



Update on the Neighbourhood Plan

Sherston Village Hall was standing room only for the meeting to discuss proposals for mixed use development (including a new surgery) on the land behind the new school. There were impassioned and well thought out questions from the local community with answers from members of the Steering Group, Councillor John Thomson, Doctor Watkins and Doctor Pettit from the Tolsey Surgery. Many members of the community mentioned their gratitude to the Steering Group and the doctors, who have worked tirelessly and at some length to come up with what they see as a viable solution for retaining a surgery in the village. There was good community support shown for the need for a new surgery, alongside a variety of worries expressed about the size of the potential housing development and the large numbers of vehicles that would be using Sherston roads to access it.

Bearing in mind concerns raised, the Steering Group has subsequently agreed to several members of the Parish, who bring considerable professional skills, to examine all available options for funding the scheme in the most beneficial way for the village before making a decision on the way forward.

Several questions were raised by the community about traffic worries particularly around Green Lane and it was asked whether there was a possibility of a 20mph restriction on traffic. John Thompson stated that Green Lane would need to be improved and measures built in to slow down traffic. He said that before any development could take place a wider study would be needed to look into the impact on pedestrians, cycling and cars. All such issues would be brought up at the Local Transport Group if development went ahead for thorough investigation.

There were several questions asked about affordable housing and as to whether the other five villages could support some of the required housing quota as their residents will use the surgery. When asked who would own and operate any new affordable houses, the Local Housing Association or Wiltshire Council, John Thomson replied that he would prefer it to be

Wiltshire Council but that this would be decided at a later stage if the development were to go ahead. It was clarified by John Thomson that affordable housing would remain as social housing even after resale. The Steering Group confirmed that no developer is involved and won't be until an agreement is made, and it is only after the sale of the land that detailed plans will be produced.

Should you wish to read a full account of what was said at the meeting then details of such are available on the Parish council's website.

A Freedom of Information request was made by a member of the Sherston community to gain access to a Viability Assessment which was responded to by Wiltshire Council within the statutory twenty days. This document provides financial information about a potential mixed use development including the construction of a new surgery. It was envisaged that publication of this information should give Sherston residents the confidence to make an informed decision. Following the Freedom of Information request a copy of the Viability Assessment has now been made available on the Sherston Parish Council website, named as 'Development Appraisal Report' by Seymour Chartered Surveyors.

The Steering Group will reconvene in a few weeks' time, having deliberated in the meantime on the matters raised by local residents at the Public Meeting. A decision will hopefully then be made on the range of proposals that can potentially be incorporated in to the draft Neighbourhood Plan which is then expected to be put to the community in a formal referendum later in 2017.

As readers will recall the following proposition was put to the village via The January Cliffhanger to gauge public feeling. The proposition asked:

In return for the construction of a new GP surgery and the reservation of land for the possible future expansion of the Primary School and/or for the erection of a new building for the pre-school group, the Neighbourhood Plan will allocate land on the Sopworth Road site for the erection of up to 45 dwellings including affordable housing for local people.

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Road closure: B4040

There will be a temporary closure of the B4040 in Sherston affecting Brook Hill / High Street / Church Street / Easton Town, from a point approximately 70m west of its junction with Grove Road in a north-easterly direction for a distance of approximately 2.2km (to a point adjacent to Pinkney Mill, Pinkney). This is to enable Wiltshire Council to carry out carriageway reconstruction, surface dressing and road markings.

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The closure and diversion route will be clearly indicated by traffic signs.

The works will commence on 16 March and it is anticipated that the closure will be required daily between 7.00am and 6.00pm until 22 March. Access will be maintained for residents and businesses, although delays are likely due to the nature of the works.

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Mrs Louisa Neems, Reginald and Percy's mother, kept a lighted candle burning each evening in her front window in Easton Town. This was to show her two boys the way home.

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YES	332 votes	(94.3%)
NO	20 votes	(5.7%)
TOTAL	352 votes cast	

Type of comments received:

1. The most frequent reasons given for voting 'YES' were:

- 'Vital we keep a surgery in the village'
- 'Support provision of more affordable housing'
- 'Support the combined package of proposals'
- 'Village needs to grow to remain vibrant'
- 'Will help primary school'

2. The most frequent reservations given by those voting 'YES' were:

- 'Need to ensure traffic well managed'
- 'Ensure adequate parking made available for mix of uses'
- 'Affordable housing must be for local people'
- '45 houses but no more'

3. The most frequent reasons given for voting 'NO' were:

- '45 is too many houses'
- 'Will change character of village'
- 'Do not believe affordable housing will be for local people'

Neighbourhood Plan Meeting 26th January 2017

Doctor Simon Watkins

It is very good to be given the opportunity to express our views about the current situation regarding the Tolsey Surgery. We are just one part of the neighbourhood plan, but we appreciate that we have become somewhat of a focus in recent weeks. We know that there has been a lot of discussion, debate and rumour circulating around Sherston and surrounding villages over the past few months and we wanted to explain once again why we need a new surgery.

We have been aware for several years that we are outgrowing our current building and that it doesn't allow us to expand to cater for modern health care requirements. We have had a succession of Governments determined to close surgeries like ours and create bigger health centres that would require our patients to travel greater distance to be seen. In other words we are under threat and would lose the personal touch that we would like to think is the lifeblood of the Tolsey.

As anyone who has visited the surgery will know there are multiple difficulties including problems with access to the doctors consulting rooms via the stairs, a shortage of nursing space downstairs, and a very open reception area with no privacy at all. There is no opportunity to extend the surgery or create the space that is required with increasing patient numbers and demand.

The Partners therefore started to discuss this issue a few years ago. We looked at all the possible options open to us including a new self-build and a privately financed initiative. Unfortunately neither of these approaches was deemed sustainable. We live in an age where the traditional model of GP's buying into their practice no longer happens. Young GP's are not prepared to invest their own money in surgery premises. Within the next few years we will need new GP's to join the surgery because of retirements. We are therefore faced with a dilemma.

The Neighbourhood plan has kindly offered the surgery, and the village, a possible solution to our situation and thus preserve health care provision in our region for years to come.

The concept of a Parish Council owned health facility, with the doctors as tenants, is a unique idea and would ensure the expansion that the practice needs, not only to develop our patient services, but also to attract new young doctors to work in a wonderful rural environment, without the financial penalties that might otherwise discourage them.

I would like to reassure you that Drs Pettit, Harris and Watkins are fully committed to this new venture. We want to continue serving our communities as their GP's. We do not want to be faced with an uncertain future for The Tolsey Surgery and our patients.

24 January 2017

Dear Parent

Village Plan

You may have seen details of the proposed Sherston Village Plan in the Cliffhanger.

Whilst the principle focus of the Village Plan has been to protect the village's doctor's surgery, the governors' of the school believe it is worth highlighting to you the potential benefits of the Village Plan to the school, for you to consider taking into account if voting on the Plan.

Simply put, as the school is funded on a per-pupil basis, any potential improvement in pupil numbers as a result of any extra housing in the village, would improve

the school's financial standing. This would in turn help guarantee the school's continued ability to offer the current structure of one class per year. At the moment the school relies on attracting a number of pupils from outside the village to be able to do this and, in spite of these extra numbers, the school remains (and has consistently remained) slightly undersubscribed. Finally the school also potentially stands to gain extra land as a result of the current proposal, which is obviously helpful.

Yours faithfully

Nicholas Manassei, Chair of Governors

Sherston Church of England Primary School

Sherston Market will be back next month – 8 April



All stall booking fee profits will be going directly into the village hall renovation fund. There will also be the usual free charity stall - which is still available.

The market will be open from 10am to 4pm, there will be homemade food on sale from a mobile vendor. There will be plenty of stalls, with some new faces and some familiar ones.

Following markets will be on 24 June, 16 September, 18 November 2017. To book a stall for any of the above markets. Ring Alison on 0790973796. See you there.

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Tolsey News



Surgery Open Day

Many of our patients were interested in being able to see 'behind the scenes' at our open day and were able to chat to doctors and staff about the exciting prospect of building a new surgery in the village to protect the health service here for the future. Thank you to all who provided cakes and biscuits and helped to make the day a success! We are pleased to report that the consultation that took place in the Cliffhanger in January returned very strong support for a new surgery in Sherston.

Dispensary News

As reported previously, there have been a number of changes in our dispensary. We are delighted to announce the arrival of two new members of staff. Beckie, who has previous experience as a healthcare assistant, has joined us as a trainee dispenser and Janet has joined us as a qualified dispenser, having a wealth of previous experience in dispensing.

We have found it necessary to extend the time needed to collect repeat prescriptions from ordering to four working days. However, if you take advantage of our new automated system, where medication can be re-ordered on collection, medication will automatically be ready at the appropriate time. Please speak to a member of staff if you want to take advantage of this.

We are also pleased to announce that the dispensary will not close from 2pm to 3pm each day, so medication can be collected at any time from 8.30am to 6.30pm.

Goodbye Yvette!

We are sorry to say goodbye to Yvette after 20 years' service at the surgery. I am sure many of you will miss her and will want to wish her well as she embarks on her retirement. Yvette's last day will be Friday, 31st March.

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If you want to go straight to the top, then how about sponsoring a pitch and have your name/your company name and logo emblazoned on your 'Toblerone' for all to see throughout the whole day, and gain a FREE entry for your team into the Boules competition to boot? Contact Kit.harding@carterjonas.co.uk

But it is not all about the Boules. There will be all the usual food, drinks and stalls up and down the High Street, as well as music, dancing and general merriment, the particulars of which are yet to be confirmed, but watch this space!

As if that is not enough we are busy preparing for pre Boules day events running up to the big day, as well as Sunday frolics – remember egg throwing, remember welly wanging? And of course, no Boules festival if complete without the duck race and afternoon tea with major raffle event at Mill Cottage.

Interested? Enthralled? Encouraged? Put the date in your diary, get your team name in, and help us make 2017 a spectacular event.

Last year the Boules festival raised around £8000 for local charities. For those groups that can offer

help for 2017 Boules Day and would like to apply for a donation, please email Sam Pyle on sam.pyle@btinternet.com for an application form.

The Boules committee are always open to new ideas/suggestions and particularly help on the day. Our chair would be very pleased to hear from you james@jamespyle.co.uk

Pip Pettit, Boules Committee member

Sherston Senior Club

On 24th January, we were absorbed and entertained by Tony Weedon relating some of his experiences as a Customs Officer.

Tony took us through his career starting in Southampton and ending in Bristol. It was a most interesting talk and you couldn't hear a pin drop the audience were so fascinated.

7th February, Wiltshire Farm foods visited us and Lottie Parkin ably demonstrated their ready meals. The meals are all cooked in Trowbridge, frozen and delivered to Sherston on Thursday mornings. There is a wide range of main meals, puddings and cakes. They have a permanent Dietician to help balance the meals and advise on food intolerances etc. Members sampled several of the dishes and said they were very good.

Our next meeting, on 21st February Kieran Pocock will be entertaining us with music and song.

Looking forward, March 7th Stephen Wells will be telling us about the history of the Magic Circle. On 21st we have our Spring Sale. We hope to see you in the British School Room from 2.00pm onwards.



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This Easter join the Gauzebrook Choir in singing Vivaldi's Gloria, led by Natasha Bojanowski. On Friday 12th May the Gauzebrook Choir will be performing Vivaldi's Gloria at St Mary Magdalene, Hullavington as part of a social evening hopefully celebrating our new church floor. If you would like to be involved, rehearsals begin on Wednesday 19th April at Court House, Hullavington for the four weeks leading up to the concert.

Rehearsal dates:

Wednesday 19th April 7.30-9pm

Friday 21st April 7.30-9pm

Saturday 22nd April 9.30-11am

Monday 24th April 7.30-9pm

Wednesday 26th April 7.30-9pm

Wednesday 3rd May 7.30pm

Thursday 4th May 7.30-9pm

Monday 8th May 7.30-9pm

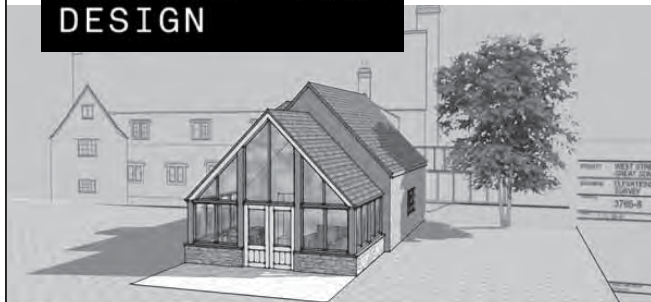
Wednesday 10th May 7.30-9pm

Ideally you would be able to make 5 of the 9 rehearsals, reading music is not essential but will make it easier. There will be a one off fee of £15 to cover costs.

If you would prefer just to watch tickets for the performance and social evening cost £6 and include refreshments.

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Announcing the Alpha course in Sherston

Many people remember the popular Alpha course (alpha.org) that was run for the Gauzebrook Group in Sherston in 2009. Since then our churches have run several courses based in Hullavington, but in 2017 the Alpha course is coming back to Sherston!

Alpha aims to give everyone the chance to explore the Christian faith, ask questions and share their point of view. The course in Sherston will be on Thursday evenings, provisionally from the 4th May until early July, in the revamped North Aisle in Holy Cross church. We'll begin with a meal from 7.30 pm, then watch one of the new Alpha videos exploring the key questions of life. After the video there's then time for open discussion and questions. There's no obligation to say anything and there's nothing you can't say.

Everyone is welcome, and there will be more information coming soon. If you're interested, please let Lorraine know on admin@deanery.org.uk or 825019. Any questions, please do ask the Vicar, Christopher Bryan on 837522 or Christopher. bryan123@btinternet.com



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Gauzebrook Gallivant 2017

We are really blessed living in this beautiful part of North Wiltshire. Not only are we surrounded by beautiful countryside, we live in close-knit communities where neighbours soon become friends. Of course, it's also great when new friends decide to take on a challenge together and it becomes a memorable experience.

The 2016 Gauzebrook Gallivant was such a friendly challenge that has lived on in the memories of those who took part....a truly enjoyable walk around the Gauzebrook churches. With no shortage of breakfasts, refreshments, teas, coffees, and cake provided enroute it affectionately took on the nickname 'Gauzebrook Graze'. Amazing generosity and hospitality combined with a fantastically warm welcome in every church, added to the great day's walking experience.

'Meeting new friends to walk, talk and share the journey experience helped the miles simply fly by, and before we knew it, we had completed the walk and were enjoying a refreshing drink at the Stanton Manor Hotel.' Rev C Bryan, Stanton St Quintin

We also discovered local walks and beauty spots that we didn't know existed practically on our doorstep. Enjoying the countryside and knowing that if you feel the need to retire gracefully at any point, there would be a lift to take you home made it all work well

for the walkers who took part in 2016.

So where do the funds raised go? In 2016, walkers from around the community raised a staggering £1250 for the Rural Schools and Churches project who supports and brings the opportunity of spirituality to our children in school and in the community. Becky Fisher works in the 4 local schools and 8 churches of the Gauzebrook Group. From soap for carving to marshmallows for Christingles, Becky's work requires a huge amount of resources for the children of the community to get creative and express themselves. If you've ever seen the children proudly carrying the crafts they have created during an after school club or Mustard Seeds, then you will have seen the results of the Gallivant fundraising.

The whole event last year was such a resounding success in so many ways that we've decided to do it all again....in reverse, and with an interesting and topical additional visit!

'The Gauzebrook Gallivant was an amazing event for our group of churches - very well organised and led; with an enthusiastic, friendly group of walkers - a great introduction to our new favourite activity Nordic Walking.' A.Reed, Hullavington

To find out more and/or to book your place for the 'Gauzebrook Gallivant 2017' on Saturday 20th May 2017, whether to join us for the full walk or shorter distances, or to help at one of the churches on the day of the walk contact Steve Ellis on 07752567959 or email steve@geminioutdoor.com, or visit the Gauzebrook Gallivant 2017 website page.

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Gauzebrook Lent and Easter

We are about to enter the important season of Lent, during which Christians prepare by prayer, fasting and study for the events of Holy Week and Easter. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, 1st March, with a service of Holy Communion and optional ashing.

Our Lent courses will help us to reflect on 'Creating Connections' with God, one another and our communities. Written within the Diocese of Bristol, this course includes contributions from the Bishops, Dean, Archdeacon and Director of Ministry. Whether you are new to Lent Courses or someone who has been coming every year, there will much of interest as we discuss together.

Monday Evening Hullavington: Court House, (Henny Metters 837778)

Wednesday Lunchtime: Midday to 1.30 pm
Sherston: 55 The Tarters with lunch (Susan Harvey 840696)

Thursday Morning: 9th March to 6th April SSQ:
3 Rectory Close. (30th March at 3 Bouverie Park)
10am—11.30am (Marjorie Morgan 837670)

Thursday Evening: 7.30pm-9.00pm Luckington:
Bridges Court (Christopher Bryan 837522)

The Annual Meeting at Holy Cross will be on Sun 12th March at 10.45 am. This is a good opportunity

to hear what has been going on in the last year and make plans for the future.

Holy Week begins on April 9th with the usual service pattern for Palm Sunday. During the week there will be Complines on Monday in Hullavington at 9pm; Tuesday in Easton Grey 8pm and Wednesday in SSQ at 8pm.

On Maundy Thursday, which is April 13th we are planning a repeat of our very popular Christian Passover Meal. This takes elements from the Jewish liturgy and explains them in the light of the Exodus story and the Last Supper. The meal will begin at 7pm and will be held in Sherston Coffe Primary School. As a meal is included we would like to know numbers beforehand, so please use the sign-up sheet in the church. During the meal everyone is able to receive communion if they wish. It will be followed by an optional vigil in Holy Cross Church from about 9pm.

Good Friday, April 14th, traditionally includes Children's Workshops and this year they will be held in Hullavington church from 10.30am and at Sherston Primary School (please note change of venue) from 10.30 am. Detailed slips for both workshops will be in all churches or contact cpbryan@hotmail.com or becky@deanery.org.uk. Following on from these workshops there will be a reflective service called The Last Hour at Sherston Holy Cross, at 2pm, after which we'd encourage everyone to join in journeying to Luckington for a service at 3.15pm in the car park, then drinks and hot cross buns afterwards.

Holy Saturday April 15th includes a Reflective Service called 'A Space for Waiting', 4 pm Sherston. Finally, on Easter Day itself we are very grateful to the members of the ministry team and retired priests who are making it possible to have a communion service in every church in the benefice.

Christopher Bryan, Rector

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We welcome parents with young children and there is a play area with toys.

In the last 15 years we have made over £14000 for the Church, helping to maintain the building and keep it warm.

Come and celebrate our birthday with us on April 4th and enjoy free coffee and cake.

I wonder if there is a keen knitter in the village who would like to help with a regular knit and natter event in Coffee Shop? Please contact me if you are interested.

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Carer Support Wiltshire takes time out to launch £25k appeal

The Carer Support Wiltshire, Time For Carers Appeal is raising £25,000 to give the thousands of unpaid carers they support a break, and they are calling on the people of Wiltshire to help them reach their target.

Three in five of us will become a carer at some point in our lives. Often as a result of illness or accident suffered by a loved one, many take on the role without question, but are often unprepared for the impact on their own life and health.

'One thing all carers say – whatever their age – is that they need a little time for themselves. Yet our research shows one in three carers never have a weekend or evening break from their caring role, and one in three feel guilty if they do. Many don't have time to enjoy some of the things we all take for granted, like a trip to the cinema, taking part in a sporting activity or spending time with friends. This can affect their physical and mental wellbeing and lead to feelings of isolation,' says Catharine Hurford, CSW Chief Executive.

'All the money we raise through this appeal will go directly to enabling carers to have a bit of time to themselves.'

We are calling on people to get involved with fundraisers or sponsored events, and businesses to make CSW their charity of the year.

You can find out more about the appeal here: <http://carersinwiltshire.co.uk>

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Watching the Birdie Catches A Stunning Snap

In the days of the Kodak Box Brownie, if you can remember that, 'watch the birdie' was the phrase used by photographers professional as well as amateur when they wanted someone to sit still while they took a portrait.

A subject who was sitting still was a necessity if the picture that was being taken wasn't to come out blurred. Happily, the development of cameras with adjustable shutter speeds which could work quickly enough to 'freeze' movement have made the phrase a thing of the past, though not for Tetbury Camera Club member Tony Banks.

Like several of our members, Tony is a relative latecomer to photography as a hobby, but since joining the club about 4 years ago, he has been making up for lost time, perfecting a recently realised talent with a special interest in landscape and wildlife pictures.

Spurred by successfully 'shooting' several birds from his kitchen window, and not afraid of a bigger challenge, Tony ended last year with the aim of trying to capture a picture of a kingfisher in flight...or better still, living up to its name, with a fish in its beak.

As anyone who has ever tried to photograph birds will know, that was no small project. Kingfishers look beautiful, but they are also notoriously timid. On top of that they are small, seldom stay still and are famous for their fast flight. When they dive for their prey a typical speed as they enter the water is 25 miles an hour and darting from cover to spot a fish, they are usually moving even more quickly – 35 miles an hour is not uncommon.

To shoot his shot of the bird with its catch, Tony spent quite some time first of all scouting for a likely kingfisher feeding habitat, and then even longer in a hide, deciding what was the most opportune time to catch it in action, then perfecting the perfect combination of lens length, shutter speed, camera aperture and ISO, which is the modern equivalent of film speed on older film cameras.



Modern digital cameras make practising your ideal shot much easier and less expensive than shooting on film used to be. These days you can see what you have taken virtually instantly and if it wasn't what you wanted, you can just as quickly delete that shot and get ready for another opportunity.

For anyone wanting to try capturing a similar shot to the one shown here, this one was taken at 1/1600th of a second, with a fairly wide aperture of f6.3. and ISO of 400. That was the combination of settings that Tony felt suited the light, were fast enough to capture the moving bird and had a low enough ISO to produce a picture with the right degree of detail.

Proving that Tony's time was well spent, one of the kingfisher pictures was judged highly commended at our first competition of 2017, at the end of January.

If you are interested in learning more about photography, Tetbury Camera Club meets upstairs at the Priory Inn every Tuesday at 7.30. Guests and potential new members are always welcome.

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Quiz raises £3,000 for Sherston School



A packed and very twinkly village hall played host to the very first Friends of Sherston School quiz on Saturday 4 February.

Matt Cheetham, dressed in a formidable cap, gown and house tie, presided over the evening as a friendly but firm headmaster-cum-quizmaster! With some fiendishly fun rounds, all centred on a school theme, it put the greatest minds of Sherston to the test. The 'mackerel round' was a particular success and who knew that the black spots on the surface of the sun were the coolest bit ... many teams talked themselves out of the right answer on that one!

Rupert Evelyn hosted the ever-popular auction - magnificently keeping control of a rather unruly crowd! The fabulous raffle prizes generated a lot of interest, with the draw for the top five as follows:

1. A night's B&B at The Angel: Nicola Atwell
2. Family photo shoot at Barrett & Coe: Caroline Law
3. Apples & Pairs gift card (£30): Pat Jones
4. Tucks free-range turkey (for Easter weekend): Ann Lawrence
5. PlaySpace Bristol family pass: Clare Seymour

Thank you to all our local business owners who so generously donated an auction or raffle prize; we raised £3,000 - a truly amazing total – but could not have done so without you! The money raised will go to fund a new library area at Sherston School. As the



computers can now move between classrooms the school will transform part of the old ICT suite into a new library. Watch this space for more details.

It was an entertaining evening and the quiz was hard fought but the worthy winners of the new trophy were ... 'The Last Hurrah' (Laura Gould, Harry Stevens, Laura Stevens and Lloyd Wood). The team are no strangers to winning as they have consistently left most of the other Sherston quiz teams in the dust for years at the Busy Hands Quiz! A defence of the title is a must next year so you will need a new team name!

Here are some of the local thank yous to name just a few... but actually we had a lot of auction and raffle prizes so thanks to everyone from TH White to Giffords Circus, Thistledown to The Old Bell and from Flying Monk to Miles Morgan too! Anyway, take a deep breath and here goes... A huge thank you must go to all the FSS team for organising the event (particularly Sophie, Samantha, Gemma and Elliot - heroically tee total on the night!). To our wonderful local business community who so generously donated raffle and auction prizes, including Sherston Post Office Stores, Apples and Pairs, Grays of Sherston, The Angel, Tucks, Shear Class, The Rattlebone, Carriers Farm B & B, James Pyle Estate Agents, Emma Newby, The Carpenters Arms, Mary Derrick Swimming, Jo Lees, Pete Ravenhill, Sean Richards, Perfection, Dyson and Tracklements. Not forgetting those of you who bought raffle tickets, selflessly enjoyed a glass or a bottle of wine at the quiz and those who made a bid on an auction prize, Sheps for helping us with the sound (again!) and Rupert Evelyn for being auctioneer. Last, but by no means least, thanks to the lovely Matt Cheetham for working so hard to put together such an entertaining quiz. Until next year ...



Comedy Night at the Rattlebone



Tickets now released!
Saturday 11th March

Chippenham RFC Mini-Rugby Under 12s are fundraising to help with transport costs for their forthcoming tour to Devon in early April.

The Rattlebone Comedy Night is the last in a series of fundraising events and

the rugby club really appreciate the support of the Rattlebone and everyone who comes along on the night.

Following her sell-out show during Sherston's POP weekend, Harriet Beveridge returns for another comedy night at the Rattlebone to say: 'Hello from the other side of.....40'

Harriet performed at the Edinburgh Fringe in both 2015 and 2016 to critical acclaim and sell out crowds. In her show she examines relationships, work, and obsessive dishwasher-stacking. She rails at evolution, the media and the embarrassment of being completely out of touch. 'I asked my seven-year-old son if kids today still say 'liar liar, pants on fire!' He replied, 'No mum, we just say 'stop being a prick'.'

'Fresh and relaxed...hilarious' – Fringe Review

'If the BBC hadn't sacked me I'd definitely have Harriet on my show' – Fred MacAulay

'Sparky, very funny...amusing throughout' – Jeremy Strong, best-selling author of the 'My Brother's Famous Bottom' series on Harriet's latest book 'Turnip-Led Weaning'.

Tickets £15 to include food and comedy – keep checking Rattlebone boards and facebook for further details....call 840871 or pop in to book your table soon - limited seats available.

Tetbury Art Society 40th Anniversary

Tetbury Art Society was founded in July 1977 by Royce Baker, one time Mayor of Tetbury and subsequent President. At the second meeting Edwin and Pauline Stevens joined and became dedicated committee members as Chairman and Secretary.

This year sees the 40th anniversary of our foundation but sadly, the three founder members are no longer with us.

The Society meets in the local Catholic Church hall from February for the AGM until December, for a social. In the months between, we have at least six professional artists demonstrating, trips to various exhibitions and in-house workshops. We also have three art exhibitions a year - our main exhibition for members' work is over the early May Bank holiday, followed by one on the August Bank holiday and finally a table top sale near Christmas. These all take place in the Market House, in the centre of Tetbury, built in 1655 for the prosperous wool trade of the time.

From 2010-2016, we organised an annual lecture covering various art-based topics. These included a talk by Sir Mark Jones, then Director of the V & A to costume production at The Royal Opera House, from artists talking about their work - Nicky Philipps and Daphne Todd to art collections, silver and goldsmiths and the Royal School of Drawing. All were held at The Orchard Room, Highgrove House, Tetbury, by kind permission of TRH The Prince of Wales (our President) and The Duchess of Cornwall. All monies raised were given to The Prince of Wales's Charitable Foundation.

The anniversary will be celebrated with a special competition of paintings of Tetbury, in various media by members, to be judged by the President of The Royal West of England Academy, Stewart Geddes, at the Preview evening. The prize for the winner has been sponsored by various art outlets including Pegasus Art at Thrupp, Leopard Press at Tetbury, Ken Bromley Art Supplies, Coln Gallery at Cirencester and others. The exhibition is then open from Saturday 29 April until Monday 1 May 2017 at The Market House, Tetbury from 10 am – 5 pm.

Sounds interesting? Why not come along to one of the demonstration evenings as a visitor for just £3! See details on our web site: www.tetburyartsociety.org.uk

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The scenery collapses, cues are missed, lines forgotten and the sound effects take a strange note at times (if they can be bothered to appear at all). The cast present their ambitious evening of entertainment with a cunning whodunit 'Murder at Checkmate Manor'. Just in case the audience should get bored there is a film, a fashion show and a murder mystery quiz (complete with prize of course).

The suspense continues to the end and the Chairman is going to keep it going until that curtain falls.

If you managed to see either *Peter Pan That Goes Wrong* over Christmas on television or have been lucky enough to see *The Play That Goes Wrong* in London or recently on tour then this production is something you are going to love.

If you wish to get involved backstage, with set building or technical lights and sounds effects please call Kirstie Blair on 840096 or email kirstieblair@gmail.com

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The WI meeting in February was a mixture of the formal business of the AGM, a quiz and the judging by members of the festive canapé competition.

During the AGM business the 2017 Officers and Committee were elected and the Secretary recalled the many and various activities of our WI during 2016. These included village activities as well as those purely for members. We took part in the Pop Up Village, sold raffle tickets for the Boules Weekend and arranged a talk by Jess McKillop from Aardmaan Animations. For members there was a visit to Denman, the WI College in Abingdon, a trip to the American Museum in Bath, the hosting of a WI from Wales who were visiting the area, plus our usual birthday and New Year lunches. All of that was in addition to our regular monthly speakers where topics covered included, gardens, craft (making cards), to 'travelling' (unfortunately, visually only) to the Zambezi and the Antarctic.

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The quiz, provided by one of our members, enabled us to test our knowledge across a number of topics and, inevitably, there was a bit of 'head-scratching' over a few of the questions. The picture shows what a splendid array of canapés were made by the members and judging those was very enjoyable.

Our next meeting is on Thursday, 2nd March in the Village Hall, commencing at 7.30pm (please note the change of time and venue for meetings during the spring and summer months). The speaker will be Cherry Hubbard who will be telling us about Life for a Tudor Housewife. At our April meeting, which is on 6th April, Cilla Liddington will be speaking on A Sherston History. Our programme for the coming year is now available and we are always pleased to welcome new members or visitors to our meetings.



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Sherston Open Gardens Weekend will be June 17th and 18th. It is a great fundraiser for the Church and a lovely way to explore hidden corners of our village. If you would be willing to open your garden (or would like to find out a bit more about the event), please get in touch with Heather (840375) or Pat (840640). More details later.



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North Wilts Villages Flower Club

January meeting

At a well-attended meeting Marie Mundy demonstrated under the title of 'Let's go to the movies - take two'. Marie created a number of arrangements to complement her chosen film titles. The evening concluded with refreshments, the raffling of the flower arrangements and a chance to view the plant sales table.

Future meetings

March 15th. Demonstration by Emily Broomhead entitled 'In Print'. The competition this month is 'Favourite Flower'.

April 19th – Work shop - Pot luck.

May 17th. 45th Anniversary Celebration - Pam Lewis workshop and demonstration followed by celebration tea.

Flower club meetings take place at Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB on the third Wednesday of the month, seven for seven thirty. If you enjoy flowers come and join us, visitors and new members are always welcome.

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The Friends of Sherston School are busy planning a fun village night out for Friday 12 May! Some of you may remember That Fish Guy from the last POP weekend and his fantastic – and delicious – posh fish and chips ... well, he's booked to come back! On top of this, there will be a party in the village hall, where you can book a slot to become the DJ and play your favourite tunes. We will have more on this for you next issue but, in the meantime, put the date in your diary!

Boden Shopping Party: Saturday 20 May

The Friends of Sherston School are excited to be hosting a Boden Shopping Party on Saturday 20 May at Tally House, Grove Road. All welcome! We will have plenty for you to see and try on. What's more, if anything takes your fancy, you can place an order with 20% off all categories plus free postage and free returns. More details next month ...

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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 for more details

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

Congregational Church - in The British Schoolroom

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 Facebook).

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).

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

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 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

Senior Club Meets at 2pm in the British School Room every other Tues from 10 Jan

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

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

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 sherstonscubsandscouts@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 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@googlemail.com

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

Sherston Drama Group The Drama group puts on plays and pantomimes in the Village Hall. If you are interested in taking part or helping out contact Richard Skeffington (Chairman) r.a.skeffington@gmail.com Tel. 840092

Sherston Town FC The club play in the Stroud league at Knockdown Park on 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 in the British Schoolroom Starts again 11 Jan. £3 per session - All welcome. Further information from Lucy Lawrance on 840778 (evenings) or lucy@sherston.plus.com or have a look at our Facebook page.

Sherston Photography Forum A monthly group has formed in Sherston for anyone with an interest in photography 2nd 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.communicate.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/Apr in the British Schoolroom at 2.30pm. No meetings Oct or Jan. New programme in Mar. Visitors always most welcome £3.50. Further information: Secretary 840578

Sherston Young Craft Group Every 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' 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

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 Please note new timings 10am-4pm in the village hall.

Sat 8 Apr Sat 24 Jun Sat 16 Sep Sat 18 Nov

For further details call Alison on 07909 737096 or pollyatkins59@btinternet.com

The Angel

Check facebook for details

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

The Carpenter's Arms

Check boards for details

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

The Rattlebone Inn

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

Comedy Night with Harriet Beveridge in aid of Chippenham RFC Following her sell-out show during Sherston's POP weekend, Harriet Beveridge returns for another comedy night at the Rattlebone to say: 'Hello from the other side of....40' Tickets £15 to include food and comedy – tickets limited so book soon

For further details call 840871 or visit www.therattlebone.co.uk

Art Exhibition at Shear Class Salon

Exhibition by Josephine Jenkins in Mar & Apr Anyone can call in to see them – you don't have to be attending the salon.

Church events

Ash Wednesday Holy Communion 1 Mar 7.30pm with the option of ashing for those who wish to receive it
Lent Discussion Groups begin the week after Ash Wednesday. It's really interesting hearing other people's views and experiences, and this year we have an interesting and thought-provoking course planned. The venues and days of the week are likely to be: Mon pm in Hullavington; Wed lunchtimes, including a Light Bite Lunch at 55 The Tartars, Sherston; Thurs 10am -11.30am in SSQ or 7.30 pm – 9.00 pm, in Bridges Court Luckington For more information please contact our Administrator Lorraine on 825019

The Alpha Course comes to Sherston on Thursday evenings, provisionally from 4 May until early July, in the revamped North Aisle in Holy Cross church We'll begin with a meal from 7.30 pm, then watch one of the new Alpha videos exploring the key questions of life If you're interested, please let Lorraine know on admin@deanery.org.uk or 825019.

Any questions, please do ask the Vicar, Christopher Bryan on 837522 or Christopher.bryan123@btinternet.com

Coffee Shop Birthday Party Come and celebrate our birthday with us on Apr 4 and enjoy free coffee and cake. In the last 15 years, we have made over £14000 for the Church, helping to maintain the building and keep it warm. Serving Fair trade coffee, tea and hot chocolate, as well as home made cake and biscuits and it's a great place to meet and indeed make friends. A mug of coffee, hot chocolate or tea is only £1, cakes and biscuits 50p - £1. Juices are 50p

Gauzebrook Gallivant 2017 Sat 20 May, book your place for the full walk or shorter distances, or to help at one of the churches on the day of the walk contact Steve Ellis on 07752567959 or email steve@geminioutdoor.com More details www.geminioutdoor.com/event/gauzebrook-gallivant-2017/

Date for your diary: Sherston Open Gardens Weekend will be 17 & 18 Jun. It is a great fundraiser for the Church and a lovely way to explore hidden corners of our village. If you would be willing to open your garden (or would like to find out a bit more about the event), please get in touch with Heather (840375) or Pat (840640). More details later.

Church of the Holy Cross For further details call Rev Susan Harvey 840696 or susan.harvey44@hotmail.com

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Sherston WI Talks

Talk: Life for a Tudor Housewife with Cherry Hubbard

Thur 2 Mar 7.30pm Village Hall

Talk: A Sherston History with Cilla Liddington Thur 6 Apr 7.30pm Village Hall

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

Sherston Senior Club

Musical entertainment by Kieron Pocock 21-Feb
The History of the Magic Circle by Stephen Wells (with a few Tricks). 7-Mar

At most meetings we have a speaker or entertainer and of course refreshments. We also have Coach Trips, a Garden party and a Christmas lunch. Some of which, are subsidised by the Club. Visitors are welcome at £2 including refreshments.

Spring Sale 21 Mar 2pm in the British School-Room
New members are always welcome Annual fee £15 which covers most meetings and discounts on the outings and other events. We meet every two weeks at 2.30pm in summer and 2.00pm in winter in the British School Room.
For further details call Helen Quirk 840516

Sherston Drama Group

Spring Play Apr 19-22 at, 7.30pm, Doors open 7pm
Tickets (£6.50 / £8.00 including refreshments) on sale at Sherston Post Office Stores

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

For further details call Box Office via r.a.skeffington@gmail.com or 840092 (evenings)

Village Hall Fundraiser - Barn

Dance by 'Bailey's Beads'

For all the family - adults £12, and £6 for children under 16 - and you don't have to know the dances - the caller tells you what to do and when - Sat 29 Apr 7pm for 7.30pm start. There will be a hot forked supper (a selection of bowl food) served during the break and a bar all evening. Tickets should be bought in advance (for catering) and are available from Sherston Post Office from beginning of April. Enquiries phone 840375.

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

For further details call Facebook
www.facebook.com/TheBoondocksFestival/ or get on our mailing list email info@TheBoondocksFestival.co.uk

Friends of Sherston School Events

Boden Shopping Party

FSS Boden Shopping Party on Sat 20 May at Tally House, Grove Road. All welcome! We will have plenty for you to see and try on - with 20% off, plus free P&P and free returns.

Save the date: Fun Night Fri 12 May

That Fish Guy from the last POP weekend and posh fish and chips ... well, he's booked to come back! On top of this, there will be a party in the village hall, where you can book a slot to become the DJ and play your favourite tunes

Boules Festival

Boules Competition Entry Forms Register your team into July's Boules competition, preferably online through www.sherston.net but paper entry forms will be available Sherston Post Office (by the coffee machine). Entry open from Valentine's Day till Easter Monday (17 Apr) Draw takes place end of April

Last year the Boules festival raised around £8000 for local charities. For those groups that can offer help for 2017 Boules Day and would like to apply for a donation, please email Sam Pyle on sam.pyle@btinternet.com for an application form.

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](mailto:Joel.Faulkner@joel.p.faulkner@gmail.com)



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

Specialist Wood Sales every Sat 10am-1pm in aid of FOWA

Wild Westonbirt - A youth club with a difference 14-18 year olds will be using hand tools to bring back some of our native woodland into a managed state, identifying and making produce such as bean poles, pea sticks and faggots, clearing brambles and restocking Sat 25 Mar 10am - 4pm Free but must book via karen.price@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

Summer concerts Tickets on sale now for: Elbow Thurs 15 Jun; Olly Murs Fri 16 Jun (SOLD OUT); Rick Astley Sat 17 Jun; Craig David Sun 18 Jun

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

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.

Inferno starring Tom Hanks, Felicity Jones and Ben Foster 12-Mar

'A Street Cat named Bob' starring Luke Treadaway, Bob the Cat and Ruta Gedmintas 2-Apr

'Allied' starring Brad Pitt, Marion Cotillard and Jared Harris 30-Apr

'Bridget Jones's Baby' starring Renee Zellweger, Patrick Dempsey and Colin Firth 21-May

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

Didmarton

Duke of Beaufort's Hunt Point to Point

Duke of Beaufort's Hunt Point to Point at Didmarton First Sat in March - 4 Mar First race starts at 12.30. Countrywear tradestands, refreshments. Wrap up warm against the wind as the course is very exposed. £10 entry to the racecourse. Parking on site (chargeable).

For further details call or visit www.pointingwm.co.uk/course-details-and-maps/didmarton/didmarton-news/

Flicks in the Sticks

I Daniel Blake Fri 10 Mar 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

Gauzebrook Choir in concert

Vivaldi's Gloria Fri 12 May at St Mary Magdalene, Hullavington as part of a social evening hopefully celebrating our new church floor £6

If you would like to be involved, rehearsals begin on Wednesday 19th April at Court House, Hullavington for the four weeks leading up to the concert. Ideally you would be able to make 5 of the 9 rehearsals, reading music is not essential but will make it easier. There will be a one off fee of £15 to cover costs.

For further details call Henny Metters, 837778 henny.matters@outlook.com

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The Gonzo Moose Theatre Group present 'The Things That Came From Over There' Spoof horror set in Antarctica with comedy and thrills galore. It's a fast paced, quick change, multi role playing show with three actors playing over fifteen roles with visual gags, giant puppetry and a little live music Fri 3 Mar 6.30pm Grittleton VH Doors open 6pm Tickets from Jan 01249 782798 dandijeffcoate@btinternet.co.uk Adults £8, Concessions £7, Children (under 16) £5, Families (2 adults & 2 children) £21 Target Audience: Ages 8+

Door Ajar Theatre present 'Thisbe' Comic sequel to Midsummer Night's Dream 4 Mar 7.30pm for 8pm start in Brinkworth VH Bar available. Tickets £8/£7 from 510545 or 510045 or The Pound, Corsham Village Hall For further details call or visit www.ruralartswiltshire.org.uk

Grittleton

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Workshop - Pot Luck 19-Apr

45th Anniversary Celebration - Pam Lewis workshop and demonstration May 17 followed by celebration tea.
Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639

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

Malmesbury Singers Spring Concert

Brahms Requiem 'German Requiem' by Brahms, in which the choir will be joined by soloists Lesley Jane Rogers (soprano) and Christopher Monk (baritone) and accompanists Helen Coombs and Nick Thorne. Sat 1 Apr 7.30pm in Malmesbury Abbey Tickets (£15, £5 students & children) available from Abbey Bookshop and choir members Malmesbury Abbey F
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For further details call Summer Café, Malmesbury High St or visit www.malmesburyfringetheatre.com

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Polly Williamson - 'An Inspirational Journey' Thurs 23 Mar
AGM & entertainment Thurs 27 Apr

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

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For further details call Ellen Backer 07557 922020

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

Tetbury

Tetbury Art Society

40th Anniversary Competition The anniversary will be celebrated with a special competition of paintings of Tetbury, in various media by members, to be judged by the President of The Royal West of England Academy, Stewart Geddes, at the Preview evening. The exhibition is then open from Sat 29 Apr - Mon 1 May at The Market House, Tetbury, 10am - 5pm. £3 non-members.

For further details call Gill Ashley 840993 or visit www.tetburyartsociety.org.uk

Cotswolds & Tetbury

Cotswold Rural Skills

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Corsham

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Wotton-Under-Edge

The Electric Picture House

A refurbished local cinema run by volunteers from the local community This month: This month: Lion; Monster Trucks; Britain on Film: Rural Life Sun 5 Mar; Ziggy Stardust & The Spiders from Mars Tues 7 Mar; NT LIVE Hedda Gabler Thurs 9 Mar; Toni Erdmann; Ballerina; Exhibition on Screen: The Artist's Garden: American Impressionism 21 Mar; NT Live : Twelfth Night Thurs 6 Apr check website for details

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

Wotton Bridge Club

Bridge lessons on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in the Wotton Civic Centre, from Oct onwards. £6 per lesson. Complete beginners welcome.

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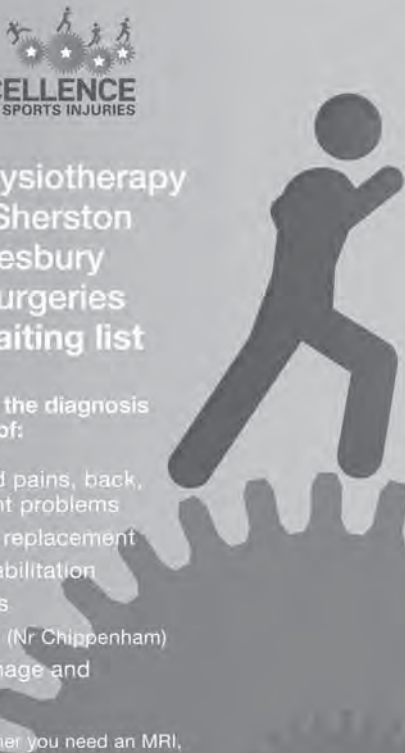
For further details call or visit www.bristoljazzandbluesfest.com/

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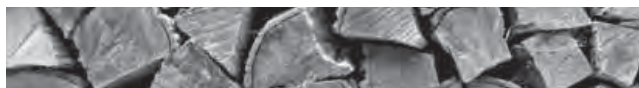
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