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Boules Week 2017: Drizzle fails to dampen spirits!



So once again Sherston excelled itself with its annual Boules and Carnival weekend (plus a few extra days)! Now in its 31st year, this annual event is always well supported, with villagers amazingly turning out, reuniting and enjoying the festivities year on year.

While for most it really only feels like Boules Week once the bunting adorns the High Street courtesy of our farming community, the planning and preparation quietly begins behind the scenes at the end of the preceding year.

The first event of this year was the Senior Club tea afternoon hosted by The Carpenters Arms. This was followed by the annual cricket match, a proper village pub challenge between the Rattlebones and the Carpenters, on a lovely sunny evening at Pinkney Park. Everyone thought the Bones would walk it with their regular players, but the surprise - and duly deserved - winners were the Carpenters Arms.

Thursday's skittle match was oversubscribed, full of laughs and banter, and ending in a clear win for Dean Parkes.

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Road Safety in Pinkney

There was recently a serious accident on the road out of Pinkney towards Malmesbury. Fortunately no one was injured or killed, but had anyone been walking, cycling or riding there it could have been far worse.

The Pinkney junction is very dangerous, and the residents have requested that Wiltshire Council review how safety can be improved. The Parish Council have endorsed this request and it will be discussed at the next meeting of the Community Area Transport Group

Phil Cutcher
Sherston Parish Council

Malmesbury library summer reading challenge

Malmesbury Library is running a summer reading challenge which involves reading six books over eight weeks, starting on 15 July and ending on 9 September. This year the challenge is on the theme of 'Animal Agents'. The inspiration is the mystery: 'Who painted graffiti on the library wall? And why are things suddenly going missing?' You and a team of animal agents will help uncover the truth! After you read your first book, you will receive a folder and your first sticker. As you proceed, you can receive more prizes, such as a wristband, a medal and many more stickers. When you have finished, you can get a certificate. Malmesbury Library also has many authors visiting the library and events for children aged 0 to 7 along with a Harry Potter event for children aged 7 to 11 during its Book Festival, taking place 1-5 August.

Harriet Smee

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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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Sherston School Parking

At least 15 parents have written to John Thomson, Wiltshire Council's councillor for Sherston, about their concerns over dangerous parking on the roads by Sherston Primary School at the start and end of the school day. They're asking for immediate changes to make it safer for parents and children crossing by the school and also, in the long term, for a specific drop-off and pick-up area to be built as part of any future housing development next to the school.

A range of issues have been expressed by parents including: parked cars blocking junctions; vehicles overtaking cars waiting for children to cross; an increasing number of parents driving straight on to work who need to be able to drop off their child(ren) by car; more children coming in from outside the village which means more parents trying to park; and the need for safer access both to the school and the new surgery when more houses are built.

Mr Thomson initially responded to parents saying that he would ask the police to visit the school and that he would talk to the parish council about a possible 20 mph speed limit at pick-up and drop-off times. More recently, he has been able to identify funding for a crossing patrol, providing that someone can be found to fulfil this role. Wiltshire Council's officers have now visited the school at the beginning and end of the day and their report will feed in to any future discussions.

The school meanwhile is updating its travel plans and has distributed leaflets to parents, offering suggestions such as 'park and stride' (whereby parents park elsewhere in the village and walk the remainder of the distance to school), a 'walking bus', where parents take it in turns to walk a group of children to school, and car-sharing.

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Sherston Cubs

A HUGE well done to Sherston Cubs who won the North Wilts District six-a-side Football Tournament on 24 June – and this was despite having only five players (no reserve)!

There were eight teams from the district taking part and we won our matches 7-0, 11-0 and the final against Crudwell 8-1. (Yes, that's right – they conceded only one goal all day!

A big thank you to Neil Witchard who, not only lent us a kit, but was also a fantastic coach for the day. Neil said: 'I would just like to say a massive well done to the boys on Saturday. We knew they would be up against it when we realised that we were a player down, but the effort they put in was commendable. They exerted so much energy and worked fantastically together. In fact if there is a badge for just teamwork, they earned it on Saturday as the five of them did the work of eight cubs! I think I can speak for all the parents (and leader) who were there when I say we were very proud of the boys from the first whistle to the photo shoot after they lifted the trophy.'

The boys got to choose their player of the day which unanimously went to Josh Oxtoby, who got his own special medal along with the winners' one that they all received.

The cup has come back to Sherston and we will have the pleasure of hosting the event next year!!!



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Community website at risk of closure

Sherston's community website (www.sherston.net) is used to publish information on village social events and groups. It's also a vital part of the online Boules registration process. A WordPress proficient webpage designer is urgently needed to maintain this site - this occasional role of two/three hours per month may suit a student looking to bolster their CV or university application or a parent who wants to 'keep their hand in'. The Facebook group 'Sherston - What's occurring?' is not a direct alternative as many people choose not to join Facebook, nor is www.sherston.org which is for official Parish Council business. If you are able to help or would like more information, please use the 'Contact Us' page on www.sherston.net.

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In light of the recent salary disclosures by the BBC, the Cliffhanger staff felt that there was a public duty to disclose the fact that the one male and all the females on the publication are equally unpaid.



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Guardsman 17965

James Chappell

1st Batt Grenadier Guards

Who died aged 26 Sunday 5th August 1917

Son of Worthy and Cetha Chappell,
Sherston, Wiltshire
Remembered with Honour,
Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres

James Chappell was killed during the third battle of Ypres. He has no known grave and is commemorated on the Menin Gate Memorial to the Missing at Ypres.

The bells of Holy Cross Church will be rung at 2pm on 5 August.

Private 23586

Edward Victor Sainsbury

5th Batt Princess Charlotte of Wales'

Royal Berkshire Regiment

Who died Thursday 9th August 1917

Remembered with Honour, Monchy British Cemetery, Monchy-le-Preux, Pas de Calais, France

Monchy-le-Preux formed a small salient in the German lines in the Arras sector until 11 April 1917 when the British captured it. The lines finally settled east of Monchy.

The battalion diaries for 9 August say: 'Enemy trenches from Bit Lane to Stirrup Lane were subjected to 13 hours' bombardment.

'The enemy trenches were raided along the whole front bombarded by 35th Bde.

The operation was successful, 89 prisoners being captured and a large number of enemy killed.

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Clearly the single OR killed that day was Edward Victor Sainsbury.

The bells of Holy Cross Church will be rung at 11.45am on 9 August.

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Private 240605 Archibald Harry Merchant

1st/5th Batt Gloucestershire Regiment

Who died aged 21, Thursday 16th August 1917

Son of Harry and Rosa Merchant, Church View, Sherston, Wiltshire

Remembered with Honour, Tyne Cott Memorial, Zonnebeke, West Vlaanderen, Belgium.

'A Good and Brave Soldier' - The phrase occurs in a letter to the relatives of Pte Archibald Harry Merchant of Sherston whose death in action on August 16th - the day on which he completed his three years' service with the colours - is deeply regretted.

Young Merchant enlisted as early as August 15th 1914 but he went into the Gloucestershire Regiment. He was a conscientious soldier and very popular and was recommended for a commission when the Hun shell cut short his fair life.

The sergeant wrote: 'I do not know how to express the sorrow of poor Bert's fellow comrades in the Signal Section and myself in your sad loss. He was held in such high respect by all of us; he had utter contempt

of any danger.

He was killed by a shell, which wounded his company officer at the same time, while doing his duty in a manner worthy of a good and brave soldier during an attack in which the battalion was engaged.

No words are too high in his praise and I sincerely trust you will find consolation in the fact that he suffered no pain, his death being instantaneous.

Allow me, on behalf of all the signal section, to express our very deepest sympathy and sorrow in your sad loss and bereavement'

North Wilts Herald, 31 August 1917

Archibald Merchant would have been killed in the third Battle of Ypres, better known as the Battle of Passchendaele.

The Tyne Cott memorial where he is commemorated contains more than 35,000 names of missing men who fell in the Ypres salient. It is situated in the cemetery of the same name and is the largest military cemetery in the world. More than 70 per cent of the burials are of unknown British soldiers.

The bells of Holy Cross Church will be rung at 11.45am on 16 August.



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The standard of competition increases year on year and many of the teams who entered would have beaten a lot of teams in the main competition so watch out over the next few years.

Nine teams of secondary school aged boys and girls, entered the competition this year and all were given goody bags courtesy of Sherston Post Office Stores. After four hours of competition the final was a fully bovine affair with The Bullocks, consisting of Locky Anderson, James Hughes and Ollie Tappin beating the Sweat Bullz of Cormac Pritchett, James Hulme and Toby Tappin. The standard was amazing with a number of perfect bombs from 30 feet and repeated pointing to within inches of the cochonnet.

Thanks again to Sherston Post Office Stores for also supplying the winners and runners-up medals and also to Duncan Milne for helping out on the adjudicating.

All those in the last year of primary school who were in the Junior Boules competition will be welcome next year along with any others who fancy having more of a focus to their Boules Day.



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Sherston Senior Club

Our first port of call is a big thank you to Lin Prior for her generous donation to the Club from her sale of marmalade. Our next, the outing to Weston-Super-Mare, which was on a lovely sunny day but there was quite a strong breeze. Part of the beach was being swept up from the esplanade presumably to be returned at some point! It was so windy, but really warm and lovely sitting on the pier. A good day out.

Our next meeting on 27 June was the annual Garden Party by kind permission of our President, Rosemary Venning, in her lovely garden. There were just six spots of rain which did not mar a very pleasant afternoon sitting in the sun and enjoying a cream tea. Our thanks to Rosemary and the committee members and helpers for making it possible for 26 members to have a very enjoyable afternoon.

Boules week will have come and gone by the time you read this. So we hope it has been successful and that our tea afternoon on 11 July at the Carpenters was well supported. Also, on 25 July Optimum Mobility will have demonstrated their latest aids in the village hall.

Looking forward, on 8 August there is a coach trip to Sidmouth planned, leaving Sherston at 8.30am.

On 22 August in the village hall, Clive Rathband will be showing slides of his 'Favourite things'. Visitors are always welcome to any of our meetings (£2.00 including refreshments).

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News from across the Gauzebrook Group

Learning about our faith continues throughout life and we have many opportunities to do so through house groups and other activities in the Group. The Alpha course based in Sherston has recently finished, and about 15 people participated in it regularly. Following on from this, I am wondering about offering a 'Foundations' course, which looks into the core beliefs of Christianity – it has a slightly different approach to Alpha and, rather than using a video, there is a more interactive approach with short talks by the clergy, discussion and use of various media. There is of course the opportunity to ask questions too! If there is enough interest, the course is likely to be offered on Thursday evenings, probably in Sherston or nearby, so please do get in touch if you're interested.

This Foundations course will also serve as the preparation for any adults who wish to be confirmed. Young people of secondary school age also have a course, and all are welcome to explore confirmation. The confirmation service itself will be on Wednesday 1 November in the Abbey. This feels like a long way off, but it's remarkable how quickly autumn comes upon us! So it would be great to know please, as soon as possible, who would be interested in exploring

being confirmed. Coming to the course does not commit anyone to being confirmed – it's simply an opportunity to find out more. Please be in touch with me to find out more or to register an interest on 837522, Christopher.bryan123@btinternet.com

As well as exercising the mind, there is plenty of opportunity to exercise the body! The Wiltshire Historic Churches Ride and Stride sponsored walk and cycle ride will be taking place on Saturday 9 September. Entrants are welcome, as are offers of sponsorship! Half the money raised by a cyclist/walker/horse-rider/velocipedist goes to their local church and half to the Wilts Historic Churches. As several of our buildings have benefited from generous grants made by this charity, I think they are an excellent cause to support, and an enjoyable way of doing it. Please see page 9 for more information.

From September, the church service at Easton Grey will be held on the third Sunday of the month, usually at 9.30am. This will ensure that there is a communion service somewhere in our churches at that time, and will also mean a wider availability of ministers to take the service. All welcome.

Christopher Bryan, Rector



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Mrs Price Waves Goodbye *Rosie Shephard, Alice Evelyn and Izzy Evelyn*



On Friday 21 of July, Suzanne Price (Mrs Price to those at school) had her last day at Sherston C of E Primary school. Every pupil at the school was very sad to see her go but we all know she will have a fantastic retirement. After working at the school for 18 years she definitely deserves time to put her feet up and relax.

Fifteen years is how long she spent working with reception class as a teaching assistant, we worked out she's worked with around 350 children throughout those 15 years, and around 440 throughout her whole career! Mrs Price has also worked with year groups 2,3 and 4. She's helped the school in many different ways such as running the first aid club, doing the dinner money and many, many other important roles.

One of her funniest moments was when she was helping out with Year 3 on their residential trip with a few other teachers on a cliff side walk. Mrs Price

climbed over a gigantic tree trunk and was too busy checking everyone was safe when she fell off herself and landed bum-first in a moat of sticky, brown mud!! Because she has such a great sense of humour she laughed until she was back on her feet.

Another embarrassing moment was when she was told off by Mr Bowditch (the former headteacher) for being late for school! Among these moments was the funniest moment by far - one day when she was teaching in reception, when a little girl started to explain in detail how a baby was made and then revealed a dolly from under her skirt!

We asked her what her favourite year group was to teach, she took a long thoughtful moment to think, but finally she said: 'This question is hard to answer, but as I like all year groups I don't have a favourite.' Mrs Price likes seeing the reception grow up and learn to be great people. At the other end of the school she likes watching how mature the pupils are and how helpful they are to the younger students.

In the future Mrs Price hopes to volunteer around the village. She also hopes to travel more around Europe and see places in different ways. Her dream holiday would be to travel across the whole of India on a train to discover different cultures.

On behalf of every pupil you have taught we would like to say a great big thank you for making their time so special at the school, we will never forget you!

THANK YOU MRS PRICE !!!

P.S. Don't climb over any more tree trunks.

For one night only...the Sherston Arts Festival presents The Bath Community Gospel Choir!



Every other year the Sherston Arts Festival hosts one major musical event, and this year the Festival Committee has arranged an evening of the most soaring harmonies and inspirational melodies with the Bath Community Gospel Choir.

The Bath Community Gospel Choir has been busy performing all over the UK, but closer to home concerts have included Westonbirt Arboretum, The Forum, the American Museum and Kington Langley Arts Festival. We are delighted to have the choir performing as part of our own Arts Festival at the Church of the Holy Cross on Saturday 7 October.

Under the direction of their talented leader, Jo Sercombe, Choral Voice Professor at Bath Spa

University and Gospel Specialist for the Ambassador Theatre Group in London, the Bath Community Gospel Choir will create a wall of soulful sound for us all to remember, from spirituals to traditional gospel songs, and from R&B through to funky and pop gospel.

So, book your tickets, come along, and join in! Tap your feet, dance if you like but, above all, enjoy the experience and raise the roof. All ages are welcome.

Tickets cost £13 in advance (children's tickets £7.00) and may be purchased from Sherston Post Office Stores.

For more information visit the Sherston Arts Festival website: www.sherstonartsfestival.com

Ride & Stride: 9 September

Once again, as September approaches (but hopefully not the end of fine weather) 'Ride and Stride' should be in the diary when you can raise money for Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust (Charity Number 1075598).

Of course, Ride and Stride has to compete with other similar events, all asking for money to support worthy causes, so this is a big plea for your support! If you enjoy walking, cycling or can manage on horseback or mobility scooter (but not by car), please consider this worthy cause which raises money to maintain and repair Wiltshire's churches

Taking part in Ride and Stride is an excellent way to combine raising money for your church, while spending an enjoyable and healthy day out exploring your local area and visiting some of Wiltshire's beautiful churches and chapels. Most of them will welcome you with refreshments, and many have loos. Church lists will be provided.

Why not have a fun day out with friends or family, take a picnic or have lunch at a village pub on the way. You can cover as much or as little distance as you want, most sponsors are generous and will reward even the shortest journey and walking between just one church and another can constitute participation.

If you don't want to ask for sponsorship, ask for or just make a donation and still join in, any money is accepted! Sponsors can also use 'Just Giving'.

For the more energetic there are prizes to be won, up to £500, along with the Brook Cup for the best all-round parish and junior prizes for younger age groups.

Half of all money raised is shared out to go to the church of your choice, the other half is used by the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust to award grants to churches with special maintenance needs. As in previous years, we hope to make over £50,000, so please get out there on 9 September. Plan a route that suits your energy levels or get ideas from <http://www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/things-to-do/activities/cycling>.

For more information and sponsorship forms, contact Pam Pickthall (841072 or pampickthall@hotmail.co.uk) or Charles Graham (01672 514301 or ctg100@hotmail.com), or visit www.wiltshirehistoricchurchestrust.org.uk.

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Pam Pickthall Churchwarden

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Sherston Arts Festival 2017: 6 to 15 October

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Look out for the programme of the whole festival, available soon, but in the meantime here are some dates to put in your diary ...

To give you some help to make a scarecrow for the Trail on Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 October, book a place at the scarecrow-making workshop on 23 September.

For the first time we will also have a 'Window Wanderland' trail over the same weekend as the scarecrows.

If you are an artist or know of one living fairly locally, prepare your pictures and submit a form, the Art Exhibition runs for the whole festival in the church, with a Preview on Friday 6 October.

On Saturday 7 October the church will be filled with the amazing sound of the Bath Community Gospel Choir. (see page 8 for further details)

Young children and their families will be entertained on Sunday 8 October at 2.30pm by 'Shackleton' (an adventurous puppet dog!) in the village hall.

On Tuesday 10 October in The Rattlebone, join in with a book group discussion of 'Vinegar Girl' by Anne Tyler

Local author Nick Perry ('Peaks and Troughs') will give a talk about his books on Thursday 12 October in the village hall.

Over the weekend of 14 and 15 October, we will have the Photographic Exhibition in the village hall, open to all local enthusiasts to enter.

On 14 October, we will also have Willow Sculpture workshops, bookings are now being taken, £35 for a half-day, including materials and the Young Musicians will perform in the church.

All details of application and sending in forms are available on the website

<https://sherstonartsfestival.com/> For tickets, email artsfestival@sherston.plus.com

Major Malmesbury fundraiser for three child cancer charities

Two Malmesbury women will be getting on their bikes to cycle over 450 kilometres through Vietnam and Cambodia this autumn. To raise funds for three child cancer charities they are holding a major fundraising event featuring the legendary Dubious Brothers in Malmesbury Town Hall on 30 September.

Bron MacLennan and Diana Boulton will be joining a team of cyclists riding through the two Asian countries to support CLIC Sargent, Children with Cancer UK, and Teenage Cancer Trust.

The Malmesbury fundraising dance will help Bron and Diana towards their individual targets of £1,800, every penny of which will be shared among the three charities as they will be paying all their own expenses, including return flights.

Bron, who has raised thousands of pounds for both local and national charities, said: 'We both feel passionately about these three charities, me especially, as my son, age four, had leukaemia and I know the terrible traumas children and families go through. These wonderful charities are real lifelines and give so much support to everyone involved. So we do hope many local residents will support what we promise will be a fantastic evening.'

Tickets for the dance, at £15 each, can be purchased at the Persephone Violet Flower Shop in Malmesbury High Street, or through:

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After hearing there wasn't going to be a Boondocks festival in Malmesbury this year, I was left thinking that the start to my summer wouldn't be the same. Luckily, I was saved by the amazing Boondocks team who gave their all to create a Baby Boondocks right here in Sherston, leaving warm and multicolour memories for all - young, old, locals and not-so-locals!

With 16 bands across two stages, Baby Boondocks really was buzzing from start to finish. We could sing, dance and eat amazing food - from Nutella waffles and churros to fab noodles and delicious Tex-Mex - all weekend! Whether you were head-banging at the front or relaxing by the bar, you were sure to enjoy the incredible atmosphere!

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Boules - continued from front page:

Friday saw the logistics team, headed up by the tireless Nigel Freeth, begin the set-up and, by Saturday morning, transform an eerily quiet High Street into a hive of activity with the aid of a bleary-eyed army of volunteers laying the pitches.

Despite some drizzle, spirits weren't dampened and Sherston's very best brought the village to life with a pirate-themed bar, Carpenters barbecue, the newly named Sherston Velo Café, Kristy's Pimm's Bar, the Luckington Pre-School Kids' Bar and The Friends of Sherston School Kids' Activity Area to name just a few of the many, many organisations that help. Brownies, Scouts, WI and Rotary all do their bit too, plus countless individuals and the Cricket Clubs on the tombola.



'Sherston Brick Club' at the Methodist Chapel, Grove Road

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The inevitably oversubscribed Boules Competition, the biggest one-day boules event in the UK, saw 128 teams kick off the tournament and, with the weather improving, saw some splendid matches culminating in some thrilling final matches, with the eventual winners, The Piste Artistes from Wales, taking the Sherston Cup home. Runners-up were Cleaver Boules from London, whilst the highest placed Sherston team was Linda Fitzpatrick and her Trois Filles. The Plate competition was once again a great success for those knocked out in the early rounds seeing Imperial Officers Club from Bath celebrating success in their final whilst the Colts Competition was won by the Bullocks and the Junior Boules by The Beach Boys.



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Sunday dawned a beautiful day and the annual Duck Race on Sherston's trickling brook was won by Jake Bostock. Once again, thanks to Phil and Caroline Moore for hosting a lovely afternoon at Mill Cottage, with teas and cakes supplied and served by the industrious Church Ladies. The day was aptly closed by a ceremony in the Village Hall with Sue Harvey.

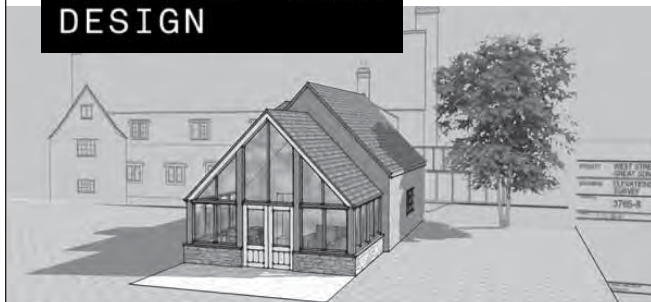
There are so many people to thank, including our generous sponsors, our organisations and the many, many villagers without whom this event wouldn't happen. At the end of each year, our surplus funds are distributed back into the Sherston community – what a great village we have!

This year completes a three-year term by a happy and hardworking committee who now wish to stand down for a new team to step in for 2018, our 32nd year. Boules Day is a fabulous event and its continuation relies on its people so, if you fancy chairing some fun meetings, have a bookkeeping background to act as treasurer or can produce some brief minutes and notes, why not put yourself forward? You will be rewarded and amazed at how a few people can make this annual event happen and how everyone springs into life during Boules Week when the fantastic people of Sherston pull together and turn out in their droves. I thank you all.

James Pyle



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Has your photography reached a plateau? This was the question asked of our members by the speaker, Fiona Turnbull at the meeting in July. Fiona and her husband run a photography school in Lacock and she started by showing us photographs recently taken by her in Singapore - wonderful architecture and amazing animals. We were then shown different photographs demonstrating the art of making pictures more interesting - placing the subject to one side, the rule of thirds, filling the frame, two vertical lines, two horizontal lines, creative cropping, changing one's viewpoint, tilting the camera. So much to think about! Fiona then judged some photographs that we had taken along and gave helpful criticisms. No longer will we just look and click!

At our meeting on 3 August, we will hear about living in Gascogne, SW France, from someone who was there for 10 years and, on 7 September, a local resident will tell us about a day in the life of an hotelier.

At the Annual Meeting in Liverpool, there two resolutions were carried: 'Alleviating Loneliness' and the 'Fight against Plastic Soup in the Oceans'. There will now be further research into both subjects carried out by the Women's Institute.

We welcome visitors to our meetings, especially anyone who is new to Sherston. It is a good way to make friends in the village.

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Children aged up to 16 can swim for free during specific public swimming sessions at their local Wiltshire Council and Places for People Leisure managed leisure centres. Find a participating leisure centre near you www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure-free-swimming.

The free sessions run from Monday 24 July to Thursday 31 August, excluding bank holidays. There is no need to book into the sessions, but they can be busy so arrive in plenty of time, and you will need to register for a free swim membership card, which makes it faster and easier to check in and out of the sessions.

John Thomson, cabinet member for leisure, said: 'The summer holidays are the perfect time for young people to enjoy healthy activities, and these free swimming sessions are a great opportunity to get active.'

'In 2016, there were more than 53,000 attendances from young people at free swimming sessions in Wiltshire, and it is hoped that many more will join in the fun this summer.'

Wiltshire Council is also running a full programme of Get Active summer activities and events for young people of all ages and abilities around the county during the summer. Six themed weeks of Camp Activate will take place at many of the leisure centres, alongside sports camps in athletics, basketball, cricket, tennis and football offer challenges, games, coaching and competitions for all abilities.

Meanwhile, the free multi-sport Fun in the Sun programme will visit 27 different village venues around the county. To find out more, visit activities for young people www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure-activities-for-young-people

10 Min Shake Ups

To encourage children to be active over the summer holidays, Change4Life has launched '10 Minute Shake Ups' with Disney and schools across the country (see www.nhs.uk/10-minute-shake-up/shake-ups#Fx5MTGijZUeeSxQf.97). There are a range of activities for children to enjoy with their favourite Disney characters which can be done in small or large groups. The programme will help children aim to achieve their 60 minutes of moderate to vigorous physical activity they need each day for healthy development and healthy weight.

Meet the School Sunflowers!

The three newest members of Sherston School are the giant sunflowers that the children have been growing. The sunflowers have been named Rosie, John and Sprinkle after the children suggested names that were then picked out of a hat. Competition is now fierce to see which one will be the biggest by the time the children are back at school in September when they will measure them.



Recently children with an interest in the outdoors have been enjoying a Gardening Club held at break-times in the vegetable patch which is now flourishing again after donations of seedlings by villagers. There are lettuces, beans, sweetcorn, strawberries, raspberries, aubergines, artichokes and broccoli. Watch this space to learn the names of the pumpkins we hope to see emerge in the autumn!

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Young Person Friendly

Public Health has also awarded The Tolsey Surgery the national quality mark for the Young People Friendly Award. The assessors of this service were pleased to see that we are making every effort to ensure young people receive an accessible and supportive service.

New Staff

We are delighted to welcome Sarah who has joined us in the dispensary.

We are very sorry to be saying goodbye to Lisa Hall, who has been our practice nurse for nearly three years. She has decided to try a new career and will be leaving us in August. We wish her well in her new role.

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Future meetings

16 August: Bob Brown from Cotswold Garden Flowers will be giving a talk entitled 'Still Looking Good in August' (Crudwell Village Hall, 7.00pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £5.00 Open to all). Bob is the plantsman-owner of Cotswold Garden Flowers, who lectures and travels widely in search of new plants. Bob is a most entertaining and knowledgeable speaker, garden writer and experienced nurseryman. Plants will be available to purchase on the evening from Cotswold Garden Flowers. All money raised will be donated to Perennial – formerly the Gardeners Royal Benevolent Society.

20 September: AGM and talk by Mary Hinton – Hedgehog Rescue.

18 October: Demonstration by Sally Taylor entitled 'Harvest Home'. Competition – favourite flower.

Please note

The Hereford Cathedral flower festival on 7 September has now been cancelled for this year.

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.

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Entertainment in the main arena comprises:

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In addition, the Carnival Queen will be crowned at 1.30pm on The Plain, with the Carnival leaving The Plain at 1.35pm to travel along the High Street to the Showground led by Nailsworth Silver Band. (Note that the High Street will be closed to vehicles from 1.15pm until 2.00pm.) There will be an auction of produce at 7.00pm, with Mr Nick Cragg as auctioneer.

Pay on the gate or buy advance tickets at Hawkesbury Stores or Hawkesbury Upton Post Office: Adults £5, Senior Citizens £3, Children £2, Family ticket £12 (2 adults + up to 4 children). Dogs welcome on a lead. The site is wheelchair accessible, with disabled parking in the Village Hall car park.

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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 - During renovations to the British School Rooms, the Congregational Church will be meeting in the Methodist Chapel on Grove Road

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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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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, 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 nikiwalden-forestschool@hotmail.co.uk

Fresh Air Fitness A bootcamp-style, fun outdoor workout suitable for all levels. Sherston Rec Fridays 9-10am Book with Stuart 07986 003602 or stuart@pulse4life.co.uk

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/areaboard

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 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 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

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 Small Hall of VH, 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 Methodist Church 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 Anna Glassborow, 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. 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 Roooyen 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 Fri night during term time; for further information please contact Darren Walsh - 841043 or Ewan Blair - 840096 - whitewallexplorers@googlegmail.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 Swimming Club Our Club is a friendly and sociable group open to anyone of any swimming ability. We swim at Westonbirt Leisure Centre on Wed evenings from 8 - 9 pm. Everyone swims at their own pace although there is a lane for faster swimmers. £45 for 10 weeks. For further information please phone Maggie (840969), Annabel on 840592 or Heather (840375).

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 Ailsa (07971 845206), Lauren (07885 597429), Saara (07739 552336) or Kate (07792 064438).

SH.o.C.C. The choir meets at 7.30pm each Wed Methodist Church, Grove Road £3 per session - Term ends 12 July. All welcome. Further information from Sheila Cutcher sheilacutcher28@gmail.com or 840067, 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 Tues 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 Weds and Thurs daytime and evenings in the village hall. Run by Saara Sharman, Chartered Physiotherapist. All ages and abilities welcome. For more details contact Saara on 07739 552556 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.communitate.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.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 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 (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

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.

Wild Yoga from 31 Oct 7.45-9.15pm 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 2017

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

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

Golf Society The society holds a golf day at top local courses once a month from March through to October. We play at courses including; Castle Combe, the Kendleshire, Stinchcombe Hill and Kingsdown. Prizes on the day are donated by the Rattlebone Inn and include; a fish and chip supper for two (at the Rattlebone), a bottle of wine for longest drive, and a bottle of wine for nearest the pin. Contact Nick on 07745326915 or nick_brock@sky.com Or ask to join the Rattlebone golf society page on facebook Check boards for more details of events, call 840871, follow on Twitter or visit www.therattlebone.co.uk

The Angel Hotel

Check Facebook or boards for details of events, call 840039 or visit www.sherston-angel.co.uk

Fun in the Sun

Every Wed from Wed 26 Jul - Wed 16 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 may change on a week by week basis but will include tag rugby, cricket, football, dodgeball, tennis, rounders, athletics and team activities. With high quality coaching from Bath rugby and Wiltshire cricket. 5-11yrs Scout Hut & Recreation Ground

For further details call Sports Development team: Tel: 01722 434437 or email: sportsdevelopment@wiltshire.gov.uk or visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure-fun-in-the-sun

Sherston WI Talks

A Decade in Gascogne talk by John Clark Thur 3 Aug, 7.30pm Village Hall Village Hall

A Day in the Life of an Hotelier with Peter Nannestad Thurs 7 Sept 7.30pm Village hall

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

Sherston Senior Club

Coach trip to Sidmouth 8 Aug leaving Sherston at 8.30am

Clive Rathband will be showing slides of "His Favourite things" at 2.30pm on 22 Aug in the Village Hall

For further details call Helen Quirk 840516 Please contact Pearl Dyer 01666 840619 to reserve a place on the outings

Sherston Magna Cricket Club

Annual Sixes Tournament Sun 27 Aug

All Stars Cricket a brand new initiative from the England and Wales Cricket Board aimed at providing children aged five to eight with a great first experience in cricket. All girls and boys are welcome, £50 for 8 weeks. Sat am along with the coaching sessions, each lasting approximately one hour, every child will receive a bonus participant pack; which includes a cricket bat, ball, personalised shirt, cap, water bottle and backpack.

Senior training every Tues from 6.30pm from Tues 4 April (weather permitting)

Under 9s practice - every Sun am; Under 11s and Under 13s practice - Mon 5.30pm to 6.30pm; Under 15s from Mon 6.30pm to 7.30pm - all from w/o 16 Apr

League fixtures on <http://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk/matches>
Pinkney Park Ground cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk or visit <http://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk>

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Ride and Stride

The annual Sponsored Ride and Stride in aid of Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust and your local church Sat 9 Sep 10am-6pm Ride (cycle or horse) or walk to as many churches as you can manage during the day and get sponsorship for doing so. Plan a route that suits your energy levels or get ideas from <http://www.visitwiltshire.co.uk/things-to-do/activities/cycling>.

Last year Ride Stride raised over £51,000 for Wiltshire's churches, and 34 churches benefited from Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust grants, ranging from £400 to £10,000. As ever, Holy Cross Church, Sherston needs help with ongoing maintenance and repairs. Half of all money raised is shared out to go to the church of your choice, the other half is used by the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust to award grants to churches with special maintenance needs.

For further details call and sponsorship forms Pam Pickthall on 841072 or pampickthall@hotmail.co.uk or Charles Graham 01672 514301 or ctg100@hotmail.com or visit www.wiltshirehistoricchurchestrust.org.uk

Sherston Arts Festival

6-15 Oct The Sherston Arts Festival has a new home on the net! Check out our new website to get all the news, ticket information and downloadable entry forms for this years festival. Take a look at www.sherstonartsfestival.com for a full line up from author visits to details on our new venture with Window Wanderland. Ten days of arts events suitable for all ages including art and photography exhibitions, concerts, lectures and the ever popular scarecrow trail - Look out for further details in the months to come

Art Exhibition Preview Fri 6 Oct 7.30pm Church of the Holy Cross £5 inc glass of wine. Have first pick from the collection of work by local artists. The Festival will be opened by Claire Inskip who will also exhibit. Art Exhibition then opens 10am - 5pm (Sundays 11am) - free entry

Scarecrow Trail - Theme 'Fables and Fairytales' Sat 7 Oct from 10am Trail map £2 Scrapstore are coming to Sherston In September to run a fun, family friendly scarecrow building workshop (Sat 23 Sept, 1pm-4pm, £10 per family in Sherston Village Hall Everyone is welcome, but places are limited and it's filling up fast so book your spot quickly with Kirsty: Kirsty.strachan@icloud.com. You can then display your finished scarecrow in your front garden during the Sherston Arts Festival in Oct

Bath Community Gospel Choir in concert in the church Sat 7 Oct

'Shackleton' (an adventurous puppet dog!) in the Village Hall for young children and their families Sun 8 Oct at 2.30pm

Book event "Vinegar girl" by Anne Tyler Tues 10 Oct in the Rattlebone

Talk by local author Nick Perry Author of *Peaks and Troughs* will discuss his books Thus 12 Oct in the Village Hall

Photography Exhibition Sat 14 -Sun 15 Oct VH
-Themes for 2017 - 1. Weather, 2. Black and White, 3. Architecture, 4. Anything with wheels, 5. The British Holiday.

Willow Sculpture workshops - Course for adults run by Linda Rees - make things like garden angels, dragonflies or plant supports. Sat 14 Oct 10 am- 12.30 , or 2pm -4.30pm, £35 inclusive of materials. Sign up to reserve a place, and pay by 14 Sep at heather@geoffmartin.plus.com

Young Musicians Concert Sat 14 Oct 4pm-6.30pm

'Window Wanderland' Take a sneaky peak at www.windowwanderland.com to get the low down. It's free to take part and it's simply a matter of popping something fun in your window. Free trail which you can pick up during the festival for one weekend only 7-8 Oct

*For further details call Heather Martin 840375 / heather@geoffmartin.plus.com or Pat Jones 840764 / warwick.jones@btinternet.com or artsfestival@sherston.plus.com
Scarecrow workshop - pick up an Arts Festival form or email kirstybridge2004@yahoo.co.uk or visit <https://sherstonartsfestival.com>*

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

WEA Courses for 2017-18 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: The Odyssey Tim Hammond's Odyssey course explores Homer's epic poem of Odysseus and his calamitous return from the Trojan war. It is the story of a man who - before he can be re-united with family and homeland - must encounter the conflicting wills of gods, some of mythology's most scary monsters and ultimately himself. The course explores the origins of this foundation text of Western Literature and what its significance has been to the subsequent generations who have continued to read and re-interpret the work. 6 meetings. Fri 3 Nov to Fri 8 Dec 2017. 10am - 12.15pm

Paul Chapman: Introduction to the Art of Spain The course provides a brief overview of Spain's artistic history, focusing on the paintings from the Middle Ages to the 20th Century. The six sessions will focus on the themes of landscape, war, religion, identity, love and portraits and explore how the painters reveal themselves through their work. Narratives from these paintings will also inform us of Spain's history through religion, regional landscapes and through the conflicts that have shaped the nation. 6 meetings. Fri 5 Jan to Fri 9 Feb 2018. 10am - 12.15pm

Access the WEA Find A Course service at <https://www.wea.org.uk/south-west> using the postcode SN160LN to locate all the Sherston courses

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/

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

Luckington

Luckington Youth Café

New 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

Badminton

The Beaufort Hunt Supporters Show

Dressage and Show jumping Packed schedule Wed 9 Aug - see www.beauforthuntsupportersclubshow.co.uk for details
The Slaits Badminton For further details call Stalls welcome.
For more information and to book a spot e-mail genevieve.minney@btinternet.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
Mar - Nov 2017 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
Specialist Wood Sales every Sat 10am-1pm in aid of FOWA
Coppice Open Days Join our coppice team on the last Sun each month at the end of the tree top walkway to learn more about woodland coppicing. And pick up some coppice products for the garden 10am-4pm Dogs allowed
Family Event: In Good Shape Learn how to ID a tree using only the leaves! Explore the wonderful variety of leaves from the global collection here at Westonbirt. Make a felt leaf ID bag charm, design a leaf using our leaf characteristic dice and have a go at our leaf ID challenge. 7-11 Aug 10am-4pm free after admission. Dogs allowed. Meet at Silk Wood Barn
Family Event: Seeing the Wood for the Trees Did you know that we can ID a tree using just its bark? Join us for our family event, where we'll be exploring wood through a range of crafty fun and challenges. Make a willow craft, create a tree frame and take the wood ID challenge 14-18 Aug 10am-4pm free after admission. Dogs allowed. Meet at Silk Wood Barn
Mar - Nov 2017 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

Cotswolds

Cotswold Rural Skills

Dry Stone Walling - Improvers 8-9 Aug Naunton
Introduction to Scything 16 Aug Friary Bath - incl BBQ lunch
Free car-free guide to the exploring the Cotswolds The new look Explore the Cotswolds by Public Transport Guide is an invaluable information resource to traveling around the Cotswolds by bus, bike and train. Produced by the Cotswolds Conservation Board, the guide includes taster walks and cycle rides, attractions and places to visit.

To download the 2017 guide click below, alternatively you can pick one up at one of the many visitor information centres in the and around the Cotswolds. <http://cotswoldsconservationboard.cmail20.com/t/i-l-uiliudt-uutjhnr-o/>

Cotswold Lion magazine The Spring/Summer issue of the Cotswold Lion magazine is now available to pick up or to view online. <http://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/userfiles/file/publications/cotswold%20lion/cotswold-lion-36.pdf>
For further details call David Molloy on 01451 862000 or david.molloy@cotswoldsaonb.org.uk or visit www.cotswoldsruralskills.org.uk

Malmesbury

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 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 on 01249 443469
Malmesbury Activity Zone, Bremilham Road
For further details call 01249 443469 or e-mail nwils@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

Note no meetings July & Aug

Next meeting: Howard Robinson - 'Vision, Perceptual and optical illusions - A look at optical illusions Thurs 28 Sep

Assembly Rooms at the Town Hall

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
For further details call Ellen Backer 07557 922020

The Big Friendly Read, Summer Reading Challenge 2017

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 15 July to Sat 9 Sept. The theme will be Animal Agents and children aged four to 11 will be challenged to read 6 books over the summer for which they will receive prizes along the way and a medal and certificate on completion.

Malmesbury Library For further details call 823611 or visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk/artsheritageandlibraries/librariesshome

Tetbury

Tetbury Goods Shed

Ninebarrow Multi-award-winning folk duo Ninebarrow combine breath-taking vocal harmonies and melodies, delivering original songs that are inspired and rooted in the landscape and history of the British Isles. Fri 4 Aug 7.30pm £12

Pirate Pantomime, children's theatre Perfect family entertainment for ages 4 upward with Captain Barnacle's one-man pirate pantomime show featuring comedy, music, puppets and mayhem plus a 'pirate lifestyle' workshop to boot! Fri 11 Aug, 10am to 12noon £6

3 day Stonecarving Workshop This workshop with Pat Way and Will Whitmore offers a fun and practical approach to learning about carving stone. Suitable for beginners as well as for more experienced sculptors. Fri 11 to Sun 13 Aug

Le Swing Gypsy Jazz, Swing & French Cafe Music. Le Swing bring their unique blend of female jazz vocal, acoustic and electric guitars, double bass and occasional trumpet to The Goods Shed. Sat 12 Aug, 7.30pm

Britain at War, children's theatre and workshop Join us for an exciting morning exploring Britain's part in World War 2, delivered with humour, play and silliness by Captain Harvey Wallbanger. Fri 18 Aug, 10am to 12 noon £6

Medieval Morning, children's theatre and workshop Concluding our Hysterical Historical series, join Sir Randolph Ramsbottom for a table-top puppet show complete with fairytale characters, poetry and humour. Thur 24 Aug, 10am to 12 noon, £6

How to reach the Shed - use the sat nav postcode GL8 8EY For further details call info@shed-arts.co.uk or visit www.shed-arts.co.uk

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 13 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 Tetbury Memorial Recreation Ground, enter via Hampton St For further details call enquiries@tetburyflowershow.co.uk or visit www.tetburysummershow.co.uk

Minety

Minety Rugby Club

Mighty Minety Minions Minety Rugby Club is the exciting local rugby club for children aged 5 to 12. We are actively seeking new children to join the club and no prior experience of rugby is necessary to join in any age group. We start with five year olds with gentle games and activities, getting the children used to listening to the coaches and handling the odd-shaped ball As Mighty Minety Minions, the children

move up to non-contact 'tag' rugby which involves running around getting some exercise; the children always enjoy the training sessions and we play occasional games with other clubs too. The Under 9s begin with a slow, measured introduction to Juniors' contact rugby

The 2017/18 season begins at 10am on Sun 3 Sep at Minety Playing Fields Sessions last an hour to an hour and a half depending on the age group. You don't need to register in advance, just turn up and if it is something your son or daughter would like to come back to after trying it out you can register anytime that day or thereafter. Clothing: children can wear shorts/tracksuit/t-shirt/trainers/football boots/whatever they're comfortable in to start with and then purchase club kit thereafter should they want to continue to participate

Minety Playing Fields, SN16 9QU For further details call the club secretary, Peter McAllister, on 860281 or email PeterJMcAllister@yahoo.co.uk or visit www.pitchero.com/clubs/minetyjuniorrugbyclub/

Crudwell

North Wilts Villages Flower Club

Bob Brown from Cotswold Garden Flowers - "Still Looking Good in August" 16 Aug, 7pm for 7.30pm Tickets £5.00 Open to all Bob is the plantsman-owner of Cotswold Garden Flowers, who lectures and travels widely in search of new plants. Bob is a most entertaining and knowledgeable speaker, garden writer and experienced nurseryman. Plants will be available to purchase on the evening from Cotswold Garden Flowers. All money raised will be donated to Perennial - formerly the Gardeners Royal Benevolent Society

AGM and talk by Mary Hinton - Hedgehog Rescue 20 Demonstration by Sally Taylor - entitled "Harvest Home" Competition - favourite flower. 18-Oct Sep Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB

For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639

Kemble

The Emergency Services Show

Fire engine and police car rides, Parachute displays, vintage emergency vehicles, fairground, Wiltshire Air Ambulance Sun 3 Sep 10am - 4pm £6.50 chd £3.50 under 3s free

Cotswold Airport For further details call enquiries@emergencyservicesshow.com or 01380 732999 or visit www.emergencyservicesshow.com

Cirencester

Open Air Swimming Pool

Heated spring water open air pool run by volunteers as a non profit making charity Open Thurs 19 May to Sun 4 Sept. 7/7.30am-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 £4.80 / £3/ Family £13.50 Season tickets available.

Cirencester Park, GL7 2EF

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

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

Iford

Iford Arts Festival

Opera & Music Festival Opera: La bohème - Puccini; Barber of Seville - Rossini; Jephtha - Handel Gates open at 5.30pm for picnics in the Grade 1 listed Harold Peto gardens of Iford Manor, 6 miles from Bath

Proms, Concerts and Midsummer Jazz check website for details

Final Fling Pee Wee Ellis Funka Nova Quartet | Bartoune 5 Aug £34

Iford Manor

For further details call Book via the Theatre Royal Bath Box Office 01225 44 88 44 or online or visit www.ifordarts.org.uk

Events in aid of Wiltshire Air

Ambulance

The Wiltshire Big Wheel/100 event 17 Sep Organised by Bristol-based Bike Events the event starts and finishes at The Green in Devizes. The routes are a 12 mile family challenge through the Vale of Pewsey, 45 miles which goes through Pewsey and Marlborough or 100 miles which extends to the Wylde Valley and Salisbury. Registration costs just £5 for children. Adult entry costs £10 for the 12-mile route, £16.50 for the 45-mile route, and £22.50 for the 100-mile route. Join our team, start raising sponsorship and help us raise enough to pay for a day of life saving missions! Last year more than 400 people took part and raised over £32,000.

For further details call To book a place or for more information call the Charity Team on 01380 739453, email kenresa@wiltshireairambulance.co.uk or visit www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk/events/wiltshire-100-big-wheel

Wotton-Under-Edge

The Electric Picture House

A refurbished local cinema run by volunteers from the local community. This month: Cars 3; War for Planet of the Apes; RSC live: Titus Andronicus Wed 9 Aug; Dunkirk; NT Live Yerma Thurs 31 Aug; check website for details

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

Venue for Corporate Hire



Offering a stunning building and location, the Great Oak Hall at Westonbirt, The National Arboretum is available for weekday conferences and meetings. Hire includes a complimentary visit on the day of hire. Proceeds to the charity support the future of this national tree collection. For information and rates; www.fowa.org.uk/venue_hire, 0300 067 3301, greateoakhall@fowa.org.uk

Hawkesbury Upton Hawkesbury Upton Horticultural Show and Fair

132nd Horticultural Show Sat 26 Aug open from 12.30. Displays; 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

Nailsworth

Forest Green Rovers F.C.

Professional League 2 football only 25 minutes drive from Sherston. Home matches: Sat 5 Aug 3pm v. Barnet; Sat 29 Aug 3pm v. Yeovil; Advanced prices: Adults £21/£19/£16, Concessions £17/£15/£12, under 16s £8/£7/£5 junior - u11- £3/£0/£0 - match day prices add £2 per ticket Adults £15/£13, Concessions £10/£8, under 16s £2 The New Lawn Forest Green Nailsworth For further details call 01453 834860 or visit www.forestgreenroversfc.com

South Cerney

Gloucestershire Steam & Vintage Show

Gloucestershire Vintage and Country Extravaganza Fri 4-Sun 6 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. Weather permitting on Sat 1 Aug there will be an aerobatic display and on

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For further details call 01453 762508 or visit www.glosvintageextravaganza.co.uk

Bath Theatre Royal

North by Northwest 21 Jul - 12 Aug £15-£33.50

The Lady in the Van 17 Aug-2 Sep

Driving Miss Daisy 6-9 Sep

Salad Days 12-16 Sep

Book ahead for: The Real Thing; How the Other Half Lives; The Best Man; People, Places & Things; The Railway Children; The Tiger who came to Tea; Julius Caesar Part I: The Death of Pompey; Julius Caesar Part II; Cleopatra's Needle;

For further details call 01225 448844 or visit www.theatreroyal.org.uk

Bath, Stroud, Bristol

Covent Garden Royal Opera House and Ballet @ the cinema

Live and pre recorded screenings of opera and ballet from the ROH Covent Garden

Opera: Die Zauberflöte Julia Jones conducts The Royal Opera's spell-binding production of Mozart's The Magic Flute with a wonderful cast including Roderick Williams as Papageno. 20-Sep

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Follies 16-Nov-17

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For further details visit www.ntlive.com

Gatcombe Park

Gatcombe Park Horse Trials

The Festival of British Eventing 4-6 Aug 8-5pm see website for details

For further details call 0843 2087455 or visit www.gatcombe-horse.co.uk/

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For further details call 01242 677 777 or visit www.prescott-hillclimb.com

Long Ashton

Bristol Balloon Fiesta

Bristol Balloon Fiesta Thurs 10 - Sun 13 Aug Mass launches Thurs - Sun at 6am and 6pm. Nightglow mass launches on Thurs & Sat at 9pm Free entry - car parking £15-£20 adv purchase

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Sherston Emergency Response Coordinator

Caroline Jarvis

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The Angel

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

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www.ssepd.co.uk/Powertrack for a map of faults

0800 072 7282 or 0345 072 1905 from a mobile phone

@SSEPD for updates on twitter

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www.bristolwater.co.uk/contact/

Emergency Helpline: 0345 702 3797 (24 Hour)

WATER – Wessex water

www.wessexwater.co.uk/Contact-us/

Emergency Helpline: 0345 600 4 600 (24 hours)

BBC Wiltshire can be heard via:

West Wilts area

(Chippenham, Devizes and Trowbridge): 104.3FM

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Malmesbury Library	01666 823611
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Malmesbury Secondary School	01666 829700
Malmesbury Youth Centre	0799 0908550
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