



Christmas Workshop

Diana Barnes held her sixth Christmas Workshop for us in the Chignalls and Mashbury. As always it was another fun day. You will see us looking very industrious in the photos followed by a photo of our finished work. Thank you to Sandra and Maggy for the numerous cups of tea and setting out lunch.



Chignall Nestbox Project Update

The Chignall nestbox project was initiated by the availability of a grant from the Parish Council. The aim of the project was to make a variety of nestboxes to be distributed free to parishioners and local landowners. The boxes were made by volunteers at the village hall in two sessions. In total we made 61 boxes:- 34 garden bird boxes for blue tits/great tits/sparrows/robins; 6 bat; 6 little owl; 5 woodpecker/starling; 5 tawny owl; 2 kestrel; 2 barn owl and 1 tree creeper box.

The majority of the boxes have been put up in gardens around the parish, the owl boxes were put up in houses with larger gardens backing on to fields or in the open countryside with permission of the landowners. There is a map of the boxes site positions (on the website) and many of the larger bird boxes can be seen from the road or footpaths.

Thank you for all the help from the volunteers who built the boxes, parishioners who put up boxes in their gardens and to the landowners who allowed us to put up the boxes. Hopefully the boxes will attract the birds, if you see a box being used could you please let us know on chignallnestbox@aol.com.

Carpet Bowls

Happy New Year to you all from Chignal and Mashbury Carpet Bowls Club.

Since our last report the club have played a number of league games with varying degrees of success and have added a few points to our total. The next few months will see the rest of our league matches being played.

The Annual Club Meal, which this year was held at The White Hart, Little Waltham was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Christmas Social was a very successful evening, starting with a fun bowls competition, followed by jacket potatoes and all the trimmings, ending with the raffle with a prize for all. The bowls competition this year was won by Audrey Smith and Yvonne Towns.

Looking ahead a Valentines Social and another visit to the Civic Theatre are planned. On the bowls front some members are looking forward to a weekend of bowls at Potters Leisure Resort and also Essex Competitions at Braintree.

We would love to have more of you join us at the Village Hall on Tuesday and/or Thursday evenings from 7.30pm to 10.00pm. All equipment is provided and tuition will be given. Give either Gordon Hillyear 01245 231406 or Yvonne Towns 01245 440189 a ring before you come to ensure we are not out playing an away match and to save you a wasted journey.

CHIGNALS & MASHBURY VILLAGE HALL

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 26th February at 7.30p.m

at The Village Hall, Mashbury Rd,

Chignal St James CM1 4TS

ALL WELCOME

Women's Institute

Our 2019 programme got off to a good start with a visit from "The Doppelgangers". Two gentlemen who are not related but are so alike that they are often mistaken for each other, leading to much confusion and many funny incidents.

In February we will hear "The Forgotten Story of Chelmsford" as told by Alan Pamphilon, a local historian.

Our March speaker is Ann Hardy who will be telling us about her life as a Theatrical Costumier.

If any of these talks appeal to you, please come along, visitors are always welcome.

We meet in the Village Hall on the first Thursday of the month, meetings start at 2-30pm.

Wendy Steele.

Bird Boxes



Chignals & Mashbury Wine Discovery Group

In October the group enjoyed an interesting presentation from Peter Watts Wines in Coggeshall about South African wines.

South African wine has a history dating back to 1659 with its roots in the explorations of the Dutch East India Company, which established a supply station in what is now Cape Town. The modern industry however really only flourished in the 1990s once apartheid was ended and the world's export markets opened up. The powerful state cooperative KWV was reorganised into a private business sparking innovation and improvements in the industry generally.

Today, South African wines account for 12% of the market share in the UK and is apparently the fastest growing country in our market. Severe droughts in the past few years, and fires in the wine regions, have resulted in low yielding vintages and higher prices though.

We particularly enjoyed a 2018 Chenin Blanc from Simonsig in Stellenbosch, which was tropical and aromatic and good value at £10.40. This is the most widely produced white grape in South Africa. I especially loved a Pinotage Cabernet Sauvignon blend from Conradie, again 2018 (as they harvest there in February/March), but tasted older. This was £11.50.

Our November tasting was all about the wines from the Torres company in Catalunya, Spain, by one of our regular visitors, Colin Legg.

Torres effectively launched Spanish wines from outside the traditional Spanish stronghold of Rioja onto the market place. It had great success in 1979 in the Wine Olympics organised by Gault & Millau in Paris with a Cabernet Sauvignon wine, Gran Coronas Black Label 1970 (now called Mas La Plana).

This wine won first prize in a blind tasting pitted against huge names such as Chateau Latour 1970 and La Mission-Haut-Brion 1961. Torres now makes wine right across Spain including from the Priorat region which Colin recommended looking out for.

It was interesting to taste the range of wines Colin brought along as most of us were used to seeing the usual Vina Sol from Torres in the supermarket. He recommended looking out for Torres wines in UK airport duty free stores as they are often stocked there. A favourite was the Gran Sangre de Toro Reserva, a blend of Garnacha and Syrah, a delicious 2013 wine for £10.49, and preferred by many to the aforementioned Mas La Plana which retails at £38.99.

Sue Davies

Chignal Parish Council Parish Plan

**Community Event at the Village Hall,
Saturday 9th February 2019, from 10 – 12.30.**

The Parish Council would like to invite you to contribute to a discussion about implementing a key community priority in the 2016 Chignal Parish Plan:

“Priority 6: Leisure Time

We need to provide local opportunities for residents to enjoy their time”.

Several suggestions from residents were included in the Parish Plan such as tennis courts, croquet courts, cricket nets, children’s playground and adult fitness equipment. At last year’s Community Event we invited suggestions for specific projects to develop these and for other ideas for leisure activities that would have demonstrable local support and are sustainable.

Building on ideas discussed at that event, a thriving Table Tennis Club now plays regularly in the Village Hall and the existing Croquet Club has submitted ideas for improving their courts in the Playing Field. In addition, the Community Group has been out surveying public rights of way in the parish and is planning some local walks.

Although a small parish, there are several spaces available for recreational activities:

- 1. The Chignals & Mashbury Village Hall, Chignal St James, owned by an independent Charitable Trust, where groups such as the Gardening Club, W.I. and the Wine Discovery Group meet and table tennis and carpet bowls are played.**
- 2. The Cricket Field, Chignal Smealey, privately owned and leased to the Chignal Cricket Club.**
- 3. The Playing Field, owned and managed by the Parish Council, which is used by the Chignal Croquet Club; the Village Hall Committee for their annual fete; and, local residents for dog walking and informal recreation.**
- 4. The Chignals & Mashbury Jubilee Community Orchard, Chignal St James, owned by the City Council and managed by the Parish Council, comprises 70 heritage fruit trees, a wildflower area and opportunities for picnicking and informal recreation.**

Chignal Parish Council Parish Plan Continued

- 5. The Green, Chignal St James, owned and managed by the City Council for informal recreation.**

In addition, several residents use recreation and sporting facilities nearby, in Newlands Spring and Melbourne, and the parish has a good network of footpaths and bridleways.

At the Community Event on 9th February we shall explore:

- ✓ your suggestions for developing existing recreational spaces and sporting and leisure activities, and for creating new ones;**
- ✓ the physical resources and facilities required for developing these activities;**
- ✓ the likely costs and potential sources of funding to support them;**
- ✓ the future management of the recreation and sporting facilities and their sustainability.**

Leading up to the event, we should like to hear about your ideas for new leisure and sporting activities/facilities in the Chignals. Please send your suggestions by email to chignalpc@gmail.com or by post to our Clerk: Will Adshead-Grant, C/O 45 Cherry Garden Road, Great Waltham, Chelmsford, Essex, CM3 1DH.

It would be very helpful if you could also provide information on the likely demand for your suggested activity and an indication of who could be responsible for developing and managing it.

Please support your local community and join us on 9th February. We shall start at 10.00 and will be finished by 12.30, with coffee and cake at half-time!

For more information about the Community Event, please contact Lynn Ballard by email: lynn.ballard@btinternet.com or by phone: 01245 440880.

Chignal Parish Council

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Chair : Lynn Ballard

Vice Chair : Linda Nelson

Minutes of the Bi-Monthly Meeting of the Chignal Parish Council at the Chignal & Mashbury Village Hall, on Monday 12th November 2018 at 7.30pm

1. Chairman's Welcome

Thanks for the work of the Community Group – Litter Pick and Table Top Sale – great success. Thanks for the Nest Box project as 81 units have been built.

Chair Ballard

Cllrs Feltwell, Anstey, Middleditch, Towns, Elwick ,Nelson

2. Apologies for Absence

None

3. Register of Declarations of Interests and request for dispensation

Cllrs Ballard, Feltwell and Middleditch – item 12 – Members of the croquet club

Cllr Towns – item 13 C – Chairman of the Village Hall Committee.

4. Public Open Session

31 Members of the Public

Item12. Concerns raised over rabbit fences, location of the croquet courts, location of the pavilion.

Loss of use of the full facility for the annual fete.

Suggestion to use the cricket club ground – with permission.

Suggestion that a petition had been started against the development.

Concern about a resident requiring a hedge flail to their property.

Concerns raised about changing the views.

5. County and City Councillors' Reports

a. Essex County Councillor Report - Apologies – Traffic Count on Chignal Road to be followed up.

b. Chelmsford City Councillor Report - Apologies

6. To adopt the Orchard Sub Committee minutes of 19th October 2018

Resolution: Adopted

7. To confirm the full Council Minutes of 10th September 2018

Resolution: Adopted

8. Representatives' Reports: to note

A) Playing Field

Hedge has been cut.

B) Village Hall Liaison

Mince Pie Celebration 1st Saturday in December.

Most weekends booked until year end

C) Newsletter Including Website

More articles invited. Website needs some focus.

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- D) Gravel Liaison - Motorbikes using the area. Some theft of equipment.
New fences put in. Awaiting date for meeting with Tarmac.
- E) Community Safety - Parish watch: need volunteers to act as neighbourhood contacts.
Many households have fibre but still a few pockets needing connections to Superfast. Following up with Superfast Essex.
top 4 potholes in Parish nominated for ECC funding.
- F) Highways (to include Hedges) Missing Marker posts are being noted by the Community Group.
- G) Footpaths/Bridleways No issues
- H) Telephone Box - Chignal St. James A Tree Walk will be organised in late Spring subject to the opening of the bridleway on the restored landfill site.
- I) Tree Warden -

9. Finance:

Account Balance:

Cheque Account	£ 7,401.46
Saving Account	£ 46,006.37

Income (in figures above)

50% Precept	£3,340
CIL	£12,712.07

To Note Cheques signed between meetings

Cheque nr	Item	Cheque Value
100794	Essex Pension Fund - Oct	£57.58
100795	Clerks Salary and Expenses - Oct	£169.01
100796	PKF LittleJohn – External Audit	£240.00

To Note Cheques to be signed and issued

Cheque nr	Item	Cheque Value
100788	Cllr Feltwell – Expenses for Orchard and noticeboards	£356.31
100789	Taylor Agricultural – Cutting playing field hedge	£204.00
100790	HMRC - PAYE	£40.80
100791	Clerks Salary and Expenses - Nov	£172.36
100792	Essex Pension Fund- Nov	£57.58
100793	HMRC - PAYE	£40.80
100797	Chelmsford DBF - printing	£105.21
100798	Village Hall hire	£70.00
100799	BirdBox Project	£164.65

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10. **Chelmsford Local Plan:**

Broomfield, Chignal, Little Waltham and Writtle (North West Parishes) are working together to oppose the allocation of major growth sites in north and west Chelmsford. An independent Planning Inspector will open the Examination in Public (EIP) in the Civic Centre on 20th November. It is expected to run until 14th December. A Planning consultant and a Transport consultant have been retained by the North West Parishes to prepare Statements of Case and to participate in the EIP. Crest Nicholson, the developers of the proposed West Chelmsford Growth site (Warren Farm) have produced a Master Plan for public consultation; response deadline is 6th December. <https://publicaccess.chelmsford.gov.uk>

11. **Update on the Persimmon Homes development**

The haul road is a temporary road which is being tarmacked. Concerns over street lighting that the residents don't want. The change of road priority in favour of the new housing estate at the junction with Chignal Road is still a concern. Current hedges and trees will remain. Additional trees and hedges will be planted.

It is a requirement of the planning approval that the new access road must be completed before any house can be occupied.

Work to upgrade the Chignal Road/Roxwell Road junction is due to start in February 2019.

12. **Croquet courts.**

Cllrs Middleditch, Feltwell and Ballard declared an interest

Chair Cllr Nelson for this item

Site meeting held during Half-Term. Several options for siting the courts in the playing field were considered and the preferred site was published in Chignal News.

Compromise may be to use the bottom corner of the field but this is used for the fete (once a year) and the overgrown trees and hedges (owned by a third party) shade this area.

Suggestion of using the cricket ground for the croquet club.

Proposal that any constructive objections be made in writing to the Clerk with potential alternatives based on the Chignal news item before Christmas.

Resolution – Proposal approved

13. **Community Infrastructure Levy bids:**

Cllr Towns declared an interest in item c

- a. Community Orchard Committee, benches, mulch, trees and irrigation tubes;
Bid for 2 x Green Oak Benches, replace 3 apple trees - **Bid Cost £2,222.48**

Resolution: Approved

- b. Community Group, meeting room hire; - **Bid Cost £40**

Resolution: Grant to be met from Parish Funds £40 (2 x Committee Room hire) - Approved

- c. Village Hall Management Committee: overflow car park; and, hard standing and storage shed
Bid Cost: £17,900 and £3,833.94
Planning permission is in place for the overflow car park. 3 quotes received from Landscape Contractors. Should create additional 30 spaces all year round.

Chignal Parish Council continued

Resolution: The Car Park improvement bid was approved.

Resolution: The Shed bid was approved up to £3,833.94

14. Report on the Budget meeting and recommendation for the 2019/20 Precept

Proposal: Increase the annual budget from £6480 to £7385 to cover increase in Clerk's salary and election expenses.

Resolution: Precept of £7385 approved for 2019-2020

15. Community security measures:

Report on site meeting and recommendations for managing access to Bridleway 33; consideration of other security measures, such as Number Plate Recognition and CCTV Cameras.

Proposal to have a gate across the track leaving a 5 foot wide gap for bridleway users. Gate to be left open but with a notice indicating that it is a bridleway and a private road, not to be used by unauthorised motor traffic.

16. Defibrillator: progress report

£1000 – Red Cross recommended unit and a storage cabinet £500 – Total £1500
Potential site in the Village Hall Car Park.
Update at the next meeting.

17. Management of grass verges:

Discussion with Chelmsford City Council on the verge cutting regime with a request that they consider adopting Plantlife's verge management guidelines.

18. Confirmation of conclusion of Audit 2017-2018

19. Items for next Agenda (these cannot be discussed at this meeting)

- Defibrillator: progress report – Cllr Middleditch
- Chelmsford Local Plan
- Croquet Courts

Meeting Closed 21:30
Will Adshead-Grant
Clerk to the Council

100th anniversary celebration of the end of World War One at St Nicholas Church



Over 40 residents turned out on a chilly evening on November the 11th at St Nicholas Church and enjoyed an event to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the ending of World War One. The church exterior was illuminated with a light display of white poppies (The Peace Poppy) prepared by Steve Middleditch.

Rev Jackie Thornton Oversaw a short peace blessing, candle lit parade followed by a group handbell ringing session.

The event concluded with hot drinks provided by Helen and Tony Towns. The bell ringing was organised to take part in a UK government initiative to have as many church bells in the country as possible rung to celebrate the end of the World War One on November 11th 1918.



Steve rang the church bell for the event having received some much appreciated training from Chignals Wine Discovery Group member Andy Harrison who is a bell captain at Writtle church.



Have you heard of any of these Men?

Following the armistice Day event a few of us got together to see if we could find the first names of the seven men of the village who lost their lives in the First World War who are featured on the plaques in the church. Lesley Newell, Steve Middleditch and Helen Towns have now managed to identify who most of the men were and where they lived. We have also identified another possible six men who also lost their lives that nobody was aware of. After some pretty late nights we have now found further information including field records, burial places, regiments and and some photos. If you have any relatives or contacts who may have heard stories or have pictures of the fallen we would love to hear from you. So far we have not been able to find anything about Charles William Boreham who is comerated on one of the church plaques. We hope to be able to put on some sort of displays around the villages for next years remembrance day and at community events.

Steve: steve.middleditch@btinternet.com

John William Collins	Near Brick Barns
Sidney Charles Collins	Near Brick Barns
Arthur May	Near Three Elms
Edward May	Near Three Elms
Charles James Perry	Near Three Elms
Philip Chipperfield Sewell	Ivy Cottages
Harry William Mann	Chignal Hall Farm
Leon Francis Asnong	Chignal Hall Farm
Charles William Boreham	
Alfred Fewell	2 Greys Lodge
Fredrick Charles Tunbridge	Chignal Smealy
John Gandy	
Alfred Perrin	Chignal



Alfred Perrin and Family

Gardening Club

Remaining diary dates for our 2018/19 winter programme in the Village Hall (7.30pm start) are as follows:

Wednesday 16. January. An in-house session, we will focus on Newby Hall in North Yorkshire. 25 acres of stunning award-winning gardens contain rare and beautiful shrubs and plants, including the National Collection of the genus Cornus (dogwoods). Newby's famous double herbaceous borders make the perfect walkway to the River Ure. Formal gardens such as the Autumn and Rose Garden, the tranquility of Sylvia's Garden and a Tropical Garden make Newby Hall Gardens an inspiring place to explore.

Wednesday 20. February. We are pleased to welcome back Darren Lerigo from Modern Mint who will be giving a talk entitled ' A Very British Garden'. Darren always delivers an informative and amusing talk with plenty of opportunities for interaction and asking questions.

Wednesday 20. March. Lorna Shaw from the Essex Wildlife Trust will be delivering a talk on wildlife gardening.

Wednesday 17. April. Our annual AGM, followed by a quiz and plant swap.

Dates and venues for our summer garden visits will to be announced in the next edition of Chignal News.

All our meetings are open to guests and non-members. We offer a free 'taster' session so you can see if you would like to come along more regularly or join the club. For more information, please email gardening.chignalsmashbury@gmail.com or just turn up on the night.

Community Coffee Mornings



There are two monthly coffee mornings held in the Chignals on the first and third Wednesday of each month. The one on the first Wednesday is held at the Village Hall and the one on the third Wednesday in the United Reform Church.

The coffee mornings are a good opportunity to meet and get to know local people. We hope to see you at the coffee mornings - (we also serve tea!)



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES

Neighbourhood Watch is a national movement with nearly 2.5 million members, where people come together to make their communities safer and stronger and encourage people to look out for each other.

Neighbourhood Watch doesn't have a command and control structure, but volunteers liaise with a local co-ordinator who operates at a Local or District level.



At last years Community event 21 residents expressed an interest in having a Chignal community watch group in place throughout the parish. So far we have only received one volunteer to cover their local cluster of houses. If you are willing to volunteer to cover your local group of houses and liaise with the Parish co-ordinator to get the scheme of the ground please contact Steve Middleditch.

Steve.middleditch@btinternet.com

A Big Thank you

We raised over £186 at the 2018 Macmillan Coffee Morning

It was really nice to see you all at the coffee morning particularly all the new faces from little Hollows and the friends living outside the parish.

We are already busy planning next years cake recipes and hope to see you in September for the next event.

Steve, Kate and Elaine

**MACMILLAN
CANCER SUPPORT**



DIARY DATE: This years event Friday 27th September 2019 10 – 12
Village Hall, Chignal St James.

North Melbourne Library

Open Tuesday, Friday and Saturday 9:00- 5:00pm.

Visit www.essex.gov.uk/libraries for any information or phone 03330 132682

North Melbourne Library has a wide range of books to loan, DVD's, spoken word, reference titles, and photocopier. Connect to the internet on our 5 Public Network computers with use of a scanner and printing facilities or use our Wi-Fi enabling you to connect with your own laptop, tablet or smart phone.

Community Tea



Come and join our group for a friendly and sociable chat over a cup of tea or coffee and a biscuit.

Once a month on a Saturday at 2pm.

5th January, 2nd February, 2nd March

We continue to have 6 to 8 ladies and gentlemen who regularly join us for their monthly get together.

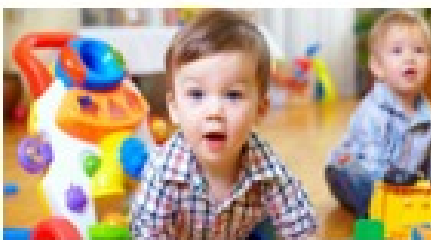
Community Led Scrabble, North Melbourne Library



Every Tuesday 2.00pm – 3.00pm

Please drop in for a fun game of Scrabble.

Rhyme Time & Community Led Stay & Play



Every Friday Morning

11.00 -11.30 – Rhyme Time

11.30 – 12.00 – Stay & Play

For our younger customers we deliver a Rhyme Time for age 5 and under and their carers. Come along and join in with popular rhymes, songs and stories. This is then followed by a friendly chat and toys available for everyone.

Block Builders Construction Club



Saturday Morning 10.00 -11.30

Jan 12th, Jan 26th, Feb 9th, Feb 23rd, Mar 9th,
Mar 23rd

Get creative at our monthly club with our selection of building blocks.

North Melbourne Library

Fun for all children and parents too. Refreshments provided.

Adult Craft & Knitting Club

Get creative and join in the fun twice a month.

Tuesday– 10.30 – 11.30am

8th January, and 22nd January, for further dates contact the library please.

Come and join our friendly group for a morning of creativity. Have some time to yourself to work on your projects in a social environment. Bring any crafts you have from home such as knitting, crochet, sewing, card-making etc.

Forthcoming events.

To be confirmed on the library website.

For information on future Library Services or to complete the library survey online use the following website;

essex.gov.uk/libraries-consultation

Individual Tablet Taster Session

Have you got a new iPad or tablet and are not sure how to use it effectively? We are holding individual Tablet sessions, fortnightly on a Saturday, when you can ask our staff any questions you may have.

Saturdays – these sessions are bookable.

Saturday 10.00 - 11.00am (fortnightly)

Please call 03330 132682 to book a slot and bring your own tablet along to the session





Future library services in Essex

This appears to be the season for important consultations and there are two currently open for comment. First, the County Council are consulting on its proposed strategy for library services over the next five years. The strategy sets out the priorities for library services, based on what the public have said in the past year, to shape a service that's modern, focused and fit for the way we live now and in the future.

The consultation was launched on November 29th and lasts for 12 weeks. During this time there will be information drop-ins at every local library during their normal hours of opening. Find out more on <https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/libraries-consultation> and please complete the survey <https://libraries.essex.gov.uk/libraries-consultation/complete-the-survey/> so that you can make your views known.

Second, the County Council is reviewing the way it supports / funds local bus services which operate on evenings and Sundays. This consultation includes proposals regarding the delivery of these services and devolving local bus services to communities. This consultation opened on 19th December and will run until March 22nd 2019. The questionnaire is available from libraries (from January onwards), or online <https://surveys.essexinsight.org.uk/Eveningandsundaybusservices> or by phoning: 03457 430430.

District and Parish councils, plus other stakeholders have been contacted directly.

Stay safe and well this winter

- Colder weather can pose significant risks, particularly for those who are more vulnerable, so we're encouraging you to be prepared. Here are some things you can do:
- Top up the anti-freeze in your car, check your tyres for wear and think about carrying some things for winter travel.
- Check your central heating so that an ideal temperature of at least 18°C can be maintained.
- Be prepared for a power cut. If you have a power failure you can find out what is happening by Texting POWER + your post code 80876, or email to ukpowernetworks.co.uk/powercut or call 0800 3163105 on a landline.
- Check your water pipes are insulated and find where the mains stop cock is located
- Look out for your neighbours and those that may need help in adverse weather conditions
- Check out other helpful winter tips - <https://www.essex.gov.uk/Pages/Winter.aspx>

Lastly, a Happy New Year to all

If you have any problems about County Council matters please let me know on Tel. No. 01245 4121524 Mobile 07827 976997 or email cllr.john.aldridge@essex.gov.uk.

John Aldridge CC – January 2019

Chelmsford Athletic Club Road Race

Chelmsford Athletic Club 10k Road Race

On Sunday 18th November, Chelmsford Athletic Club (CAC) once again held their annual 10k road race through the Chignals. The race was first run in 1989 with some 300 runners competing. However, in recent years the event has grown and now around 500 runners make their way around the six and a quarter mile course.

The present route has not changed much since the early days. Only the start and finish positions have moved slightly. Currently the start is at the junction of Copperfield Road and Chignal Road and the runners head out and around Chignal Smealy, returning through Chignal St. James to rejoin Chignal Road up to Melbourne Avenue on route to the finish which is along the home straight of the athletics track in the Melbourne Park Stadium.

Entry is open to all and individual athletes and teams from all over East Anglia take part. The winner is usually home in 32-33 minutes with even the slowest fun runner back in less than 90 minutes!

The Annual 10k is very important to Chelmsford AC as it is one of the biggest fund raising events of the year for the Melbourne Park based Club. CAC operates on a non-profit basis therefore all funds raised are used to promote athletics, both summer track and field and winter road and cross country, for all age groups. Although the 10k race is primarily for seniors a significant number in the under 17 and under 20 age groups, as well as veterans, compete.

In 2016, CAC member Owen



Thomas who is from Chignal St. James ran as an under 17 and finished an incredible 11th in the race. This year, with Owen away at university younger brother Scott flew the flag for CAC and the Chignals. Only a few minutes slower than Owen, Scott finished in 39.35 minutes to take fifty second place against very strong senior opposition. CAC are proud to have these two in the team as well as parents Dave and Gill who were out on marshalling duties once again on the downhill stretch from

Local runners from the Chignals seen in the race this year were Eleanor Bacon, John Moorhouse, Anna Nuttall and Scott Thomas



John Moorhouse



Anna Nuttall

the St. James Village Hall to the Green.

Other local runners from the Chignals seen in the race this year were Anna Nuttall, who crossed the finish line in 46.25 minutes, Eleanor Bacon and John Moorhouse who just went under the hour in 58.34 minutes. More information on Chelmsford AC can be found on the clubs website at: <http://chelmsfordathleticsclub.hitssports.com/default.aspx> A few photos from the 10k can be found in the photo gallery section of the website.

If anyone is interested in becoming involved in athletics (competing, officiating or just helping out) they would be very welcome at the club. CAC have a lot of fun throughout the year and are very successful in all areas of athletics!

Table Top Sale

The Chignals & Mashbury Community Group held a Table Top Sale in the Village Hall on Saturday 3 November. The aim was to raise funds for the village hall and to give people an opportunity to sell new goods or to declutter and make 'a bit of a profit'. We had eleven tables which were manned almost exclusively by people from our villages/clubs. Several people who had a table said they would like to do it again. The delicious cakes and refreshments were a big hit too. There was a brilliant atmosphere and an enjoyable day was had by all.

We raised over £260 and the Community Group were able to buy 100 dinner plates for the Village Hall to match the existing crockery.

A big thank you to all those who helped with organising and setting up, came to spend their money, manned tables, made cakes and provided refreshments. Another Table Top Sale is planned for the morning of Saturday 2 November 2019 and possibly one earlier in 2019 so start decluttering and watch this space!

The Community Group will be organising other events in 2019. If you would like to join our mailing list or get involved please email chigandmashcommunitygroup@hotmail.com

If you have any ideas about events which involve getting people together (not just fund raising) please let us know.

A Happy New Year from
The Chignals and Mashbury Community Group



Table Top Sale & Christmas Workshop Photos





Scott Thomas Presents....

QUIZ NIGHT

at the

Chignals & Mashbury Village Hall

Saturday 2nd February

7:15pm - 10:30pm

£7.50 per quizzier – max 8 per table

*** Licenced bar * Nibbles included ***

*Please call Scott on 01245 442474 to book
your table or to join one on the night*

All funds raised will go towards my
World Challenge expedition to Namibia
in July 2019 to work on a rural
community project.



Chignal Nestbox Map

- GARDEN BIRDS
- WOODPECKER
- BAT BOX
- ★ LITTLE OWL
- ★ TAWNY OWL
- ★ BARN OWL



St. Nicholas Church



World Day of Prayer 2019

will be held at 2pm on Friday 1st March 2019

at St Martin's Church Little Waltham CM3 3U

Each year, on this day, Christians of many cultures, traditions and races in over 170 countries around the world unite in prayer.

Please join us, everyone is welcome.

Refreshments will be available.

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