# Sherston Boules News



It's nearly here! Boules Day is on Saturday 15 July, with 128 teams ready to pit their wits - and boules - against each other in this annual village event. This edition of the Cliffhanger has a 'pull-out' timetable for the week, starting with Sherston Senior Club afternoon tea on Tuesday 11 July at the Carpenter's Arms, and finishing with the Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 16 July at 6.00pm.

With events running from the Tuesday to the Sunday, there really is something for everyone: skittles, cricket match and bbq, music, dancing, food and drink, entertainment for all, games, raffle, tombola, duck race, and afternoon teas at Mill Cottage ... the list runs on and on. So, turn to the centre pages, pull out your timetable and join in the fun!

We are still hoping for lots more tombola prizes; now is the time to turn out your cupboards and check your shelves to contribute to this very popular stall. Gifts need to be new and unused, and bottled items need to be within sell-by date, please. Remember, all proceeds are distributed amongst local groups. There are several drop-off points around the village: James Pyle at The Old School House, The Tolsey Surgery, 4 Strongs Close (Ann Lawrence) or Pheasants Crossing, Sandpits Lane (Margot Holland).

One final and very important note: Boules Day would not go ahead without a number of dedicated volunteers. Several of the current committee members have run Boules Day for the last three years and quite





rightly feel it is now time for some new blood. So... come along, enjoy the event and please consider putting yourself forward to run next year's event – speak to any of the current committee, or pop in to see James and Sam Pyle on the High Street.

Pip Pettit on behalf of the Boules Committee

### Tuesday 11 July: 2.30pm

Sherston Senior Club tea afternoon. Entertainment by 'End of the Track' Carpenters Arms.

### Wednesday 12 July: 8.00pm

Skittles challenge The Rattlebone.

### Thursday 13 July: 6.00pm

Cricket Match (The Rattlebone v The Carpenters Arms) and Barbeque and Bar. Great fun for all the family. Sherston Magna Cricket Ground.

### Friday 14 July: 7.30pm

Live music with The Killertones The Rattlebone.

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### Keep collecting!





We are creating a recycled bottle top mural for the Sherston Arts Festival in October. Please keep collecting clean plastic lids and pop them in the box outside Sherston Post Office Stores - thanks Paul and Gail!

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

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

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

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

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### Queen's Birthday honour



### Dr. Jill Marie Cainey

Ex Sherston resident and Parish Councillor, Jill Cainey, has been awarded an MBE for services to Energy Technology and the community in Wiltshire.

Jill organised and helped out at many village events such as the Royal Wedding in 2011, the Diamond Jubilee in 2012, adjudicating at several Mangold Hurls, helped organise the 1000th anniversary of the Battle of Sherston and contributed to many Sherston 1016 booksales along with her partner Shane.

Jill became a Parish Councillor in 2013 and took on the responsibility of Emergency Coordinator also joining the Cliffhanger team as Parish Council representative. Jill also played bassoon in the Malmesbury Town band.

A well-deserved recipient and much missed by the village, Jill now lives in Melbourne and continues her energy technologies career.



# Sherston Drama Group: Auditions for Snow White!

Sherston Drama Group will be holding auditions for the pantomime Snow White which will be in the autumn October half-term, 25-28 October. The auditions are for teenagers and juniors (ie those aged 9+ on 1 September 2017) and will take place in the Scout Hut on 4 July, from 7.00pm to 9.00pm. No material needed, just come along and have a go.

There are parts for all levels of skill in acting/singing/dancing. If you have auditioned before you are very welcome. If you have never done anything like this before, why not come along and have a go... we are very friendly. If you do want to be part of our pantomime you will need to be available for rehearsals every Tuesday and Thursday evening throughout September and October.

If you are an adult and would like to take part or help out behind the scenes, please contact me on the email below.

If you have any questions please contact Sue Lehrer at suelehrer@gmail.com or on 07780 661830.

# Prepare your ears ... Bath Consultation Gospel Choir

... for an evening of uplifting harmonies and songs from the Bath Community Gospel Choir!

Led by Jo Sercombe, Choral Voice Lecturer at Bath Spa University and Gospel Workshop specialist for The Ambassador Theatre Group, this 80-strong choir is preparing to raise the roof at Holy Cross Church as part of the 2017 Sherston Arts Festival.

Put the date - Saturday 7 October - in your diaries and look for the full article in next month's Cliffhanger.

More detail and ticket information at www. sherstonartsfestival.com/events

# Scarecrow Workshop



# 23 September - places filling up fast!



Scrapstore is coming to Sherston in September to run a fun, family-friendly scarecrow-building workshop on Saturday 23 September, 1.00pm-4.00pm, in Sherston Village Hall, £10 per family. Scrapstore will provide all the materials and give you some top tips on making your scarecrow. 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 display your finished scarecrow in your front garden during Sherston Arts Festival in October. People will wander round the trail guessing what the scarecrows are. This years theme is 'Fables and Fairytales' and there really is no artistic skill necessary - it's just for fun! Remember, the trail only happens every two years so why not get involved now - don't wait until 2019!



# Wiltshire Big Wheel

Wiltshire Air Ambulance Charity Ambassador Lauren Booth is encouraging people to get on their bicycles and take part in the Wiltshire Big Wheel/100 event.

The popular cycling challenge raises vital funds for Wiltshire Air Ambulance and has a choice of routes to suit cyclists of all abilities.

This year's event is taking place on Sunday 17 September and bookings are now being taken.

Lauren, a Champion Para-cyclist of Chippenham and a member of the British Cycling Academy, completed the 45 mile route in the Wiltshire Big Wheel last year and is going to do so again in this year's event.

Lauren said: 'I really enjoyed taking part in the Wiltshire Big Wheel last year and it was interesting to explore different places in the county. I'm looking forward to doing it again this year and to the challenge of doing the 45 mile ride. The event is a great way to raise funds for Wiltshire Air Ambulance's lifesaving service while at the same time enjoying the countryside and keeping fit.'

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

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Kenresa Stratford, Fundraising & Events Coordinator at Wiltshire Air Ambulance, said: 'This will be the third year that we have been involved with the Wiltshire Big Wheel and 100 event and we are thrilled to once again be the sole charity partner. This event has gone from strength to strength and last year more than 400 people took part and raised over £32,000.'

'We are looking forward to making this year bigger and better as it's a great event that offers a variety of routes that you can explore. It's brilliant to once again have the support of our Charity Ambassador Lauren Booth. We'd love to encourage you to challenge yourselves, your families or your colleagues to hop on your bicycles and see what our stunning county has to offer, whilst raising funds to keep our helicopter flying and saving lives.'

To book a place or for more information call the Charity Team on 01380 739453, email kenresa@ wiltshireairambulance.co.uk or go to our website www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk/events/wiltshire-100-big-wheel

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### Lin's marmalade

Thank you to everyone who has bought my marmalade or made a donation this year, enabling me to donate a total of £450, divided between Sherston Senior Club, the Village Hall, and 1016. Thank you too to Paul and Gail for their support and letting me 'set up shop' outside the PO. I have sold out now — so until next January and the Seville orange season...

It was very helpful to have some of your orders this year, as it gave me an idea of how much I needed to make, and therefore approximate quantities of ingredients. So, nearer the time (perhaps November/December) do ring me (840846) with your requests.

### Health and wellbeing support

Just a quick word to remind you all that I am around for general help and support on a wide variety of issues, including transport, mobility and safety around the home and reducing the feeling of loneliness. Give me a call on 07557 922020 and leave a message. I will get back to you as soon as possible.

Ellen Blacker, Health and Wellbeing Champion



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# Calling all community groups who need project funding!

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Applications for the Tesco Bags of Help grant scheme are currently low in your area, so submissions are being invited.

The grant scheme supports a range of community projects, some examples of which include: volunteer training, physical improvements of open spaces, equipment purchases, improvements to a community building, and running a community event or seasonal activity. The grant is permanently open and groups can apply at any time, as there is no cut-off period.

Following a public vote, three projects in each of the Tesco regions will receive a grant every two months, with first place receiving up to £4K, second place up to £2K and third place up to £1K.

For more information and to apply for a grant, go to www.groundwork.org.uk/tesco or contact the South West Community Enabler Rebecca Herringshaw on 07736 132696.







# Sherston Senior Club

On 16 May our Mystery Tour took us around Clifton and the Cumberland Basin in Bristol and we ended up in Clevedon for tea. This was quite a nostalgic journey for some of our members who hadn't been in the Clifton area for years.

On 30 May we were back in the small room of the Village Hall, where speaker Yvonne Cox, a member of Wiltshire Wildlife Trust, told us about the damage being done to the environment and particularly hedgehogs.

On 13 June we were hoping for a sunny day in Weston-Super-Mare and on 27 June we will be having our garden party weather permitting at 21 Church St, by kind permission of Rosemary Venning.

Looking forward we are having our Boules Tea Afternoon on 11 July in the Carpenters Arms. At 2.30pm. Entertainment will be by singing group 'End of the track'. Members £5.00 visitors £7.00

On 25 July Optimum Mobility will be demonstrating their aids to easier living, this will be in the Village Hall at 2.30pm.

Please contact Helen Quirk on 840516 for any further information



### (Baby) Boondocks In Sherston 7/8 July – Last Handful of Tickets In Post Office and with FSS...



Just a quick reminder that that even though the web site is just about out of tickets there are still some 'Sherston specials' (ie cheaper!) tickets in the Post Office and in the hands of the FSS committee.

Gates open at 5.00pm on Friday 7 July through to midnight and again on Saturday 8 July at 11.00am through to midnight

As ever, it will be the same eclectic mix of fantastic music that we find in all corners of the festival world throughout the year muddled up with great food, fine liquid refreshments and all manner of other good stuff!

The full music line-up is on the Boondocks website as is all the other info you might need — it's all at www.theboondocksfestival.co.uk

We also have openings for a small number of crew to work on all aspects of the festival - so if you (or anyone you know – 18s plus) would like to get involved, just drop an email to volunteers@ theboondocksfestival.co.uk and we will sort you out with free tickets, free food, free drink and maybe - just maybe - a walkie talkie!

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# News from Holy Cross Church

From time to time people ask me about confirmation – how to go about getting confirmed, when is the next service, and what is confirmation about? Confirmation is an act of worship in which adults and children declare their Christian faith and their intent to live as disciples of Jesus. They 'confirm' the promises made for them at baptism, hence the name. However, nowadays quite a number of people were not baptised as babies, and so the confirmation service often includes a baptism too. It is a wonderful, joyful event which is held annually in Malmesbury Abbey where there is the space, atmosphere and musical resources to make a once in a lifetime occasion.

The confirmation itself comes at the end of a preparation course, which we offer once a week during the Autumn. There are separate courses for young people of secondary school age, and for adults. The confirmation service itself will be on Wednesday 1 November 2017 in the Abbey. This feels like a long way off, but it's remarkable how quickly the Autumn course comes upon us! So it would be great to know please, before the summer holidays, who would be interested in exploring being confirmed. Coming to the course does not commit anyone to being confirmed – it's 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

Every so often I go to see a spiritual director, who talks with me about my life and spiritual disciplines. This conversation is wide-ranging and one of the resulting things I've been focusing on is getting more exercise. The spiritual discipline of exercise? Certainly – keeping healthy is part of a balanced spirituality and I find that when I exercise my mood is better and my prayers more focused. So taking part on the Gauzebrook Gallivant and the associated training was



### SHERSTON CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

During renovations to the British School Room, meeting in the Methodist Chapel, Grove Road

### **July Services**

2nd July - 10.30am - led by Methodists

9th July - 10.30am - Pam Dix

16th July – 10.30am – led by Methodists

23rd July - 10.30am - Emma Haggar

30th July - 10.30am - led by Methodists

great on many levels: good company, an enjoyable day out, excellent food courtesy of our churches and Stanton Manor, and the chance to get some decent walking. I'm really pleased to announce that we have exceeded our fundraising target too, with £1278 being raised for our Children's and Youth Worker's ministry. Thank you so much to all those who took part, supported and sponsored, and most of all to Steve Ellis of Gemini Outdoor who organised and guided the whole Gallivant.

Special events coming up in July include the 6.00pm Boules Service in Sherston on 16 July, after the duck race. There will be Deanery Evensong at Malmesbury Abbey at 6.30pm, which replaces the usual evening services in our Group. Our Rector will be preaching and the choir at the Abbey will sing some special pieces.

The Gauzebrook Holiday Club is always a great event, much appreciated by children and parents alike! It will be held from Monday 24 July to Friday 28 July inclusive, from 10.00am to 12.00pm in Sherston school. All children of primary school age are welcome, but please register with Becky Fisher beforehand to ensure there are spaces – becky.fisher@deanery.org. The holiday club week will end with a special Group Service on Sunday 30 July in Holy Cross Sherston at 10.30am in the morning, which replaces services in other churches in our group that day.

Our Youth Worker Joel is staying with us for another year and will need somewhere to stay from September through to July 2018. If anyone has a spare room and can offer some meals (but not all and expenses will be paid) then please contact the Vicar on 837522.

Christopher Bryan, Rector



# Walk on the wild side

### Surrounded by amazing wildlife ...

Summer is cracking along as we all realised in the recent heatwave. This caused quite a few problems, with young fledglings overheating and the Sherston Avon getting quite low, but overall most animals and plants are having a good season with lots of butterflies around.

We are surrounded by fantastic wildlife - as you may have seen on Springwatch! It just takes a little time and understanding to find out some amazing life cycles that have evolved locally. Here are some great examples ...

As you may know, we have a little freshwater shrimp (whose scientific name is Gammarus pulex) which gets eaten by fish etc. On a dawn chorus walk in May, Harriet Alvis from the Bristol and Avon Rivers Trust found a spiny-headed worm called Pomphorynchus leavis in the Sherston Avon. It is a really small wormy thing with a bright orange spot!! These infest the shrimp and, as the shrimp are almost transparent, the shrimp are easier for fish etc to find due to the orange spot. The spiny-headed worm's target is to infest the local fish population and uses the shrimp as an intermediate step. Smart worm!

Paul Ormiston kindly sent me a video of glow worms. Glow worms aren't actually worms - in this

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country it's actually a beetle which grows up to 25mm called Lampyris noctiluca. It's primarily the females who glow to attract males. They can't feed so only live for 14 - 21 days but, once the female has mated, she stops glowing, lays her eggs then dies. June and July are the best time to see them after dark (of course) and they are typically found in walls or low vegetation but can occur anywhere. If you do see any, please leave them alone!!

That's three scientific names in the last two paragraphs ... please keep reading!!

We are fortunate to have a healthy population of swifts in the village (the black birds that shriek up and down the High Street). They are the essence of an English summer and shouldn't be confused with the house martin or swallow - they aren't closely related but are a great example of convergent evolution. These amazing birds spend only three months here to raise their chicks and otherwise spend their whole life in the air - and that includes sleeping and mating! By the end of August they will be off back to West Africa for the winter as there will be lots more to eat there. Once the chick leaves the nest, it won't land again for two/three years when it's ready to raise a brood.

That's enough amazing facts for this month!! Geoff Carss

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# **BART 2017 WaterBlitz**

Recently, the children who attend Forest School Club ventured from their usual site in the school grounds and went down to the River Avon to take on the role of citizen scientists. They took part in the Bristol Avon Rivers Trust (BART) 2017 WaterBlitz campaign, supporting a global research project investigating the health of freshwater ecosystems on a scale never seen before!

The campaign aimed to collect as many water quality samples as possible in a week, from across the Bristol Avon Catchment in partnership with FreshWater Watch.

Collecting river samples from three different sites, the children checked the water quality by assessing phosphate and nitrate levels. At each location, the water samples were used in colour dip tests and the children waited the required number of minutes for the results. They were very excited to see several samples turn a very bright shade of pink!

They found that there were reasonably low levels of phosphates, but very high levels of nitrates. Both





phosphate and nitrate are essential for plant life and healthy rivers, but too much can affect biodiversity. As well as the children thoroughly enjoying undertaking their investigations, their results will help BART gain an invaluable snapshot of the health of the river and benefit the direction of future conservation efforts.

Many thanks to Lottie Bostock for kindly allowing us to access her land and to all the parents who gave up their time to accompany us.

Niki Walden – Forest School Leader & Outdoor Learning Specialist

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# Window Wanderland; A Walking Trail to Light up our Winter



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Ok we know we haven't had Summer yet but we like to give plenty of notice so you can get your thinking caps on! Window Wanderland and Sherston Arts Festival have teamed up and we hope that lots of homes in Sherston will get involved and take part in our exciting new event! Be part of a magical weekend during the Sherston Arts Festival and have a go at making a colourful display in your window. The best part is that you don't need any artistic skill! All you need is a window, a bit of enthusiasm and pop in a form with your name and address on ASAP so we can put you on a map.

Window Wanderland started in Bristol in 2015 where people, just like you, made a display for their window or garden forming a walking trail for a winter's evening. We have extended it slightly as we are also running the trail during the day (to coincide with the scarecrow trail) with a special light-up trail on the evening of Sunday 8 October (6.30pm-9.00pm). Everyone is invited to make a display which can be big or small, from a single candle to a tissue paper cut



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Don't worry if you are stuck for ideas - check out www.windowwanderland.com and www. sherstonartsfestival.com - you can use any of them or just take a little inspiration from them! The only information we need from you now is a yes you would like to be involved - simply go to www. windowwanderland.com and click to the Sherston event and sign up online in 1 minute. Or contact Kirsty.strachan@icloud.com and I can put you on the map. It's that easy and we would love to see as many windows taking part as possible. It's all just for fun - and we are looking forward to seeing a different side to our lovely community!

### New Arts Festival Website!



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 year's festival. Take a look at www.sherstonartsfestival. com for a full line-up from author visits to details on our new venture with this year's festival.



# Willow Sculpture workshops



# Paintbrushes at the ready!!



Or whatever you use to create your art, in preparation for the Sherston Art Exhibition in the Holy Cross Church in Sherston on Saturday 7 October to Sunday 15 October. Frame up your pictures ready to submit by the 8 September. All details, including the entry form, can be found on the Sherston Arts Festival website or contact me on 840682 or email jennyriley571@gmail.com. Looking forward to meeting you all!

Jenny Riley

As part of the Festival, on Saturday 14 October there will be Willow Sculpture Workshops for adults run by Linda Rees. You can make things like garden angels, dragonflies or plant supports. The sessions are 10.00am – 12.30pm ,or 2.00pm -4.30pm , cost is £35 per person inclusive of materials. Be creative and have fun!

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### Sherston schoolchildren hit the track at Castle Combe



The Friends of Sherston School's annual Castle Combe bike ride heralded a change in the weather at the end of June - with torrential rain forecast - wet weather gear was packed with the picnic gear! But the rain held off and over 90 children took to their scooters, bikes and trikes around the famous racing circuit, including 1st Sherston Brownies who held their weekly meeting there!

Each lap measures 3km and children (along with some hardy parents!) whizzed around the track, collecting stickers after each lap. While our youngest cyclist, Kate Seymour (3), completed a fantastic 6km, the older children challenged themselves to beat their lap times and circuits from last year.

Jake Law (year 5) completed 15 laps at top speed, one better than his 14 laps in 2016. While Giles Dannat, in full cycling gear, completed the most circuits - 18 laps, that's 54km! Some of our younger

### 'Sherston Brick Club'

at the Methodist Chapel, Grove Road

Friday 14th and Friday 28th July, 5.30 to 7.00pm Free entry. All ages welcome.

### **Bible Study Group**

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school members were not to be outdone, however, with Lucas Waterhouse (age 7) clocking up an impressive 30km in just over two hours. We also had some runners this year, with Alex Moriarty (year 5) at the head of the pack.

It wasn't just parents and children, however, teachers came along too - Mr Stewart was part of the starting line-up, setting off at a great pace, while Mrs Box walked a fantastic 6km encouraging the children on two wheels all the way.

Each child was sponsored to take part and received a medal for their tremendous efforts. We are still awaiting the final count-up but above all it was a fantastic opportunity to race around a car-free track with friends - a massive privilege and a lot of fun! A



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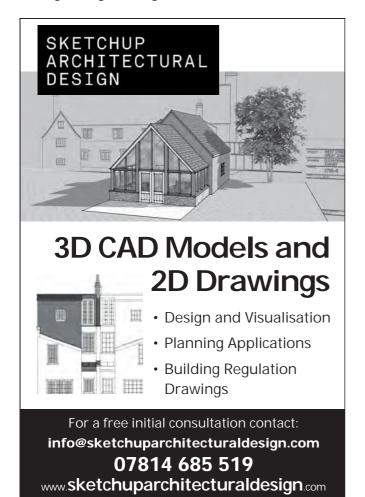
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# Olympic Day 2017



Six years on, the London 2012 olympic legacy lives on in Sherston with the Friends of Sherston School 'FSS' Olympic Day. This year was our busiest yet, with over 150 children taking part in 10 activities on Sunday 11 June. It was an epic day of sport from archery to hurdles - all ably manned by the dads of Sherston! With a chance to stand on the medal podium at the end of the day, the children raced around completing every event. Together with the first-ever Sherston Bake-Off, a taekwondo demonstration, bar and BBQ, the day went by in a hive of sporting activity and relaxed chat! Olympic Day involves a massive amount of community spirit to make it happen and a huge thank you must go to all the dads for supporting the children on each of the events. Thanks must also go to the Langleys BBQ skills, to Gail and Paul for allowing us to sell raffle tickets outside the Post Office, to everyone who helped on refreshments, Jo Lees for judging the bakeoff, John Pettit for his photography and medical skills, Rupert Evelyn on the mic and all the technical crew - Dave Shepherd, James Munson, Mike Whatley and Riaan Van Rooyen, Doug McLeish. Thanks to the crew that spent a lot of time cutting grass and marking out courses, Sophie Cheetham, Fi Picton and Juliet Blows for all their behind the scenes work, Graeme Strachan and Rob Farahar on catering and last but by no means least a huge thank you must go to Nick



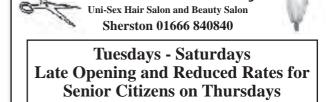


Blows - the head honcho, pulling it all together and making it happen! FSS raised a fantastic £1500 from the event but it's not just about the money (there's a song in that!) - the dual aim of the FSS is to add to the life of the village - making memories for families and I think we can tick that box! See you in 2018!









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# Boules Weekend 2017 Programme of Events

# Saturday 16 July

8.30am - 4.30pm	Café Velo - Teas & Coffee, Baguettes, Cakes and Refreshments	High Street
9am	Peal of Church Bells to signal start	Church of the Holy Cross
9.30am	Boules Tournament starts	High Street
10.30am till 4pm	Children's play area with inflatable fun and Lego area. Lunch bags available.	Village Hall Field
10am	Colts and Juniors Tournament start	High Street
All Day	Bar, barbecue, crêpes, variety of stalls, tombola, raffle, duck sales	High Street
11am onwards	Pastis & Pimm's – Traditional French drinks to ease the nerves and assist play!	High Street
11am onwards	Children's Bar	High Street
11am onwards	Plate Boules Competition	Post Office Car Park
12pm - 1pm 1.00 & 2.30pm	Sherston Choir 'Ragged and Old' Morris Dancers	High Street
From 3pm	Nick Malcolm's Parisian Swing Band	High Street

Approx 7pm

Boules Tournament prize-giving

High Street Boules Control

The Rattlebone Inn

Live music from Matt Belmont plus seafood and vegetarian paella

Live music in the evening – in the lovely beer garden (weather permitting). Open all day for refreshments.

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# Sunday 17 July

Legendary Duck Race

Start line at Stretchline, Brook Hill

From 3pm

2.30pm

Finish line of the Duck Race; Cream Teas, Raffle Draw and Prize Giving Mill Cottage Garden

6pm

Thanksgiving Service

Village Hall - field if weather permits



And may we take this opportunity to thank all of our Sponsors whose generosity help underwrite a large proportion of our costs, so that we can distribute more money to local good causes.

# WI Report



### WI: June meeting

Our June meeting had us all lost in the world of dragons and dogs as we learned from our very entertaining speaker, author Debi Evans, about her books and the inspiration for them and shared in some of the adventures of her dog 'Rolo' - so named because of his toffee and chocolate coloured face.

The inspiration for the dragon books was seeing a children's ride in the shape of a dragon whilst out with her children and weaving a story around that just for her children, which subsequently became a series of fantasy adventure books. She encouraged us all to look around and see how many things have dragons 'hidden' in them - the shape of a hill, a gnarled tree trunk.....

Debi explained how her life had changed a few years ago when she brought home a rescue dog to be part of her family. The books about Rolo, as told by Rolo himself, tell of his adventures, being the 'chosen one', able to time travel and share in great historical moments. He also finds time to write a dog blog!

Two of Debi's passions in life are nature and working with children to encourage them to write

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stories. She brings information about the seasons, countryside, trees and flowers into her books, and also undertakes a number of creative workshops with schoolchildren.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 6 July in the Village Hall at 7.30pm when Fiona Turnbull will be speaking to us about Creative Photography. Our August meeting on 3 August will give us an opportunity to hear from John Clark about 'A Decade in Gascogne'.

We are always pleased to welcome new members or visitors to our meetings.

### Learning Spanish?

Are you a local school pupil who is learning Spanish? If so, would you like to spend a week in August with Spanish friends of ours living south of Valencia? This will be a great opportunity to improve your Spanish but also to have English conversation with their 14-year-old son, who already speaks very good English (and in fact his mum teaches English at their home). To find out more, please contact Shirley Dash on shirleymdash@gmail.com



# Rags2Riches at Sherston School

Dig out your old clothes, shoes and bedding for Sherston School! On Wednesday 12 July, the Friends of Sherston School (FSS) are holding a Rags2Riches collection at the school. The FSS earn money for each kilo collected. Rags2Riches accepts both adults' and children's clothes, belts, hats, gloves, shoes (tied in pairs), and bedding (not duvets) and towels. All items must be clean and in good condition - no holes!

If you have anything you'd like to donate, either bring it along to the school on Wednesday 12 July before 9.00am or contact Sophie Cheetham on 07786 990045 or sophcheetham@gmail.com to arrange a collection.

### Small Ads

You can now advertise items for sale or wanted in the Cliffhanger including services required such as gardening or cleaning. Cost is £2 for up to 20 words. Copy should be in paper form and put through the letterbox at 37 High Street by the 15th of the month together with £2 in cash.

All monies raised will be donated to charity..

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# Sherston Village Hall 300+ Club

June 2017

1st	322	Shirley Bailey	£13
2nd	149	Geoff Martin	£12
3rd	237	John Knight	£11
4th	199	Deirdre Wild	£10
5th	250	Margaret Maslen	£9
6th	143	Carey Smith	£8
7th	43	Juliet Blows	£7

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

For further information on how to join, phone Lin Prior on 840846.



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### Tetbury Camera Club

Have a try at snapping under cover of darkness

There's never a dull moment if you're a member of Tetbury Camera Club. We might have just finished the winter/spring season with our annual photography exhibition in the town Market Hall, but a keen photographer doesn't pack up his bag because summer is here.

Within two weeks we had already embarked on a splendid programme of casual summer evening shoots. This is the time of year when any member can suggest a subject for an evening, or even all-day assignment. The first of these outings took us to Painswick, a spot almost as attractive as Tetbury, though the people who live there might well argue that in the scenic town stakes the awards should be in reverse order.

Whatever your view, some of the shots we have been taking will quite probably appear in our exhibition next year, so if you are in the mood, you'll be able to judge them for yourself.

The Club's market hall exhibition, which is timed to coincide with the famous Woolsack Races, has become a popular additional event on the bank holiday Monday, with visitors as well as locals attending it. This year we had attendees not just from neighbouring towns and counties, but as far at Newcastle and Nottingham. On average, it draws between 450 and 550 spectators, taking a hopefully relaxing break from the exertions of the various athletic exertions of woolsack racing up and down Gumstool Hill. This year the weather wasn't very kind to the runners, but the pictures we had on display seemed to be a welcome refuge to those taking a break from the wind and rain.

For some visitors, our work also turned into a personal inspiration and we had several enquiries from fellow enthusiastic amateurs, keen to join us at The Priory Hotel when our new season starts on 12 September.

Until then, we are hoping for some fine summer evenings and look forward to stimulating our creative appetite with at least six evening excursions during June, July and August. These are planned as social as well photography outings, with the first part of each visit devoted to picture-taking and the latter hour or so to a get-together in an appropriate convenient pub or bistro.

Already on the agenda for coming weeks are Corsham,





Burford, Cheltenham, and nearer to home, Westonbirt, then Sharpness docks.

In between those visits we'll hold court every alternate week at the Priory, where modern technology means we can review the previous week's work on a laptop, or ipad.

By the way if you're the kind of photographer who tends to dust off the camera primarily in time for the holiday season, don't be put off if you are going to sunnier countries, where dusk often starts earlier than it does here in the UK. If you give it a try you'll find that with the miracles of digital technology, some of the most dramatic shots can be captured at night. The one with this article was taken by member Jennie Esse on a trip to Japan earlier this year.

You'll find it's quite possible to achieve something similar if you decide to be bold and set the camera to manual, then find somewhere to rest it steadily. Raise the ISO level,to 800 or more, or alternatively, lower it to 100 if you have one with an adjustable aperture. In which case try a variety of shutter speeds and aperture openings and see what you capture. You could well end up with a creative surprise. One of the great things about modern digital cameras is it doesn't cost you anything to experiment. You can simply delete what you don't like, and start again.

And if you fancy joining our group, put 12 September in your diary and come along to The Priory for our regular Tuesday evening sessions. New faces are always welcome.

You'll find more information about what we have planned as well as photography tips on our web site: tetburycameraclub.org.uk

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Tickets: £6 for adults from Lesley on 01249 783157 or email l\_palmer@btinternet.com [underscore between l and p]. Doors open 7.00pm, programme starts at 7.30pm.

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# **Tolsey News**

Judy Sharp



### How to manage back pain

Nearly 10 million working days are lost each year for adults aged 25-64 due to back pain – and around 80% of us will suffer from back pain at some point in our lives.

'Doctor in the House' is a very interesting series on BBC One where a GP practically moves in with his patients to find out what is really going on with them and seems to cure them all! We can't offer this service here, but one issue Dr Chatterjee recently dealt with was the back pain that was seriously impacting the life of a patient. The key to managing back pain is to understand what the causes are, and this is not always very straight forward. However, there are some simple tips that may help:

### 1. Get up regularly from your desk

Set an alarm once every hour to remind you to get up and move around. Perhaps try a standing desk, a different chair or even a Swiss ball.

### 2. Prioritise active relaxation

This could be meditation, yoga, or simple going for a walk.

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### 3. Try and be as active as possible Don't underestimate the benefits of regular walking.

www.nhs.uk also has some useful information on back pain, how to relieve it, getting help, causes and prevention.

We also have the new Wiltshire Health and Care initiative on Low Back Pain giving a variety of options to sufferers including self-referral. Information on this is available at the surgery.

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### North Wilts Villages Flower Club

### May meeting

Our May meeting was a day of celebrating our 45th anniversary. The morning saw members taking part in a workshop run by national demonstrator Pam Lewis. Much to their surprise, they found themselves weaving willow as well as flower arranging, with wonderful results. During the afternoon, Pam gave an amusing and colourful demonstration with 'Celebration' as her theme. The day concluded with a cream tea.

### Future meetings

19 July: Demonstration by David Martin entitled 'A Celebration'. Competition – favourite flower.

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 7.30p.m. 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.

### Looking forward

On 7 September, we are running a day trip to Hereford Cathedral flower festival, for more information please contact me on the number below.

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

For more information, please contact Margaret on 01285 770639.

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### 132<sup>nd</sup> Hawkesbury Horticultural Show

The 132nd Hawkesbury Horticultural Show takes place on Saturday 26 August at Hawkesbury Upton Village Hall and Rec (GL9 1AU), with showground gates opening at 12.30pm.

Included in The Daily Telegraph's 'Best August bank holiday breaks in Britain' 2015, this horticultural and produce show offers a huge range of attractions and entertainment from Rogers' Fairground rides and a Tractor Pull Competition to a Grand Raffle and Edward Kent Shooting Stall, as well as many trade, charity and craft stalls. There will be plenty of refreshment on offer too, including a Hog and Deer Roast, Beer & Cider Tent, Bath Archers and Pimm's Tent.

Entertainment in the main arena comprises:

LG Dog Agility Display: Louise Hawkins and her dogs will be providing amazing interactive displays in the arena to entertain all ages;

AcroGymnastics Group: Back by popular demand, with a spectacular acrobatic and gymnastic display, as part of the carnival and in the arena; and

Tricky Micky: Punch & Judy Fun Show for all the family.

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.

For further information or to book a stall phone 01454 232910 or email: vicky@coombeview.com Website: www.hawkesburyshow.org: www.facebook.com/hawkesburyhorticulturalshow



### Groups and Regular Events in and around Sherston

Holy Cross Church

**The Coffee Shop** - Fair Trade tea and coffee with homemade biscuits biscuits and brownies - Open Thurs 9.30 am - 12 noon till Easter then

Tues, Wed & Thur till Autumn

Sunday services 1st and 4th - Holy Communion, 2nd Worship

Together - a service for all age groups preceded by breakfast at 9am,

3rd - Family Service preceded by breakfast at 9am See the Parish Life

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

Services at 11am apart from 1st Sun 4pm. Brick Club alternate Fridays 5.30 – 7pm All services are led or hosted by Pastor Andrew Williams-Tarling. Contact awtcharfield@hotmail.co.uk or 07921 390878 (or find us on Facebo.

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

Gauzebrook Church for Children

Children are welcome at all the services which are held in the Gauzebrook Group churches but there are some occasions which are particularly for them: Junior Church is held at Court House, Hullavington. This is for children from 3 to 11+. Any children under 3 need to be accompanied by an adult.

Contact Becky Fisher 07974 030212 or becky.fisher@deanery.org.uk

Little Lights Every term time, 10.30 am in Hullavington church. Children aged 0-5 and their parents/carers come from across the Group, including Sherston, for songs, crafts, activities, Bible stories and snack time. Any questions, contact Chantal on 837522

Easton Grey Parish Church See Parish Life for details of services

Link provides a voluntary car service for residents living in the Malmesbury area, taking those in need to hospital, the chiropodist, GPs' surgeries and to visit sick relatives. For further information, prospective volunteers can contact Link co-ordinator and volunteer support officer Fee Knowles on 837967 or feeknowles@btinternet.com

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

**Ashtanga Yoga class** Fridays 10.30-11.15am in the village hall. Contact Stuart for more information or to book a place on 07986 003602 or stuart@pulse4life.co.uk. Starts 9 September 2016.

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

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**Charity Bingo** In aid of a different local charity each month on the 3rd Friday at 7.30 for 8pm start in the village hall. 50p entry and 30p a book. Light refreshments available.

**Church bell ringing** Practices are every Wednesday 7.30 - 9.00pm. Call Geoff Martin 840375 or come along.

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

welcome. For more information please call Abigail on 07720 396195.

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

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

Malmesbury Community Choir The

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

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

Senior Club Meets at 2.30pm during summertime in the 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 (Care Farehar) at pherston 2nd brownies@owlook compared 8/1085

Owl (Lara Farahar) at sherston2ndbrownies@outlook.com or call 841085

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

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

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

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

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

Sherston 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 Tues lunchtimes and Thurs evenings at 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 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

Sherston Market Returns in aid of Village

Hall repairs Local crafts and produce which vary each market All stall fees will now be going directly into the Village Hall Renovation Fund. Hot food and drinks available to buy from a mobile vendor. Free charity table in entrance 10am-4pm

Sat 16 Sep Sat 18 Nov Village hall For further details call Alison on 07909 737096 or pollyatkins59@btinternet.com

### Sherston Boules Festival

Boules Tournament Sat 15 Jul Please see programme in centrefold of July issue for more details and articles Senior Club Musical Teas - Tues 11 July, 2.30pm at the Carpenters Arms. Entertainment will be by "End of the Track" and tickets are £7 (£5 for members)

Boules Skittles Wed 12 Jul 8.30pm at the Rattlebone Skittle Alley £5

Cricket match and BBQ - The Battle of the Pubs - The Carps XI taking on the mighty Rattlebone XI - Thurs 13 Jul 6-8pm at Sherston Magna Cricket Ground

Traditional 'Boules' Friday night knees up with Live Music at The Rattlebone Fri 14 Jul -

Boules Day – Sat 15 Jul 128 teams play in the tournament in the High St starting at 9am KidsZone on VH field from 10.30am and will include an assault course. Morris dancers, a band, Sherston Choir and an Accordionist - all in the high

French Café, bar and BBQ on High St with many interesting stalls inc Giant Tombola and Raffle with £100 to the winner - to be drawn at the duck race. Colts (11-16 yrs) and Juniors (under 11s) Tournament - contact Huw Bowles huw@trecelyn.co.uk and Kirstie Blair Kirstieblair@gmail. com to enter a team

Boules party - live music in the Rattlebone Sat 15 Jul Duck Race 2.30pm - starts at Stretchline. Duck Race Cream Teas at the finish line at Mill Cottage from 3pm, Raffle draw Children's Fancy Dress Competition - theme Entry fee is £2 per child and payable to Kristy Andrews on the day at Duck Race teas

Thanksgiving service 6pm Village Hall (field if weather

Please note: WC facilities in Village Hall and High St portaloos only.

Parking: Please make use of the public car parks: Green Lane Recreation ground for permit holders (displaced residents' cars) and disabled badge holders only General car park: Sports Ground, Knockdown Road (from Didmarton, Malmesbury and Tetbury via Sandpits Lane and Stretchline car park, Brook Hill (from Luckington)

Boules Weekend Mobility by Optimum Mobility For further details visit www.sherston.net

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### Church events

Gauzebrook Holiday Club 'Guardians of Ancora' – based on an app produced by the charity Scripture Union The app combines parkour with exploration of Bible stories about the life of Jesus.

Mon 24 to Fri 28 Jul 10am to midday in Sherston school. All children of primary school age welcome, but please register with Becky Fisher — becky.fisher@deanery.org . The holiday club week will end with a special Group Service on Sun 30 Jul in Holy Cross Sherston at 10.30 am, which replaces services in other churches in our group that day. Church of the Holy Cross For further details call Rev Susan Harvey 840696 or susan.harvey44@hotmail.com

### Sherston Senior Club

**Boules Tea Afternoon** 2.30pm on 11 July in the Carpenters Arms. Entertainment will be by singing group "End of the track". Members £5 visitors £7

Optimum Mobility will be demonstrating their aids to easier living at 2.30pm on 25 July 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 WI Talks

Creative Photography talk by Fiona Turnbull Thurs 6 July, 7.30pm

A Decade in Gascogne talk by John Clark Thur 3 Aug, 7.30pm Village Hall Village Hall For further details call Jill Woodward 840578 or jillwoodward222@btinternet.com

### Sue's Strolls

Sun 2 Jul Please assemble at the village hall for 10am with a return Rattlebone Inn just around 12noon for seasonal refreshments. As ever children and well behaved dogs, the latter on leads, are very welcome. The walk is entirely free and there is no need to book a place – just turn up on the day. This is a PHEW! event

For further details call Sue McKechnie 840601 or susannemckechnie@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.legacymalmesbury.org.uk

**Baby Boondocks** 

More like the old SherstonFest than Boondocks 7-8 July It will be the same eclectic mix of fantastic music that we find in all corners of the festival world throughout the year muddled up with great food, fine liquid refreshments and all manner of other good stuff! Tickets on sale now "The Old Rifle Range Field" aka the Village Hall For further details call Facebook (www.facebook.com/TheBoondocksFestival/) or get on our mailing list (email info@TheBoondocksFestival.co.uk)

Sherston Drama Group

Panto (Snow White) auditions For adults / teenagers (aged 9+ on 1 Sept 2017) there will be a read-through on Tues 4 Jul, 7.30 at Sherston Scout Hut where we will make the final decision and think about who would like which part. Panto dates: autumn half term 25-28 Oct 2017 There are parts for all levels of skill in acting / singing / dancing – You will need to be available for rehearsals on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, Sept & Oct Please get in touch too should you want to help out back

stage or front of house, choreography or costumes. For further details contact Sue Lehrer (Chair) suelehrer@gmail.com Tel.07778 0661830

Sherston Magna Cricket Club

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

### 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 9 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 10 Oct from 10am Trail map £2 from BSR Prize giving on 11th at 4pm 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 Photography Exhibition Themes for 2017 – 1. Weather, 2.

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

Black and White, 3. Architecture,.

Young Musicians Concert Sat 10 Oct 4pm-6.30pm £6/£2 - incl tea and cake Bath Community Gospel Choir Led by Jo Sercombe, Choral Voice Lecturer at Bath Spa University and Gospel Workshop specialist for The Ambassador Theatre Group, this 80-strong choir is preparing to raise the roof at Holy Cross Church on Sat 7 Oct

Book reading event "Vinegar girl" by Anne Tyler Sat 10 Oct

'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. Scarecrow workshop - pick up an Arts Festival form or email kirstybridge2004@yahoo.co.uk or visit https://sherstonartsfestival.com

# 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

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

### Luckington Summer Fete

Sat 1 Jul 2pm till 10pm The annual village fete with stalls, pony rides, dog show and entertainment for all of the family. BBQ and musical entertainment into the evening. For further details call Any offers of help or questions to Candy Neal on 840645

### 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 out 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: Trees Through Time Discover how plants have evolved over time at our exciting family event. Add to our tree landscape by making an evolution flick book, print your own leaf fossil and take our evolution timeline challenge! Mon 24- Fri 28 Jul 10am-4pm free after admission. Sorry no dogs allowed.

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 - Beginners** 22-23 Jul Lansdowne, Bath £99

**Spoon Carving** Spend a day learning about the age old craft of green woodworking...and make you own spoon in the process! 26 Jul Northleach

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-luiliudt-uutjhhnr-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 http://www.cotswoldsruralskills.org.uk/

### Easton Grey Whatley Manor

Sunday Cinema £42 includes your cinema ticket for the screening and popcorn and a 3 course lunch or dinner in Le Mazot brasserie. Lunch first from 12 noon with the film starting promptly at 2.30pm. For the dinner screening enjoy the film first starting promptly at 5pm followed by dinner in Le Mazot brasserie from 7.15pm.

La La Land' starring Ryan Gosling, Emma Stone and Rosemarie DeWitt 16-Jul

There will be a short break in our film screenings during August and September 2017 further to the potential refurbishment of Grey's Brasserie.

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

### 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

### Events at Malmesbury Children's centre

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

### Malmesbury Concert Band

Oaksey Village Fete Sat 1 Jul 2pm Stratford Park Bandstand, Stroud Sat 23 Jul 2.30pm Malmesbury Town Hall

For further details call Tony Fleming, the Musical Director, on 575229 or tony@jacfleming.plus.com or or visit www.freewebs.com/malmesburyconcertband

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

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 nwilts@alzheimers.org.uk or visit www.alzheimers.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

### **Tetbury**

**Tetbury Goods Shed** 

Children's theatre – Jason Maverick A high-energy show set to music and combining superb mime and robotics with a huge range of circus skills including juggling, clown and physical theatre. Sat 15 July, performance starts at 2pm, tickets cost £10

Live music – Josh Kumra Josh Kumra is a thoughtful singer/songwriter originally from Swindon. Likened to a young Ray Lamontagne, Josh is best known for providing the raspy vocals on Wretch 32's UK chart topper 'Don't Go' Fri 21 July, performance starts 7.30pm - with a bar and BBQ beforehand, tickets cost £12

Alexander McCall Smith in conversation with Cotswold Life's Katie Jarvis Alexander (author of the No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency) talks about his new book A Time of Love and Tartan Thursday 27th July

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

### Charlton Park WOMAD - World Music Festival

WOMAD Thurs 27 - Sun 30 Jul Featuring many world musicians and bands and exciting new artists - check website for the lineup new LOWER PRICE ticket for SN16 ticket holders who don't stay on site SN16 resident four day ticket – NO CAMPING £90 / SN16 with camping 4 days £140 3 days £120. More information at womad.co.uk/tickets. For further details call Reading Box Office on 0118 960 6060 or visit www.womad.org/festivals/charlton-park

# Didmarton Flicks in the Sticks

La Land Fri 14 Jul - Doors open 6:30pm for 7.30pm start. Cash bar £3 in advance £3.50 on the door Didmarton Village Hall For further details call Jenny Body 01454 238358 or jenny.body@btconnect.com

### Grittleton Moviola - the Touring Rural Cinema Scheme

HIDDEN FIGURES [PG] Wed 26 Jun Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start £6 from Lesley or on the door Future dates for your diary
A United Kingdom Wed 19 Apr
Grittleton Village Hall
For further details call Lesley 01249 783157 or
email l\_palmer@btinternet.com or visit www.moviola.org/

### Leigh Delamere PopUp Opera at Leigh Delamere Church

Il Matrimonio Segreto (The Secret Marriage) By Cimarosa. A rich Italian businessman attempts to marry off one of his daughters to a mad English toff with disastrous results. Packed with tunes and matrimonial mayhem, it is full of humour, sparkle and fun. If you enjoy Mozart, you will love this. Picnic in the garden of Leigh Delamere House beforehand (BYO) Ticket includes a glass of wine in the interval and a donation to the Churches Conservation Trust Fri 21 Jul at Leigh Delamere House For further details call Harriet Tupper on h\_tupper@hotmail.com

# 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 Wylye 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

### Crudwell

### North Wilts Villages Flower Club

'A Celebration' - demonstration by David Martin Competition – favourite flower. 19 Jul

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

Day trip to Hereford Cathedral flower festival 7 Sep AGM and talk by Mary Hinton – Hedgehog Rescue 20 Sep Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639

### Cirencester

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

### **Fairford**

### Royal International Air Tattoo at RAF Fairford

The World's Greatest Airshow 14-16 July 7.30am - 8.30pm see website for ticket prices. Advance ticket sales only.free entry for under 16s

For further details call Purchase tickets online or call FREEPHONE ticket hotline 0800 107 1940 (Monday - Friday, 9am - 5pm) or visit www.airtattoo.com/airshow

### 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

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Midsummer Prom Hailey Tuck | Tipitina 8 Jul £34 Final Fling Pee Wee Ellis Funka Nova Quartet | Bartoune 5 Aug £34

Iford Manor

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Longborough Festival Opera June - July

Tristan and Isolde; Fidelio; The Magic Flute; Orfeo ed Euridice Performances through June and July Download an entry form from website

Young Artists present Sweeney Todd 28-29 Jul Longborough Festival Opera For further details call 01451 830292 or visit https://lfo.org.uk

### Seend

Shakespeare Live Open Air Theatre

A Midsummer Night's Dream Mon 3 - Sat 8 July 8pm An English country garden, open air Shakespeare - the quintessential English summer event - gourmet picnic baskets and cream teas available to pre order - or bring your own

For further details call box office - 07780 938107 or visit www.shakespearelive.co.uk

Hatherop Castle School Cotswold Arcadians Open Air Theatre

Pericles 25 – 29 July 2017 Bring a picnic Doors open 6pm Performance at 8pm

For further details call 01285 898019 or visit www.arcadians.org

# Wotton-Under-Edge The Electric Picture House

A refurbished local cinema run by volunteers from the local community This month: My Cousin Rachel; After The Storm; Wed 5 Jul La Boheme: Live from Taormina; Churchill; Britain on Film: Coast and Sea; The Shack; Hampstead; Summer in the Forest; NT Live Angels in America Part 1: Millennium Approaches Thurs 20 Jul; Andre Rieu's 2017 Maastricht Concert; My Life as a Courgette; NT Live: Angels in America Part 2: Perestroika Thurs 27 Jul; Despicable Me 3; Sofia Coppola's La Traviata Sun 30 Jul

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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

### 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

Opera: La bohème Puccini's passionate opera is conducted by Antonio Pappano and stars a superb young cast including Nicole Car, Michael Fabiano and Mariusz Kwiecień, in a new production by Richard Jones. 3-Oct

Stroud Apollo, Odeon Bath and many other Cinemas For further details call 0871 220 6000 or visit www.roh.org.uk/cinema

### Malmesbury, Chippenham, Bath, Stroud, Bristol, Wotton

### National Theatre Live

Live and pre recorded screenings NT Live Angels in America Part 1:

Millennium Approaches Thurs 20 Jul

NT Live: Angels in America Part 2:

Perestroika Thurs 27 Jul

NT Live: Angels in America Part One:

Millennium Approaches 20-Jul Angels in America Part Two:

Perestroika 27-Jul

For further details visit www.ntlive.com



### Bath Theatre Royal

Racing Demon 21 Jun - 8

Book ahead for: Sand in the Sandwiches; North by Northwest; The Lady in the Van; Driving Miss Daisy; The Real Thing For further details call 01225 448844 or visit www.theatreroyal.org.uk

### **Bristol**

### Pedal for Props Bristol to Bordeaux Cycle Challenge

5 -8 Jul - 4 day ride in aid of Props (Providing Opportunities and Support) Now in it's 9th year, the Bristol to Bordeaux Cycle Challenge is one of the UK's top charity bike rides. Departing Bristol on Wed 5 July the ride takes in 500 miles of the finest cycling routes that the UK and France can offer, before arriving in Bordeaux on Sat 8 July.

Riders can choose between 2 routes, the 500 miles 'extreme' or the 300 miles classic. The ride is fully supported, with regular feed stations, fully trained physios and bike mechanics, and transport of all bags between each overnight hotel stop. For further details call or visit www.bristol2bordeaux.org

### Bristol Harbour Festival

21-23 July Free events and entertainment all weekend see website for details Bristol Harbour Festival is one of the UK's largest public festivals and a chance for the city to showcase its rich musical and performance roots. Over 250,000 festival fans head down to the 2 mile stretch along Bristol's waterfront to party, dance and relax For further details call 0117 922 3287 or visit www.bristolharbourfestival.co.uk

# 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/

# Cheltenham Music Festival

72nd Music Festival 1-16 Jul Varied programme of talks and events featuring all types of music

With superstar artists in the Town Hall, chamber concerts in the Pump Rooms, spine tingling choral music raising the rafters of Tewkesbury Abbey and Gloucester Cathedral, and musical experiences for all the family, the 73rd Cheltenham Music Festival is gearing up to be one of the most memorable in the Festival's long history. Box Office on Suffolk Parade (GL50 2AE) will be open daily (excluding Sunday 16 July) during the Festival between 10am - 5pm for both in-person and telephone sales (01242 850270). Various locations in Cheltenham For further details call 0844 576 7979 or visit www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/music



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If you are in immediate danger call 999

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### Wiltshire Council

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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
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www.bristolwater.co.uk/contact/

Emergency Helpline: 0345 702 3797 (24 Hour)

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

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Malmesbury Primary Care Centre	01666 825825
Malmesbury Secondary School	01666 829700
Malmesbury Youth Centre	0799 0908550
MP James Gray	01249 652851
Sherston Parish Council	01666 840197
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