

Buckland & Chipping

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Harvest Fayre Report

The 9th September already seems a long time away and a completely different season, but after months of planning the Harvest Fayre Summer Event was a great success! I do hope most of you managed to make it along to enjoy the event yourself, but for those of you unable to attend, let me give you a flavour of the day.



In years past our events have been a small local affair centered on a BBQ in the grounds of St Andrews Church. This year we took over a whole field adjacent to Chipping Hall to stage a Village Festival to be proud of. If you remember, the weather all that week was extremely hot and come Saturday we had a scorching 32 degrees to deal with. The early morning was spent overseeing arrival and set up of the band, craft stalls, food vendors and children's rides ready for the 11am start. The marquee provided well needed shade all day so everyone could relax, listen to the band, and visit stalls at their leisure.



You can't plan for everything, and the heat did mean we had to cancel the dog show and Tug of War. The poor dogs would

have melted in the blazing sunshine. The Ice Cream Van and the Bar did a roaring trade keeping everyone cool.



We have to say a very big thank you to Jason Noy for allowing us to use his field, to Caroline Scott for the use of the marquee, to Steve Ashley-Haycock from The Big Green Generator Company and the entire Events committee.

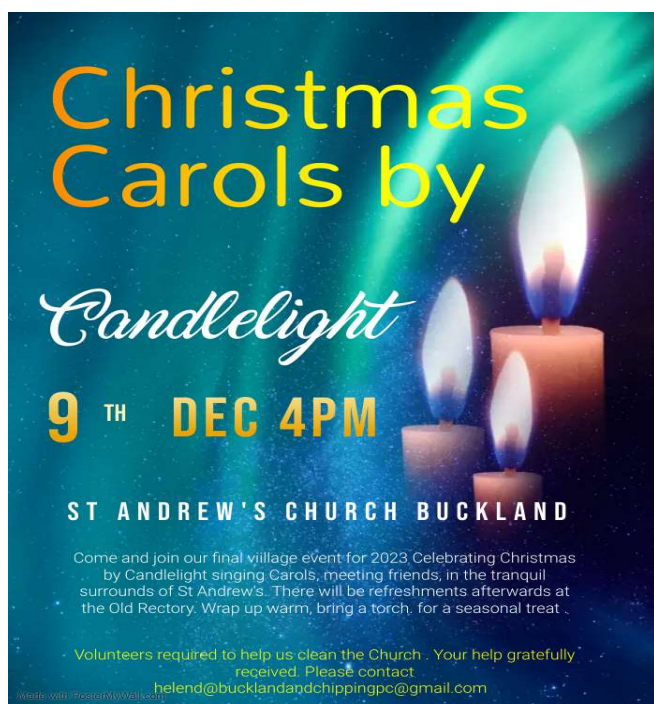


It was great to hear the feedback too. One typical saying "An absolutely lovely event, so well organized in a delightful setting. Just the right number of stalls and other attractions" Let's all look forward to Harvest Fayre 2024.



St Andrew's Carol Service

This year's village Christmas Carol Service will be held in St Andrew's Church, Buckland at **4pm on Saturday 9th December**. As ever, this will be a candlelit service and it will be a lovely way to commence your Christmas festivities. Reed Choir (which comprises singers from across the benefice and further afield) will be leading the music. All are welcome - it is recommended that you wrap up well and bring a torch. Refreshments will be provided after the service at The Old Rectory. If you are willing to help clean and decorate the church in advance, please let me know. Helen Dauris



Remembrance Day

In the entrance porch at St Andrew's Church in Buckland the Roll of Honour lists the names of the 53 men of Buckland & Chipping who served in the First World War. The War Memorial on the north wall honours the 15 men who died and also the two Buckland & Chipping men who lost their lives in the Second World War. We will again lay a wreath in memory of those who gave their lives for our freedom. A simple ceremony will be held in St Andrew's at 10.50am on Saturday 11th November. All residents are most welcome - we look forward to seeing you.



Bonfire Evening

The Parish Bonfire Night will be held on the Common behind St Andrew's Church, Buckland on 5th Nov. The Bonfire will be lit at 7pm and Fireworks from 7.30pm. All residents, family and friends are invited. If anyone would like to assist, for example helping with the bonfire before the day please contact Jeff Kenyon

The next Parish Council meeting will take place at 7.30pm on Monday 6th November in the Manor House Buntingford. Any resident of the Parish is welcome to attend as an observer.

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