

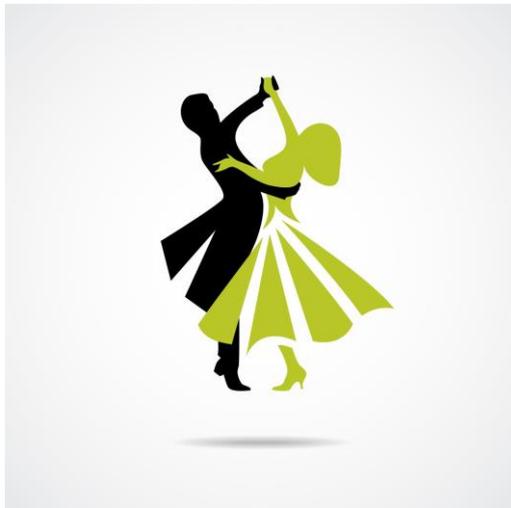
# Cholsey Village Voice June 2019

The monthly newsletter from the Parish Council. Available free in most shops and pubs, The Pavilion foyer, the library and The Great Hall. CVV can also be read on the Parish Council website in the News and Events section. If you have any short, topical articles that we could publish, please forward them to [clerk.cpc@outlook.com](mailto:clerk.cpc@outlook.com)

## Fun in the Park 2019

Fun in the Park will be the weeks beginning 12th and 19th August and will include all the regular favourites such as The Climbing Wall; Visiting Farm; Drumming; Circus Skills; Bingo; Lego; Bike Day; Fun Days; Crafts and this year Orienteering. The gentleman who made such a fantastic job of our Facebook Page and Leaflet last year is unfortunately unable to do so again, if there is anyone out there who could help us, we have all the links, we would be extremely grateful.

## Tea Dance for COPA



You are invited to Cholsey's first tea dance to be held on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 3 – 6pm in The Pavilion.

Entry is £7.50 per person, to include afternoon tea, ballroom and Latin American demonstrations. Some instruction will also be given to enable people to take part in the dances.

For further information and tickets please contact Mark Gray 07971 805416.

The tea dance is to help enable COPA to recruit a paid worker to support their vital work in the

community working with older and disabled people. The Parish Council has agreed to put £1000 towards the worker and a further £1000 has been pledged by Mark Gray from his County Councillor Priority Fund.

## Footpath Project

The Parish Council has agreed to work towards a project that will see the village's pavements overhauled and resurfaced.

The council has agreed to spend some of our Community Infrastructure Levy money on repairs to the pavements. Councillors Colin Worley and David Bamford will survey the pavements to find the worst areas which we will put forward for resurfacing. The worst areas will of course have to be weighed up against the areas which have most traffic to come up with a final list.

We don't expect to be able to do anywhere near all of the pavements in one go, but if the first phase is successful, we will continue on an annual basis to spend some money on the pavements.

## Happy Hub Extension

Council has agreed to move forward with a plan to build a purpose-built extension for the Happy Hub on The Cholsey Pavilion.

This project should be completed by August 2020 and will enable Cholsey United to resume use of the changing rooms which are currently being used by the Happy Hub.

In the next month or two we will organise a fundraising coffee morning at which we will display the plans.

## Skate Park

Cholsey Parish Council Chair, Mark Gray, is working with a group of young people who are hoping to raise the money to build a skate park in the recreation ground.

CPC will support this scheme and will enable the group to apply for funding elsewhere.

## 966 (Wallingford) Sqn Air Cadets

The Cadets are currently looking for new adult volunteers to join their team! As an adult volunteer, the Air Cadets can offer you exciting opportunities, skills - all we ask is a few hours of your time each week.

After your initial training and checks to enable you to work with young people, we will start to develop your skills, so don't worry that you don't know much about the activities we offer – we just ask you to be keen to learn and to do your best for the cadets at all times.

Once you have become an accredited member of staff, more specialised courses become available – these include adventure training, sports, shooting and professional skills. Volunteering in the cadet movement could even lead to a recognised qualification in youth leadership and training. There is a Volunteer Induction Night once a month at our Wing HQ in Abingdon - why not go along and meet some of our staff, and find out what opportunities are available to you?

Many people want to get involved but don't think they have enough time. If this sounds familiar, don't worry, there's room for you too. Each Squadron has a Civilian Committee which oversees the running of the Squadron, manages social events and fund raising activities. Committees meet at least once per quarter and are a vital part of the Squadron team. There are no minimum requirements for joining a committee, just lots of enthusiasm.

If you are interested in finding out more about any of the adult volunteering roles, or if you would like to attend a Volunteer Induction Evening, please do not hesitate to contact me by emailing [oc.966@aircadets.org](mailto:oc.966@aircadets.org) - please also visit our website at [966atc@aircadets.org](http://966atc@aircadets.org), to see what you could be doing with your free time!

### **Anyone for Table Tennis?**

If you haven't played for years, come and join us - we're all in the same boat. We meet on Fridays at 10.30 for an hour in the Great Hall at Cholsey Meadows. We have grown from a campaign by SODC "Go-Active Gold" to encourage the over 60s to keep active.

To begin with the most activity was bending down to pick up the ball that we had missed! Now we're enjoying the benefit of gentle, regular exercise. If you'd like to give it a try, come one Friday, all equipment is provided and it's only £2 a session.

If you need more information contact Nigel Hessey on 07722 957 102

### **Found Bicycle**

Bicycle found abandoned (possibly stolen) near Cholsey Station. Size to suit young teenager. Now safely in storage. If you have lost a bike, please get in touch with full description or other proof of ownership. 01491-652295.

### **COPA–Cholsey Older Persons Activities/Advice/ Befriending Service**

Enquiries 01491 652100, 07979 188701 (Jennie Kent), COPA direct line 07526 291088.  
[Jennifer\\_kent@btinternet.com](mailto:Jennifer_kent@btinternet.com)

COPA is a community service for older people, their families and carers, working closely alongside Cholsey's Older Persons Worker Vicky Beardall-Richards. We organise regular social activities, and have a team of volunteer befrienders to support those who are lonely, and would benefit from a "listening ear". Your community can help! Monthly Brunch Club, Film Club and Lunch Club--see our Newsletter (available at the Pavilion, Rowlands and Day Centre)

### **Wednesday Drop-in**

If you, or someone you know, have mental health issues, feel isolated or lonely, why not come along to our Wednesday morning drop-in. We do some gentle exercise, usually a walk, an activity and then cook lunch together. For info contact Poppy on 07751 099680.

### **June What's Ons**

**Saturdays - The Pavilion** Community Tea Shop – 10:00 – 12:00pm

**Wednesdays 10am – 1pm – The Pavilion** Community Support Drop-In for adults with mental health conditions, includes lunch, activities and space to talk. Costs £4

**Thursdays 12 – 12.45pm The Pavilion** 'Time to Breathe' Gentle Exercise, Mindfulness and Meditation.

**Weds 5<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm The Pavilion** Parish Council Meeting

**Tues 6<sup>th</sup> 11am-12.30pm Day Centre** COPA Brunch Club £4. Bookings Jennie Kent 652100

**Tues 18<sup>th</sup> 12.45 Cholsey Day Centre** - COPA Film Club £3.50 inc tea/cake. No need to book.

**Weds 19<sup>th</sup> 7.30pm The Pavilion** Parish Council meeting

**Sun 23<sup>rd</sup> 3-6pm The Pavilion** Tea Dance £7.50 – see article above

**Tues 25<sup>th</sup> 12pm The Red Lion** COPA Lunch Club Bookings via Jennie Kent 652100

### **Opening Times**

**Parish Office** – Wednesday 10am-12pm, at other times call us for appointment. Phone 652255

**Library** Monday to Friday 2- 4.30pm, Friday 6 – 7.30pm and Saturday 9.30am – 12.30pm

**Day Centre** Monday, Wednesday and Friday 10am – 4pm. Phone 652970

**Happy Hub** Mon – Wed and Friday 9.15-11.30am, Thurs 9.45-11.15 at the Great Hall, Sat 10-11.30am. Activities and fun for under 5s.

Baby Group Wed 12.30-2.20pm at the Happy Hub.