

# The Villager



A Magazine for Avening,  
Cherington and Nags Head

**November 2022**

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# *Avening Christmas Market*

*Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022*

**11am to 3pm**

**Kids Zone**  
 ~ Santa's Grotto ~  
 ~ Games ~  
 ~ Christmas Crafts ~

**Market Menu**  
 ~ Pulled Pork & Apple Sauce Rolls ~  
 ~ Bockwurst Hotdogs ~  
 ~ Mince Pies ~

**Après Ski Bar**  
 ~ Mulled Wine ~  
 ~ Winter Pimm's ~  
 ~ Bailey's Hot Chocolate ~

***Avening Memorial Hall & Gardens***

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 ~ Christmas decorations ~

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**Avening WI (and helpers) planting the Platinum Jubilee tree on the edge of the orchard in October.**



# November 2022

We hope that you will find this month's edition of the Villager full of interest and plans for the Christmas season, which is already upon us.

Of special interest is what is planned for Remembrance Sunday on 13<sup>th</sup> November in Avening. After the usual morning service, a celebration is being held in the Memorial Hall to mark the centenary of its opening. There will be a slide show amongst other things and refreshments as well as the award to the Villager of the Year. For more details, please see the Chairman's report.

Readers are sure to be interested by the accounts in this edition of remarkable achievements of some of the villages' members. Charles Sabine, for example, recently received an OBE — hopefully further details and photos will be in the next issue. You may remember his remarkable film *Dancing in the Vatican*, shown here a few months ago. Krista's London Marathon Success is also featured, in which she mentions her appreciation of the local support she received through the Villager — and Pete's 100 mile walk is nearly done. No doubt we may hear more from him in the next edition. Well done everyone. Please keep sending us your news, as stories like these are so cheering, especially as we have been swamped recently by national doom and gloom.

As a final thought: on the 3<sup>rd</sup> December the Christmas Lights will be turned on in both Avening and Cherington, bringing more hope of happiness and joy.

***The Villager Editors***

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Many thanks to **Tony Slater** for the seasonal photograph of fireworks on the front cover.

Please keep sending us your photographs, especially since all the images will be in colour in the downloadable version of the Magazine.

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# Christmas Services in Cherington



03 Dec 22	5 pm	Christingle & Lights switch-on
04 Dec 22	10am	2nd Advent
11 Dec 22	5 pm	9 Lessons & Carols
18 Dec 22	10am	4th Advent
24 Dec 22	10pm	Midnight Mass
25 Dec 22	10am	Christmas



# Regular Activities in the Villages

Items struck through are temporarily suspended. Would organisers please let us know when they restart.

Event	Day	Time	Where	Contact
Community Café	Tuesday	9.30 - 11.30am	Social Club	Gill Adams 07826 291759
Mobile Post Office	Tuesday	10.30am - 12.30pm	Social Club car park	
Cherington PC	Tuesday bi-monthly	6.00pm	Cherington Village hall	Richard Smith 07884 265117
<del>Bell Ringing</del>	<del>Tuesday</del>	<del>7.30 - 9.00pm</del>	<del>Church Bell Tower</del>	<del>Andrew 01453 835783</del>
Line Dancing	Tuesday	8.00 - 9.30 pm	Social Club	Social Club 01453 833760
Avening Youth Club	Every Tuesday in term time	6.00 - 7.30pm	Avening Memorial Hall	01453 756745
Churchyard tidy up	Wednesday	6.00 - 7.00pm	Holy Cross churchyard	Churchwardens
Avening PC	3rd Wednesday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	Shani Baker 07415 039234
Avening Cinema Club	Last Wednesday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	avening Cinemaclub @gmail.com
Avening W.I.	2nd Thursday each month	7.30pm	Social Club/ Memorial Hall	Liz 01453 833803
Charity Quiz	1st Saturday each month	8.00pm	The Bell	
Avening Angels Choir	Sunday	4.30pm	tba	Derrick Pierce 01453 835090

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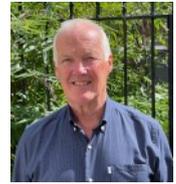
**Cherington Parish Council: [cheringtonpc.org.uk](http://cheringtonpc.org.uk).**

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# Letter From Avening Parish Council Leader



We have all experienced new events in recent weeks – lots of rain after a very dry summer; and I'm tempted to say lots of Prime Ministers in very short order. We can only hope that 10 Downing Street sorts itself out, common sense prevails and life returns to some semblance of normality, financial stability, and peace of mind for us all. The prospect of a proliferation of strikes will for some of us bring back memories of the 1970's, three day weeks, electricity shortages etc. Let's pray that the issues can be resolved without too much damage and to the satisfaction of all parties involved.

Meanwhile, back in Avening: -

**The Memorial Hall:** We have experienced two mini floods in the hall in recent weeks and I suspect we will have more near misses in the months ahead as the almost unpredictable storms rain down on us. We have the situation whereby the cumulative rain that falls on the High Street and adjoining roads culminates in an almost mini tsunami by the time the water reaches the front of the Memorial Hall. The water reaches such volumes that the kerbside would need to be a foot tall to have any chance of diverting the waters, and the detritus it carries with it, from swamping the front entrance door. Despite the best efforts of willing parishioners on each occasion (thank you to Mandy, Tony and Jane Ruston) we are at the mercy of the weather and in a situation that resembles King Canute trying to turn the tide. The Trustees are considering various options that might be applied to minimise the flood risk. Highways have now confirmed that part of the problem is within the drains, which appear to have collapsed underground where they pass under the road and into the adjacent stream. Excavations by Highways are planned to establish the facts and the required remedy.

One solution that has been mooted is to erect a low wall on the inner side of the path to act as a flood barrier; diverting the water around to the side of the hall and simultaneously creating an attractive courtyard to the front entrance. If anyone has an idea for this flood prevention project, then please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council and the ideas can be considered by the Hall Trustees.

On a brighter note, the **Memorial Hall** celebrates its **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** this year and it will be open to the villagers on **Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November** immediately following the Remembrance Service in the Church. There will be a slide show to celebrate Avening and this landmark, plus photos of Avening and profiles of those who gave their lives in the World Wars. The Parish Council are providing drinks and nibbles to accompany this event so please make every effort to attend. Oh! – yes its free!

**Villager of the Year Award:** I shall use the occasion of the celebration of the Memorial Hall to announce this year's winner for Villager of the Year 2022 – the recipient is someone who is extremely deserving of this award.

**Playing Field:** The Parish Council have ordered a new gate and posts for the main entrance which will be erected as soon as possible. We have also ordered a pedestrian gate for the western end of the field which will make it a safer route for toddlers so that they don't run out into the lane. N.B. It will also be wide enough for wheel chair access.

Also, a set of exercise bars are to be installed very soon.

The time scale for all of these improvements depend on the contractors' diary and the weather; but will be asap.

**Dog Poo in the Playing Field:** The 'Dog Poo Fairy' is still not doing her job! So please, if your dog fouls the Playing Field, or any other public space, do the right thing and pick it up.

**Highways road signs and diversion signs:** These magically appear, often on a weekly basis, and seemingly divert us round in circles for very little reason. I'm reliably informed that the signs are supplied from depots in Birmingham and placed by contractors who are similarly not from this area. If only they would do their homework first! – I suggest Geography & Map Reading for beginners!

**Avening Cinema Club:** Just a reminder that this is now back.

**Christmas:** The Avening Christmas Tree lights will be switched on at 6.00pm on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December, so please come along if you can. The location is as usual by the old telephone box at the top of the high street. There will also be carol singing.

Last but not least; the **Avening Village Sign**, which has graced the centre of the village for many years, is nearing the completion of its restoration and will soon be back in situ in the school gardens. Our grateful thanks go to George Buchanan for his time and skills in this project.

*Patrick Mulligan (Mob: 07713 068436)  
Chairman of Avening Parish Council*

## **Another Road Closure!**

**Nailsworth Road will be closed 7th Nov - 2nd Dec. 24 hours per day, weekdays only. Please note pedestrian access WILL NOT be maintained.**



Highways will shortly be carrying essential ground investigation works of B4014 Avening – Longman's Barn. This section of the B4014 is experiencing cracking in the road which over time could pose risk to road users. The cracking is caused by ground movements below the road.

The closure is proposed in order to carry out a ground investigation to drill boreholes in the road and install monitoring equipment.

It is necessary for a road closure to be in place because the road is too narrow for temporary traffic lights.

# Avening and Cherington Churches

The seasons are moving on, with a tang in the air and a beauty in the changing colours. November takes us, well and truly, into a waiting mode, and a time of contemplation.

Remembrance Sunday is on November 13th this year. In Avening church, the service will begin at 10:45 in the morning, so that we are in the right place in the ceremony for 2 minutes of silence at 11am. The Avening Silver Band will play and Rev Jane Walden, who has supported us so well over the past year, will lead the service.

Afterwards, members of the community will lay wreaths by the Millennium Cross at the church gates.

This year all villagers are invited by the Parish Council to follow the ceremony with a party in Avening's Memorial Hall, celebrating the 100th anniversary of the hall. We will reflect on that harsh time 100 years ago, and refreshments will be served.

Later in the month, on November 27th, we come to the 1st Sunday of Advent. At the beginning of the season of preparation before Christmas, we gather around us the reminders of the first Christmas, with reflections of awe and joy.

*Elizabeth and Liz*

Over the past few weeks we have welcomed three little boys into the Church Family.:

Max Clibborn was Baptised on September 4th.

Archie Bartlett was Baptised on October 15th.

Tadhg Guyton-Kass was Baptised on October 23rd

*Elizabeth Buchanan and Liz Fuller, Churchwardens*

**To arrange a christening, wedding or funeral** in either Avening or Cherington Church, please get in touch with the Benefice Office in Minchinhampton: [admin@minchchurch.org.uk](mailto:admin@minchchurch.org.uk) 01453 889004 . Vicki Hayward is the admin officer and will be happy to help you make arrangements.

## **Real Advent Calendars ....**

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## Church Services

Date	Holy Cross, Avening	St. Nicholas, Cherington
6 <sup>th</sup> November 10.00am	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion
13 <sup>th</sup> November 10.50am	Remembrance service NOTE THE TIME	No Service
20 <sup>th</sup> November 10.00am	Morning prayer for Christ the King	Holy Communion
27 <sup>th</sup> November 10.00am	Holy Communion for Advent Sunday	No Service
4 <sup>th</sup> December 10.00am	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion

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## Sudoku

Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each

3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 - 9.

If you use logic you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.

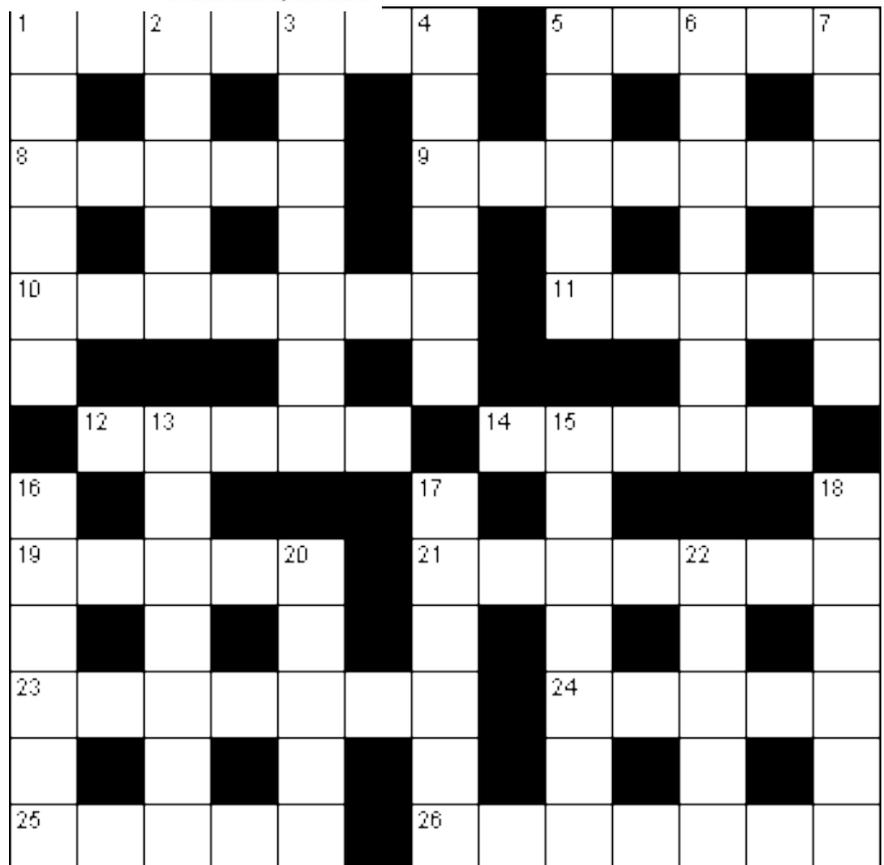
*Answers on page 36*

## Across

1. Slow moving ice mass (7)
5. Lawsuits (5)
8. Sacred song (5)
9. Hide (7)
10. No longer in existence (7)
11. A select few (5)
12. Avid (5)
14. Shrimp-like crustaceans (5)
19. Implements (5)
21. Grisly (7)
23. Irsome (7)
24. Ice hut (5)
25. Church officer (5)
26. Throw away (7)

## Down

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# Gilian's Poem of the Month



There will be many people in the village, both young and old, who will have known Dudley, and been saddened by his sudden and unexpected death, at the end of September. I had the privilege and pleasure of looking after Dudley when Bill was working abroad, so knew him well. Dudley was a gentle giant - kind, funny, affectionate, a real character, and a true gentleman. R. I. P. dear Dudley.....

## Dudley

Today the sun is shining, and the sky is clear and bright,  
As I look out on my garden in the early morning light.  
I gaze across the valley to scan the pasture green -  
But Dudley's dear white presence is nowhere to be seen.

Dudley, that old, white, giant horse, who lived along Westend,  
Out in the yard, or down in the field, Dudley was everyone's friend.  
Patiently waiting, up by the gate, for any kind soul who might pass,  
With apples, and carrots, and Polo mints, or even a handful of grass!

But the stable cats are lonely, missing their great, white friend.  
Daisy and Kerry look for him still, for they do not understand.  
And Alfie misses his pal, Big Dog, searching the field in vain,  
Not knowing why Dudley has gone away, and will never come home again.

When Bill was working in the field, or cleaning the stable and yard,  
Old Dudley was in there, 'helping out', Bill's pal, there at his side.  
But Dudley no longer waits for Bill to bring his tasty feed  
And never again will he help himself, to satisfy his greed!  
And when Bill's gentle whistle floats out on the morning air,  
Alfie, and Daisy, and Kerry come - But Dudley is not there.

No more rambles round the lanes, with Bill on his big, white horse;  
No more naughty, playful bucks, to let Bill know who's boss!  
No more showing-off to friends, who join them for a ride,  
No more snatching juicy snacks from the banks on neither side.  
No more visits to the Bell, to old friends down there,  
And no more sipping the foaming pint, which Bill is glad to share.

But the stableyard lies empty, as I pass by down the lane,  
And I'll never feel that whiskery kiss, soft on my cheek again....  
So many people miss you, gentle, giant horse,  
But, Dudley, your memory lingers on with those who loved you most.  
Dear Dudley, rest in perfect peace, in celestial fields above,  
You've earned your final rest Big Man, for you gave us so much love

*Gilian Bulmer-Davison.*

# Angela Joy Kerry *née* Roberts

## 1945—2022

Angela made her first appearance in this world in Cheltenham Hospital on the 28th of December 1945, born to Jack and May Roberts she was the youngest of their two daughters, following her elder sister Margaret by seven years and seven months. The family moved to Avening when Angela was just six weeks old, as Jack was head gardener for Lord Lee of Fareham. Angela would grow up in the area attending Avening School where she was a very good pupil. She went on to Tetbury Grammar which was less successful and which she didn't enjoy. Her dad had to pay £10 to enable her to leave.

Angela would then go in to the world of work starting as a hairdresser working for Ruby Harper in Stroud for some time before starting her own business in Nailsworth. She would have this business for over fifty years building up a very loyal customer base, many of whom became as much friends as customers.

My amazing, beautiful mum had a way with words, and she certainly made us laugh right to the end. I had the best childhood ever growing up on the laps of Mum's customers. As I was growing up I can always remember Mum reliving the memory of giving birth to me, telling everyone she met that she would have been quite happy if she had given birth to 56lbs of potatoes as the pain was horrific. What a memory, comparing me to a potato!

My favourite memory was taking Mum to see Kris Kristofferson in Bristol. We had tickets a few rows back and Mum started speaking to a man outside who asked her if we had tickets as his two friends couldn't make it and they were front row seats. Out came her purse and she bought two more. Mum's face was a picture that I will never forget – watching her watching him. The best thing was he touched and held her hand twice, oh how everyone knew this. On leaving the theatre she told me it had been the best day of her life to which I said surely that was the day I was born to which Mum laughed and replied that does not even come close.

More recently, Mum had a stay in hospital, and I took Ralph to visit. He was going swimming in the lido after; we hid behind the chair to get changed. Mum asked what he was doing; I said he is getting changed and doesn't want you to see and she laughed and said she had seen bigger on a squirrel.

Before Mum passed away she hadn't spoken a word for a while when suddenly she took a breath and said loudly and clearly 'I'm ready'

Mum you told us you were ready, but I wasn't and I'm still not ready now. The day you were born, Mum, they broke the mould. You were one of a kind, very stubborn but there wasn't and never will be anyone like you. One word you used a lot when you were told something you didn't know was 'whiff' and I can still hear that word now as everyone is gathered here today to celebrate your life as you are so loved. You told me before you left this world that you will always be on my shoulder, and I hope you are there looking over me as I couldn't ask for a better guardian angel. Sleep tight Mum, you are now pain free but the pain of losing you will remain with me forever. I love you so much, chicken, until we meet again, Mum, goodnight.

I would like to read this card from Mum's palliative care nurse who didn't know her for that long, but you would have thought they had known each other for years as it is Mum to a T.

*Nothing can prepare you for the reality and finality of losing someone you love, but her love for you all was so clear and I hope this will bring you comfort in the difficult weeks and months ahead. I loved to visit your mum, her sense of humour and ability to look on the bright side of life was inspirational. I know how important her independence was and I am pleased she was able to remain at home as she had wanted. You have been fabulous in helping to keep mum comfortable and speaking up for her when she was reluctant to admit that things were changing. The twinkle in her eyes will live on in you and your children so she will always be with you.*

In loving memory of a special Grandma.  
The day you left and gained your wings,  
My heart just broke in two,  
I wish you could have stayed with me,  
But heaven needed you.  
You left me with the memories,  
And I love you dearly still,  
No matter how much time goes by,  
You know I always will.  
You were a very special person,  
With kindness in your heart,  
And the love we had together,  
Grows stronger now we're apart.  
I know I cannot bring you back,  
Although I wish it everyday,  
But a piece of me went with you,  
The day you went away.



Angela's sister has shared some thoughts on her lovely sister and best friend:

*Angela was never a dolly sort of person, she preferred animals and birds. She was given a lovely doll when she was about four – our mum had saved up all year in a toy shop in Nailsworth to get it, it had long ringlets and long eye lashes. Angela cut all of the hair off including the eyelashes and our mum was not amused, so when she won a pretty doll in a raffle she sold it to me for a box of chocolates – I still have that doll now! From about the age of ten she always wanted to smoke a pipe; I don't think she ever did but she did love her cigarettes.*

*Angela always loved animals and birds and her first choice would have been to work with animals. She had a pet Jackdaw which would fly in the window in the morning and perch on her head, sometimes for forty minutes. She wore a black beret which made the perching easy; imagine me sleeping in the same bedroom knowing that this would*

*happen every morning! My sister was so good hearted even when she was really poorly she would not let her ladies down and would still do their hair. She will be missed by so many people who loved her and I can't imagine life without her. She was my lovely sister and my best friend.*

Angela loved her four-legged companions as much if not possibly more than her two legged ones. But she had a great bond with her grandchildren, as Ralph has said she was a great cook of her bread and butter pudding but for Ellie it would always be her roasts especially the lamb ones with all the trimmings, she couldn't get enough of the mash and gravy, and she would always ask for a cup of gravy to drink just as it was.

Angela was a true character, nobody had a nature like her ... she was genuine, warm, loving, whole hearted, straight up, she would say it like it was. If you were her friend you were a friend for life until you crossed her and then you would not be forgiven. She was whole hearted ... simply a wonderful lady

These stories and the essence of Angela will remain with us every day. Angela, and the memory of her, has not ended with her physical death. Her tenacity, her personality and her spirit were given out and shared amongst you, and they have become the living part of the people who were close to Angela, the family and friends she loved and cared for will keep her in their hearts and thoughts. She will be much missed by all who knew and loved her.



*Kris Kerry*

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# Avening Playgroup

Over the last few weeks the children have been learning about:

- **Colours:** the children have been sorting different coloured items, played with coloured spaghetti, used kitchen rolls and coloured paints to make pictures and used different coloured icing to decorate biscuits.
- **Numbers :** the children have been on a number hunt, searched for numbers in shaving foam, played number games and puzzles as well as making numbers out of playdough.
- **Transport:** we have used the wheels of different vehicle to make marks on paper, played with the boats in jelly, the diggers in rice, had a car wash and played transport games.
- **Healthy Eating :** the children really enjoyed making fruit kebabs, taking part in a blind food tasting and used different fruit and vegetables to print with paint. They also played games distinguishing between healthy and unhealthy food.

We have also been able to go for a couple of walks around the park to look at the ever-changing environment, collect leaves and conkers and, of course, play on the play equipment.

We were able to appoint a new Chair and Treasurer at our recent AGM but still need a Secretary. Our current secretary has kindly agreed to remain in the position for a short time longer but we do need a replacement as we are not permitted to open without a named Secretary. We also have a new member who has joined the committee and would love to welcome more. The playgroup is a vital part of the Avening community which many families rely on. If you are able to give up a couple of hours each month to support the playgroup and are interested in having a say how the playgroup moves forward, please contact [aveningplaygroup.chair@gmail.com](mailto:aveningplaygroup.chair@gmail.com) .



The committee are currently preparing for the Christmas Market which is due to be held on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2022. Once again we are joining forces with FOAS to provide a variety of stalls, entertainment, food and drink as well as a kid's zone. Of course, there will be the playgroup raffle and Santa will be making an appearance, so don't forget to book your time slot.

Our little elves will be making door to door collections between 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> November. Alternatively you could drop any items off at the playgroup or at the Memorial Hall on the morning of the Christmas Market. We are looking for donations of bottles, chocolates and raffle prizes. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accept any bric-a-brac or toys this year.

Our new opening hours are:

Monday 9.15 -2.45  
Tuesday 9.15 – 1.15  
Wednesday 9.15 – 12.15  
Thursday 9.15 – 2.45  
Friday 9.15 – 12.15

Please note that the extended hours are for children who are 3 years of age and over.

If you have a child who will be turning 3 years old during the coming school years and you would like them to join our playgroup, please call us on 01453 832695 or email [aveningplaygroup@gmail.com](mailto:aveningplaygroup@gmail.com). We are open week day mornings during term time.



*Angie Heslop*

## Can You Help?

Avening Playgroup are looking for local people to join our books as Supply Staff; who can be called upon in case of staff absence and to cover longer periods of leave, to avoid closures, which can be disruptive for the children. The right person will need to have a Level 3 qualification in Childcare, or similar and have a current DBS certificate- or be prepared to obtain one.

We are also looking for someone who can offer general ICT support to staff. This may suit someone currently training in this field, or anyone with good ICT skills and a bit of spare time now and then.

For more information or to register your interest, please contact Liz Fuller by email: [aveningplaygroup.chair@gmail.com](mailto:aveningplaygroup.chair@gmail.com)

## A Bite to Eat?

**Arranging a Group Lunch, Afternoon Tea, Christening Party or other social event ?**

Avening WI 'Bite to Eat' scheme may be able to assist with your catering needs.

We can provide and serve a selection of freshly prepared sandwiches, scones and cakes; a fork or finger buffet; or a two course meal.

**For prices and any further details :**

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# Avening School

## Time to Take to the Stage!



There is so much to look forward to as we head into the second half of the autumn term. Rehearsals are already well underway in KS2 for their Christmas production of the musical 'Olivia'. Before half term, y6 pupils auditioned for the main parts and lines and lyrics are now being learned ahead of the performance at the end of term.

For the first time in three years, we were able to

properly throw open the doors and welcome parents, prospective parents, members of the community and children into our school for open morning. It was wonderful to watch the children take control as members of our school council gave guided tours, answering questions and showcasing our amazing school, finishing off with coffee and the legendary Mrs Wilkinson's cakes.

Our Harvest Festival took place in the last week of the half term where the children delighted parents and family members with readings and songs all about bread. At the end of the service, as Mr Dillon from SWR played 'Sharing Bread' on the piano, we shared our bread amongst the children, staff and parents in a moving display of kindness. This year the school community brought in donations for the Cirencester Foodbank and hope that our donations bring some relief within our locality.

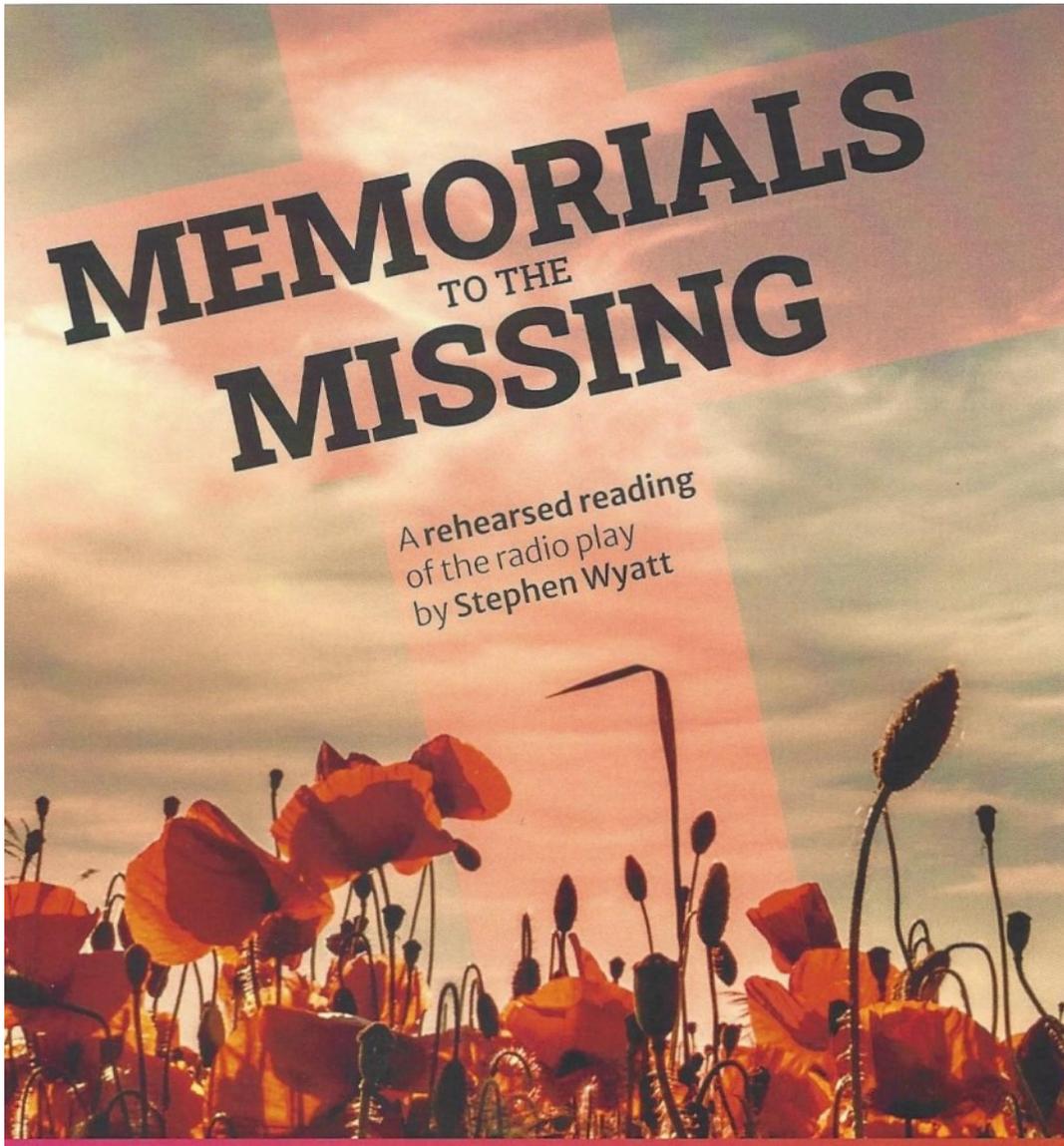
At the beginning of this month, the whole school will pay their respects with a minutes silence outside Avening Church following a service to mark Remembrance Day. The School Council will place crosses bearing the names of the fallen from our community around the base of the Millennium Cross, whilst the Year 6 children read the names ensuring all are remembered at this poignant time.

As the festive season draws nearer, the whole school are looking forward to their annual trips to the theatre with the Eagles, Kestrels and Hawks journeying to the Wyvern Theatre in Swindon to watch 'Beauty and the Beast', while the Owls class are headed to The Royal Shakespeare Theatre in Stratford-Upon-Avon to enjoy 'A Christmas Carol'.

**For more information about this busy place of learning, please see our school website: [www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk](http://www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk)**

*Alex Adcock*

## Memorials to the Missing



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**Remembrance Sunday, 13th November, Holy Trinity Church, Minchinhampton, at 6 pm.:** A rehearsed reading of Memorials to the Missing, a play for the radio by Stephen Wyatt. Originally broadcast on Radio 4 in 2008, this moving piece dramatises the struggles of one man, Major-General Sir Fabian Ware – who is buried in Amberley – to set up the Imperial War Graves Commission, the world’s first organisation designed to honour all those killed or missing in action, irrespective of rank, race or creed. Tickets available at Minchinhampton M & B Market Stores, £10 to include a glass of wine. In aid of the Organ Fund and The British Legion.

# We're recruiting Volunteer Advisers

**Do you have 8-10 hours to spare per week and are interested in gaining new skills in a friendly environment? Would you like to do a volunteering role that is both challenging and rewarding?**

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To find out more about the role and what is involved, please head to our website: [www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk](http://www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk)

Information sessions will take place:

Wednesday, 9 November, 2 - 3.30 pm, Cirencester

Monday, 14 November, 10.30 am - 12 noon, Stroud

To register your interest in one of the above sessions or to have a chat about volunteering with us, please contact

Britta Lippiatt  
Learning & Development Officer  
[britta.lippiatt@ca-scd.org.uk](mailto:britta.lippiatt@ca-scd.org.uk)  
01285 425543



## Krista's Marathon Success



I received such an amazing response to my first article, I thought I better write an update now that the marathon has happened. The London Marathon was AMAZING! It was one of the hardest things I've ever done, but I would do it again in a heartbeat. One thing that kept me going was the incredible support I had from family, friends, and Avening! In the end, I raised £2,576 for Cancer Research UK, and that was in large part due to the donations I received from people reading the Villager. I am truly humbled by the kindness and generosity I encountered and feel so very lucky to live in a community like Avening. I will never be able to say thank you enough for your encouragement, your well wishes, and your donations, so I'll just write it in big letters:

**THANK YOU!!!**

## **Avening Community Orchard**

Avening Community Orchard will be holding an apple pressing day on Saturday 5th November at the Memorial Hall from 10am to 2pm.

Bring your own apples to be pressed and containers to take your apple juice home.

This is a free event.



## Cherington AppleFest 2022

We had a wonderful weekend of glorious autumnal sunshine for Cherington Applefest on October 1st. We first had a community apple and pear pick to make juice in 2020 when our opportunities to come together indoors were limited but outdoor activities were permitted under covid rules. After a break last year we came back in force this year - with all our trees so very laden down with fruit this September and October. Apples and pears were harvested and stored in an empty stable during the week and the remaining trees were picked on Saturday with some ambitious tree climbing and innovative use of rakes and sticks and blankets to catch the falling fruit. We then had a harvest festival service in the church followed by drinks and nibbles to celebrate the fruits of our labours.



On Monday Helen, Duncan and Kate then loaded up 2 cars and a trailer – normally reserve for sheep transportation - to transport literally tons of apples to My Apple Juice in Hungerford. As Richard who runs the place asked us several times as the boxes of apples kept coming – sorry how many people did you say live in your village? – yep just 98 Richard. Richard and his team wash and press the fruit and then pasteurise the juice before bottling in 750 ml bottles which we

will be back to collect in the coming weeks.

Jill has again designed a beautiful label for us for this year's vintage and we have branched out with some cider making too! The cider will come back from Hungerford to ferment here in Cherington ready for sale at the bar at the 2023 Cherington Show.

With more than 20 varieties of apples and some pears the juice is a wonderful and unique blend. Fully pasteurized and with no additives the juice keeps for





over 18 months, and is available for purchase now and throughout the year. Please contact Helen if you are interested on [hdm@curzonexec.com](mailto:hdm@curzonexec.com). A brilliant community weekend with refreshments to keep us going through the winter months!

*Helen DiMauro*

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The film club is a not for profit community event. Any profit made after screening/  
licence costs will be donated to local charities

## Longfield Christmas Tree Campaign Needs Your Help!

Longfield Community Hospice in Minchinhampton has launched its annual Christmas Tree Recycling Campaign, where, for a donation, local volunteers will pick up your tree at the end of the festive season and take it to be recycled.

**The hospice is hoping to collect and recycle more trees than ever this year and needs volunteers with vans to collect Christmas trees from Sunday 8 to Tuesday 10 January 2023.** Are you a local person with a van who can get involved? Can your business volunteer the use of vans and staff teams to collect the trees?

This year, the Longfield fundraising team hopes to raise in excess of £35,000. In previous years, as many as 2,800 households from across Stroud District, Cirencester and Gloucester have taken part in the scheme. All money raised helps to fund the hospice's vital work supporting patients, families and carers across Gloucestershire.



Louise Cook, Longfield's Head of Fundraising and Marketing, said: "This year we're hoping to make this the best Christmas Tree Campaign ever, but we need your help to make that happen. We're calling on local businesses and volunteers to support us again! Your help has a real impact on what we can achieve for local patients, their families and carers. Please get involved with our Christmas Tree campaign and help Longfield's Hospice to give free care and support, 365 days a year."

**To volunteer either with your time or if you have a van**, then please contact the fundraising team on 01483 886868 or email [fundraising@longfield.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@longfield.org.uk).

To arrange collection of your tree, visit [www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree](http://www.just-helping.org.uk/register-tree) and make a suggested donation of £10 or more. Registration opens on 15th November 2022.

Find out more about your local hospice and how we help at [www.longfield.org.uk](http://www.longfield.org.uk)

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# Fire Walk for Longfield

9 December

[www.longfield.org.uk/fire-walk](http://www.longfield.org.uk/fire-walk)



# Avening Youth Club



The Youth Club is held every Tuesday in term time 6-7:30pm in the Memorial Hall.

All children aged 8 to 14 are welcome.

The Subscription is now £1.00 per session, thanks to the generosity of the Parish Council.



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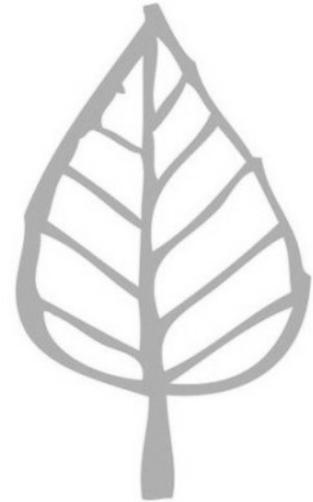


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# Avening Community Café

In October Mary and Fergus from “Greening Tetbury” visited the Café with a display and gave an interesting talk on various local environmental issues such as plastics, energy and food.

We also had a visit from our village archivist, Jean Chatelain, who brought along a selection of some of the Avening historical records. These have been transcribed with great care over many years by a team of local residents and give a fascinating insight into village life. There was a huge amount of interest in the contents of folders, entries from parish records and copies of old photographs.



*Mary and Fergus Dignan from 'Greening Tetbury'*

## WHAT'S ON IN NOVEMBER

- Nov 1<sup>st</sup>:** **Creative Writing with Atlanta** 10 to 11am, £2.50.
- Nov 8<sup>th</sup>** **Café is 4 years old!** Raise a glass and help us celebrate today. Also another chance to examine the **Avening archives** with Jean Chatelain.
- Nov 15<sup>th</sup>** **Art with Mark** 9:30 to 11:30am, £3 per session, all materials provided.
- Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>** **Bacon butties with the WI.** Also enter the **World Cup sweep stake.**
- Nov 29<sup>th</sup>** **A “wee dram” to celebrate St Andrew’s Day.**

Help us complete the Café communal rag rug with Michael Metcalfe.  
Also visit “The Book Box” (Old Hill) and “Plants on the Wall” (High Street).

*John Hetterley  
for Avening Community Cafe*



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## Avening Bowlers Receive Awards

Avening Social Club was the venue for the recent lawn bowls end of season awards evening for the popular Nailsworth Mills Bowling Club. It included a friendly skittles competition, and delicious food supplied by the Avening WI.

Congratulations to Avening residents Bob Jennings, John Partridge, Tony Slater, Steve Swan and Jane Beardsell in receiving their individual internal club cup awards.



There are now some 20 Avening members at NMBC, with men and ladies of all ages all playing for this local club. All who visit and play this ever increasingly popular sport are welcome at the green which is based at the Nailsworth Mills Industrial estate - instead of turning right into the garden centre go straight on and you will find the green on the left.

Open from April until September each year, Nailsworth Mills Bowling Club offers a social, friendly atmosphere and in the season mid-week and weekend friendlies are played, including men and ladies leagues plus every Friday is Club Night for a "roll up", where informal coaching is available. Watch out for notices in the spring to come and have a try.



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# Letters to the Editors

Dear Editors,

Though I doubt this is print worthy I thought I might briefly write to you so the info stays in the vault as an Avening resident who has met the late Queen. I imagine with the obvious village royal connections there are hundreds of people from the area who like me had the pleasure.

During my previous life in South Wales I was fortunate enough to conduct Gwent Youth Choir during the opening of the then new Ebbw Vale Archives in April 2012. It was part of the diamond jubilee tour and was quite an experience. After the performance the late Queen and Prince Philip approached me and spoke of the round acoustic of the building and thanked me. They spent a good 5 minutes out of



their busy schedule to talk about the Welsh songs that the choir performed and highlighted the quality of the performance. It was a memorable moment for me and one I'm lucky to have. Please see a photo attached - I'm on the far right mouth opened to give the choir their cues and it's tricky to see but the Queen is looking straight at me. I'm certainly not quite as fresh faced as I used to be!

***Nick Steel***

Dear Editors,

The October Villager asked about memories of seeing or meeting the Queen. What about this:

I met the Queen at the village fete in 2016, and she even shook hands with me as you can see on the photo. Just kidding!

But I saw her really in 1957 as a 15 year old boy scout from Germany. She came to visit the Jubilee Jamboree camp in Sutton Coldfield. I



couldn't believe my luck. Her landrover stopped just where I was patiently waiting to get a glimpse of her. I had enough time to take this photo which I proudly showed my folks back home. And later it was even published in our boy scout magazine.

***Ulrich Thieme from Pound Hill/Berlin.***

Dear Editors,

Here's a thought.

Were you born between 1925 and 1955? These were, I believe, best years to be born in the history of Earth and we got it all. Thank God for all the times, the adventures, wars won, technology developed, generations after future generations will never experience what a generation we turned out to be.

First, we survived being born to mothers who may have smoked and or drank while they were pregnant, they took Aspirin, ate blue cheese dressing, tuna from a can and didn't get tested for diabetes. After that trauma we were put to sleep on our tummies in baby cots covered with bright coloured lead based paints. We had no childproof lids on medicines bottles, locks on doors or cabinets and when we rode our bikes we had base ball caps, not helmets on our heads.

As infants and children we would ride in cars with no seat belts, or air bags, bald tires and sometimes no brakes, we drank water from a garden hose or a local spring not from a bottle, we shared one soft drinks with four friends and no one actually died from this.

We ate cupcakes, white bread with real butter and beef dripping, drank pop made with sugar and we weren't overweight, WHY? - because we were always outside playing, no one was able to reach us all day and we were OK! We would spend hours building our go carts out of scraps and old prams then ride them down the hill only to find out that we had forgot about the brakes; after running into the bushes a few times we learned to solve the problem.

Play Stations, Nintendo, X Boxes or video game didn't exist, no 150 odd TV channels or personal computers or cell phones, what we had was friends and we went outside and found them. When we fell out of trees, got cuts or broke bones and lost teeth there were no law suits from these accidents, and the idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of...they actually sided with the law.

We would get spankings with wooden spoons, belts, sticks or just a bare hand and no one would call child services to report abuse. Worms were eaten and we made mud pies and the worms didn't live in us forever. We made up games with sticks, bows and arrows and although we were told it would happen we did not put anybody's eye out.

We had sports facilities available, football, cricket teams and a playing field, we had freedom, failure and success and responsibility and we learned how to deal with it.

If you are one of those born between 1925-1955 - congratulations! We had the luck to grow up as kids before the lawyers and government regulated so much of our lives for our own good, and we didn't have the pest of the so called social media or cell phones.

***Ian Hamilton***

# Avening WI

We are looking forward to welcoming lots of Villagers to one of Shirley's legendary quizzes on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November at 7pm for a 7.30pm start at the Social Club. No need to book a place in advance and, if you haven't managed to make a team of 4, teams can be assembled on the night. This year any profit will go to the Avening Playgroup. There will be a raffle and the quiz price will include a Ploughman's supper.

Unfortunately we had to cancel our coach trip to the Victorian Christmas Market at Worcester on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December because we did not get enough people enrolling for the trip. Hopefully next year.



Two groups of members recently took part in Block Printing Workshops run by Clare Walsh at Cherington Village Hall. We were able to try out lots of different blocks on different types of paper and various shades of paint, before completing either a cloth bag or a tea towel. Many creative designs emerged and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves. It was also good to see the bunting, made at a previous workshop, in situ at the hall. Our next sewing project will be making bags for bereaved families, as requested by local hospitals.

At our October meeting 'Auntie Caroline' gave us a very entertaining account of her love of pickles which led to her extremely successful local business making her own recipe preserves, now sold by many Cotswold businesses and local farmers' markets. Caroline and her partner still make all the pickles in her own kitchen and she admits that her house, and often her clothes, smell strongly of the spiced vinegars. She is always perfecting new ideas, such as the unexpected success of her 'Banging Brussels,' pickled brussel sprouts, which have become really popular! We celebrated our 92<sup>nd</sup> birthday with wine, cheese and some delicious pickles.

Our next monthly meeting will be on Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup> at the Memorial Hall starting at 7.30pm, when we will be having a talk by Stephen Rowley entitled 'In Comes I...', the true story on the Christmas Mummers Play.' Visitors and potential new members are always welcome to join our friendly group.

For further information please contact our secretary, Soo, at [aveningwi@gmail.com](mailto:aveningwi@gmail.com) or our President, Liz, on 01453 833803, or check our website [www.aveningwi.wordpress.com](http://www.aveningwi.wordpress.com)

*For more information about Avening WI or any of our events please contact our secretary Soo at [aveningwi@gmail.com](mailto:aveningwi@gmail.com) New members and visitors are always welcome.*

**Helen Haiselden**

## Goodbye, Cover Star Alfie

It's eerily quiet in the Slater household today; no dragging foot on the wood floor, no chasing the grandchildren around the kitchen island, and no excitement at the prospect of yet another walk. Last night we gave an emotional farewell to our beloved Alfie – our companion and friend of over 15 years, who died peacefully at Bowbridge Veterinary surgery.

Many readers, and especially their children (he adored children) knew Alfie probably more than us – in his younger days he had a tendency to go walkabout, and even in later life whenever he sensed children playing we knew where to find him if the gate had been left open. He could often be seen in photos of village events, and his last public outing was at the WI tree planting last week (*see photo page 2*). He was also a previous cover star for the Villager, and this photo captures him perfectly playing his favourite game of dropping his ball over the wall and waiting for it to be thrown back. It came as a bit of a shock to Mandy one day when instead of his ball he dropped a large stone on her head! He loved water, especially diving into Cherington Lake and the sea at St Ives – so much so that it sometimes needed Mandy to wade in and drag him out.

How do we sum up Alfie in a few words? Handsome; loving; naughty! He was always entertaining and will be very much missed by all the family.

**Tony Slater**





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## Peter's 100 mile Challenge



I would like to thank all the people in the village and beyond who have supported my walk to raise money for Cancer Research.

The challenge for me is to complete 100 miles before the end of October and I'm pleased to report that by today October 18th I have clocked up 65.7 miles so am on target for completing the 100 by October 31st.

I'm sure we all know someone who has been affected by this disease but it is encouraging to hear that survival rates are improving thanks to improvements in screening and treatment. Cancer Research UK plays a part in funding life saving research.

If you would like to contribute to my fund raising which to date has raised £1307 (+ £270 gift aid) please go to my Cancer Research giving page on 'Peters Walk 100 miles Challenge Giving Page' or contact me by email on [pbarton354@gmail.com](mailto:pbarton354@gmail.com) to donate in other ways.

The National 100 miles campaign has already raised over 1 million pounds.

On behalf of everyone who is dealing with cancer I would like to thank you for your generous support.

**Peter Barton**

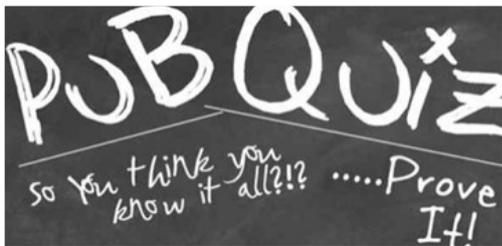
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# Cherington Parish Council

As we approach the winter months it is a good time to reflect on the busy summer in the village and to pay tribute to all the people who have worked very hard for its benefit, not only for now but also for its future.

As chairman of the Parish Council it is not only a privilege to help oversee the goings on in the village but to be aware of who does all the work for the events that we have during a year and how much work is put into each event to make it a success.

I often hear of other villages laying on an event and are very pleased with the outcome only to then find out it produced a fraction of the income we at Cherington achieve. For our 52 households in the parish the results are amazing, as are the residents who do all the hard work.

Only yesterday at the Council meeting I was told that we had over the weekend collected enormous quantities of apples and pears, which were then taken to the processor to be converted into Cherington apple juice or cider. With luck and good will this will produce around 600 bottles which will then be sold in and around the village. It is not only the income this brings in but the community spirit within the village, everyone working together.

This is the same as the annual Cherington Village Show in July. Everyone helps in their own way and we keep our community together. I quite see that by having a small Parish we all get to know each other which is possibly not the same in a larger community. We have the same core population with some residents coming and going but somehow all the new residents want to join in with the events.

There are some people who are Leaders and some Doers but we seem to have a whole village of Doers. Some of the Doers are Leaders too when asked, and Lead very well.

As a parish we try to raise all our income from events, and every now and again the Parish Council is asked to help. This means we are able to have a very low precept. This year we supported the Village Hall with a new door. In addition the Hall Committee are working very hard to create the funds to improve the heating, which will then help towards the income of the Hall in the future. With luck we might also get a grant to help with this.

Christmas is not far away and the first Saturday in December is the Christingle Service, which is also linked to the lighting of the Village Tree on the Green. For just over a month there is the reminder each morning and evening of Christmas and I would hope that it puts a smile on the face of those passing by.

It has been a sad year in ways too. We had a very good lunch in the village to celebrate the Queen's Jubilee to then have the sad news of her passing. I have no doubt that some in the village went to London to pay their respects, or to just see the amazing flowers that others had left.

We in Cherington were lucky that the Queen had twice been to services in our little

church and a tree has been planted in the Church Yard in celebration of her long reign and in memory of her.

There is not much to be happy about in these difficult times with the war in Ukraine, and uncertain economic times which is a huge problem to us all and quite an eye opener. It would be nice to think that our political leaders could maybe think about the future of the country rather than their political aspirations.

**Councillor Mike Mitchell**  
**Cherington Parish Council Chair**

## 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. They can be delivered to John and Sandra Hetterley 2, Orchard Field or given to them directly. 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.



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# Avening Parish Council



## **Playing Field**

The delivery and installation of gym equipment is expected soon.

## **Remembrance Service**

Following the remembrance service in the Church on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> November there will be a further Memorial Hall centenary celebration in the hall. Please see the Chairman's report for more details.

## **Important Highways News**

The B4014 -Avening – Longmans Barn will be closed to all traffic and pedestrians from 7th November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December for investigation work.

## **Potholes**

Report potholes directly to Highways on 08000 514514 or at the GCC Report It website.

## **Planning Applications & Tree Works Since the Last Issue**

### ***New Planning Applications***

22/03285/TCONR: Sandford House 56 High Street. Extensive tree works - Supported

22/03478/TPO : Church Farm, Point Road. Extensive tree works - Supported

22/03279/FUL: 11 Pound Hill Avening. Erection of proposed new porch and dormers, erection of garden outbuilding and other associated works - Supported

22/03130/CLOPUD: 31 Tetbury Hill. Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use or Development under Section 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for replacement windows

### ***Decision Notices***

22/02945/TCONT: Farm Hill House, Point Road - 2 conifers to be felled on driveway. Two replants will be put in once landscaped. Two apple trees to be felled for driveway extension. Fell goat willow tree on bank due to excavating works. Fell two conifers by Oil tank to change tank and close to back of house which is being excavated. Crown lift neighbouring yew tree by 2m from lower crown to allow more light into garden for planting. Fell crack willow by green outhouse for new hedge – Permitted.

22/02865/TPO: 16 Sandford Leaze - Turkey Oak - Reduction to previous points. Leaving a finished height at 13 metres and a radial crown spread of 4 metres – Permitted

20/01957/FUL: 4A High Street - Insertion of 3 rooflights to side. - Permitted

*Agendas and minutes can be viewed at [www.avening-pc.gov.uk](http://www.avening-pc.gov.uk). The Parish Clerk can be contacted via email: [parishclerk@avening-pc.gov.uk](mailto:parishclerk@avening-pc.gov.uk)*

# Church Floodlighting

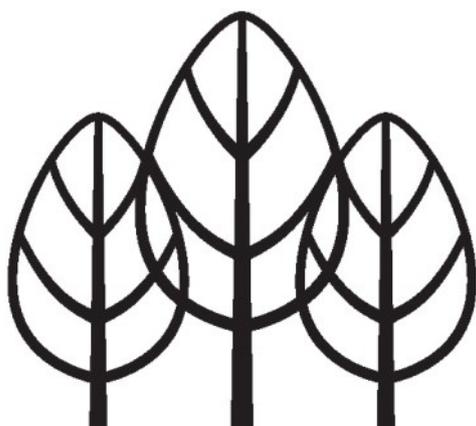


The Church was lit on:

September 30th - In memory of **Michael Powell** on the date of his birth. With love from Thelma, Kevin and Columba and on:

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October: In loving memory of **Stepan Andrushko**, grandfather to Oleksa and Ivanka

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# Dates For Your Diary

Date	Event	Location	Time
Saturday 5th November	Apple Pressing	Avening Memorial Hall	10am – 2pm
Monday 7th November—Friday 2nd December	Nailsworth Road closed	24 hours except weekends	
Friday 11th November	WI Quiz	Avening Social Club	7.30pm
Sunday 13th November	Remembrance Day Service and Memorial Hall Centenary celebration	Avening Church and Memorial Hall	tbc
Saturday 26th November	FOAS/Playgroup Avening Christmas Market	Avening Memorial Hall	11am — 3pm
Wednesday 30th November	Avening Cinema Club TOP GUN MAVERICK	Avening Memorial Hall	7.30pm
<del>Thursday 1st December</del>	<del>WI outing to Worcester Christmas Market</del>	CANCELLED	<del>tbc</del>
Saturday 3rd December	Christingle and turning on Cherington Christmas Tree Lights	The Green	5pm
Saturday 3rd December	Turning on Avening Christmas Tree lights	The green outside the Old Bakery	6pm
Sunday 11th December	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols	St Nicholas Church Cherington	5pm
Friday 16th December	End of Term Avening School		
Sunday 18th December	Service of Nine Lessons and Carols	Holy Cross Church, Avening	7pm



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