

CBLC NEWS

Summer 2022



The Queen's Green Canopy Oak Tree celebration with children from King's Lodge School



The Mary Lou Revue free community performance at John Coles Park

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A YEAR OF GRANT GIVING (APRIL 2021-MARCH 2022)

We've been looking at our grant giving during the past financial year. You can read more information about the different organisations we've funded this year on our website news section - www.cblc.org.uk/blog. You can find out more about the grants available for individuals, families, organisations and charities to apply for and make a grant enquiry via the new grant applications section on our website.





DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2021–2022 WE HAVE GIVEN **GRANTS/FUNDING TO**

ABBEYFIELD SCHOOL ACCESS SAFETY CIC **ALLSORTS COMMUNITY CHOIR** AKA DANCE **CARER SUPPORT WILTSHIRE CASSON AND FRIENDS CHARTER SCHOOL** CHILDREN'S HOSPICE SOUTH WEST CHIPPENHAM AND DISTRICT TALKING NEWSPAPERS CHIPPENHAM COMMUNITY ECO HUB CHIPPENHAM FOLK FESTIVAL CIC **CHIPPENHAM INDEPENDENT ARTISTS** CHIPPENHAM LIBRARY CHIPPENHAM MUSEUM & HERITAGE CENTRE CHIPPENHAM SALVATION ARMY **10TH CHIPPENHAM SCOUTS CHIPPENHAM SEA CADETS** CHIPPENHAM TALKING NEWSPAPERS CHIPPENHAM TOWN COUNCIL CHIPPENHAM TRI CLUB **CURIOUS COMPANY** DOORWAY WILTSHIRE FROGWELL SCHOOL HARDENHUISH SCHOOL **IVY LANE SCHOOL KINGS LODGE SCHOOL** MARY LOU REVUE **MEN'S SHED CHIPPENHAM MONKTON PARK SCHOOL** PEWSHAM COMMUNITY CENTRE ASSOCIATION QUEENS CRESCENT REDLANDS SCHOOL **REFASHION MY TOWN** SAHARA SISTERS SHELDON ROAD METHODIST CHURCH BEACON CENTRE SHELDON SCHOOL SILVERWOOD SCHOOL SPRINGBOARD OPPORTUNITY GROUP **ST MARYS SCHOOL ST PAULS SCHOOL ST PETERS SCHOOL** THE APOLLO THEATRE COMPANY THE BEAN SPILLERS THE RISE TRUST THE ROSELLEYS THE STAY SAFE INITIATIVE WILTS AND BERKS CANAL TRUST WILTSHIRE BOBBY VAN TRUST WILTSHIRE COLLEGE WILTSHIRE MIND WILTSHIRE OUTDOOR LEARNING TEAM WILTSHIRE RURAL MUSIC WILTSHIRE SCRAPSTORE AND RESOURCE CENTRE WILTSHIRE SWINDON HISTORY CENTRE

THE ARC OFFICIAL OPENING



It was fantastic to celebrate the official opening of The Arc on Saturday 9th April and great to see the climbing centre, skatepark and café buzzing with people enjoying themselves.

We invited legendary British climber, Kenton Cool, to cut the official ribbon for us and he also gave an inspiring talk to guests in a marquee outside the front of the centre. Kenton has since successfully completed his 16th summit of Everest.

There was a brilliant atmosphere at the Arc skatepark where everyone was treated to jaw dropping tricks and runs from pro-skaters. There was loads of local talent on show from the youngest right through to the most experienced riders – all delighting the crowd of spectators. A constant stream of climbers on the outside wall showed off this unique facility. It was brilliant to see so many people enjoying tours & climbing indoors too as The Climbing Academy team welcomed everyone to enjoy the centre. You can read & hear more about the day on our website.

If you haven't yet had a chance to visit The Arc for a climb, skate or to use the cafe facilities don't delay! There are lots of courses over the summer. Find out more at https://www.theclimbingacademy.com/locations/the-arc/









A NEW OUTDOOR PLAY PARK



We have commissioned Bristol-based natural outdoor play equipment specialist, TouchWood, to install an innovative and imaginative new play area made almost entirely of wood on our land at Westmead Playing Field. The park will be adjacent to The Arc climbing centre and skatepark.

TouchWood mix natural, sustainable materials with inventive design skills and traditional woodcraft techniques to create playgrounds that are safe, longlasting and special. They specialise in creating unique play experiences where kids can use their imagination to have their own adventures, in a stimulating and natural setting.

The new play area has been predominantly designed to be aimed at toddlers through to 12year-olds and is due to be completed before the end of 2022. Find out more information, including seeing some design images on our website - https://www.cblc.org.uk/a-newoutdoor-play-park/



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THE QUEEN'S GREEN CANOPY



We were delighted to welcome staff and children from King's Lodge School to Westmead Open Space on Tuesday 24th May. The children came to help us celebrate the planting of a new oak tree on our land to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

People from across the United Kingdom have been invited to "Plant a Tree for the Jubilee", to help create a legacy in honour of the Queen, which will benefit future generations.





The QGC project aims to create a national canopy of trees to help reduce the impact of climate change, filter air, increase wildlife habitats and improve the environment for everyone.

The Year 5 children came to learn about The Queen's Canopy and to take part in trails, including around the Woodland Creatures Tree Sculpture Trail. The children were tasked to be "Tree Detectives" for the afternoon and had to identify some of the trees at Westmead Open Space. They also planted some wildflower seeds around the new oak tree and considered the importance of tree planting.





FRINGE FEB & THE MARY LOU REVUE



Did you watch or take part in any of the **Chippenham Fringe February** events earlier this year? It was our third year of funding and organising the Arts festival. This year's line-up included live comedy, dance, theatre and music performances with a host of interactive fun and entertainment for the whole family to enjoy. Visit our website to read more - **www.cblc.org.uk/chippenham-fringe-february-thank-you/**



We were delighted to bring **The Mary Lou Revue** to the bandstand in John Coles Park on Thursday 2nd June to help celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It was brilliant to see so many people of all ages out enjoying the entertainment and sunshine. You can get a feel for the event by watching this video captured that afternoon - **https://bit.ly/3aBVare**





CHIPPENHAM ARTS & CULTURE



We provide information, support, training and regular meetings/networking opportunities for Chippenham based groups, organisations and local arts professionals. We also give and share information for all local people who are interested in the Arts and Cultural events in Chippenham.



Do you know that we run the Chippenham Arts and Cultural Events group (Chippenham ACE) for people to share & support the arts and culture scene in Chippenham? You can join the Chippenham ACE mailing list to hear the latest news and events by emailing Chippenhamace@gmail.com. Join the ACE Facebook group (search for Chippenham Arts and Cultural ACE), follow us on Twitter/Instagram, go on our mailing list, and get involved if you are keen to help support and promote the Arts in Chippenham.

We also host regular Chippenham arts team meetings to share information and help coordinate events - called Chippenham ChAT meetings. The Chippenham ChAT is the Chippenham Arts Team. We are a group of around 25 local arts and cultural organisations and freelancer practitioners who meet regularly to discuss how best to coordinate and celebrate the arts events in town.

We believe in the collective power of community arts and meet at 1pm on the first Wednesday of the month at different venues in town. Meetings are facilitated by Chippenham Borough Lands Charity's Arts Coordinator, Laura Graham-May. Other subgroups meet with specific objectives - to support our growing Arts Development Plan. Email Laura@cblc.org.uk for more information.



FOREST TWINNING



We have recently twinned an acre of our land at Mortimores Wood in Chippenham with one hectare of rare cloud forest in the Tropical Andes. Our donation to Rainforest Concern will help to protect, in partnership with local communities, some of the most threatened and speciesrich rainforests in the world.







This certificate is presented to

Chippenham Borough Lands

In recognition of twinning one acre of land with the protection of one hectare of rare cloud forest in the Tropical Andes -the most biodiverse region on the planet.

Your valuable contribution to Rainforest Concern's vital conservation work will further the preservation of threatened forest habitats and the animals, plants and indigenous comunities that depend on them for their survival.

Peter Bennett, Executive Director & Founder

Rainforest Concer





ONE CHIPPENHAM



The **ONE CHIPPENHAM** website is a place where local people can find and share community information and 'what's on' in Chippenham. It is was set up and is managed by Katie, our Communications Officer.

www.onechippenham.org.uk

We love to add your information including details about local groups, clubs and activities, events, businesses and venues onto our website.

Perhaps you run a Chippenham based activity, work at a local business or are running an event? Please share your information with us. There is no charge.



Maybe you have some spare time and would like to write a blog or research information for the website? We are in the process of recruiting volunteers 2022 and would love to hear from you.





Add your info onto the website here.







Find out about volunteering here.

Find out more: https://onechippenham.org.uk/one-chippenhamvolunteers-wanted/

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