

# *The Villager*

*A magazine for Avening, Cherington and Nags Head*

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# *The Parish Letter*

**W**e have not had a very encouraging start to the New Year with news of the ever deepening economic crisis, rising unemployment and an increasing number of repossessions of people's homes. Sadly, we are accustomed to hearing and seeing suffering in other parts of the world, but this present crisis is something which is affecting our own country and every community.

Often we feel helpless when the radio and television bring us news of the terrible things happening overseas but, for once, this is something we can do something about. That 'something' which the people of this country have always been good at. Remember the times you have listened to the older people in our villages and they have spoken of their childhood and of real deprivation in the war years. They experienced shortages of food, scarcity of fuel and very low wages yet, they will say: "It was not all bad.....we got through it .... we were all in it together". There was a strong feeling of community, of helping one another, of sharing with others the little they had, of 'listening' and 'being alongside'.

When times are good, people can be thoughtless ...too busy with their own lives to be concerned with others, less aware of others' loneliness or depression. Now is the time to find again what we have been in danger of losing... a strong sense of belonging and an awareness of our need of one another.

***Now we can learn what it really means to 'love our neighbour as ourselves'.***

***Rev Celia***

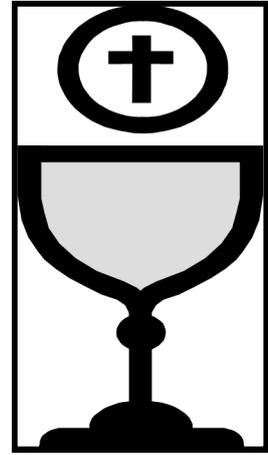
On **Sunday 1st February, at 3 pm**, there is a special service for children -'Shine a Light' - at Tewkesbury Abbey and **at 6 pm** Evening Worship at Christchurch, Nailsworth will be led by Rev Celia.

## SERVICES IN AVENING & CHERINGTON

Day/Date	Church	Time	Service
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SUNDAY February 1 <sup>st</sup> <i>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany</i>	Avening	8 am	Holy Communion BCP
	Cherington	9.30am	Holy Communion BCW
	Avening	11 am	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
SUNDAY February 8 <sup>th</sup> <i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent</i>	Avening	8 am	Holy Communion BCP
	Cherington	9,30am	Matins (BCP)
	Avening	11 am	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
SUNDAY February 15 <sup>th</sup> <i>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent</i>	Avening	8 am	Holy Communion BCP
	Cherington	9,30am	Holy Communion BCP
	Avening	11 am	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
SUNDAY February 22 <sup>nd</sup> <i>Sunday before Lent</i>	Avening	8 am	Holy Communion BCP
	Cherington	9,30am	Holy Communion BCW
	Avening	11 am	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School
WEDNESDAY 25 <sup>th</sup> Feb. <i>Ash Wednesday</i>	Avening	7 pm	Holy Communion <i>(PCC members are asked to stay on after this service for a meeting)</i>
SUNDAY March 1 <sup>st</sup> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Lent</i>	Avening	8 am	Holy Communion BCP
	Cherington	9,30am	Holy Communion BCW
	Avening	11 am	Holy Communion BCW & Sunday School

# Church Duties: AVENING



Date	Sidespersons	Chalice Assistant	Sacristan
Feb 1 <sup>st</sup>	F Conway / C Boddam-Whettham	D Pierce	Gill
Feb 8 <sup>th</sup>	D Martin / H Graham-Munro	S Uzzell	Marion
Feb 15 <sup>th</sup>	K Lindesay/ M Barton	P.Lindesay	Ann
Feb 22 <sup>nd</sup>	G Buchanan / J Pargetter	P Brown	Marion
March	P Hansen / S Hamilton	D Pierce	Gill

## Avening Church Floodlighting

December 11<sup>th</sup> In loving memory of Victoria Alice May Stone from all the family.

December 28<sup>th</sup> In loving memory of Frank Ind on his birthday, from Pat and family.

January 30<sup>th</sup> In memory of Audrey Kirk who lived in the area and loved this church.

February 7<sup>th</sup> In memory of Basil Fletcher, fondly remembered by us all. John, Valerie, Celia and Sylvia.

February 7<sup>th</sup> To celebrate the Golden Wedding of Roy and Maureen Stone

*.If you would like to have the church floodlit to commemorate a loved one or to celebrate a special event, please contact*

**Paul Brown 01453 835983**

*The cost is £5 for 2 hours*

## **LENT MEETINGS will take place every Wednesday in March.**

Speakers will include among others ...a representative from the Police Force, the Red Cross and from the Christian Mission to the Jews They will begin at **7.30 pm** and there will be a light supper served each evening.

Venues to be announced in next month's magazine.

Make a note of the dates ..... ..March 4th, 11th, 18th & 25th

### **SHROVE TUESDAY**

**February 24<sup>th</sup> 10am-4pm**

A Quiet Day in Gloucester Cathedral led by  
the Roman Catholic Bishop of Clifton .

### **ASH WEDNESDAY**

**February 25<sup>th</sup> 7 pm**

Holy Communion at Avening Church

## **DURING LENT.....Let us pray!**

In both Cherington and Avening, we intend to have someone praying every day in the Churches along with the other parishes in the Diocese.

The churches are open all day as always, so I do hope that you will take the opportunity during the weeks of Lent, to put aside a few minutes once or twice a week to pray for this Country, and for people all over the World, who are suffering as a result of war, terrorism, or economic crisis.

There will be a prayer list for those in the Parish by the door of each church. I invite everyone to feel free to add to it at any time for any anxiety, or for those who are ill, or simply to give thanks.

***Rev Celia***

# Christmas in Avening 2008

## Matilda's Tea party in the church ~ 13<sup>th</sup> December

An indulgent start to the festive season was provided by Julia Walkley and her team of helpers who treated guests to a traditional and delicious tea of home-made goodies. Delightful entertainment was provided by a group of children from Avening School singing carols.



*Families enjoy afternoon tea*



*Children provide musical entertainment*



## Sunday School Party ~ 14<sup>th</sup> December



*Father Christmas had a busy afternoon giving presents to all the children*



## ***Carols & Lunch at The Bell ~ 21st December***



*Carols and readings at the Bell were followed by lunch. This is becoming a regular feature in Avening's Christmas celebration and is a very happy occasion.*



## The Crib Service on Christmas Eve



*A camel, two lambs and a goat star in the Crib Service*



*A bevy of shepherds & angels*





*Making a giant paper chain at the Crib Service*



*Photos by Derrick & Doreen Pierce, Peter Lindsay and Margaret Barton*

## New Year Resolution

Into the New Year we take  
The power of prayer to order  
Our days – indeed, our life -  
Into a pattern of progress.

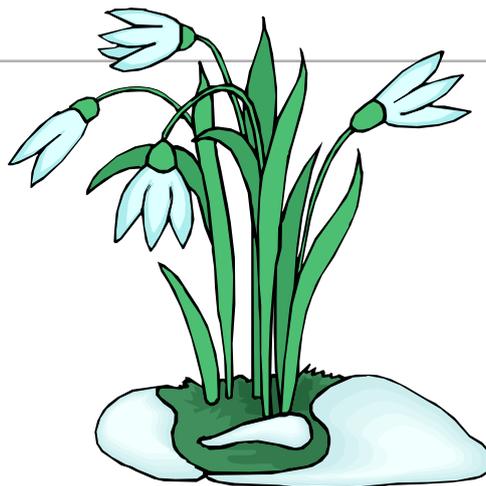
Into the New Year we take  
The joy of adventuring, to lift  
The routine into a challenge  
Of increasing achievement.

Into the New Year we take  
The miracle of love to give  
As a silent, unseen gift  
To each person we meet.

Into the New Year we take  
Peace at the very centre of being,  
That it might flow out from us,  
Unceasing, till it encompasses the world.

Into the New Year we take  
God as the fundamental truth  
Of all we are, of all we do.  
We will live in his Kingdom forever.

*Contributed by Doreen Pierce*



## **Avening Roll of Honour No.12**

### **George Newman**

Private: Royal Army Medical Corps

Attached to 108th Heavy Battery Unit, RGA.

**T**he National Archives Records show George named as Horace Jesse George Newman, indeed, he was baptised as such in Holy Cross Church on Sunday the 29th of November 1892. The Parish Register quotes his birth date as Thursday the 29th of September, some eight weeks earlier. However, he always referred to himself as George and the Army recognised him as such.

He was the eldest son of eight children (he had five brothers and two sisters), born to George William Newman (1865 -1905) and Cecilia Ann nee Fletcher (1872 - 1924). George's Newman grandfather was born in Cherington in 1832 , his father being Richard Newman, born Southrop around 1793. George's mother Cecilia was of solid Avening stock. Her father John Fletcher (1835 - 1909) married Ann Ind on the 27th of August 1857 at Holy Cross Church. Both maternal ancestors can be traced back a further four generations in Avening. All of George's male ancestors appear to have been agricultural labourers. In the 1901 census George, aged 8, is listed with his family living on Old Hill.

Unfortunately, there are no records available on George's military service except that we must assume that he was in the Royal Army Medical Corps prior to the outbreak of war as the Medal Rolls tell us that he embarked for France on the 18th of August 1914, only 14 days after war was declared.

As a member of the RAMC he could have been serving in a hospital at home or overseas, as a stretcher-bearer anywhere on the front or, as is likely in his case, on attachment to a fighting unit to supply immediate medical assistance when needed.

We know that in February 1916 he was attached to the 108th Heavy Battery Unit of the Royal Garrison Artillery, serving in the Ypres area. The role of the 108th was shelling enemy positions, particularly their artillery sites and heavy gun battles developed frequently. Although set back from our own front line, this did not make them immune from attack.

We do not know exactly what happened on the fateful day of Sunday the 20th of February 1916 but George was killed along with three others on the 108th Battery. All four men were buried side by side in Railway Chateau Cemetery a few kilometres from Ypres town centre. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission tend the cemetery and their web site has a photograph on which can be clearly seen the four graves.

George received, posthumously, the Victory Medal, the British Medal and the 1914 Star. He was 23 years old when he died and was unmarried.

I thank his niece, Peggy Chappell of Woodstock for her assistance and for the photograph of George in his army uniform.



***Fred Vening***



**A date for your diary!**  
**Avening Church Fete will take place**  
**on Sunday June 7th 2009**  
*Watch the Villager for more information*

# VALENTINES FLING



**AVENING VILLAGE HALL  
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The book is edited by BBC garden writer and local resident Tony Russell, former Head Forester at Westonbirt Arboretum. Tony says; "I am particularly pleased with *Gardens to Visit 2009*, it contains a great selection of the finest gardens in Britain and Ireland and uses stunning photography throughout. Given the financial difficulties at present, not only is this book extremely well priced at £8.95, it also gives readers plenty of ideas for relatively cheap but wonderful days out in 2009."

If you enjoy visiting gardens then this is the book for you. It's not just another 'coffee table style' publication which looks nice but isn't particularly informative. This book, as well as being attractive to look at, is full of interesting and essential facts about all the gardens featured and will undoubtedly become a fireside companion this winter as you begin to plan your garden visits for 2009.

Each garden is represented by beautiful photography, delightful text and latest information on opening times, admission rates and 2009 garden events



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## HOLY CROSS CALENDAR 2009

A new venture for Avening, the brain-child of Julia Walkley, was the creation of a calendar for 2009 with photos of church and village events throughout the year and seasonal recipes from local people.

The result was fantastic and, after expenses, the magnificent sum of £606 has been donated to church funds.

This, together with £200 from Matilda's Teas, is a very welcome boost to our finances.

Thank you to all who supported these ventures and to Julia, the calendar committee, the cooks and waitresses (and the waiter!)

*Peter Lindesay*

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## *Avening Playgroup*

**M**any thanks to everyone who attended our Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 6th December. The committee worked really hard setting up all the stalls, decorating Santa's grotto, making lots of Lucky Jars, baking delicious cakes and biscuits for our home produce stall and collecting some great raffle prizes.

Huge thanks also to everyone who donated bottles, books, toys, home produce and raffle prizes for us to collect from your doorstep.

It was ALL GREATLY APPRECIATED!

By the way ~ a date for your diary:

Saturday 5th December for this year's Christmas Bazaar.

We look forward to seeing you there.

*Anthea Glover*

### **AVENING CORNER SHOP MONTHLY RAFFLE?**

**Have you heard about the Corner Shop's monthly raffle?**

**Already two lucky people have each won vouchers for £50 to spend at the shop. It could be your turn next month!**

**To find out more, please speak to Kim Pittam or any member of the staff.**





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## *Avening WI*

The new year started off with a very good attendance despite the cold weather. The President reported on a very good Christmas party. Names were taken for the Echo Quiz and skittles, both county events.

Our speaker was Mr Bernie Tidmarsh who is a very well known farrier and whose forge is in Crudwell. The trade goes back 400 years in his family and when Bernie was two years old he used to go with his father on the crossbar of his bike, plus horse shoes and a tool box strapped to the back. His father inherited the forge in 1952 from an uncle and in 2005 the old forge was sold and a new one built.

Bernie officially started his work on January 1<sup>st</sup> 1962 and still continues today, sometimes seven days a week if needed. He met his wife when he was called out to Highgrove where she was then head groom. He has mixed with the rich and famous in the equestrian world and has been featured in *Country Life* – a national treasure – also in *A Rural Affair* on HTV. He is also involved with Riding for the Disabled. Jack Russell painted him at work in the forge.

Bernie is a down to earth, hard working gentleman and luckily has a wife and daughter who fully understand his passion for the job; just as well really as apparently he even took his tool box on honeymoon – just in case!!

In February we have Mr Bruce Hall speaking to us on Restoration of the Cotswold Canals. The competition is a Photo with water.

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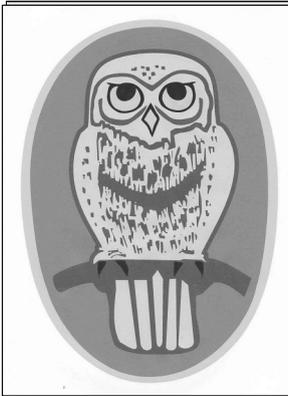
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# *Avening School*

## **Bon Voyage, Mrs Boulton!**

**A**vening Primary School children are making an extraordinary New Year gesture of generosity. They are 'loaning out' their headteacher for three months to the benefit of children in the most heavily populated country in Africa, Nigeria.

Diana Boulton has travelled to Abuja in Nigeria to spend three months supporting education in rural west and north states. She is looking at the role of head teachers out there, and sharing skills and learning from her UK experiences. The trip is part of the government-backed International Extended Placements Scheme, which is led by three partners – VSO (Voluntary Services Overseas); the National College of School Leadership; and the National Association of Head Teachers.

But as she headed off on the 3042-mile trip to Nigeria, Diana explained: "This is a fantastic challenge for me. I am apprehensive at the same time as excited about the work I will be doing over the coming weeks and I very much see this as my school sharing me with the Nigerian schools.

"We are very lucky here in this country where education is given such a high profile. But I believe every child, no matter where they live, should have the opportunity for education. Even with the cultural and religious differences of Nigeria as a developing country, I very much hope I can use my experience to make a difference while I am out there.

"I leave Avening Primary School in the very capable hands of a very strong staff and governor team and I look forward to bringing a wealth of learning back myself to help our children understand the wider world."

and head at Avening for nearly seven, has already had first-hand experience of an African school – at Elimambo in Kenya where the school is partnered with Avening Primary School. For this trip, she is part of a team of 12 headteachers from around the UK selected to travel to Ghana, Nigeria, Namibia and Rwanda.



*Where in the world is Nigeria?  
Mrs Boulton shows the children  
where she is going*



*Good bye and good luck!*

**Some facts  
about Nigeria:**

- Africa's

- most populated state – 140 million people
- 8.1 million primary-aged children out of school
- 60% of there are girls
- 45% of the population is under 14
- AIDS is still a huge problem – if you are a girl in Africa, your chances of getting HIV fall by half if you go to a primary school

To find out more about education in Nigeria you might be interested to look at this article in the Guardian online :

[www.guardian.co.uk/society/2007/may/01/internationalaidanddevelopment.schoolsworldwide](http://www.guardian.co.uk/society/2007/may/01/internationalaidanddevelopment.schoolsworldwide).

[www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk](http://www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk)

In term time please contact 01453 833191

## Avening & Cherington Cricket Club

### Youth Section

Avening & Cherington CC are again running their Youth Cricket section in 2009. The club offers a weekly coaching session at the ground to introduce and re-inforce cricket skills with the youngsters.

Sessions take place on Thursday evenings between 6.30 and 7.30pm at the ground in Cherington (“The Park”). They will begin on Thursday May 7<sup>th</sup> and continue until early July.



Players aged 10 and above are welcome to attend (please note that any **current** A&C junior aged under 10 is also welcome to attend). We are also very pleased that Phil Carter, the senior coach from Cirencester is again attending to help us with the coaching.

If you are interested please come along any Thursday night or, for more information, please email the club at [results@avchcc.co.uk](mailto:results@avchcc.co.uk).

# *Cherington Parish Council*

We welcome Emma Dunsford as our new co-opted Councillor for Cherington and Councillor Kate Gegg has agreed to be Chair. We hope to organise another litter pick in early spring, please watch for details.

## **Report of a meeting between Cherington residents and Police Crime Prevention team at Cherington Village Hall on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2009.**

A Public meeting was called by the Chair of Cherington Parish Council, Cllr Kate Gegg with the Police regarding a spate of burglaries in Cherington. Police present were Mark Godsland Crime Prevention Design Adviser, Community Police Officer Paul Hancock and PC Matt Sholter.

Mark Godsland explained that the Cotswolds were a low crime area but that was not a comfort to those who had experienced a burglary. There were 10 incidents of reported crime in the Cherington Parish in the last year, this was down on the two previous years.

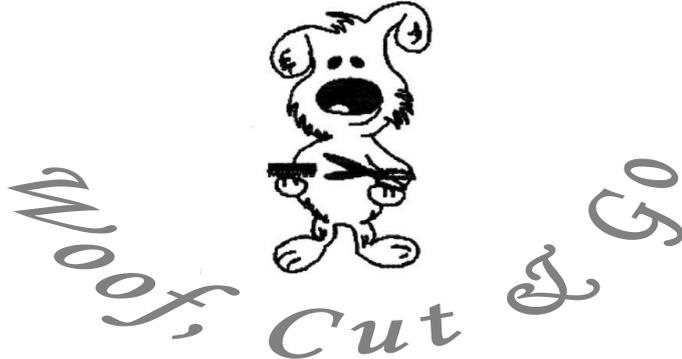
All the Officers reiterated that all information received whether directly or messages left were logged and recorded so although they may not contact you directly, information was not ignored. Liaison between neighbours and being vigilant all helped to keep the neighbourhood safe. Neighbourhood Watch co-ordinator Wendy Eldridge explained, information received that was pertinent to Cherington was circulated and any information received from residents was passed back to Neighbourhood Watch or Police.

The Police Officers answered questions from the floor including manning of Tetbury Police Station. Although manned, there are no set hours as the Officers can be called away at any time. The central phone number for non-emergency calls is **0845 090 1234**, the best number to use as your call will be logged 24 hours a day. Messages will be passed on and a report number given to you in case you need to follow up on your call.

Mark Godsland suggested he organised a follow up meeting within the next 2 to 3 months with the Safe Community Team. This will give time for the village to form ideas for an Action Plan and maybe Neighbourhood Watch could be given a higher profile.

The Parish Council will be discussing this issue at the next Parish Council Meeting at the end of January. Mark Godsland can be contacted directly for a home visit to advise on safety measures or a check list can be obtained by e-mailing [mark.godsland@gloucestershire.police.uk](mailto:mark.godsland@gloucestershire.police.uk) or the Cherington Parish Council e-mail if you have access or directly from the Clerk.

Sue Russell  
Clerk to Cherington Parish Council



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## **Avening Memorial Hall 100 Club**

A very big thank you to all members of the Avening Memorial Hall 100 Club for their support. During 2008 twelve draws were made and twelve lucky winners received a total of £597.12. The amount applied to Avening Memorial Hall funds was £814.33.

If you have been into the Hall recently you cannot fail to have been impressed by the improvements which have been made so far. There is a lot more to do.

Please help by joining the 100 Club now, and giving yourself the chance to be one of the lucky winners in 2009.

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## Rules

The aim of the club is to raise funds for Avening Memorial Hall.

Entry to the club prize draw is by purchase of an annual share in the Club's lottery draws.

Management of the Club is vested in Avening Memorial Hall Management Trustees and their appointed officers.

Draws will be conducted monthly in public in Avening.

40% of annual income from the sale of shares shall be awarded in prizes by random draw over the course of the year. Prize winners shall be notified within 14 days of the draw.

Purchase of annual shares shall be made in cash/cheque or by standing order.

Each share will be allocated a number and this will be included in all subsequent monthly draws, starting from the calendar month in which initial payment is made and thereafter in the calendar year of that month.

The minimum age for entry is sixteen. All decisions of the promoter are final.

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Date \_\_\_\_\_

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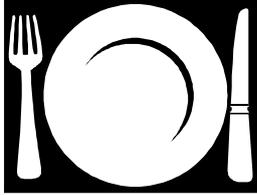
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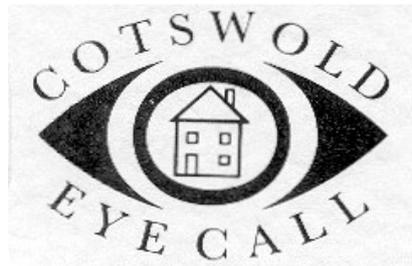
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Winter is now well under way and with it comes the added pressure of keeping warm and well with the rising fuel costs.

Tips to help save money and keep you warm this winter.

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2. Update and improve your heating system. Again grants are available.
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**December 08 / January 09**

**New Planning Applications – December 08/January 09**

<p><a href="#">08/03332/</a> <a href="#">FUL</a></p>	<p><b>Land parcel corner of Powis Lane &amp; Old Hill, Old Hill, Avening</b> Proposal: Erection of detached two storey stone built cottage Members are not supporting this application as it is at odds with the Cotswold District Local Plan Policy 19</p>
<p>09/00004/ FUL</p>	<p><b>2 Old Hill, Avening, Tetbury GL8 8NR</b> Proposal: Replacement of upper bay window to match ground floor original Members had no objection to the application</p>

**Decision Notices Received**

<p><a href="#">08/03071/</a> <a href="#">FUL</a></p>	<p><b>5 Old Hill, Avening, GL8 8NR</b> Proposal: Extension and refurbishment of existing cottage Date decided by CDC : 9<sup>th</sup> January 2009 CDC Decision: Application Permit</p>
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**Appeal Decisions**

<p>APP/F1610/ A/08/2082919</p>	<p><b>Avening Social Club, 1 Woodstock Lane, Avening</b> Appeal Dismissed</p>
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**POLICE REPORT FOR AVENING PARISH COUNCIL**

## *INTRODUCTION*

There were seven substantiated crimes in December 2008, this compares to six in the same period of 2007.

## *CRIME CATEGORY BREAKDOWN*

There were two incidents of **BURGLARY**. Compared to six in 2007

Four incidents of **THEFT/HANDLING**. None in 2007

One incident of **CRIMINAL DAMAGE**. None for the same period last year

## *SUMMARY*

Overall the figures for December 2008 have been relatively consistent, when compared to last year. Obviously as most residents will be aware Avening did suffer 6 of these Crimes on the same evening when a number of vehicles and garages were broken into resulting in items being stolen and the episode ending with a vehicle being stolen. This was later found burnt out a few miles away.

We would like to urge all residents to remove all valuables from their vehicles when left and make sure that they are locked. Homeowners can also take protective steps, making sure their homes, garages and outbuildings such as sheds are locked and secure.

The reduction in Burglary from 6 (2007) to 2 (2008) is a positive sign and we would like to continue the downward trend in Avening and ask all residents and partnership agencies to continue working alongside us to help keep Avening a safe and pleasant area to both live and work.

**Gloucestershire Mobile Police Station** will be visiting Avening on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February between 1.30 and 2.30 pm and on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> February between 8.30 and 9.30 am

## **The Part Night Lighting Scheme**

The Parish Council have been notified that as from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2009 the Gloucestershire Highways team will begin

converting the street lights in Avening to Part Night. Each conversion takes 3 nights for each converted light to adjust to Part Night.

### **Spring Village Clean Up**

The Spring Village Clean Up will take place on **Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2009** from 10.30am to 12.30am.

Please meet at the Village Hall to collect your litter picking equipment. All welcome!

**The Next Meeting of Avening Parish Council will be held on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> February 2009 at the Village Hall.**

*Wendy Jennings, Parish Clerk, Wingfield, Hampton Hill, Avening, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8NS Tel: 01453 832881*

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

DATE	EVENT	PLACE	TIME
Feb 14th	FOAS Valentine's Ball	Village Hall	8 pm-midnight
Feb 19th	Avening Parish Council	Village Hall	
Feb 24th	Quiet Day	Gloucester Cathedral	10am-4pm
March 4, 11, 18 & 25th	Lent Meetings in Avening	tba	
March 14th	Avening Litter Pick	Outside Village Hall	10.30am-12.30
June 7th	Avening Church Fete		2 pm

### THE MOBILE POLICE STATION will visit Avening & Cherington in February:

**Feb 12<sup>th</sup> Avening 1.30-2.30 pm: Cherington 2.45-3.30pm**

**Feb 25<sup>th</sup> Avening 8.30-9.30am: Cherington 9.45-10.30am**

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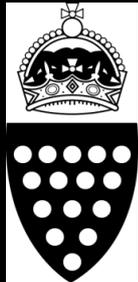
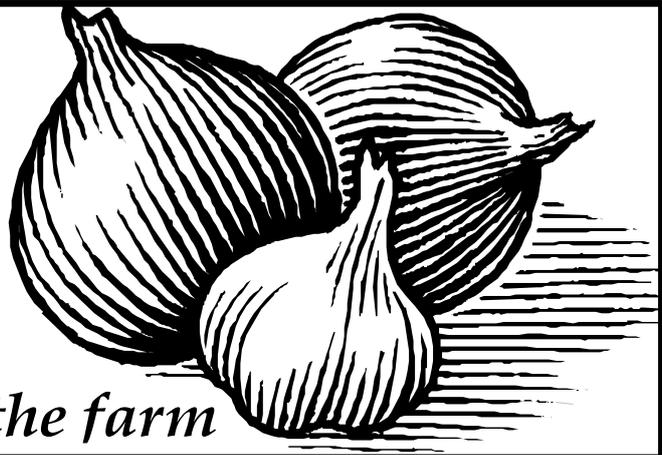
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## Useful Telephone Numbers

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Cherington Parish Council	Sue Russell	01666 503370
Cotswold District Councillor	Jim Parsons	01453 836596
Avening Sunday School	Debbie Brown	01453 835983
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