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Sherston Primary School moves into top 1% in the Country



Sherston School has topped the reading league tables with its recent Key Stage 2 SATs results, published in December, seeing 100% of the pupils reaching or exceeding the expected standard in reading. This puts Sherston in the top 1% of primary schools in the country for achievement in reading.

Head Mrs Leyden, received a letter from the Minister of State for School Standards, MP Nick Gibb, personally congratulating her for the school's excellent achievements. He says he was delighted to see the results and thanks Mrs Leyden and her team for their work in continuing the 'drive towards higher academic standards and for their commitment and success'.

Mrs Leyden is delighted with the achievement: 'I am very proud of all our hardworking staff and children! This is very much a team effort.'

At a time when rural primary schools are facing more and more funding challenges, good news stories are much needed.

Sherston Village Hall Information Day: Saturday 4 April



Please come along to see the new plans for the front extension for the Village Hall. This will provide a spacious entrance area, updated toilet facilities, larger storage area for chairs and staging, and a small servery (for example, for Drama Group interval drinks).

Grants are being applied for but we would like the community to be able to contribute to the cost of the building. In the proposed entrance hall, there will be space for a large wallhanging which will feature masses of butterflies. Each donation of £25 or more will be represented by a butterfly, which can be given the name of the donor or someone the donor wishes to remember. Consequently, this part of our fundraising will be called the Butterfly Fund, and there will be an opportunity to pay on the day. More information on this will be available in April.

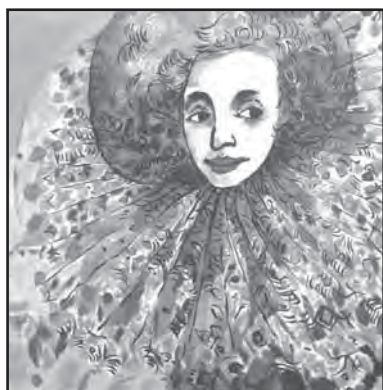
Alongside this, we will be featuring the fascinating history of the main hall of our Village Hall and historian Roger Ashley will give a short talk at 11.00am. If any older residents of the village would like to share memories of the Village Hall during the last century that would be really helpful. For example, when was it called the Rifle Range? Who used it? When was the building first called the Village Hall?

Please send any comments to heather@geoffmartin.plus.com or bensmee@zoho.com

As part of this event there will be a wildlife photography exhibition in the main hall, proceeds of any sales will go to the Village Hall Extension Fund.

See page 16 for further details.

Illustrated talk for Church Roof Fund



There will be an illustrated talk, 'Queen Elizabeth I as seen by historians, artists and film makers' by Roger Ashley in aid of the South Aisle Roof Fund, Holy Cross Church, Sherston on Saturday 25 April at 7.30pm in The British School Room. Admission £10 to include a glass of wine. Contact 840993 for tickets.

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Sherston Senior Club

On 4 February, we had a very interesting and moving talk by Spike Parker about the wonderful work the charity Designability undertakes in Bath, at the rear of the Royal United Hospital.

Designability is celebrating over 50 years of existence, having designed over 300 products, which have assisted over 250,000 people during that time. The charity was established as the Bath Institute of Medical Engineering (BIME) in 1968 as an independent charity by the renowned inventor and engineer Bevan Horstmann and consultant surgeon Kenneth Lloyd-Williams. They wanted to make medical equipment that would make a difference to people's lives. Sir Barnes Wallis was their first President. The work the charity does to enable children under five with serious disabilities to be mobile for the first time in their lives is amazing. The Wizzybug, a motorised wheelchair that looks like a car with a friendly face, has enhanced the lives of over 500 children. Designability set up a scheme whereby the 'car' is on loan for as long as the child needs it or outgrows it. It is then returned to the workshop to be refurbished and then re-issued. It is entirely British made. It also designs items to assist people living with dementia, for example, the day clock and simple music player. This was eye opening as none of the members had heard of this charity. A donation was made to this very worthwhile cause.

On 18 February, Laura Heenan related her Adventures in Japan. More on this next month.

Looking forward, on 3 March we will be entertained by Bob's Music, with a country and western theme and on 17 March, we will be having our Spring Sale, admission free.

Visitors are always welcome to join us for £2.00, which includes refreshments. Please contact Helen Quirk for further information on 840516.

Lin's marmalade is ready!

If you haven't made an order or haven't seen me selling marmalade outside the shop (possibly due to storms Ciara and Dennis!), and would like to buy some, please ring me on 840846.

As in previous years, proceeds will go to local charities. Lin Prior

Simon & Garfunkel through the years

The next big Village Hall event is Simon and Garfunkel through the Years (previously Bookends), Thursday 21 May, 7.30pm. Tickets (available April): £15 (£14 concessions).

Quiz Night Fundraising Success for FSS!



The 2020 Friends of Sherston School (FSS) quiz night pulled in yet another fantastic fundraising total in return for an evening of brain-teasers, hard-to-refuse auction lots and a variety of gin on offer at the bar!

Tried-and-tested quiz teams and teams of new faces gathered to see if they could take the trophy from quiz genius Laura Gould, who seems to command a win from whoever she teams up with. Team Keeler Affair - Laura Gould, Graeme and Kirsty Strachan, and Sally Clayton - kept a firm grip on the trophy, claiming the win for a second year running.

This year's quiz-mastery was taken over by a variety of dads, all hoping to show off their interests and expertise in a series of diverse rounds. We had everything from geography, courtesy of Rob Martin, through to equine knowledge (a fitting round for any Cotswold quiz!) from our local bloodstock manager, Richard Knight, plus a question of food and drink, hosted by Dave Nelson.



Rupert Evelyn resumed his role as auctioneer, with quite a few new and generous sponsors for this year's auction lots, including:

A night in the beautiful bell tents and dinner for two at the Holford Arms.

A round of golf for four at Bowood, donated by T.H. White.

A magnificent Samsung Galaxy Tab A, donated by James Harris.

Thanks go to Mike Whatley who yet again made sure the sound set up was pitch perfect.

This year's raffle saw four luxury hampers go to the winning ticket holders, the largest of which was claimed by Jane Harden, a governor at the school, who teamed up with three fellow governors to take part in the quiz.

The schoolchildren really got behind this year's raffle ticket selling, incentivised by the chance to win a hamper of prizes donated by the Scholastic book fair, held a number of times throughout the school year. Oscar Reed (spurred on by his mum, Sarah) sold a fantastic £75 worth of tickets, whilst Ben Méheust put in an amazing effort with £45 worth of sales.

The quiz, auction and raffle raised a whopping £3,200 for the FSS, which will be going towards the appetite of the school, staff and parents to embed and embrace 'Outdoor learning'. Members of staff have already attended an outdoor learning engagement day and many more exciting outdoor activities are planned, such as the redevelopment of the school veg patch into a more sustainable wildlife area, perhaps inviting a few new bee pupils to the school!

We are yet again truly marvelled by the support of all those who came to raise such a fantastic amount on the night and to all of you who bought raffle tickets in the lead-up to the event. We cannot thank our generous auction and raffle prize donators enough, including Penny Robinson of Tally-Ho Trailers, T.H. White, Giffords Circus, Westonbirt Leisure, The Rattlebone Inn, James Pyle, James Harris, The Holford Arms, The Courtyard Clinic, Malmesbury and Grays of Sherston.



Cider with Rosie

by Laurie Lee

**SHERSTON
DRAMA
GROUP**

Adapted by Daniel O'Brien, Wednesday 15 - Saturday 18 April, 7.30pm, Sherston Village Hall

Putting a cast together for a production is always a nerve-wracking business for a director. The primary issue is: will enough people turn up?! I need not have worried. Along with the stalwarts of the club, three new members turned up, who are settling in well. In addition, I was delighted to be able to coax founder member Hazel Jarrett back onto the stage after a 20-year break.

The play is a vivid memoir of Laurie Lee's childhood in the Slad Valley near Stroud where time is measured by the seasons and the pace of a horse. It is a timeless place where life has barely changed in a thousand years but is now on the verge of huge change.

Laurie and his five siblings lived in poverty but surrounded by their mother's love. There was a childhood full of adventures, both real and imagined, in a village full of characters, including warring grannies, a fearsome teacher, a school bully and a girl named Rosie ...

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WI Report

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INSPIRING WOMEN

The Annual General Meeting was held on 6 February. President Maureen Mulrain stood down after five years in the position and was thanked for her contribution to the Institute during this time. Jill Woodward was duly elected President for 2020 and said that she is looking forward to helping to take the Institute into its 80th year. Sheila Harris, who has been President in the past and, more recently, has been responsible for sourcing the speakers for the meetings, also stood down from the committee and Trish Day will be taking over this interesting position for the WI.

Sherston WI has a membership of 33 and a committee of seven. In addition to Jill and Trisha, Alison Swayne is Secretary, Chris Boyle Treasurer, Alison Atkins Assistant Treasurer, Penny Hutchings Minutes Secretary and Sue Heathcock Social Secretary.

Trish Day was presented with the Joyce Butler cup as winner of the Swiss roll competition, Sue Thompson won the Flower Cup and Rosemary Venning the Dickenson Cup for the Monthly Competition.

After the formalities of the afternoon, members then enjoyed making paper gift bags before refreshments were served, including slices of a large coffee cake sold at £1 a slice, the money going to the Clic Sargent children's cancer charity.

On 5 March, our talk will be 'Re-creating the Georgians'; Jon and Franchesca Caton from Historic Stitchcraft will illustrate how they create near historically accurate clothes of the Georgian era. They will also show how they put them to use at various events in the UK and Europe.

Whether you have lived in the village for a while or are new to it, joining the WI in Sherston is a good way of being part of the village activities and making new friends. Further details: Secretary 07388 606785.

Sherston Open Gardens Weekend

Sherston Open Gardens Weekend will take place slightly earlier than usual this year - on Saturday 6 and Sunday 7 June. Put the date in your diary and if you would like to open your garden please get in touch nearer the time. We would really appreciate offers of gardens that have not been opened before.

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Sherston pupils inspire initiatives to make their school more eco-friendly



In her speech to the Houses of Parliament in 2019, Greta Thunberg said: 'The moment we decide to fulfil something, we can do anything.'

After learning about climate change in one of their class topics, Year 6 pupils at Sherston Primary School have been inspired to make the school more eco-friendly in 2020 and asked their Headteacher if they could put together some ideas.

The class performed an assembly on climate change to share what they had learned and how everyone can make a positive difference to the environment - both in school and at home. The children called upon parents and teachers to support them.

'We need our parents to support us, as ultimately they have the final say,' said Year 6 students Amélie, Camilla and Evie

The class have put together a range of initiatives, including tree planting on the school grounds, reducing single-use packaging in school lunches, a 'walk to school' campaign and energy-saving activities, such as no-screen challenges and a 'switch-off the lights' week in the summer term.

The class also instigated a 'Wear Green Day' last month, with all pupils coming to school wearing green to show their support to tackle climate change and donating money to an environmental charity.

The class have written letters to the Prime Minister and local MPs, calling on those in government to lead by example.

'We are so proud of how the children have taken the initiative to make the school more eco-friendly and inspire their fellow pupils and families to make changes at home and school to positively tackle climate change.' Headteacher Sue Leyden.

Disco Fever!

Thanks to local DJ Starlights (<https://djstarlights.com/index.html>), Sherston schoolchildren enjoyed dancing their way into the new term with a school disco in January. What's more, they raised £220 for the Friends of Sherston School!

'I enjoyed the biscuits and I liked the music. My favourite part was all the dancing. The DJ had a smoke machine which was really cool.' Mimi, Yr 5

'I really enjoyed dancing with my friends!' Reuben, Yr 2

'I really liked the school disco because there were lots of multicoloured lights. I loved the Hokey Cokey and I had a great time!' Seren, Yr 4

'I liked the music but I didn't like musical bumps so much!' Zac, Yr 6

'I had some great dance moves!' Fin, Yr 6

Year 5 Pizza Day

In Year 5 last month, we made pizzas. Most of the people in our class made great pizzas ... it was great fun and everybody had an amazing time! Thanks to Miss Corrick for coming in even though she was under the weather! Pizza day was really fun! *Kitty, Yr 5*

'I really enjoyed making my pizza. It had pepperoni, chicken and cheese on it. It was yummy but my brother ate nearly all of it on the way home!' Izzie, Yr 5

'It was fun but messy and tasted delicious, even though the base was very doughy!' hloe, Yr 5

Australian Bushfires Cake Stall

Last month, my family and I did a cake sale to raise money for the Australian bushfires. We made a lot of cakes! It was mad!

We shared the money we raised between the Red Cross charity for people and the WWF for animals. The next day, my brother and I got a letter saying 'Koala Protector' from the WWF. When we counted the money we were very proud of ourselves - we raised £204! *Chloe, Yr 5*

'There were so many cakes to choose from - chocolate cake, chocolate fudge cake, rocky road, fairy cakes, apricot slice, cupcakes, biscuits and flapjacks! All the cakes were 50p!' Holly, Yr 5

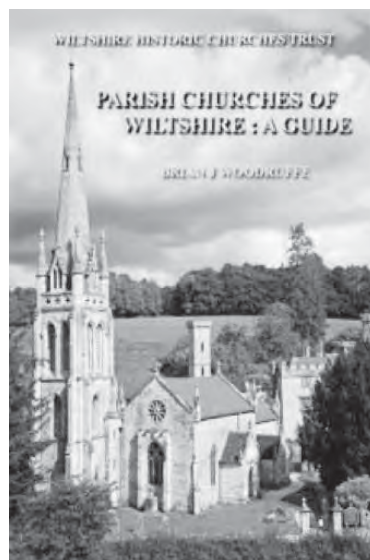
'The chocolatey biscuits were delicious!' Reuben, Yr 2



Dust off your rackets!

Tennis coaching - for adults and children - will be back at Sherston Tennis Club after Easter, thanks to the Aburrow Tennis Team. See next month for more details or contact james@aburrowtennis.co.uk.

Pick up a Guide to Parish Churches of Wiltshire



Copies of Parish Churches of Wiltshire: A Guide by Brian J. Woodruffe are now available at Sherston Holy Cross Church. They are £10 each; please put your payment in the donation box. These books were kindly donated by Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust to help raise funds for the South Aisle Roof Restoration Fund.



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A Jaunt through the Years

Another excerpt from the late George Stephens' recollections and stories of life in bygone Sherston.



Sherston Football Club 1923/4

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Centre row: Fred Evans, Manny Wilcox, Ted Neal, Cecil Clark, Walt Goulding, Tony Mills.

Front row: Harold Jobbins, Frank Knapp, Jim Alp.

Amusements and pastimes were all simple and easily made things. Children played 'Hide and Seek' or 'Mothers and Fathers' using the hedgerow as a house, with scraps of curtain hung among the brambles, which would stay undisturbed for weeks. Old kitchen utensils were brought from home when they ceased to be of any further use to Mother, many happy hours were spent playing at make-believe. Marbles and five-stones were other games played by children. A number of village men also played marbles which was taken very seriously, with knockout competitions resulting in an annual Marbles Champion. Each year a large bonfire was built in the High Street on the fifth of November, Guy Fawkes day. The story goes, that on one occasion a local man seeing children carrying faggots of wood to throw on the fire, called to them, 'Come along my dears, that's it! Keep it going, throw some more on,

what a lovely blaze! Quickly now, go and fetch some more!' only to find the next morning that his own winter supply of wood faggots had disappeared from his garden.

Football matches were played in a field at Knockdown Road. They started in about 1880 when two brothers came to Sherston from Bristol to start a horse bus service. Transport was not thought to be very important at that time, though this service was appreciated. It was said that if one missed the bus at the village pick up point, then it was possible to run and catch up with it on its numerous stops along the Luckington road. The two brothers from Bristol settled in Sherston, living in the Barton at Easton Town, (or as we locals call it, 'Down the Barken').

A Barton was originally used for storing, mainly grain, though they have been used for impounding animals. In more recent years though, Easton Town Barton's Holly House was our village Police Station, (as we were sometimes made aware of by Sergeant Broad). The Horse Bus business soon flourished, and was later taken over by Ralph Goulding, who was also landlord of The Angel Inn in the High Street. The three day a week bus run to Yate was now extended to include Saturday morning, the bus carried eight passengers. Within a few months Ralph Goulding branched out into the carrier business, operating between Sherston and Chippenham on Mondays and Fridays, later running to Tetbury on Wednesdays. A lot of people walked to Malmesbury, if they wanted to buy goods that they could not obtain in the village. They thought little of the journey, being only five and a half miles.



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1st March, 11.00am - Family Service
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Our first term in our new Pre-School



The new pre-school has now been open for three months which seems like an appropriate time to reflect.

We started off with our Opening Ceremony and were overwhelmed by the turnout and support we received from the local community. We enjoyed the giant pumpkin kindly loaned to us by Hortico and the children were able to get up close and personal with various creepy crawlies in our Wild Science Halloween Show.

On 4 November we opened our doors for the first time, ready for a few weeks of settling children. Little did we expect that we would have a group of happy, confident children who felt like they had been coming to us for months! Forest school was established from our second week, making the most of our outside space, and Charlotte was able to challenge the children's independence and spike their curiosity about bugs and insects, beginning to create a bug house in our garden. The children also investigated vehicles and showed a particular interest in diggers and construction vehicles and enjoyed exploring rockets through the popular story *Whatever Next*.

December was jam-packed with Christmas activities and nightly visits from Tinsel the Elf who


got up to all sorts of mischief! A big thank you to everyone who came to entertain the children over the festive season, including: Mary Clements, who played her guitar and sang Christmas songs with us; Becky Fisher, for her re-telling of the Christmas story; Santa who surprised us with a visit during the Christmas party; and to all the mums, dads and grandparents who came to the Christmas sing and sign concert.

Last term we were thinking about winter and the children enjoyed lots of science activities based around freezing and melting. We also had a wonderful 'Koala Day', where we all dressed as animals and thought about the unique animals found in Australia, whilst raising funds for the devastating bush fires there. We have adopted a koala bear that we will follow over the coming months.

Some of you may have seen us out on the rec every morning doing our Daily Mile, an initiative to promote the physical and mental wellbeing of both our children and staff. The idea is to improve fitness and to give children the opportunity to run and experience getting out of breath. Children and staff run, jog, skip (or whatever they can manage) for a full 15 minutes.

More recently, we welcomed families in to the pre-school to read during 'Story Week' - the children loved this experience and we were overwhelmed by the support from parents and grandparents.

Pumpkins Pre-School in Sherston has definitely got off to a flying start and we would like to say a huge thank you to John Matthews, Phil Cutcher and the Parish Council for their support, and massive thanks to Saara Sharman and the pre-school committee for all their hard work and time in making all of this happen. We owe you everything as we do to Mr and Mrs North who were fittingly remembered on our opening day when Pumpkin balloons were placed on their grave. We hope they would have been proud of how their legacy has been used.



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Health and Wellbeing

I had an email recently from Wiltshire Police which I am forwarding through the magazines for those who may not have seen the advice elsewhere. I don't mean to scaremonger, but it's valuable advice as we look (hopefully) towards some warmer weather and getting out and about a little more than in the colder months. It reads:

Following a series of burglaries in the past couple of weeks in the Malmesbury and Royal Wootton Bassett area which we are investigating, we are asking people to be mindful about how they keep their property and belongings safe.

Remember, most burglars are opportunists, so here are some simple steps that can be taken to make your home less appealing.

Crime Prevention Advice – checklist

- *Lock your doors and windows every time you leave the house, even when just in the garden. And make sure you have approved locks or bolts to all doors and windows.*
- *Never leave a spare key in a hiding place like in a plant pot or letter box - a thief knows all the hiding places*
- *Register all serial numbers from electrical items, tools and garden equipment with Immobilise.com the free national property register. Mark items without serial numbers with an artificial DNA property marker such as Smartwater or SelectaDNA.*
- *Use a timer to set lights to mimic your usual activity when you are not at home.*
- *Do not open the door to anyone you don't know or are not expecting. Always check by using a spy-hole or look through a window. Don't trust an ID card.*
- *Trim back any plants and hedges at the front of your property to no higher than one meter to remove hiding places.*
- *Always report any suspicious activity, note any vehicle registrations, descriptions of persons involved and direction of travel.*
- *Consider installing a monitored burglar alarm, and only use a company that is registered or certified with the NSI or the SSIAB.*
- *Take photographs of all jewellery including hallmarks and keep them safe. Make sure that you have up-to-date contents insurance.*
- *Keep all keys, purses and wallets out of sight and away from the letterbox.*

Suspicious activity in your area? Report it.

Have you seen any suspicious activity in your neighbourhood? Call the police on 101 if you see any of the following:

- *Anything suspicious or anyone acting suspicious in your neighbourhood*

- *Unknown or unexpected doorstep traders - description and dates are vital pieces of information*
- *Unusual vehicles - vehicle description, registration numbers and direction of travel are vital pieces of information.*
- *If you have any information about offenders or see something suspicious, please call Wiltshire Police on 101, or call Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555111. In an emergency dial 999.*

Reminder

Be aware of your home security and build it in as part of your everyday routine; for example, locking a ladder away or a simple step like leaving a light on to make it look like someone is home could make all difference.

Message Sent By


Mark Jones (Police, Media Officer, Wiltshire)

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


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Sustainable Sherston for kids: Powering our homes for the future

Where does our electricity come from?

Electricity is most commonly made by burning fossil fuels, such as coal, natural gas or oil, in power stations. The energy stored in the fossil fuels is released when they are burnt and this is transformed, changed, into electricity by using a turbine. This process releases carbon dioxide and water into the atmosphere. In the 1970s people thought the biggest problem with this is that fossil fuels are non-renewable so eventually they will run out. In fact we have plenty of reserves that would be better left in the ground or under the sea.

The reason for this is that there is another, bigger and more important problem, and that is that the carbon dioxide made when they are burnt is a greenhouse gas.

So what's wrong with carbon dioxide being a greenhouse gas?

Carbon dioxide traps the sun's energy and stops it from escaping back into space. This means that some of the sun's energy that enters the Earth's atmosphere

stays trapped in our atmosphere and, over time, causes the Earth's atmosphere to warm up.

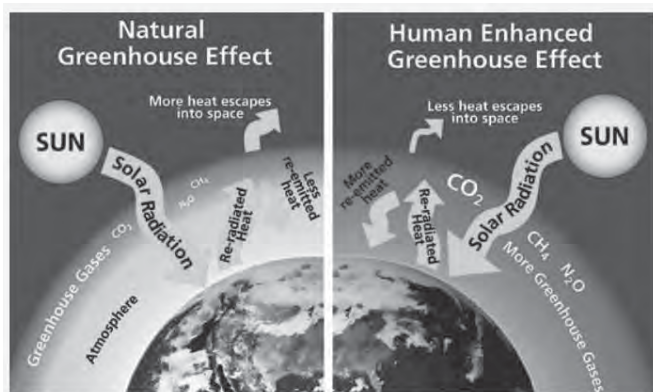
At first, the effects are small but, as time goes on and the Earth gets warmer, the effects will become larger. Scientists have been making observations and taking measurements for many years to collect evidence that this is happening. The name they have given to what is happening is climate change. The effect of climate change is that weather patterns are changing, sometimes becoming more extreme, and this is affecting the plants and animals in different habitats which are not able to adapt quickly enough.

So what are we doing to stop producing carbon dioxide?

Electricity can be made from renewable energy. This energy is sustainable as it will not run out and carbon dioxide is not directly made when we use it. Types of renewable energy include wave, solar, hydroelectric, biomass and wind. Electricity produced using these methods is called green energy. The more demand for renewable energy there is, the more companies are likely to invest in using these types of energy resources.

More information about renewable energy resources can be found at www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/topics/zp22pv4/articles/ztxwqty (suitable for primary aged children) and www.bbc.co.uk/bitesize/guides/zgk87h/revision/3 (suitable for secondary aged children)

Find the words in the puzzle. Words can be found across, down, diagonally or back to front.



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Sustainable Sherston - leading the way on climate change action!

What can we do to stop climate change? The news can feel pretty bleak and our actions can feel small in the face of such a massive global problem. The good news is that, by working together, Sherston and the surrounding area can have a huge impact on climate change. Welcome to the exciting new initiative – ‘Sustainable Sherston’! We hope that you will join us for the (eco) ride!

An enthusiastic band of volunteers will be: organising an audit of the village to understand our current carbon footprint; bringing Sherston some exciting talks by ‘green’ experts; helping groups get together to come up with the best solutions for our village; and providing clear information on steps we can all take to help stop climate change. It’s exciting stuff!



‘Right now we are facing our greatest threat in thousands of years,’ said Sir David Attenborough in his ‘Climate Change The Facts’ (a one-hour watch on BBC iPlayer now!). If you are still in any doubt about what we can do this will inspire you – there is still hope if we all act now. Sir David explains, ‘What happens now and in these next few years will profoundly effect the next few 1,000 years.’ The UK Government has declared a climate emergency and changes need to happen at a global level. Importantly, scientists and groups such as Friends of the Earth recognise that to keep the rise in temperature below 1.5 degrees (a critical ‘tipping’ point), then there must be change at the individual level in communities like ours.

Together, we can make a difference. There is a groundswell of movement within villages up and down the country and Sherston can be at the forefront. The two broad aims of Sustainable Sherston are:

- To help Sherston to become carbon neutral, and
- To be single use plastic free.

We are right at the start of the journey and we are inviting everyone in the village to take part.

Three ways you can make a difference

Email one of the groups and get involved

Following on from a really well-attended meeting

in January which highlighted some positive solutions, we have identified six areas where we can reduce our carbon footprint (see the ‘Action Group’ panel). It would be great if you could come along, listen in and discuss what to do. We would love as many people as possible. Drop us an email and we can keep you updated on get-togethers and send out practical information to you. The next meeting will be on Monday 2 March – see ‘a night out’ for details. Anyone interested in contributing to the project groups will meet following the talk.

Complete the ‘Action Station’ Section Every Month

Looking at the science, we will be offering practical advice on how we can reduce our village carbon footprint. If we commit as a community to giving this a go, we will be working with millions of people up and down the country all making a difference too. It will also include the one BIG change we all need to make which will have a direct and massive impact on climate change.

Join us for a night out

Come along to the talks and films to learn more about the issues. Our last talk with David Waltham was supported by over 90 people. The next night will be Monday 2 March, 7.30pm at the British School Room. Join us for an entertaining talk by Dave Knight who is a leading Sustainability Consultant. Having worked for various UN agencies on ethical business practice for over 20 years, he now runs One Planet. He is also a Non-Executive Director for a project that creates jobs for marginalised people in London. He will be giving a short talk with time to ask lots of questions.

On Friday 3 April at 7.00pm in the British School Room, we have a talk by Chris Goodall. He is a businessman, author and expert on new technologies. His talk will be themed around his latest book ‘What We Need to Do Now: For a Zero Carbon Future’ that offers a clear plan for getting the UK economy to Net Zero within a few decades and looks in turn at each of the main challenges.

Watch out for more talks and film events on the Sustainable Sherston Facebook page and keep an eye on the village notice board.

One final thing... We hope this will be an inspiring and positive space. Actions by each person in our community will influence friends and family and it will also move governments and businesses to take action too. As Sir David Attenborough said, ‘the future looks alarming indeed but it is not without hope, there’s still time if we act now with determination and urgency’.

Action Station



Change your energy supplier

Reduce your carbon footprint immediately by changing your energy supplier to one that supports 100 per cent renewable energy. We have done the research and if you make the switch to any of the following you are saving the planet. Friends of the Earth and the Energy Saving Trust suggest Ecotricity, Octopus, Pure Planet, Green Energy UK and Good Energy. Imagine if the whole of Sherston said no to dirty fossil fuel generated energy? Another plus is that it will probably save you money on your bills too. Communities up and down the country are doing the same – we have the power.

Fill the cup, not the kettle

Boiling a whole kettle takes just over four minutes but boiling enough water – say tea for two – takes just over one minute. Saving electricity and the planet.



Let there be LED light!

Check your bulbs in each room and start to replace them with LED bulbs. It will shave nearly £2 billion off the energy bills for Britain's 25 million homes. It requires just a small investment, that will be repaid within three to four months on your energy bills – and give you a payback lasting more than 20 years according to a recent report in The Guardian. It will stop as much as 8 million tonnes of CO₂ entering the atmosphere, and the energy saved at peak time equates to the output of three power stations the size of Hinkley Point C!

Switch off lights!

Give this a go, along with the Brownies. An easy one but not for children sometimes (and maybe us grown-ups too!). Help create good habits by having a 'switch off' week - putting a reminder smiley face post-it note on one or more light switches for a week – you know the ones that are always on! You can even



add a pen, then mark when you see the light on when no one is in the room. Can you reduce it every day to 0 by the end of the week? It's fun to award a prize at the end. Make the family their favourite pudding or have a home movie night to celebrate your successful 'switch off' week.

Don't leave stuff on standby

The Energy Saving Trust estimates that each UK household spends around £50-£86 a year on powering appliances left on standby. If it's switched on at the plug, it's using power. Three great habits to get into:

1. Unplug your phone as soon as it is charged and try not to charge it overnight.
2. Not using your TV or computer? Switch it off at the plug.
3. How much energy are you wasting on Alexa? Switch her off when you are out/at night.

Ask the Prof

Getting the facts on climate change and what we can do can be confusing. So if you have an area you would like Professor Richard Skeffington and the team to look into why not email Sherston's very own climate squad who are ready to do the research for you! We will try to cover your questions in future articles. Email: r.a.skeffington@gmail.com and ask away!



Action Groups

Email admin@sustainablesherston.org.uk and join them today. (Please be aware your email address will be passed onto the brilliant people organising the logistics and will be held by them.)

- Community/Renewable Energy (Martin Smith/Ben Smee)
- Tree Planting/Biodiversity (Richard Skeffington)
- Transport (Hannah Griffin)
- Energy Saving (Emma Whatley)
- Reducing Waste (Joy Smith)
- Sustainable Food (TBC)

Beavers spotted in Sherston!



No, not the woodcutting, dam-building kind, the youngest section of Scouts!

Beavers is for boys and girls aged between six and eight years old, and has just reopened in Sherston after being closed for over 15 years

The first meeting was spent getting to know each other, playing games, investing the three new leaders and eating cake ... what could be better!

There has been another change to Sherston Scouts, after many years of tiresome dedication, both as Group Scout Leader and Cub Leader before that, Anthony Price has taken the decision to step down from this role.



We would like to thank Anthony for all his many years of hard work and commitment, a lot of this behind the scenes, making Sherston Scout Group the great success it currently is.

With the Beaver colony now re-opened, all young people in Sherston have the opportunity to learn skills for life by taking part in scouting from age six right up to 17!



The position of Group Scout Leader has been taken over by Ewan Blair. Ewan has been an active leader for over 10 years, mainly working with the 14-17 year olds. In this time, he has helped plan and run numerous camps, including two international camps (to Iceland and Canada), and is currently planning the next adventure to Norway in 2021. Ewan is looking forward to the continued growth of scouting in Sherston.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the leaders and exec members for their continued hard work and commitment.

If you would like enrol your child on to the waiting list for Beavers, Cubs, Scouts or Explorers or are interested in helping out running activities with the kids or being on the committee, please email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk

Ewan Blair – Group Scout Leader

We prepare young people with skills for life



Wildlife Photography Exhibition



On Saturday 4 April, the Village Hall is hosting a Wildlife Photography Exhibition by local photographer Nick Holland. He will be exhibiting a collection of British wildlife images, along with some more exotic species from his travels abroad.

A keen photographer since his early teens, Nick has developed a love and passion for the art, creating images that have been used by national newspapers and wildlife magazines.

Finding peace and tranquillity in a bird hide or sitting in a field at dawn or dusk just waiting for the wildlife to appear, is a big stress reliever, he says and would recommend it to anyone.

There will be around 30 images on display, which you will have the opportunity to buy framed or unframed. There will also be the chance to win a framed photograph. All the profits from the sale of the photographs will go to the Village Hall Extension Fund.

Please come along on Saturday 4 April between 10.00am and 4.00pm to support Nick and the Village Hall.



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Claudia, founder of Spell your Life, will share her story and you're invited to talk about your goals as you go through the fun exercises of the evening.

There's no role play involved (just saying). Instead, you'll get time to think about your desires and some more time to discern what's actually important - before settling on your top three goals.

We look forward to discovering your dreams and see how they become real in your life.

When: 5 March 2020 at 7.00pm (to about 9.00pm)

Where: Cherington Village Hall, GL8 8SW

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Tolsey News



Goodbye and Thank you

The doctors and staff at the Tolsey would like to give thanks to Mr Tony Towle who sadly died last month. He was a member, and then Chair, of our surgery Patient Participation Group (PPG) - the Friends of Tolsey surgery - for several years and chaired our meetings effectively and with wit. He also attended PPG learning events whilst in office, and was a great supporter and advocate of our proposed new surgery build. He came to our last meeting in October, despite being very unwell, and we were not to know that this would be his last meeting. Thank you Tony, and condolences to Margaret and other members of his family.

Flu Season and Coronavirus

As much publicity has there has been regarding the coronavirus, the fact is that worldwide influenza kills and hospitalises more people than corona, and we have an effective vaccination against it, so if you have NOT yet had a vaccine and you are in an at-risk group or over 65, please make an appointment ASAP.

Coronavirus – we have been fully updated by Public Health England regarding our risk in the UK, which is still extremely low. If you have lived in or travelled to Wuhan Province, China in the 14 days before onset of illness, or if you have been in contact with a confirmed case of WN-CoV within 14 days – please DO NOT attend the surgery. Contact us, or 111 out of hours, and we will notify the local health protection team. Stay isolated from all friends/family until you have been notified to do otherwise.

Staff Changes

We were very sad to say goodbye to Sarah who worked in dispensary and reception, but very pleased to say hello to Johdi who is our new dispensary Lead, and also Teri who is a trainee receptionist/dispenser. Please give them a big smile if you see them looking stressed – it is a very busy time of year for all our staff.

New Building

We have nothing new to report on this front, but you will know as soon as we do ...

And finally...

Tolsey reception – I hope many of you will have noticed the porch area is now tidy, clean and bright. Please help us keep it that way by not depositing unwanted equipment/computer cartridges or anything else here – we have to recycle just the same as you do.

Tetbury Camera Club



There has been more than a century of non-stop development in the 110 years since Tetbury Camera Club came into being. Over the decades we have featured images taken with box cameras, twin lens reflexes, 35mm designs, pocket-sized models. Latterly, we have also moved from film cameras to digital ones and now, for the first time, the picture with this article was taken with a mobile phone! Though the majority of our members might be described as keen and even serious photographers, anxious to explore and master all that modern camera technology can deliver, we also have members for whom the aim is simply to enjoy their picture-taking and share the company of people with a similar hobby.

For both groups, reaching for a phone when they want to take a picture doesn't come naturally. It's difficult to cast aside a habit that has become second nature over many years. However, we are increasingly impressed by what can be achieved using an average smartphone. Also, by how quickly the engineers and designers working for companies like Apple, Samsung and Huawei are able to miniaturise and bring to market ever-more sophisticated versions of the comparatively heavyweight versions of the cameras we grew up with.

Convenience has helped make them a modern-day fact of life and, as more and more serious photographers, as well as enthusiastic amateurs, become used to taking pictures as well as conducting conversations on their phones, we recently decided that we should move with the times and encourage our members to demonstrate how effective they are at capturing images.

To be honest, we were not sure what response we'd have when we decided to test our members and their phones with a competition to switch from talking to snapping. We needn't have worried: within a few weeks of floating the idea we had 57 entries. They varied from black-and-white still life images to Scottish mountain landscapes and portraits of people to pictures of pets.

We were definitely impressed with the results and with the picture above, taken by Carole Mortimer from Sherston, you will be able to decide if you are too. If you'd like to see more of our work, taken with phones as well as conventional cameras, consider coming to one of our weekly meetings. We gather every Tuesday evening in the Priory Inn at 7.30pm and are happy to welcome new members, no matter what equipment they use and how experienced - or inexperienced - they are.

To find out more, have a look at our website: www.tetburycameraclub.org.uk

North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club

We began the year with an interesting demonstration by Marie Mundy on the theme 'Around the World'. Marie began by packing a small suitcase with flowers, then took us on a journey to far-flung places conjured up in floral form. It was nice to travel with her and escape winter, if only for one evening and in our imagination!

In early February, we participated in Malmesbury Community Day, to create more awareness of the Club through a stand inside the Town Hall. During the day, members demonstrated a variety of different approaches and styles of flower arranging and enjoyed talking to members of the public about the Club and what we do.

Coming Soon:

Wednesday 18 March: Workshop with Sally Taylor, mastering the art of making 'Buttonholes'.

Wednesday 15 April: Demonstration by Yvonne Berry, 'Any Old Iron'. During this evening we will also hold our regular 'Best Bloom' competition.

Wednesday 20 May: Members' Dinner, La Flambé, Sutton Benger.

Also 'Save the Date': Salisbury Cathedral Flower Festival coach trip, Tuesday 15 September.

We have a full programme for 2020, with interesting and varied events throughout the year, including demonstrations, workshops, social events and visits. For more information, please visit 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 friendly, thriving and enthusiastic group with members from throughout the area. Visitors and potential new members are guaranteed a warm welcome at our regular meetings, with refreshments provided at the end of the evening, so do come along if you're interested. We look forward to welcoming more new members this year.

For more information please contact Liz on 860888. We can also be contacted by email: nwvflowerclub@gmail.com



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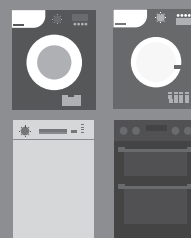
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Sherston 1016 Fundraising for local good causes and charities. For further details, contact sherston1016@gmail.com or 07717 424619.

Ashtanga Yoga class A strong flowing practice for mind and body (beginners to advanced). Fri 10.30-11.45am Sherston village hall. More info – Stuart 07986 003602 stuart@pulse4life.co.uk or www.pulse4life.co.uk

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 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 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

1st Sherston Beaver Scout Colony Beavers is open to both girls and boys aged between 6 and 8 years old. We meet at the Scout hut from 5pm to 6pm on Fridays during school term time. There is a waiting list for Beavers, email join@sherstonscouts.org.uk for an application form.

Holy Cross Church The Coffee Shop - Fair Trade tea and coffee with homemade biscuits and brownies. Easter-Oct Tues, Weds, Thurs and Nov-Easter Thursday only. Both 9.30am-12 noon

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

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 - minister4sherstoncongregation@outlook.com /07921 390878 Admin/Bookings - Victoria Meheust - sherstoncongregation@outlook.com Secretary - Candi Williams Tarling - secretary4sherstoncongregation@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@harriespartnership.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

Fresh Air Fitness Total body outdoor workout for all levels (beginners to advanced) on Sherston Rec Mon & Fri 9 -10am. Info: www.pulse4life.co.uk Stuart 07986 003602 or stuart@pulse4life.co.uk

The Hygiene Bank Drop-off location in the Co-Op in Sherston and The George Vets, Malmesbury. The Hygiene Bank collects donations of new and unused hygiene products, which are then donated to local charities who are in desperate need of these items, for example, women's refuges and young person's hostels www.thehygienebank.com.

Move it or Lose it! Exercise for over 60s

New, fun, social exercise class (no exercises performed lying down) on Mondays at 10.30am from 10 Feb in The British School Rooms. Suitable both men & women. All abilities. Everyone welcome. 1st class free. Book your place with Emma: 07843 256081 emma.cope@moveitorloseit.co.uk www.moveitorloseit.co.uk

Sherston Netball Club Training every Mon at 7.30pm at Westonbirt Leisure Centre. All ages and abilities welcome. £3 per session. For more info, please contact Lauren (07885 597429), Saara (07739 552336) or Kate (07792 064438).

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 Huw Bowles 07711 473243.

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 2.30 to 4.30pm & 7.30 – 9.30pm. 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

Sherston Theatre Club

Excursions with a Sherston High Street-to-venue return coach service. Annual fee £20. See website for details www.sherstontheatreclub.co.uk 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

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 or linmaryprior@gmail.com

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 840764 or warwickandpatjones@gmail.com

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 £4.00. Further information: Secretary 07388 606785.

Yoga for All Mon evenings 7.45-9.15pm in the village hall. Drop in rate £8.50 reducing to £7 if you take up the course. More details contact 07779 600786 after 6pm or leave a message.

Outside Sherston

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).

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 4week taster session. Currently recruiting for the following age groups: Mini-Kickers (Rec/Y1) U10 (Y5) U11 (Y6). Tel 837286 or secretary@cccfc.co.uk www.cccfc.co.uk

Easton Grey Parish Church See Parish Life for details of services

Friends in Grief (FIG) A community run café where all people who are bereaved are welcome. Every Tues from 2-4pm at Riverside Community Centre (next to big Co-op) in Malmesbury (SN16 9JS). Free of charge and no need to book – come along and meet others experiencing similar thoughts and feelings.

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 at 11.00am now on the first Sunday of each month, except for August. 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

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

Junction 17 Recorder Group A mixed ability adult group with recorders of all sizes meet on Tuesdays 7.30-9pm during term-time in Hullavington Church. Occasional concerts throughout the year. New members welcome. Email Janette jctn17recorders@outlook.com or call Heather on 07770 415171

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 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 demonstrate 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

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.

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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.

For further details call 840871 or follow on Twitter or visit

www.therattlebone.co.uk

The Courtyard Café @ Lucy Tom's

Make a piped and zipped cushion Sun 1 Mar 2-5pm Learn to make a piped and zipped cushion and go home with your finished product and the skills and pattern to make more.

Make a Wash / Make-up Bag Sat 14 Mar 2-5pm Learn to make a wash bag and go home with your own handmade bag and the skills to keep making.

Learn basic upholstery Bring along a footstool or drop in seat for a dining chair and learn to recover. All other materials and tools can be provided or you are welcome to bring your own tools and fabrics along with you. Sat 28 Mar

Indian Block Printing Sat 4 Apr Create your own designs with our wide selection of block prints and paints. So much fun. Make a napkin, tea towel or table runner.

Drum Lampshade Making Workshop Sat 25 Apr Learn to make a drum lampshade and go home with your own handmade lampshade and the skills to keep making.

Recently launched café serving coffees, tea and herbal infusions and homemade cakes in Tucks Yard. Coffee from RAVE roasters in Cirencester, Pukka teas, sandwiches, soup, breakfast bacon butties and lots of homemade cake! Open weekdays 8.30am - 5pm with Sat 9am-5pm Sun 10am-3pm. Free WiFi.

For further details call Lucy on 841433 or visit <https://lucytom.com>

Café at Hortico

Newly opened in the garden centre for tea coffee and cakes 10am - 4pm daily - wood burner, fully sustainable off grid, log cabin style café amongst the Christmas trees growing for next year - dog friendly. For further details call or visit www.hortico.co.uk

Wiltshire Council Mobile Library

In Sherston Every fortnight on Saturdays

Sat 7 & 21 Mar, Sat 4 & 18 Apr, Sat 2, 16 & 30 May, Sat 13 & 27 Jun, Sat 11 & 25 Jul

Sherston High Street

For further details call clerk@sherston.org.uk or

mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk or visit

<https://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/MobileLibrary/Library/Stop/65>

Sustainable Sherston

Next meeting Mon 2 Mar at 7:30pm in the British School Rooms. All welcome - small donation to cover room hire. Refreshments available AIMS: To work towards a zero carbon

Sherston; To work towards a single use plastic free Sherston; To improve biodiversity in the village

Including a Talk by Dave Knight a locally based sustainability consultant After the talk we will split into the project groups, led by the facilitators, where we will come up with some ideas for action and can start to plan. PROJECT GROUPS:

- Community/ Renewable Energy (Martin Smith and Ben Smee)
- Tree Planting and Biodiversity (Richard Skeffington)
- Transport (Hannah Griffin)
- Energy Saving (Emma Whatley)
- Reducing Waste (Joy Smith)
- Sustainable Food (TBC)

UPCOMING TALKS: Chris Goodall: 'What We Need to Do Now: For a Zero Carbon Future' A businessman author and expert on new technologies. His talk will be themed around his latest book, which offers a clear plan for getting the UK economy to Net Zero within a few decades and looks in turn at each of the main challenges. Please note it's earlier than our usual time as Chris has a train to catch. Fri 3 Apr at 7pm

For further details on Facebook email Hannah on

admin@sustainablesherston.org.uk or Joy Smith on 840865

Beaufort team chase

Team chasing in Sherston in aid of WAA Sun 15 Mar Entry is free! Come and join us at Manor Farm for a great family day out, and watch teams of horses jump around a course of natural obstacles, against the clock. There will be a great selection of trade stands, food, and a bar along with fun fair rides for the children. Various trade stands, a licensed bar and food available throughout the day - Parking is accessed via the B4040 between Luckington and Sherston. Starting at 9am we will have 4 classes running throughout the day with a Hunter trial/pairs class over the novice course, a Novice team chase and an Intermediate speed and bogey class. For those wishing to ride, entries via horse-events

For further details call lottiebostock@gmail.com Facebook page:

Beaufort Team Chase, Selina Hopkins - Secretary -

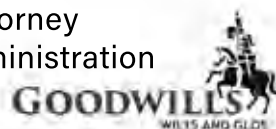
01454 218282 or visit www.beaufortteamchase.co.uk

Church events

Illustrated talk for Church Roof Fund 'Queen Elizabeth I as seen by historians, artists and film makers' by Roger Ashley on Sat 25 Apr at 7.30pm in The British School Room. Admission £10 to include a glass of wine. Contact 840993 for tickets - proceeds in aid of the South Aisle Roof Fund, Holy Cross Church.

Eco Church is a scheme to help grass-roots church communities improve their environmental impact. The scheme is run by the charity A Rocha UK with the support of the Church of England, the Methodist Church, the United Reformed Church, Christian Aid and Tearfund. Bronze, silver and gold awards are available to those church communities

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- * Lasting Powers of Attorney
- * Probate & Estate Administration
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who show that they are working to lessen their environmental impact.

*For further details call Rev Susan Harvey 840696
susan.harvey055@gmail.com*

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

"Recreating the Georgians" – Jon & Francesca Caton

5 Mar 2.30pm BSR

COTSWOLD & CORNISH CREAM – Martin Fry - An audio visual presentation 2-Apr

For further details call Secretary 07388 606785

Sherston Senior Club

Bob's Music presents Country and Western 3-Mar

Spring Sale 17-Mar

The Senior Club meets British Schoolroom Cliff Rd every other Tuesday. membership fee is £15 pa - Visitors are always welcome to any of our meetings for £2 which includes tea and biscuits. *For further details call Helen Quirk 840516*

Sherston Theatre Club

Visits to theatres, flower shows, museums, exhibitions and houses and gardens of interest with Sherston High St –to-venue-and return Coach service. Membership £20pa, which gives the member and one guest the opportunity to buy tickets and coach fares for the advertised events, £1 extra for additional guests. Often the tickets are at the group booking discount price.

Carla Acosta Danza Sat 7 Mar 3.30- 11.30pm Cardiff

Millennium Centre

Coughton Court and gardens 1 Apr Ticket and coach £32.00, National Trust members £20.00t.

RHS Flower Show Cardiff Fri 17 Apr 9am-4pm Ticket and coach £32

For further details call Helen Quirk 840516 helenandjim@thequirks.plus.com or visit www.sherstontheatreclub.co.uk

Fundraiser for Sherston Village Hall

Sherston Village Hall Information Day 4 Apr - featuring the fascinating history of the main hall and historian Roger Ashley will give a short talk at 11am come and support the Village Hall - owned by the village

Please come along to see the new plans for the front extension for the Village Hall. This will provide a spacious entrance area, updated toilet facilities, larger storage area for chairs and

staging, and a small servery for Drama Group interval drinks. Grants are being applied for but we would like the community to be able to contribute to the cost of the building. In the proposed entrance hall there will be space for a large wallhanging which will feature masses of butterflies. Each donation of £25 or more will be represented by a butterfly, which can be given the name of the donor or someone the donor wishes to remember. Consequently, this part of our fundraising will be called the Butterfly Fund, and there will be an opportunity to pay on the day. Please send any comments to heather@geoffmartin.plus.com or bensmee@zoho.com
Simon and Garfunkel through the Years (previously 'Bookends') Thurs 21 May 7.30pm Tickets (available Apr) £15, £14 (concessions)

Sherston Drama Group

Spring Play: Cider with Rosie Wed 15 - Sat 18 April, 7.30pm, Doors open 7pm The play is a vivid memoir of Laurie Lee's childhood in the Slad Valley near Stroud where time is measured by the seasons and the pace of a horse. It is a timeless place where life has barely changed in a thousand years but is now on the verge of huge change. Laurie and his five siblings lived in poverty but surrounded by their mother's love. There was a childhood full of adventures, both real and imagined, in a village full of characters, including warring grannies, a fearsome teacher, a school bully and a girl named Rosie Tickets £8 Concessions £6.50

Village Hall *For further details call Robin Turner (Director) Box Office: 07791 544243*

Open Gardens Trail in aid of Church of the Holycross

Open gardens trail in aid of Church of the Holy Cross Sat 6 -Sun 7 Jun Put the date in your diary and if you would like to open your garden please get in touch nearer the time. We would really appreciate offers of gardens which have not been opened before.

All proceeds go towards the maintenance of Holy Cross Church. **If you would like to open your garden, please contact Pat Whitehouse 840640, or Heather Martin 840375.**

Luckington

Luckington Quiz Night

Fundraiser for Luckington Pre-school Save the date: Sat 16 May 7pm. Teams of 6. Come as a team or join on the night. Tickets £15 include a bowl of curry/ chilli and a drink - all proceeds to the pre-school. Tickets available at Luckington Shop Luckington Village Hall

For further details call chair@luckingtonpreschool.org.uk or visit chair@luckingtonpreschool.org.uk

'Sherston Brick Club'

British Schoolroom

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 alternate Fridays (13th and 27th) from 5.30pm to 7.00pm. Free entry.

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Easton Grey Whatley Manor

Sunday Cinema £39.50 includes your cinema ticket for the screening and popcorn and a 3 course lunch or dinner in Grey's Brasserie. Lunch first from 12 noon with the film starting promptly at 3pm. For the dinner screening, enjoy the film first, starting promptly at 5pm, followed by dinner from 7.15pm.

Judy - Sun 15 Mar **Downton Abbey** - Sun 19 Apr
Easter Centrepieces with Persephone Violet Wed 8 Apr Make your own natural living wreath with Emily Hepworth, RHS Chelsea Silver Medallist. Following a demonstration and lunch, it's time for you to get creative as Emily takes you through the process of making your own wreath using foliage, wood and spring bulbs to flower in time for Easter. Hang your wreath on your door, or display as a table centerpiece. All materials are included. £85.00

Sustainable Tote Bag Making with Lucy Tom Interiors Lucy Tom Interiors are passionate about all things sustainable, and dedicated to being more environmentally friendly. Lucy has an experienced eye and a gift for interior design, and she will guide you through the process of making your own sustainable & beautiful tote bag that you will take home with you at the end of the day. You will have all kinds of sustainable fabrics to choose from to make your bag. All materials are included, and the workshop is suitable for beginners. £75 includes all materials and 2 course lunch with a glass of wine in Grey's Brasserie Wed 6 May
Whatley Manor For further details call 834026 or visit www.whatleymanor.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
Guided walks and craft skills courses throughout the month see website for details

Workshops - Willow Sculptures, Needle felt, Spoon carving, Tree climbing, Spring Posy making

Summer concerts – tickets on sale now: Thurs 11 June

Rag'n' Bone Man; James Morrison and Will Young Fri 12 Jun; Sat 13 Jun **Madness**; Sun 14 Jun **Keane**

Mar - Sep 2020 admission prices Adults £11, those arriving by bike or public transport £7, Children (5-18) £4, under 5s free, 1 carer allowed free per paying disabled visitor

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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.

For further details call natwell@westonbirt.org

Didmarton Flicks in the Sticks

Judy Fri 6 Mar Doors open at 6.30pm with cash bar - Film show starts at 7.30pm Tickets £4 on the door Contact jennybody@btconnect.com (01454 238358) to confirm seat
Thirty years after starring in "The Wizard of Oz," beloved actress and singer Judy Garland arrives in London to perform sold-out shows at the Talk of the Town nightclub. While there, she reminisces with friends and fans and begins a whirlwind romance with musician Mickey Deans, her soon-to-be fifth husband. Didmarton Village Hall

For further details call Jenny Body 01454 238358 or jenny.body@btconnect.com

Duke of Beaufort's Hunt Point to Point

First Sat in March – 7 Mar First race starts at 12.30.

Countrywear tradestands, refreshments. Wrap up warm against the wind as the course is very exposed. £12.50 entry to the racecourse. Parking on site (chargeable).

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

Malmesbury, Chippenham

Malmesbury and District U3A

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

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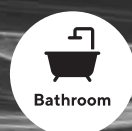
AGM and 'Baby Song – and Why Singing is Good for All of Us' - Vanessa Young Thurs 23 Apr

Assembly Rooms at the Town Hall

For further details call membership secretary Elaine Sharp tel 823568 or visit www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk

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Mon, 2 Mar	2pm	"Chopin" Documentary
Mon, 2 Mar	8pm	"The Gentlemen"
Fri, 6 Mar	2pm	"Bombshell"
Fri, 6 Mar	8pm	"The Personal History of David Copperfield"
Mon, 9 Mar	2pm	"The Personal History of David Copperfield"
Mon, 9 Mar	7.30pm	"Chopin" Documentary
Mon, 16 Mar	8pm	"Bombshell"
Tues, 17 Mar	7.15pm	"Fidelio" Live from the Royal Opera House **
Fri, 20 Mar	2pm	"The Gentlemen"
Fri, 20 Mar	5.30pm	"Dolittle"
Fri, 20 Mar	8pm	"Dolittle"
Tues, 24 Mar	7.30pm	Jonas Kaufman in Concert from Vienna *
Tues, 31 Mar	2pm	Jonas Kaufman in Concert from Vienna *
Tues, 31 Mar	7.30pm	"Haydn" Documentary

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

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. Malmesbury Activity Zone, Bremilham Road

For further details call 01249 443469 or e-mail nwilt@alzheimers.org.uk or visit www.alzheimers.org.uk

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 gemmam@therisetrust.org
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The Big Malmesbury Craft Fair

Last Sat every month 11am-3pm - meet unique creatives, creators, makers, designers, producers and bakers. The Hub.

Malmesbury Singers Concert

Beethoven Mass in C and Brahms Schicksalslied with the Bristol Ensemble

Malmesbury Abbey Sat 28 Mar 7.30pm Adults £15 Students/under18s £5. Tickets available from Abbey Bookshop or email: tickets@malmesburysingers.co.uk

For further details call Abbey book shop or tickets@malmesburysingers.co.uk or visit www.malmesburysingers.co.uk

Charlton Park

WOMAD - World Music Festival

Thurs 23 - Sun 26 Jul Featuring many world musicians and bands and exciting new artists - check website for the line-up Early bird and SN16 3 or 4 day tickets with/without staying onsite More information at womad.co.uk/tickets.

For further details call Reading Box Office on 0118 960 6060 or visit www.womad.org/festivals/charlton-park

Tetbury Goods Shed

Vegetables from Aunt Addie's Visit the amazing Ros for all your delicious locally grown vegetables. Adeline Farm is a farming venture with the emphasis on quality, fresh, local and seasonal produce. Although not certified as Organic they are committed to using organic methods - and to working with nature and respecting wildlife. They are also totally committed to producing the finest produce possible. Every Sat 10.30/11am-2pm Adeline Farm Community Project offers facilities to the disabled, people with learning difficulties, and other groups in the Wilts. /Glos. area.

Afternoon Piano Recital Every Wed 2.30-4pm Afternoon tea concerts are back by popular demand. Tickets £2.50
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5 Mar Film Night: Bait (15) Mark Jenkin's Bait is a timely and funny, yet poignant new film that gets to the heart of a community facing unwelcome change.

12 Mar Film Night: Tolkien (12A) The formative years of the orphaned author J.R.R. Tolkien as he finds friendship, love and artistic inspiration among a group of fellow outcasts at school

14 Mar Ivana Gavric Solo 7.30pm £18 The third concert in the Goods Shed Piano Series - British pianist Ivana Gavric plays Beethoven, Grieg and Cheryl Frances Hoad

19 Mar Film Night: Joker (15) "Joker" centres around the iconic arch-nemesis and is an original, standalone story not seen before on the big screen.

21 Mar Comedy at The Shed 8-10pm £10 Welcome to the first Comedy Club at the Goods Shed for 2020

25 Mar Talk: Unravelling the Double Helix 7.30pm £8 In our March 'Shed Talk', drawing on material from his new book, Professor Gareth Williams tells the story of unravelling the double helix and the discovery of DNA

26 Mar Film Night: Le Mans 1966 (12A) American car designer Carroll Shelby and driver Ken Miles battle corporate interference, the laws of physics and their own personal demons to build a revolutionary race car for Ford.

29 Mar Ninebarrow Band 8pm £16 Ninebarrow will be joined by cellist and long-term collaborator, Lee MacKenzie, John Parker on double bass and Evan Carson on percussion.

How to reach the Shed - use the sat nav postcode GL8 8EY

For further details call info@shed-arts.co.uk or visit www.shed-arts.co.uk

The Friends of Tetbury Hospital Fundraising Events

Annual film night: The Runaways at Dolphin's Hall, Tetbury, 4 Mar at 7pm Tickets: 502336 or 504039 - £9.00 includes a glass of wine.

The Great Tetbury Hospital Boules Competition 2020 Sun 17 May 9.30am-3.30pm at The Royal Oak, Tetbury £80 per team, spectators £15 - French lunch and wine included Get your tickets now by calling 502262, visit Vinotopia Wine Merchants or email andy@vinotopiawine.co.uk

Tetbury Hospital Trust is a charity established in 1991 which receives payment from the NHS for patient treatments though not for new or replacement equipment. The Hospital's survival depends on local fund-raising and the generosity of local people. Since the recent NHS re-organisation, the Hospital serves both Gloucestershire and Wiltshire with more than 20 consultants from both counties holding regular clinics there.

Cherrington Spell your Life workshop

Live the Life You Want Are you compromising your life for work? Are you constantly busy without achieving anything? Join us to gain clarity of your goals over a glass of wine and discover what dreams to pursue, how to manifest your goals and why some things still haven't materialised in your life. 5 Mar 7pm - 9pm £10 (£5 to be donated to the mental health charity Mind.org) Cherrington Village Hall For further details call or visit www.spellyourlife.com/event-details/live-the-life-you-want

Grittleton

Moviola - the Touring Rural Cinema Scheme

JUDY [12A] - Rescheduled from Jan Wed 25 Mar Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start £6 from Lesley or on the door Winter 1968 and showbiz legend Judy Garland [Renee Zellweger] arrives in London to perform a five-week sold-out run at The Talk of the Town. It is 30 years since she shot to global stardom in The Wizard of Oz, but if her voice has weakened, its dramatic intensity has only grown. As she prepares for the show, battles with management, charms musicians and reminisces with friends and adoring fans, her wit and warmth shine through. Also features Jessie Buckley, Michael Gambon and Rufus Sewell. **Future dates for your diary** 29 Apr: The Good Liar Grittleton Village Hall

For further details call Lesley 01249 783157 or email l_palmer@btinternet.com or visit www.moviola.org/

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.

Workshop with Sally Taylor: Mastering the art of 'Buttonholes' 18-Mar **Demonstration by Yvonne Berry, 'Any Old Iron'** 15-Apr During this evening we will also hold our regular 'Best Bloom' competition.

Members' Dinner, La Flambe, Sutton Benger Wed 20 May

'Save the Date': Salisbury Cathedral Flower Festival coach trip Tues 15 Sept Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB

For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639 or Facebook page - North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club.

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The Cotswold Players present Nell Gwynn Set in 1660s

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Wotton-Under-Edge

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Broughton Gifford

Broughton Gifford Piecemakers

Quilt Exhibition Fri 27 4-8pm Sat 28 Mar 10am-4.30pm An exhibition of work plus trader stand, sales table and refreshments. Raffle in aid of Wiltshire Air Ambulance (draw 4pm Saturday) Entrance £3 The Broughton Gifford Piecemakers are a thriving group of quilters and we meet every 3rd Mon of the month. We always welcome new members whether you are a beginner or have been quilting for years. A variety of speakers come and tell us about their craft. Occasional mini workshops or sewing evenings related to quilting where you can learn a new skill or technique and workdays where you bring the project you are working on and spend the day sewing. An exhibition of work plus trader stand, sales table and refreshments. Raffle in aid of Wiltshire Air Ambulance (draw 4pm Saturday) Entrance £3 The Village Hall For further details call Sue Sunderland 07734 320548

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