

February 2024

Chaddleshworth News

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...and many updates from our local groups and businesses.

Please provide your letters, suggestions and contributions for the next, April edition by 20th March. Thanks! **Ed.**



St Andrew's Church

Thank you to the Church Yard Maintenance Team for resolving so many issues, for clearing the leaves, improving memorials and for tackling the yews! Special tanks to **Spike** and **Chris** for getting so much done.

Pictured: St Andrew's Snow drops and Christmas flowers by Karen Hambro



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Letters & Announcements

Graham Stanley

Sadly and suddenly my best friend Graham peacefully passed away in his sleep on Saturday morning, 3rd February 2024. He was my everything and a good friend to lots of others. His kind, thoughtful, cheeky presence will be missed by many. **Jan Dalton**

We hope to include an obituary in the next edition. Ed.



Chaddleworth Speed Awareness Gates

On behalf of Chaddleworth Parish Council, **Councillor Graham Stanley** worked with **Heads Farm Contracting** to refurbish the Speed Awareness white gates at the various road entries to the village.

The project has been completed and the gates on Botmoor Way, Sheephouse Way, Mount Lane, School Hill and Spray Lane are reinstalled. Work to clean the signs will follow.

Thank you **Ben** for completing the project and thank you **Graham** for managing it so ably. We are going to miss you so much.



Laura Farris MP

Newbury Member of Parliament, Laura Farris, held a Surgery at the Ibex Inn on Friday 26th January to meet and chat with local constituents about any concerns they have locally or nationally



Norris Lane

Thanks to Ray Doncaster's intervention, Newbury Member of Parliament, Laura Farris, was briefed at the Surgery she held in the Ibex Inn on 26th January about the Sovereign and Norris Lane issue.

Laura said that she and her team have considerable experience of residents' dissatisfaction with the way that Sovereign treats their tenants and would be happy to go into bat with Sovereign on this matter.

Laura learnt that all the owners of the properties with access to the lane had agreed to share the cost of refurbishment, except for Sovereign, which owns six of the affected properties. From previous contacts with Sovereign, Laura doubted that it would be a swift resolution, but kindly promised that her team would apply what pressure it could to achieve a positive outcome. Amanda Buttimore, Laura's Office Manager agreed to take on this task. **Peter Hambro**

The Soley Cup

Thank you to all who came along and entered.

Congratulations to the 2024 Sloely Cup winner. Shane McAllister-Lovelock who gets his name on the cup for the second time and ends Charlie Smith's run as champion!



Chaddleworth Parish Council objects to Sovereign sale amid housing crisis



By Mirek Gosney mirek.gosney@newburynews.co.uk

A parish council has spoken out against the sale of a property in its patch.

Chaddleworth Parish Council has voiced its “disappointment” at the imminent sale of a two-bedroom Sovereign property located at 14 Long Row, saying the decision goes against nationwide demand for more affordable and social housing.

Chairman Jim Wilson said the council holds its own housing register and is confident it could have found a new tenant within a matter of days. He said: “We are disappointed this has happened and we would like to say we feel it is a shame. Firstly, a shame that we were not consulted about this decision. Secondly, a shame as it means one less affordable/social house available to the wider population of West Berkshire. I am confident we could have a tenant ready to move in within days.”

But Sovereign Network Group, formerly Sovereign Housing association, responded by saying the house does not currently meet the standards its customers expect. A spokesperson for the housing association said: “We want to make sure all our homes support our customers’ wellbeing by being adaptable, sustainable, enjoyable to live in and affordable to run. Working with our customers, we developed our Homes and Place standard, which gives us a framework to make good decisions and how to invest in our existing homes as well as building new ones. Where

possible, we invest in our homes to bring them up to the standard our customers want and we are already doing this for 127 homes in West Berkshire.”

Regarding the property in Chaddleworth, they continued: “In some cases, like this one, we don’t think the home will be right for our customers. In these cases, we will sell the home with funds to be reinvested in new build homes in the area.”

Chaddleworth Parish Council

Chaddleworth Parish Council meets every other month with the next meeting on **Tuesday 5th March 2024 at 7:30pm in Chaddleworth Village Hall. All welcome.** The minutes from previous meetings and the agenda for the next one can be found on the Parish website in the ‘Parish Council’ section. To contact the Council, please email the Clerk to Chaddleworth Parish Council via Chaddleworth.PC@outlook.com

In addition to the Speed Awareness white gate refurbishment, the Council has also installed a second defibrillator in the village. This is located at Chaddleworth Village Hall.



The regular Councillor’s Report is available via the West Berkshire website:

www.westberks.gov.uk/downloadsparishcouncilreport

Kind regards, **Councillor Clive Hooker**

Chaddleworth Entertainments

Christmas seems like a lifetime ago, and one of our highlights was the Curry & Quiz Night. The aroma of delicious curries, and a room filled with villagers ready for a festive showdown. The night brought everyone out for an evening of laughs, brain-bending Christmas trivia, and a feast fit for the holidays. Big cheers to the winning team who not only claimed victory, but generously shared their prize among the other teams. Now, that's the true meaning of Christmas! Thanks so much to our volunteers for providing the curries, to **Piers King** for writing the quiz, and to **Sue Kinnear** for being a fabulous quiz master.

Prepare for an *egg-stravaganza* of fun at our upcoming event, the annual **Easter Egg Hunt**. The best part? It's free entry, and there's prizes for everyone! **Meet at The Walled Garden at Chaddleworth Church and follow the signs, Sunday 31st March at 11:30am.**

Plans are very much underway for summer of 2024, and we cannot wait for our summer celebrations. Don't forget to get these dates in your diaries!

- ✓ **6th June: D-Day Remembrance Beacon with a live Swing Band.**
- ✓ **7th June: Village Cricket, hosted by Chaddleworth Cricket Club.**
- ✓ **8th June: Chaddleworth Village Fete with live music in the evening at The Ibex Inn.**

The **Open Gardens** is back and is taking place on **Saturday 22nd June**. We're excited as we have some beautiful gardens already signed up to be opened. For any further enquiries, including if you'd like to open your garden, please email entertainment@chaddleworth.net

Tish



Are you ready to make a positive impact on our community? Join our committee and be part of shaping and organising exciting events for the future. If you have a passion for event planning, fresh ideas to bring to the table, or simply the drive to make things happen, then we want you! We meet on the first Monday of every month. The next meeting is Monday 4th March at 7:30pm in The Ibex Inn. We look forward to seeing you there!

The Downland HandeBus

The Downland Volunteer Group (DVG) is pleased to announce the launch of our new 100% electric fully accessible HandeBus.

To celebrate this significant achievement in being one of the first electric minibus for community transport in West Berkshire, and one of a handful across the UK, we have renamed our Handybus to HandeBus – highlighting it's electric whilst remaining 'handy' for those that use it.



The HandeBus offers a bespoke service to residents in the Downland villages, through the help of volunteer drivers. Passengers contact us and are collected from their homes and driven to the shops, appointments, or other venues. Our friendly drivers will help load shopping on and off the vehicle and, if required, carry shopping to your front door.

The HandeBus is ideal for passengers with mobility issues as it is equipped with easy access side steps, comfortable seats, air conditioning in the summer, and heating in the winter. In addition, the HandeBus can safely carry up to two wheelchair users with their carers as it is fitted with a hydraulic tail lift.

Regular users of the service can get to know each other as it's an opportunity to meet and chat with friends and neighbours. Many friendships have been formed helping to reduce isolation and loneliness.

The HandeBus would not have been possible without funding from West Berkshire Council who awarded us £50,000 through the Community Transport Capital Grant Fund, which we applied for back in mid-2023. We have also received other donations from The Greenham Trust, The Englefield Trust, Miss Lawrence Trust in Kintbury, and other private donations.

Joe Clerkin, from the Downland Volunteer group, said: "The Downland Volunteer Group is extremely grateful to the West Berkshire Council and our other sponsors that has enabled us to replace the old HandeBus with a new all electric HandeBus to continue our support of Downland residents and in addition, help wheelchair users in our area travel in a comfortable and secure purpose-built vehicle."

Denise Gaines, Executive Member for Highways, Housing and Sustainable Travel at West Berkshire Council, said: "It is heartening to see that a local community group is taking such bold steps to improve accessibility for those with mobility difficulties who may struggle to get out and about to appointments or the shops. This HandeBus will help support our vulnerable residents to maintain their independence, whilst also using a vehicle that helps the Council to tackle the climate and ecological emergency."

Our original Handybus did not offer wheelchair access. We worked with GM Coachworks, a specialist company that builds bespoke minibuses for local authorities, schools and other organisations to create a 12-seater minibus plus driver. In addition, they fitted a hydraulic tail lift enabling us to carry two wheelchair users plus their carers. This ensures that travel in this purpose-built vehicle is safe and comfortable for all users.

Charging the vehicle is by a three phase 11kW charging unit located at the Chieveley Surgery and installed by Hannington and Green, a locally based electrical company. The vehicle graphics were designed by Butler Signs also based in Newbury.

For those wishing to use the HandeBus, the Downland Volunteer Group can be contacted on: **07713 813523**, email: dvg.handebus@btinternet.com or via our website www.downlandvolgroup.org

Can you help us? Become a volunteer! As a volunteer organisation we require volunteer drivers. If you have a clean driving licence with a D1 entitlement category included and would like to help residents in the Downland villages, even if it's just a few hours a month, please do contact us on: 07713 813 523. A vehicle without a driver is of very little use, so if you can help please call us.



**Fridays
2024**



Downland Volunteer Group
West Berkshire Community Car and Handybus Scheme.

Date	Destination	Timetable
January 12 th	Reading Oracle Centre	OP:11:45 Cd 12:00
January 26 th	TBC	OP:11:45 Ch 12:00
February 9 th	Bicester Village	OP:11:45 Ch 12:00
February 16 th	Watercress Line*	OP:11:45 Ch 12:00
March 1 st	Swindon Outlet Retail	OP:11:45 Ch 12:00
March 15 th	Oxford Blenheim Palace and afternoon tea (£35) *	OP:11:45 Ch 12:00
Good Friday April 12 th	Bath	OP:11:45 Ch 12:00
April 26 th	RHS Wisley (15.95)*	Ch 11:45 OP 12:00
May 10 th	Henley upon Thames	Ch 11:45 Ch 12:00
May, 24 th	Stourhead Gardens*	OP 11:45 Ch 12:00
June 7 th	Avon Beach Mudford	Ch 11:45 Ch 12:00
June 8 th	Chaddleworth Fete	OP 11:45
June 29 th 30 th	Hungerford D-Day commemoration	TBC

HandeBus

Chieveley, Orchard Park (OP), Peasemore, Leckhampstead, Chaddleworth (Cd)

To Book:
Email: DVG.Handebus@btinternet.com
Call: 07713 813523
F/B <https://www.facebook.com/groups/255855456779677/>

Date	Destination	Timetable
July 12 th	Reading Oracle	OP:11:45 Cd 12:00
July, 26 th	Punting on the Cherwell*	OP:11:45 Ch 12:00
August 9 th	Bicester Village	
August 23 rd	Windsor	
Sept 6 th	Bath	
Sept. 20 th	WestonBirt Arboretum*	
October 4 th	Cheltenham	
October. 18 th	Legoland* or Marwell*	
November 1 st	Winchester	
November	Warwick	
December 6 th	Christmas in Oxford	
December 7 th	Christmas in Marlow	
December 13 th	Christmas in Reading	
December 14 th	Christmas in Bath	

Slide into these locations in the comfort of our 12 seater Electric Minibus.
Fare £5. Events marked * require separate entry fees.



Chaddleshworth St Andrew's and Shefford C.E.

Federated Primary Schools 'Living life in all its fullness'



We start the new year with some requests and an invitation!



Chaddleshworth and Shefford Schools PTFA (Registered Charity 1190914) met at School on 7th February to continue the association's great work. Our children love the:

- ✓ Cake sales
- ✓ Bouncy castle
- ✓ Free coach to the pantomime
- ✓ Playground equipment
- ✓ Cooking equipment
- ✓ Winter Fair
- ✓ Welcome Barbecue
- ✓ Forest School equipment

And this is just to name a few of the opportunities that the PTFA have given us last term alone! Wow!

We need your help to continue this fantastic work. As the saying goes, the more the merrier! The more people who join the PTFA, the easier it is for everyone! Are you a past CSF parent? Local resident? Do you know someone who might want to join? All are welcome! Contact chad_shefford_ptfa@mail.com



We celebrate 'Golden Moments'

It might be a moment of awe, pride or just an experience that was fantastic! This is just a sample of what the children have said since the beginning of term. Our Golden Moments:

- ❖ 'Coming back to school'
- ❖ 'Playing football'
- ❖ 'Finishing my work'
- ❖ 'Making my pictures'
- ❖ 'Making a nature picture in art'
- ❖ 'Finding out about Montgolfier'
- ❖ 'Finding out what we are going to be doing on our trip to Ufton Court'
- ❖ 'Watching one of our Red Kites Play Leaders helping Robins when something didn't go as planned!'
- ❖ 'Netball!!!!'
- ❖ 'Going on our welly walk'

Children's Puzzles and Games

Have you been clearing out old games and puzzles following Christmas? Mrs Simpson-Jones has been collecting donations for Chaddleshworth and would like a whole cupboard full – we have some way to go! If you can contribute, please bring them to Chaddleshworth St Andrew's on Tues/Thurs afternoons or Shefford C.E. on any week day between 8am and 5pm. Thank you!

**Alison
Stephenson,**
Headteacher

www.csfschools.org

*Pictured: Library Club
and Archery Team*





Great Shefford Under 5's

Pre-School: Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, 9:15am to 2:45pm

Baby & Toddler Group:
Monday, 9:30am to 11:15am

Our Monday morning Baby and Toddler group has got off to a great start this year.

We have welcomed several new mums to the group with their young babies and enjoyed a variety of crafts and activities.

Sara Slade, the new Headteacher at Brightwalton School, made her first visit to meet local parents and Lisa Higgins, the Early Years teacher from Shefford School spent the morning at the group at the end of January. We are delighted to have great links with our local schools.

If you are new to the area do come along with your young children, for a modest £3 we will provide refreshments, fun and friendship.

Our Pre-School is very busy; we have 25 children on roll. Denise made home visits to the new starters before they joined so that they see a familiar face on their first day.

The Mobile Library visits each 3rd Wednesday and the children go onto the bus to choose a book to take home.



We have been learning about the birds around us and joined in the RSPB Big Garden Bird Watch by counting the birds we could see at the park.

The weather has been very changeable but we are undeterred in our outdoor learning; we've visited the pigs, climbed trees, enjoyed the park, splashed in huge puddles in our wetsuits, walked across the frozen fields.

If you would like to find out more about our village pre-school, please visit our website or call in to see us.

With best wishes, Denise Herrington
www.greatsheffordunderfives.co.uk

GREAT SHEFFORD UNDER FIVES

VALENTINE'S

COFFEE AND CRAFT MORNING

WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY
10AM - 12PM

All are welcome in the village hall for a morning of coffee, cakes, and crafts!

Entry £3 per child or £5 per family

All children attending must be supervised.

The Old Gits Senior's Christmas Lunch

We would like to express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped to fundraise over the last year. A lot of hard work goes into organising the Senior's Christmas lunch, and without the support we wouldn't be able to do it.

To everyone who has donated prizes to the Harvest Auction and the several raffles we have put together, to those who have bought raffle tickets and bid on items at the auction, to those who grew pumpkins for the Compost Cup, **thank you!**

The 2023 Christmas Lunch was a success, and we hope that everyone who attended enjoyed themselves.

Another huge **thank you** to **Gavin and his team at The Ibex, and to the volunteers** who gave up their time to help serve the dinner.

Finally, one last thank you to everyone who came along to the Terrier Race. It is always such a good laugh and something we all look forward to. We would personally like to thank **Donald Heavon and Charlie Hadland who helped organise, and Rosie & Charlie McDowell for running the tote.**

We think it is also best to thank our 'press officer' (unpaid), **Tish**, for helping us with photos and write ups!

We hope to receive your continued support so that we can continue with the Senior's Christmas Lunch again this year.

The Old Gits





West Berkshire Council Community Connect launches in Downlands

In a bold move towards modernising public transportation, we are delighted to announce our new on-demand transport service, **Community Connect**, has been launched for the Downlands area of West Berkshire.



The new on-demand Community Connect service has replaced the timetabled service 5/5a/5c, providing greater convenience and efficiency for residents. A morning and afternoon timetabled journey will remain to ensure seamless commuter, school, and college journeys, while the service throughout the rest of the day will allow passengers to choose from a variety of pick up and drop off locations within the designated operating areas.

Community Connect will operate on Monday to Friday between the hours of 07:00 to 19:00. For more information, please visit our website <https://www.westberks.gov.uk/communityconnect>

Half term fun in West Berkshire



Looking for things to do during February half term? There are lots of family events taking place at **Shaw House** and **West Berkshire Museum**. From puppet theatre to an LGBTQ+ family morning. To see what's on and to book your place, visit our Heritage Website:

https://booking.westberks.gov.uk/heritage_events.html

Snug and Grub catch a Bug! Monday 12 February | 11am & 1pm | Adults £10, Children £7 (under 2s free)

LGBTQ+ Family Morning: Monday 12 February | West Berkshire Museum | 10.30am – 12pm | Free, booked sessions

Movie in the Hall: Secret Life of Pets: Tuesday 13 February | Shaw House | Adults £5 Child £3 | Book online

Small group family art workshop: Heroes and Villains of the Ages: Tuesday 13 February | West Berkshire museum | 10am - 12.30pm | £13 per child

Family Activity Day: Shaw House | Wednesday 14 February | Shaw House | 10am-3pm | £2.50 per child | Drop-in

Messy Museum Morning: Friday 16 February | West Berkshire Museum | £2.50 per child | 10am – 3pm | Drop-in

The Ibx Inn

We Are Open Every Day

01488 639052

bookings@theibexinn.com



Happy New Year from all of us here at The Ibx Inn! We have been hard at working curating a line-up of exciting events for the upcoming year, and we can't wait to welcome you again soon. Here's to a year filled with great and memorable moments!

Our **Winter Warmer** menu is going down a storm - meals from £12.95. Available Monday-Thursday. Our menu does regularly change, but we're sure you'll be able to find something even for the fussiest of eaters.



Each **Monday lunchtime and late afternoon** we also host the **Catch Up & Warm Up** club. Come and join us for a complimentary hot drink and bowl of soup. This is funded by local donations (which are welcomed) and the Bakers Trust (looked after by Chaddleworth Parish Council).



After (a very long) January, we hope that we will see you at some of our upcoming events...

FEBRUARY

Pancake Day - Tuesday 13th February

A range of delicious options will be available to order for pancake day. Please see our Facebook for the full menu.

Mussels Night - Thursday 15th February

Our famous Mussels Night returns. Enjoy some tasty Moules Marinière over a delicious bottle of wine! Taking bookings now!

Live Music with Rag & Moan Men - Saturday 24th February

Join us for a night of soulful tunes, good vibes, and a night to remember. Grab a drink, have a boogie, and let the music carry you away! The Rag & Moan Men have been playing acoustic blues, folk, Americana and a little bit of jazz for over 15 years.



MARCH

Movie Madness Quiz - Friday 1st March

Dive into the world of cinema with questions ranging from classic films to the latest blockbusters. We will be raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support. Usual rules apply - £2 per player, maximum 6 per team.

Irish Whiskey Day - Sunday 3rd March

We are hosting an Irish whiskey tasting day to celebrate. Come along and trial a number of Irish blends for £15 per person. Available all day.

Mother's Day - Sunday 10th March

Treat your mum this Mother's Day at The Ibx Inn. A free glass of bubbles for every mum for her to enjoy with her meal.

St Patrick's Day Pie & Guinness Night - Sunday 17th March

Take a break from the Sunday Roast and indulge in a Steak & Guinness Pie with Colcannon mash to celebrate St Patrick's Day! Enjoy a pie and a pint for £20.



Easter Wreath Workshop with Kelly - Monday 25th March

Wreaths aren't just for Christmas. Kelly will be joining us again to show us how to create an Easter wreath to hang on our doors. Email jkellylouise@gmail.com for more info and to register your interest.

Easter Sunday - Sunday 31st March

Easter is coming early this year. Let us take away the stress of Easter lunch! A selection of different meats on offer, including some lovely lamb. Taking bookings now!

Lots to keep us busy over the next couple of months, and we look forward to seeing you soon! If there's anything you would like to book a table for, please do get in touch.

From Gavin & The Ibx Team

St Andrew's Church, Chaddleworth – part of the West Downland Benefice



We are delighted to welcome our new Rector, **Reverend Michael Griffiths**.

Mike has grown up children Jacob and Molly, is in the process moving into the Chaddleworth Rectory. Following a career in IT Mike served as the curate in St. Peter, Yateley from 2015 to 2018. From there he became Rector of East Winchester until his move to become Rector of the West Downland Benefice. Mike has a love of drumming

He will be starting regular **Tuesday morning Holy Communion and Morning Praise** followed by coffee in **Chaddleworth at 9:30am**. There will also be an **Evening Supper Club at the Rectory on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm**, which you will be able to book through the office or the new website.

On **Wednesdays** there will be **Evening Prayer and Holy communion at 7pm in Chaddleworth**.

New site: www.westdownland.co.uk

Email: office@westdownland.co.uk

The Sunday service rota will be as follows:

Sunday 4th February

9:00am Fawley
10:30am Great Shefford
4:00pm Leckhampstead

Sunday 11th February

9:00am Wickham
10:30am Brightwalton

Sunday 18th February

9:00am Leckhampstead
10:15am Café Church, Great Shefford

Sunday 25th February

9:00am Chaddleworth
10:30am Welford





Chaddleworth Village Hall

Recently, Chaddleworth Village Hall has hosted a number of children's parties and, until the end of January, weekly Pilates and Lower-Limb-Rehab sessions. These have ceased in Chaddleworth – but are available in Great Shefford. The Hall also now has improved exterior lighting and is the site for Chaddleworth's second defibrillator. If you would like to utilise the Hall or assist with the care and maintenance of it, please contact us via ChaddleworthHall@gmail.com

Chaddleworth 100 Club

The latest winners of the 100 Club draw for December are **Terry Layman** with his lucky number 66 and **Michelle Edge** with her lucky number 73. The January winners are **Jim Warwick** with his lucky number 9 and **John Newman** with his lucky number 3. They all win **£43**. We are now at 86 Members so thank you one and all. It would be nice to actually get to 100 Members so please consider joining.

We need as many people as we can get to join as this is a really good way of supporting OUR Village Hall. The Hall has been around for well over 100 years and as you can imagine needs constant on-going maintenance including insurance. Recently the 100 Club has paid out £869.04 for maintenance to the electricity supply and a new padlock and keys for the gate to the Car Park

How do I join the 100 Club?

Set up a standing order for £2 per month (one number) or £24 a year. Payable to Recipient '**Chaddleworth 100 Club (Newbury Building Society)**', Sort Code **62-28-74**, Account No **00000000** (eight zeros), Reference **2856684010**.

Alternatively, by cheque or cash is fine. Contact **Grahame Murphy** on **01488 638628**

or botmoorway@btinternet.com to get your allocated lucky number!

Saunders Wynn and Coventry Educational Foundation

The three named benefactors set up the Trust to offer financial help to further the educational needs of the children and students (up to the age of 25) of the Parish of Chaddleworth. The Trustees meet four times a year with the next meeting scheduled for 8th February 2024 to consider applications including any relating to the additional costs of home-schooling and remote study for students. Previous contributions have been made towards the cost of school uniforms, books for university courses, specific equipment and kit for courses, and residential courses.

If you wish to apply for funds please contact the Foundation's Clerk, **Heather Murphy**, Tower Hill Cottage, Botmoor Way, Chaddleworth RG20 7EU or email botmoorway@btinternet.com for an application form. All applications are treated in the strictest confidence. Any applications received after this scheduled meeting will still be considered for awards by the Trustees but there may be a delay before awards are made.

Chaddleworth Hardship Fund

The Trustees recognise that energy bills have dramatically increased and are set to go up again in the autumn. All applications are always treated with the utmost confidentiality. If anyone is having difficulty in paying their bills and or are in 'fuel poverty' (spending 10% or more of their income on energy) they are urged to contact the Hardship Fund Trustees via the Parish Clerk on chaddleworth.pc@outlook.com

National Animal Welfare Trust Trindledown Farm

We hope you are all having a wonderful start to the year, despite the cold weather.

As some of you may be aware, unfortunately our centre has been the victim of the recent flooding, resulting in the loss of over four of our fields. This has been quite stressful for the animals, especially our goats who aren't fans of the rising water and have lost a significant part of their paddock to the flooding. As with previous years, the water is expected to last until April. With damage to fencing and animal housing, we expect the total cost of repairs to be in the tens of thousands! As a small rescue centre, this is a huge financial hit to us so we have launched a fundraising campaign, in hopes we can acquire the funds necessary to complete repairs. We understand that everyone is feeling the pinch just after Christmas but if you can spare just a couple pounds it would be very much appreciated. You can donate online to our **JustGiving** page <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/what-everfloatsyourgoat>

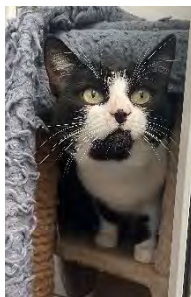
or via cheque to our centre. We will continue to update you as to what this means for the centre and our animals.



In other news, we are pleased to announce that the wonderful *Storm* has found his fur-ever home! During his time here, Storm very much lived up to his name (and still does!) but now he has an amazing family to call his own, who he has very clearly fallen head over heels in love with. We are so happy for Storm!



However, plenty of our other animals are still looking for homes, like the big, friendly giant, *Kit*, who arrived in our care early November. Kit, unfortunately, has had no little to no interest, despite being one of the most affectionate and loving dogs we have ever met. We're hopeful the right home is out there for him somewhere – could it be you?



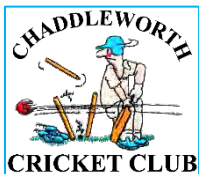
Also, on the hunt for his new home, is *Dexter*, who was picked up as a stray.

Dexter is very adventurous and loves exploring. When settled, he can be super affectionate and loving but still loves his adventures. We're hoping to find him a lovely home that will adore his independent nature – could that be you?

For either of the above or for any other of our available animals, check out our website for details on how to apply.

In February fast also have **Valentines Day sponsorship**, where you can sponsor an animal for Valentine's Day and receive an e-card from your chosen animal in return. This could be a wonderful valentines day gift for yourself or someone special in your life! And the one-off payment will help provide food for one of our rescue animals for the whole month. For more details, contact our fundraising officer at m.hall@nawt.org.uk Don't forget to follow us on Facebook (@nawt.berkshire) and Instagram (@nawtberkshire) to stay up to date on all our latest news.

Chaddleworth Cricket Club



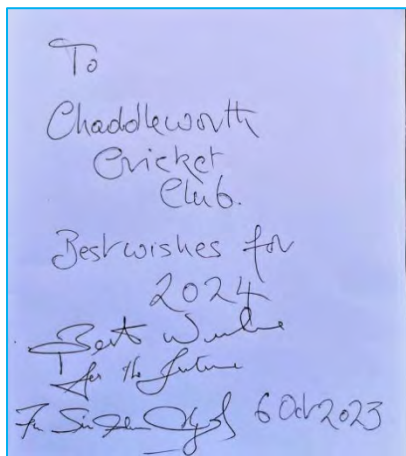
Chaddleworth Cricket Club is looking forward to a jam packed season for 2024!

A full fixture list plus our Sixes Competition and the annual Seattle Cup will keep the players very busy from April to September.

As always, we rely on the generosity of our supporters to help keep the Club going. It is £10 for a non-playing member fee for the year which goes towards the necessary kit and equipment for the team, as well as the upkeep of our pavilion and beautiful grounds.

Please message **Rosie** on **07827 324999** or enquire at The Ibex if you would like to become a member.

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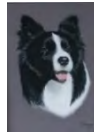
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Terrier Race 2023

What an exhilarating (albeit soggy) day it was at the annual Terrier Race. The energy was palpable as the furry competitors gathered to showcase their speed. A quick recap of the two races follows. A massive thank you to the organisers of this event: **Gary Pounds, Charlie Hadland, Donald Heavon and Chris Terrett**. Also, to **Rosie and Charlie McDowell** who ran the bettings this year. The next Terrier Race will be held the first Sunday after Christmas 2024, so plenty of time to get them into shape! **Tish Slade**

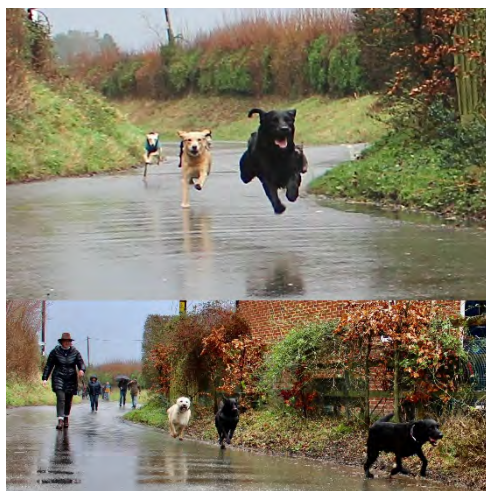
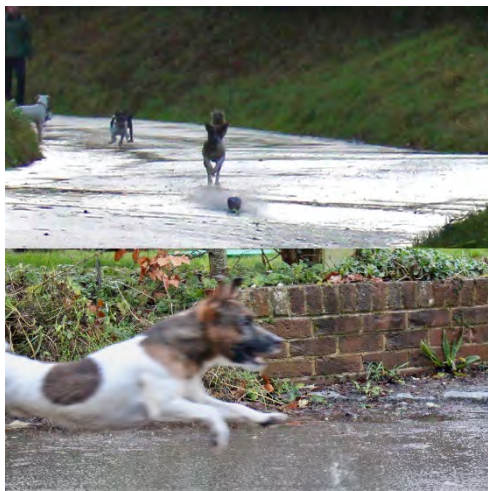
Terrier Race: Bullet Triumphs!

In a display of unmatched speed and determination, **Bullet** emerged victorious! Living up to his name. Keeping the trophy in the family too, as the two previous winners were his mum and his brother. **Well done Bullet**, owned by Jack Barrett.



Open Race: Henry steals the spotlight!

The Open Race for all dog breeds, big and small, was a spectacle in itself. Among the fierce competitors, **Henry** the black labrador crossed the finish line first, securing his well-deserved victory. **Well done to Henry**, and his owner Victoria Cartmel.



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