# THE SHERSTON CLIFFHANGER

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Pupils, staff and parents turned out early every morning for a week to raise money for Sport Relief. The aim was to run a mile each day - 9 laps of the school field - which became a sea of bobbing blue Sherston jumpers. Children from as young as 4 to 11 completed the mile, and returned to their classrooms with rosy cheeks and happy faces. The event raised over £300 for a brilliant cause.



# Gwen Waddington 30/06/1924 – 04/02/2018

Gwen's family wish all those who sent wonderfully kind messages and cards of condolence, to know these were greatly appreciated and most comforting. Thank you for each one of them.

Because two of Gwen's poems were read at the funeral, requests for copies of her book (published in 1996) were received. We have therefore arranged a reprint of this so they are now freely available at various village venues. It is hoped that they may generate donations to 'Dorothy House' whose 'Hospice at Home team' supported us during the final weeks and who make themselves available so selflessly.

Copy deadline: 10<sup>th</sup> of the previous month. Send to editorial@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk or hard copy to Sherston Post Office Stores.

# What's On: contact Caroline Moore on 841405 or info@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk

The size and content of the Cliffhanger depends entirely on the amount of copy we receive from individuals and groups. So, if you feel you have something of interest, please don't hesitate to tell us. Around 400 words would be a maximum but the shorter the better and less editing would be needed.

Top tip: if you're telling us of an event coming up, write a short piece about it rather than just supply basic details or a poster. You will then get a short article published to help boost interest as well as a mention in our What's On section. Don't forget to tell us how your event went, with a photo if possible.

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# Boondocks 2018 It's line up time!

Here we go with the first 5 on the Boondocks 2018 line up - this is starting to shape up lovely ...

Felix Hagan and the Family are back after their storming set at Baby Boondocks last year, Funk meisters Wasabi are going to have you springing into dance-action, The Drystones are going to pump you full of high energy folk on their way back from the BBC Folk Awards, Will and Weasel are going to help you chill with their soul and solid beats and you won't believe it's possible to have so many incredible session musicians together on one stage when you see Circus VIII.

More line up releases are imminent so we are expecting to plough the rest of our tier 2 tickets pretty quickly. And the earlier you buy, the more we can commit to making Boondocks the best festival it can possibly be so, get stuck in -

www.theboondocksfestival.co.uk/tickets

With much love from, Boondocks HQ

# Five Loaves and Two Fishes

On behalf of the Five Loaves and Two Fishes Project organised by the Community Of the Sisters of The Church in St. Paul's I would like to thank you so much for your generosity at Christmas.

A fantastic total of £100 was raised in donations from the December collection box in Sherston Post Office. The money will be used to buy food for people in need.

May I draw your attention to the 'thank you' letter from the Sisters posted on Sherston Church notice board and in the entrance to the post office giving details of how many people they support, especially at Christmas time.

I would also like to thank Paul and Gail Mather from Sherston Post Office for their support of the project for many years.

Due to the reduction in storage space at the home of the Sisters. We are now only able to take bedding such as duvets, which are distributed immediately.

Thank you to everyone who has provided men's and children's clothing over the years.

It has been much appreciated and supported many who would not otherwise have fresh clothing to wear.

For further information about this or anything else in connection with the project, please contact Reverend Susan Harvey. 840696.

# Opportunity for French exchange

Our son and his (French) family living near Toulouse have been asked if we can find a young person who would like to make an exchange this summer with a very interesting French girl.

Adele is 15. She has sent a long description of herself and her family written in very good English.

She likes maths and science, is a scout, loves drawing, playing badminton, climbing, camping and reading science fiction. She is very keen to improve her English.

Her family says : 'Adèle est l'aînée de 4 enfants, une ado charmante, facile à vivre. Son père Benoît est ingénieur et sa mère Barbara enseigne auprès d'enfants handicapés.'

We would be delighted to introduce her to a suitable family in the Sherston area.

Please contact Geoff and Heather Martin 840375 for further information.

# Sherston Senior Club Report

On 20 February we were taken back in time. Stephen Wells reminded us of all the wonderful Musicals from the end of Silent film onwards. He played excerpts from the shows for us to guess and then told us very interesting anecdotes relating to the Film and or the Stars in it. We listened entranced for an hour and one member was heard to say two hours would have been even better.

Our next meeting's Topic was Members childhood memories, this then developed into a history of Sherston and a vivid recollection of the Coronation. We also had a competition to guess the country of origin of some costume dolls which had been kindly donated to the club. These were from twenty different countries. This proved to be quite difficult. Some Countries seemed to have moved since our schooldays! However the dolls were very interesting in their own right and we hope to sell them as a collection for the Club funds at some point. Our Spring sale will have taken place, on 20 March. More about that later.

Looking forward on 3 April our first outing in 2018, we are visiting the Concorde Museum and on 17 April we will be out again, visiting Dobbies Garden Centre in Cirencester. 1 May The Speaker will be Bob Smith with a talk entitled 'Marvellous Moths'. Visitors are welcome to our meetings in British School-room Cliff rd. £2.00 includes tea and biscuits. We meet in the summer at 2.30pm. If space allows Visitors are welcome to come on our outings please contact Helen Quirk 01666 840516 for more information.



This year's Spring Play from Sherston Drama Group is Peter Gordon's hilarious comedy Secondary Cause of Death, set just before the Second World War. Secondary Cause of Death will be performed on 4 − 7 April in Sherston Village Hall, and tickets (£6.50/£8.00) are on sale at Sherston Post Office Stores or from the Box Office on 840092 (evenings) or via r.a.skeffington@gmail.com.

# **Sherston Market**

The next market will be on Saturday 14 April at the village hall from 10.00am to 4.00pm. There will be loads of stalls again and we also have some new faces. Emma's Kitchen will be providing delicious hot food and cakes - all freshly homemade. Please don't forget that all stall profits go straight into the village hall renovation fund, so come on Sherston please come and support us. Entry is free and all are welcome. See you there!

# Rusty Rackets: Sunday 22 April

Sherston Tennis Club is holding a Rusty Rackets session on Sunday 22 April from 10.00am. This is open to anyone who may wish to play tennis in 2018 - ex-members, those who may have played years ago, complete beginners, newcomers to the area, etc, etc. It will be a general mix-in session so come along and have a hit!

Membership rates for 2018 remain at 2017 prices: Family: £100 Adult: £60 Senior: £40 Junior: £20 For membership enquiries, contact Nic Riley on nic50riley@gmail.com.

# 'Sherston Brick Club'

**British School Room** 

Friday 6th April and Friday 20th April from 5.30 to 7pm
Free entry. All ages welcome.

#### **Bible Study Group**

Monday 2nd, 16th and 30th April from 7pm in the British School Rooms

# Tolsey News

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The last blast of winter left us all reeling, or stuck in a snow drift!

We were extremely grateful to Dr Jeffery who donned her walking gear and left home two hours early to trek through the snow from Acton Turville on Friday, 9 March, so that our patients could be seen at the surgery. With so many going above and beyond the call of duty to ensure that the surgery was open for business, our patients were well looked after during the short but severe weather episode. As more of our staff live further away, it was left to staff in Sherston to keep the surgery open. Lucia, on her day off, and Sarah came in early to open up and staffed reception and dispensary on their own all day. Lisa and Michele also managed to get in as did Dr Pettit. Dr Watkins was unable to get through the snow drifts from his village and worked from home telephoning all his patients.

We were also very grateful to the kind people that cleared the snow away from the entrance and ferried patients, doctors and staff around in their 4x4s. We couldn't have carried on without any of you! Thank you!

#### Prescriptions

Can we please ask patients collecting repeat medication to wait until after 9.30am if possible. The first hour of the day is extremely busy with deliveries and phone calls and it would help us if we could reduce the demand for collections at this time.

All patients will be moved to 28 day prescribing, following the Medicine Management's directive. This helps to reduce workload and waste. Patients who are on 2 or more medications per month who pay should consider buying an NHS prescription prepayment card. The cost of a prescription is going up to £8.80 per item on 1 April 2018 but you can buy a card valid for 3 months for £29.10 or £104 for 12 months (or 10 monthly instalments of £10.40). For details go to https://apps.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/ppcwebsales/patient.do

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# WI Report

Like so many events at the beginning of March, our March meeting was a casualty of the weather. Members were able to stay inside in the warmth of their houses whilst our scheduled speaker, Rupert Evelyn, who had been unable to attend as he was required to work on the day, was out in the cold snowy weather.

We are now looking forward to two events in April. Firstly our regular meeting on 5 April, 7.30pm in the British School Room, when our talk will be given by Team Rubicon - 'UK disasters are our business; Veterans are our passion'. Then on the 19 April we are holding an Open Meeting in the Village Hall, 7.30pm, when Caroline Lowsley-Williams of Chavenage will be giving a talk. Chavenage has played a notable part in a number of film and television productions, the Poldark series being one of the more recent ones. Tickets cost £8.00, which will include refreshments, and are available from Jill Woodward (840 578 or jillwoodward222@ btinternet.com), Sue Heathcock (829 344 or (thegardenhouse@btopenworld.com), Sherston Post Office.

Looking forward to 3 May we will be hearing from Margaret and Gerald Hull on 'The Shell - ancient symbol and decorative feature within the English house and garden'.



# Sherston Village Hall 300+ Club

We have completed our collection of the subscriptions and below are the results of three months' draws.

Thank you to everyone who has continued their membership, and to those who have joined this year. Though the number of members is reduced slightly, the monthly prizes will remain the same as last year.

It is never too late to join, so if you would like to support the Village Hall, for only £6 a year, simply phone Lin Prior on 840846 for more information.

#### January 2018 Draw

1st	283	Julia Leydon	£13
2nd	55	John Weeks	£12
3rd	252	Richard Maslen	£11
4th	311	David Gibson	£10
5th	287	Martin Evans	£9
6th	317	Keith Godwin	£8
7th	43	Iuliet Blows	£.7

#### February 2018 Draw

1st	82	Helen Quirk	£13
2nd	104	Sue Turner	£12
3rd	209	Peter Verard	£11
4th	141	Mike Hibbard	£10
5th	68	Dinah Knight	£9
6th	7	David Tappin	£8
7th	252	Richard Maslen	£7

#### March 2018 Draw

1st	142	Joanne Harmer	£13
2nd	104	Sue Turner	£12
3rd	283	Julia Leydon	£11
4th	335	Kate Tullberg	£10
5th	107	Douglas Gee	£9
6th	129	Phil Williams	£8
7th	48	Nick Blows	£7

Thank you too to the collectors, for their unfailing help, and for venturing out in all weathers.

Collectors: Anne Andrews, Mary Goulding, Pat Moody, Rachel Moody, Janet Platts, Lin Prior, Margaret Thacker and Jill Woodward.

Lin Prior, Coordinator



# 'Inaugural' Beaufort Team Chase cancelled

The resurrection of the Beaufort Team Chase didn't quite go according to plan! As you may be aware, the relentless wintry conditions this year coupled with unexpected rain, just as the ground was drying, meant that our inaugural event never got off the ground. Our subsequent attempt was thwarted by the inability of our paramedics to get around the course due to the ground conditions.

However, every cloud does have a silver lining ... The food and cakes that had been arranged for the fence judges and stewards to have on the day of the event couldn't go to waste. The Team Chase committee organised a get-together on the farm to help dismantle the course and, in return for their efforts, gave them the stewards' food, and during lunch we sold off the cakes to raise money.

We managed to raise a fantastic £100 which we would very much like to give towards the Sherston Brownies' fundraising efforts for a defibrillator for the school.

We are bitterly disappointed that all the hard work and all of your support didn't come to fruition BUT we are determined to make it a success in 2019 and are very much looking forward to seeing as many of you as possible then.



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# WE WILL REMEMBER THEM



## Private 35969 Herbert Willis

6th Batt Duke of Edinburgh's (Wiltshire Regiment)

Who died aged 18 on Monday 15th April 1918

Son of Mr and Mrs James Willis

Remembered with Honour, Tyne Cott Memorial, Zonnebeke, West Flanders, Belgium

Herbert Willis is recorded as one of the youngest Sherston soldiers to be killed in the Great War.

Tragically, there is a high possibility he may well have been one of the large number of part-trained 18-year-olds who were rushed to the front line to halt the German advance that began in March. Moreover, he may have been killed within only a few hours of reaching the line.

Herbert would have found himself, on the first day in the front line, staring into the approaching dawn towards and unseen enemy and expected to mount a full frontal attack at sunrise. He would not live to see

The next day, Spanbroekmolen Crater (the site of one of the 19 mines which exploded at the opening battle of Messines in June 1917) was lost to the enemy.

It would not have been possible to remove the bodies of the dead in this area for burial. Herbert Willis is thus remembered at the Tyne Cott Memorial to the missing at Passchendaele, one of 35,000.

Spanbroekmolen Crate still exists though now it is naturally filled with water and a haven for wildlife and plants.

The site was bought by the Toc H organisation which originated as a club for weary soldiers in the town of Poperinghe in the Great War. They rechristened the crater the Pool of Peace in honour of all those who fell in the Ypres salient.

Without a grave, Herbert rests in one of the most peaceful and poignant spots on the old western front which is visited each year by thousands of pligrims, each paying their silent respects.

# WE WILL REMEMBER 🥦 THEM



# Private 6367 William Wallace Rice

7th Batt Prince of Wales' Leinster Regiment (Royal Canadian)

Who died on Monday 15th April 1918

Husband of Elizabeth Rice, 2 Noble Street, Sherston, Wiltshire

Remembered with Honour, Wimereux Communal Cemetery, Wimereaux, Pas de Calais, France

William Wallace Rice originally joined the Wiltshire Regiment along with many of the men from Sherston.

Probably as a result of being wounded, he then found himself part of the Leinster Regiment.

The opening of the German spring offensive of 1918 saw advances on a scale that had not been equalled since 1914, with both British and French armies being pushed back to Amiens.

William was clearly wounded in one of these attacks.

He succumbed to his wounds in the military hospital at Wimereux, just to the north of Boulogne.

He so nearly made it home.

In the same cemetery is buried one of the most famous war poets, Lt Col John McCae. He had written the unforgettable poem In Flanders Fields - the inspiration behind the use of poppies for the remembrance of the war dead.



The bells of Holy Cross Church will be rung half muffled from 8.50am until 9.25am for both of the fallen.

# Small Ads

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# Sherston Boules & Festival Week

# - Let's Make It Happen





We hope that the dates are in your diary for fun packed activities and events from Monday 9 to Sunday 15 July with the main event, the annual international Boules Day on Saturday 14 July 2018.

Our very own unique Boules & Festival Week is now in its 33rd year and and continues to support location organisations and groups.

Combining FUN with FUNDRAISING is what it's all about and it's only possible with the energy and enthusiasum from the local community ... that's you!

The Sherston Velo cycling club received a donation from last year's Boules Day and the money is going to a great cause. 'We're using it to buy a road bike that we can long-term loan out to young riders,' Pete Butterfield, Velo Chairman told The Cliffhanger. 'At that age they're not quite on adult bikes, but they grow so fast that we reckon it'll suit a rider for a year or two before they hand it on to the next person. We'd like to buy a few over the next few years – this is a great start.

The Friends of Sherston School (FSS) also received a donation from the Boules Committee last year, and were able to fund a visit from author/illustrator Hannah Shaw, with workshops for all the classes. They were also able to fund a performance of Shackleton by the Tall Tree Theatre. Both of these events were great experiences for the children - interesting and inspiring in their different ways. FSS Chair Sophie Cheetham explains, 'The FSS focuses on funding extra educational activities to enhance the children's learning and development so being able to fund these was ideal! In addition, Boules Day is such a fantastic community event to be involved in.'

Each year the FSS organises the Kids' Field, together with Sherston Baby & Toddler group. Last year, fun on the field included a fantastic inflatable obstacle course and bouncy castle, as well as a course for bikes and trikes, a mini boules piste and a marquee with sand and rice play for the younger ones. Inside the village hall, the two groups ran a café with kids' lunch bags, teas, coffees and cakes, with a Lego wall play area to keep the children amused.

Boules 2017 was once again a huge community event and a great deal of energy went into setting everything up and making the day a huge success. Last year's events raised a total of £9,080 of which £8000 went to 23 local organisations and support groups including:







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#### **April Services**

Sunday 1st April, Easter Sunday, 9.30am - Churches Together at Holy Cross followed by Bring and Share Lunch at the British School Room

Sunday 8th April, 11.00am

- James Cole

Sunday 15th April, 11.00am

- Communion Service **Revd Andrew Williams Tarling** 

Sunday 22nd April, 11.00am - Revd Andrew Williams Tarling

Saturday 29th April, 11.00am - Revd Andrew Williams Tarling

Holy Cross Church

Sherston Village Hall

Sherston Velo

Sherston 1016

Sherston Senior club

Sherston Football, Netball, Cricket and junior cricket clubs

Sherston Scouts, Cubs and Brownies

Sherston WI

Friends of Luckington School, Luckington Pre school

Friends of Sherston School

Sherston Drama group

Sherston Young Craft club

So, if you're part of a local group or organisation and want to help out or run an event this year then please contact - David Boyle on - djboyle@hotmail. com in return for your help we make a donation to each organisation.

If you're an individual who just wants to get involved and volunteer then David would love to hear from you too.

Boules 2017 was a huge community event, we were proud to work with many of groups and organisations within the village and some a little bit beyond.

Will you be a part of Boules and Festival Week 2018 ...?





# Moviola @ Grittleton Village Hall: Wednesday 25 April

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Tickets £6 adults from Lesley on 01249 783157 or email l\_palmer@btinternet.com [underscore between l and p]

Doors open at 7.00pm, programme starts at 7.30pm Future dates for your 2018 diary

Wednesday 30 May Wednesday 27 June

Wednesday 25 July 25

Details of our summer programme to follow.

# Wessex Concert Orchestra returns to Malmesbury Abbey

After last year's sell-out concert, the Wessex Concert Orchestra returns for its Spring Concert on Saturday 28 April at 7.30pm.

Under the baton of Tim Harrison, this year the concert features Beethoven's 1st Piano Concerto with the young talent of pianist Kim Li. Also on the programme is the joyous Overture to the Magic Flute

- Mozart and Brahm's romantic Symphony no 2. Tickets £12 (£10 Concessions), £5 under 16s

These can be purchased in advance to ensure a seat From Malmesbury Abbey Bookshop, Thomas of Malmesbury or www.wco.org.uk

Tickets may be purchased on the door if available.

Wessex Concert Orchestra is a challenging, sociable and friendly non-professional orchestra based in Chippenham but performing in the North Wiltshire area. It draws amateur players of all ages from the local area. The repertoire ranges from film and light music through to a challenging range of full symphonic works. It welcomes new members and has vacancies in some sections. More information can be found on the website at www.wco.org.



# Introducing Mumbo-Jumbo



This is a Rural Arts Touring show, also in aid of the Village Hall on Saturday 19 May 7.30pm. Licensed Bar. Tickets £10, concessions £8, under 16 £6, from Sherston Post Office or 840375.

A close-harmony, eclectic, semi-acoustic piano-led wonder, Mumbo-Jumbo brings together three top Midlands singer/songwriters to produce an 'Eclectic Acoustic' sound that is all their own at festivals, theatres and village halls across the country.

The band's new CD 'Sonic Gumbo' has met with lots of positivity, and they are double nominees (2016 & 2012) in the British Blues Awards.

The trio, Oliver Carpenter, Chris Lomas and Phil Bond, all established lead vocalists combine to also produce strong complex tight harmonies. Add to this the nine instruments they play between them and you have wide ranging musical textures, sounds and flavours, excellent musicianship and strong songwriting.

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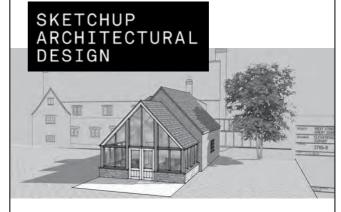


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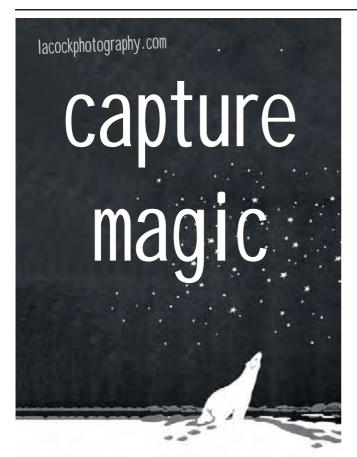
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# Grittleton Plant & Spring Fair – Monday 28 May

Back for its 6th year we are delighted to announce that Grittleton Plant and Spring Fair will be taking place on Monday 28 May.

Set in the stunning house and grounds of the Grittleton Estate, the Grittleton Plant and Spring Fair is perfect for plant lovers, foodies and those looking for the ideal present. With over 50 stalls ranging from specialist nurseries selling plants and stunning accessories for your room outside to quality stalls selling a range of delicious food stuffs, bath products, unique gifts, handmade jewellery and much more, there is certainly something for everyone.

This is the perfect opportunity to wander through the stunning interior of this spectacular venue and enjoy the beautiful Italianate gardens of Grittleton House.

We are thrilled to announce there will be a guest appearance from Action's special mascot PADDINGTON  $^{\text{TM}}$ 

Doors open at 11am and refreshments and cream teas will be available. Entrance is £3 per person and children under 12 are free. Free parking. Assistance dogs only please. See www.action.org.uk/grittleton for details.

All proceeds and donations will be going to

support children's charity Action Medical Research. Action Medical Research is raising funds to offer hope to thousands of families across the UK who are dealing with the trauma of a baby born too early, striving to support a child affected by disability or facing the challenge of caring for a child with a rare and devastating disease for which there is no cure. Further information on AMR successes, case studies and current research projects can be found at www. action.org.uk

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# North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club

At our February meeting we were treated to a demonstration by Jane Morriss. Janes's theme for the evening was Aspects of Chelsea. Her arrangements took us on a journey which started at the source river Thames locally and finished on the Chelsea embankment in London. Janes's arrangements depicted different aspects along the way with her final arrangement being a tribute to her experience as a floral art contestant at the famous Chelsea Flower Show.

#### Future meetings

18 April - Workshop tutored by Anna Steven – 'Do you see what I see?'

16 May - Members' Dinner (Mayfield Crudwell)20 June - Garden visit to national demonstrator,

Pam Lewis' garden, near Devizes.

#### Looking forward

Our regular flower arranging classes will be starting on 23 May. There will be a set of four classes, with the first one being a beginners and back to basics class. This will be open to non-members and spaces are still available. If you would like to join us, please call the number below, for more info.

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Flower club meetings take place at Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB on the third Wednesday of the month, 7.00pm for 7.30pm. (unless stated otherwise). If you enjoy flowers come and join us, visitors and new members are always welcome.

For more information please contact Margaret on 01285 770 639







# Groups and Regular Events in and around Sherston

Holy Cross Church

The Coffee Shop - Fair Trade tea and coffee with homemade biscuits biscuits and brownies - Open Thurs 9.30 am – 12 noon till Easter then Tues, Wed & Thur till Autumn - with homemade cake too Sunday services 1st and 4th - Holy Communion, 2nd Worship Together - a service for all age groups preceded by breakfast at 9am, 3rd - Family Service preceded by breakfast at 9am See the Parish Life for more details

Mustard Seeds is a club for children aged 4 and over, from 10am – 12noon twice a month. Contact Becky Fisher 07974 030212 or becky. fisher@deanery.org.uk.

Congregational Church - In the British School Room, Services 1 am each week, led or hosted by Reverend Andrew Williams Tarling. Sunday School 10.15 – 11 am. Bible study alternate Mondays 8pm at BSR/Church. Brick (Lego) Club alternate Fridays 5.30 – 7pm Contact awtcharfield@hotmail.co.uk or 07921 390878 or find us on facebook. Admin - Victoria Meheust sherstoncongchurch@outlook.com Sec.- clementsmary@btinternet.com or 07778 934742

Methodist Church Services every Sunday at 10.30am apart from 3rd Sunday in the month when service is held at Luckington. For further details see the Parish Life

Gauzebrook Church for Children

Children are welcome at all the services which are held in the Gauzebrook Group churches but there are some occasions which are particularly for them: Junior Church is held at Court House, Hullavington. This is for children from 3 to 11+. Any children under 3 need to be accompanied by an adult. Contact Becky Fisher 07974 030212 or becky.fisher@deanery.org.uk

**Little Lights** Every term time, Fri 10am in Hullavington church. Children aged 0-5 and their parents/carers come from across the Group, including Sherston, for songs, crafts, activities, Bible stories and snack time. Any questions, contact Chantal on 837522

Easton Grey Parish Church See Parish Life for details of services

**Link** provides a voluntary car service for residents living in the Malmesbury area, taking those in need to hospital, the chiropodist, GPs' surgeries and to visit sick relatives. For further information, prospective volunteers can contact the Link co-ordinator and volunteer support officer on 840861 9am-1pm

Ancient Order of Sherston Mangold Hurlers Why not join us and discover the joys of mangold hurling and all its traditions? For further information email ebeplaced@aol.com.

**Ashtanga Yoga class** Strength, flexibility, realign. Fridays 10.30-11.15 11.45am in the village hall. More info – Stuart 07986 003602 or www. pulse4life.co.uk or stuart@pulse4life.co.uk

Carer Support Wiltshire - Monthly carers café
4th Thursday each month 10.30am - 12pm at the Kings Arms Hotel,
Malmesbury - come along to chat with other carers over a hot drink
or two. CSW is a charity with a team of support workers who can
provide information and support to carers living in Wiltshire, by phone
or face to face, along with counselling and advice relating to your role.
Free and confidential for anyone aged 18+. CSW offers the chance to
have a break through social cafés, days out, activities, craft groups and
complementary therapies. More details or to register for some support,
visit www.carersinwiltshire.co.uk, email info@carersinwiltshire.co.uk or
freephone 0800 181 4118 (01380 871690 from a mobile). freephone 0800 181 4118 (01380 871690 from a mobile)

Castle Combe Colts Football Club Join a charter standard club with CRB checked FA qualified coaches, fantastic playing & training facilities and a healthy inclusive culture – take a free 4 week taster session. Currently recruiting for the following age groups: Mini-Kickers (Rec/Y1) U10 (Y5) U11 (Y6). Tel 837286 or secretary@cccfc.co.uk www.cccfc.co.uk

**Church bell ringing** Practices are every Wednesday 7.30 - 9pm. Call Geoff Martin 840375 or come along.

Dance classes at The Scout Hut Fun and friendly classes for children to learn ballet and/or jazz on Tuesday afternoons during term time Preschool/infant ballet 3.30 - 4pm, Jazz 4 - 4.30pm. Junior ballet 4.30 - 5pm, Jazz 5 - 5.30pm All abilities welcome. For more information please call Abigail on 07720 396195.

Drawing Classes in Sherston Classes are held in the British Schoolroom during term times Weds either 10am to 12noon or 1.30 to 3.30pm. Students have individual attention and the classes are friendly and welcoming. We work on observational drawing in a range of media.

and welcoming. We work on observational drawing in a range of media, pencil, watercolour crayon and pastel; subjects include plants and flowers, natural objects and still life groups. For further information please contact Heather Martin heather@geoffmartin.plus.com or phone 840375

Eudo Tae Kwon Do Thursdays 7-9pm in Sherston primary school hall. For details contact Simon Penfold 824773.

Footpaths group 'Sherston Walks - a guide to local rights of way', featuring 10 local walks and is now on sale at the post office. If you would like to learn more about the footpath group and perhaps take part in some of its activities please come along to a meeting. For further information contact Maggie Harries on 841047 or maggie@ harriespartnership.com Now online @ www.sherstonwalks.org.uk

Forest School Club

Weekly outdoor activities during term time at both Sherston and Luckington School and further fun extended sessions during school holidays. For further information please contact nikiwaldenforestschool@hotmail.co.uk

Fresh Air Fitness Total body outdoor workout on Sherston Rec Fridays 9 -10am. Info: www.pulse4life.co.uk Stuart 07986 003602

**Hogwards** The Help a Hedgehog Hospital charity has a satellite hospital in Tetbury.Mary Hinton 07779 299224

www.helpahedgehog.org
Ingleburn Trefoil Guild Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month, usually at St. Mary's School Tetbury at 7.30 p.m. Lifts are available for non-drivers in the Sherston/Malmesbury area. Details from

Helen Price, 503187 or retreatcottage17@btinternet.com

Luckington Pre-School A well-established Montessori inspired Pre-School, for 2½ to 5 years old. Mon-Fri 9am-1pm, during term time. Government funding available and childcare vouchers welcome. For more information, call 840028, email chair@ luckingtonpreschool.org.uk or visit www.luckingtonpreschool.org.uk

# Malmesbury Area Board Meeting

For details see www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards

Malmesbury Concert Band Rehearsals on Fri evenings in Malmesbury, 7.15 – 9.15pm. The band performs at local Bandstand. For further details and to ascertain current vacancies see our website www.freewebs.com/malmesburyconcertband/ and/ or contact Tony Fleming, the Musical Director, on 575229 or tony@ jacfleming.plus.com

Malmesbury Community Choir

The Malmesbury Community Choir is a non-audition performing choir that meets for rehearsals in the Old School Room at the Town Hall every Monday evening from 7.30-9.30pm. The waiting list is currently full for ladies, but we would always welcome extra men and young people between 14-21 years old. Membership is £50 per quarter, but membership for U18s is free and U21s is half price. For further information please email info@malmesburycommunitychoir.org, visit the website at www.malmesburycommunitychoir.org or www.facebook.com/MalmesburyCommunityChoir.

Malmesbury Embroiderer's Guild

The local branch holds monthly meetings at Little Somerford Village Hall. On alternate months there are Saturday workshops on a wide range of topics, and on the intervening dates there is a Tuesday evening talk at 7.30pm. We always welcome newcomers and occasional visitors, although prebooking is essential for the workshops. Just turn up for the talks – non members £5.

For further information please phone Heather Martin 840375 or www.malmesburyembroiderers.blogspot.com

Malmesbury Luncheon Club Over 60s meet every Wednesday at midday in the Wesleyan Room of Malmesbury Town Hall for a chat and a 2 course lunch followed by tea or coffee. £3.50. Please call Helen Churchill on 840080 if you'd like to attend. New members most welcome. Volunteers also needed to prepare and serve lunch, no washing up.

Malmesbury Film Society
Memorable new, classic and foreign films are shown at 7.30pm every
3rd Sunday of the month at St. Mary's Hall, Malmesbury - no booking
or membership necessary. Join us for unique films and an enjoyable
evening out. See our website www.malmesburyfilmsociety.org.uk for
details on all uncoming films details on all upcoming films.

Malmesbury Villages Community Partnership
For details contact Woody Allen 390110 mark.allen@allenclan.co.uk

Malmesbury Rainbows, Brownies & Guides For details contact the Division Commissioner at malmesbury@ wncounty.org.uk

Malmesbury Rangers Girls over 14 meet every 2nd Thurs in the month. Further details from Gill Shaw on 825647 or email sgshaw@orchardshaws.co.uk

North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club Meets at 7.30pm on the 3rd Wed evening at Crudwell Village Hall. Members come from the surrounding villages to hear speakers and enjoy floristry demonstrations and do workshops and competitions. Further details call Margaret Stanford on 01285 770 639

Parish Council Meeting
Takes place on the 2nd Thurs each month at 7.30pm in the village hall. Minutes of meetings can be read online at www.sherston.org. uk. Further details contact Donna Ford on 07790 883503 or clerk@

The Rattlebone Boules League

Consists of 48 teams playing in 3 Leagues. Contact Tony Towle on 840574.

Red Bull Inn Boules

Friendly boules club at the Red Bull Inn (Malmesbury Rd) - meets every Thurs at 7.15pm – any level. For the more competitive members, there is a team playing in the Cotswold Pétanque league. To enter, please contact Sue McKechnie on 840601 or susannemckechnie@ hotmail.com.uk

Rotary Club of The South Cotswolds Meets at The Horse Guards Inn in Brokenborough each Mon at 7pm, with dinner served at 7.30pm. Visitors are always welcome to our meetings, as are guests and anyone interested in Rotary and in helping the local Community. Further details at website www.rcsc.co.uk or from Ian Pegg on 840986.

Senior Club

Meets at 2.30pm during summertime in the British School Room, more details call Helen Quirk 840516.

Sherston 1016 Fundraising for local good causes and charities. Contact sherston1016@gmail.com or Martin Jacques 07717 424619

Sherston Baby and Toddler Group The group is a fun way for babies, toddlers and their parents to meet and play. Meets at 10-11.30am each Tues in the British School Room with toys for all stages from wrigglers to toddlers, craft activities, music and snacks for all and a cup of tea/coffee for the deserving parent. For further details contact, sherstontoddlergroup@gmail.com or like us on Facebook for regular updates www.facebook.com/sherston.toddlers

Sherston Badminton Club We play every Tues evening from 7.30pm in the Village Hall from Sept to the end of May. New members welcome - mixed ages (over 18) and abilities. For more information contact David Boyle 841587 or email djboyle@hotmail.com

**Sherston Brownies** Meet every Wed during term time 5.45 – 7pm in the Scout Hut. All girls are welcome to join after their 7th birthday, but there is a waiting list. Visit www.girlguiding.org.uk and follow the parents link to register your interest, for all other queries contact

Tawny Owl (Nicky) at nicky.gray@btinternet.com 2nd Sherston Brownies started in Sept 2016, for details contact Spectacled Owl (Lara Farahar) at sherston2ndbrownies@outlook.com or call 841085

1st Sherston Cub Scout Pack Membership of the Cub Pack is open to those between 8 and 10 ½ years old. The Pack has regular meetings on Fri nights in term times from 6.30pm to 8pm. There is a waiting list for Cubs, and those interested should email sherstoncubsandscouts@gmail.com to obtain an application form

1st Sherston (John Rattlebone) Scout Troop Is open to young people from the village and surrounding parish from the ages of 10 ½ to 13 ½. We meet at the Scout hut on Tues nights from 7pm to 9pm during school term times. To join contact Riaan van Rooyen riaan@pulse-software.co.uk There is currently a small waiting list to join.

Sherston Whitewall Explorers You don't need to have previously been a member of scouts or guides to join us, just be aged between 13 1/2 and 18 and free between 8.30 and 10pm on a Fri night during term time; for further information please contact Darren Walsh - 841043 or Ewan Blair -840096 – whitewallexplorers@ googlemail.com

Sherston Drama Group The Drama group puts on plays and pantomimes in the Village Hall. If you are interested in taking part or helping out contact Sue Lehrer (Chairperson) lehrer.sue@icloud.com or 07780 661830

Sherston Town FC The club play in the Stroud league at Knockdown Park on Sat afternoons - spectators and new players welcome. Contact Pete Brock on 07912 777647 or peter.brock666@btinternet.com

Sherston Magna Cricket Club Junior nets Mondays 6pm and Senior nets at 6.30pm on Tues nights at Pinkney Park. If you would like to get involved with local cricket please email cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk or visit the website www. sherstonmagnacc.co.uk

**Sherston Netball Club** Training every Mon 7.30pm at Westonbirt Leisure Centre. All ages and abilities welcome. £3 per session. For more info, please contact, Lauren (07885 597429), Saara (07739 552336) or Kate (07792 064438).

Sherston Community Choir The community choir with conductor Trudi Baker meets at 7.30pm each Wed in term time in the British School Room. £3 per session. All welcome. Further information from Sheila Cutcher sheilacutcher28@gmail.com or 840067, or on Facebook.

Sherston Photography Forum A monthly group has formed in Sherston for anyone with an interest in photography 2nd Tues of each month at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. For details call Nick Holland on 841019 or nholland63@btinternet.com

Sherston Pilates Daytime and evening classes held in the village hall. Run by Saara Sharman, Chartered Physiotherapist. All ages and abilities welcome. For more details contact Saara on 07739 552336 or sherstonpilates@gmail.com

Sherston Tennis Club The tennis courts are located on Knockdown Road, open to all over the winter. Children's Sat am coaching will start after Easter. If you would like to be emailed with details nearer the time, please contact Sophie Cheetham on 07786 990045 or sophcheetham@gmail.com. If you're interested in joining the club or using the courts, please contact Nic Riley on 840682 or nic50riley@gmail.com.

Sherston Theatre Club Excursions with a Sherston High Street-to-venue return coach service. Annual fee £20. Listings under www.communigate.co.uk/wilts/sherstontheatreclub/ or contact Helen Quirk on 840516 or helenandjim@thequirks.plus.com

**Sherston Velo** A cycling club formed of enthusiastic road cyclists from Sherston and the surrounding area. There are regular rides each weekend morning with a fast paced group leaving first for an hour, followed by a longer club run. For membership and other information about the club, visit the website www.sherstonvelo.cc or email Mark Walsh at secretary@sherstonvelo.co

**Sherston Village Hall** Available for hire by all. Ideal for meetings, events, parties etc. For details Chris and Tony Weedon 841377 or email dogleg3@gmail.com

**Sherston W.I.** Meetings on first Thurs of month Mar - Sept in the Village Hall (except Apr due Spring Play) at 7.30pm and Nov/Dec/Feb in the British Schoolroom at 2.30pm. No meetings but celebration meals Oct and Jan. Visitors always most welcome £3.50. Further information: Secretary 840578

Sherston Young Craft Group Every Mon 6.45 – 8.15pm in the village hall (children 9+). £3 (fincl all materials) per evening paid in advance of each half term. To join, please contact Minnie Hulme on 841118 or email hulmessherston@sky.com

Street Dance classes in Sherston Bristol's Pumped dance school is running classes in Sherston Village Hall every Thurs. It's a fun, high energy dance class for girls and boys. The 4-6 year old class will run from 4.30pm to 5.15pm, with 7-11 year olds from 5.15pm to 6.15pm. Drop in for £5 per class, £16 pay monthly – or two siblings for £9 per week. Email Claire to register your interest at info@dancepumped.co.uk or just pop in, more details www.dancepumped.co.uk

**Tetbury Camera Club** Meets every Tues evening from Sept to end of May at 7.30pm in The Priory Inn, Tetbury. For more information and current programme visit http://tetburycameraclub.org. uk/ or call Liz Cooper 840482. Visitors welcome.

WEA Sherston Arts, Literature and History Courses The WEA (Workers's Education Association) offers courses on the Arts, Literature and History in the British School Room, Cliff Road. For more information or to book a place contact Warwick or Pat Jones on warwickandpatjones@gmail.com

Village Hall 300+ Club For an annual subscription of only £6, give yourself the opportunity of winning a cash prize in every monthly draw whilst supporting the Village Hall. If you would like to join, or need more information, contact the coordinator, Lin Prior on 840846.

Wiltshire Walks The walk lasts approximately 45 minutes and often ends with a cup of tea or coffee. Further information contact Sarah Sims on sarah.sims@wiltshire.gov.uk or 07846100233. For a full list of walking groups in Wiltshire please visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/getwiltshirewalking.

**Yoga for All** Mon evenings 7.45-9.15pm in the village hall. Drop in rate £9 reducing to £7.50 if you take up the course. More details contact Theo 07818 401110 or theo@wildyoga.co.uk www.wildyoga.co.uk

If you run a club, society or organisation in Sherston that holds regular events such as the above and vishes to be listed, please supply your details and we will add them to the Regular events list. If you have a particular event then please write a short piece about it and we can include it as an article and put the details in the What's On list for that month.

# WHAT'S ON

# Dates for your diary 2018

If you're planning a community event in the parish why not let the Cliffhanger have the basic details as soon as possible? Email info@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk to add the event to this list. Everyone will then know what's occurring in good time and it will help prevent events clashing.

# Sherston

# Wiltshire Council Mobile Library

In Sherston High St Every fortnight on Saturdays 10.30am – 12.45pm Apr 7 & 21 May 5 & 19 Jun 2, 16 & 30 For further details call clerk@sherston.org.uk or mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk

The Angel Hotel

Check Facebook, boards for more details of events, call 841627, email contact@sherstonangel.co.uk or visit w ww.sherston-angel.co.uk/

The Carpenter's Arms

Check boards for details For further details call 840665 or visit www.facebook.com/carpenters.armssherston

### The Rattlebone Inn

Monday Quiz Nights Every Monday at 7:30pm Free entry and prizes for the winning team

Check boards for more details of events, call 840871, follow on Twitter or visit www.therattlebone.co.uk

## Church events at The Holy Cross

Easter Day 1-Apr Easter Sunday Service at the Church of the Holy Cross

Gauzebrook Gallivant 12-May Last year this sponsored walk raised almost £2000 for the children's and youth work carried out in our churches by Becky and Joel.

Church of the Holy Cross For further details call Rev Christopher Bryan 837522 or Christopher.bryan123@btinternet.com or twitter @chrisbryanrev // blog http://revchristopherbryan.wordpress.com/ Rev Susan Harvey 840696 or susan.harvey44@hotmail.com

## Sue's Strolls

Sun 8 Apr Please assemble at the village hall for 10am with a return Rattlebone Inn just around 12noon for seasonal refreshments. As ever children and well behaved dogs, the latter on leads, are very welcome. The walk is entirely free and there is no need to book a place – just turn up on the day. For further details call Sue McKechnie 840601 or susannemckechnie@hotmail.co.uk

## **Sherston Market**

Now in aid of Village Hall repairs Local crafts and produce which vary each market - 2nd Saturday in the month All stall fees will now be going directly into the Village Hall Renovation Fund. You can also enjoy delicious delights from EMMA'S KITCHEN from bacon rolls to pie, mash & peas and beautiful Cakes all freshly homemade. The food can be eaten in the hall or have as a take away. Free charity table in entrance 10am-4pm Sat 10 Mar Everyone has been busy making gifts for Mothering Sunday and Easter and all at affordable prices, we have cheese's. chutney's, veg, cakes, meat, treats for children and gifts galore Sat 12 May Sat 9 Jun No market in July as Boules Day For further details call Alison on 07909 737096 or pollyatkins59@btinternet.com

# Art Exhibition at Shear Class Salon Exhibition by local artists Drop in and see the local art

Exhibition by local artists Drop in and see the local art exhibited in the Salon next to the Post Office. All art is for sale! Anyone can call in to see them – you don't have to be attending the salon. There will be details about each artist but all are local and have exhibited in the Sherston Arts Festival Panayiotis Marlagoutsos Apr-May Lesley Kenny Jun-Jul

## Sherston Senior Club

Outing to the Concorde Museum 3-Apr Outing to Dobbies Garden Centre in Circncester 17-Apr Talk: Bob Smith presents "Marvellous Moths" 1-May British School Room

If space allows, visitors are welcome to come on our outings please contact Helen Quirk 840516 for more information. For further details call Helen Quirk 840516

#### Sherston WI Talks

Team Rubicon, talk by Sarah Roberts 5-Apr WI Open Meeting with talk from Caroline Lowsley-Williams, Chavenage Everyone is welcome to hear from Caroline Lowsley-Williams, whose family have lived at Chavenage since the late 19th Century. Chavenage has played a notable part in a number of film and television productions, the Poldark series being one of the more recent ones. Thurs 19 Apr Book your seats to be sure of your place. Cost is £8, which will include refreshments. Please contact Jill Woodward (840 578 or jillwoodward222@btinternet.com) or Sue Heathcock (829 344 or (thegardenhouse@btopenworld.com).

For further details call Jill Woodward 840578 or jillwoodward222@btinternet.com

# Sherston Magna Cricket Club Net sessions for adults at Westonbirt Sports Centre

Net sessions for adults at Westonbirt Sports Centre (directions: www.westonbirt.org/information/directions) Adults: Sunday 1 Apr

Adult Nets 4pm until 5pm The cost for all 5 sessions is £20, or £5 for each session Please pay in cash when you arrive at your relevant session

League fixtures on http://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk/matches



Pinkney Park Ground For further details call cricket@ sherstonmagnacc.co.uk or visit http://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk

### Sherston Boules Festival

Mon 9 - Sun 15 July with the main event, the annual Boules Day on Sat 14 July 2018.

Boules Competition Entry Forms Register your team into July's Boules competition, preferably online through www.sherston.net but paper entry forms will be available Sherston Post Office Entry open from till Easter Monday (1 Apr) Draw takes place end of April Last year the Boules festival raised around £8000 for local charities. For those groups that can offer help for 2018 Boules Day and would like to apply for a donation, please email Chair Pip Pettit on sherstonboules@gmail.com

Sherston Drama Group

Spring Play: SECONDARY CAUSE OF DEATH Apr 4-7 at, 7.30pm, Doors open 7pm The third play in the Inspector Pratt trilogy: Secondary Cause of Death. It is just as funny as the other two, as the hapless inspector tries to make sense of events at Bagshot House in the months leading up to World War 2. Can the audience guess the identity of the murderer, or indeed the next victim, before Pratt does?

If you managed to see either Peter Pan That Goes Wrong over Christmas on television or have been lucky enough to see The Play That Goes Wrong in London or recently on tour then this production is something you are going to love. If you wish to get involved backstage, with set building or technical lights and sounds effects please call Kirstie Blair on 01666 840096 or email kirstieblair@gmail.com

Village Hall For further details call Sue Lehrer (Chair) email suelehrer@gmail.com Tel.07778 0661830

Tickets (including refreshments) on sale at Sherston Post Office Stores .Village Hall For further details call Sue Lehrer (Chair) email suelehrer@gmail.com Tel.07778 0661830

## Rural Arts Wiltshire

Mumbo-Jumbo at Sherston Villlage Hall This is a Rural Arts Touring show, also in aid of the Village Hall Sat 19 May 7.30pm Licensed Bar. Tickets £10, concessions £8, under 16 £6, from Sherston Post Office or 840375

For further details call or visit www.ruralartswiltshire.org.uk

## Knockdown The Holford Arms

Live Music every weekend Check boards for more details of events For further details call 01454 238669 or info@theholfordarms.co.uk

## Badminton Badminton Horse Trials

Wed 2 - Sun 6 May from 9 / 9.30 am Gates open at 8am See website for ticket information Under 12s free. Cash (only) at gate is £2 more than advance tickets. Free admission after 4pm Badminton

For further details call 01454 218375 or boxoffice@badminton-horse.co.uk or visit www.badminton-horse.co.uk



## Luckington

#### Youth Café

Weekly event for ages 11-16 Saturdays 6-6.30pm Big Questions & Discussions, 6.30-7.30pm Food, games and chill in Luckington Village Hall

For further details Joel Faulkner joel.p.faulkner@gmail.com

## Westonbirt

#### The Arboretum

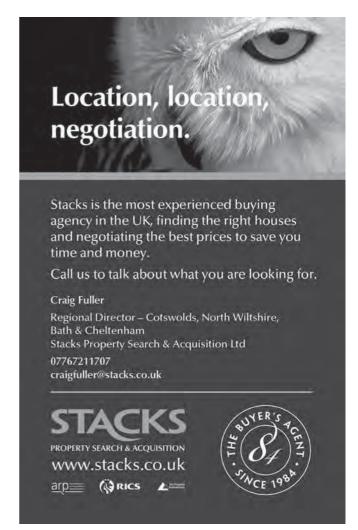
STIHL Treetop Walkway The main walkway is step-free, making it accessible to visitors on foot, using mobility scooters, wheelchairs and pushchairs and to those with dogs on leads. It is 300m long and gradually rises on gentle inclines to a height of 13m. Scramble up to the crow's nest viewing platform; cross the rope bridge; Peer through the mesh-floored section

Specialist Wood Sales every Sat 10am-1pm in aid of FOWA Secrets of Silk Wood - guided walk 2pm Every Sat and Sun till 4 Nov Departs the Welcome Building - free after admission - dogs on leads welcome

Wild Westonbirt - for 14-18 year olds Learn traditional and bushcraft survival skills - booking essential - 0300 067 4854 Sat 21 Apr Sat 26 May Sat 23 Jun Sat 21 Jul 10am-4pm free after admission

Summer concerts on sale Thurs 14 Jun - The Script Fri 15 Jun-Paul Heaton and Jacqui Abbot Sat 16 Jun Paloma Faith; Sun 17 Jun George Ezra Ticket prices at the booking office.
Till Nov 2018 admission prices Adults £10, Concs and those

arriving by bike or public transport £7, Children (5-18) £4, under 5s free, 1 carer allowed free per paying disabled visitor For further details call 880220 or visit www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt



## Easton Grey Whatley Manor

Fine Wine and Drinks Society The club will meet for tastings once a month and will be held in The Green Room, the brand new dining space. Annual membership £50 per annum. Monthly tastings £15. To book contact Daniel Davies on 827076 or email sommelier@whatleymanor.com

Sunday Cinema £45 includes your cinema ticket for the screening and popcorn and a 3 course lunch or dinner in Le Mazot brasserie. Lunch first from 12 noon with the film starting promptly at 2.30pm. For the dinner screening enjoy the film first starting promptly at 5pm followed by dinner in Le Mazot brasserie from 7.15pm. The Mountain Between Us Sun 1 Apr Kate Winslet Beau Bridges

Special cinema and dinner event in the Green Room – 'Lion'. Experience a classic range of Indian dishes with one of our chefs Nikesh Patel. You will enjoy the first few courses in The Green Room and then head over to the cinema to enjoy the film "Lion" starring Dev Patel and Nicole Kidman, during the interval the treats will be served in the cinema. £65.00 per person Fri 20 Apr Chef's Table in the Green Room Thai Night Fri 6 Apr; Indian Night Fri 20 Apr

Guest Michelin Chef Pop-Ups in the Green Room

Tony Parkin, Head Chef of Graham Garrett's Michelin star restaurant, The West House in Biddenden, Kent Mon 30 Apr £145 seated at 7.30pm In the intimate environment of the Green Room with a central open kitchen you will be interacting with these talented and creative chefs as they cook.

Guest Michelin Chef Pop-Ups in the Green Room Gareth Ward – Chef Patron Ynyshir Hall, one Michelin star and on the way to a second. Mon 14 May £145 seated at 7.30pm In the intimate environment of the Green Room with a central open kitchen you will be interacting with these talented and creative chefs as they cook. On the website of Ynyshir it simply says: Ingredient led Flavour driven, Fat fuelled, Meat obsessed, This is an evening not to miss.

For further details call 834026 or visit www.whatleymanor.com

Malmesbury

Movies@Malmesbury

Thurs 3 7 pm "Manon" (Ballet) Live from the Royal Ballet \* Fri 11

2pm "I, Tonya"; 5.30 pm "Peter Rabbit"; 8pm "Journey's End" Wed 16 2pm "Journey's End"

Wed 16

7.30 pm "An American in Paris" from the West End, London \* Mon 21 8pm "Red Sparrow"

Tues 22 2pm

"An American in Paris" from the West End, London  $^{\ast}$  ; 7.30pm Exhibition on Screen "Monet"  $^{\ast}$ 

Fri 25 5.30pm "Peter Rabbit"; 8pm "Red Sparrow" Movies@Malmesbury is run entirely by volunteers. If you would like to help out with the running of Movies@Malmesbury please see a member of the staff at the end of a screening or email us ghcooke@hotmail.com A limited range of drinks and snacks are

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Malmesbury Town Hall For further details call Tickets are available at the Town Hall, on the door or online (a booking fee is payable) or visit www.malmesbury.gov.uk/cinema.html

#### Exhibition: Wiltshire At War

Wiltshire Does Its Bit includes many interesting stories of local nurses, dairymaids, small businesses, and local people providing comfort to soldiers of WWI– all doing their bit for the war effort. The museum will also have a display commemorating local soldiers and sailors who lost their life on the Somme and Jutland free entry Open Summer: Mon to Sun 10.30am to 4.30pm Winter (from Oct to Mar): Mon to Sat 10.30am to 4.30pm, Sundays: 11.30am to 3.30pm. For further details call or visit www.athelstanmuseum.org.uk

Singing for the Brain

Singing sessions are led by a trained Singing for the Brain leader Every other Monday 1.30-3pm a free service (funded by Wiltshire council) is designed to be a fun, stimulating and social activity for people with a diagnosis of dementia and their family/friends or carers. For session dates and to book your place please call Pam Ollis at our Chippenham office.

Malmesbury Activity Zone, Bremilham Road For further details call 01249 443469 or e-mail nwilts@alzheimers.org.uk or visit www.alzheimers.org.uk

Malmesbury & District University of the Third Age

U3A is a unique organisation which provides educational, creative and leisure opportunities for retired and semi-retired people. There are over 400 members and around 40 different interest groups including arts and crafts, book group, history, gardening, dancing, theatre trips , languages, walking etc. U3A meets on the 4th Thursday of the month at Malmesbury town hall from 10- 11.45 for tea/coffee, a chat and to listen to our monthly speaker. Charge 50p

Talk by Andrew Poynton of Poynton Farriery Clinic Based in Malmesbury, Andrew has a wealth of experience which he shares with farriers and vets in this country and abroad.

For further details call Membership Secretary Ann Roberts-Phare on 823971 or visit www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk

Wiltshire Council Sunday Lunch Club

Monthly get together for those who'd like some company and a good Sunday lunch Each month 12.30pm for 1pm start. £10.50 pp Transport can be arranged if needed

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### Events at Malmesbury Children's centre

Workshops for toddlers, infants and new parents Free parenting courses for parents with children under 5 - check website for details free crèche Malmesbury Children's Centre For further details call 825566 or email: malmesburycc@spurgeons.org or visit www.malmesburycc.org

### Wessex Concert Orchestra

Spring Concert at Malmesbury Abbey this year the concert features Beethoven's 1st Piano Concerto with the young talent of pianist Kim Li. Also on the programme is the joyous Overture to the Magic Flute - Mozart and Brahm's romantic Symphony no 2 Sat 28 Apr at 7.30pm  $\pounds 12/\pounds 10$  concs from The Abbey bookshop, Michael Thomas Butchers at The Triangle Malmesbury, and the website www.wco.org.uk

Wessex Concert Orchestra is a challenging, sociable and friendly non-professional orchestra based in Chippenham but performing in the North Wiltshire area. It draws amateur players of all ages from the local area. The repertoire ranges from film and light music through to a challenging range of full symphonic works. It welcomes new members and has vacancies in some sections. WCO meets on a Monday night in Chippenham and anyone interested in joining this friendly but committed group of players should contact the Musical Director on md@wco.org.uk to enquire about vacancies.

For further details call md@wco.org.uk or visit www.wco.org.ukg

Malmesbury, Chippenham

Programmes and Activities at The RISE Trust

FREE Children's Centre activities The RISE Trust supports many projects in North Wiltshire with 6 Children's Centres in Chippenham, Cricklade, Royal Wootton Bassett and Calne. We provide Children's Centre services for the Corsham and Malmesbury areas. We also run Youth services, such as mentoring and youth groups, and provide services to the elderly. The RISE Trust started as an initiative from a local church in Chippenham in 2004.





Seniors' lunches The Rise Trust Volunteers regularly serve a Community Lunch for Seniors at St Paul's Church Hall, Malmesbury Road, Chippenham at 12pm. This is a great way to make new friends and socialise. For more details please contact Vicky Watt on 01249 445288 or email vickyw@therisetrust.org Youth Club and Youth Café We run lots of activities for young people in Chippenham including a Youth Club and Youth Cafe Gemma Matthews 01249 464008 or gemmam@therisetrust.org For further details call 01249 463 040 or visit www.therisetrust.org/programmesevents/

### Grittleton Moviola -

the Touring Rural Cinema Scheme

Murder on the Orient Express [12A] Wed 25 Apr Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start £6 from Lesley or on the door What starts out as a lavish train ride through Europe quickly unfolds into one of the most stylish, suspenseful and thrilling mysteries ever told. From the novel by best-selling author Agatha Christie, "Murder on the Orient Express" tells the tale of thirteen strangers stranded on a train, where everyone's a suspect. One man must race against time to solve the puzzle before the murderer strikes again. Kenneth Branagh directs and leads an all-star cast: Olivia Colman, Penélope Cruz, Willem Dafoe, Judi Dench, Johnny Depp, Derek Jacobi, Michelle Pfeiffer and Daisy Ridley

Grittleton Village Hall For further details call Lesley 01249 783157 or email l\_palmer@btinternet.com or visit www.moviola.org/

Grittleton Plant & Spring Fair

organised by children's charity Action Medical Research Set in the stunning surrounds of Grittleton House, plant lovers and "foodies" are in for a real treat, over 50 stalls selling plants from specialist nurseries, stunning accessories for your "room outside "and delicious local artisan produce. Mon 28 May 11am − 3pm Entrance - £3 per person, Children under 12 free. Assistance dogs only please. We are thrilled to announce there will be a guest appearance from Action's special mascot PADDINGTON ™

All proceeds and donations will be going to support children's charity Action Medical Research. Action Medical Research is raising funds to offer hope to thousands of families across the UK who are dealing with the trauma of a baby born too early, striving to support a child affected by disability or facing the challenge of caring for a child with a rare and devastating disease for which there is no cure. Grittleton House.

For further details call If you are interested in having a stall please contact Tracey Edwards T 01225 776691 E tedwards@action.org.uk or visit www.action.org.uk/grittleton\_plant\_and\_food\_fair

# Tetbury

**Tetbury Goods Shed** 

Vegetables from Aunt Addie's Visit the amazing Ros for all your delcious locally grown vegetables. Adeline Farm is a farming venture with the emphasis on quality, fresh, local and seasonal produce. Although not certified as Organic they are committed to using organic methods – and to working with nature and respecting



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April events:

Sat 1 - Close Encounters - Photographic Exhibition by Mark Fairhurst - Runs to 12 May 2018 (Closed Mondays)

Thurs 5 - Cinema "Swallows and Amazons"

Doors Open 2pm - Performance Starts 2.30pm Tickets Cost £7 Adults/£5 Children (14 years)

Thurs 5 - Cinema "Murder on the Orient Express"

Doors Open 6.30pm – Performance Starts 7pm Tickets Cost £7 Adults/£5 Children (14 years)

Sat 7 - Wrong Jovi - Tribute Band

Doors Open 7pm- Performance Starts 7.30pm - Tickets Cost: £15 Thurs 12th - Cinema - "Paddington II"

Doors Open 2pm - Performance Starts 2.30pm Tickets Cost £7 Adults/£5 Children (14 years)

Thurs 12 - Cinema - "Victoria and Abdul"

Doors Open 6.30pm - Performance Starts 7pm Tickets Cost £7 Adults/£5 Children (14 years)

Sat 14 - Little Howards Big Show for Kids

Doors Open: 1.30pm - Performance Starts: 2.00pm - Tickets From

Wed 18 - Tetbury Community Choir Concert

Doors Open: 7pm – Performance Starts: 7.30pm – Tickets Cost £9

Thurs 19 - Cinema - "Goodbye Christopher Robin"

Doors Open 6.30pm - Performance Starts 7pm Tickets Cost £7 Adults/£5 Children (14 years)

Sat 21 (AM) - William Howard - In Love with the Piano Doors Open 10.30am – Performance Starts:11.00am – FREE

Sat 21 (PM)- William Howard - Exploring Chopin's 4th Ballade Doors Open: 4.30pm- Performance Starts: 5.00pm- Tickets Cost: £.5

Sun 22 - William Howard - Recital

Doors Open:4.30pm – Performance Starts:5pm – Tickets Cost: £18

Monday 23 - William Howard - Schools Event

Doors Open: 10.30am - Performance Starts 11.00am FREE **EVENT** 

Wednesday 25 - Watching Out By Everyman Theatre

Doors Open: 7pm – Performance Starts: 7.30pm Tickets Cost: £9

Thurs 26 – Cinema – "Royal Night Out"

Doors Open 6.30pm – Performance Starts 7pm Tickets Cost £7 Adults/£5 Children (14 years)

Sat 28 - Iron and Oak - featuring local Artist - Heather Bristow How to reach the Shed - use the sat nav postcode GL8 8EY For further details info@shed-arts.co.uk or visit www.shed-arts.co.uk

Tetbury Art Society

**Spring Exhibition** The exhibition is then open from Sat 5- 7 May at The Market House, Tetbury, 10am - 5pm. £3 non-members. For further details call Gill Ashley 840993 or visit www.tetburyartsociety.org.uk

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## **Didmarton** Flicks in the Sticks

Paddington 2 Fri 6 Apr earlier start time of 6pm for 7pm in case there are any children who would like to come - Doors open 6:30pm for 7.30pm start. Cash bar £3 in advance £3.50 on the door Settled in with the Brown family, Paddington the bear is a popular member of the community who spreads joy and marmalade wherever he goes. One fine day, he spots a pop-up book in an antique shop -- the perfect present for his beloved aunt's 100th birthday. When a thief steals the prized book, Paddington embarks on an epic quest to unmask the culprit before Aunt Lucy's big celebration Didmarton Village Hall For further details call Jenny Body 01454 238358 or jenny.body@btconnect.com

Crudwell North Wilts Villages Flower Club

Workshop tutored by Anna Steven - "Do you see what I see?" 18 Apr Members' Dinner May 16 at Mayfield Crudwell)

Garden visit to national demonstrator, Pam Lewis's garden, near Devizes 20-Jun

Flower arranging classes Our regular flower arranging classes will be starting on May 23. There will be a set of four classes, with the first one being a beginners and back to basics class. This will be open to non-members and spaces are still available. If you would like to join us, please call the number below, for more info.

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For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639

## Chippenham

#### Historic Food Festival

Celebrate Wiltshire's food and drink heritage with a day of free activities, talks and displays at the Wiltshire and Swindon History Centre. The Women's Institute will also be on hand with a pop-up café, selling tea, coffee and heritage cakes throughout the day. Sat 14 Apr 10.30am Food historian and author Sally McPherson and chef Deborah Loader will talk about the history of food and the herbs and spices used as flavourings down the ages

Wiltshire is of course famous for its cheese and dairy industries and we are delighted that local cheese-maker Ceri Cryer will be joining in on the day. She has revived the traditional Wiltshire Loaf, a semi-hard cheese popular in the 18th and 19th centuries, which she makes at the Brinkworth Dairy using her great grandfather's recipe. If that is not historic enough you can discover just what the builders of Stonehenge were eating 4,500 years ago. Historians from English Heritage will be on hand with a display on food and feasting at the ancient monument

Wiltshire and Swindon History Centre For further details call or visit www.wshc.eu/home/news/item/feasting-on-heritage.html

## Neeld Community and Arts Centre

I'm Still Standing: The Elton John Story Fri 6 Apr The 8 piece band are stunning to watch and play the tracks with great energy and all 100% live. Finished off with beautiful projections, replica costumes and a baby grand to boot, this is an electrifying evening of classic hits not to be missed.

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Garry J Foley: Elvis Tribute Night Sat 7 Apr Garry J Foley is a multi award winning Elvis tribute artist and has performed throughout the UK, Europe, USA, China, India and Asia. Garry has been performing as an Elvis Tribute Artist for many years and has gained many awards along the way.

Feast of Fiddles Mon 23 Apr Typically, fiddlers Peter Knight (Steeleye Span), Chris Leslie (Fairport Convention), Brian McNeill (Battlefield Band), Ian Cutler (Bully Wee), Tom Leary (Zeus) and Garry Blakeley (Band of Two) add the large range of fiddle playing styles to the rock back-line of guitars, keyboards, sax and accordion – all held together by legendary drummer Dave Mattacks. Martin Hughes-Games and Iolo Williams present Wildlife Road Trip Tues 1 May TV wildlife presenters from Springwatch, Autumnwatch and Winterwatch, Martin Hughes-Games and Iolo Williams present this informative and amusing wildlife show packed with fascinating facts and fun. Their exciting journey is filled with real life stories and takes the audience behind the scenes of the wonderful world of wildlife and TV presenting.

Queen II Fri 11 May Queen II have been touring Britain and Europe captivating audiences with their nostalgic tribute show. The band faithfully recreates the energy, excitement, and emotion of a classic Queen concert. An authentic tribute, the four-piece band delivers powerful vocals, driving rock anthems and flamboyant showmanship.

Neeld Community and Arts Centre For further details call 01249 446699 or visit www.neeld.co.uk

### Colerne Paws for a Cause

5K Charity Dog Walk around Colerne Airfield in aid of Cancer Research Sun 22 Apr - from 8.30am £6 adult £3 child Big Bone prize for best fundraiser Colerne Airfield For further details visit cancerresearchukbox@outlook.com

# Wotton-Under-Edge The Electric Picture House

A refurbished local cinema run by volunteers from the local community This month: Peter Rabbit; The Greatest Showman Sing-Along; Phantom Thread; The Shape of Water; Three







Billboards Outside Ebbing Missouri; A Wrinkle in Time; Sat 7 Apr The Magic Flute; Wed 11 Apr RSC Live: Macbeth; Berliner Philharmoniker LIVE Conducted by Kirill Petrenko Fri 13 Apr; English National Ballet: Akram Khan's Giselle Thurs 26 Apr; NT Live: Macbeth Thurs 10 May; An American in Paris - the Musical; check website for details

For further details call 01453 844601 or visit www.wottoncinema.com

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Winslow Boy; Pressure; Agnes Colander; and for younger audiences: The Whale; David Walliams's Gangsta Granny; Peter Pan; Penguins; Handa's Surprise; Sourpuss; Whatever The Weather;

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## Cheltenham

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#### Sherston Emergency Response Coordinator

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#### Wiltshire Council

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