

# **GREAT AND LITTLE CHESTERFORD**

## **VILLAGE RECORDER ANNUAL REPORT**

### **2012**

#### **VILLAGE EVENTS**

##### **January**

- 7<sup>th</sup> – Granta Chorale concert – Star of Wonder – All Saints Church
- 13<sup>th</sup> – Tea dance – Community Centre
- 21<sup>st</sup> – Curry and Quiz Night – Community Centre fundraising event
- 22<sup>nd</sup> – a united church service for everyone in the Chesterfords, held in the Community Centre

##### **May**

- 11-13<sup>th</sup> – Lt Chesterford Open Art Exhibition – St Mary the Virgin Church

##### **June**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Gt Chesterford Diamond Jubilee Village Party – Recreation Ground
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Crown & Thistle Diamond Jubilee Party and Concert – hog roast
- 13<sup>th</sup> – tea party in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care – Community Centre
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Lt Chesterford Village Fete

##### **August**

- 13<sup>th</sup> – Evelyn's Cream Tea Afternoon in aid of East Anglian Air Ambulance – held at Evelyn Lilley's house
- 27<sup>th</sup> – Live Jazz at the Plough

##### **September**

- 22<sup>nd</sup> – Great British Tea Break held in the Chapel to support the Lymphoma Association and Leukaemia Research

##### **October**

- 6<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> Chesterford Steam-Up.

28<sup>th</sup> – another united church service at the Community Centre

### **November**

10<sup>th</sup> – Max's Xmas Craft Market – Community Centre – fundraiser for Leukaemia & Lymphoma Research

24<sup>th</sup> – All Saints Christmas Fair with stalls, puppet show & Father Christmas

24<sup>th</sup> - Wine Tasting & Quiz – Community Centre fundraiser

### **LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY**

25<sup>th</sup> January - AGM

28<sup>th</sup> February – 'Must Farm Archaeological Dig' by Mark Knight

10<sup>th</sup> April – 'Great Chesterford Then and Now' – Kate McManus & Peter Whalley

9<sup>th</sup> Oct – 'Saffron Walden in the Civil War' by Martyn Everett

### **NEW ACQUISITIONS**

*50 Years of Pest Control* – a history of Fisons to Schering Agrochemicals research and development at Chesterford Park..

16 pages from Janet Clark's reminiscences - her early life in Great Chesterford.

An article by the Bushnells about their life at The Delles.

Two articles on the Chesterford/Newmarket railway line – 1935 LNER Magazine and 1974 Railway World.

107 photographs and one mug from the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

A copy of *The Lost Crystal* by Tony Collins, once a Gt Chesterford resident and responsible for many archaeological digs – a functional account of life in Roman Chesterford.

1927 Chesterford Horticultural Society Programme along with the Nichol Cup – donated by the last winner of the cup – Mr John Miller. He could not return it because the society had disbanded the following year.

A photographic and written archive of the Rev Andrew J C Allen, Vicar of the Chesterfords from 1917-20. The photographs include some of the Girls' Bible Class which his wife ran in Bishop's House when it was the Vicarage. There are copies of the many articles on Missions and Missionaries around the world which he wrote for Church magazines.

On 5 Jan Pretlove's depot on Station Rd burnt down – arson was suspected.

In March Chesterfords Pre-School received an OFSTED rating of good with outstanding features.

In May another Quilt Marathon was organized to make cot quilts for the Special Care Baby Unit at the Rosie Maternity Hospital.

In June Robert Pumphrey of Lt Chesterford received the British Empire Medal in recognition of services to the heritage of steam and agricultural machinery in East Anglia – he also organizes the Steam-Up.

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### **PHOTOGRAPHS**



**Christmas Fair 2012**



**Chesterfords Diamond Jubilee events**



**Chesterfords Steam Up 2012**



**Chesterfords Fete 2012**