

## Moulsford Events

Nigel Baker

The season of mists and mellow fruitfulness is here, and with its arrival we have come to the end of the summer Friday Socials. It's been a very enjoyable summer season with some great weather and generous food offerings, and we finished on a high with the cheerful celebrations of the Oktoberfest gathering.

Many thanks to all who lent a hand to the Socials with cooking, covering a bar shift, helping with setting up, packing away or decorating - and let's not forget all the folks who turned up to support the Socials and enjoy a drink or two. All your efforts are important to make the Friday night socials what they are.

Before we all settle down for the autumn and winter, we just want to plant a seed of thought with you - the Events Committee would love to find some new members to join the team to help maintain the Socials next year and bring along the ideas and help which go towards making Moulsford the place we love to live in.

Halloween beckons at the end of the month and after that it always seems Christmas is fast approaching and as ever, we have dates and plans in place. There are two special main events: firstly, the Gala Night at the Beetle & Wedge is on Friday, 12th December. Tickets are priced at £60pp - including a first free drink, excellent food and a lively DJ set to get us all going. If you've never been, it is a wonderful night and a great way to meet your fellow villagers. Watch out for notifications on how to get your tickets, or get in touch with one of the MEC for more information.

Following this - on Saturday, 20th - in the evening we have an amazing Christmas extravaganza planned at the Pavilion for all the family!

As ever, Christmas Day celebrations will be followed by the long-established traditional Boxing Day walk to England's finest pub, The Bell at Aldworth, worthy winner of multiple awards. Keep an eye on the next Moulsford News or the Moulsford Facebook page for updates...

We hope to see you all at an event over the winter season; do keep in touch!

**MOULSFORD HIGHLIGHTS**

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It's been a busy few weeks outdoors, with lots happening quietly in the background. Some projects are now complete, and there's plenty more still to come.

You may also notice a few slower responses from the Parish Council just now. Our Parish Clerk is currently on compassionate leave after a particularly difficult spell, and we're very grateful for your patience and understanding while she takes some much-needed time out.

## Moulsford's Green Spaces – Autumn Update

### Down by the river

The biggest change you'll notice is along the Thames Path, just south of the Beetle and Wedge. After a long wait, the repair work is finally complete - and what a difference it makes! Huge thanks to the Thames Path Partnership and Smallwoods teams for restoring this much-loved walk. The new surfacing is designed to withstand occasional flooding, though running water along the path can still cause erosion. However, the path is being regularly monitored, so any signs of damage can be addressed to prevent further deterioration.

### At the recreation ground

The Pavilion will soon have a new feature tree.

We previously tried two oaks, but neither survived.

This time, we're selecting a species that is more resilient and low-maintenance - one we hope will thrive and become a lasting part of the scenery for generations to come.

Our notice board by the car park entrance is also scheduled for refurbishment, which should be completed in the next couple of months.

On the football pitch, you might notice the goalposts have been moved slightly. The pitch is now a little longer and over to one side a few paces, so the previously muddy areas should have a chance to recover. We've also tidied the long grass and scarified the area, which should help wildflowers spread more strongly next spring. Hedge-cutting around the Pavilion car park is booked for Saturday, 27th Sep.



### Playground spruce-up

Good news for younger villagers: the playground is

due a bit more TLC. At the end of September, the surfacing under both swing sets will be replaced, and the wooden bridge on the multi-gym is being repaired. Hopefully, that means plenty more fun - and fewer muddy knees - this autumn.

### A special note

Finally, a lovely surprise: one of our school-aged villagers left a thoughtful letter anonymously at the Pavilion.

Among other suggestions, they proposed a bigger bus shelter. We enjoyed pinning our reply to the fence post by the pony field, as requested! The shelter idea will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.



Planning Applications and Decisions

Moulsford News and Planning deadlines invariably mean that the planning information above is out of date by the time of reading. For a current view of planning, please visit the online planning portal on the South Oxfordshire website.

Ref No	Description	Consultation Period Ends	Status
P25/S2258/FUL Mousford Prep School	Retention of existing modular classroom buildings, originally installed under temporary planning permission.	19th Sep	MPC: No strong views.
P25/S1771/HH Thatchwell Moulsford	Erection of an oak framed open bay car port.	11th Aug	MPC: No strong views.

Moulsford Parish Council (MPC) Meeting

Thursday, 9th October 2025  
19:30 in the Pavilion

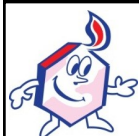




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## Share a little light this Halloween

Some parents aren't sure quite what to feel about Hallowe'en – is it just harmless fun, or are there aspects of it that don't fit in with how we want to see the world?

A child's christening service is very honest about the reality of good and evil, and Hallowe'en can be a good time to talk about those things and how the love of Jesus can be a 'Light in the darkness' for everyone.

If you'd like to mark Hallowe'en, these are some ideas that will bless others as well as being fun too.

*What's happening in church?* There is a 'Light Party' with fun activities for children and young people at **St Mary's Church Cholsey on 31st, October 4-6pm** which includes food.

There is Streets of Light, <https://www.streetsoflight.co.uk/>, whereby we encourage people to decorate their windows with messages of hope and love and light.

All these events are a lovely way to focus on all that's life-giving and positive around All Hallows.

**St Mary's Church Cholsey** also has a special service for **All Souls Day** – a time when we remember our loved ones who have died, which is on **Sunday, 2nd November 3-4pm**.

There will be an opportunity to go and light a candle to remember someone.

*Carve a pumpkin.* Did you know that gargoyles (the scary looking faces carved in stone on churches) were originally made in medieval times to scare away evil spirits? The pumpkins with scary faces carved into them at Hallowe'en are a bit like that.

But Christians believe that you can't fight evil with evil – you can only fight evil with good, and that good will always win in the end. So why not see if you can carve a friendly looking pumpkin this year, as a sign that you and your family are going to be a force for good this Hallowe'en?

*You can do the same with Hallowe'en costumes.* Superheroes make a great, positive alternative to scary witches and ghosts.

*Say a goodnight prayer.* Even if you've steered clear of scary costumes, and even if your child has loved the evening, it can be reassuring to have a goodnight prayer that reminds them that love, and light, and good, are always going to be stronger than fear and evil.

The ancient service of Compline (Night Prayer) has been used as this reminder for centuries, and many of its prayers are still well known today: *'Visit this place, O Lord, we pray and drive far from it all snares of the enemy; let Your holy angels dwell with us to preserve us in peace; and let Your blessing be upon us always, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.'*

Or, in a simpler children's version: *'Be with us, Lord, and take away all fear, may your angels protect us and give us peace. And bless us always. Amen.'* You can use these lovely prayers any time when you need a reminder that God is with you – especially at the end of a difficult day, or when something sad has happened, or when your family is worried about something.

You would also be welcome to come to church to say a prayer St John the Baptist Moultsford is open during the day or you are welcome join us in prayer, at our Sunday services at 9am, St John the Baptist Moultsford.

Rev'd Rebecca Peters - Vicar of St John the Baptist Moultsford

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## Is it really your bank calling?

Sadly we know that one of the most common crimes that we can all be vulnerable to is fraud. It can take many forms but impersonation of your bank, a government agency or even the police is a tactic that many criminals will use.

If you receive a suspicious call, independently contact your bank or the relevant agency using an official telephone number – do not use numbers given to you by the cold caller. But who has the time to dig out and verify a number for your bank?

That's why the 159 service was created. If you get a call from someone claiming to be your bank you can simply call 159 and you'll be put through to an automated service which can put you through directly. The system is supported by most of the major banks.

The idea is to give one trusted number that the public know they can call safely in order to be put through directly to their bank.

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The best way to avoid that is to wait for 15 minutes, to ensure the line is clear, or call from another phone if you have one available. Then simply call 159 to be put through directly to your bank.

NEVER disclose any personal or sensitive information over the telephone.

Whilst fraud is one of the biggest risks to us all from criminals it is also one of the most easily prevented crimes. A dose of healthy scepticism goes a long way, and always be cautious with unsolicited calls, emails and texts.

If in doubt, take a moment, do not be pressured into sharing information or handing over money. Check with someone else if you're suspicious.

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BE AFRAID!

Another month, and another story about village history. We are so fortunate to have the mighty Thames River flowing past us on its way to London. The river has been home to various wildlife for centuries. Swans, geese, mallards, herons, and many others find the riverbank at Moulsford a haven. Raise a glass to the boats passing by.

### Fishing



Moulsford's envious position on the Thames River leads to many activities. In the past, fishing was a popular pastime as shown in this 1890's photo. While the cows grazed, an angler might catch pike, bream, chub, roach or perch. Two of these species were so popular that a pub in South Stoke across the river was named in their honour.

Sadly, the Perch and Pike is now closed 'temporarily'. But good fortune smiles – the Beetle runs a ferry to bring the villagers to Moulsford should they desire a pie and a pint or two.

Today's fisherman can sit on a comfortable bench, listen to his favourite music through earphones so as not to scare the fish, drink a pint, and watch the river life pass by. (Photo taken 01/09/2025). No messy fish to unhook, no smelly bait pot, no media services clamouring for your attention.



### Boating

Many boats pass us every day, with their passengers raising a salute to those of us raising a glass or two— All adhering to the rule of maximum speed of 8 kph (just over 4 knots). This helps preserve the embankment from erosion caused by a boat's wake. A boat trip from London would take quite a while!



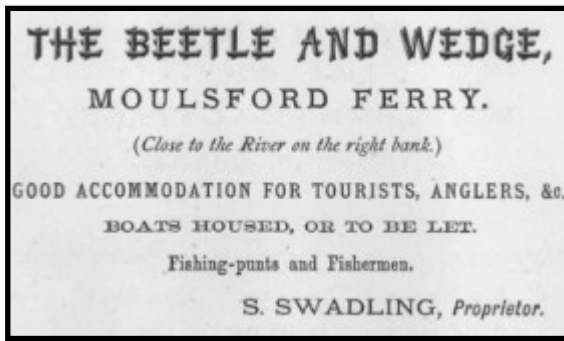
Oxford rowing teams once practiced here. This is a photo from 1930, showing an 8 + racing shell. We can still enjoy rowing from spectator seats at our riverbank, as this more modern photo shows. The style of clothing may have changed, but the boats look pretty much the same.

The Beetle and Wedge Hotel 'way back when' rented boats for a few bob. Ferries carrying agricultural and construction materials from the far shore were the main transport before bridges were built. Note the number of Ferry Lanes in our area – each indicating a long ago ferry landing. And of course, 'Three Men in a Boat' drifted by but Jerome K. Jerome forgot to mention Moulsford.

New forms of wet enjoyment include kayaking, paddle boarding, canoes, but no inner tubes have been seen - another thing of the past. No cruise ships reported so far. Be thankful.



## The Ferry



The Beetle and Wedge Inn operated a ferry service from South Stoke to Moulsoford for many years and the Boat House recently restarted a service for passengers. The hotel name was enumerated in 1851 and the building dates back before 1850 as a trading inn. A pub, possibly the Horse and Groom, from the early 1800's, was at the landing and likely operated by Mark and James Morrell.

This photo is dated 1910 and several old photos show much the same scene from at least 1870. Ferries were very important to farmers and crop dealers on the Berkshire side of the river to move produce to market.

The last ferrywoman retired in 1967. By then, the ferry was not needed for heavy cargo and a small punt was used.



## Swan Upping

You may have missed the July 2025 pageant – several folks added photos to our Moulsoford Facebook page. The Vintners and Dyers Livery Companies have been counting swans since the 12th century for the Crown.

*(Thanks for the photo, Stephanie)*

Just in closing, for those who enjoy 'wild swimming' the Thames water quality is now monitored at Wallingford Beach and the data is available at: [https://environment.data.gov.uk/bwq/profiles/data-samples.html?site=ukj1403-11947&\\_search=wolvercote](https://environment.data.gov.uk/bwq/profiles/data-samples.html?site=ukj1403-11947&_search=wolvercote)

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# What's on in Moultsford and Surrounding Areas

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WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

AT THE PAVILION FROM 10.30 – 12.00



A big thank you to everyone who came to The Coffee Shop in September.

Thanks to Gary and Trevor for putting the kettle on. Veronica Shann had a plant stall and raised money for Alzheimer's Research UK. Lovely cakes, once again, were made by Jane and staff from Hanning Homes Ltd which were thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Everyone is welcome to come and join us and please bring along your friends, relations and neighbours. If you work from home come along for your coffee break and have some cake and a chat.

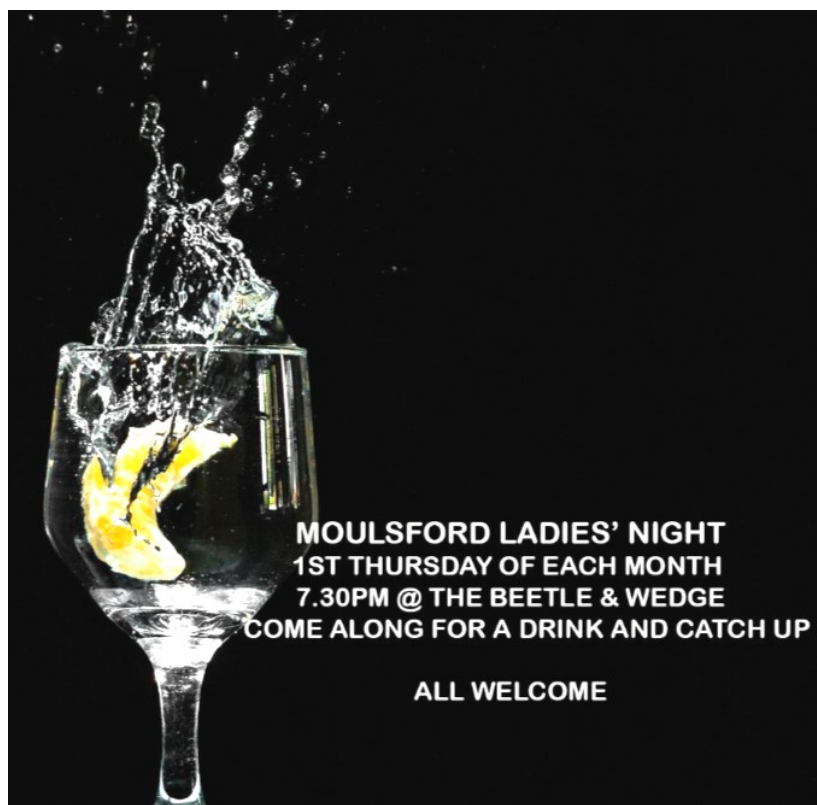
Janet and Twinks will be making drinks in October.

If you would like to take a turn behind the counter please put your name/s down on the clipboard. Help will be on hand and please don't be put off as cake and biscuits are provided.

The Moultsford Coffee Shop is on the second Wednesday of each month. We just ask for £1.50 to include all refreshments.

We look forward to seeing you

## What's on in Moulsoford and Surrounding Areas continued



### Spinning Club - Social Craft

Moulsoford craft group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the Month and would like to invite anyone who already does crafting or would like to start crafting to join us.

It is a very sociable and informal meeting and everyone is made to feel welcome.

We meet between 6.30 and 10pm.

For more information, call Linda Scurr on 652916.

### **Village Greenfingers – we grow stuff!**

Village Greenfingers is the gardening club for Goring, Streatley and the surrounding area.

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All meetings are on the 1st Wednesday of the month at Storton Lodge, Icknield Road Goring RG8 0DL, 7.30 - 9.30pm. We have a wide range of speakers and have a garden plant/accessories stall, raffle and free refreshments. Visitors are welcome at £5.



(Full membership for the year May 2025 to April 2026 is £30). Please visit our website [villagegreenfingers.uk](http://villagegreenfingers.uk) for more information.

### **November 5th Derry Watkins - 'Late Summer Colour. The Big the Bold and the Beautiful'**

Derry, who established her Special Plants Nursery and Garden near Chippenham, will talk to us about late summer colour in the garden - especially Shrubs and Hebes.

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### What's On at the Corn Exchange in Wallingford, Cinema/Theatre:

#### October Cinema



2nd: **The Royal Opera - Tosca** Live Screening (7pm - 10pm, One Interval)

3rd, 4th: **Love Never Dies (PG)** Live Screening 7pm - 9:30pm, One Interval)

<https://www.cornexchange.org.uk/whats-on>

#### 5-9th: Closed for Rehearsals of The Father

14th-18th: **The Father** A Sinodun Players Production (7:30pm - 9pm)

18th: **The Father** A Sinodun Players Production (3pm - 4:30pm Matinee)

19th, 20th, 22nd: **A Big Bold Beautiful Journey (PG)** (7:30pm - 9:50pm)

21st: **The Metropolitan Opera - La Sonnambula** Live Screening (7pm - 10:15pm, One Interval)

23rd, 24th: **NT Live: Mrs Warren's Profession (14+)** (7pm - 9pm)

25th, 26th: **Honey Don't (15)** (7:30pm - 9pm)

27th: **This is Spinal Tap (15)** (7:30pm - 9pm)

28th: **Spinal Tap II: The End Continues (15)** (7:30pm - 9pm)

29th: **Downton Abbey: The Grand Finale (PG)** (2:30pm - 4:30pm Matinee)

29th: **Barry Lyndon (12A)** (7pm - 10:15pm, One Interval)

30th: **Bat Out of Hell: The Musical (12A)** Live Screening (7pm - 9:15pm, One Interval)

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**PUT THE DATE IN THE DIARY AND WE'LL TELL YOU MORE IN NOVEMBER**

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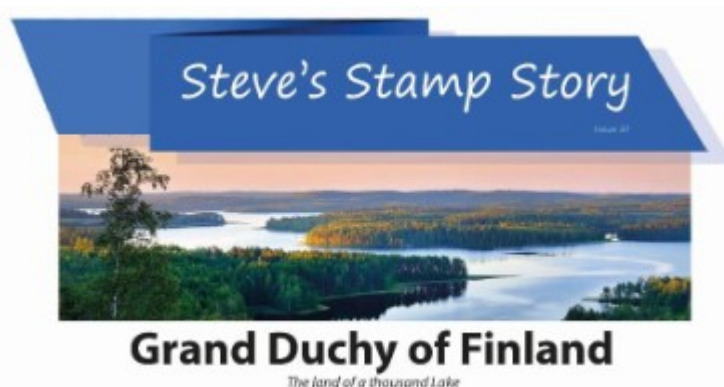


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# What's on in Moulsoford and Surrounding Areas *continued*

## HENLEY AND DISTRICT STAMP CLUB

Summer is now coming to an end and we are re-commencing our meetings in Bix Village Hall. Have you thought of resurrecting a hobby from your past, like stamp collecting, Postal history or Postcards? You will find it more than just collecting a little bit of sticky paper. If you look into the history and background of the stamps and postal history, there is a lot to learn, have a look at our Website and find the Newsletters "Steve's Stamp Stories".



The Henley Stamp Club is a friendly group and we would be delighted to see new visitors or members. If you are interested in facts concerning stamps or postal history, why not come along and find out about how you can promote your interest?

To learn more about stamps and postal history why not visit us at Bix one Wednesday evening? You can then meet people who find postal history and the story of stamps fascinating too.

Meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month in Bix Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

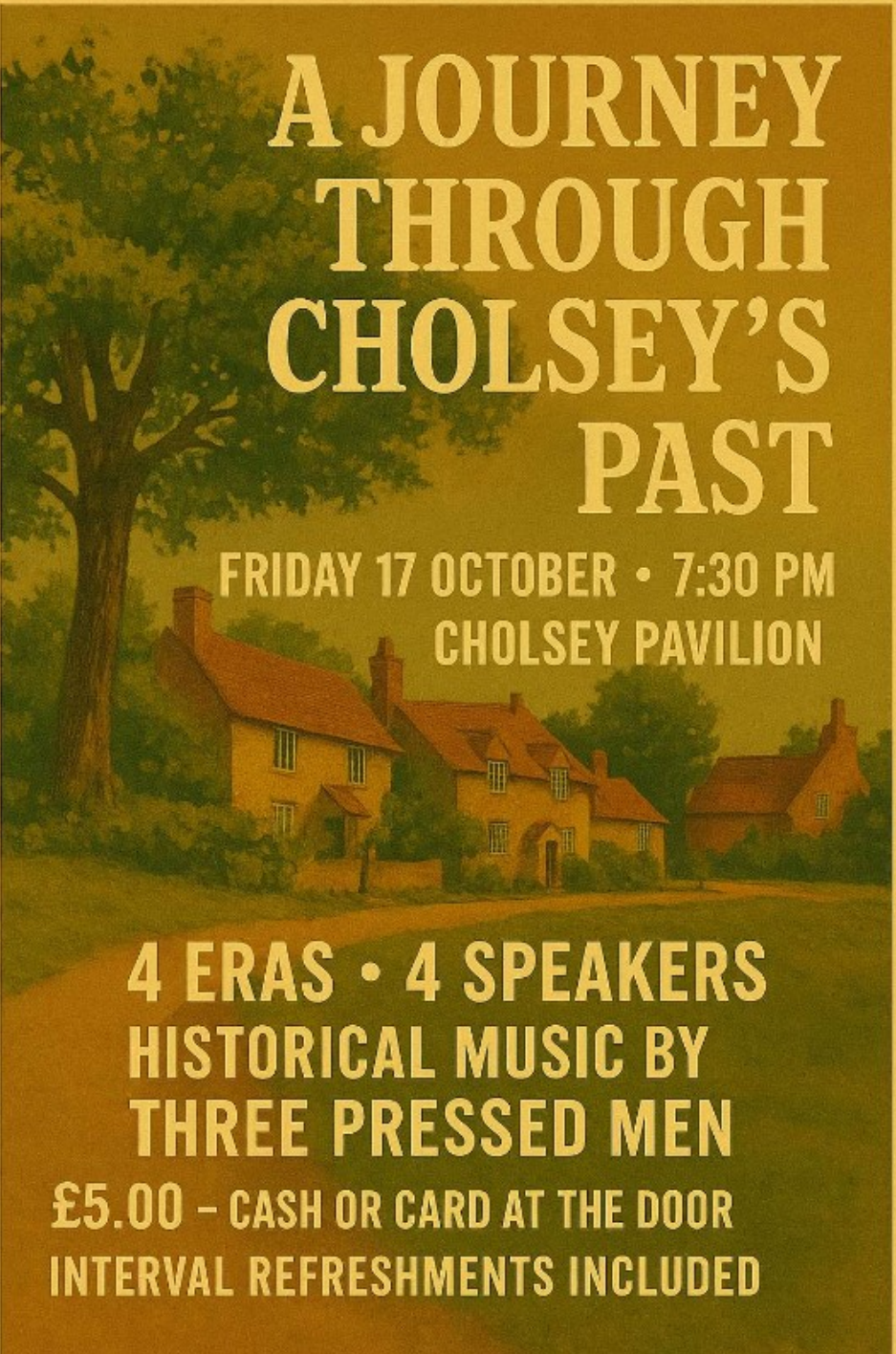
Visitors and new members are very welcome.

Further details can be obtained by phoning Steve on 07767 251670 or on our website [www.henleyphilatelic.org.uk](http://www.henleyphilatelic.org.uk)

## A Journey Through Cholsey's Past with The Cholsey Archive

Join us at The Cholsey Pavilion on Friday, 17th October for some revealing insights into bygone days in Cholsey. The evening will include three illustrated presentations by the Cholsey Archive team, with a fourth by historian Judy Dewey, who has brought us so much knowledge of our village through the ages. There will also be themed historical songs by versatile folk trio Three Pressed Men, and light refreshments in the interval. The evening begins at 7.30 pm.

Admission will be a mere £5 (cash or card at the door) and you are invited to reserve a seat by emailing [archive@cholsey.com](mailto:archive@cholsey.com) or telephoning 01491 652295.



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### This October half term, adventure awaits at Earth Trust!

Join us for **Autumn Adventures: Tales and Trails (18th, 19th, 25th – 31st Oct)**, where families can wander enchanted paths, solve our giant maize maze to find the mischievous Maize King, discover fairy doors and secret creatures, and celebrate the season with marshmallow roasting, nature crafts, storytelling and outdoor fun.

For older children ready to dive deeper into the wild, our **Outdoor Explorer Camp (27th–29th Oct)** offers full days of hands-on activities led by expert instructors. From bushcraft and fire lighting to den building, orienteering and camp cookery, it's the perfect way for 7-13 year-olds to build skills, confidence and friendships in the stunning setting of Wittenham Clumps and our brand new teepee camp.

Don't miss out on a half term packed with magic, adventure and discovery in nature's playground!  
Visit <https://earthtrust.org.uk/whats-on/> to find out more.

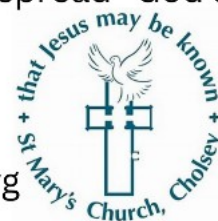
## **Streets of Light coming to Cholsey & Moulsoford**



A trail of Light, Love & Hope  
25th October - 3rd November 2025

We are again joining this campaign to light up our windows with displays to spread God's Love Light and Hope at the darkest time of the year

[familyworker@stmaryscholsey.org](mailto:familyworker@stmaryscholsey.org)



## Local Services

### Wallingford Local Producers Market

WPLM is a regular event in many people's calendar.

Based at St Mary-le-More, it's their weekly fix of fresh vegetables, cheese, cakes, bakes, coffee and lots of foody treats.

Inside there's even more, with handmade arts and crafts by local makers; there really is something for everyone. All the food and crafts are made locally and the market has a warm and welcoming community feel. So if you haven't found it yet, go and visit on a Saturday morning between 10am and 12.30pm.

Starting in March, the market will also be in the Market Place on every first Saturday of the month with extended hours between 10am and 1pm (except 1st week of Sept).



### Wallingford Emergency Food Bank

We are a registered charity operating a food bank based in the centre of Wallingford with the aim of providing emergency food packages to those who need them. Wallingford Emergency Food Bank was set up by Churches Together in the Wallingford Area and we began serving the community in 2011.

Although we are essentially a Christian run organisation, we are by no means exclusive; we welcome volunteers of any faith or none, and we give food to anyone in real need.

Our address is  
Wallingford Emergency Foodbank  
Ridgeway Community Church  
21b/22 St Mary's St  
Wallingford  
OX10 0EW



In the first year, we provided food for approximately 400 people. The current annual demand is approximately 6000 people. We rely entirely on unpaid volunteers and donations of food and money from the public, churches, and other local organisations. If you need food please [click here](#) to find out more. If you are interested in volunteering please [click here](#). If you would like to donate to the food bank please [click here](#).

To find out more visit <https://wallingfordfoodbank.org.uk/> or email [ridgewayfood@outlook.com](mailto:ridgewayfood@outlook.com).

### Wallingford Country Market



Open each Friday morning in  
St. Mary-le-More Church,  
(situated just behind the Town  
Hall), 9.30 - 12 noon.

Selling delicious homemade baked goods and preserves,  
home grown plants, fruit and vegetables and many crafts.

### Cholsey Community Library

Monday to Friday: 2 - 4.30pm

Friday (Evening): 6 - 8pm

Saturday (Morning): 9.30 - 12.30pm



**133 GORING TO WALLINGFORD**  
**REVISED SERVICE FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2025**  
**UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**  
**MONDAYS to FRIDAYS ONLY**

<b><i>Service Number</i></b>	<b><i>133</i></b>	<b><i>133</i></b>
<b>GORING Railway Station Forecourt</b>	<b>08:54</b>	<b>12:10</b>
Goring Library	08:56	12:12
Streatley, Swan Hotel/The Bull	08:57	12:13
Moulsford Beetle & Wedge	09:02	12:18
Moulsford Old Vicarage	09:03	12:19
Wallingford Hospital	R	R
Wallingford LiDL	R	R
<b>WALLINGFORD Market Place</b>	<b>09:15</b>	<b>12:30</b>

<b><i>Service Number</i></b>	<b><i>133</i></b>	<b><i>133</i></b>
<b>WALLINGFORD, Market Place</b>	<b>11:45</b>	<b>14:30</b>
Wallingford station (LiDL)	Q	Q
Wallingford Hospital	11:47	14:32
Moulsford, Old Vicarage	R	R
Moulsford Beetle & Wedge	11:55	14:40
Streatley, The Coombe	R	R
Streatley Traffic Lights (bus shelter)	12:00	14:45
Swan Hotel	R	R
Goring River Bridge (o/s Pierreponts)	R	R
Glebe Ride (hail and ride zone)	R	R
Cleeve Road (hail and ride zone)	R	R
Milldown Avenue Top	12:05	14:50
Lockstile Way	12:06	14:51
<b>Goring Railway Station forecourt</b>	<b>12:10</b>	<b>14:55</b>

- Q Please inform the driver on your outward journey if you would like to be picked up here. Does not set down here.
- R Sets down only at these points on request to the driver by passengers already on board at previous timing point

# Useful Contacts

## Moulsford Parish Council

<http://www.moulsford-pc.org.uk>

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Jo Garvey (Parish Clerk)	N/A	N/A	<a href="mailto:parishclerk@moulsford-pc.org.uk">parishclerk@moulsford-pc.org.uk</a>

Please report any traffic and parking issues experienced to: [trafficandparking@moulsford-pc.org.uk](mailto:trafficandparking@moulsford-pc.org.uk)

### South Oxfordshire District Councillors (Moulsford is part of the Cholsey Ward)

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### MOULSFORD PAVILION HIRE RATES 2024/25

To make or enquire about a booking  
please contact the Bookings  
Secretary:

Email -  
[moulsfordbookings@gmail.com](mailto:moulsfordbookings@gmail.com)

Phone -  
07707 068151

WEEKDAYS Monday-Friday to 6.00pm		Village Residents	Non Village Residents
Hire Fee / Hour		£15	£18
WEEKDAYS Monday-Thursday after 6.00pm		Village Residents	Non Village Residents
Hire Fee / Hour		£18	£24
WEEKENDS Friday after 6.00pm through Saturday-Sunday		Village Residents	Non Village Residents
Hire Fee / Hour		£20	£27
WEDDINGS Friday 6.00pm - Sunday 12.00pm		All Users	
Hire Fee		£725	
WEDDINGS Saturday 9.00am - Sunday 12.00pm		All Users	
Hire Fee		£650	
CHANGING ROOMS		Pricing Available on Request	

## Dates for the Diary

Date	Event	Location
Wed, 8th October	10:30 Moultsford Coffee Shop	Moultsford Pavilion
Fri, 12th December	Christmas Gala	Beetle & Wedge
Sat, 20th December	18:00 It's a Santa Party!	Moultsford Pavilion
Fri, 26th December	Boxing Day Walk	TBC

### Moultsford News Contributions

Share your news, plans and stories with us!

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