



Buckland & Chipping

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Annual Parish Council meeting report

On Monday 13th May the Parish Council met at St Andrews Church to hold both the Annual Parish meeting and the Annual Parish Council meeting. As is usual at this time of year Our departing Chair Helen Dauris provided a report of the year's events. Part of which is repeated here in summary only..

Buckland & Chipping Parish Council has had another busy year. Undoubtedly the highlights were the first Harvest Fayre Summer Event which took place so successfully during September in Chipping. The inaugural Parish Pimms Evening took place in Buckland last July and of course the monthly group Rambles. In August we held a fund-raising event for the Breast Cancer Now charity, followed in November by our annual Bonfire and Fireworks event. As usual the event was a real winter success. It was great to see so many parishioners there enjoying the fine bonfire and the impressive fireworks as well as the traditional barbecue. We also had a peaceful Remembrance Day Ceremony in St Andrew's Church, which gave everyone who came some welcome moments for reflection. And, in the run up to Christmas, the lovely annual Carols by Candlelight service also took place here in St Andrew's.

As part of usual Parish business in May, we elected the Parish Council for the coming year. Cllr Robert Arkle was elected as Chairman, Cllr Penny Newman as Vice Chair, together with Cllr Jeffrey Kenyon, Cllr Helen Dauris, Cllr Debbie Thompson, Cllr Simon Dela- Nougrede and Parish Clerk Caroline Scott completing the Council.

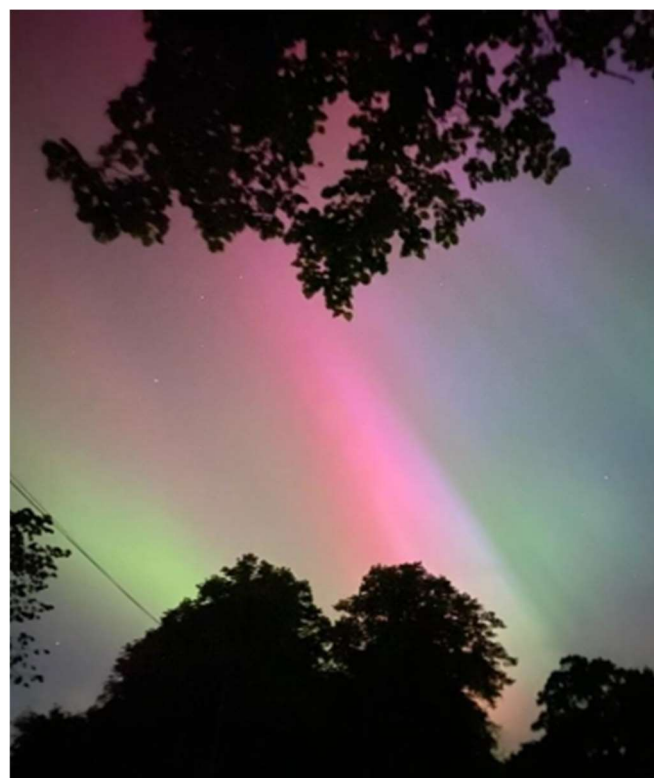
Cycle Race

On Friday 24 May some of the best professional Women cyclists raced through Buckland and Chipping at 11.50am as they made their way through Hertfordshire on stage one of The Ford Ride London Classique. This event is one of the world's leading professional women's bike races. For those of you lining the A10 to cheer them on, you will know it was over in a flash of bright Lycra and wheels. They were certainly not hanging around. We also benefited by gaining a new milestone in Chipping and some much-needed road repairs. Thank you, ladies!



Northern Lights make an appearance.

Normally a trip to see the northern lights would involve a very long drive, flight, or voyage to enjoy. But on the evening of 10th May they arrived in our Parish and across the country for us all to marvel at. Photo credit to Billie.



80th anniversary of D-Day celebration report

On Thursday 6th June we joined with other Villages, towns, cities, and organisations to mark the 80th anniversary of D-Day with the lighting of our new beacon and reading of the special tribute. The same tribute was read around the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man and UK overseas territories. This was in celebration of the 'light of peace' that emerged out of the darkness of war.



As the passage of remembrance tribute closed, the "Last Post" echoed through the common. We also celebrated our hard won freedoms with Free Fish and Chips for all those who attended.

Jazz music, 40's classics and original BBC News broadcasts of the 6th June 1944 provided a nostalgic ambience. Thank you to everyone who attended and for those who helped organise the event. The Beacon was made locally for the Parish by blacksmith Lucas Ling. The beacon will now be a permanent feature on the common.



The next Parish Council meeting will take place at 7.30pm, Monday 1st July 2024, St Andrews Church Buckland. Any resident of the Parish is welcome to attend.

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