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November 2018

We have quite a month ahead of us, as you will see from this edition of the Villager, particularly as we remember the events of a century ago, when the First World War ended. As you know, there are a number of houses around the village, which carry the blue plaques commemorating people who lived there and who lost their lives during the course of the conflict. It would be wonderful if we could make just a little extra time to remember them individually and then join in with the events planned for Remembrance weekend.

You will also see an announcement about the Avening Community Café, which is due to open its doors on 13th November. Do come and support this brilliant new enterprise and bring a friend to introduce them to its delights also!

Also note that the Film Club is looking for new organisers. If you enjoy this innovation and would like to see it continue and could spare a small amount of time to help keep it going, please let Kristiane or the Editors know (details on page 32)

The Villager Editors

Don't forget next month is bumper Christmas/New Year edition so be sure to tell us about all your events and plans

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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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NEVER FORGET

Avening Centenary Armistice Celebrations

on **Saturday 10th November**

beginning with a *very special*

'Son et Lumiere' (Sound & Light) Show

Projection onto the Church

in *Remembrance* of **The End of WWI**

6pm prompt at **Avening Church**

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Regular Activities 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 - 9.30pm	Social Club	Social Club 01453 833760
Mobile Post Office	Monday and Thursday	12.00 to 1.00pm	opposite 65, Sunground	J. Clutterbuck 01453 542754
Churchyard tidy up	Tuesday fortnightly	6.00 - 7.00pm	Holy Cross churchyard	Rev. Gerald 01453 834884
Cherington PC	Tuesday	6.00pm	Village Hall	Beverley 01453 832100
Bell Ringing	Tuesday	7.30 - 9.00pm	Church Bell Tower	Andrew 01453 835783
Line Dancing	Tuesday	8.00 - 10.00pm	Social Club	Social Club 01453 833760
Avening Youth Club	Every Tuesday in term time	6.00—7.30pm	Memorial Hall	Rev. Gerald 01453 834884
Over 60s Lunch Club	1st Wednesday each month	12.30pm	Social Club	Christine 01453 833246
Avening Art Club	Thursday	2.00 - 4.00pm	Various	Mick 01453 836318
Avening W.I.	2nd Thursday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	Maisie 01453 834679
Avening PC	3rd Thursday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	Caroline 01285 380041
Summer Skittles	Friday	8.00pm	Social club	Derrick Ind 01453 835752
Charity Quiz	1st Saturday each month	8.00pm	The Bell	
Avening Angels Choir	Sunday	4.00pm	Various	Derrick Pierce 01453 835090

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Stroud Hospital	Reception	0300 421 8080
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Women's Institute	Gwyneth Simpson	01453 836556



VILLAGE & AREA WEB SITES

Avening Parish Council: www.avening-pc.gov

Avening Church: www.aveningchurch.info

Cherington Parish Council: cheringtonpc.org.uk.

Cherington Village: www.cheringtonvillage.co.uk

Cotswold District Council: www.cotswold.gov.uk

Letter From Avening Parish Council Leader



A lot to get through this month, so apologies for taking up a little more space than usual.

The WW1 outdoor sound and light show and concert are all consuming at the moment, but arrangements are progressing well. Click and I were filming the stories this week with a great bunch of local lads, and we tried out the projection onto the outside of the church – it worked really well and looks great, so should be a really special event. The film will tell the stories of some of our local fallen, and how they led to the building of the Memorial Hall as their legacy. Wrap up warm, and maybe bring a brolly, but be OUTSIDE of the church for a 6:00pm start on Saturday 10th November.

The concert in the hall afterwards from 7:00pm has a great range of performers booked in, and will culminate in a ‘Last Night of the Proms’ style finale. There will be a bar, and a complementary ploughman’s supper with cakes during the interval. It won’t be a late finish, so bring the whole family.

During the evening we will have plenty of forms for you to ‘buy a tile’ for the roof appeal and tell your stories of your own heroes.

The WI have organised a quiz on 16th November, and are kindly donating the profits to the appeal – why not get a team up and have a fun evening in the hall.

The Christmas tree lighting will be on Saturday 1st December at 5:00pm on the small green by the old phone box, followed by drinks and free nibbles at the Social Club.

I’m sad to announce that my friend and deputy chairman Mick Williamson has left the team as he will soon be moving out of the village, and be ineligible to serve. Mick has been a great asset to the PC, serving as chairman for a term, and has been an invaluable support to me while I have been in the hot seat. We all wish Mick and Clare all the best in the next phase of their lives.

We voted not to replace Mick as there are local elections next spring – there will be at least two vacancies to fill, so it will be a good opportunity to join us. If you are interested in helping to keep Avening a vibrant place to live and work, or want to find out more about what’s involved, contact the clerk or speak to any councillor.

We are currently advertising for a new clerk, but if you would like to apply for this interesting and varied part time (paid) role you need to be quick, as the

closing date is 9th November – full details on the website, or speak to Sue.

We didn't get any volunteers to organise an autumn litter pick, but Emile Nelson called in to borrow a picker before she went off to university, as she thought the road to Nailsworth was particularly bad. It turned out to be so bad that Emile had to call in reinforcements to collect the many bags of rubbish she had filled! The number of beer cans and other rubbish discarded by drivers and walkers was unbelievable, but thanks to Emile the route now looks much better. What a great example to us all! Thanks also to John Collinson who made some emergency (and later permanent) repairs to the hut in the playing field during the recent storm.

Our pumps will have the final pieces – the spouts – fitted soon. We will paint one for approval by the Conservation officer. After that, we will contact the people and groups that adopted them a few years ago to get the others painted.

Finally, we enthusiastically supported the new community café, and have agreed to pay the rental costs at the Social Club until the end of the financial year. This is a great initiative to fill a social void in the village – watch out for details of the launch, and do support the voluntary team when it's up and running. We hope to persuade the Post Office to change their round to coincide with the opening times, which should help them increase the number of customers using the service.

Tony Slater
Chairman

Are you 12-16 years old?

How do you find it living in this village?

Would you like more to be provided for you here?
Over the next few weeks we would like to get some answers to these questions. Would you like to help us do this in some way?

If so we would be very pleased to hear from you – please
phone 01453 834884 or email
gp.south@btopenworld.com

Gerald South and Avening Parish Council

Avening and Cherington



Avening Harvest Festival

Many thanks to all who contributed to Harvest Festival in so many different ways. The church looked magnificent. The many generous donations for the foodbank were taken to the Tetbury Foodbank and were gratefully received by the volunteers there. The box remains in the church for donations of appropriate non-perishable items: they will all be delivered to the Tetbury and Cirencester Foodbank.

Forest Church

Despite the pouring rain and a very muddy walk from Avening to Ruggers Wood our first Forest Church was a very friendly and worthwhile event. Fifteen of us ventured out to collect memorable items from the wood, we sang, prayed, marvelled at the subtlety of nature and sat around the log fire with toasted marshmallows in a chocolate digestive biscuit 'sandwich' - yummy. Our thanks go to Estelle and Ant for making us so welcome in their wood. There will be another Forest Church on 10th November at a farm near Tetbury – please contact me for further details.

Avening Church Finances

Thank you to those who have responded to the need to increase our income – your support makes a valuable contribution. It is not too late if you have not yet got around to it: please contact the Treasurer, Ann Brick, on 01453 834311.

All Souls' Service, Avening Church, Sunday 4th November at 3.30 pm

This quiet service provides an opportunity to remember and give thanks for those we have loved and see no more. It is suitable for children as well as adults. However long ago we may have lost a loved one this is a chance to reflect, light a candle in their name and seek some comfort. Refreshments will be available after the service.

Remembrance Day Service at Avening, Sunday 11th November, 10.45 am

Please join us to remember those who sacrificed so much to preserve our freedom and way of life and offer our prayers and hopes for future peace. After the service we will gather at the memorial in the churchyard where wreaths may be laid by organisations or individuals in memory of those who served.

Advent Carol Service at the Gloucester Cathedral, 2nd Dec. at 6.00pm

Those who have been to this before have found it to be a marvellous opportunity to experience a moving service in a packed cathedral. Derrick Pierce has kindly agreed to organise a coach and would like to know numbers as soon as possible

– please let him know if you would like a seat on the coach (01453 835090).
The cost will be about £10.

From the Church Registers

30th October: Baptism of Evie Povey (Cherington)

14th October: Baptism of Scarlett Edwards (Avening)

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Church Services and Events

Nov	Holy Cross Avening	St Nicholas Cherington
Nov 4 th	11.00 am All Saints' Eucharist 3.30 pm All Souls' Service	9.30 am All Saints' Eucharist
6 th	12.30-1.00 Praying the Parishes (Avening Rectory)	
9 th	11 am School Remembrance 1.15 pm Wedding	
10 th	5.00 pm Armistice Evening	
11 th	8.30 am Said Eucharist 10.45 am Remembrance	Remembrance Evening
18 th	11.00 am Eucharist	9.30 am Eucharist
21 st	7.00 pm Compline at 70 Sandford Leaze	
25 th	11.00 am Eucharist	9.30 am Eucharist
Dec	11.00 am Eucharist	9.30 am Advent Service
2 nd	6.00 pm Advent Carol Service at Cathedral	

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CHERINGTON VILLAGE CHRISTMAS 2018



SATURDAY DECEMBER 8th

5 pm Christingle Service at St Nicholas Church

Followed by the lighting of the

Cherington Christmas Tree on the Green

(approximately 5.45 pm)



And afterdrinks and mince
pies in the Village Hall

Do join us to start our village
celebrations

We have made it early so our youngsters can
come before bedtime and the grown ups before
supper !

Avening Playgroup

It is lovely to see all children building new relationships and playing so nicely together. They are following the playgroup routine really well and are now helping to tidy up.

The children have enjoyed learning about the topics we have covered since the last article:

- The story of 'The Gingerbread Man'
- Size and length
- Shapes
- Autumn

We now have some very interesting gingerbread men hanging on the wall as well as some lovely 'paper plate hedgehogs' which the children made using their mark-making and scissor skills. There have been lots of discussions about the trees and what is happening to them.

The committee and staff are currently busy preparing for our main fundraising event of the year, the Christmas Bazaar. This year we are joining up with FOAS to raise funds for both the school and the playgroup. The bazaar will be held on **Friday 30th November** between **3.00 and 5.30pm**. There will be stalls where the children can have lots of fun, including lucky jars and sand art. Father Christmas will be making an appearance and we will still have the bottle tombola and raffle stalls. I have heard that there may be a nice offering of a Hot + Cool™ fan heater from Dyson, as well as a £50 Boden voucher, a family pass to Cotswold Farm Park and many others.

Keep the date in mind and do come along and join us for lots of fun and festivity.

If you would like to know anything about our lovely playgroup, please call us on 01453 832695 or email aveningplaygroup@gmail.com. We are open week day mornings during term time.

Angie Heslop

The Village Notice Board

The village notice board, on the side of the Memorial Hall, is a good way of publicising village events and items of local information. Posters, ideally size A4 or A5, can be put up for you on this board if you drop them off at 5, Orchard Field. They will be taken down once they are out of date. Other posters may be removed and recycled once they are faded or to make space for others.

Puzzle Corner

(Answers on page 33)

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	3			1	9	8		
		1	6					

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 block contains all of the digits 1 to 9.

Across

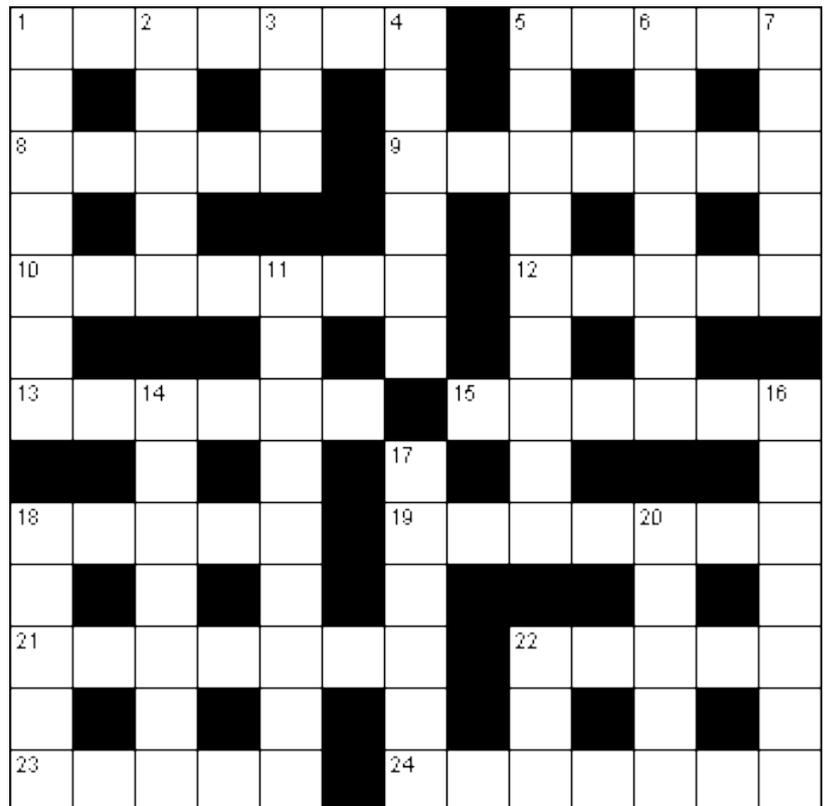
1. Entrust (7)
5. Small thin biscuit (5)
8. Dissonance (5)
9. Projecting upper floor (7)
10. The sheltered side (7)
12. Unvarnished (5)
13. Scheme (6)
15. Become visible (6)
18. Flowed back (5)
19. Athlete (7)
21. Hinged window blind (7)
22. Slight push (5)
23. Two or more contesting groups (5)
24. Striking (7)

Down

1. Tapers (7)
2. Inexperienced (5)
3. Frozen water (3)
4. Personify (6)
5. Decorative covering (9)

6. Photographic film (7)
7. Synthetic silklike fabric (5)
11. Short accounts of incidents (9)
14. Quashed (7)
16. Private place with peace

- and quiet (7)
17. Marine mammal (6)
18. Alleviates (5)
20. Emblem (5)
22. Nothing (3)



<http://www.puzzlechoice.com>

Avening Community Café



The café opens its doors on November 13th — save the date!

If you're after a chat with friends and neighbours over great coffee and home-baked cakes, then the Avening Community Café, which opens its doors on November 13th, will suit you down to the ground.

The Café will be open every Tuesday from 9.00 am to 11.30 am at the Social Club, serving tea, coffee, soft drinks and cakes. We'll be offering gluten-free treats, newspapers, Fairtrade coffee and doing our best to minimise our use of plastic. In time, we hope to accommodate other suggestions, everything from wi-fi availability to book swaps, a surplus produce stall and help for people who have mobility issues.

The brainchild of a handful of Avening residents, the café aims to offer a warm welcome to everyone who spends their days in our beautiful village or indeed anyone who is passing through and fancies a decent cuppa. We've heard from homeworkers, stay-at-home parents, dog-walkers, retirees, and new arrivals to the village. We all agree that it would be wonderful to have a café on our doorstep - and now we're making it happen.

We're starting small – trying out ideas discussed during our meetings or from those who have contacted us with advice and offers of help. There's been no shortage of volunteers for the rota or from Avening's talented army of bakers but more offers always welcome.

So if you're thinking 'I'd love a café in Avening, if....', tell us what your 'If's' are: '...if it sells Chocolate Brownies....if it has dairy free options....if I feel OK on my own...if I can get there....' It's a Community Café – and it's important that it's for everyone!

My mother-in-law needs a dog!

She lives in Painswick, has a fenced garden, has had dogs for ever and a day and somehow now seems to find herself without one. A puppy is a little too much work for her to train, teenage dogs can be hard for elderly owners, etc.



So might suit a middle-aged small/medium-sized dog who simply needs a loving home and lots of walks.....

Please contact any of the Winkfields on 01453 833799 or 07885 139275.

Avening W.I.

We are hoping that lots of villagers will join us for Shirley's Fun Quiz at the Social Club on Friday 16th November, 7 for a 7.30pm start. Teams of four can compete and the cost is £4 per person to include a Ploughman's Supper. All proceeds will go to the Memorial Hall roof fund. Do come along, even if you don't have a full team, as we can assemble teams on the night.

If you fancy a day out in Cardiff, there are still a few spaces on the coach trip on Wednesday 28th November, leaving at 9.00am from the layby opposite the school. The cost is £10 per person. For more details, or to book a seat, please contact Sue Osborne on 839327.

It was third time lucky for our recent monthly walk. The first time was too wet, the second too hot but the third was just right, and a group of members and dogs enjoyed a circular walk from Kingscote via Lasborough Manor and finishing with lunch at Hunters Hall.



The other photo shows an example of an afternoon tea provided by Avening WI under the Bite to Eat Scheme, as advertised elsewhere in the magazine.

Our speaker for October, Malcolm Lewis, shared with us the story and the wonderful voice of John Hughes. Known as the 'Welsh Tenor', he had a short but impressive career in both popular music and opera during the 50s and 60s.



Our speakers for this month are Diana Humphrey and Fred Ward of the Whisper and Shout Theatre Company, with an illustrated talk on 'The History of Mr Punch'. Visitors are welcome to join us for the evening at 7.30pm on Thursday 8th November at the Memorial Hall.

Helen Haiselden



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Avening School

A jam-packed first half of term!



Hawks trip to Copsegrove Farm for a Stone Age day.

As I write, we are one day away from half term break and what an exciting first half of term it has been! The children have been out and about on school trips and the Owls class have somehow managed to fit in not only 2 school trips, but also a 3 day residential trip to South Cerney. The Hawks class started the term with a trip to a stone age roundhouse at Bourton-on-the-Water and also ended the first half of term with a visit to Copsegrove Farm Park where they experienced living in the 'stone age', taking part in activities such as

foraging, cooking over an open fire and crafting tools out of wood. A group of our y6 pupils also took part in a Harry Potter themed science/literary event at Westonbirt School, which went with a bang and a pop!

Our sport stars have been making us proud, representing the school at hockey and football matches at Deer Park, Kingshill and SWR schools.

In the last week of term, we held our Harvest festival and children donated items of food and everyday essentials to Cirencester foodbank, which will be personally delivered by our school council after half term.

Every week we celebrate our pupils and award certificates for special achievements and contributions they have made, but at the end of October we also celebrated a member of staff, our very own Mr Bond, and presented him with a long service award as our school crossing patrol, awarded by Gloucestershire County Council. It is wonderful to know that his tireless, all weather presence on our very busy main road is appreciated not only by our own community but also by the County Council. Well done and thank you Mr Bond, we are lucky to have you!

We have plenty to look forward to in the next half of autumn term. We are participating again this year in the National Primary Maths Challenge for pupils from y6 with support from Reverend Gerald. Having been in earlier on in the term to discuss religion and science with the Owls class (y5/6), Reverend Gerald will be back into school to talk to the Kestrels class (y1/2) about belonging to a faith community and explaining more about Christian celebrations, looking at baptisms and weddings.

Winter may be just around the corner, but that doesn't stop Mrs Carter and the Fledglings on Friday afternoons. Fledglings is a weekly outdoor session held for pre-school children and their grown-ups every Friday afternoon from 2 – 3pm. All are welcome. Please contact the school office for more information.

FOAS have already hosted one event this term with a well-attended film afternoon showing 'Peter Rabbit' on a rainy Sunday at the end of October, raising over £200 for the school. The annual Halloween disco will take place at the beginning of November, followed by our Christmas Fayre on Friday 30th November from 3 – 5.30pm. This year we will be joining forces with Avening playgroup and hosting a joint event which will include firm favourites such as Santa's grotto, festive refreshments and plenty of stalls selling Christmas gifts and crafts. Please join us and support the school and playgroup.

Each month, FOAS draw a ticket in their 'lucky lottery' which pays out £20 to every lucky winner and £50 at Christmas. It costs £12 a year to enter. If you are interested in being included in the lucky lottery please contact the school for an application form.

Alex Adcock

For further information about this busy place of learning please see our school website: www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk

COACHING

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An Afternoon at Avening Primary School

The Owls class (9 to 11 year olds) have a very varied and rich curriculum including Religious Education: their recent topic was Creation and the relationship between scientific insights and their reading of the first chapter of Genesis. I was very pleased to be invited to join in with their discussions.

We started by listing their questions. These included: is the Genesis story true?; who created God?; is God a person?; where does God live?; what happened before creation?; where are heaven and hell?

It was necessary to explain that different Christians will give different answers to such questions: for example some may believe that the earth was created 6,000 years ago in a very similar form to the present. However that is not the way I see creation: I am content with the more orthodox scientific current view that some 14 billion years ago space itself expanded from a minute point, filled with very hot radiation and then gradually cooled as particles, atoms, stars, planets and life emerged. We watched a video simulation of this amazing process.

We began to see that people some 3,000 or so years ago could not have appreciated our modern knowledge gleaned from clever experiments and advanced mathematics. However they could reflect on the experience of the 'beyond' in their midst. The Genesis story includes the idea that there is one God who creates out of love, unlike other myths of the time which often involved various gods at war with each other. Also that 'God saw that it was good': some philosophical ideas have suggested that we humans should focus on pure abstract thoughts and escape from the 'dirty' world, but this Genesis perspective means that we are to see all that is around us as something special to be embraced and nurtured.

As for some of the other pupil questions – no, God is not a person but personal language is all we have in our attempt to talk about him – or her or God is not a super-being within creation, perhaps we might think of 'him' as Being itself, then many of the other questions become unnecessary. Much has been said and written about all this, for example the book *God is no thing – coherent Christianity* by Rupert Shortt (Hurst 2016).

***Gerald South, Parish Priest for Avening and Cherington
01453 834884 gp.south@btopenworld.com***

Avening and Cherington Cricket Club

Well, another season has finished and work is well in hand to renovate and prepare the cricket square after what has been a very successful and somewhat unusual campaign.

Successful in that the Club came runners up in Div.2 of the Cotswold & District Cricket League, having pipped Fairford by one point, and will therefore be competing in Div1. next season. Unusual in that apart from one game when rain at the tea interval caused an abandonment, every other fixture took place in glorious sunshine. The lack of summer showers, however, did make pitch preparations the most difficult since 1976, with both ground and square looking distinctly brown instead of the usual lush green.

The Club also took third place out of the thirteen teams in the division both for the standard of teas provided and the fair play category, which reflected great credit on the players.

The Club would like to express its thanks to the Cherington Show Committee and the Vice Presidents for their support, and to our President Roger Gegg and Henry Arden especially for their practical help. Special thanks to Chris and Siobhan Carragher for allowing us to play in such pleasant surroundings.

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Autumn brings warming food and preparations for Christmas. Here's the programme:

30th October - Winter Warmer: Sharing about our half terms with hot chocolate and warm food.

6th November - Bonfire Baking: Your chance to make bonfire night related cakes!

13th November – Surprise!: A mystery evening

20th November– Quiz & Pudding Evening: Invite your parents to a quiz & pudding evening led by you!

THURSDAY 29th November (change of day for this week only)

Christmas Creations - Make your own Christmas Decorations

Youth Club is for anyone aged 8 to 14, from Avening, Nags Head, or Cherington. We meet every Tuesday in term time from 6 to 7.30 pm at the Memorial Hall. **Once you're 13 we'll ask you to be a Young Leader and help out (don't worry, we'll give you training).**

Cost is just £1 a time to include a healthy snack. Just come along and see what's what if you haven't been before. We'll make you welcome.

For parents or carers: The Youth Club is run by The Door (find their website at www.thedoor.org.uk). They provide qualified and experienced Youth Workers. You just need to leave an emergency contact number when you drop your young person off. If they come on their own, we need them to give us a number to contact.

Want more information? Contact Rev Gerald South on 834884 or Becky at The Door on 01453 756745.

Santa Needs a New Sleigh!



Father Christmas will be in the village on Sunday 9th December and needs a sleigh to journey round to see all of the children. We are extremely thankful for the many years that Lisa and Simon Harwood have provided the truck and sound system for this magical event, but it is time for us to find a new willing volunteer to help out Father Christmas. If you know anyone who might be able to help, please contact Helen Hatt at hatthelen@gmail.com.



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Modern day Posada uses figures of Mary and Joseph that travel around from home to home. The journey is symbolic of the journey that Mary and Joseph took all those years ago and helps us to make room for Jesus in our hearts, homes and community this Christmas.

Last year this proved very popular with the children and adults of Avening and Cherington. This year the figures will set off on their journey from our churches after the service on Advent Sunday (9.30 at Cherington and 11.00 at Avening on 2nd December) and will return at Christmas.

After their overnight visit each host delivers the figures to the next home on the journey. Mary and Joseph would love to visit you for a day this Advent. If you would like your home to be included in their journey please phone Gerald on 01453 834884 or email gp.south@btopenworld.com by 17th November with your name and address: if there are any dates that would be inconvenient for you please also mention them. You will then receive details of their route and the timings.

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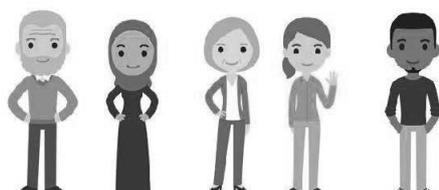


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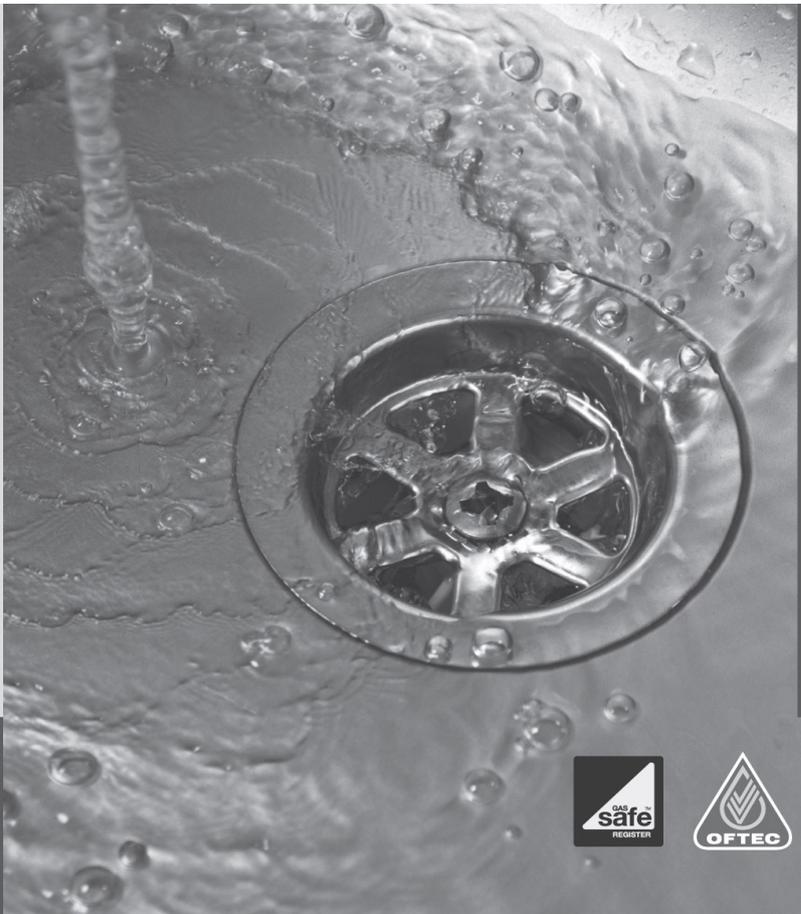
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Locally-Based Charities

This table gives information about charities which are based in and around Avening and Cherington. Periodically, we will give a more detailed outline of what each organisation does.

Please let us know if any information is incorrect and also if you know of any other charities which should be included - we know there are plenty for this list.

Charity	Purpose	Further Information
Friends of Avening School (FOAS)	FOAS raises money to help with various projects and activities at the school.	01453 833191
Horsfall House	Provides nursing care for residents, a Day Centre 6 days a week Home Care and meals on Wheels in the local area.	01453 731227
Hop, Skip & Jump Foundation	Provide high quality respite care for children and young adults with disabilities and SEN	hoskipandjump.org.uk 01453 836390 marcoms@hopskipandjump.org.uk
Mark Townsend Charitable Trust	Providing help for young people with mental health issues	themarktownsend-charitabletrust.com 01453 832799
Friends of Little Stars	Fundraising and support for Little Stars School for underprivileged children in Varanasi, India	Kieran Archer 01453 832992 littlestarsschool.org
Avening Church of England Educational Fund	To support and promote the education of those under the age of 25 resident in the parish of Avening.	Stephanie Hamilton, 07796 981308
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Cinema-goers are encouraged to buy their drinks from the local pub both before the film and during the interval.



The editors were sorry to hear from Clare and Kristiane as follows:

'This will be the last film club we will be doing. Clare and I have been running the Film Club for a full five years and are finding it increasingly difficult to manage with other commitments we have going on. We would like to say a very big thank you to everyone who has attended over the last five years but most especially our regulars. Blue Jasmin (our very first film with 50 attendees!) seems like a very long time ago. If anyone is interested taking over, please contact us.'

We are sure that many will join in offering huge thanks to both Clare and Kristiane for the pleasure that the cinema club has given to many of us over the past years and for all their hard work.

This is an important amenity for the village and it would be a great shame if it - and all the hard work put in by Clare and Kristiane - were to be lost. Please let them know as soon as possible if you feel you could help, or even if you just want to know what is involved. Kristiane's phone number is 01453 836515



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29th October

in memory of John Hopes from his wife and family

If you would like to have this in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a special event, contact **Paul Brown 01453 835 983**. The cost is £10 for 2 hours.

Avening Parish Council



The minutes of the October meeting will be published shortly but some of the issues raised at the meeting are listed below:

Mick Williamson

We are very sorry that Mick is stepping down from the Council as he is moving house and will no longer be living in the Avening Parish. Mick was thanked for all the work he had undertaken during his time on the Parish Council and will be greatly missed.

Avening Youth Club

It was reported that the funding request to set up a Youth Club for 12 – 16 year olds, in addition to the existing club for 12 – 16 year olds, was being considered at CDC.

Jim Parsons Reading Room

The Reading Room will be officially re-named prior to our next Parish Council meeting on Thursday 15 November 2018.

Future Events

A reminder that the WW1 Commemorative event is happening on Saturday 10 November 2018 at 6pm. The main event will be a sound and light projection onto the church wall, followed by entertainment and a free supper in the Memorial Hall.

The Christmas Tree lighting will be happening this year on Saturday 1 December at 5pm on the small green near the old phone box.

Playing Field Play Equipment

We are aware that repairs are needed for the Flying Fox and this is in hand. Repairs have been made to the roof of the hut following storm damage.

Dog Waste Bin

The new dog waste bin has been installed in the wrong place, and we will be asking for it to be re-sited opposite to the Nags Head/Cherington lane.

Clerk Vacancy

The vacancy for a Clerk to Avening Parish Council has now been advertised. This is a part time role (approx. 7 hours per week), working from home and attending one evening meeting per month. The full advert and job description is available to see on the Parish Council website but if you have any questions or would like more information then please contact the Clerk, contact details listed below. The closing date is Friday 9 November 2018.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 15 November** 2018 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. Agendas will be displayed on the village notice boards. Minutes

of our meetings are available to view at www.avening-pc.gov.uk

The Parish Clerk can be contacted via email: parishclerk@avening-pc.gov.uk
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Please can we remind landowners and residents of their legal responsibility to trim growth on their boundaries to keep paths and narrow lanes clear. This includes bridle paths and footpaths. It is also a legal requirement to prevent trees and undergrowth from falling onto the public highway. In the above case no one was injured. However, there may be other ivy-covered trees, which require attention before a more serious fall occurs.

Avening Parish Council

Cherington Parish Council

There was no meeting of Cherington Parish Council for October.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 6th November 2018 at 6pm** in the Village Hall. An agenda will be placed on the notice board and cheringtonpc.org.uk. The Parish Clerk can be contacted on 01453 832100 or via email at cheringtonparishcouncil@yahoo.co.uk.

All Souls' Service

Sunday 4th November, 3.30 pm

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Tuesday 6th November	Cherington Parish Council Meeting	Cherington Village Hall	6.00 pm
Saturday 10th November	End of WWI Centenary Celebration	Avening Memorial Hall and around the Church	tbc
Sunday 11th November	End of WWI Centenary Celebration	Cherington Bonfire	tbc
Tuesday 13th November	Avening Community Café opens	Avening Social Club	9.00-11.30 am
Thursday 15th November	Avening Parish Council Meeting	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Friday 16th November	WI Shirley's Fun Quiz	Avening Social Club	7 for 7.30 pm
Wednesday 28th November	WI Christmas Shopping Trip to Cardiff	tbc	tbc
Friday 30th November	Avening School/ Playgroup Christmas Bazaar	Avening School	3-5.30 pm
Sunday 2nd December	Gloucester Cathedral Carol Service	Coach leaving Avening	tbc
Saturday 8th December	Christingle Service, followed by lighting of Christmas Tree	St Nicholas Church Cherington and Village Green	5.00 pm
Sunday 9th December	Santa comes to Avening!	Whole Village	tbc
Sunday 16th December	Avening Carol Service	Holy Cross Church Avening	7.00 pm

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