Carols Round the Village Christmas Tree

Monday 14th December at 6.30pm on Churchill playing field
Mulled wine and carols followed by soup, rolls, mince pies & other Christmas nibbles in the (newly refurbished) village hall
All welcome whatever the weather! Bring your own torch.



There will be a collection on the night (cash & card) to help pay for the Christmas tree & the event.The Churchill Events Committee have made a generous donation towards the tree this year but the remainder is funded from donations on the evening with the surplus going to Lawrence Nursing.

CHURCHILL & SARSDEN LUNCHEON CLUB

The December lunch will take place at Sarsden Glebe on December 15th, 12 for 12.30 pm.
The menu is: mulled wine, roast beef, Yorkshire pudding, gravy, horseradish sauce, roast potatoes, Brussel sprouts and red cabbage followed by mince pies with brandy butter and cream plus tea/coffee. As usual all the extras - crackers, chocolates, etc. We look forward to seeing everyone and to celebrate Christmas 2026. Please call Pam Wickham 07706 156002 or email pam@repton-house.co.uk to book your place.

CHURCHILL AND SARSDEN

ROUNDABOUT

DECEMBER AND JANUARY 2026/2027



VILLAGE HALL NEWS

HALL REFURBISHMENT - PHASE TWO

The hall has been closed since late October with decorating of the hall and plastering of the entrance hall underway so far. As is often the case in older buildings, extra work has been required such as rectifying damp around the windows on the stage which has been corrected. This required additional plastering to be undertaken.

We anticipate the hall will reopen early December and certainly in time for the **Christmas party** on **Friday 18th December.** Tickets for this have now all been taken as we are limited to 70 people in the hall at any event. If you would like to join the wait list for a ticket, please contact Brian Coughlin on 07468 416752 or bacoughlin@icloud.com

PRIZE QUIZ NIGHT AT THE CHEQUERS

Once again this proved very popular with 80 people present to try and answer the questions set by our Quiz Master, Matt Hall.

Many thanks to Matt for his time in setting the questions and keeping us all in line while we tried to complete the quiz.

Thank you also to The Chequers for playing host and providing the prizes along with Alberto's in Chipping Norton. A great night!

COMMUNITY CAFE AND VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES

The Cafe is being held once again in the church on Tuesday mornings and will run there until **8th December** when there will be a break for Christmas. The Cafe will restart back in the hall on **Tuesday 5th January at 10am.** Thank you to everyone who comes to the cafe and to all the volunteers who run the show and bake cakes.

SALE OF CHRISTMAS GOODS - @ THE COMMUNITY CAFE

Tuesday 1st December 10.00 - 12 midday

The Crafting Group will be holding a small sale of Christmas goods during the cafe morning in the church. Please come and have a look at some unique items. The **Crafting Group** continue to meet on Wednesday afternoons in the church until the hall reopens.

The **Post Office** will reopen on Tuesday mornings once the phase two refurbishment is completed.

Please have a look at the new Churchill & Sarsden website for information about the village and the village hall, including bookings https//churchillsarsden.com/village-hall

THE HERITAGE CENTRE

The little museum housed in the chancel of the old church at the bottom of Hastings Hill is a much-loved and important part of Churchill's history. It was rescued from disintegration largely through the heroic efforts of David and Carol Chambers and is now managed by a small team and opened to the public every weekend during the summer by a larger band of kind volunteers. Being on the committee requires a commitment of just a few hours a month; volunteering to open the centre, just a couple of hours over a summer weekend.

After many years, David and Carol are stepping back and we urgently need help with some administrative duties and/or to open up at weekends. If anyone is interested in finding out more and think they could help to keep the Heritage Centre open, please get in touch. francescahobart@outlook.com

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Thank you to all those who have contributed to *Roundabout* over the past year. If you would like to put anything in the newsletter - local information, upcoming events, anything that you think might be of interest to the inhabitants of Churchill and Sarsden, please email it to francescahobart@outlook.com by the 15th of the month.

Particular thanks must go to Camilla and Pete Dunford - printers beyond compare. Very grateful thanks also to all the many people who distribute Roundabout around the village, including Robin Blois-Brooke.

Peter Crudge and the Village Hall Committee continue to support the newsletter and particular thanks also goes to Rupert Ponsonby for his enthusiasm and regular contributions, John Fordham for his design help, Paul Branch for his thought-provoking articles and Debbie Johnson, Refurbishment Queen Bee, for her always-on-time Village Hall news.

HAPPY CHRISTMAS