



Sherston Neighbourhood Plan Referendum Date – 16 May 2019

Last month we reported the fact that the Independent Examiner appointed to consider the draft plan had concluded that 'the Sherston Neighbourhood Plan meets the basic conditions' and had recommended to Wiltshire Council that, subject to modifications, 'it should proceed to Referendum'.

Following full consideration of the Examiner's Report and recommendations, Wiltshire Council has now issued a 'Decision Statement' confirming that the Neighbourhood Plan can proceed to Referendum (subject to certain limited modifications being made to ensure that it is compliant with the 'basic conditions').

A copy of the Examiner's Report and this Decision Statement have been placed on the Sherston PC website (see NHP Stage 4). Hard copies of both are available in the GP Surgery and the church.

The required modifications have now been made to the plan and returned to Wiltshire Council. Wiltshire Council has now therefore confirmed the arrangements for the Referendum. This is to be held on Thursday 16 May 2019.

The question that is likely to be asked in the Referendum will be:

'Do you want Wiltshire Council to use the neighbourhood plan for Sherston to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood plan area?'

You will be entitled to vote in the Referendum if you meet the eligibility criteria to vote in a local election and of course live in the Parish. The Village Hall will as usual be the 'polling station'. Postal and proxy votes can be submitted, provided that you make the necessary application within the requisite timescale. Google 'Sherston Neighbourhood Plan Referendum 16th May' and follow the link.

Wiltshire Council will be publishing further details of the Referendum and voting requirements in due course.

If the majority of those who vote in this Referendum are in favour of the neighbourhood plan, then Wiltshire Council will be obliged to formally 'make' (adopt) the plan within eight weeks. After this future planning applications made within the Parish will have to be assessed against the requirements of the adopted plan.

As a reminder the plan contains policies that seek to:

- Protect a wide range of existing community services, facilities and business premises.

- Protect certain important open spaces and open areas within and around the village.
- Provide a site for the provision of a replacement GP surgery.
- Provide land to meet the future housing needs of the village – including a mixture of both affordable and general housing.
- Provide additional space for future burials.
- Provide a site for a new/replacement vicarage.
- Support the upgrading or replacement of the existing sheltered accommodation at Anthony Close.
- Support improvements to the access routes between the proposed new GP surgery site and the village centre.
- Protect existing open-air sports facilities whilst creating the opportunity for the future possible expansion of the Football Field.
- Support the provision of new/replacement changing rooms and club facilities at the Football Field.

Full details of the Referendum arrangements and the contents of the neighbourhood plan, on which you are being asked to vote, will be set out in next month's Cliffhanger.

Ladies' day - with a glass of bubbles



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Please come along to the races with us between 10 & 13 April at Sherston Village Hall, and for the first time we will have a fully licensed bar. So enjoy a glass of something whilst four girls from a fish factory in Hull try and find the stars at the races, let the odd secret out along the way and find the true meaning of friendship.

This is a light-hearted comedy that will have you laughing and maybe shedding the odd tear as their stories unfold.

Tickets from the Box Office or Sherston Co-op.
We look forward to seeing you.

Wiltshire Best Kept Village Competition

This is the time of year to enter your village for Campaign to Protect Rural England's Best Kept Village competition. The work does not have to be all down to parish councils. Other people and groups who take a pride in their village can encourage the Parish Council to enter and become involved. The effort involved need not be huge. There is a remarkable absence of litter in Best Kept Villages and entering is a good way to generate or maintain positive community spirit. Details have been sent to your local parish clerks by CPRE Wiltshire and the closing date for entries is 22 April.

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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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Spanking new kitchen for Sherston Village Hall



The Sherston Village hall has had a very special makeover and is now fitted out with a new oven, dishwasher and microwave, making it the ideal venue for that social event that you've been planning. Did you know that the village hall is well known for being the perfect venue for children's parties? The large hall can accommodate a bouncy castle - or, if the weather is fine, it can go outside in our large field.

<https://sherston.net/village-hall>



Walk with Sue

Sue McKechnie's next walk will be on Sunday 7 April. Please assemble at the village hall for 10.00am with a return to the Rattlebone Inn just around 12.00noon in time for a complimentary snack. Children and well-behaved dogs on leads are very welcome.

WI Report

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INSPIRING WOMEN

Ever heard of quilling? Members of Sherston WI have now. Quilling - or paper filigree - is an art form that involves the use of strips of paper being rolled, shaped and glued together to create decorative designs. This art form can be traced back hundreds of years to at least the 15th century, possibly created by French and Italian nuns and used to decorate objects in an effort to save money. We were given tuition by Karin Meeks and, after much concentration, all managed to produce cards with a pretty decoration.

The talk at our next meeting, on 4 April, will again be in the British School Room at 2.30pm, and will be an introduction to the James Dyson Foundation. An interesting local topic. On 2 May in the Village Hall at 7.30pm we shall be having a wood-turning demonstration. If you are not a member of the WI but would like to come along, please do. We ask you to pay just £3.50.

Sherston Seniors Report

On 12 February, Arthur Kingdon entertained us with some wonderful pictures of Japan. His wife brought various kimonos and obis for us to see. On 26 February we should have been toe-tapping to Bob's music, but unfortunately he had the flu and was unable to come at the last minute.

The committee hastily brought forward the AGM, which had been slotted in to replace Hilary Peaston (our planned speaker for 12 March who had had to postpone her talk until later), so on 26 February we had our Annual General Meeting, while Bob's Music was re-scheduled for 12 March. The Committee were returned en bloc. Pearl Dyer presided over a bingo session before tea was served.

We were saddened to hear of Malcolm Hillier's death. He had been a loyal member for many years and chairman of the club only to give up the post, when he was needed to care for his wife Jane.

On 26 March we will be having our Spring Sale, hopefully some visitors will come. Looking forward, we will have our first outing for the year on 9 April, when we will be heading to Wyevale Garden Centre in Whitminster.

On 23 April, Lou Ropner will be our Speaker. She is a very talented artist working in mosaics, always with light and colour. If you have seen the crosses in the British School Room, you will know we are in for a treat.

Visitors are always welcome (£2.00 per visit) or, if you wish to join the club, it's £15.00 per year, which covers over 20 meetings - so a bargain at less than 75p a meeting! If you wish to join us or go on any of our outings, space permitting, please contact Helen Quirk (Tel: 840516).

Sherston Tennis Club open morning: Saturday 13 April

On Saturday 13 April, Sherston Tennis Club will be holding an open morning, with a chance to meet and have a free introductory coaching session with the Aburrow Coaching team. Timings are as follows:

Mini Red (reception to Year 3): 10.00am

Mini Orange/Green (Years 4 and 5): 10.30am

Junior coaching (Year 6 and above): 11.00am

Adult coaching: 11.30am Come along!

Coaching proper will begin on Saturday 27 April, with the programme as follows:

9.00am-10.00am: Adult drills, £7 per session.

10.10am-11.00am: Mini Red (Reception to Year 3), £55 for members of Sherston Tennis Club, £66 non-members for 11-week term.

11.00am-12.00noon: Mini Orange/Green (Year 4 to Year 6), £66 for members £77 non members for 11-week term.

12.00noon-1.00pm: Yellow Ball Junior Coaching (Year 7 and above), £66 for members £77 non members for 11-week term.

Trial sessions are available on all courses so no need to commit before your child has a go. For further information or for booking details, contact james@aburrowtennis.co.uk.

Tetbury Art Society Spring Exhibition

Held in the Market House, Tetbury, Tetbury Art Society's Spring Exhibition will run from Saturday 5 until Monday 7 May, 10.00am – 5.00pm. Entry is free. The exhibition will be of a member's art in various media and subjects, come along and enjoy the variety of the exhibition. Most pictures will be for sale. There will also be a chance to buy unframed pictures.

www.tetburyartsociety.org.uk

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Connor can still do it: he wasn't Joshing!



The Rattlebone was extra busy on the evening of Shrove Tuesday, 5 March, for the annual Sherston 1016 Pancake Eating Competition. Around 20 contestants of all ages took part, with the aim of swallowing down their pancakes in the shortest possible time. A total of around 100 pancakes were prepared expertly by chefs Roger, Jamie and the team, with the high-quality ingredients having been donated by generous local businesses: flour by John Lister of Shipton Mill at Long Newnton, free range eggs by Gail and Bruce at Sherston Eggs.

Former champion Josh Connor returned after a break of a couple of years to show the world that he can still down a plate of four pancakes in a remarkable 19 seconds. He brought with him some friends from Bristol who gave him a run for his money.

Youngsters Bethany, William, Leon and Oscar proved to be competitors to watch out for in years to come.

As usual, there was a good turn-out of spectators to cheer on all the entrants.

The organisers from Sherston 1016 thank all participants for taking part, all the spectators for adding so much to the atmosphere, Jason and the staff at the Rattlebone for all their help, and of course, the aforementioned businesses for their donations.



Bath Chorus and Westonbirt Chamber Choir Concert: Saturday 27 April

7.30pm-9.30pm, The Great Hall, Westonbirt School

Tickets £10 available from Eventbrite (<https://westonbirtcharityconcert.eventbrite.co.uk>)

Come along for a wonderful evening of music with The Bath Chorus (led by Grenville Jones) and Westonbirt Chamber Choir (led by Nicola Atwell). Both choirs will sing a variety of popular, sacred and secular music in Westonbirt's magnificent Great Hall.

Grenville Jones is one of the 100 judges on the BBC's Saturday night programme, 'Altogether Now' and founder of the 'Golden Oldies' Charity which provides music workshops for the elderly. This is a concert not to be missed!



POP - latest news!



Are you ready for a community weekend of fun for all the family? Sherston POP is coming to you soon (17-19 May) and, as ever, Sherston, you have come up with some brilliantly eclectic ideas for us all to enjoy! These include photos with Colin the dog, breakfast butties, boats on the river, Thai food and hand massages, netball and cricket coaching sessions, ice cream sundaes and a sop supper Yorkshire style to name just a few! You can just turn up and enjoy all of these plus many, many more.

However, this year we have two big events that you will need to pre-book to secure your ticket before they sell out - you'll be able to POP onto the website (www.popupsherston.com) to grab them quick. As once they are gone they are gone!

First up, kicking off the weekend, is the Fab Family Show - an event for all the family - on the evening of Friday 17 May in Sherston Village Hall. Sherston parents will be taking to the stage to entertain the village (everyone from 0-100 welcome) with an evening of funny skits and sketches and a song or two to entertain all!

We also have a proper night out for the grown-ups on Saturday 18 May with Davy's Disco Bingo, 7.30pm until late, again in the village hall, involving bingo, dancing on benches and a 'power hour'! It's a bit difficult to explain what it is but we can tell you it's going to be a brilliant night ... you know... one of THOSE nights out in Sherston that don't come along quite often enough, but when they do it brings everyone together for a totally entertaining night. Tickets are £10 - check out the POP website to secure yours first.

Don't forget that all the profits will be going to Sherston Primary School and Sherston Village Hall. We hope you have the POP dates in your diary as it's going to be a weekend of fun on your doorstep ... no car required!

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. Private advertisers only please - no businesses.

Boules Tournament 2019 – get your entry in quick!– four months to go!



Entries for this year's Sherston Boules Festival opened on 21 March exclusively to entrants from the five parishes of Sherston, Easton Grey, Luckington, Alderton and Norton for a period of one month (ie until 21 April - or sooner if the allocated number becomes sold out). Entries will be made online and available on a first come, first served basis. After that, remaining entries will be open to all.

So ... come up with your team name and enter now, online, at www.sherstonboules.org. The Tournament itself is on Saturday 13 July. An extra date for your diary, however, is Saturday 18 May when we'll be running a Boules for Beginners session at the Rattlebone as part of POP.

For any enquiries, call 07935 770482 during office hours. And if you are feeling super-generous, please volunteer to help on the day – we need a small but willing army of people to help set up the marquees and all the stands that run along the High Street, we need people to rake the sand on the pitches and sweep up afterwards. It's all good fun and makes the day a lot easier – don't forget, last year we (with the help of all our supporters and visitors!) raised more than £8,000 – all of which was distributed amongst local charities and groups, many of whom were there on the day getting stuck in.

Perhaps you're part of a local group that hasn't been part of Boules to date? This could be your year. Do get in touch with us and see how you can help.

This year the Boules Festival is going greener so look out for more recycling points, less single-use plastic and crocheted beer glasses!

Email sherstonboules@gmail.com or make contact through the Facebook page @SherstonBoulesFestival.



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Sporting success!

Netball Tournament

A large group of children took part in the Malmesbury Netball Festival. The group consisted of two teams. The B team won their tournament and the A team came 6th out of 11 teams in their tournament.



Football Tournament

Sherston entered two teams in the Malmesbury Football Tournament last month. All teams had to include boy and girls, and both boys and girls had to be on the pitch at all times. Team B came first and Team A came 11th.

By Ben (Year 3) and Hugh (Year 4)

'The football tournament was a fun and nice thing to do.' Freddie, Year 4

'I was in Team B and we came first We had to play four matches. My favourite part was the last match which we won 8-0. On the first match we won 9-0.'

Ottile, Year 3

'I liked the football tournament because my team, Team B, scored lots of goals.' Lola, Year 4

'Team B won every game without conceding a single goal.' Harris, Year 4

'Our star strikers were Sam and me!' Finn, Year 4

Hockey Champions!

Matilda, Ed, Bethany, Luke, Digby and Jamie represented Sherston Primary School at the Y5/Y6 area hockey championships. The event was held at Malmesbury Secondary school and there were 20 schools in attendance.

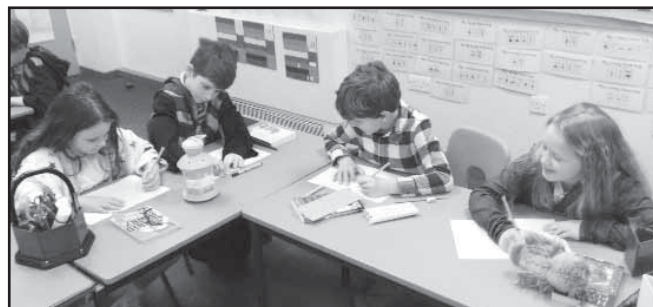
The team started with a convincing 6-1 win over Oaksey and the next two games resulted in 4-1 wins. After a nail-biting 2-1 win against Sutton Benger, the team went through to face Crudwell in the final.

Great teamwork, perseverance, encouragement and support for each other paid off and Sherston won the final game 2-1!



World Book Day

Thursday 7 March was World Book Day and Sherston Primary School joined in wholeheartedly! The children all arrived in school in a variety of book character costumes, as did all the teaching staff. There were Burglar Bills, Wallys, Harry Potters, Mr Men and Misses, Twits, Willy Wonkas, Worst Witches, Fantastic Mr Foxes and many more. The children also brought in lots and lots of books that were shared throughout the day.



Our day started with an assembly during which we discussed the theme of 'Share a book'. We looked at some examples of different book genres and thought about what certain characters would like to read and who they'd like to read with. The children also made some of their own recommendations. After that, we split into groups and children visited each other's classrooms, sharing their book with a partner. There was animated discussion throughout the school as children discussed their favourite books and characters with a partner and shared their favourite moments.

Next, our school governors came in to share a story with each class. It was a great opportunity for the children to hear from someone different and to ask about the governors' book choices.



The rest of the day involved lots of book-based activities in classrooms, including: making posters and bookmarks; writing book reviews; creating a recipe for the 'perfect book'; role play and drama; persuasive writing about favourite books; watching videos of famous authors and illustrators; creating books; and describing characters and settings. There was a palpable buzz around the school and I was pleased to see all the children so engaged and excited by books.



At the end of the day we all gathered for a final assembly during which we chose the best two outfits from each class and awarded them a prize. We would like to thank all the children and parents for joining in our World Book Day in such an enthusiastic manner and we can't wait for World Book Day 2020!

Mr Moran



'World Book Day was very fun. I dressed up as The Boy in a Dress. My favourite teacher was Mr Moran who dressed up as the chimney sweep from Mary Poppins. His name was Burt.' Freddie, Year 4

'Last month, for World Book Day, I came to school as Silky the Fairy. I won best costume in our class.' Chloe, Year 4

'For World Book Day, everyone dressed up. I dressed up as Verruca Salt from Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. I really enjoyed the day! I came as Verruca because Charlie and the Chocolate Factory is one of my favourite books.' Evie, Year 5

'On World Book Day, I came dressed as Hermione Grainger from the Harry Potter series. I came as Hermione because she is one of the bravest characters in the series. She is kind, clever and amusing, but also brave and compassionate. My favourite bit of World Book Day was when we were put in pairs with another class and we shared a story together.' Evie, Year 5



Chess Club

Emily, Evelyn and I are running a chess club for Years 3 and 4 on Fridays at lunchtime. Our first meeting was a total success and our star player this week was Ciara. Everyone enjoyed it and we taught loads of people how to play.

By Camilla (Year 5)

'I really like Chess Club because they are really nice to me. I didn't know how to play chess but they taught me and now I can play chess against my brother and sister!' Otilie, Year 3

Ukulele Club

Every Tuesday, we do Ukulele Club with Mrs Berry. There are about seven of us, all from Years 4 and 5. We've learnt lots of notes and can play Counting Stars, Three Little Birds and Bare Necessities! The best thing about Ukulele Club is Mrs Berry!

By Chloe, Freddie and Ella (Year 4)

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In Sherston, a band of volunteers will be posting red collection envelopes through your door and coming back to collect them later in the week. Please receive the collectors kindly and give what you can. If you don't want to make a donation you can leave your empty envelope outside your door in a prominent place so that you will not be disturbed. If you have moved into the cashless society and would like to make a donation in that way go online to christianaid.org.uk.

Jesus called on his followers to 'Love God and love your neighbour'. This verse from the New Testament sums up what Christian Aid is all about: 'Let us love, not in word or speech but in truth and action' (1 John 3:18). In May, we will be acting to show our love for our neighbours in the poorest parts of the world – please act with us

Thank you for your support

Sue Robinson

Christian Aid Week organiser, Gauzebrook Group of Churches

Sherston village hall - 300+ club

January 2019 Draw

1st	302	Anne Andrews	£13
2nd	240	Nigel Lindrea	£12
3rd	245	Pam Hicks	£11
4th	171	Mary Hibbard	£10
5th	27	Lesley Tarrant	£9
6th	16	Lin Prior	£8
7th	265	Paul Robinson	£7

February 2019 Draw

1st	4	Mary Edwards	£13
2nd	174	Phil Cutcher	£12
3rd	8	Brian Willby	£11
4th	157	Josephine Brant	£10
5th	125	Wendy Payne	£9
6th	11	Catherine Martin	£8
7th	30	Mark Picton	£7

March 2019 Draw

1st	25	Shirley Freeth	£13
2nd	42	Tony Towle	£12
3rd	90	Penny Hutchings	£11
4th	46	Rob Sharman	£10
5th	179	Mary Johnson	£9
6th	278	Fiona Shipsey	£8
7th	288	Patricia Evans	£7

Thank you to our collectors who braved all weathers to collect the subs. Also, very many thanks to Janet Platts for her years of dedication to 300+ Club since its inception, and we wish her well as she moves to pastures new; and welcome to Judith Woolliams who has joined us as a collector.

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

Needle-felting workshops

This year's craft workshop will be needle felting. There will be two three-hour workshops to be held on Saturday 19 October in the British School Room. The tutor is Yvonne Wood, who holds regular workshops in Stroud; take a look at her website (www.needlefeltart.co.uk) or Facebook page (www.facebook.com/Needle-Felt-Art-1596422383732016). We'll be making a bird in the morning session, and a fox in the afternoon.

Come, have fun and take away a delightful new friend! Tickets £30 to include all materials. A maximum of 10 per session. Booking opens soon.

Yvonne gained a BA Hons degree from Central St Martins in Fine Art. On moving to the Cotswolds, with its rich history of the woollen trade, she became interested in using wool and dry needlefelt as a medium for expression. Have a look at her landscapes - you'll be amazed.

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Our biennial art exhibition in Holy Cross Church, Sherston, as part of the Sherston Art Festival, gives you the chance to join in and exhibit your work and the chance to sell to a wide local audience. Whether you are professional or amateur, we welcome entries from everyone. Download the entry form and find further information on the Sherston Arts Festival website (www.sherstonartsfestival.com) or contact Jenny Riley at jennyriley571@gmail.com.

Cricket Cricket Cricket

The days are getting warmer and the evenings longer, which means it's time for cricket. Sherston Magna CC has Cricket for all ages ...

All Stars Cricket

This is a fun and friendly introduction to cricket run by the cricket club as an approved provider by the ECB. This eight-week course is aimed at reception to Year 3 (inclusive). More details can be found at <https://allstarscricket.co.uk/sherstonmagna>. Places are filling up fast!!

Junior Teams

We will be running U9 (Year 3/4), U11 (Years 4/6) and U13 (Years 7/8) teams this season. Training sessions take place on a Monday night starting at 6.15pm. The first session will be Monday 8 April.

For more information, follow our Junior Facebook page Sherston Magna Junior Cricket visit our website (www.sherstonmagnacc.co.uk) or email cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk.

Junior Registration Evening

To help with the admin, there will be a registration evening on Tuesday 2 April, 7.30-8.00pm, in The Rattlebone. Registration forms can be printed from the website or will be available on the evening.

Senior Teams

We have a Saturday team that plays in Div 5 of the Wiltshire league, with games running from late April to early September. We also have a Sunday/Development side that has matches mid-June to late September.

U15 and senior training takes place on Tuesday nights, starting at 6.30pm, finish is dependent on light. The first session will be on Tuesday 9 April. New members very welcome.

Volunteers

The club is always looking for volunteers to help out with coaching, administration, fundraising and ground preparation. If you have some spare time and would like to get involved, we would love to hear from you: cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk.

Ground Force

We have two dates to get the ground ready for the season. Bearing in mind the old saying many hands make light work, if you can spare some time on the following dates to come along and help, it would be very much appreciated: 10.00am on Saturday 30 March and 10.00am Saturday 6 April.

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Beaufort Team Chase: A fun-filled day for all

On Sunday 17 March, we finally managed to resurrect the Beaufort Team Chase at Manor Farm, Sherston. After two false starts last year due to the Beast from the East and then subsequent saturated ground, we opened our doors bright and early, with the sun shining down. Nevertheless, there was a biting Westerly wind!!

Thank you to all of those who came and spent their day with us. We had over 350 cars and many smiling faces, as people soaked up the atmosphere, whilst watching the teams of 400-plus riders hurtling across the countryside.

The shopping village proved very popular, and the children had a great time on the fairground rides, whilst the bar and food outlets were swamped for most of the day. Thank you all for your patience and understanding whilst we set up the event and on the day itself, it is hugely appreciated by all concerned.

Here's to even bigger and better things for the years to come and we hope to see you again next year for more high-octane fun!



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References available on request

The Thomas Hobbes of Malmesbury Society

The Thomas Hobbes of Malmesbury Society (THoMS) was set up to promote the discussion of the ideas of Thomas Hobbes. In doing so, we hope that we shall make more people in Malmesbury aware of their most famous son, who by general consensus is England's preeminent political philosopher. In the course of time, we aim to be instrumental in the funding of a Hobbes prize at Malmesbury School and to make Malmesbury a destination point for all Hobbes scholars.

The centrepiece of our activities, besides the Hobbes supper at the end of November, is the Thomas Hobbes of Malmesbury Day, which this year is on Saturday 1 June. This whole-day event has two parts: a symposium and a concert. The symposium takes place in The Old Bell Hotel and the concert in the Julia and Hans Rausing Building (formerly, the Moravian Church).

The theme of this year's symposium is Hobbes, Machiavelli and Italy, and the speakers are world leaders in Hobbes studies: Professor Quentin Skinner, the doyen in the field; Dr Raffaella Santi from the University of Urbino in Italy; and Dr Luc Foisneau who wrote his doctorate on Hobbes and is Director of Research at the CNRS (The National Centre for Scientific Research) in Paris.

The Hobbes Day will end with a concert of 17th century English and Italian baroque music performed by a young trio from the ensemble Music for Awhile under the artistic directorship of Professor Margaret Faultless in the refurbished Moravian Church.

Hobbes visited Italy on three occasions when he met leading social thinkers of the 17th century, including Galileo. The musicians

have chosen works by English and Italian composers some of whom Hobbes, himself a lute player, would have known. Their choices range from Monteverdi, Castello and Fontana to music by John Dowland (who may have been at Chatsworth when Hobbes lived there) and Handel.

Tickets for both events, which can be purchased separately, are available from the Workbox in the High Street and online through Eventbrite. For more information please visit our website: www.thomashobbesofmalmesbury.org

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Wednesday 17 April

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Tickets £6 adults from Lesley on 01249 783157 or email l_palmer@btinternet.com Please let me know beforehand if you'd like tickets.

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 29 May

Wednesday 19 June

Wednesday 17 July 17

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'Sherston Brick Club'

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Friday 5th and 19th April

from 5.30 to 7pm Free entry. All ages welcome.

Bible Study Group

Mondays 1st, 15th and 29th April

from 7pm in the British School Room

Prayer Group

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As a thriving club with over 60 members, we are always open to new ideas and to trying different things to add variety to our programme. One such new event was at our meeting in February, when one of our regular demonstrators, Sally Taylor, led a very participative session entitled 'You be the Judge'. The aim was for members to learn more about the criteria used by the judges of floral competitions, by seeing both good and not-so-good examples. Sally displayed a number of her own arrangements with a Fairy Tale or Nursery Rhyme theme which members then 'judged'. To add more interest, a number of members brought in their own arrangements on the same themes, which stimulated further discussion, guesswork and fun.

Future meetings:

Wednesday 17 April: Members' Annual Dinner, Corinium Hotel, Cirencester.

Wednesday 15 May: Summer Celebration at Chavenage House near Tetbury, with a demonstration by Coral Gardiner, for members and guests only.

Wednesday 19 June: Workshop, 'Celebrating Summer Flowers'.

Wednesday 4 July: Coach Trip to Cotswold Lavender and Broadway.

We have a full programme of interesting and varied events planned throughout 2019, including Demonstrations, Workshops and Visits. More information can be found on our Facebook page –

North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club.

Flower Club meetings usually take place at Crudwell Village Hall (SN16 9HB) on the third Wednesday of the month, 7.00pm for 7.30pm. We are a thriving, friendly and enthusiastic group with members from throughout North Wiltshire and into Gloucestershire. Visitors and new members are guaranteed a warm welcome at our regular meetings in Crudwell, including coffee/ tea/cake and friendly chat at the end of the evening. For more information, please contact Liz on 860888. We can also be contacted by email – nwvflowerclub@gmail.com

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B - Friday 26 April, 2.00pm, Hare and Hounds: A relatively easy circular walk of 6.5 miles down quiet country lanes to an old coaching inn and past Highgrove, home of HRH Prince Charles. There will be an opportunity to stop at the pub for drinks. 3.5 hours.

C - Saturday 27 April, 10.00am, Mill on the Fosse: Discover the River Avon, a Roman Road, an old Mill and an Arab Stud Farm. 6.3 miles, 3.5 hours. Bring a snack!

D - Saturday 27 April, 10.30am, Pushchair & wheelchair friendly! Following the old railway line and back. Opportunity for drink or lunch at the Goods Shed at the end of the walk. 2.5 miles, 2 hours.

E - Saturday 27 April 11.00am Duchy Walk. By kind permission, we have a rare opportunity to walk part of Prince Charles' estate via the old railway line, Trouble House Pub and back via Tetbury Common. 4 miles, 2+ hours depending on break duration.

F - Saturday 27 April, 2.00pm, Seeking Tetbury's Heritage. A relatively easy 5.5 mile walk taking in Chavenage House (where the TV series Poldark was filmed) and a hermit's cave. 2.5 hours. Bring a snack!

G - Sunday 28 April, 10.00am, Cat and Custard Pot: An easy circular walk of approx. 6.5 miles through lovely horsey parkland to a pretty village and return via a secluded valley. There is the opportunity to stop at a pub for drinks or bring a snack! 3.5 hours.



H - Sunday 28 April, 1.00pm, Ashley Loop. One of Gloucestershire's new Gateway routes. 6.5 miles, mainly flat through local fields. 3 hours.

I - Sunday 28 April, 2.00pm, Tetbury's Lung. An easy circular walk through Preston Park to Little Lark Hill and back via Long Newnton. 4 miles, 2 hours.

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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 Rooms with toys for all stages from wrigglers to toddlers, craft activities, music and snacks for all, and a cup of tea/coffee for the deserving parent. For further details contact sherstontoddlergroup@gmail.com or like us on Facebook for regular updates www.facebook.com/sherston.toddlers

Sherston Badminton Club

We play every Tues evening from 7.30pm in the Village Hall from Sept to the end of May. New members welcome – mixed ages (over 18) and abilities. For more information, contact. David Boyle 841587, 07740 188882 or email djboyle@hotmail.com

Sherston Brick Club

Brick Club is open to everyone who is a fan of LEGO, so all children of all ages, with only one rule - use your imagination to the maximum! We meet on alternate Fridays from 5.30 to 7pm in the Congregational Church, Cliff Rd. Free Entry

Sherston Brownies

Meet every Weds 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 Guides

Meet every Wed during term time 5.30-7.15pm at Sherston Village Hall. Girls are welcome to join after their 10th birthday, but there is a waiting list. Visit <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk> and follow the parents link to register your interest, for all other queries contact Fi Picton via fi.picton@outlook.com

Holy Cross Church

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Sunday services 8am Holy Communion; 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 Sat am club for children aged 4 and over, from 10am – 12noon twice a month. Contact Becky Fisher 07974 030212 or becky.fisher@deanery.org.uk

Sherston Community Choir

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

Congregational Church – in The British Schoolroom.

11am Service, Communion every 2nd Sunday of the month led or hosted by Reverend Andrew Williams Tarling. Sunday School 10.15 – 11am use Cliff Road entrance. Alternating Mondays 8pm, Bible Study or Prayer Group Brick (Lego) Club alternate Fridays 5.30 – 7pm. Contact Minister - Andrew Williams Tarling -minister4sherstonconchurch@outlook.com /07921 390878 Admin/Bookings - Victoria Meheust - sherstonconchurch@outlook.com Secretary- Candi Williams Tarling - secretary4sherstonconchurch@outlook.com 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

Church bell ringing

Practices are every Wednesday 7.30 – 9 pm. Call Geoff Martin 840375 or come along.

Sherston Magna Cricket Club

Junior and Senior indoor nets will start 3 Mar. Outdoor nets begin after Easter. If you would like to get involved with local cricket please email cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk or visit the website www.sherstonmagnacc.co.uk

1st Sherston Cub Scout Pack

Cubs is open to both girls and boys aged between 8 and 10 ½ years old. The Pack has regular meetings on Friday nights in term times from 6.30pm to 8pm. There is a waiting list for Cubs, email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk for an application form

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

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

Sherston Whitewall Explorers

Explorers is open to both girls and boys aged between 14 and 18 years old, you don't need to have previously been a member of Scouts or Guides to join us. We meet at the Scout hut on Friday nights between 8.30pm and 10pm during school term times, if you are interested please email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk to obtain an application form

Sherston Town FC

The club plays in the Stroud league at Knockdown Park on Sat afternoons - spectators and new players welcome. For more details contact Pete Brock on 07912 777647 or peter.brock666@btinternet.com

Footpaths Group

'Sherston Walks - a guide to local Rights of Way', featuring 10 local walks is on sale at the Post Office. If you would like to learn more about the Footpaths Group contact Maggie Harries on 841047 or maggie@hariespartnership.com or visit www.sherstonwalks.org.uk

Forest School

Independent sessions led by local outdoor learning specialist Niki Walden, that include an after school club at Sherston Primary School, weekly curricular sessions at Luckington School & Luckington Pre-School and occasional further fun extended sessions during school holidays. For further information please contact nikiwalden-forestschool@hotmail.co.uk

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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 the Clerk at clerk@sherston.org.uk

Sherston Pilates

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

Rattlebone Boules League

Consists of 48 teams playing in 3 Leagues Playing season Apr – Aug. For more information, contact Tony Towle on 840574.

1st Sherston Scout Troop

Scouts is open to both girls and boys aged between 10½ to 14 years old. We meet at the Scout hut on Tuesday nights from 7pm to 9pm during school term times. There is a waiting list for Scouts, email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk for an application form

Senior Club

Meets at 2.30pm during summertime 2pm during winter in the British School Room, more details call Helen Quirk 840516.

Sherston Short Mat Bowls

Meet every Thursday at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. New members welcome – bring flat shoes, we have the woods. For more information contact Tony Weedon 841377 or Anne Andrews 840941

Sherston Tennis Club

The tennis courts are located on Knockdown Road, next to the football pitch. If you're interested in joining the club or using the courts, please contact Nic Riley on 840682 or nic50riley@gmail.com

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Sherston W.I. (Founded 1940)

Meetings on first Thurs of the month. May– Sep in the Village Hall at 7.30pm and Nov – Apr in the British Schoolroom at 2.30pm. Jan & Oct no meetings but lunch/dinner. Visitors always most welcome £3.50. Further information: Secretary 07388 606785.

Sherston Young Craft Group

Every Monday during term time from 6.45 - 8.15pm in the small Village Hall for children aged 9 and above. To join, please email sherstoncraftclub@outlook.com

Yoga for All

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

Avonvale Utd FC

The youth section trains at The Recreation Ground, Shipton Moyne every Saturday morning (from 1 Sep – 31 May) from 9.30am, with FA qualified coaches. We welcome boys and girls age 6+ of all abilities and confidences to enjoy the beautiful game, whilst developing at their own pace in a friendly and calm environment. For more details email avonvaleutdfc@outlook.com or call Jo Hargreaves on 07518 017363

Boules at the Bull

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.co.uk

Carer Support Wiltshire - Monthly carers café

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

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Hogwards

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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

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

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. Ofsted rated Outstanding 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 for performances at local bandstands. For further details see our website www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk or contact Tony Fleming, the Musical Director, on 575229 or musdir@malmesburyconcertband.org.uk

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 <https://www.facebook.com/MalmesburyCommunityChoir>.

Malmesbury Embroiderers' 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 pre-booking 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 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 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, apart from during school holidays. £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 Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers

For details contact the Division Commissioner at malmesbury@wncounty.org.uk or visit www.girlguidingwiltshirenorth.org.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 770639

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 speaker 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.

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.

Wiltshire Walks The walk lasts approximately 30-60 minutes - 3 levels available - and often ends with a cup of tea or coffee. Further information contact Rosie on rosie.golding@wiltshire.gov.uk or 07917 599964. For a full list of walking groups in Wiltshire please visit www.walkingforhealth.org.uk/walkfinder/get-wiltshire-walking

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

What's On April 2019

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

Sherston

Wiltshire Council Mobile Library

In Sherston Every fortnight on Saturdays 10.30am – 12.45pm
Apr 6, 20 May 4, 18

Sherston High Street

For further details call clerk@sherston.org.uk or mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk

The Carpenter's Arms

Coffee, pastries and cakes open from 8.30am whilst Angel closed
- cyclists, dogs and children welcome

Quiz night - 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.

Boules League starts in April - apply via Rattlebone Check boards for more details of events

For further details call 840871 or follow on Twitter or visit www.therattlebone.co.uk/

Sherston WI Talks

The Art of Quilling, Karin Meek Thurs 7 Mar 2.30pm

The James Dyson Foundation - an introduction 4-Apr

For further details call Jill Woodward 840578 or

jillwoodward222@btinternet.com

Sue's Strolls

Sun 7 Apr Please assemble at the village hall for 10am with a return Rattlebone Inn just around 12noon for seasonal refreshments. As ever children and well behaved dogs, the latter on leads, are very welcome. The walk is entirely free and there is no need to book a place - just turn up on the day.

For further details call Sue McKechnie 840601 or susannemckechnie@hotmail.co.uk

Art Exhibition at Shear Class Salon

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

Sherston WI Talks

The James Dyson Foundation - an Introduction

by Danya Walker 4 Apr 2.30pm BSR

Demonstration of Wood Turning with

John Boyne-Aitken

For further details call Jill Woodward 840578 or

jillwoodward222@btinternet.com

Sherston Magna Cricket Club

Junior Teams U9 (Year 3/4), U11 (Years 4/6) and U13 (Years 7/8) training sessions on Monday nights, from 6.15pm, starting Mon 8 April. Junior registration evening: Tues 2 April, 7.30-8pm, Rattlebone. Senior Teams U15 and senior training on Tuesday nights, from 6.30pm, starting Tues 9 April

All Starts Cricket programme for years R,1,2,3 is now available for booking. <https://allstarscricket.co.uk/sherstonmagna>

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

Pinkney Park Ground For further details contact

cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk or visit <http://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk>

Sherston Drama Group

Spring Play: Ladies Day at the Races Wed 10- Sat 13 Apr at, 7.30pm, Doors open 7pm Sherston Drama Group would like to take you back to 2005 and invite you to come and spend Ladies Day with us at York Race Course.

You will be accompanied by Pearl, Shelley, Jan & Linda who have taken the day off from their fish packing jobs to enjoy the races. They will make you laugh, they will make you cry and they will come across some interesting characters through the day, but we can guarantee you a good time with them. Tickets (including refreshments) on sale from the beginning of March at Sherston Post Office Stores

If you wish to get involved backstage, with set building or technical lights and sounds effects please call Kirstie Blair on 01666 840096 or email kirstieblair@gmail.com

Sherston Boules & Carnival

Boules Team entries Entries for this year's Sherston Boules Festival opened on 21 Mar, exclusive to entrants from the five parishes of Sherston, Easton Grey, Luckington with Alderton, Norton, for a period of one month until 21 April when entries will be open to all comers. Please note that entries will be made online via or payment portal on www.sherstonboules.org.

Enquiries to 07938 770482 or visit www.sherstonboules.org

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Open Gardens Trail in aid of Sherston Church

10th anniversary open gardens trail in aid of Sherston Church
Sat 15 - Sun 16 Jun 2019 New gardens open for the first time in addition to favourites, and some changes to previously showed gardens. The tickets, £5 per person, in the form of maps, will be on sale in the shop on Friday 8th and outside on Saturday morning, then from the Church from 12 noon. There will be a plant stall, raffle and teas available in Church both days. If you would like to open your garden (all proceeds go towards the upkeep of Sherston Church), please contact Pat Whitehouse 840640, or Heather Martin 840375. Donations of cakes, surplus seedlings, cuttings or divided perennials most welcome

Knockdown

The Holford Arms

Live Music every weekend. Check boards for more details of events

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

Badminton

Badminton Horse Trials

Wed 1 - Sun 5 May from 9 / 9.30 am Gates open at 8am See website for ticket information Under 12s free. Cash (only) at gate is £2 more than advance tickets. Free admission after 4pm For further details call 01454 218375 or boxoffice@badminton-horse.co.uk or visit www.badminton-horse.co.uk

Easton Grey

Whatley Manor

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

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.

'A Star is Born' - A musician helps a young singer find fame, even as age and alcoholism send his own career into a downward spiral. Sun 14 Apr

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

Luckington

Luckington Youth Café

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 call Joel Faulkner joel.p.faulkner@gmail.com

Westonbirt

The Arboretum

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

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

Summer concerts - tickets now on sale Stereophonics Thurs

13 Jun; Paul Weller Fri 14 Jun Jack Savoretti Sat 15 Jun;

HACIENDA CLASSICAL Sun 16 Jun

Till end of Nov 2019 admission prices Adults £10, 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

Westonbirt Community Choir

Westonbirt Schools' Director of Music, Nicola Atwell will be starting a community choir at Westonbirt School. Rehearsals will take place on a Thursday evening at 7.30pm and will cost £4 per session. There is NO audition and NO experience in singing is necessary. Open to local residents, the aim of the choir is to sing, laugh, and enjoy making music! There is no audition and we will cover a variety of styles from Popular Music, Musical Theatre, Film, Jazz, Rock, Gospel, Soul, World and Classical.

Bath Chorus and Westonbirt Chamber Choir Concert Come along for a wonderful evening of music with The Bath Chorus (led by Grenville Jones) and Westonbirt Chamber Choir (led by Nicola Atwell). Both choirs will sing a variety of popular, sacred and secular music in Westonbirt's magnificent Great Hall. Grenville Jones is one of the 100 judges on the BBC's Saturday night programme, 'Altogether Now' and founder of the 'Golden Oldies' Charity which provides music workshops for the elderly. Sat 27 Apr 7.30pm Tickets £10 available from Eventbrite (<https://westonbirtcharityconcert.eventbrite.co.uk>). The Great Hall, Westonbirt School

For further details call natwell@westonbirt.org

Westonbirt School

Picnic in the Park Sat 18 May

Jazz on the Lawn Sun 19 May More details next month

Westonbirt School

For further details visit www.westonbirt.gloucs.sch.uk

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Sopworth Sopworth Ladies Club

Monthly meetings Meetings held at 7.30 pm in Sopworth Village Hall on the first Tuesday of each month Membership Fee: £8 plus £2 payable at each meeting, Visitors: £4 All visitors are welcome. For further details call Jayne Dickenson on 840930

Didmarton

Flicks in the Sticks

Mary Queen of Scots Fri 12 Apr Doors open 6.30 and film starts at 7.30pm Tickets £3.50 in advance from jennybody@btconnect.com (01454 238358) or £4 on the night Didmarton Village Hall For further details call Jenny Body 01454 238358 or jenny.body@btconnect.com

Malmesbury

Events at Malmesbury Children's centre

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

Singing for the Brain

Singing sessions are led by a trained Singing for the Brain leader Every other Monday 1.30-3pm a free service (funded by Wiltshire council) is designed to be a fun, stimulating and social activity for people with a diagnosis of dementia and their family/friends or carers. For session dates and to book your place please call Pam Ollis at our Chippenham office on Malmesbury Activity Zone, Bremilham Road For further details call 01249 443469 or e-mail nwiltis@alzheimers.org.uk or visit www.alzheimers.org.uk

Malmesbury, Chippenham

Programmes and Activities at The RISE Trust

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

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

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

AGM and Caroline Lowsley-Williams "Chavenage House and guests throughout the ages" - Thursday 25 April
Nigel Linacre "Wellboring - Water for 100,000 via 100 wells" Thurs 23 May

Assembly Rooms at the Town Hall
For further details call Membership Secretary Ann Roberts-Phare on 823971 or visit www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk

Movies@Malmesbury

Movies@Malmesbury is run entirely by volunteers. If you would like to help out with the running of Movies@Malmesbury please see a member of the staff at the end of a screening or email us ghcooke@hotmail.com A limited range of drinks and snacks are available for purchase at the bar adjacent to the cinema. A few cushions are available for use during M@M programmes. Please ask for one, remember availability is limited so arrive early if you want one! There is no charge for the cushion. Tickets: 2pm Matinee & 5.30pm screenings: Adults £5. Under 16's £4. 8pm screenings: All tickets £6. *Alternative Content (theatre, ballet, opera & art exhibitions) all tickets £10



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This month's films include:

Mon, 1 April	2 pm	Green Book
Mon, 1 April	5.30pm	The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part
Mon, 1 April	8 pm	Can you Ever Forgive Me?
Tues, 2 April	6.15pm	La Forrza del Destino (Royal Opera House Live) *
Tues, 9 April	7.30pm	Rembrandt Encore *
Fri, 12 April	2 pm	Can you Ever Forgive Me?
Fri, 12 April	5.30pm	The Lego Movie 2: The Second Part
Fri, 12 April	8 pm	All is True
Mon, 15 April	2 pm	All is True
Mon, 15 April	8 pm	If Beale Street Could Talk
Wed, 17 April	7 pm	"As You Like it" from the RSC *
Fri, 26 April	2 pm	If Beale Street Could Talk
Fri, 26 April	8 pm	A Private War

Malmesbury Town Hall

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

Riverside Community

Saturday Friends 10.30am - 1.30pm and enjoy a cuppa and a friendly chat Drop in dates Sat 20 Oct, 17 Nov, 8 Dec - for possible transport assistance call 07888 383844

Friends in Grief (FIG) FIG is a free community-based drop-in café where anyone bereaved is most welcome - where you can talk with others experiencing similar thoughts and feelings in an informal and supportive setting every Tuesday, 2pm-4pm

Nail Cutting Service available at discounted rates

Riverside Community Centre

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

Malmesbury Singers Concert

St John's Passion Neil Jenkins - Evangelist The Corelli Orchestra

Sat 13 Apr 7.30pm Tickets available from Abbey Bookshop or

email: tickets@malmesburysingers.co.uk

Malmesbury Abbey

For further details call Abbey book shop or

tickets@malmesburysingers.co.uk

Grittleton

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Widows [15]

Wed 17 Apr Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start £6 from Lesley or on the door

Widows is the story of four women with nothing in common except a debt left behind by their dead husbands' criminal activities. Set in contemporary Chicago, amid a time of turmoil, tensions build when Veronica (Viola Davis), Alice (Elizabeth Debicki), Linda (Michelle Rodriguez) and Belle (Cynthia Erivo) take fate into their own hands and conspire to forge a future on their own terms.

Grittleton Village Hall

For further details call Lesley 01249 783157 or

email l_palmer@btinternet.com or visit www.moviola.org/

Grittleton Plant & Spring Fair

Organised by children's charity Action Medical Research Set in the stunning surrounds of Grittleton House, plant lovers and "foodies" are in for a real treat, over 50 stalls selling plants from specialist nurseries, stunning accessories for your "room outside" Mon 27 May 11am - 3pm Entrance - £4 per person, Children under 12 free. Assistance dogs only please. We are thrilled to announce there will be a guest appearance from Action's special mascot PADDINGTON™

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

Grittleton House

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

Tetbury**Tetbury Walking Festival**

There will be 9 walks over the three days all starting from The Goods Shed Arts Centre GL8 8EY.

Walks vary from 2.5 miles/2hrs (wheelchair and pushchair friendly) through to 6.5 miles/3.5 hours. There is no charge for the walks and free parking at The Goods Shed. 26th/27th/28th April

For further details call tetburydfootgp@gmail.com or visit www.tetburywalkers.co.uk

Tetbury Art Society Spring Exhibition

Exhibition of member's art in various media and subjects, come along and enjoy the variety of the exhibition. Most pictures will be for sale, there is also a chance to buy unframed pictures as well.

Sat 5 - Mon 7 May 10am - 5pm Free Entry

Market Cross

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

Tetbury Goods Shed April 2019

2,9,16,23,30 Jive Lindy Hop Dance Classes

Learn to Swing Jive Dance at The Goods Shed. Tuesdays Two

sessions: Beginners at 7pm and Intermediates at 8pm

Classes cost £6.00. Pay on the door

3, 10, 17 Afternoon Tea Concert 2.30pm

Every Wednesday afternoon. Enjoy some lovely music perhaps with something delicious from the Whistle Stop Cafe Tickets just £2.50

4 Film Juliet Naked (15) 7.30pm

The story of Annie and her unlikely transatlantic romance with a now faded, aged singer songwriter £7.00

10 Tetbury Community Choir Concert 7.30pm

With Soloist Allisia Waite - raising funds for MacMillan Cancer Support. An evening of beautiful music and heart warming harmonies and all in a very good cause. £10.00

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11 Film - Peterloo (15) 7.30pm

From writer & director Mike Leigh comes the story of the 1819 Peterloo Massacre when British Forces attacked a peaceful pro-democracy rally in Manchester £7.00

13 William Howard - Romantic Piano 7.30pm

We are delighted to welcome back acclaimed pianist William Howard with an outstanding programme of gorgeous romantic piano works by Mendelssohn, Schubert, Chopin, Faure & Debussy £18.00

14 Open Mic Sunday 7.30pm

This Sunday is Open Mic at Tetbury Good Shed for singers, musicians and poets. Performers please telephone Heather Bristow on 01666 503 946 to book your time slot. £5.00

17 Writers at the Goods Shed- Alice Jolly 7.00pm

Novelist & Playwright Alice Jolly discusses and reads from her work. Held in our railway carriage "Mary Jane" behind the Goods Shed. £4.00 on the door.

18 Film - The Wild Pear Tree (15) 7.30pm

An unpublished author returns to his hometown after graduating seeking sponsors to publish his book whilst dealing with his fathers deteriorating indulgence into gambling £7.00

27 Creative Garden Design Workshop in the Carriage 10-4pm

Have fun designing a new scene for your garden. Give the space a new lease of life with a planting theme that will last for years. Joy Riley is an experienced and accomplished garden designer for more than 20 years with RHS Medals to her name. Workshop cost £150.

27 The Brubeck Project with Neil Maya Quartet 7.30pm

Expect a great night of some of the best known and coolest jazz on the planet you will not be disappointed £14.00

24 Talk: Making Jazz - Class Act 7.30pm

£5 to £8.00

25 Film: - 7.30pm

Please check our website for details £7

28 Corinium Players Guitar Ensemble 3.00pm

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Crudwell

North Wilts Villages Flower Club

Flower Club meetings usually take place at Crudwell Village Hall, SN16 9HB on the third Wednesday of the month, 7pm for 7.30pm Visitors and new members are guaranteed a warm welcome, with free coffee/ tea/ cake and chat at the end of the evening.

Members Annual Dinner, Cirencester 17-Apr

Workshop, 'Celebrating Summer Flowers' 19-Jun

Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB

For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639

Nailsworth

Forest Green Rovers F.C.

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The New Lawn Forest Green Nailsworth

For further details call 01453 834860 or visit

www.forestgreenroversfc.com

Wotton-Under-Edge

The Electric Picture House

A refurbished local cinema run by volunteers from the local community This month: Check website for listings this month

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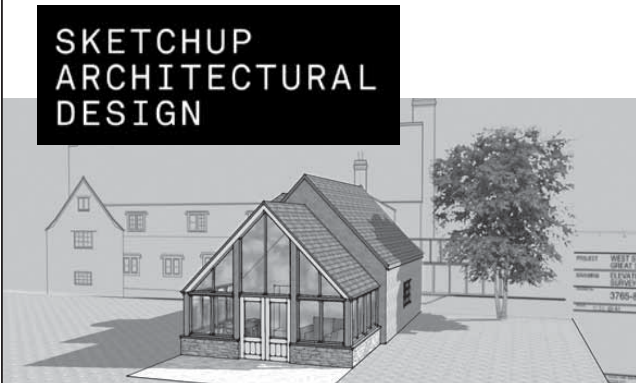
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