertrude Jekyll. All David Austin roses. Mad Alf was planted in an exposed site near the entrance to the rear garden; a climber. My Assistant Gardener declared his intention of building an arch or pergola for her. Hmmm, I thought ... So, with the November gales came the day of reckoning. Mad Alf, arms flailing around in the wind, was half-tugged right out of her bed. Assistant Gardener was summoned home from the office (his 'other' job) and together we extricated her and looked for another position. AG suggested the side of the house. (Hmmm ...

I thought). So we dug through the dark evening, bringing compost by the barrowload. Now, to fast forward, she is so deliriously happy that she blooms exuberantly, and we have to curb her aspirations to drape herself immodestly over the roof!

Tess had in fact been planted on the house wall nearby. She had been happy, blooming prettily, until she grew pale, spotty and distinctly unwell. So we gently dug her up from her bed and potted her in best proprietary compost with proprietary 'Rootgrow', put her in a sunny, sheltered spot and waited. And she did, indeed, recover, so now we are searching for a new bed for her. Was there, I wonder, detritus from the original 'old forge' in the ground and not to her liking?

Gertie was one of the first roses we planted (when we were callow, inexperienced would-be gardeners). At first she shone and performed radiantly, a star, until late this summer she fell ill and the stems had neither buds nor leaves. Gingerly, my AG explored the ground beneath her feet: dry, stoney with a large rock close enough to cause her annoyance. (Did we not know enough then to give her at least twice her pot size in good compost?) We removed this inhospitable 'bedding' and packed the hole with home-made compost and bonemeal, adding two cans of rainwater from the nearby butt. Well, she is now in leaf again.

The moral: never give up on a young rose. It may well be something about the soil or the position. She can often be revived. No smelling salts required!

Ornamental grasses are strutting their stuff right now, looking fabulous in the low, autumnal light. We are delighted by the inflorescences of our cortaderia selloana 'Pumila', a smaller cultivar of the big, blowsy pampas grass which was so beloved of the Victorians. Such delicate silvery, pink-tinged panicles of flower-heads.



Pretty 'Pumila'

This is the season for the greatest amount of compostable garden matter. Get those leaves into black plastic bags, add water, some holes and a spade of earth (to add the necessary micro-organisms) and leave in a corner. Layer the compost heap with browns (carbon-rich) and greens (nitrogen-rich), ensure that it's damp – and turn (if you can). Gardeners' gold!

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

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

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Avening Youth Club

Another excellent line up of events is planned for Avening Youth Club in the second half of term.

The first demonstration will be given on Tuesday 1st November when Gloucestershire Fire Brigade will be coming and talking to the kids about fire safety and with the run up to Guy Fawkes Night, special attention will be given to the safe handling of fireworks (and their dangers).

On 8th November, we hope to welcome two stars from the Forest Green Rovers first team! Sam Wegsbury and Rob Sinclair will be coming to Avening Youth Club to meet the children and talk to them about being a professional football player and how the first team are doing this season. They will also be passing on some tips and having fun with the kids. Don't miss this great opportunity of meeting the players.

On the 15th November, we will have country music and dancing with our local experts in the form of George Buchanan and his band. George will be explaining the history of local music in the telling of tales and passing on local history via song in the days before the i-pad! Finally, the term will end with a disco and party where all are welcome (meaning parents and friends).

Come along and enjoy the fun. It is just £ 1 per child per session and healthy snacks are provided.

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7.30 Avening Social Club

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Cherington Parish Council

Planning applications: None received since last edition

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

Minerals Local Plan for Gloucestershire 2018 - 2032

Have your say on the draft plan which is replacing the current minerals local plan Consultation open until 24th November 2016.

Go to www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/extra/EmergingMLP

Neighbourhood Watch – Bogus callers

There have been reports that a number of residents in Minchinhampton and Nailsworth have been contacted by “Neighbourhood Watch” offering them free security surveys on their properties. Please be aware that this is not genuine and under no circumstances should residents arrange any surveys or allow any strangers into their properties.

The only services that offer security surveys are the Police and some District Councils, and again if approached by anyone, clarify they have Identification from the agencies they work for. As happens with most scams, this is mainly targeting the elderly, so please spread the word and let friends, family and neighbours know.

if you have any doubts about who you are speaking to, either on the phone or in person, please contact 101 and report the incidents to the police.

Crayfish Alert – White Clawed Crayfish Plague

Tests show there could be a white clawed crayfish plague downstream in the Nailsworth Stream. Although there aren't any implications for human or animal health certain precautions should be observed as plague spores can live for up to 22 days on wet clothing, equipment or in water. To find out more visit the Environment Agency's website or email SHWGenquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk

Parish Council meetings:

The date of the next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday November 8th 2016 at 6.00pm** in the Village Hall. All residents of the Parish

are welcome to attend parish meetings. There are 15 minutes of public participation 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.

Christmas / New Year Waste Collections

Dates have been received and are as follows:

Normal collection day	New revised collection day
Mon 19 Dec 2016	No change
Tues 20 Dec	No change
Weds 21 Dec	No change
Thurs 22 Dec	No change
Friday 23 Dec	No change
Mon 26 Dec	Will move to Weds 28 Dec
Tues 27 Dec	Will move to Thurs 29 Dec
Weds 28 Dec	Will move to Friday 30 Dec
Thurs 29 Dec	Will move to Saturday 31 Dec
Friday 30 Dec	Will move to Tues 3 Jan 2017
Mon 2 Jan 2017	Will move to Weds 4 Jan
Tues 3 Jan	Will move to Thurs 5 Jan
Weds 4 Jan	Will move to Friday 6 Jan
Thurs 5 Jan	Will move to Saturday 7 Jan
Friday 6 Jan	Will move to Mon 9 Jan
Mon 9 Jan	Will move to Tues 10 Jan
Tues 10 Jan	Will move to Weds 11 Jan
Weds 11 Jan	Will move to Thurs 12 Jan
Thurs 12 Jan	Will move to Friday 13 Jan
Friday 13 Jan	Will move to Saturday 14 Jan

The collection schedule will return to normal on the week beginning Monday 16 January 2017.

Avening Parish Council



Preserve
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A number of residents attended the October meeting to raise an assortment of issues including parking problems at both Woodstock Close and Lawrence Road, a request for a mirror at the end of Old Hill and to raise concerns that the recycling bins were being used as play things!

The Council noted all of the concerns raised and reported that a meeting was being held on Friday 21 October with officers from both Bromfords and the Highways Department to discuss parking issues, the usage of the recycling bins had been monitored and it was felt that as their usage was so low they should be removed. The request for a mirror was unfortunately not possible as mirrors to help with visibility at road junctions are not recognised or adopted by the Highways agency and they would therefore not accept responsibility for them if there were to be an incident or accident.

Councillors felt that the gates into Avening (at present hidden in the undergrowth) could be smartened up by being painted and perhaps displaying an Avening plaque. The Chairman requested ideas for any other new projects to improve the village. If anyone has any suggestions please let us know.

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Planning Applications

Ref. No: 16/03822/FUL

The Shoe Box 1 Point Road Avening Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8LU

Second storey extension over existing single storey side extension.

Status: Pending Consideration

Ref. No: 16/03985/COMPLY

1 Church Farm Barn Point Road Avening Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8ND

Insertion of two new internal staircases and internal works, alterations to door and window openings on west elevation - compliance with condition 8 (design)

Ref. 16/02663 Full

Pimbury Park Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8SF

Remodelling of the existing dwelling, including raising the height of the roof and two storey side extension

Ref. 16/03571/LBC

Dyers Cottage 51 Nags Head Lane Avening Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8NZ

Replace two windows

Tree Works

Applications were received for works to be carried out on trees located at The Old Rectory, High Street, Avening and 6 Tetbury Hill, Avening.

Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Thursday 17 November 2016 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Agendas will be displayed on the village notice boards. Minutes of our meetings are available to view on the Avening Parish Council Website.

The Parish Clerk can be contacted via email: parishclerk@avening-pc.gov.uk or by phone: 01452 770792 07866 297098 (mobile)



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The church was floodlit on:

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17th October, the feast of St. Luke: For all doctors, nurses & medical staff.

24th October: Remembering **Vera Perry** on her birthday

29th October: In loving memory of **John Hopes** from his wife and family

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	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion (CW)
Sunday Nov. 13th		Cherington	NO SERVICE
	10.45	Avening	SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE
Sunday Nov. 20th	9.30	Cherington	Holy Communion (CW)
	11.00	Avening	Holy Communion (CW)
Sunday Nov. 27th	9.30	Cherington	Morning Prayer
	11.00	Avening	Special Advent Service
Sunday Dec.. 4th	9.30	Cherington	Holy Communion (CW)
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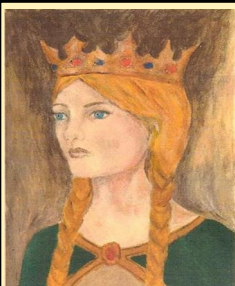
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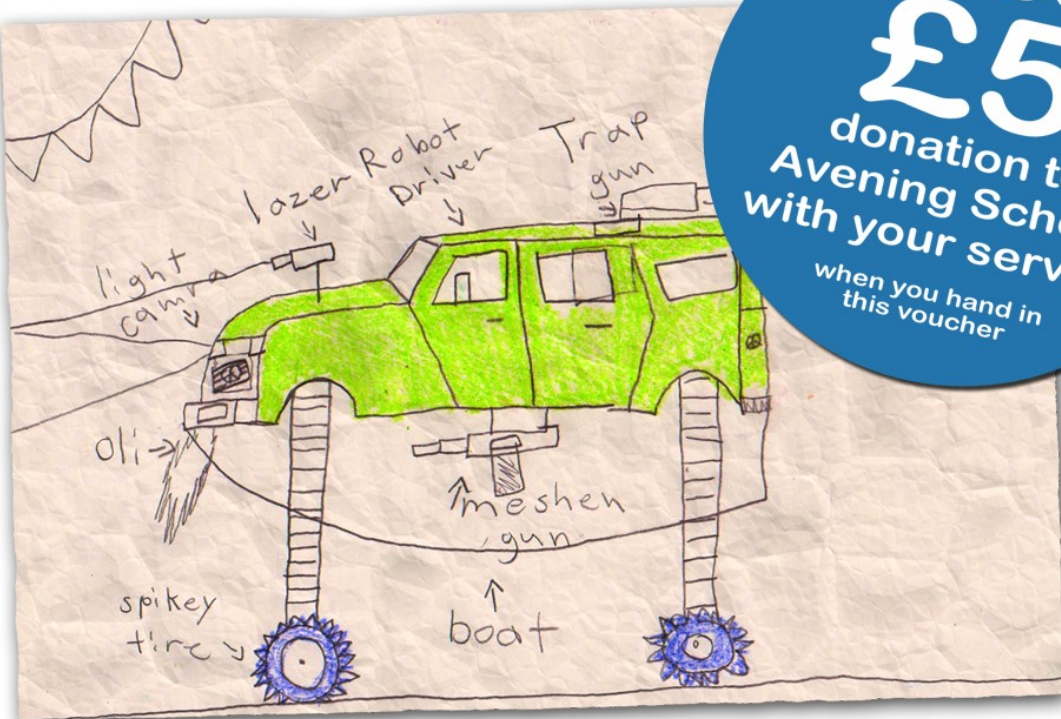
Friday 4th November	WI Quiz Night	Avening Social Club	7.30pm
Tuesday 8th November	Cinema Club showing Eye in the Sky	Avening Social Club	7.30pm
Tuesday 8th November	Cherington Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	6.00pm
Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th November	Cherington Christmas Fair	Toad Hall, Trull Farm	10am-5pm (Sat) 11am-3pm (Sun)
Sunday 13th November	REMEMBRANCE SERVICE Bishop Rachel officiating	Holy Cross Avening	10.45am
Thursday 17th November	Avening Parish Council Meeting	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30pm
Friday 18th November	Avening Church Ceilidh	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30-11.00pm
Friday 2nd December	Christmas Market	Avening Primary School	2.30-4.30pm
Saturday 3rd December	Playgroup Christmas Bazaar	Avening Memorial Hall	3-4.00pm
Saturday 4th December	Avening Christmas Tree Lighting	By the phone box in Point Road	tbc
Sunday 11th December	Children's Christmas Party	Avening Church	3.00 to 5.00 pm.
Sunday 18th December	Service of nine lessons and carols	Avening Church	7.00pm

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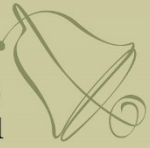
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Avening School Photography Club

The children have been out and about in Avening. These are the best photos as
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