



Referendum Day: Sherston Neighbourhood Plan Thursday 16 May

After more than seven years of effort, the time has finally come for everyone living in the Parish who is eligible to vote to decide whether you wish the Sherston Neighbourhood Plan to be adopted by Wiltshire Council and used to determine future planning applications.

The Referendum is to be held on Thursday 16 May. Voting will take place between the hours of 7.00am and 10.00pm at Sherston Village Hall. All of those eligible to vote should by now have received an Official Polling Card, providing details of how to apply for a postal or proxy vote should you be unable to go to the polling station on the day. It is now too late to apply for a postal vote but applications for a proxy vote can still be made before 5.00pm on Wednesday 8 May.

The actual question that you are going to be asked on the ballot form is:

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

If you want to support the plan then the answer to the above would be YES.

If you do not want the plan to be adopted then the answer would be NO.

As previously advised, if more than 50% of those who vote in the Referendum on the day say YES then Wiltshire Council will be obliged to adopt the plan within eight weeks. It would then form part of Wiltshire Council's development plan. Decisions on planning applications in the Parish will then have to be made in accordance with the Neighbourhood Plan.

A complete set of the Policies contained in the Sherston Neighbourhood Plan have been reproduced in the centre pages of this Cliffhanger. These have been slightly modified (reworded) since they were last reproduced. This was to take into account the comments and recommendations made by the Independent Examiner and Wiltshire Council.

Should you wish to view a copy of the complete Sherston Neighbourhood Plan and all of the related background documents, so that you can better understand the reasoning behind each of these policies, these can be found on the Sherston Parish Council website (<https://sherston.org.uk/>). Alternatively, hard copies are available at both the Tolsey Surgery and at the church.

Please do take the opportunity to vote on the Thursday 16 May.

Details of the policies are on pages 15-18.

POP 2019 is here!

The world's original POP up village is back and we hope you have 17-19 May in your diaries as it's jam-packed! Cotswold Life, in its report on the POP up village, said: 'Sherston is a one in a million kind of place. The term "quirky" could have been invented for the community...'. They're right!

This year there are 49 different experiences to try created by a bunch of brave Sherston souls for your entertainment. Now we just need our community - that's you! - to come together and enjoy it! We think we have something for everyone from one to 100 years old...

Over the POP weekend you could ... build and float a boat on the river; be wowed at the hair raising Circus of Science show (complete with dry ice and an explosion or two!); get expert tuition on making beautiful clay animals or slime making; relax with a Thai hand massage or a yoga session; play at the board games café or Sherston's own mini golf course; get help in going plastic free making ecobricks or beeswax wraps; enjoy a night out at The Fab Family Show or Davey's Disco Bingo; and have a weekend off cooking and enjoy Rob Strong's Persian kebabs, the Cheethams' bacon butties, Jay's Thai curries, the van Rooyens' Samosas or a Yorkshire Sop Supper by Pat and Roger Whitehouse!

There really is a POP for everyone in the village to enjoy. If you fancy a quiet cuppa and a wander - try The BIG Brekkie at the British School Room and POP up Pilgrim or the Treasure Trail around the village. Something more energetic? Hop over to Sherston Shooters netball or get your bike out for the Strongs Close 'Take Back the Streets' POP. A little shopping? Martha's headbands and scrunchies are super cool or discover a pre-loved children's book at Hey Good Bookin'!

Pick up a map from Sherston Co-operative stores (near the post office counter) and check out all the details on www.popupsherston.com to start planning your weekend of fun - and all on your doorstep. All the profits will go to Sherston Primary School and Sherston Village Hall. Hope to see you there!

Pull out 4 pages 13,14 and 19,20 to have your own maps

Sherston Young Craft Group



After 21 years, the group had its final session just before Easter. As a last project, members and some of the parents decorated tiles for the refurbished Village Hall kitchen. They echo the design of the roller blind, cups and saucers, mugs and jugs. The photo shows members, with leaders Heather and Gloria, with Easter baskets filled with Easter nests.

A proposal is that there may, in the future, be occasional short courses or day workshops for adults or children.

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Window Wanderland returns

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Window Wanderland and Sherston Arts Festival have teamed up once again to bring a magical walking trail to Sherston in October. But we need your help to do it! We had nearly 40 people taking part in 2017 and we would love even more this year.

Window Wanderland started in Bristol in 2015 where people, just like you, made a display for their window or garden, forming a walking trail for a winter's evening. The best part is that you don't need any artistic skill, it's all for fun! This year the event will take place on 12 and 13 October with a special light-up trail on each evening. Everyone is invited to make a display which can be big or small - from a single candle to a tissue paper cut-out on your window - anything goes! It's free to take part in and free to walk around.

Don't worry if you are stuck for ideas - check out www.windowwanderland.com and www.sherstonartsfestival.com. The only information we need from you now is a yes that you would like to be involved - simply contact Kirsty.strachan@icloud.com and say, 'Yes, I'm in!' You don't even have to tell anyone what you are putting in your window so you can leave thinking about it until October. It's that easy and we would love to see as many windows taking part as possible. It's all just for fun - and we are looking forward to seeing a different side to our lovely community!

WI Report



It was hands on trying to keep a ping pong ball in the air above a hairdryer and trying to put a stick through an already inflated balloon without popping it at the WI meeting in April when we had a talk by Danya Walker on the charitable side of the James Dyson Foundation (JDF), in which Sir James himself plays a large part. It is hoped that the JDF will inspire the next generation of engineers. Students are asked to be curious and to ask why and how, as an engineer they should think differently and challenge the seemingly logical to create something new and better. Medical research is also important to the JDF and money raised in campaigns at Dyson in Malmesbury is matched by the JDF leading to medical units having been provided at the RUH.

The WI has always been a formidable force for good. Last October marked 100 years since the first WI resolution - a century of members striving to support and empower women. This month we shall be discussing the 2019 resolutions chosen from the six that were put forward for the 220,000 members of the WI to choose. 'Don't fear the smear' and 'A call against the decline in Local Bus Services'. Two very diverse topics.

Each WI member gets to vote and the results are taken to the Annual Meeting in June. After that the Government will be lobbied to take action where necessary. At the June meeting, to which anyone is welcome, there will be a talk by Mary Monro about her father's escape from a Japanese POW camp. We would be delighted to welcome any men who may be interested in this topic. Come for the talk and a cup of coffee. Further information: Secretary 07388 606785.

Are you vulnerable? I am!

Really? I hear the cry! From time to time, we are all vulnerable for a variety of reasons. Driving alone at night is one that makes me aware that I am vulnerable – the workings of engines and cars remains a mystery to me – and long may that continue!!!! No matter what age, living alone creates a number of risks and potential problems should things go wrong. We all develop strategies to reduce the risk, it may be wearing a personal alarm, carrying a mobile phone everywhere, whatever it is, we cope.

How about using the warmer weather to see what can be done in the local area? Do you 'know your neighbour'? Would you notice if the bins weren't put out? When did you last see them? What is their name? It's about knowing someone to say hello to and being approachable if help is needed in an emergency. It only takes a minute to say hello, who knows how much that could improve their feelings of vulnerability?

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

Sherston Seniors Report

Bob's Music on 12 March was well worth waiting for! During the first half, Bob sang Frank Sinatra favourites, Nat King Cole, etc, as well as Neil Diamond - if you shut your eyes you'd have thought he was in the room! A great treat. After a short break, 'Elvis' appeared in the most amazing costume and sang all the well-known songs, finally with the recording of 'Elvis has left the building'. Bob was much appreciated and, with his busy schedule, we will try to book him again in the future.

On 26 March, we had our spring sale and were glad to welcome a few visitors. We raised just under £165.00 to go towards our free outing to the Garden Centre at Whitminster on 9 April, which went well - in spite of the rain!

Sadly, on 30 March, Joyce Green, died aged 91 after a short illness. She had been able to come to club until one month before her death. A long-term member, Joyce will be missed.

Looking Forward, we will be seeing Lou Ropner on 23 April, a talented artist, working in mosaics. On 7 May, we will be going on a mystery tour in the afternoon (1.25pm Carpenters, 1.30pm High St, back by 5.00pm; cost £10.00 members, £12.00 visitors). On 21 May, we have a mystery speaker, and on 4 June, we'll be visiting Weston-super-mare (£10.00 members, £12.00 visitors; times to be advised see posters nearer the time). Please contact Helen Quirk 840516 for more information regarding Club activities.

News from the Tolsey Surgery



The surgery is delighted that the Sherston Neighbourhood Plan is with us all and in support of the Referendum to be held on 16 May. The Plan can be seen at the surgery should local residents wish to.

The winter months are behind us and the NHS agenda for all continues to promote and encourage NHS agencies working closer together across primary, secondary, community and social care.

The Tolsey Surgery will work in collaboration, locally with neighbouring practices in the north of the county, through the development of Primary Care Networks, where we can jointly agree, with additional funding clinical services to support the needs of the local population. The use of advanced digital communications is also being introduced through these channels. More news to follow.

We have now made an appointment for a new Practice Manager to join us this month. Mr Andrew Kolenda has worked for the NHS for some 40 years, managing many GP surgeries in his career over the last 25 years. Should any of our patients wish to suggest ways we can improve our services, or wish to support us in our Patient Participation Group, please do ask to speak with Andrew at the surgery.

Sherston Boules Competition News



Did you know that every year the Sherston Boules Competition – this year on Saturday 13 July - is over-subscribed by as much as 50%?

Competition was hot for local places again this year, with all but seven places taken by mid-April. General entries commenced on 23 April and, as we go to press, the Boules Committee were confident that once again, all entries would be sold out.

For full information on this year's Boules Festival and Competition, check the Facebook page (Sherston Boules Festival) or email sherstonboules@gmail.com. If you feel like volunteering to be part of the set-up team you'll be very welcome!

We welcomed many visitors last year to our festival, including Terry Basson, a Bath-based Boules enthusiast, poet, artist and raconteur published the following article in Petanque England News about his day in Sherston. We're reproducing it here with thanks to Terry for giving us permission.

Nourishes the soul by Terry Basson

My mind is now turning towards those warm July days when magical Petanque happens in that delightful medieval village of Sherston.

What is this magic I talk about? Well, I will have a go at expressing my feelings about this annual event, when things suddenly happen overnight; turning the car parking strips to sandy pistes and the game of Boules totally takes the village over and becomes more French than the French!

Young strong men with their farming tractors, wide shovels and dumper trucks bring in tons of coarse sand and hey presto, boules pistes magically appear all around the main street. In between these designated areas, pretty decorated stalls arrive as if dropped by Mary Poppins from her flying umbrella.

Looking out of our B&B window after eating a fine breakfast the street appeared to have succumbed to the wizardry of Harry Potter's wand. Amazingly transformed!

Oh, how I wish we could have more days like this in our calendar year where our sport would flourish in more English towns, gathering hundreds of visitors and exposing this game of ours that can be played by all ages.

A great sport that creates long lasting friendships among our community and socially minded people, exposing what creates long lasting friendships far and wide.

Three boules in the fountain - each one seeking success. Thrown by three hopeful players – which one will the Boules gods bless?

Make it mine!

Condensed Boules Rules: Sherston 2019

This month we asked our local Boules expert Mr Bob Rumble to explain match rules. Here they are – but for a working understanding of the rules, come along to our POP Boules School at the Rattlebone on Saturday 18 May ... or visit our website for all the finer details!

Our matches are triples (three in each team) and are started by throwing a coin to see which team goes first.

The team that wins the toss marks out the starting location (a circle of 35-50cm drawn on the playing surface, at least one metre from any obstacles) and then selects one of their players to throw the jack. The player must stand with both feet inside the circle to throw the jack. The jack can be thrown in any direction but must end up between 6-10 metres of the starting circle, one metre from the opposite end, and half a metre from the sides. The player attempts to throw one of his/her boules so that it lands as close to the jack as possible. A player from the opposing team then steps into the circle and attempts to land his/her boule closer to the jack, even if it means knocking the opponent's boule out of the way. The boule closest to the jack leads or is said to be 'holding the point'. The other team must continue throwing boules until they take the lead or run out of boules. If they take the lead, the other team then tries to recover by throwing a boule that finishes closest to the jack. There is no order that team members must follow when throwing their boules but they must only throw their own boules, they must go one at a time from within the starting circle with both feet on the ground, take no more than one minute to throw each boule and remain inside the circle until the boule has landed. It is fine to hit the jack.

Once a team has used all its boules, the other side is allowed to throw the rest of its boules. When all boules are thrown, the points are counted. The team that has the boule closest to the jack wins the round or 'end'. The winning team gain a point for each of their boules that is closer to the jack than their opponents' closest boule. Only one team scores points during each end.

Once the points are counted and logged on the scoreboard, the next round begins with the previous round's winners drawing a new starting circle (the previous circle having first been erased). This starting circle is drawn around the final position of the jack in the previous round or, if too short to allow 6-10 metres throwing length, it can be taken back to one metre from the near end (see above). The winning team then selects a player to throw the jack from this new starting circle and the first boule is thrown as before. The person throwing the jack doesn't have to be the person throwing the first boule of an end.

The first team to reach the total number of points set by the organisers wins the game. There is not a required number of ends that must be played in our matches. Full rules are to be found here <https://sherstonboules.org/sherston-boules-carnival/how-to-play-boules/>

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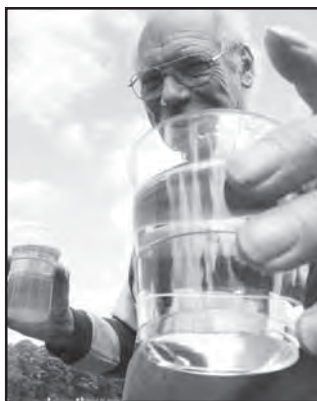
This year sorting out the teams for the Boules League has been a bit of a problem for me. For various reasons, I have spent far too much time at the Royal United Hospital in Bath, where the various bits of me that drop off are tacked back on.

However, the 2019 Competition started on Monday 15 April but we still have a vacancy for a team in each of the two lower Leagues. Also, a couple of teams are looking for extra players to boost their numbers so if any of you know of any people wishing to join us, please get in touch with Sharon Doyle on 07912 365513 or at sharondoyle2017@outlook.com. Teams of three generally play once a week, Monday to Thursday evenings starting at either 7.15pm or 8.00pm. The scheduled games finish on Thursday 26 July, leaving the following eight weeks or so to catch up on postponed games. Joining in is a particularly good way to get to know people so if you are a newcomer to the Parish or are just curious to find out something about a new pastime, please just pop into the Rattlebone Inn one weekday evening to see what it's all about. You will be made most welcome.

Because of my various health problems, the lovely Sharon Doyle has kindly agreed to take over the running of the Boules League. She will be assisted by Graham Hayman who will continue to compile the weekly League Tables.

This has been my swansong. I have now been running the village Boules Leagues for the past 15 years, the first three from the Carpenters' Arms. However, it will be a breath of fresh air to have a new perspective on things. I will miss the camaraderie and the general good humour that accompanies most Boules matches but I have enjoyed it all - if for no other reason than it used to keep what passes for my brain active. I feel confident that the whole thing has been left in very capable hands.

Good luck everybody!
Tony Towle



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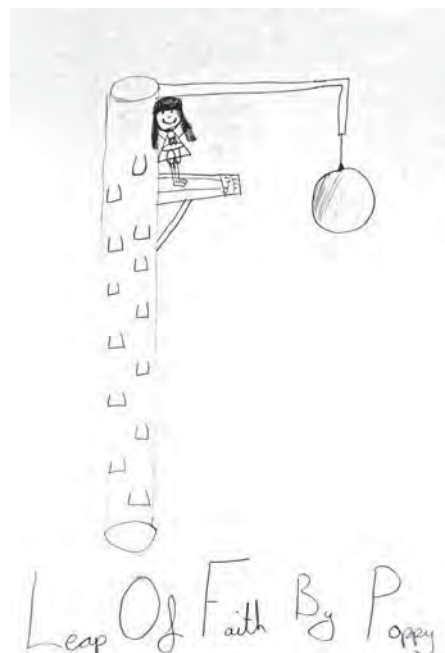
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Year 6 residential trip to PGL



In March, Year 6 went to PGL Osmington Bay in Dorset and it was amazing! We stayed for a week by the coast. Activities included: the giant swing, raft-building, abseiling, aeroball and climbing. We all loved it.

By Mabel, Year 6

'We did lots of different activities, some we'd done before and some we'd never tried. We all pushed our comfort zones and did things we'd never tried before. My personal favourite was aeroball - a mixture of trampolining and netball.' Charlotte, Year 6

'One of the scariest activities was the Leap of Faith! You would climb to the top of a large pole and then jump off a platform. The main aim of the game was to grab the big red ball. My favourite activity was probably abseiling. It is where there is a massive abseiling wall which makes you feel that you are on top of the world. We had so much fun!' Bethany, Year 6

'On our trip to PGL we did lots of activities. My personal favourite was the Jacob's Ladder because I got a free chocolate afterwards! It was really fun! We also had lots of astonishing food.' Serenity, Year 6

'My personal favourite was the zip wire where you got into a harness and were strapped to a big long wire. Then you jumped and sped as quick as lightning down the line. We had some amazing food, like pasta and lemon cake and things like that. Overall the trip was amazing!' Mabel, Year 6

'PGL was one of the most exciting weeks of my life! My favourite activity was either climbing or the giant swing, because it was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity! I loved it!' Lucy, Year 6





'PGL was really fun. My personal favourite was the giant swing because it was really high and fun! Also, it was my birthday and I got to skip the queues for the whole day! I also liked the night activities. On the last night we played ambush, which is where one group hides and leaves arrows behind and a trick arrow. The other group then have to come and find them! I loved PGL!' Matilda, Year 6

'PGL was one of the most fun things I have ever done because I was with my friends all week and we did loads of fun activities.' Izzy, Year 6



Year 5 trip to Bristol Museum

In April, Year 5 went on a trip to Bristol Museum as part of their topic work on Explorers and Ancient Egypt. They took part in a workshop where they learned about the life and work of British Egyptologist Amelia Edwards and were able to handle real and replica artefacts from her journey through Egypt in 1878-79.

'Our topic is Explorers and Ancient Egypt, and Bristol Museum has an Ancient Egyptian exhibition. We got to hold a real Egyptian necklace. There were also some pretty crystals and some real skeletons from extinct animals that lived in the sea.' Evelyn, Year 5

'In our workshop, we held artefacts and had to guess which ones were real. It was actually quite hard!' Cerys, Year 5

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The vicarage site in Green Lane

Ahead of the Referendum on the Sherston Neighbourhood Plan on 16 May, the Parochial Church Council (PCC) wants to keep everyone up to date with plans for the vicarage site in Green Lane. This land is one of the areas shown in the Plan for development over the next 10 years.

There are two planned uses for the site: extension of the churchyard and house-building. Burial space in the existing churchyard is almost exhausted; although it may look as though there is still quite a lot of open space, its use for burial is strictly limited by various different regulations. The usual course, once space has run out, is that a churchyard is declared closed and the Parish Council must then assume the legal responsibility to find an alternative. This can result in a cemetery being sited on the edge of a village, as in Luckington, or in burials having to take place in more distant large cemeteries such as Chippenham. The PCC and Sherston Parish Council have been in touch over the past few years about the possibility of a separate cemetery, but it is very difficult to find available land for this purpose close to the village. We also know how much many people appreciate having a graveyard in the centre of the village. The Diocese of Bristol, which owns the vicarage site, has proposed that an area of garden land at the rear of the Green Lane vicarage site, adjoining the churchyard, can be added to it to provide additional burial space. Sherston Parish Council supports this proposal as it fulfils the need to find addition burial space for the village and is in a central location.

As far as housing development is concerned, the plan in principle has been to build two further houses

in addition to the current vicarage. It was, and still is, intended that one of these new houses will be a new vicarage but, with the recent departure of our rector and the intention that the new incumbent should live in Sherston, it has been necessary to make some interim arrangements. By mutual agreement, the present tenant will leave the vicarage around midsummer and the Diocese will then begin to renovate the house before the hoped-for arrival of a new rector in the autumn. Building work on the site will, of course, be subject to planning permission and will take place once this has been granted, but development is still to be limited to two new houses, with the intention that one house will become the new vicarage. The Rector of the Gauzebrook Group of parishes has not lived in Sherston since the Group was established more than 10 years ago and the PCC is very keen that the new incumbent should live here, in the largest village in the Group. The Diocese intends that funding of the new-build vicarage will be achieved from the sale of land for the second new house and the sale of the existing vicarage, but the rear of the garden is to be retained so that it can be transferred to the church for the churchyard extension as part of this overall plan.

If you support the proposal for provision of more burial space in the centre of the village and a new vicarage, which would allow our rector to live in a purpose-built parsonage in Sherston, the PCC encourages you to support the Sherston Neighbourhood Plan in the Referendum on 16 May.

Sue Robinson

Churchwarden, Holy Cross Church

The Great Pretender

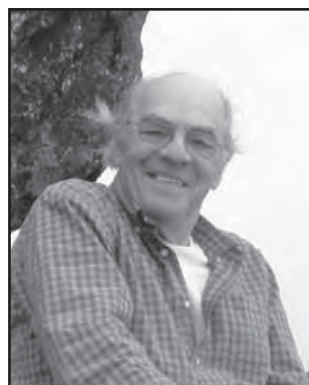
Nick Perry's final book, *The Great Pretender*, in his autobiographical trilogy is being published this month. Having tried self-sufficiency on a hill farm in North Wales (Peaks and Troughs) and then life on a Greek Island (Escape to Ikaria), Nick was fed up with living on the bread line and decided to have a go at becoming a millionaire.

He worked for a short time at the Brass Rubbing Centre in Cirencester, pouring polyester resin into silicone moulds and realised the possibilities of this process were endless. So, using the mysteries of alchemy he started an unusual venture. Blending various chemicals, he developed the secret patina formulas to apply to the casts of fine carvings and works of art, from 18th-century Japanese netsukes to replicas of engraved whales' teeth, thus creating perfect replicas.

From his make-shift workshop of a stable shared with a shire horse, he took his creations to sell at the rag market of Birmingham and the Portobello

Road. There he met a world of wheeler-dealers, everyone living on their wits, pulling every trick to make a profit. As the reputation of his work spread, his world expanded, until Nick and his crew entered the rarefied circles of the London art world and he realised he could be dangerously out of his depth.

The Great Pretender will be available at The Yellow-Lighted Bookshop, from the publishers Birlinn and on Amazon. RRP £8.99



Goodbye to 2nd Sherston Brownies!

The girls who joined 2nd Sherston Brownies when they were seven back in September 2016 are all now 10 years old (or nearly!) and so it is time to close the pack as the girls progress.

It's been a busy two-and-a-half years! They've completed many badges, including circus skills, agility, cyclist and first aid, and learnt various new skills, such as orienteering, using hand tools, map reading and wrapping presents.

They've discovered the importance of helping others and enjoyed visits to Athelstan House and Fairways Care Home. They listened to a speaker from the Whale and Dolphin Society, raised money at the Christmas Bazaar and learnt about Guide Dogs for the Blind. They also raised money by collecting kilos of crabapples and some even took part in The Race for Life.

They've also tried numerous (sometimes new!) activities such as football, hockey, dancing, bouldering, paddle boarding, ice skating, kite making and pond dipping. They have visited Sherston Free Range Egg Farm, toured Tracklements, hiked to Luckington and made campfires and cooked at Westonbirt. They have also had new adventures including Brownie Camp at PGL near Swindon, and a sleepover at Go Bananas... Phew!

As our girls move on, there are still opportunities for to seven-to-10-year-old girls! The amazing 1st Sherston Brownie pack is still going strong and so, if your daughter would like to join the waiting list, please sign her up via www.girguiding.org.uk or email nicky.gray@btinternet.com.



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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.



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Malmesbury Concert Band's Summer Programme



Malmesbury Concert Band (MCB) has been busy rehearsing its summer programme for performances between May and July in this, its 160th anniversary year.

The programme includes:

Sunday 12 May: Royal Victoria Park, Bath, 3.00pm-5.00pm.

Sunday 2 June: Town Gardens, Old Town, Swindon, 3.00pm-4.30pm.

Saturday 22 June: Market Cross or Birdcage Walk, Malmesbury, 11.00am-12.30pm.

Saturday 29 June: Oaksey Village Fête, 2.00pm-4.00pm.

Sunday, 14h July - Stratford Park, Stroud, 2.30pm-4.30pm.

MCB was founded in 1859 and, in addition to the above events, it is planning a major concert to celebrate this significant milestone in Malmesbury Abbey on Saturday 12 October.

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MCB Director of Music Tony Fleming said: 'The anniversary concert will be a truly special and celebratory event which, although the programme is not yet finalised, will include contributions from other local musical groups from the town. We have been preparing a number of new pieces this year, both for our summer programme and the anniversary concert.'

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Wednesday 29 May

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Luckington Community School Celebrate World Book Day



As a parent and a governor, I was lucky enough to be part of some of the Luckington School World Book Day events. To mark the day, our class one teacher had planned a great selection of activities for all the children from Reception to Year 6.

To start the day off, parents were invited into the school to share one of their favourite books with a group of children. The children were lucky enough to be served toast and hot chocolate by the teachers while listening to a story - what a treat! Every inch of space was in use as parents read in the hall, library and classroom. The atmosphere was really lovely; the children were enthralled, the parents were enjoying sharing their stories and, as is so often the case at our school, it was particularly lovely to see how children of different ages collaborated.

During the day, the children had a chance to share their favourite story with friends. This was reported on very favourably by my children who enjoyed the opportunity to talk about books with their peers.

To mark World Book Day, both classes have been lucky enough to have 'author visits' (kindly funded by our Parish Council). In each case, the authors came in, talked about their writing, showed their published books and helped the children plan their own stories.

On World Book Day itself, two of the authors ran a workshop for families about story ideas. This was very well attended. We learnt games that we could play as families to get the creative juices flowing!

Finally, there was a 'Share a Story' photo competition. There are some wonderful photos of our pupils and staff sharing stories with someone in unusual places! They are displayed in our school entrance hall. Please feel free to pop into school to admire them!

Thank you to the school community for making our Book Day such a success!

Jane Henshall, Parent and Governor

If you are considering primary places for 2020 then Luckington Community School is holding an Open Morning on Thursday 13 June, 9.15am-11.00am.

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Sherston Neighbourhood Plan Policies

POLICY 1 Protection of community services, facilities and business premises

Facilities, services, shops and local businesses recognised as important to the local community are shown on Maps 5A and 5B and listed below. The loss of community facilities or services, or the change of use of businesses to non-business or non-community uses, will be resisted.

Where a change of use that would result in the loss of a community asset or service, or the change of use of a business to a non-business or non-community use is proposed, this should demonstrate why the benefits arising from the proposal outweighs the harm to the community in respect of the loss of a local asset and must be supported by evidence to demonstrate that the existing use of the asset is no longer viable, including at least six months active marketing for an alternative community or business use, taking full account of local market conditions.

Facilities/premises to be protected:

A. Village Hall

B. Scout Hut

C. British School Room

D. The Methodist Chapel

E. Carpenters Arms PH

F. The Rattlebone PH



Map 5A



Map 5B

G. The Angel (hotel and restaurant)

H. Grays Garage

I. The Old School (shops and offices)

J. Tucks

K. The Tolsey Surgery

L. Apples and Pears

M. The Wine Shop

N. Stretchline premises

O. Pinkney Park Business Units

P. B & W Equine Vets at Willesley

POLICY 2 Protection of open spaces and open areas

- The Village Hall field, the Recreation Ground and the Allotments, shown on Map 6, are designated as Local Green Space, where new development is ruled out other than in very special circumstances.

- Development must respect the character and appearance of the land identified on Map 7, at Avon river valleys, Manor Farm and Grove Wood.

Map 6

Map 7



POLICY 3 High Speed Broadband

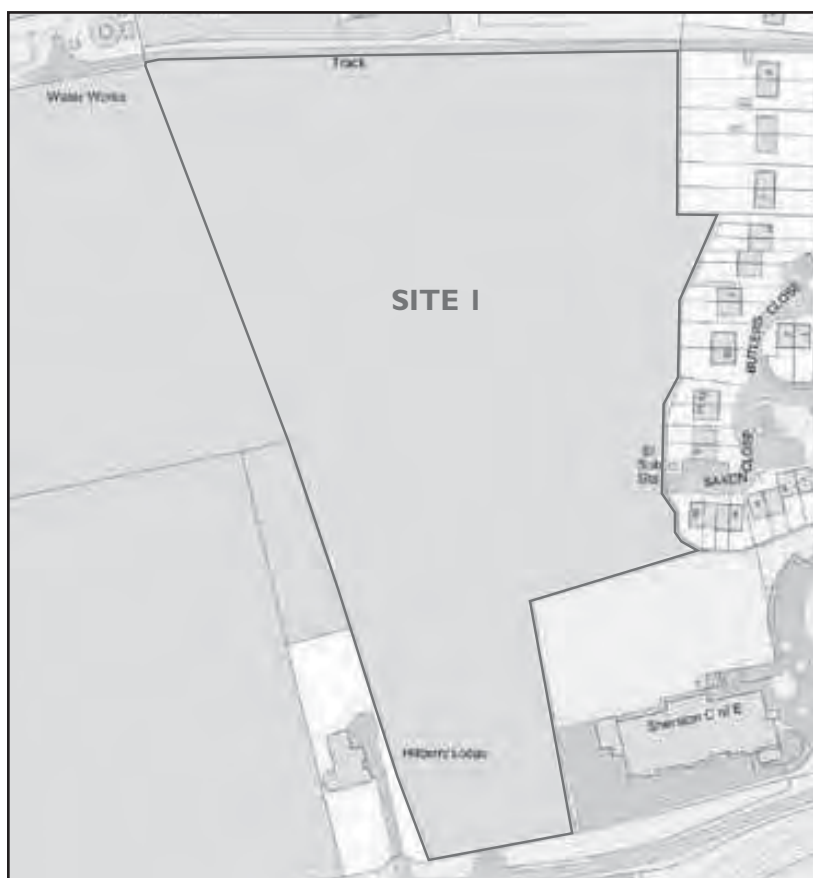
New development should, where appropriate, demonstrate how it will contribute to and be compatible with high quality communications including local fibre or internet connectivity. Where no internet provider is available, as a minimum and subject to viability, suitable ducting that can accept fibre should be provided either to:

- the public highway; or
- a community led local access network; or
- another location that can be justified through the connectivity statement.

Where possible and desirable, additional ducting should be provided that also contributes to a local access network; or a justified alternative location. The provision of additional ducting that contributes to a local access network for the wider community will be supported.

POLICY 4 Land off Sopworth Lane

- Approximately 3.3 hectares of land situated off Sopworth Lane (Site 1), as identified on Map 8, is allocated for mixed use development to include the following:
 - Sufficient land for the erection of a new enhanced GP surgery with associated parking and space for related mobile services.
 - Sufficient land to allow for the future expansion of the existing Sherston C of E Primary School and staff parking together with a site suitable for the erection of a new pre-school facility with associated parking.
 - Up to 45 dwellings to serve diverse residential needs of which 40% should comprise affordable housing.
 - Strategic landscaping and open space to retain and reinforce existing hedgerows, and to establish new areas of substantial planting and landscaping so as to mitigate the impact of the proposed development on both the existing PROW and the wider AONB.
- Development of the site should conserve and/or enhance heritage assets in a manner appropriate to their significance.



Map 8

Development will be subject to the following requirements:

1. Development must not increase the risk of flooding elsewhere.
2. The provision of footpath and cycle links to both the proposed new surgery site and the western edge of the existing primary school as well as to the existing Parish playing fields to the north.
3. A design and layout that protects and preserves the character of the settlement and conserves the landscape and scenic beauty of the AONB.

4. A detailed Ecological and Mitigation Strategy that ensures that any future development of this site retains existing features and habitats of ecological value, minimises the impact on protected species and maximises the potential of retained habitats to enhance biodiversity.

5. An archaeological assessment.

Development proposals should be supported by a masterplan taking account of the “Development Brief” and the “Design Brief” information set out in the supporting text.

POLICY 5 The Vicarage Site

Land at Site 2 (the Vicarage Site), as identified on Map 10, is allocated for mixed use development, to include:

- Land for use as additional burial space.
- About 3 dwellings (including new vicarage).

Development will be subject to the following requirements:

1. The provision of a footpath link to the existing adjoining churchyard from the proposed new burial area.
2. Development should conserve or enhance heritage assets, including the Sherston Conservation Area and the setting of the Grade I Listed church.
3. Development should conserve the landscape and scenic beauty of the AONB.

Development proposals should be supported by a masterplan taking account of the “Development Brief” and the “Design Brief” information set out in the supporting text.



Map 10

POLICY 6 The Elms

Site 3 (The Elms), as identified on Map 12, is allocated for the development of around 4 dwellings. Development should conserve or enhance any heritage assets affected, including the setting of the Sherston Conservation Area. Development should also conserve the landscape and scenic beauty of the AONB.

Development proposals should be supported by a masterplan taking account of the “Development Brief” and the “Design Brief” information set out in the supporting text.



Map 12

POLICY 7 Anthony Close

Proposals to upgrade or replace the existing sheltered accommodation on Anthony Close with a purpose-built care or close care facility will be supported.



POLICY 8 Highways Matters

The enhancement of inclusive access and crossings between the proposed new GP surgery on Site 1, the Sherston Primary School and the Post Office/Stores on the high street as well as key residential areas will be supported, so as to encourage all modes of non-vehicular access to these facilities.

POLICY 9 Protection of Sports Facilities

The loss of existing open space, sports and recreational buildings and land, including playing fields, will be resisted unless it can be clearly demonstrated that the open space, buildings or land is surplus to requirements; or the loss resulting from the proposed development would be replaced by equivalent or better provision in terms of quality and quantity in a suitable location; or the development is for alternative sports and recreation provision, the need for which clearly outweighs the loss.

Map 15



POLICY 10 Land safeguarded for future recreational use

The development of Site 4 adjoining the Football Field, as shown on Map 15, for the expansion of existing sports facilities, will be supported.

POLICY 11 Erection of new or replacement sports facilities

The development of new/replacement changing rooms and club facilities at the Football Field will be supported.

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Future events:

15 May: Summer Celebration at Chavenage House near Tetbury, including a demonstration by Coral Gardiner, drink and nibbles, 6.30pm for 7.30pm. Guest tickets £20, contact Dreena Rutty on 860467 for more information.

19 June: Workshop, 'Celebrating Summer Flowers', to perfect the art of making a hand tie.

4 July: Coach Trip to Cotswold Lavender and Broadway.

17 July: Demonstration by Rosemary Kerr, 'Oriental Takeaway'.

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.

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Friday 3 May

6.30pm. Sophie Ratcliffe - The Lost Properties of Love. £7.50

8.30pm. Rachel Hazell - Bound: A Life in Books. £7.50

Saturday 4 May

11.00am to 1.00pm. Book Binding Workshop - Five Fabulous Folds (with Rachel Hazell). £20

11.30am. Big Book Seminar: Professor Debby Thacker - Girls, Boys and Wild Things: Thinking about Gender in Children's Picture Books. £5.00

1.30pm. Leah Hazard - Pushed Hard - A Midwife's Story. £7.50

3.30pm. Clare Mackintosh - A Cotswold Life. £7.50

5.30pm. Alex Woodcock - King of Dust: Adventures in Forgotten Sculpture. £7.50

7.30pm. Natalie Haynes - A Thousand Ships. £7.50


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7.30pm. William Sieghart - Poetry Pharmacy. £7.50

Monday 6 May

11.30am. Big Book Seminar: Professor Dave Cliff - The Myth of Artificial Intelligence. £5.00

11.30am - John Wright - Foraging Walk (a walk through the fields outside Tetbury to see what the Cotswold spring has to offer food-wise - and then returning to the Goods Shed to cook it!). £5.00

1.30pm. Mandy Robotham - A Woman of War. £7.50

From 1.30pm. John Wright and the Velo Bakery - Cooking with Foraged Food! (Back from his foraging walk, John and the pizza team from Velo (Stroud Brewery) get cooking.). Free - but you have to pay for the food!

3.30pm. Ali Smith - Spring. £10.00

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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

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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

The Coffee Shop - Fair Trade tea and coffee with homemade biscuits and brownies - Open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday 9.30 am – 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 -minister4sherstoncongchurch@outlook.com /07921 390878 Admin/Bookings - Victoria Meheust - sherstoncongchurch@outlook.com Secretary:- Candi Williams Tarling - secretary4sherstoncongchurch@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-forestschooll@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

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 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

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 £3.50. Further information: Secretary 07388 606785.

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 susanmckechnie@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

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

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 May 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/

Christian Aid week

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. 12-18 May This year's donations will focus on helping vulnerable mothers and babies in Sierra Leone If you have moved into the cashless society and would like to make a donation in that way go online at christianaid.org.uk.

Gauzebrook raises typically in excess of £3,500 each year

For further details call Sue Robinson on 841263 or visit
www.christianaid.org.uk/getinvolved/christianaidweek

Sherston POP weekend

The world's only POP up village is back! Fri 17- Sun 19 May We have 49 amazing shops and experiences for you to enjoy over the weekend, held in homes and gardens around Sherston Far too many

to list here - please see the main section for more details. Maps online <https://popupsherston.com>

Over the POP weekend you could... build and float a boat on the river; be wowed at the hair raising Circus of Science show (complete with dry ice and an explosion or two!); get expert tuition on making beautiful clay animals or slime making; relax with a Thai hand massage or a yoga session; play at the board games cafe or Sherston's own mini golf course; get help in going plastic free making ecobricks or beeswax wraps; enjoy a night out at The Fab Family Show or Davey's Disco Bingo and have a weekend off cooking and enjoy Rob Strong's Persian kebabs, the Cheetham's bacon butties, Jay's Thai curries, the van Rooyen's Samosas or a Yorkshire Sop Supper by Pat and Roger!

There is a POP for everyone in the village to enjoy. If you fancy a quiet cuppa and a wander - try The BIG Brekkie at The British School Rooms and POP up Pilgrim or the Treasure Trail around the village. Something more energetic? Hop over to Sherston Shooters netball or get your bike out for the Strongs Close Take Back the Streets POP. A little shopping? Martha's headbands and scrunchies are super cool or discover a pre loved children's book at Hey Good Bookin'! a mini cookery school by the wonderful Hobbs House Bakery. We are very excited to welcome Sasha Jenner, the patisserie chef for Hobbs House, who will be treating us to bread and butter pudding made with the Sherston Overnighter!

Pick up a map from Sherston stores (near the post office counter) or Shear Class and check out all the details on www.popupsherston.com to start planning your weekend of fun on your doorstep. All the profits will go to Sherston Primary School and Sherston Village Hall. There will also be a POP pre-book list on the Post Office notice board.

For further details call Kirsty Strachan on 07841 571943 or visit Facebook: POP up Sherston or www.popupsherston.com

Sherston Magna Cricket Club

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

Sherston WI Talks

Demonstration of Wood Turning with John Boyne-Aitken
Village Hall 2 May 7.30pm

Mary Monro tells the story of her father's escape from a Japanese POW camp Tues 6 June 7.30pm in Village Hall For further details call Secretary 07388 606785

Sherston Senior Club

Mystery tour 7 May Meet at the Carpenters 1.25pm, High St 1.30pm £10 members £12 visitors If space allows, visitors are welcome to come on our outings please contact Helen Quirk 840516 for more information.

Mystery Speaker 21-May Members free, visitors £2

Annual trip to Weston-Super-Mare 4-Jun Members £10 Visitors £12 contact Helen Quirk 840516 to book a place For further details call Helen Quirk

Sherston Theatre Club

Visits to theatres, flower shows, museums, exhibitions and houses and gardens of interest with coach travel to/from Sherston Membership £20.00 per annum, which gives the member and

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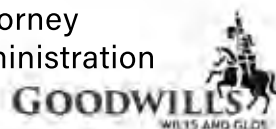
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one guest the opportunity to buy tickets and coach fares for the advertised events, £1 extra for additional guests. Often the tickets are at the group booking discount price.

Windsor Horse show and Pageant. 10-May
Ballet at Cardiff Northern Ballet Theatre "Victoria" 23-May
Visit to Sonning Water Mill to see a comedy about class of Belly dancers 11-Jun
For further details call Helen Quirk 840516 helenandjim@thequirks.plus.com or visit www.sherstontheatreclub.co.uk

Sherston Boules & Carnival

Boules Team entries Entries for this year's Sherston Boules Festival Sat 13 July now open to all comers. Please note that entries will be made online via or payment portal on www.sherstonboules.org.
For further details and offers of help organising see the Facebook page @SherstonBoulesFestival or email sherstonboules@gmail.com. or visit www.sherstonboules.org

Open Gardens Trail in aid of Sherston Church

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

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

Alderton Pop Up Café

The Alderton Pop-Up Café will return in May, bringing the usual mix of delicious cakes and beverages combined with family-friendly activities. Proceeds will be divided between the Pond, the Village Hall and the Church. The first date for this year is Sun 26 May with Duck-themed outdoor actives and indoor crafts. The next dates are 16 Jun and 21 July

Alderton Village Hall For further details call Groups welcome, but please give fair warning. Email: jackie.muggleton@icloud.com

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 £45 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. Bohemian Rhapsody 12 May Mary Poppins Returns 9 Jun

Introduction to Watercolour with Artist Lynn Ede Learn how to produce a perfect watercolour under the tuition of local artist Lynn Ede. Lynn is an exhibited and published British artist living in the Cotswolds. Working in watercolour, she loves the challenge of controlling the sometimes unpredictable qualities of moving pigment across paper with splashes of water, and the exciting, fresh results it can produce. During this hands-on masterclass you will be given all the tools needed to learn key watercolour techniques including the importance of the materials you use. After lunch, Lynn will guide you through a practical exercise to create your own piece of art. The day also includes a gift bag full of all the basic materials you need to continue practicing your skills. Tues 2 May Includes: Tea and coffee on arrival, Deutz Champagne reception with canapés. Two-course lunch with a glass of wine, coffee and treats. A goodie bag will be

yours to take away. Price: £90.00 per person

Planting Your Own Kitchen Garden with Andy Spreadbury

Discover the pleasure of growing your own food. Whatley's Head Gardener, Andy Spreadbury, manages a successful kitchen garden producing food for our menus. Discover his top tips for successful planting and growing year-round.

Over lunch Andy will share his knowledge of the best varieties and nutrients for your plants. In the afternoon there will be a practical session planting seeds to take home with you. By the end of the day you will have enough knowledge to start your own successful kitchen garden. Tues 14 May 9.30am Includes: Tea and coffee on arrival, Deutz Champagne reception with canapés. Two-course lunch with a glass of wine, coffee and treats. Price: £70.00 per person

Create Spring table pieces with our florist Jill Jeffries Whatley florist Jill Jeffries will deliver a one-day practical master class in making a Spring floral arrangement. You'll be provided with an abundance of Spring foliage, seasonal flowers and natural garden decorations as Jill demonstrates and offers guidance to help you create a sensational Spring centre piece and learn the skills to replicate this at home.

After the masterclass enjoy a glass of Deutz Champagne with your fellow students before indulging in a relaxed lunch, the perfect opportunity to ask Jill for any floral tips. Wed 22 May 9.30am Includes: Tea and coffee on arrival, Deutz Champagne reception with canapés. Two-course lunch with a glass of wine, coffee and treats. Price: £80.00 per person

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

Luckington Luckington Quiz Night

Fundraiser for Luckington Pre-school Sat 18 May 7pm. Teams of 6. Come as a team or join on the night. This event always sells out, but there are a few tickwets left at time of going to press 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 luckingtonpreschool.org.uk


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

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Luckington Community School

Open Day Thurs 13 Jun 9.15 – 11.30am If you are considering primary places for September 2020 then drop in to Luckington Community School to meet students, staff, governors and have a tour of the facilities - Thursday 13th June, 9.15am - 11.30am. Come and see what opportunities a smaller school can offer your child.

For further details call 840297 or admin@luckington.wilts.sch.uk or visit www.luckingtonschool.co.uk

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

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; HAÇIENDA 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. 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

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

Shipton Moyne Shipton Moyne Opera

Opera A La Carte present Tosca Fri 31 May and Sat 1 June 2019 in aid of Tetbury Hospital Glyndebourne style - Bring a picnic supper for dinner in the long interval in marquees in the beautiful grounds Street Farm, Shipton Moyne For further details call Email: shiptonmoyneopera@gmail.com or visit www.smopera.org

Didmarton Flicks in the Sticks

A Star is Born Fri 10 May 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

In "A Star Is Born," Bradley Cooper and Lady Gaga fuse their considerable talents to depict the raw and passionate tale of Jack and Ally, two artistic souls coming together, on stage and in life. Theirs is a complex journey through the beauty and the heartbreak of a relationship struggling to survive. In this new take on the iconic love story, four-time Oscar nominee Cooper ("American Sniper," "American Hustle," "Silver Linings Playbook"), makes his directorial debut, and also stars alongside multiple award-winning, Oscar-

nominated music superstar Gaga in her first leading role in a major motion picture. Cooper portrays seasoned musician Jackson Maine, who discovers and falls in love with struggling artist Ally. She has given up on her dream to become a successful singer, until she meets Jack, who immediately sees her natural talent
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

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Royal Wootton Bassett Orchestra

Concert in Malmesbury Abbey Sat 8 June 7.30pm £8 featuring music from all your favourite movies. Singalong with music from The Greatest Showman, immerse yourself in the world of Narnia or Lord of the Rings, wallow in the nostalgia of 'Somewhere over the rainbow', sit on the edge of your seat for 'Jurassic Park' and 'Gladiator'.

For further details call Tickets are available on the door or to reserve email: contact@rwbo.org.uk or Facebook - [rwborchestra](https://www.facebook.com/rwborchestra) or visit www.rwbo.org.uk

Boules at the Bull

There is a friendly boules club at the Red Bull Inn on the Malmesbury road that meets every Thursday evening at 7.15pm. The large piste has an excellent surface and lighting. Whether you are an absolute beginner or an experienced player you will have games with different people and widen your experience, juniors are particularly welcome. Boules are available for beginners and help will be given improve your game. For the more competitive members we have a team playing in the Cotswold Pétanque league. Just turn up any Thurs evening from now until the end of Oct and you will be made most welcome. No subscription charged in the first year of membership.

Doubles tournament Saturday 29 June

For further details call Sue McKechnie on 840601 or email susannemckechnie@hotmail.co.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
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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
Nigel Linacre "Wellboring – Water for 100,000 via 100 wells" Thurs 23 May

Lee Stripe (From Digital Investigations and Intelligence Unit, Wiltshire Police) - Understanding Cyber Crime and protecting ourselves from it Thurs 27 Jun 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 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

This month's films include:

Fri, 10 May	2 pm	A Private War
Fri, 10 May	5.30pm	Dumbo
Fri, 10 May	8 pm	Fisherman's Friends
Mon, 13 May	2 pm	Fisherman's Friends
Mon, 13 May	8 pm	The Aftermath
Tues, 21 May	2 pm	Mathew Bourne's Swan Lake *
Fri, 24 May	2 pm	The Aftermath
Fri, 24 May	5.30pm	Dumbo
Tues, 28 May	7.30pm	Mathew Bourne's Swan Lake *

Next month's

Mon, 3 June	8 pm	The White Crow
Tues, 4 June	7.30pm	Van Gogh and Japan *
Wed, 5 June	7 pm	"The Taming of the Shrew" from RSC *
Fri, 7 June	2 pm	The White Crow
Fri, 7 June	5.30pm	To be confirmed
Fri, 7 June	8 pm	Bel Canto
Tues, 11 June	2 pm	Van Gogh and Japan Encore *
Tues, 11 June	7.15pm	Romeo and Juliet (Royal Opera House Live) *
Mon, 17 June	8 pm	Tolkien
Fri, 21 June	2 pm	Bel Canto
Fri, 21 June	5.30 pm	To be confirmed
Fri, 21 June	8 pm	The Hustle

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 Concert Band

Malmesbury Concert Band has been busy rehearsing its summer programme for performances between May and July in this, its 160th anniversary year. MCB is a concert wind band with approximately 35 woodwind and brass playing members. Subject to vacancies, it's always happy to welcome new members. The Band is always pleased to receive requests to play at events in the local area.

Royal Victoria Park, Bath Sun 12 May 3-5pm

Town Gardens, Old Town, Swindon Sun 2 Jun 3-4.30pm

Market Cross or Birdcage Walk, Malmesbury Sun 22 Jun 11am-12.30pm

Oaksey Village Fete Sun 29 Jun 2-4pm

Stratford Park, Stroud Sun 14 Jul 2.30 - 4.30pm

For further details call Tony Fleming, the Musical Director, on 575229

or tony@jacfleming.plus.com or visit

www.freewebs.com/malmesburyconcertband

Tetbury Woolsack Race

35 years of the world famous event Mon 27 May Races start at 12 noon, entertainment and stalls from 10am See website for parking Gumstool Hill For further details call tetburywoolsack@googlemail.com or visit www.tetburywoolsack.co.uk

Tetbury Goods Shed & The Yellow Lighted Bookshop

The Big Book Weekend Over the early May Bank Holiday weekend Fri 3 - Mon 6 May The Yellow Lighted Book shop is joining with Tetbury Goods Shed to present four days of authors, artists, academics, and craftspeople talking about and celebrating their latest books. Tickets range between £5 and £10, and are available from the Tetbury Goods Shed direct, or via website: www.yellow-lightedbookshop.co.uk

We are hoping to turn this into an annual book festival, and so welcome your feedback.

For further details call 500221 or visit www.yellow-lightedbookfestival.co.uk

Tetbury Goods Shed

Afternoon Tea Recitals Every Wednesday afternoon tea concerts in the Shed. Enjoy some lovely music with something delicious from the cafe.

Concerts: The Four Sopranos 11 May

A colourful evening in more ways than one; join Richard George (piano) and 4 special sopranos for an evening to remember! £12.50

Earl Trio Featuring Michael Messer 25 May

Acoustic and slide guitars and a mixture of original songs covering Americana, country and blues. £14.50

Films at the Shed

"The Old Man with a Gun" (12A) on May 9. At the age of 70, career criminal Forrest Tucker (Robert Redford) makes an audacious escape from San Quentin, conducting an unprecedented string of heists that confound authorities and enchant the public. Wrapped up in the pursuit are rookie detective John Hunt (Casey Affleck), who becomes captivated with Forrest's commitment to his craft, and a woman (Sissy Spacek) who loves him in spite of his chosen profession.

"The Favourite" (15) on May 15 starring Olivia Coleman. In early 18th century England, a frail Queen Anne occupies the throne and her close friend, Lady Sarah, governs the country in her stead. When a new servant, Abigail, arrives, her charm endears her to Sarah.

"Colette" (15). May 30 it's Based on a true story and set in 19th Century Paris - Colette is pushed by her husband to write novels under his name. Upon their success, she fights to make her talents known, challenging gender norms.

There are films every Thursday evening, doors open at 7 for 7.30 and there is a pay bar.

Tickets are £7 or £5 for under 14 and are available on our website or on the door.

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

Tetbury 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 4 - Mon 6 May 10am - 5pm Free Entry Market Cross F

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

Grittleton Moviola - the Touring Rural Cinema Scheme

Green Book [12A] Wed 29 May Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start £6 from Lesley or on the door

When Tony Lip (Viggo Mortensen), a bouncer from an Italian-American neighbourhood in the Bronx, is hired to drive Dr. Don Shirley (Mahershala Ali), a world-class pianist, on a concert tour from Manhattan to the Deep South, they must rely on "The Green Book" to guide them to the few establishments that were then safe for African-Americans. Confronted with racism, danger, as well as unexpected humanity and humour, they are forced to set aside differences to survive and thrive on the journey of a lifetime.

Grittleton Village Hall For further details call Lesley 01249 783157 or email L_palmer@btinternet.com or visit <http://www.moviola.org/>

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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

Castle Combe Steam and Vintage Rally

Steam and Vintage Rally Sat 18 May 10am - 6pm Sun 19 May 10am - 5pm £6 (concs £5) under 14s free, Free parking Steam engines, vintage, fairground engines, pony rides, Kooky the clown, Terrier racing, Displays from Hullavington model aircraft club and Dorset Tank club

For further details call or visit www.castlecombesteamrally.co.uk

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.

Summer Celebration at Chavenage House including a demonstration by Coral Gardiner, drink and nibbles, 6.30pm for 7.30pm. Guest tickets £20, contact Dreena Ratty on 01666 860467 for more information.

Workshop, 'Celebrating Summer Flowers' 19-Jun

Coach Trip to Cotswold Lavender and Broadway 4-Jul

Demonstration by Rosemary Kerr, 'Oriental Takeaway' 17-Jul Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB

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

Nailsworth The Nailsworth Festival

34th Arts Festival Full festival programme on line including music, comedy, music, story telling, poetry, workshops, exhibitions and walks 18 - 26 May

For further details call 01453 839222 or directly from the Town Information Centre, Fountain Street or visit www.nailsworthfestival.org.uk

Chippenham ChippFolkFest

25-28 May Concerts throughout the town For further details call 01249 657190 or visit www.chippfolk.co.uk

Neeld Community and Arts Centre

Queen II Fri 3 May - returning after a sell out performance in 2018 Queen II have been touring Britain and Europe captivating audiences with their nostalgic tribute show.

The band faithfully recreates the energy, excitement, and emotion of a classic Queen concert. An authentic tribute, the four-piece band delivers powerful vocals, driving rock anthems and flamboyant showmanship.

Morgan & West's Magic Show for Kids (and Childish Grown Ups!) Time travelling magicians Morgan & West present a jaw dropping, heart stopping, brain busting, opinion adjusting, death defying, mind frying, spirit lifting, paradigm shifting, outlook changing, furniture rearranging magic extravaganza! Witness a mountain of mysterious magic, a hatful of hyper-reality, and of course a truck full of tricks and tea. Mixing brain boggling illusion and good old fashioned tom-foolery, Morgan & West present a show for all the family, where magic and silliness abound! Fun for ages five to 105! Sun 12 May

An Evening with Graham Gooch Join us in the build-up to the ICC Cricket World Cup 2019 for an evening with former England captain Graham Gooch OBE. Over a lifetime in top level cricket he has gained many stories to tell. In this special evening at the Neeld, Gooch will be speaking about his career, his fellow England team mates and the best cricketers he has played against in the world, plus various stories about his cricket experiences. The evening will also include a Q&A session. Tues 21 May

The Commitments Experience On 30 May, music from the amazing film with many classic soul numbers thrown in besides. So get your drinks, take your working class seats and prepare for an incredible evening as "the hardest working band in the world" hits the Neeld Community and Arts Centre Chippenham with everything it's got.

Neeld Community and Arts Centre For further details call 01249 446699 or visit <http://www.neeld.co.uk>

Cirencester The Barn Theatre

Merrily We Roll Along An Amateur Production by COS Productions (Ciren Operatic Society) The story revolves around Franklin Shepard who, having once been a talented composer of Broadway musicals, has now abandoned his friends and his songwriting career to become a producer of Hollywood movies. 8-11 May

Henry V 22 May- 22 Jun Set in modern surroundings, the enduring classic of Shakespeare's tale of war is brought up to date, exploring the conflict between tradition and modernity in Britain through the lens of a nation at war. Featuring atmospheric neon scenography to place the audience in the current moment, whilst maintaining the beauty of the text. Aaron Sidwell (Wicked, American Idiot, EastEnders) and Lauren Samuels (Bend It Like Beckham, Romantics Anonymous, We Will Rock You) will star as Henry and Katherine respectively, in the Bard's timeless historical classic.

Téatro Bar & Restaurant Cirencester's best-kept secret. Tucked away in the grounds of Ingleside House, right next door to the theatre; this contemporary restaurant serves top quality food and refreshing drinks. Using the finest ingredients, dishes are packed with flavour and inspired by world cuisine. The bar offers a huge selection, especially of gins. Wednesday – Saturday: 5.30pm to late (last table for food at 9.30pm) Call 01285 648238 or email info@teatro-ciren.co.uk to book your table.

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For further details call Dave Shephard 07860 448438 or email ds@oldbellhouse.com or visit www.soul-destroyers.co.uk

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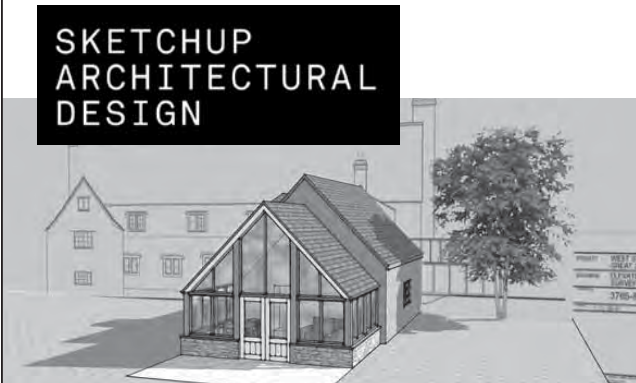
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