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St Mary's Church, Cricklade
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This section is intended to give quick access to emergency and community help phone numbers. If you spot something missing, please let us know: RickDixonChronicle@gmail.com or 01793 759123.

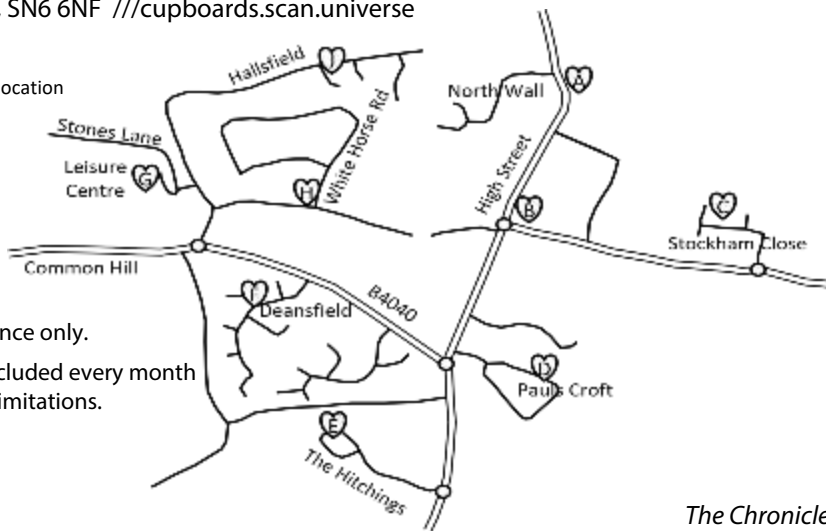
Churches	see centre pages	Link Scheme transport	07421 018 499
Cricklade Town Council	751394	Boots Chemist (100 High St)	750226
Lattonclerk@lattonparishcouncil.org.uk		Dentist (104 High St)	750388
Wiltshire Councillor (Bob Jones)	750773	Gas leak reporting	0800 111 999
Emergency Services	999	Library (113 High St)	750694
Non-Emergency: Police	101	Open Door	07599 987851
Non-Emergency: NHS	111	Optician (82 High St)	750415
Non-Emergency: Covid Helpline	109	Purton Vets (Bath Rd).....	751698
Defibrillator locations	see page 24	Samaritans	FREE: 116 123
Doctors: Purton Surgery	770207	Schools: St Sampson's Primary	750452
Green Gables Surgery	752633	Cricklade Manor Prep	750275
Cricklade (De Silva)	750645	Bradon Forest	770570

Defibrillator Locations - you will need to have a phone to ring 999 for medical help and to get the code to access the machine. Public machines outside these premises: What3Words location (///) is directly in front of the machine. To find the app, google What3Words.

- A former Meadowpark School, SN6 6DD ///snapping.clearcut.tunnel
- B Cricklade Dental Practice, SN6 6AA ///trackers.motivate.joystick
- C 33 Stockham Close, SN6 6EF ///advances.bakers.opts
- D 17 Pauls Croft, SN6 6AH ///grace.bind.framework
- E 48 The Hitchings, SN6 6NJ ///thing.hydrant.height
- F 24 Deansfield, SN6 6BP ///enabling.gymnasium.records
- G Cricklade Leisure Centre, SN6 6JW ///smarting.drags.member
- H Culverhay Stores (Londis), SN6 6EN ///awaiting.sunflower.achieving
- J 9 Kitefield, SN6 6NF ///cupboards.scan.universe



♥ Defibrillator location



Map for guidance only.

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The Chronicle

From the Editor

With Rev. Michael Robertson of St Mary's Church agreeing to write this month's Final Word, it seems fitting that we feature St Mary's on the front cover this month. There is an appeal for new cover pictures on page 21. I already have a few to use in the coming months but I will welcome extra ones!

The Ukraine emergency continues as I write. So do other pressing problems in our community, our country and worldwide. The Final Word in this issue seems to identify an underlying cause for many if not all of these.

However, the articles within this issue suggest a community within Cricklade and Latton prepared to go out of their way to help others. But do our contributors reflect all of our population?

We hope for good weather as we come together to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of HM the Queen, specifically on the Jubilee bank holiday (3 June) but over a

longer holiday from Thursday 2 to Sunday 5 June. For details see the Town Council (p 4), Sing Four Four (p19), Cricklade Bloomers (p39), the Historical Society (p40), Saxons Petanque (p42) and the Diary (p43). On page 41, Marion Parsons shows us how it was done 100 years ago!

However, on 3 June we are not merely celebrating a day off. Truth be known we are marking and celebrating over twenty-five thousand days "on duty" performed by Her Majesty. Now that is commitment to others!



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The deadline for the July issue is Wednesday 1 June 2022

Cricklade Town Council

Town Council Meetings

Monday 6 June 2022 Planning, Conservation and Transport Committee

Monday 20 June 2022 Full Council Meeting

All meetings, commencing at 7pm, are held in the Council Chamber, 113 High Street. Members of the public are able to ask any questions at the beginning of each meeting.



What's on in Cricklade for the Platinum Jubilee

Thursday 2 June

9.15pm Beacon Lighting and Royal Proclamation.
Saxons Rest, High Street
Bring your own drink to Toast the event.

Friday 3 June

10am Informal walk organised by the Walking group
10am–11.30am Coffee Café at Cricklade United Church Hall
All welcome to come along for a coffee and a chat
7.15pm Historical society walk of Cricklade,
meet outside Cricklade Town Hall

Saturday 4 June

10am - 12 noon Cricklade Museum open

Sunday 5 June

11am - 4pm Family Fun day at Cricklade Leisure Centre
All welcome – free entry.
Come and meet some of your councillors who are covering the information stand.

Sunday 19 June

2 pm Cricklade Band & Cricklade Court Leet – Party in the park.
Saxons Rest, High Street.

Halls and Meeting space to hire

Are you looking for either a hall or meeting room to hire for a one-off event or on a regular basis?

Did you know the Council rents out the Council Chambers at 113 High Street, Monday to Friday, 9am to 4pm with minimum hire of 1 hour. There is a boardroom table with seating for 18 people and additional seating for a further 22 people. We also hire out Thames Hall which comprises a large hall type room, small kitchen, 3 toilets and a small separate room useful if you need to have a breakout group, or small group area. If interested in either space to rent, then call 01793 751394 or email admin@crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk for more details.

Cricklade in Bloom - Judging between 18 - 30 July

Coming to Cricklade soon - Look out on Facebook and our website for more details –as some gardens are not visible from the roadside, if you specifically would like your garden to be judged this year then please call 01793 751394 or email admin@crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk

Also back this year is the children's "Grow a Sunflower" competition. Call in to the Council Office to collect a seed.

The Town Council and Tourist Information Point is open:

Monday to Friday 10.00 - 16.00 hrs (Closed 12.30 - 13.30 hrs)

** Closed on Bank Holidays: Thursday 2 & Friday 3 June 2022 **

Tel: 01793 751394 E-mail: admin@crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk

Website: www.crickladetowncouncil.gov.uk



Follow the Council @ www.facebook.com/CrickladeTownCouncil

Cricklade Development Foundation

We are delighted to report that our planning application for the renovation of the Old Police Station has been approved.

This is excellent news and represents a major step forward for our project!



We are also overwhelmed by the support that we have received from the community – members and non-members alike – volunteering their services to help strip out the Old Police Station and prepare the new parking area at the rear. This is vital work and will help us to make significant savings on our building costs. So a big thank-you to all our volunteers for coming along to our working parties and giving their valuable time so willingly.

If you are interested in offering your services for one of our working parties (or wish to become a member) please get in touch by phoning Terri Robertson on 07902 421 756 or via email at: contact@crickladefoundation.org.uk. As they say, many hands make light work!

Next Open Day will be **Saturday 18 June**, 10.30am to 12.30pm. It will be your opportunity to see the Old Police Station AFTER the first stage of building works – when the space will have been opened up and the new layout is starting to emerge. So whether you have visited before or not, please drop in; it will be great to see you!

As always, for the latest news, please continue to check out our Facebook page (Cricklade Development Foundation) and website: crickladefoundation.org.uk. Thank you!

Friends of Dance Common

Work Party Date for your Diary. Meet at 10 am by the Information board by Dance Common.

Sunday 12 June – Taming the Nettles and Clearing the Ditch

Purton & Green Gable Surgery PPG

Serving patients in Purton, Cricklade & surrounding communities



Spring Covid Booster

The Spring Covid Booster vaccination is for those aged 75 and over plus people aged 12 years old and over with a weakened immune system. The vaccination can be booked through the National Booking Service (website below) or by phoning 119.

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/>

*[Not everyone finds long links easy to type. So here's a QR code. You could also Google: **book covid jab England** - the correct link will probably be near the top. Ed.]*



200 Club draw

After a very successful first year for our 200 Club we are looking forward to our next season starting in October and membership is open again. Please consider joining. Forms are available from the surgery. The annual cost is £15; Standing Order preferred but you can pay by cash or cheque.

There are monthly prizes - the first prize is £100, second is £15. The £100 winners of the April draw were Ken and Helen Bull.

Repeat Prescription Services

There are online pharmacy companies offering a repeat prescription delivery service. If you register with these companies you communicate your repeat prescription requirements to them directly. They will contact the surgery who will send the prescription to them electronically. Once they have received this your medicines will be dispensed and sent to you in the post from their central location. You should allow seven days from your request to the delivery of your medicines. This may take longer particularly over Bank Holidays. You would also need to be available to receive the parcel. Once a prescription has been dispatched from the surgery to the online pharmacy company, it cannot be re-issued in the case of late delivery.

This service could be useful for those who are not very mobile. However we would advise that the current system operated by the surgery is efficient, requires less notice and has a fast turnaround. We send your prescription electronically to your chosen local pharmacy. Even if you are unable to get out, many pharmacies offer a delivery service.

Every patient has the right to have their prescriptions dispensed at the pharmacy of their choice.

Donations for the PPG

We would like to thank all those who have donated to our PPG funds. If you would like to make a donation please make cheques payable to 'Purton Patient Participation Group', with the cheque being taken into the surgery. Please label your envelope 'For the attention of Kai Howard'.

As always, your support for our work to both inform and support patients is much appreciated. If you know of anyone who would like to be included in our email list (all sent bcc) then please ask them to contact via groupforpatients@gmail.com

Sheila Fowler, PPG Secretary

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Focus on Wiltshire Council

There has been a flurry of planning applications from developers trying to build in Cricklade. Bloor Homes want to build 70 homes on Common Hill and Newland Homes want to build 140 at Stones Farm. I thought it appropriate to try and explain the complexity of the planning system with a few bullet points.

- **Framework Boundary (FWB):** The boundary around Cricklade within which development is permitted (agreed with Wiltshire Council and laid out in the Cricklade Neighbourhood Plan 2018).
- **Five Year Land Supply:** A Central Government figure for the number of houses to be built within Wiltshire and the amount of land needed to build them.

Wiltshire Council has for several years failed to meet the supply of land prescribed – varying from 4 to 4.7 years' supply of land. When this happens the developers can, and do, challenge the FWBs. This is exactly what happened at Hitchings, the land was outside the FWB. The developers went all the way to a Judicial Review and Wiltshire Council were forced to allow the development outside the Boundary to meet National and Local housing needs.

The land on which the current applications are being considered is outside the FWB and would not normally be considered for building. Wiltshire Council continue to fail to meet the 5-year land supply and the developers are challenging the FWB.

- **Cricklade Town Council Planning Committee** is a consultee for any planning matters. In essence its powers are limited to the same as an individual's voice to the Wiltshire Planning Authority. They have no right of veto and can only explore and comment in probably greater depth than an individual.
- **Wiltshire Council Planning** runs what is referred to as an officer devolved system where applications are submitted and determined by an allocated case officer alone.
- **Call In:** This is a privilege given to a Wiltshire Councillor, where if I (for example) do not consider the Planning Officer's intention for Refusal or Approval has taken all the relevant information into consideration, I can "Call In" the application to the Planning Committee.
- **Planning Committee** is the Committee of elected Wiltshire Councillors from across North Wiltshire who sit bi-monthly to consider applications "Called In", or those of a more complex nature. Both Call in and Committee decisions can only be based on planning law and regulations albeit with some additional local knowledge to put substance to the application.
- **Other Factors:** There are a number of statutory consultees to planning applications, such as Highways and Thames Water, all of whom have some input. In Cricklade, additionally because of the historic nature of the town there are Conservation considerations to ensure the uniqueness of the High Street for example. "Historic England" and "Natural England" are all national bodies with say in the future developments. The proximity of North Meadow which has protected status as an International "Site of Specific Scientific Interest" also has a great bearing on development in Cricklade. Anything likely to interfere with the water table, drainage, flooding or other relevant matters such as increased footfall by increased development

will be considered as planning matters when new applications come forward.

I hope this gives you some insight to the complex process involved.

If you are having a problem with Wiltshire Council, the Housing Association, or just need some general advice, I can normally find the right contact or highlight your problem to someone who can help. I have a direct telephone contact to all Officers in Wiltshire Council, and you will be surprised what can happen if you talk to the right person. I cannot promise to fix your problem personally, but I can assist you to resolve it.

I am also out and about in Cricklade, Latton and Marston Meysey during the week and I am always happy to meet with you if you have a specific problem to discuss. Please email me or phone to arrange a meeting. I can be contacted on 01793 750773 or my mobile 07973 863 702 or email me at bob.jones@wiltshire.gov.uk

Bob Jones, Wiltshire Councillor

Cricklade & District Probus Club

We are looking forward to meeting as group during June 2022. On 9 June, the talk will be on "Contemporary Policing Issues". This will be followed on 23 June by a talk entitled "Operating at Range".



The meetings normally take place fortnightly on a Thursday at 10am at the White Hart Hotel in Cricklade. Ours is a friendly group who enjoy keeping our minds active and socialising over a drink in the bar after the meetings. We are actively seeking to expand our numbers and look forward to welcoming new members to the Club.

For further information about our local club please contact the Honorary Secretary, Richard Roberts on 01793 751063.

Sing Four Four Community Choir

The Community Choir members continue to work hard at their varied repertoire which will be performed at concerts during the summer. The choir is delighted to be part of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations on Sunday 5 June at 2pm at the Leisure Centre. We will be singing a variety of songs, most of which will be well known. On Saturday 25 June we are travelling to Immanuel Church, Upham Rd, Swindon to take part in a charity concert called 'Sing Out for Brighter Futures'. Our slot is 5pm for 30 minutes. We are also planning an informal concert on Saturday 10 July - venue still to be confirmed.



The choir embraces a wide range of musical abilities. There is no audition, only a love of singing. We enjoy a wide repertoire of sacred and secular songs, old and new, accompanied or unaccompanied. The majority of the songs are SATB, so there is something for everyone.

The rehearsals take place in Cricklade United Church on Thursday evenings between 7.30 and 9.30pm.

Please use our contact form for more information, which can be found on our website: www.singfourfour.org.uk or email our musical director Jen Bamford at: jenloubamford@googlemail.com

50 Shades of Green

The Adventures of an Eco-Warrior Wannabee.

Who remembers Earth Day back in April? Did you notice? Did you post a “.gif” wishing friends a Happy Earth Day? I remember it well because I got ‘proper mardy’ (Yorkshire term for grumpy) and then I had an epiphany (that would be a great name for a cocktail). I was cross at others for not acting to stop climate change but realised that although I might be making better choices and learning to live more sustainably, I’m not actually doing anything to halt the damage being done by continued large scale fossil fuel use. The latest IPCC report makes it clear that we have just five years to make substantial changes to carbon emissions – this tanker will take a lot of turning and we should have started 50 years ago.

So I made a promise to myself that I would do something to make a real difference and thanks to the brain lubricating power of Prosecco (it was a Friday night) I knew exactly what I wanted to do.

There are currently 2 planning applications in progress for new estates in Cricklade. There are Government plans in place to enhance building regulations to improve energy efficiency in new builds – first of all an uplift requiring a 30% improvement in emissions from June 2022. There is then the intention for a Future Buildings Standard to be implemented in 2025 with a requirement for buildings to be carbon neutral ready (not actually carbon neutral, but poised and waiting ready to make the change, a bit like me and my beach body diet).

However, there will be a window in that period for planning applications which are passed before the 2025 deadline to utilise the lower standard and this could include the Cricklade plans. I think this is unacceptable and that we as a community should make it clear that we will not accept any more houses that are not actively 100% carbon neutral. It makes me fume (dangerous with my blood alcohol levels) that 70 were built at Hares Chase with absolutely no mitigations and now I want to make a stand.

As you read this I will have started an open letter with collected signatures and I will visit our local MP for support and advice (we are still on civil terms luckily). I know many of you will be following these applications closely and objecting anyway but I hope you will support me in taking a stand to stop any more fossil fuel reliant houses being built in our beautiful town.

Theresa Green, a member of Cricklade Climate Action Network

St John the Baptist Club 100

The club 100 draw for April 2022 has taken place and the winners are:-

1st	£100.00	Mrs V Rawsthorne of Latton
2nd	£32.00	Mr P Rawsthorne of Latton
3rd	£21.00	Mrs P Sampson of Latton
4th	£9.00	Mrs Diane Young of Latton

To join the club please contact Keith Bowen on Tel 752753.

The club’s aim is to help maintain the fabric of the Church of St John the Baptist, Latton.

Foodbank

Open every Friday 10.00am to 11.30 am
in the Jenner Hall, Bath Road



As the economic situation deepens more people are turning to the food bank for help with their basic necessities. Clients coming to the Jenner Hall are warmly welcomed by our friendly volunteers who offer tea or coffee and a chance to chat. There are leaflets on the tables which offer information on specific help which is available. We prefer clients to come with a referral voucher, but we won't turn away anyone in genuine need.

You can contact us: call – 01666 826982 (we will call you back)
Email: cricklade@malmesburydistrict.foodbank.org.uk
Visit the website: malmesburydistrict.foodbank.org.uk

Through the Fuelbank initiative, we can give emergency help to Foodbank clients who have pre-payment electric and gas meters and are in danger of running out of energy because they can't afford to put credit on their pre-payment meter.

You can donate into our usual boxes, situated in Tesco, Culverhay Stores and Animal Fayre (pet shop). Our local churches: St Sampson's, St Mary's and Cricklade United will accept donations. Please check to make sure the church is open.

Alternatively, may we suggest a financial donation? This would enable us to purchase supplies as and when the need arises. Please go to the Malmesbury & District Foodbank website (above), click on the 'Donate' button at the top of the 'Donate Food' page.

Items in short supply are:

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| • Tinned fish | • Sponge puddings | • Tinned vegetables |
| • Meat pies | • Bottles of squash | • Tinned potatoes |
| • Vegetable pies and meals suitable for vegetarians and vegans | • Long life fruit juice | • Washing up liquid |
| • Tinned meat | • Tinned cat food and tinned dog food | • Laundry powder/liquid |
| | • Tinned spaghetti | |

We have plenty of: UHT milk; Toothbrushes; Toothpaste; Tinned tomatoes; Rice; Cereals; Sweet biscuits.

Cover Photos

Are you a professional or a budding amateur? A member of a Camera Club? We are looking for photos for the front cover of the Chronicle.

Over the coming months I want to include some of the important features in our town: the Museum, the Town Clock, the Jenner Hall, Saxon's Rest, etc.

They need to be portrait, that's tall not wide. They need to look good in black and white, but send them in colour and I can convert them - one day we might even have a web archive in colour! They need to be local to Cricklade and Latton and give a good, uplifting feel. Other than that, it's your choice. We may hold over to an appropriate issue. A daffodil would look odd in say the October issue!

Send your pictures to RickDixonChronicle@gmail.com. We will acknowledge every submission and give you a full credit in the magazine.

Churches Together

The Upper Thames Benefice

Cricklade St Sampson's, Latton St John the Baptist, Ashton Keynes Holy Cross and the Leigh All Saints

Contact details:

Vicar: Revd Canon Debbie Dewes email: vicar@upperthames.org.uk

Associate Minister: Revd Shirley Danby

email: shirleydanby21@gmail.com; tel. 07980 548844

Parishes Administrator: Jane Templeton email: admin@upperthames.org.uk

Services for the Upper Thames Churches

5 June

Pentecost

- 8.30am Holy Communion *at St Sampson's*
- 10am Morning Worship *at St Sampson's*
- 10am Holy Communion *at Holy Cross, Ashton Keynes*
- 10am Morning Worship *at St John the Baptist, Latton*
- 6.30pm Evensong *at St Sampson's*

12 June

Trinity

- 10am United Holy Communion Service *at St Sampson's*

19 June

Trinity 1

- 8am Holy Communion *at St Sampson's*
- 10am Morning Worship *at St Sampson's*
- 10am Morning Worship *at Holy Cross, Ashton Keynes*
- 10am Holy Communion *at St John the Baptist, Latton*
- 6pm Evensong *at Holy Cross, Ashton Keynes*
- 6.30pm Evensong *at St Sampson's*

26 June

Trinity 2

- 8.30am Holy Communion *at Holy Cross, Ashton Keynes*
- 10am Holy Communion *at St Sampson's*
- 10am Morning Worship *at St John the Baptist, Latton*
- 4pm Informal Worship *at St Sampson's*

Cricklade United Church

Calcutt Street, Cricklade

Minister: Revd Sarah Simpson, tel. 01666 826866

Email: sarahsimpson14@btinternet.com

As a United Reformed / Methodist Church, we are part of the URC North West Wiltshire Pastorate and the Upper Thames Methodist Circuit. Services of worship take place on Sunday mornings at 10.30am and all are welcome. Please have a look at our website for all the current information regarding our services, dates, times and other events.

<https://crickladeunitedchurch.co.uk>

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From the Registers of the Upper Thames Group of Churches

Baptisms

24 April Rosie Elizabeth Phoenix Tye at All Saints Leigh

Weddings

16 April Lyndsey Ann Weaver & Lee Mason Giles at St Sampson's

23 April Charlotte Hannah Pearce & Benjamin Andrew Crawley at St Sampson's

Funerals

14 April Lesley Elizabeth Weaver: Interment of Ashes at Holy Cross

20 April Caroline Little: Service St Sampson's

22 April Royston Frank Powles: Interment of Ashes at All Saints

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Weekly Mass times 9.30am on Sundays
10.00am on Fridays

For notices please see the noticeboard on the railings of St Mary's.
Parish website www.stthomasparish.plus.com.

Father Michael Robertson can be contacted on 01285 712586 or by email
michael.Robertson@cliftondiocese.com

Gerry Dudley, our Church Secretary, is on 01793 750107.

The Friends of St Mary's website with more details of the history of the church is at

Alpha Course

Come and see what the Alpha Course is about – at a peaceful venue close to Cricklade and Latton.

Alpha explores Christianity through meeting over a meal and watching a video – filmed right across the globe – then discussing its contents together. On Tuesday 14 June, the Harnhill Centre is holding its first weekly session, starting at 7.30pm. This is a peaceful location near Cirencester with ample parking and space to reflect on what really matters in life. Just come along to discover if Alpha is for you!

For more information, please contact Richard Hawes on richard@jessesmith.co.uk or Katy Bell on 01793 751790. We look forward to seeing you there! Head for Harnhill GL7 5PX to enjoy a light snack and take in the first Alpha video.

St Sampson's Church Appeal

Advance Notice

St Sampson's Church Fete 16th July 2022

To continue raising funds for our appeal
we will be holding a fete at St Sampson's Church.

Stalls! Cream teas! Trips up the tower! Soft toy parachute jumps!



St Sampson's Church 100 Club

The lucky winners of our April 2022 draw were:-

Mr and Mrs Rickards £29.50

St Sampson's Church Appeal fund benefitted by £29.50

Thank you to all members supporting the St Sampson's Church 100 club. The club's aim is to maintain and improve our beautiful church building. To join the club please contact Sharon Smith on 01793 751375 or email sharonsmith54@hotmail.com or download the application form from The St Sampson's Church Appeal website.

We would still be grateful for any further donations to the next phases of the church appeal. Cash or cheques (made payable to St Sampson's PCC No. 2 Account) can be put in the donations box at St Sampson's, or sent to Adina Grace, Church Warden at Staddlestones, 4/5 West Mill Lane, Cricklade, SN6 6JL. For further details please contact



Adina at janda.grace447@outlook.com or 01793 750138.

Online donations can be made scanning the QR code (left) or visiting <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com>.

With best wishes from the Church Appeal Team.

St Sampson's Flower Festival

St Sampson's Church is holding a flower festival on **1- 3 July**. **Opening times** will be Friday 1 July: 11am - 4 pm, Saturday 2 July 10am - 5pm and Sunday 3 July 11am - 4pm

There will be an extensive display of flowers, with refreshments available throughout the day and some musical interludes.

There is no charge for entry but donations will be welcomed and the proceeds will go towards the improvements of the church building.

Cricklade Camera Club

Cricklade Camera Club is coming to the end of its fifth season.

Monthly meetings are held on the first Tuesday of each month in the Town Hall between September and June at 7.30pm.



New members are always welcome - you don't even need a camera. Everyone is welcome. So if you are budding novice or a more experienced photographer, why don't you try us out for an evening for a guest fee of £5.00. For further details see our website (crickldecameraclub.org) or contact the Club Secretary Anne Eckersley for more information. Email address: clubsecretary@crickldecameraclub.org

7 June 2022 is our final meeting of this season - Town Hall Annexe at 7.30pm.

AGM and Annual Exhibition presentation of awards with Mike Martin.

Cricklade Open Door

We are nearly half way through the year, with warmer weather and holidays being planned and hopefully the extra anxieties and worries that we have had to cope with over the last two and half years are gradually diminishing. Open Door has bounced back remarkably well, with new members and volunteers coming along and favourite activities being enjoyed once more. The only 'cloud on the horizon' is the worry over our future funding, now that Wiltshire Council are changing the way in which they have given small but necessary amounts of funding to lunch clubs, day centres and friendship groups. However, Open Door is very resilient and imaginative with fundraising ideas and has a very proactive committee of trustees, so we are going forward in a positive frame of mind and intend to be in Cricklade for many more years.



We are looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, not only with our friends and neighbours and at the Leisure Centre but with our own Celebration Tea Party on the afternoon of 2 June. Although 2 June is a Bank Holiday this year, Open Door will be open as usual and we are looking forward to raising a glass to Her Majesty in the afternoon. We will also be open, as usual, on Monday 6 June.

Our Singalong morning has a change of date - Sian and Rob will now entertain us on **Monday 20 June** 11am -12 noon and everyone is welcome to come along. We have had such wonderful music mornings, brought to us by The Wiltshire Music Centre - rock musicians, classical soloists, saxophonist, ukulele duo and a delightful harpist and this time, after requests from members, we are having a Singalong morning.

We have been invited to watch Cricklade Manor Prep School's summer production on the morning of Wednesday 29 June. We always appreciate invitations to school productions and concerts, Cricklade Manor and St Sampson's school have always made these visits very enjoyable and good fun.

Open Door has a warm welcome waiting for new members, so come and join in with the fun, friendship and support at:

*Cricklade Open Door, The Jenner Hall, tel: 07599 987 851
Open: Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays - 10am to 3.30pm
Lunch can be booked before 10am on the day - £5.00*

Parkinson's UK

15 June 2022: Cricklade Café 10.30am - noon

The Cricklade Club, High Street, SN6 6AY

PARKINSON'S^{UK}
CHANGE ATTITUDES.
FIND A CURE.
JOIN US.

Join us for coffee, cake and chat on the third Wednesday of each month. We now meet in The Living room, inside the Club turn right and follow the sign from the Foyer.

Contact: ParkinsonsCafeCricklade@gmail.com or call 07951 944760

Share quality time together, socialising, making new friends plus great coffee and cake. There are regularly up to forty visitors to the cafe and often our visitors include Parkinson's Disease Nurse Specialists from GWH and Community Connectors from Carer Support Wiltshire plus others from Parkinson's UK.

Cricklade W.I.

At our recent April meeting we were introduced to Yoga – ‘Chair Yoga’ – by Jenny Etheredge.

Jenny put us through our paces and demonstrated Yoga is for all – irrespective of mobility.

16 June – Lynda Warren will talk to us on ‘**Funny Ways to Make a Living**’.

The coming year is jammed packed with exciting speakers and outings. Do you want to know more? For further details contact our secretary Viv Tomkins on 01793 752459 or email Vivienne.tomkins@btinternet.com

New members are always welcome. We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Town Hall Annexe at 7.30 pm - we look forward to meeting you.



Cricklade Jenner Hall ...

... has been at the Heart of Cricklade for more than 300 years

The Jenner Hall continues to be a popular place for family events and smaller wedding receptions.

Our new team of Trustees aim to make the Hall attractive to all age groups and any suggestions would be welcomed.

To book the Jenner Hall for a meeting, a party or celebration, contact our booking secretary Charlotte Pearce at jennerhall.booking@gmail.com or call 07900 122 099.

John Hickman, Chairman, Cricklade Jenner Hall Community Trust



Cricklade Jenner Hall (Parish Hall) "Save It Club"

In the Monthly Draw held on 28 April the lucky winners were:-

First Prize:	Mr & Mrs S. Forrester	£39.30
Second Prize:	Mr R. Goodman	£26.60
Jenner Hall Funds:		£65.50



Thank you to all the "Save it Club" members for their continued support.

To Join the Jenner Hall "Save It Club" Please contact Paul Marley, tel: 01793 752851.

The Subscription for the "Save It Club" is only £12 per year. Subscribers are encouraged to pay a year's subscription of £12 by Standing Order.

All data is held under the guidelines of the General Data Protection Regulations 2018

Letter to the Editor

■ All Saints' Leigh,

Sadly our much loved church All Saints' Leigh is only open about three times a year. We are so blessed that we are always so welcome at the quite beautiful St Sampson's. My Sundays would never be the same without it. A very meaningful Service and the opportunity to meet so many warm and hugely friendly fellow church goers!

Nigel Massey

Cricklade Art Group



Thanks to all who supported our last art exhibition in November – our first for 2 years. It felt a little strange venturing back into our store cupboard to rediscover our exhibition paraphernalia but, once the exhibition was underway, it felt like we had never been away!

We are now holding our Summer Exhibition. As usual, there will be a breadth of talent on display, from those starting out on their artistic journey, to our more established artists. Entrance is free of charge, so please come along and enjoy what we have to offer. It will be great to see you!

Summer Exhibition 2022
Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th June 2022
10am to 4pm at Cricklade Town Hall
Free entry! All are welcome!

If you wish to learn more about the Cricklade Art Group, and the artwork likely to be on display, please visit our website www.crickladeart.co.uk or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/CrickladeArtGroup.

The group has now resumed its monthly meetings, which are held on the third Tuesday of the month at the Cricklade Town Hall Annexe. If you have any questions or are interested in becoming a member, please drop us a line to our email address: crickladeartgroup@gmail.com

Cricklade Link Scheme

We Need Your Help - We need a Co-ordinator



We have two Link Co-ordinators and are seeking a third to make up the team. We take requests on our answer machine (07421 018 499) and once a day the duty Co-ordinator matches up drivers and Link tasks. The Co-ordinators can operate from any location not just from home. We supply a mobile telephone.

Co-ordinators would cover a two-week stint every six weeks.

Could you give a couple of hours a week to be a member of our Co-ordinator team? Please call 751049 or 07421 018 499 for more details.

We are also seeking drivers to help run this service for your community.

We need Volunteers 07421 018 499

Bíngo 4 Us

Bíngo4Us is a small non-profit group who meet at the Jenner Hall, Cricklade on Wednesday afternoons at 1.30 and it is 'EYES DOWN' at 2 pm. We are keen to have more members from the local area, including Purton, who will be made very welcome.

There is no joining fee, just a fee of £1 per session to cover prizes.

There are no forms to complete, so just come along on the day. For venue details and any questions please give Vicky a call on 07801 952 027.

Cricklade Bloomers

Whispers from the Walled Garden



Plantings are in full swing for the busiest months in our year

Join us in June for some gentle exercise keeping all our displays dead headed and weeded. We always need additional help during this busy period so come along and help. You will then be able to point to displays around the Town and say "I made a contribution to make Cricklade Blooming".

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 28 May: Bloomers will be at Cricklade Garden Club's plant sale from 9am to 12 noon. Don't miss it! Lots of home grown plants.

Sunday 5 June: Come to the Family fun day at the Leisure Centre and make a bug house, suitable for children to make - no charge, all recycled materials.

Thursday 21 July: Get your tickets for our hugely popular Mikron Theatre evening £15 Tickets available for the Council office from mid June

Coming Soon

Scarecrow trail is coming to Cricklade, hosted by Bloomers, more details soon.

Children's Sunflower competition, in conjunction with Cricklade in Bloom. Pick up your plant from Bloomers or the Council Office.

Check dates and activities on our website and Facebook page.
Facebook - Cricklade Bloomers Website - Crickladeinbloom.co.uk

Cricklade Town Hall

Your Community Hall

Book your event at Cricklade Town Hall. Birthdays, anniversaries, wedding celebrations, children's parties, quiz nights, club meetings, etc. - we have done them all! The Town Hall offers flexible space with tables, padded chairs, excellent kitchen facilities and free WiFi.

We offer a choice of one or more of the Main Hall, the Annexe, and a Committee Room, to meet your particular requirements. The Main Hall toilets and foyer area have been recently refurbished to a high standard, making our facilities eminently suitable for that special event you might be planning.

Please contact our Bookings Secretary, Mrs Nicola Fry on 01666 861023 or via email at crickladetownhall@hotmail.com for further details. Check out our Facebook page for photos and other information: www.facebook.com/crickladetownhall

The Town Hall was established on 11 July 1933 for the Parish of Cricklade and is a Registered Charity, No. 305499



Cricklade Historical Society

We will be holding the forthcoming events;-

Friday 3 June - Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday

A Walk - "Some Other Buildings of the Cricklade High Street". (Based on the Walk from August 2021.)

Starts at 7.15pm outside the Town Hall and will finish at the Museum, where refreshments will be available.

Wednesday 15 June

In a change to the advertised talk by John Hickman, we will now have a Cricklade themed talk from Mark Clarke.

Doors Open 7pm for 7.30pm (Town Hall Annexe).

Entrance to the talk is free for CHS Members - Non Members £5.00.

Cricklade Garden Club

Meetings are on the second Tuesday of the month in the Town Hall Annexe. Tea and cakes are served from 7pm. Speaker starts at 7.30pm.

The next meeting is on **Tuesday 14 June** and our speaker is the distinguished botanist, Timothy Walker.

What is the future of gardening in these uncertain times? Timothy will help give us answers in his talk "Being a 21st Century Gardener".

Timothy retired in 2014 as Director of the Oxford University Botanic Gardens and Harcourt Arboretum and now lectures extensively. His talks are described as "brilliant", "Informative", "Inspirational" and "entertaining". We are in for a treat!

For information about the Club, upcoming events and trips please look at our excellent website www.crickladegardenclub.org.uk

Membership is £20 p.a., we are affiliated to the Gloucestershire Federation of Gardening Societies (www.gfgs.org.uk).

Visitors welcome at £3 a session -come and give us a try.

Queries to Anne 07717 695 022, Janet 07765 276 534, Bizzie 07876 347 973

We look forward to seeing you!

Cricklade Town F.C.

Cricklade Town Football Club is holding a Sportsman Evening on Wednesday 29 June at Cricklade Town Hall with Dean Windass, ex-Middlesbrough, Hull and Bradford striker and current talk sport commentator.



MC for the evening will be ex-Swindon Town and Aston Villa legend Phil King. There will be an Auction and Raffle on the night with a Fish & Chip Supper - £25 a ticket. Doors open from 7pm for 7-30-7.45 start. For more information or to buy tickets please contact Richard Austen on 07955 280 220 or e-mail Richard.Austen1973@hotmail.co.uk

Cricklade 100 Years Ago

HOW CRICKLADE CELEBRATED A ROYAL EVENT 80 YEARS AGO

An Ox Roast marking the Coronation of the Queen's parents, King George VI and Queen Elizabeth, took place on Pauls Croft field behind the Town Hall in May 1937. First there was a special service at St. Sampson's Church, followed by a procession led by the Town Band. The day beforehand a stand to roast the ox was erected by local



business men, with galvanised sheets on one side to protect the fire, fuelled by wood and coal, from the wind. This was lit at 6am with the ox rotated on a hand-turned spit to ensure it cooked evenly. A large crowd had gathered by 11am to watch the High Bailiff sample the first slice, cut by a team of local butchers, after which an orderly queue formed each carrying a plate to receive theirs. In the afternoon there was a sports event organised on the field, teas, and a glorified fete, and in the evening a dance was held at the Town Hall from 9pm until 3am the following morning. Today, a large oil painting of the Ox Roast by Edward Buttar hangs in the Town Hall.

[Excerpt from Cricklade Revealed books, all fifteen of which cost £3.60 each, apart from reprints at £4. Full sets are £48. Please contact Marion Parsons on 01793 750542 or mparsons071@btinternet.com for further details. Profits are donated to Cricklade Open Door charity.]

Royal British Legion: Cricklade & District Branch

Next Meeting 16 June at the White Hart at 7.15pm



Did you know that you do not need to have served in the Armed Forces to be a member of the RBL?

The Cricklade and District Branch of the RBL is small but active, leading the Town in Remembrance events every November. But the RBL is about much more than just the 11th of November. It has a long history of supporting those that have suffered in conflict or indeed in many other situations, providing financial, social and emotional support to serving members and veterans of the British Armed Forces, their families and dependants.

We are seeking new members to help us in our aims. Together, you, with the many ex-servicemen and women living in and around Cricklade can make a difference with your support.

Have you served, or are you still serving? Now is the time to give back a little to your fellow service personnel. If you have never served but share our values, come and support us. Join our family to make a difference to those in need. We meet in a very sociable setting at the White Hart Hotel.

Interested? Call our Membership Secretary Yvonne Hill on 07485 135 395, or email us: rblcricklade@gmail.com

Saxons Pétanque Club, Cricklade

Now that the weather is improving, it's been great to see more of our club members enjoying a game of pétanque during our regular club sessions. You'll find us playing just outside the entrance to Cricklade Leisure Centre on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons from 2-4pm and Saturday mornings from 10am-12 noon, with a training session from 9.30-11.30am on Wednesday mornings. Starting on 4 May we are introducing a Wednesday evening session from 7-9pm. This will be a relaxed evening with more opportunity for a bit of coaching for anyone who would like it, whilst playing a few games of pétanque ... and the Leisure Centre bar will still be open when we finish!

Saxons Pétanque Club has been steadily growing since we re-opened following the Covid lockdowns. But we always welcome new members and would be very pleased to see you if you'd like to come along and try out this fun and sociable game. We'll also be supporting the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations at the Leisure Centre with some "come and have a go" trials and the chance to win some chocolate! Spherical Chocolate Oranges of course. 😊

Defibrillator News

Jeremy Anderson, who has been looking after our town's defibrillators for many years is standing down. Jan Furze has kindly stood in to take over from him. If you spot anything wrong with any of the machines you can contact her at janice.furze@talktalk.net or on 01793 264671.

A few months ago we said in the Chronicle that we needed new sponsorships for the insurance for the defibs. We had a great response and would like to thank the following:

Phillipa Knight

Dominic Threlfall of Pebley Beach Group -

5 years insurance paid

Sheila & Alan Styler

Nick Carter

Bob Jones

Amanda from High Street Stitches

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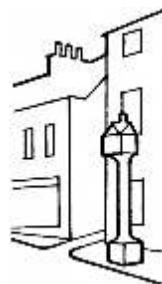


The Chronicle Diary – June 2022

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| 1 | W | 11.45pm | Chronicle copy deadline |
| 2 | Th | | Spring bank holiday |
| | | 9.15pm | Jubilee Beacon lighting at Saxon's Rest |
| 3 | F | | Platinum Jubilee bank holiday |
| | | 7.15pm | Historical Society walk, starts outside the Town Hall |
| 5 | Su | 11am | <i>to 4pm:</i> Family Fun Day at Leisure Centre |
| | | 2pm | Sing 4/4 Choir at the Leisure Centre's jubilee celebration |
| 6 | M | 11am | <i>to noon:</i> Open Door Singalong with Sian & Rob, Jenner Hall |
| | | 7pm | Town Council: Planning Committee in Council Chamber |
| 7 | Tu | 7.30pm | Camera Club AGM & Exhibition at Town Hall Annexe |
| 9 | Th | 10am | Probus Club at the White Hart Hotel |
| 11 | Sa | 10am | <i>to 4pm:</i> Cricklade Art Group Exhibition at Town Hall |
| 12 | Su | 10am | Friends of Dance Common work party (meet at info board) |
| | | 10am | <i>to 4pm:</i> Cricklade Art Group Exhibition at Town Hall |
| 14 | Tu | 7pm | <i>speaker 7.30pm:</i> Garden Club at Town Hall Annexe |
| 15 | W | 10.30am | <i>to noon:</i> Parkinson's UK Coffee, Cake & Chat at Cricklade Club, High St |
| | | 7pm | <i>for 7.30pm:</i> Historical Society talk at Town Hall Annexe |
| 16 | Th | 7.30pm | Cricklade W.I. at Town Hall Annexe |
| | | 7.15pm | Royal British Legion meeting at the White Hart Hotel |
| 18 | Sa | 10.30am | <i>to 12.30pm:</i> Old Police Station Open Day (Cricklade Dev Foundation) |
| 20 | M | 11am | <i>to 12 noon:</i> Singalong Morning at Open Door, Jenner Hall |
| | | 7pm | Town Council: Full Council meeting in Council Chamber |
| 23 | Th | 10am | Probus Club at the White Hart Hotel |
| 29 | W | 7pm | <i>for 7.30pm:</i> Cricklade Town FC, Sportsman Evening at Town Hall |

Every Week

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| M | 10am-3.30pm | Open Door at Jenner Hall |
| | 10am-noon | Computer Club at Leisure Centre |
| Tu | 10am-3.30pm | Open Door at Jenner Hall |
| | 7pm | Rugby Club training at Fairview Fields |
| W | 1.30 for 2pm | Bingo4Us at Jenner Hall |
| Th | 10 - 11am | Cricklade Credit Union: in Tourist Information Office |
| | 10am-3.30pm | Open Door at Jenner Hall |
| | 7pm | Rugby Club training at Fairview Fields |
| | 7.30-9.30pm | Sing Four Four choir rehearsal at United Church, Calcutt Street |
| F | 10-11.30am | Cricklade Foodbank at Jenner Hall |
| Sa | 10am-noon | Cricklade Museum open, Calcutt Street |



Moon Phases - June 2022

7th ☾ 14th ○ 21st ● 29th ●

The Final Word ...

With the arrival of summer comes the arrival of visitors to this beautiful part of the country in which we live. For many of us that can mean longer journey times. Roads which are free of traffic in the winter are now congested with slow moving sightseers, or even worse for the motorist in a hurry, cyclists. Even the best-intentioned drivers can find themselves overcome by road rage.

"Road rage" is just a snappy name for a phenomenon which has existed long before cars were even invented: putting oneself first. I want to knock 10 minutes off my journey time so why should you get in my way. When we look honestly at our lives, trying to identify behaviour we are ashamed of and want to change, so much of what we do wrong is rooted in selfishness. We put our own wants first and so we end up being unkind to someone, or being dishonest with our employer's money, or unfaithful to our wife or husband, or whatever.

In part of his teaching, Jesus lists the requirements of those who seek to be his followers. The key character trait is the ability to put others first and yourself last. "If any want to be followers of mine, let them renounce themselves," Jesus says. Just imagine a society in which everyone acts as if they are the most important person in the world. The end result is inevitably conflict and misery. A happy society is one where people are motivated by love: to love our neighbour as ourselves as Jesus asks us to. Love can only flourish in the lives of those who consider others more important than themselves. To love your neighbour is to wish for your neighbour's good even at the expense of your own self-interest.

So many of the crises which our world faces, from wars to climate change, have their origins in human selfishness. The way towards solving these crises requires a transformation of behaviour. We need to learn to live for others rather than always for ourselves.

*Rev. Michael Robertson,
St Mary's Catholic Church*

Cricklade Library

The Library is above the Town Council Office at 113 High Street. The entrance is through the gateway and there is a lift as well as stairs to the library level.

Current opening hours are: *(Closed Bank Holidays)*

Mon:	2-4pm	Wed:	2-4pm	Fri:	2-5pm	Sun:	Closed
Tues:	10am-1pm	Thurs:	2-7pm	Sat	10am-1pm		

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