



THE SHERSTON CLIFFHANGER



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Sherston Boules and Carnival July 2016



The 30th Annual Sherston Boules Festival was once again a fantastic success, well supported and attended by hundreds of people. Principally spread over five days but with the main event taking place on Saturday 16 July, we were blessed with perfect weather for the 400 players to enjoy the biggest one-day boules event in the UK. The day was beautifully organised by a dedicated committee following a format that has been tried and tested for many years. Sherston is indeed a unique village and the event is geared towards raising thousands of pounds for local groups and is brilliantly supported by the residents – running everything from a cricket match, skittles competition, logistics, and children's entertainment to bars, teas and refreshments.

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Photos by Nick Holland

Viking thanks

The Parish Council would like to thank the committee, Paul Ormiston, Adrienne Jackson, Richard and Tom Langley, Jill Caine and John Matthews, for organising the events to mark Sherston's millennium and the Viking reenactment of the Battle of Sherston. The events on Saturday 25 June were very well received with many positive comments and the weekend would not have been a success without the efforts of many people, but especially the committee.

**Class Act II
Charity Shop
opens -
see page 4**

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Sherston Badminton Club

Sherston Badminton Club will start again on 6 September after our summer break. We meet on Tuesday evenings at 7.30pm - 9.30pm in the village hall for some really friendly games of badminton. We have a broad range of ages and abilities and meet regularly to enjoy our games. Anyone over 18 is welcome to join us and you will be made most welcome. Contact David on 07740 188882 or djboyle@hotmail.com.

Meeting of the parish council

The parish council will next meet on Thursday 8 September in the village hall at 7.30pm. All are welcome to attend and there are opportunities to raise questions and make comments. If you cannot attend the meeting but have something to raise, please contact the clerk, Sarah Wood, on 840197 or email clerk@sherston.org.uk. You can also contact the council via the response form on www.sherston.org.uk where minutes of meetings can also be read.

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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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Cubs clean for the Queen



On Sunday 10 July the Sherston Cubs took up bin bags and litter pickers and took part in 'Clean for the Queen', a nationwide campaign to clear up Britain in honour of the Queen's 90th birthday. Their efforts were timely as they helped to ensure that the village looked spotless for the Boules festival. The only village group to participate, the Cubs collected numerous bags of rubbish from around the village. The Cubs were surprised at how tidy the village was generally, but they were overwhelmed by the number of cigarette butts they found (please, put them in a bin!) and the award for the most revolting find was a very full and very used nappy that was found abandoned in a hedgerow!

By cleaning for the Queen the Cubs demonstrated the well recognised traditions of the Cub movement: taking pride in their community and recognising the importance of living in a clean and tidy environment. Her Majesty would be proud of their efforts.

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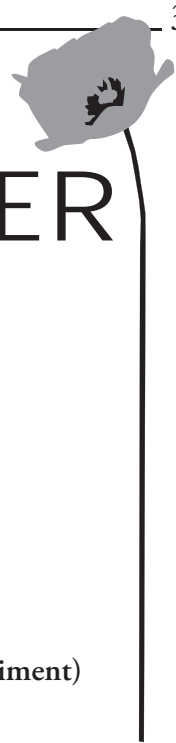
Zorb Football is an exciting new sport that was first created in Norway and is now taking the UK by storm. It is a fun variation on the classic game of football that sees the players encased in an inflatable zorb that covers the upper body and head.

Those under 16 years of age will need to provide a consent form, prior to participation, which has been signed by a parent/guardian/carer. The consent form can be downloaded from:

www.go-active.org/news/dont-miss-these-sports-this-summer (scroll down to the "Malmesbury Area", to download and print out the image of the flyer/consent form).

For more information please call 07500 836 590 or email info@go-active.org.

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Verney Saunders was killed in action on 23 August 1916 while helping to take the trenches. He has no known grave but is remembered, alongside the many other soldiers who lost their lives at the Somme, on the Thiepval Memorial to the Missing.

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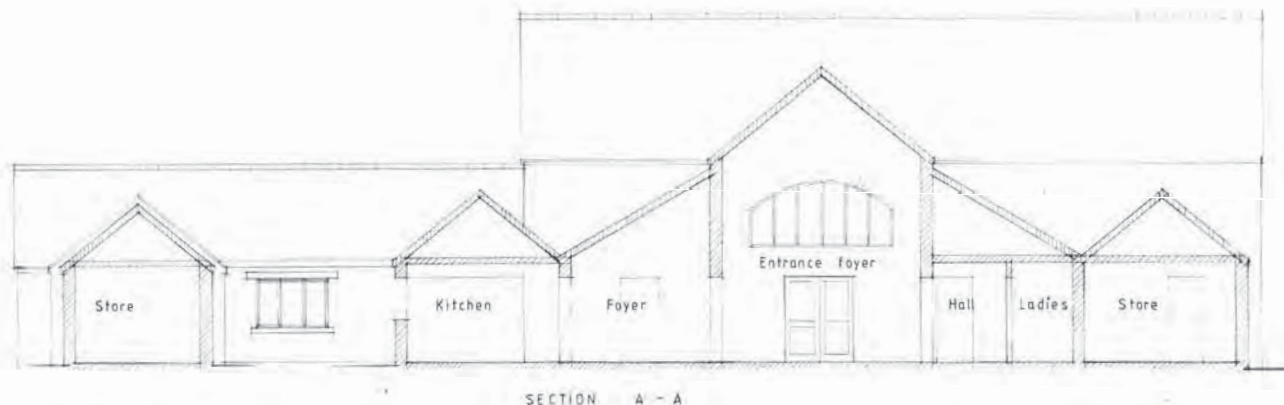
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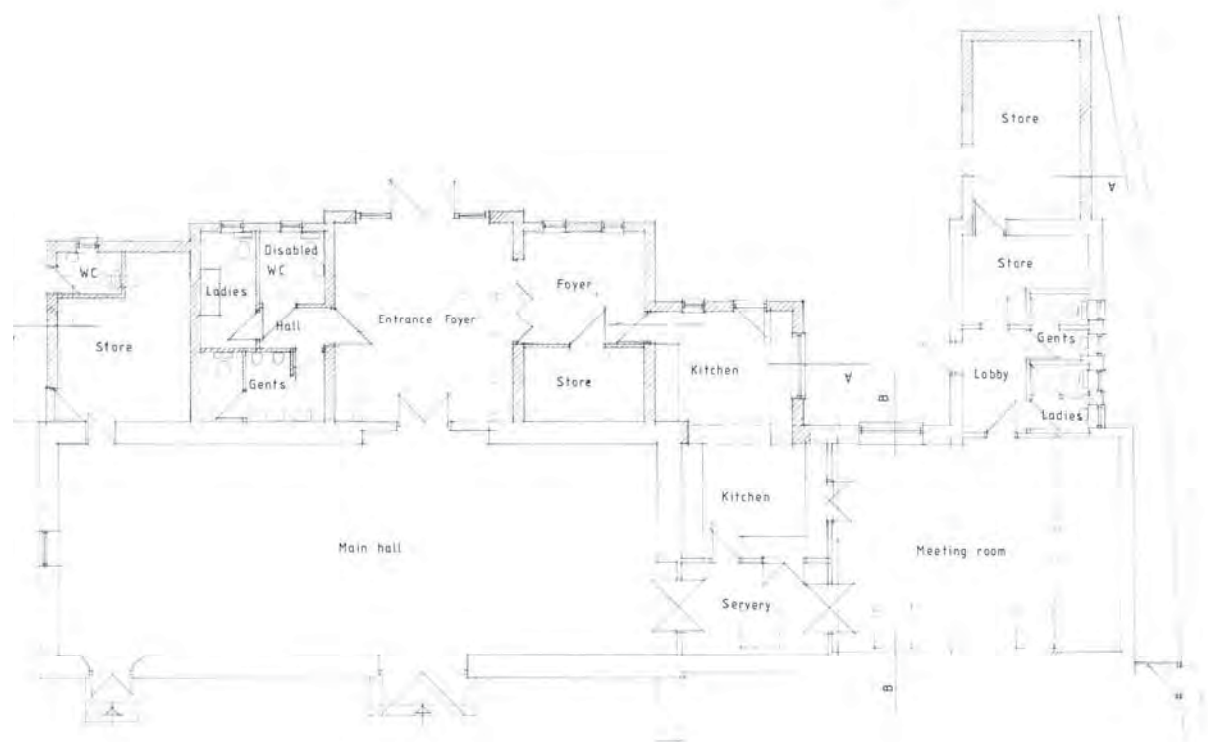
- adults' and children's clothes,
- jewellery and accessories,
- household items, including furniture, toys, books and games.

Please contact Marion Gee on manddgee@btinternet.com or phone 841147 if you have anything you wish to donate now. We will be setting up and accepting goods on Saturday 30 and Sunday 31 July in the village hall.

Just to remind you, here are the plans for the major improvement of the village hall...



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 Pam Dix

28th August 11.00am All Age Service

CC4C Bike Ride in aid of Horse Boy Foundation UK



This summer, six friends are planning a bike ride with a difference. The 11-year-old girls have decided to cycle an impressive 75 miles from Hungerford to Bristol, in the hope of raising £5,000 for the inspiring charity Horse Boy Foundation UK which helps children and families living with autism.

CC4C (Children's Challenge 4 Charity) was set up in 2013 by two boys Ben and Thomas. Now Amelia Fuller (Ben's sister, and a former pupil at Sherson Primary School) and five of her friends – Jessie Llewellyn Palmer (also a former pupil at Sherston Primary School), Alice and Izzy Playne, Rosie Roche and Beth Tuke-Hastings – hope to complete the epic bike ride and help a group of children and their families facing challenges every day of their lives.

The girls have been training hard for the bike ride and hope to complete the 75 miles in two days. They also plan, if possible, to do a portion of the challenge on ponies!

All the girls are excited to try and raise much needed funds for Horseboy. 'We are doing this challenge to raise money for Horse Boy so that ten families with autistic children can go to a Horse Boy Camp,' said Amelia. 'If we manage to raise £5,000 up to ten families will get to go on holiday for the first time ever, which would be fantastic!' Jessie added.

Horse Boy uses a tried and tested '6 stage' system of horse therapy to help children with autism ranging from back riding to simply being near and in physical contact with the highly trained horses. The effect of being on or simply close to the horses is truly amazing



with many of the children able to communicate, relax and laugh for the first time.

The girls like the idea of helping families living with autism. 'It would be really great to raise the money to help the children communicate and have more fun,' said Rosie. They are all excited and a little bit nervous about the bike ride itself: 'It will be such hard work but we won't give up and we will be proud of ourselves at the end,' Alice said.

If you would like to support Amelia, Beth, Alice, Izzy, Jessie and Rosie in their marathon bike ride and raise awareness and much needed funds for Horse Boy then please kindly donate at www.give.net/cc4c2016. For more information about Horse Boy and the work they do please visit: www.horseboyfoundation.org.uk.

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Summer Sun

If we get to see some more sun over the next few weeks don't forget your hats and sunscreen – especially on those frequently forgotten areas: tops of your ears and tops of your feet!

Staff Changes

We are sorry to announce that, after six years of working at the surgery, Lauren, our dispensing lead and phlebotomist, has decided that it is time for her to move on to pastures new. We are asking for your support and understanding as we need to make a few adjustments to our services until a new appointment is made. We want to ensure that we can operate in the best possible way for our patients and staff.

Our plan is to suspend our extended hours on Wednesday evenings and Thursday evenings, until further notice, as we cannot cover these reception hours. We will continue to provide the Wednesday morning extended hours. We will also be closing

the dispensary for one extra hour from 1.00pm to 3.00pm each day, so that staff have time to deal with all their dispensing duties. We think this is the best possible solution with the least disruption to services. We hope that this does not cause too many problems to our patients, but please speak to a member of staff if you have any problems with this arrangement.

We wish Lauren all the best in her new endeavours, and hope to fill her shoes as soon as possible, and resume our normal service

Sherston Village Hall 300+ Club

July 2016 Draw

1st	312	Terrie Gibson	£13
2nd	317	Keith Godwin	£12
3rd	236	Janice Botterill	£11
4th	61	Shirley Wood	£10
5th	157	Josephine Brant	£9
6th	250	Margaret Maslen	£8
7th	184	Owen Fitzpatrick	£7

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Sherston Senior Club

Our annual trip to Weston-Super-Mare was a dry but very windy day. It certainly blew the cobwebs away! As a contrast, our garden party at the President's home was washed out with very heavy rain, but 19 brave members and one visitor attended, so it was held indoors. Some members watched the tennis while enjoying good company and all enjoyed the delicious tea.

Our next meeting was the Boules tea afternoon where we were entertained by popular singing group 'End of the Track'. Our last meeting in July was a talk by Cilla Liddington on Sherston's history.

Looking forward

On 9 August, we are visiting Tredegar House and gardens over the bridge near Newport. Time of departure 10.30am. Entry and coach £15 for members, visitors £17 or National Trust members £10 coach-only visitors £12. Please contact Helen Quirk 840516 to reserve your place.

On 23 August, the speaker will be Michael Rumsey who will show slides and talk about the ABC of British Railways.

Pickwick Painters

Pickwick Painters are a group of artists, based in Corsham, who show their works over a wide geographic area. By the time you read this, they will have started their exhibition at The John Bowen Gallery in the Town Hall, Malmesbury on 30 July. BUT there is still time for you to see pictures by this talented group because they will be exhibiting until 18 August! Entry is free, so please come and visit. You must have seen posters in the area by now?

For more information ring 840993

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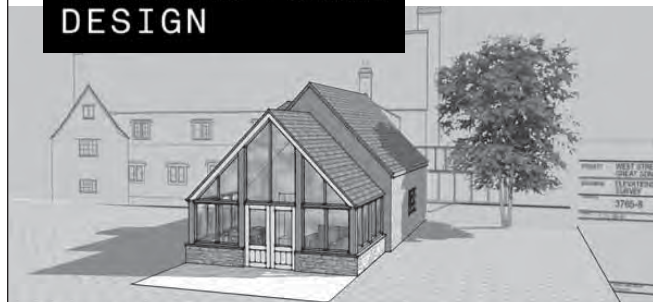
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Our next meeting is on 4 August in the Village Hall when David Lemon will be talking to us on 'Walking the Zambezi'. Visitors to our meetings are always most welcome.

POP goes to the Movies!



There may be other blockbusters out this summer but the hottest ticket in Sherston is the POP film – out now! Best of all, and in the spirit of POP, you don't have to leave the village! Grab yourself a bucket of POPcorn and check out the following YouTube link: <https://m.youtube.com/watch?v=CenIE3oGocA> (if you are on Facebook, check out the POP page and there is a click-through link there).

The film is all thanks to the hard work of Oscar Power, Grace Pettit and Max Owen. They spent the weekend filming POP, and Oscar edited it together to create a fantastic film. It really captures the spirit of Sherston. The POP team are sending out a massive thank you to Oscar and his production team. It was a great idea and everything from the use of mobile green screens to well thought out interview questions have combined to make a wonderfully entertaining and creative film. Check it out and you might just spot yourself!

In more POP thank yous, we must also make a special mention for Graham and Gail Hayman. They ran the brilliant Grampies Record POP and they have spent countless hours since sorting the remaining records ready for auction. They succeeded in raising over £200, bringing the new POP total to just over £5,900! A truly awe-inspiring figure in just one weekend. Watch this space for more details on spends and photographs of happy smiling children! Thank you again to everyone involved!

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Art Display in Shear Class

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Flying Monk Arts and Craft Trail

Launched with a new name, the Flying Monk Arts and Craft Trail (last year called Malmesbury Arts and Craft Trail) takes place on Saturday 24 and Sunday 25 September. Sixteen venues will be open over the weekend in Malmesbury and the surrounding villages, showing the work of 30 artists and craftspeople. It's a great way to explore the local area, visiting and talking to the creative people themselves, maybe purchasing an original work or two to take home.

We will have venues open in Sherston, Pinkney and Easton Grey, as well as several in Malmesbury, Corston and Lea.

Look out for further details in the September Cliffhanger, and leaflets will be available.



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Big Get Together's Big Success

The Activity Zone in Malmesbury was bursting with local groups and clubs last month for the Big Get Together. After four months of planning and organising, the main hall was buzzing with good vibes as people came to see what Malmesbury Community Area has to offer. We had 70 groups turn up, 12 cakes baked and over 200 people attend the event, which is amazing!

I think it is important to share some of the feedback we have had:

- It was so well organised and well attended, loads of my friends really enjoyed it and got a great deal out of it.

- In 20 minutes of being there I have joined an art class, learnt all about mindfulness, line dancing and joined the list for 'Age UK Friends' to the elderly.

- I thought the community event was really jolly on Wednesday.

- Gloucestershire should be ashamed, they don't have anything like this.

- It is so important to show what our community has to offer local people.

- What a great event, lots of people and groups. From the leisure centre's point of view, an excellent opportunity to bring new people to the centre.

Many groups that attended have had new members sign up as a result of the event, which was a huge success. We would like to thank the Activity Zone for hosting the event, and being key in the on-the-day logistics, Ellen Blacker for being the main coordinator, and all the fantastic local groups for attending, ensuring the event was diverse, as well as showcasing how awesome Malmesbury area is.

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News from Holy Cross Church

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In September, we are hoping to run a Foundations course. This course has been run several times in our Group of churches, and is designed for anyone who would like to explore the foundations of Christian belief, whether they share that belief or not. It's widely appropriate, whether you have been coming to church for ages or never been! We try to keep a good balance between input, discussion and the opportunity to raise questions. It will either be on Tuesday or Thursday evenings, 7.30pm till 9.00pm, starting mid September. Please contact Christopher. bryan123@btinternet.com or 837522 for more details.

Little Lights will have their annual summer celebration and picnic on Thursday 4 August from 10.30am in Hullavington Church. Please contact Chantal on 837522 for more information about this group for 0-5 year olds and their parents/carers.

Do you know anyone who might be interested in exploring confirmation? Our Toast youth group will be doing confirmation preparation starting this autumn. It's for young people at secondary school, and is open to anyone, whether they have been to Toast or not. It's open ended, so you're welcome to come if you're interested but not sure whether confirmation is for you. If you did decide to be confirmed, the service is at Malmesbury Abbey on

Wednesday 2 November at 7.30pm. Adults who are wishing to be confirmed should contact me please. It may seem early to be thinking about this, but it's amazing how virtually every year someone contacts us when the opportunity has already passed by!

Christopher Bryan, Rector

Gauzebrook Churches' Youth and Children's work trainee

My name is Joel Faulkner, and I'm delighted to say that I'll be joining you all in September as the Gauzebrook Churches' Youth and Children's work trainee! I come from Portishead on the outskirts of Bristol. I'm very in to sports and music, and hope to transfer these passions to my work with the Gauzebrook group when I start in September. I've always found that I've had a calling to be involved in youth work, having spent all my life around various Christian youth camps as a child, and growing up in a Christian background has made the decision that much easier for me. Over the course of the next year I hope to gain a great idea of what God wants for me in my life, and to help and have an influential and positive effect on the lives of the children and young people in the parish.

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Gauzebrook Gallivant

Several months ago, Steve Ellis of Gemini Outdoor suggested the idea of a Gauzebrook Gallivant, a 21-mile walk, mostly off road, visiting all the Gauzebrook churches as a way of raising funds towards the future salary of Becky Fisher, our highly valued children's worker. It was such a joy to be able to experience such beautiful and varied countryside.

After a lot of planning and hard work, including several pre-walks and a lot of path clearing, the walk occurred on Saturday 9 July with 30 walkers participating in at least one leg and 10 walkers – plus two dogs – completing the whole circuit. Our oldest walker was in his mid-80s. The walk covered eight villages and nine parishes and, at the time of writing, nearly £700 has been raised in donations and sponsorship. The Rector took part and was one of those who completed the whole circuit. He is hoping to raise £1,000 through sponsorship – it is not too late to support him - please go to www.justgiving.com/fundraising/GauzebrookGallivant if you'd like to support the project.

Those involved in the walk were boosted by the warm welcome, support and refreshments provided

at all of the churches. The bacon butties, pain au chocolat, cakes and biscuits were amazing and a huge encouragement - it was great to be able to eat them knowing the calories had already been burnt off! Someone suggested that the event should have been renamed the Gauzebrook Graze. It was a really special event which spoke volumes about the share community life and demonstrated the depth of support of Becky and the children and youth work within the Gauzebrook group.

Thank you to everyone involved with our walk: Stuart for taking water for both walkers and dogs to every church, and providing transport for people back to their cars when they participated in one or more legs; Steve and Christopher for organising it and bashing down the stinging nettles and thistles to clear the paths for us; and all the lovely people who provided such wonderful hospitality in the churches. It was encouraging to be met in Stanton Woods by Becky, and the families of Christopher and Steve for the last part of the walk prior to enjoying some splendid refreshments at the Stanton Manor Hotel.

For those of you who wanted to be involved but were unable to take part for any reason, take heart Steve has confirmed that this is the inaugural event! Watch this space for details of the next walk taking place in April/May next year.

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Sherston Boules and Carnival

– July 2016

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Saturday began with a very moving start to the day. To show our respect for the terror that happened in Nice the previous week, our French teams visiting from Gien, Malmesbury's twin town, suggested and joined us in a pétanque players' 'alternative' to a minute's silence: a minute's clanking of boules. Everyone stood still and either respectfully clanked their boules or clapped their hands in a moving tribute.



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The Junior Boules was very well supported and won by The Beach Boys (Will Wright, Louie Gascoyne and Oliver Leonard), whilst winners of the hotly contested Colts was The Three Amigos (William Pritchett, William Hulme and Luke Tappin).

As always, the tournament followed a knock-out format. However, this year, in memory of our founder members Hugh Thompson-Glover and Colin Owen who both sadly passed away this year, the plate competition was resurrected. Following 10 hours of play and seven rounds, the victorious team from Wales (the Piste Artistes, captained by Neil Dobbins) lifted the cup around 7.00pm, having beaten both the French teams by the quarter-finals. The runners-up were a local team – the Bouledogs from Minety – and made the Welsh work for their title! The highest placed local team was the Sprout Pickers captained by newly married Andrew Hibbard, just back from his honeymoon in time to help us lay the pitches too!





Sunday was a huge success, with the Vine Tree Inn reclaiming the trophy for the tug of war whilst the children enjoyed their annual tug of war too, along with egg-throwing and welly-wanging competitions, ably assisted by Malmesbury Young Farmers and Sherston's 1016 charity. In the afternoon, the annual duck race was won by Henry O'Brien and the day was rounded off nicely with tea and cakes in the beautiful Mill Cottage gardens, for which we thank the Church Ladies and Caroline and Phil Moore for hosting. The Rev Susan Harvey closed the proceedings with a service in the evening.



James Pyle, Chairman, said 'The residents of Sherston are amazing and I need to thank so many; they should be very proud of themselves for putting on, supporting and running this event. Sherston is a hugely social village and this event is one of many that take place each year making Sherston so unique.'



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Road Closures

Road Closure 4-5 August and 11-15 August:
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The alternative route is via Via UC Allengrove Lane - UC Cherry Orchard Lane - B4040 The Street and vice versa.

Road closure 15-17 August: Sopworth Lane / The Street / Didmarton Road, Luckington and Sopworth

Wiltshire Council will carry out surface dressing and associated works on C87 Sopworth Lane / The Street / Didmarton Road, Luckington and Sopworth, from its junction with B4040 Sherston Road in a northerly direction to the county boundary. The closure was originally scheduled for 3 March 2016, but will now be required 15-17 August 2016. Access will be maintained for residents and businesses, although delays are likely due to the nature of the works.

The alternative route is Via A433 - C78 Knockdown Road - Sandpits Lane - B4040 Church Street / High Street / Brook Hill / Luckington Road / Sherston Road and vice versa.

Road closure 9 August: Hill Hayes Lane and Farleaze South East, Hullavington and Norton

Wiltshire Council will carry out carriageway reconstruction, surface dressing and road markings on UC Hill Hayes Lane (length), Hullavington and UC Farleaze South East to Railway Bridge, Norton. From its junctions with C27 Sherston Road and C33 The Street. The works will commence on 9 August and last for 3 days, from 7.00am to 6.00pm, and access will be maintained for residents and businesses, although delays are likely due to the nature of the works.

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Future meetings

17 August: we will hold our annual Strawberry Tea at the home of one of our members.

21 September: Mildred Stafford will demonstrate under the title of 'Throw Caution to the Wind'.

19 October: AGM and talk by Sue Carter, Head Gardener for National Trust Lacock. (Gardening for Bees)

Looking forward to other activities

8 September: We have a trip to Sir Roy Strong's garden 'The Laskett', Herefordshire. Seats are still available, contact Caroline on 823456 (members £20, non- members £25).

17 & 18 September: Oaksey flower festival, produce show and scarecrow trail.

Flower club meetings take place at Crudwell Village Hall (SN16 9HB) on the third Wednesday of the month, 7.00pm for 7.30pm. 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.


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Sherston Market: Spotlight on our local producers

This month: The Veg Lady

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This month it is Roz from Adeline Farms. If you haven't tried any of Roz's veg yet, then you are missing out. Always a draw at the market – we know people from lots of our neighbouring villages who stop by on market day just to enjoy 'proper veg, like it used to taste'. Roz grows chemical-free veg picked on the morning of the market and it really shows in the taste (honestly, her kale is the best we have ever had!). To make you feel extra happy that you are buying local veg too (her farm is just the other side of Brokenborough), Adeline Farm is a community-based project to boot. It offers disabled people and those with learning difficulties the opportunity to get involved in farming and grow produce. Roz aims to create an inspirational safe haven that is therapeutic, educational and uplifting to all who participate. We must say we find her pretty uplifting on market day and if you are a keen gardener she is always happy to share her expertise. There will be an abundance of veg at the August market, including baby leeks, tomatoes, chard, beetroot, globe artichokes and anything else she fancies digging up that morning. Join us for a taste of the good life on your doorstep – see you for a cuppa and a bacon butty at the market café!



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Sherston Church Kneelers

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A few years later, the altar rail kneelers were made by a small group working on a large embroidery frame.

Now we don't have as many pews in Church, some of these kneelers are redundant, and the P.C.C. feel that they ought to go somewhere where they can still be used. It is proposed that some might be very useful

at Luckington Church and some may go to Sherston Methodist Church. We are planning to keep all those which have a picture on them, and those which have a dedication on the back.

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Congregational Church - in The British

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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

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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

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For details contact Woody Allen 390110 mark.allen@allencan.co.uk

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For details contact the Division Commissioner at malmesbury@wncounty.org.uk

North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club

(affiliated to National Association of Flower Arrangement Societies - NAFAS) meets at 7.30pm on the third Wed evening of most months of the year at Crudwell Village Hall. Join members come from the surrounding villages to hear speakers and enjoy floristry demonstrations and do workshops and competitions. Call Margaret Stanford on 01285 770 639 to answer any queries or give information about forthcoming events.

Parish Council Meeting Takes place on the 2nd Thursday each month at 7.30pm in the village hall. Minutes of meetings can be read online at www.sherston.org.uk. Further details contact Sarah Wood on 840197 or clerk@sherston.org.uk

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

Senior Club Meets at 2.30pm in the British School Room every other Tuesday alternating with Clem's Club.

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

Sherston Badminton Club We play every Tuesday evening from 7.30pm in the Village Hall from September to the end of May. - New members welcome. For more information contact David Boyle 841587 or email djboyle@hotmail.com

Sherston Brownies Meet every Wednesday 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

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 Friday nights in term times from 6.30pm to 8.00pm. 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 Tuesday nights from 7.00pm to 9.00pm 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 ½ and 18 and free between 8.30 and 10pm on a Friday night during term time; for further information please contact Darren Walsh - 841043 or Ewan Blair - 840096 - whitewallexplorers@googlemail.com

Westonbirt Guides Meet in Querns Hall, Rosehill School, Westonbirt 5pm - 7pm every Wednesday. Sherston Brownies tend to come along if they don't join Scouts. Details from Ann Bye, 01454 218152, ann.bye@virgin.net

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 Richard Skeffington (Chairman) r.a.skeffington@gmail.com Tel. 840092

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

Sherston Ladies' Swimming Club

Want to get fit? Lose weight? Our Club is a friendly and sociable group open to any ladies of any swimming ability from Sherston and the surrounding area. We swim at Westonbirt Leisure Centre on Wednesday evenings from 8 - 9 pm. Everyone swims at their own pace although there is a lane for faster swimmers. It costs £5 per week, £40 for 10 weeks. For further information please phone Maggie (840969), Annabel on 840592 or Heather (840375).

Sherston Magna Cricket Club Junior nets 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 Monday 7.30pm at Westonbirt Leisure Centre. All ages and abilities welcome. £3 per session. For more info, please contact Ailsa (07971 845206), Lauren (07885 597429), Saara (07739 552336) or Kate (07792 064438).

SH.o.C.C. The choir meets at 7.30pm each Wednesday in the British Schoolroom £3 per session - All welcome. Further information from Lucy Lawrence on 840778 (evenings) or lucy@sherston.plus.com or have a look at our Facebook page.

Sherston Photography Forum

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

Sherston Pilates Classes held on Wednesday afternoons and evenings in the village hall. Run by Saara Sharman, Chartered Physiotherapist. All ages and abilities welcome. For more details contact Saara on 07739552336 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 Toddler and Baby Group

The group is a fun way for babies, toddlers and their parents to meet and play. We meet 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, not to mention a much-needed cup of tea/coffee for the deserving parent. Further details contact Sophie Cheetham, sophcheetham@gmail.com 07786 990045 or alternative like us on Facebook for regular updates www.facebook.com/sherston.toddlers

Sherston Velo A new cycling club formed of enthusiastic road cyclists from Sherston and the surrounding area - formally accredited by British Cycling at the end of 2014. There are regular rides each Saturday and Sunday 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.cc

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 Thursday of month Mar - Sept in the Village Hall (except Apr due Spring Play) at 7.30pm and Nov/Dec/ Feb/Apr in the British Schoolroom at 2.30pm. No meetings Oct or Jan. New programme in Mar. Visitors always most welcome £3.50. Further information: Secretary 840578

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

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.

Wild Yoga Mon evenings during term time - 6.45-8pm and 8.15-9.30pm in the village hall. Drop in rate £9 reducing to £7.50 if you take up the course. Contact Theo 07818 401110 or theo@wildyoga.co.uk

If you run a club, society or organisation in Sherston that holds regular events such as the above and wishes 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 2016

October

26-29 Sherston Drama Group Panto

November

5 Sherston 1016 Bonfire Party

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

Charity Shop in Sherston - in aid of Village Hall

Class Act II The new shop is open throughout the month of August in the Small Hall. Marion is hoping that Sherston residents will rise to the challenge of donating good quality items which are easily re-sellable. If anything like last time, the shop will offer a fast-changing selection of jewellery and accessories, household items including furniture, toys, books and clothes for all ages, sizes, shapes and seasons; (electrical goods are however a no-no for safety reasons).

For further details about 'Act II' and when and where to store donated items, email Marion manddgee@btinternet.com or call 841147 and Irene Johnston: ie_johnston@yahoo.co.uk

The Carpenter's Arms

Check boards for details of events

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

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THE FABULOUS DOUGH BOYS Sun 28 Aug 8.30pm

Homemade curries from 6.30pm

Check boards for more details of events

For further details call 840871 or follow on Twitter

#GavinHunt@Therattlebone or visit

www.therattlebone.co.uk

Sherston Market

Local crafts and produce which vary each month, cake stalls including Aunt Addie's Farm Project fresh local vegetables and cheeses from Brinkworth Dairy. Every month a free stall in the lobby is made available to local charity or voluntary group to raise funds. Village hall **10am-2pm**

Sat 13 Aug Sat 10 Sep Sat 8 Oct

For further details call 07887 814843 or 07769 613627 or email info@awkwardsquad.co.uk or visit

www.sherstonmarket.co.uk or

www.facebook.com/pages/Sherston-Market/195319400641324

Church events

Little Lights annual summer celebration and picnic Thurs 4 Aug from 10.30 am in Hullavington church

Confirmation group starting this Autumn for young people at secondary school times and dates to be announced. If you did decide to be confirmed, the service is at Malmesbury Abbey on Wed 2 Nov at 7.30 pm. Adults who are wishing to be confirmed should contact Christopher Bryan

Church Gift Day Sat 10 Sep 9.30am-1pm., when members of the Parochial Church Council will be at the Lych-gate waiting with buckets and sacks to receive your cash and cheques to help with the cost of the upkeep of the Church of the Holy Cross

For further details call Rev Susan Harvey 840696 or

susan.harvey44@hotmail.com

Art Exhibition at Shear Class Salon

Nicki Heenan Call in and see a selection of Nicki's paintings during Aug and Sept Anyone can call in to see them – you don't have to be attending the salon.

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Sherston Senior Club

Outing to Tredegar House and gardens Newport 9 Aug - departs 10.30am Entry and Coach £15 (Members) £17 (non-members) (£5 reduction for National Trust members)

Talk on the ABC of British Railways by Michael Rumsey 23 Aug 2.30pm £2 for visitors

New members are always welcome Annual fee £15 which covers most meetings and discounts on the outings and other events. We meet every two weeks at 2.30pm in summer and 2.00pm in winter in the British School Room Visitors are welcome to the meetings £2 per visit, includes tea and biscuits. Visitors are welcome to any of the outings space permitting.
British School Room For further details call Helen Quirk 840516

Sherston WI Talks

If new to the village come and make new friends. Visitors always welcome - £3.50

Talk: Walking the Zambezi with David Lemon 4-Aug

Talk: The Relationship between feet and shoes with Ellie Dickens 1 Sept at 7.30pm

Talk by Jess McKillop of Aardman Animations Jess will talk all about Wallace and Gromit, Shaun the Sheep etc. Jess is head of 20 creative and technical artists as well as production staff in the CGI (Computer Generated Imagery) department. This meeting on 6 Oct will be open to all and tickets will go on sale in Aug at £7.50

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

Fun in the Sun

Every Wed from Wed 27 Jul - Wed 17 Aug 10am-11.30am
Fun in the Sun is a fun, free activity programme for children, delivered by Wiltshire Council's Sports Development team, aimed at providing regular sports sessions for young people Sports provided change on a week-by-week basis but will include high quality coaching from Bath rugby and Wiltshire cricket. 5-11yrs

Scout Hut & Rec For further details call Sports Development team: Tel: 01722 434437 or email:

sportsdevelopment@wiltshire.gov.uk or visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisureandrecreation/sportphysicalactivity/sportsdevholidayactivities.htm#sports-dev-fun-sun-anchor

Sherston, Luckington & Malmesbury

'Zorb Football'

Come and try exciting zorb football (see posters or website if you haven't seen it before) Ages 12-19 Mon 15 Aug 11am-12noon Luckington Playing Field 1pm-2pm Sherston Playing Fields Zorb at Malmesbury School Wed 31 Aug 11am-1pm football and fencing 1pm-3pm Archery and Street Surfing

For further details call 07500 836590 or info@go-active.org or visit www.go-active.org

Worker's Educational Association (WEA) Art, Literature and Music courses

New WEA Courses for 2016-17 New Literature and Art courses from the Workers Educational Association return to Sherston for the Autumn and Winter The courses offer the opportunity to learn more about interesting topics from expert tutors in an informal and convivial setting

Dr Tim Hammond presents Homer's Illiad an exploration of the epic tale of the tangled affairs of gods and men and the brutal conflict of the Trojan War. The Illiad has inspired the imagination for more than 2000 years and many think it is European literature's greatest work There are 6 meetings from Fri 4 Nov to Fri 9 Dec, 10am - 12.15pm £50

Paul Chapman presents the intriguing Down Under: The Art of Australia an introductory look at how art in Australia developed from European painting in the early days of the colony towards the modernist painters of an independent nation in the 20th century This course has 6 meetings from Fri 6 Jan to Fri 10 Feb 2017, 10am - 12.15pm £50

British Schoolroom

For further details call Enquiries and bookings contact Warwick or Pat Jones on 840764 or warwickandpatjones@gmail.com or visit www.wea.org.uk/

Sherston and surrounding villages

Flying Monk Arts and Crafts Trail

Venues open in Sherston, Pinkney and Easton Grey as well as several in Malmesbury, Corston and Lea Sat 25 and Sun 26 Sep - more details next month Sixteen venues will be open over the weekend in Malmesbury and the surrounding villages, showing the work of thirty artists and craftspeople. Its a great way to explore the local area, visiting and talking to the creative people themselves, maybe purchasing an original work or two to take home. Trail guides will be available from us at the first venue.

For further details call or visit www.malmesburyartsandcraftstrail.co.uk



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Knockdown The Holford Arms

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Check boards for more details of events

For further details call 01454 238669 or info@theholfordarms.co.uk

Badminton

The Beaufort Hunt Supporters Show

Dressage and Show Jumping Packed schedule Wed 10 Aug – check website for full programme:

www.beauforthuntsupportersclubshow.co.uk/page5.htm

The Slaits Badminton

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; Swing across the rope bridge; Peer through the mesh-floored section

Specialist Wood Sales 2nd Saturday and Sunday every month 10am-1pm in aid of FOWA

Summer Family Trail till 31 Aug - free after entry

Check website for details of events, wood and photography courses, guided walks and family fun days

Treefest – huge event celebrating nature, trees and woodcraft with fun family activities and 100 exhibitors and live music Sat 27 Aug– Mon 29 Aug

Till Aug admission prices Adults £9 Concs and those arriving by bike or public transport £6 Children (5-18) £3 under 5s free

For further details call 880220 or visit www.forestry.gov.uk/westonbirt

Easton Grey Whatley Manor

Thursday evening cinema £23 includes a choice of either a glass of wine, a bottled beer or soft drink. A small tub of delicious ice cream (choice of flavour) and of course popcorn. Must be prebooked 8.30pm start. 'Eddie the Eagle' starring Taron Egerton, Hugh Jackman and Tom Costello - Thurs 18 Aug 'Bridge of Spies' starring Tom Hanks, Mark Rylance and Alan Alda- Thur 15 Sep
Sunday Cinema £8.50 includes your cinema ticket for the screening and popcorn. In addition, on the day, choose one, two or three courses from the a la carte lunch menu in 'Le Mazot' brasserie The Sunday Cinema Screenings must be pre-booked and at least one course must be booked 'Eddie the Eagle' starring Taron Egerton, Hugh Jackman and Tom Costello Sun 28 Aug
'Bridge of Spies' starring Tom Hanks, Mark Rylance and Alan Alda Sun 18 Sep

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

Malmesbury Carnival 2016

Malmesbury Carnival month events include quizzes, historical walks, poetry, music events, bike rides, bat walks, Open Mic night, cheese tasting Carnival Procession 6pm Sat 3 Sep. Various locations in and around Malmesbury

Malmesbury Open Gardens

Sun 7 Aug 1-6pm £6 (children free) All Proceeds to the Malmesbury Carnival Good Causes

Programme online at www.malmesburycarnival.co.uk or

enquiries@malmesburycarnival.co.uk or call 823921 or 824361

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

Pickwick Painters

Art exhibition by group of artists, based in Corsham, who show their works over a wide geographic area 30Jul - 18 Aug free entry The John Bowen Gallery For further details call 840993

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

For further details call 825566 or email:

malmesburycc@spurgeons.org or visit www.malmesburycc.org

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 on 01249 443469

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Reading Challenge 2016

National Summer Reading Challenge for 4 to 11 year olds in Wiltshire Libraries Children aged 4 to 11 can sign up at their local Wiltshire library Sat 16 July to Sat 10 Sept. This year it will be delivered in collaboration with The Roald Dahl literary Estate as part of Roald Dahl 100 celebrations and will feature some of Roald Dahl's best-loved characters plus the amazing artwork of his principal illustrator, Sir Quentin Blake. Children will be challenged to read 6 books over the summer and receive prizes along the way including a collector's folder, Quentin Blake illustrated postcards for each book read, special rainbow glasses when they read 4 books and a medal and certificate on completion of the challenge.

Last year 9939 Wiltshire children aged 4 to 11 took part in Mythical Maze with 6295 reading six books to complete the challenge. In total over 42,000 books were read over the summer as part of the challenge.

Malmesbury Library

For further details call 823611 or visit

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/artsheritageandlibraries/librarieshome

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 to come and learn together, drawing upon the knowledge, experience and skills of their own members to organise and provide interest groups in a very wide range of subjects. Now with over 350 members in the Malmesbury group Meet on the 4th Thursday of the month at 10am for refreshments 10.30-11.30 speaker close by 11.45 Charge 50p

National U3A Summer Schools August 8 – 11 and 15 – 18

Royal Ag College, Ciren

No meeting Aug

'The Making of Casablanca' - Edward Barham Thurs 22 Sep

'My Life in Russia Before and After Perestroika' - Marsha Lees

Thurs 27 Oct

Assembly Rooms at the Town Hall

For further details call Membership Secretary Ann Roberts-Phare on 823971 or visit

www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk

Tetbury

Tetbury Summer & Flower Show

Grand Parade, Fun dog show, arts & crafts, classic cars Entertainment and activity for all the family together with the flower and craft show in the grand marquee Sun 14 Aug. Gates open at noon, entry prices are Adult £2.50, children 12 - 16 years £1 children under 12 - free Entry forms and instructions for the Flower Show are available on line

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Primary School at Stanton St. Quintin For further details call Liz on 837921

Castle Combe

Castle Combe Family Cycling Day

and Severn Bridge Sportive Sun 28 Aug Family cycling day culminating in cycling over the Severn Bridge check website for more details Castle Combe Circuit For further details call 01249 783399 07811 156141 or visit www.castlecombecyclingfestival.co.uk

Cotswolds

Cotswold Rural Skills

Stone Carving - beginners 2-3 Aug Northleach £89

Lime Mortar - beginners 17-18 Aug £109 Ebworth Centre

Cotswold Tile Roofing - Taster Day 8 Oct Naunton £75

For further details call David Molloy on 01451 862000 or

david.molloy@cotswoldsaonb.org.uk

or visit <http://www.cotswoldsruralskills.org.uk/>

Cirencester

Open Air Swimming Pool

Heated spring water open air pool run by volunteers as a non profit making charity Open Thurs 21 May to Sun 6 Sept. 7am-6.45pm midweek and 9/10 - 5.45 Sat/Sun. Mon & Wed Adult evening swim 6.45-7.45pm. Friday Youth Evening 7-8.30pm 10-17 year olds Only £1 £4.50 / £2.50/ Family £13 Season tickets available.

Cirencester Park, GL7 2EF

For further details call 01285 653947 or visit www.cirencopenair.co.uk

Crudwell

North Wilts Villages Flower Club

Flower club meetings take place on the 3rd Wed each month, 7 for 7.30pm. If you enjoy flowers come and join us, visitors and new members are welcome.

Annual Strawberry Tea at the home of one of our members. 17-Aug

"Throw Caution to the Wind" by Mildred Stafford 21-Sep

Trip to Sir Roy Strong's garden "The Laskett", Herefordshire. 8 Sep Seats are still available, contact Caroline on 823 456 members £20 non-members £25.

Oaksey flower festival, produce show and scarecrow trail 17-18 Sep

AGM and talk Gardening for Bees by Sue Carter, head gardener

for National Trust Lacock. Oct-19. Crudwell Village Hall SN16

9HB For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639



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

Long Ashton Bristol Balloon Fiesta

Thurs 11 - Sun 14 Aug Mass launches Thurs - Sun at 6am and 6pm. Nightglow mass launches on Thurs & Sat at 9.30pm Red Arrows display Sun 5pm Free entry - car parking £12 / £6 if bought in advance

Mass ascents daily at 6am and 6pm / Nightglows 9 & 11 Aug at 9.30pm

Ashton Court Estate,

For further details call 0117 953 5884 or visit www.bristolballoonfiesta.co.uk

Nailsworth

Forest Green Rovers F.C.

Professional football only 20 minutes drive from Sherston. Home matches: Tues 9 Aug 7.45pm v. Sutton Utd; Sat 13 Aug 3pm v. Gateshead; Sat 20 Aug 3pm v. York City; Mon 29 Aug 3pm v. Stockport Advanced prices: Adults £19/£17/£15, Concessions £15/£13/£11, under 16s £11/£9/£7 junior £7/£6/£4 under 11s free Adults £15/£13, Concessions £10/£8, under 16s £2

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South Cerney

Gloucestershire Steam & Vintage Show

Gloucestershire Vintage and Country Extravaganza Fri 5- Sun 7 Aug Steam Arena, with non-stop steam action, the Main Arena with displays and commentary on the vintage and classic cars, tractors, commercial vehicles, vintage bus and coaches, motorcycles, miniature steam, industrial trucks, emergency vehicles. Advance discounted tickets from Tetbury Tourist office or online. All in aid of local charities

Also on display in the huge showground will be Model aircraft displays, both in the air and on the ground, the Model tent, two Countryside Arenas, with ferrets to shire horses, Vintage caravan display, The Timber arena, where trees turn to tables, also an extensive trade stand area, a Craft marquee, the Specialist Displays area and a huge working Stationary Engine display, a food court and licensed bars, and a vintage fairground. Dogs welcome but must be kept on a lead at all times, please clear up after your dog

Hawkesbury Upton Hawkesbury Upton Horticultural Show and Fair

Hawkesbury 131st Horticultural Show Sat 27 Aug open from 12.30. Display by Indian Runner Ducks and border collies; AcroGymnastics Group and Punch & Judy. Carnival Queen crowned at 1.30pm on The Plain Archery, Local Beer & Cider Tent, Craft Stalls, Pimms Tent, Refreshments, Hog and Badminton Deer roast, Fairground rides, Tractor pull competition. Nailsworth Silver Band Dogs welcome on a lead Entry (Pay at the gate or in advance from Hawkesbury Upton PO or Village Shop) - Adults £5, Senior Citizens £3, Children £2, Family ticket £12 Village Hall and Recreation Field, High Street, Hawkesbury Upton For further details call or to book a stall phone 01454 232910 or email: Vicky@coombeview.com or visit www.hawkesburyshow.org

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Theatre Royal

A Midsummer Night's Dream 3-20 Aug
The Libertine 31 Aug-17 Sep
The Shakespeare Revue 19-24 Sep
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Book ahead for: Stepping Out; English Touring Opera - La Calisto; English Touring Opera - Xerxes; Rambert; Annie; Horrible histories Barby Britain; The Rocky Horror Picture Show; The Woman in Black; Relatively Speaking; Panto Aladdin
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Thurs 11 - Sun 14 Aug Mass launches Thurs - Sun at 6am and 6pm.
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For further details call 0117 953 5884 or visit www.bristolballoonfiesta.co.uk

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www.sherston.org/downloads/sherston-parish-council-emergency-plan/Sherston-Emergency-Plan-REDACTED-20-11-2015.pdf

Sherston Emergency Response Coordinator

Jill Cainey

841380

3 Noble Street

emergency@sherston.org.uk (only during an incident)

Wiltshire Council

Highways, Social Care, Emergency Transport

24hr telephone contact: 0300 456 0100

EPRR@wiltshire.gov.uk (only during an incident)

Floods: 0300 456 0105 or drainage@wiltshire.gov.uk

Useful Information

Wiltshire Council Online Gritting routes

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/gritting.htm

Utilities

ELECTRICITY – SSEPD Power track

www.ssepd.co.uk/Powertrack

0800 072 7282 or 0345 072 1905 from a mobile phone

WATER – Bristol Water

www.bristolwater.co.uk/contact/

Emergency Helpline: 0345 702 3797 (24 Hour)

WATER – Wessex water

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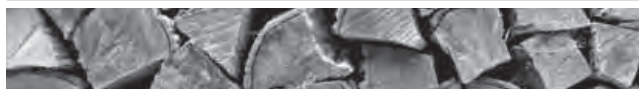
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(Chippenham, Devizes and Trowbridge): 104.3FM

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Malmesbury Library	01666 823611
Malmesbury Police 101	(emergency 999)
Malmesbury Primary Care Centre	01666 825825
Malmesbury Secondary School	01666 829700
Malmesbury Youth Centre	0799 0908550
MP James Gray	01249 652851
NHS Direct	0845 4647
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