



Chearsley Village Historical Society

Open Meeting

Chearsley Village Hall

Thursday 16 March 2023

Agenda

1. Welcome (John Howard)
2. 'Living History' (John Lewis)
3. 'The North Marston Story' (Sue Chaplin, NMHC)
4. 'Memories of Chearsley Village School' (Karen Vear)
5. Refreshments



'Living History'

Steering Group

John H, Derek, Sharon, Sarah, Karen, Graham, Julia, John L. + Treasurer

Manifesto

Purpose, Method, Projects & Themes, Finance & Funding (see website)

Programme

A variety of projects related to the heritage of our village are already in progress

Feedback on these and ideas for potential initiatives invited

Archives

Electronic and Physical

Membership

Formal membership list: current email circulation plus new members. Signatures required.

Finance

Running costs: Voluntary donations initially, then membership fee?

Major projects: Grants

Website

www.chearsleyhistory.org.uk



'Living History' Programme

Projects in progress....

The Stockwell restoration

'Church History Days'

'Village Pub Revival'

'Village School Reunion'

'Chearsley and the Great War'

Website & archiving of documents and artefacts

Guest speakers

Future project ideas....?

Origins of the name 'Chearsley'

Oral histories (recording residents' memories)

Heritage trail & guided tours

Archaeological digs (Moated site, Priest's cottage)

Record of major village events (fetes, carnivals, etc)

Chearsley on TV ('Morse' & 'Midsummer Murders')

English Civil War in Bucks

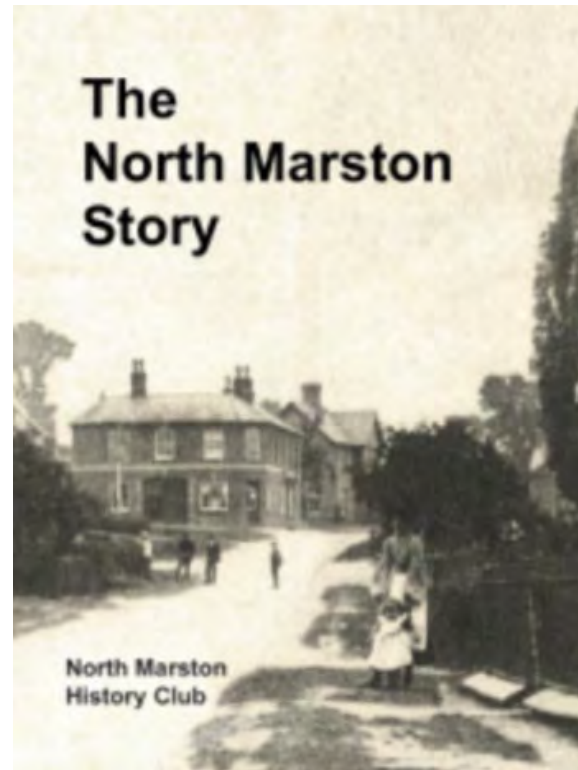
Houses of interest

Farming history

Traditional village arts & crafts

Sunken lanes





Sue Chaplin

North Marston History Club



**THE
NORTH
MARSTON
STORY**

JOHN SCHORNE NORTH MARSTON'S SAINT

*“John Schorne, gentleman
born,
Conjured the devil out of a
boot”*

A rood-screen portrait of John Schorne with his trade-mark boot and devil



A contemporary picture of a pilgrimage



Pilgrims wore badges such as this one showing Schorne with the devil being drawn from a boot





The sign on our village pub “The Pilgrim”







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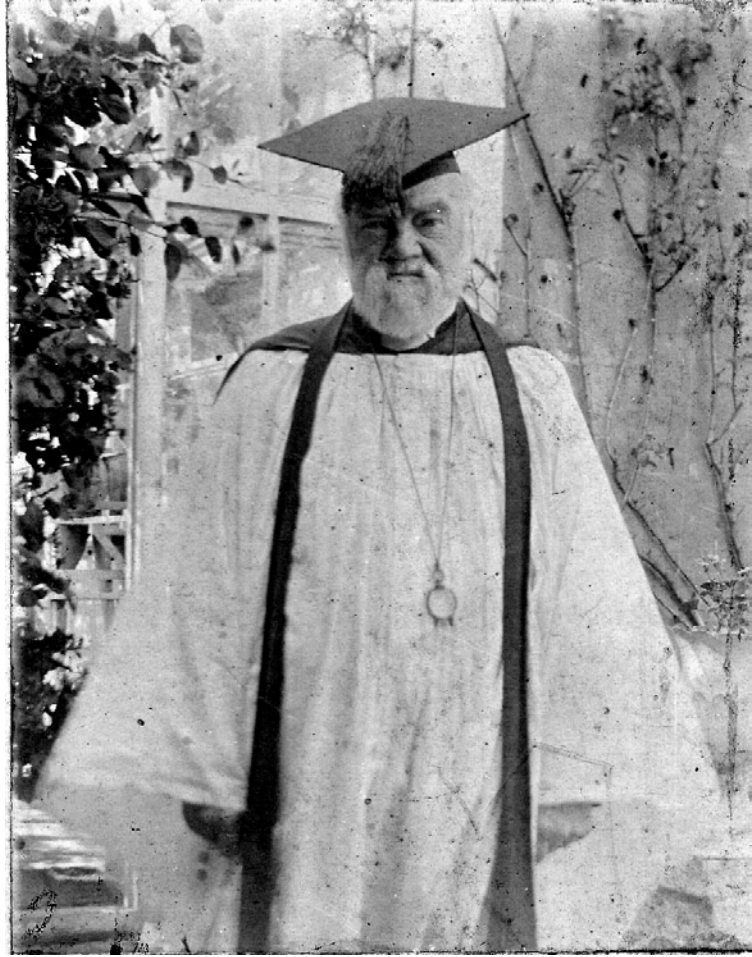
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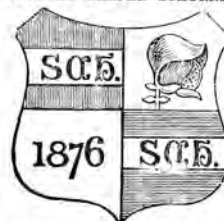
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6th Oct Monitoress - Cissie Cheshire - in
my private residence.

9th " Great falling off in attendance
this week and last.

10th " Absentee list posted to Mr.
" Collier the School attendance
" officer.

14th " On leaving school
" yesterday afternoon in
" company with my wife, I
" was accosted by John Carter
" and accused of having struck
" his boy to the ground, and
" in the most gross and
" abusive language challenged
" to fight. Unless he had
" been held and restrained by
" his wife and Mr Thomas Tattam,
" he would have assaulted me.

" This is the third time I
" have been publicly insulted
" by this man.

" Later in the day, the whole

97 / 1903

25th Feb^{ry}

attending Divine Service at
the Parish Church.

26th "

Very brief biographies of notables
of the Tudor Period written as
Composition by the V Standard.

27th "

Let of British Insects, Reptiles
Sea & Fresh Water British Fish
written out by the V Standard

To my intense surprise the
III and IV Standards were
without exception unable to
do work correctly such
sums as the following:-

$$590 \times 150 \quad 902 \times 307$$

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The 0s in the multiplier quite
puzzled them.

9 children from the Infant Classes
were absent during the week
suffering from feverish colds,
which has evidently been
catching.

Plenty of practise
given to III & IV Stands. in finding
the product.

Chearsley Village School



Chearsley Village School – a potted history

Early 1800's

Children started work at age of ten years – boys on the farm, girls as servants or lacemakers

1870

New Education Act required parishes to provide schooling for all children.

In the early years, Chearsley children would have attended schools in local villages.

January 1880

New school opened in Chearsley. 25 children registered on first day, soon increased to 35 – 50.

Fees of 2d per child, 1d for additional children up to maximum of 5d.

1903

New Education Act required provision of free education for children: Chearsley school was taken over by Bucks CC

1948

School leaving age raised from 14 to 15 then to 16. Chearsley 11-year-olds attended school in Long Crendon

Early 1970s

Over 50 children attended Chearsley school

1973

Leaving age was reduced from 11 to 8 years leading to decline in numbers, with the introduction of 'middle' schools

May 1980

School celebrated its centenary with a procession and pageant and children dressed in Victorian costumes, celebrating traditional crafts

July 1988

Despite years of hard campaigning, Chearsley Village School was closed by Bucks CC



'Memories of Chearsley Village School'

Karen Vear





Membership & Feedback Form

Refreshments

