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New Sherston Preschool opening autumn 2019!

We are delighted to announce that our new preschool will be opening in November 2019 for the start of the second half of the autumn term!

Our planning application to build a standalone, purpose-built, eco-style preschool, adjacent to the Scout Hut on the recreation ground, was approved by Wiltshire Council and works commenced on 15 July. The building is really starting to take shape and is expected to be finished in late September.

The area of the construction site is fenced off for safety but the rest of the park is very much still open so don't feel you need to stay away. The 'spiders web' climbing frame and basket swing needed to be taken down, but the plan is to reinstate them once work is complete.

The preschool building will be owned by the Parish Council to ensure it remains a village asset, and will be run by the experienced Pumpkins nursery team, who are rated outstanding by Ofsted in their settings in Tormarton and Badminton.

In addition to running our new preschool, Pumpkins will be offering a wraparound care service (breakfast and after-school clubs) for primary school aged children (4-11 years) attending Sherston Primary School. The wraparound care service will be available from the beginning of the September term. It will initially be run out of the school until the new building becomes available. Please contact Pumpkins (details below) for further details or to register your child.

The bulk of the costs for our purpose-built preschool have been secured by a generous donation from the North Legacy and additional fundraising already secured. This was sufficient to meet the budgeted costs, but additional stipulations by the planning authorities in respect of matting for the hardstanding car parking area and additional fencing have necessitated further funds to be found.

If you would like to support this fantastic local project for the children of our village, all donations - however big or small would be very gratefully received. There is a donation box in the Co-op pr you can donate via our crowdfunding page - just google 'chuffed.org' and search for Sherston Preschool.

If you would like any other information on the project please Email sherstonpreschool@gmail.com, or, if looking for a space for your child, please contact www.pumpkinsnursery.co.uk for further details.

A couple of progress pics



2 Aug



20 Aug

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History revealed



Discover more about the people and places in Sherston through archival documents, maps, archaeology and additional resources for local history, plus an afternoon guided tour around the village.

On Thursday 5 September from 10.00am to 4.15pm starting at Malmesbury Library. Booking is essential, tickets are £10 and available from Malmesbury Library at 24 Cross Hayes Lane, Malmesbury or call 823611 email libraryenquiries@wiltshire.gov.uk. Please bring lunch and own transport is required.

The event is being run by the Wiltshire and Swindon History Centre.

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Pumpkins Preschool Sherston: Opening 4 November



What to expect at the new setting ... Our calm, natural classroom will be split into small, cosy areas that will support children to explore independently and will be full of natural resources and experiences, filling young minds with curiosity and wonder and allowing their imaginations to flourish.

The preschool will be open all year round from 8.00am until 6.00pm, offering before- and after-school care, as well as preschool sessions from 9.00am until 3.00pm (with half-day sessions available and 30 hours' funding). It will be managed by Emma who, with over nine years' experience, is extremely passionate in ensuring the individual in every child is championed and that their full potential is unlocked. Outside learning is a key interest of Emma's and she will be maximising the outdoor classroom. The large undercover decked area will provide lots of opportunities for natural learning, from cooking in the mud kitchen and growing our own herbs to bug hunts and den-building. Working alongside Emma will be Charlotte as Deputy Manager. Charlotte has a degree in Early Years and is a fully trained Forest School Leader.

The outdoors will be an important part of the preschool experience and we will be running Forest School sessions every week. We will also be joining in with the simple but ground-breaking initiative 'The Daily Mile' which improves the physical and mental health of children. It's a social activity where children and staff run, jog or walk, at their own pace, for 15 minutes every day. It not only provides great exercise, it also improves focus in the classroom.

One of our existing members of staff, Annabel, will be transferring over from our Tormarton setting to complement our new team. Annabel has been with Pumpkins for over nine years and lives in Sherston with her family. Her nurturing personality will give children the security they need to develop their self-esteem and independence.

We will be holding open days in October for people to visit the and get a feel for what Pumpkins has to offer. The team will be there to meet you and to answer any questions you may have. We will advertise these via our Facebook Page: Pumpkins Nursery Sherston.

In the meantime, if you would like any more information or to book a place for your child, please contact us through our website www.pumpkinsnursery.co.uk or email Amanda.enquiries@pumpkinsnursery.co.uk.

Quarter peal rings out at Holy Cross

On Sunday 28 July, a band of ringers gathered at the Church of the Holy Cross at 5.00pm to ring a quarter peal to mark the 40th anniversary on this day of the re-dedication of the augmented and rehung bells and to celebrate the life of Philip Harries 1944 - 2019, brother-in-law of Mike Lewis.

Forty years ago, the re-dedication service was on Saturday 28 July 1979 and was taken by the Very Reverend Gilbert Thurlow, Dean of Gloucester Cathedral, who was a ringer of some repute himself and some of the ringers in 2019 were ringers in the first Quarter Peal on the augmented bells in 1980.

The resulting Quarter Peal was excellent.



The band L-R tenor to treble complete with cool refreshments. It was a rather warm evening and, as we had forgotten to switch on the fan in the ringing chamber, this was a very welcome surprise!

1260 Plain Bob Doubles:

- 1 Rowena Mansley
- 2 Debbie Scott
- 3 Richard J Iles
- 4 Michael D Lewis
- 5 Christopher Bush
- 6 Martin G Mansley (c)

Christopher Bush, one of the ringers, has provided some interesting historical information about the church bells (see Bells taken away! right).

Bells taken away!

In November 1977, an appeal for £6,500 was launched in Sherston Magna, Wilts, for rehanging the ring of five bells and adding an additional treble to form a ring of six. The bells had been regularly rung up until the relief of Mafeking in 1900, but since that time the timber frame in the central tower had deteriorated to the point at which it was necessary either to abandon the ring or face the financial consequences of rehanging. Whites of Appleton were entrusted to undertake the work, and in October they removed the bells and the old timber frame. The bells have been taken away for tuning, fitting new clappers and the like, and it is hoped that the new frame will be fitted in the tower early in 1979 when the enlarged ring of six bells will be hung. In excess of £3,500 has been raised towards the £6,500 appeal, including a £400 grant from the G. & B. Association. A programme of money-raising activities has been planned for the next year, and on the first anniversary of the launching of the appeal a suitable letter is being written to a large number of parishioners and all the firms operating businesses in the parish. It is the intention of the committee to achieve the appeal target within the next 12 months.

G. H. E. (Newsletter).

Rededication

Holy Cross Church, Sherston, 3.00pm, Saturday 28 July 1979: Rededication of ring of six bells by the V. Rev. Gilbert Thurlow.

Quarter peals

Sherston 13 June 1980: 1280 P.B. Minor:

P R Carter 1, Nicola Crichton 2, Frances Perry 3, M Lewis 4, J A Sealy 5, M G Mansley (C) 6.

First quarter on the augmented bells and first since the Relief of Mafeking!

Crabapple collecting

This year, the Friends of Sherston School are collecting the crabapples for Tracklements to turn into their English Crabapple Jelly.

For every kilogram of crabapples donated and for every jar sold nationwide, Tracklements will donate money to the school, so every apple counts!

If you have any crabapples you won't be using or have collected any on your walks, please drop them off at Sherston School or take them directly to Tracklements. Alternatively, if you have any crabapple trees that you would be happy for some of the schoolchildren to collect from, please contact Victoria on tvmeheust@gmail.com Thank you very much!

Sherston village hall - 300+ club

August 2019 Draw

1st	142	Joanne Harmer	£13
2nd	243	Neville Burne	£12
3rd	203	Linda Stevens	£11
4th	192	Graham Hayman	£10
5th	144	Chris Gascoyne	£9
6th	54	Guy Maddy	£8
7th	177	Glenda Simons	£7

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

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

1016 and all that ... what happened after the Battle of Sherston?



I am sure you will remember the events that took place in the village in the summer of 2016 when we commemorated a thousand years since the Battle of Sherston in 1016. As part of the celebrations, there was a presentation given in church on the history leading up to the battle, the battle itself and King Edmund Ironside who led the English troops, including our own John Rattlebone who was allegedly injured during the battle and who is depicted on The Rattlebone's pub sign.

Subsequently, we have been approached by Heather Flack who attended the lecture and who also has a special interest in the Saxon period and Edmund Ironside. Heather has offered to continue the story and give a presentation as above on what happened after the Battle of Sherston and the life of Edmund Ironside.

Heather Flack lives in Worcestershire and is a local historian with an MA in English Local History from the University of Leicester. Her discovery that the Danes had seized a nearby settlement in the early 11th century sparked her interest in studying that period. She became captivated by the story of Edmund Ironside and his fight to keep England free of Danish conquest. In 2016, she published 'Ironside – The English King who fought the Danes' (under her pen name Fen Flack) and has since completed the trilogy bringing Edmund's story right through to the early 12th century. Sherston, being one of the places where Edmund fought the Danes in 1016, was an important step along the hero's journey.

But what happened next? Come and find out as Heather shares her research and the surprising twists and turns of Edmund's family life.

The talk will be given in Holy Cross Church on Saturday 26 October, beginning at 7.30pm, when Heather will also be selling her books.

Tickets, £10 (£5 for children), with refreshments, will be on sale from Sherston Post Office or contact Pam Pickthall or Heather Martin. All proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the church.

Pam Pickthall
Churchwarden

Sherston Senior Club

On 16 July, Alison Atkins spoke to us about various rocks and precious stones and we were able to handle them and see how the light changed their colours. A variety of jewellery was on display and members had a good time examining them.

Next, on 30 July, we had a 'Show and Tell' afternoon. This was full of surprises. The first item was a nyami nyami walking stick from East Africa. It had a carved looped fish head handle and carvings all down the ironwood stick. We were told that the Kariba Dam had separated the river god from his wife and occasional earth tremors were believed to be the river god trying to get back to his wife.

Another member told us about Italian prisoners of war who worked on her family farm. She was able to show us two rings that had been presented to her parents made out of a two shilling piece and also a half crown.

Next, we were shown a beautiful photographic portrait circa 1915 of a member's grandmother and a baby's gown she had made, all hand stitched and trimmed with lace. This was followed by three items of wood made by the 'Mouseman' Robert Thompson of Kilburn North Yorkshire. A cheese board, fruit bowl and napkin rings, each with the trademark mouse. We were also shown a copper rum measure that had come to light in the 'thieves market' in Singapore. A citation from the Queen was shown next, together with medals and photographs of a member's husband receiving his MBE. Lastly, we were shown a nulla nulla, an Australian aboriginal stick used for fighting and hunting. It was a very interesting afternoon - thank you to all who took part.

Since then, we have had our mystery trip on 13 August and, on 27 August, Nigel Venning came to speak to us on 'Asia - 25 years of change' - more on these next month.

Looking forward, on 10 September Piers Lavan of Hortico will be telling us about the 'Simple science for growing better plants'. Visitors are always welcome £2.00 per meeting includes tea and biscuits in the British School Room at 2.30pm. For more information contact Helen Quirk on 840516.

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Do you know about Freewheelers Emergency Voluntary Service Riding for Life? This has been a registered charity since 1990 and many WI members were not aware of it. This charity saves our NHS £360,000 a year. Karl Keegan, whose day job is a CEO of a cancer biotech company, has been a Freewheeler for many years, going out on his motorbike wearing a high-vis jacket saying 'Blood' on the back, between 7.00pm and 7.00am in all weathers and covering some 80/90 miles a night. The motorbikes are equipped with Credo boxes and carry not only blood but often milk for babies, artificial limbs, drugs, x-rays, scans and path samples. Freewheelers support two Air Ambulance bases and are often called to the scene of horrific accidents. Four teams may be out on any one night and keeping to the speed limit is a priority for

Freewheelers, no blue flashing lights. The annual cost of running a motorbike is £12,000 pa for fuel, tyres, insurance etc. The charity is always looking for volunteers to man a home telephone number. See more: easysearch.org.uk Members were offered a ride on Karl's motorbike to Luckington and back but sadly no one was brave enough!

Sherston WI members have been collecting useful toiletries to go into a large waterproof bag that would double as a pillow for the homeless. The Wiltshire Federation of the WI, based in Devizes, is 100 years old this year and this has been the challenge to help the homeless who are not only people out on the street but also those who are sofa surfing with no base of their own. Members have been extremely generous towards this cause and we have donated enough toiletries to fill several bags.

In August, members helped to celebrate the 90th birthday of a past president. Jean Poole was President of Sherston WI from 1988 to 1992 and memories were jolted when looking at photographs of past events within the institute in the many scrapbooks that have been kept over the years.

At the September meeting, members will be hearing about young lives affected by cancer with a member of the CLIC-Sargent Charity.

If you are new to the village, coming along to a WI meeting is a very good way of getting to know people. We shall look forward to seeing you at 7.30pm on Thursday 5 September in the Village Hall

Did you know that the record speed of a shuttlecock in badminton is over 250mph!?

Sherston Badminton Club will start again on 24 September after our summer break.


We meet on Tuesday evenings from 7.30pm to 9.30pm in the Village Hall for some really friendly games of badminton and we now have a new table tennis table in the small hall if there are enough people interested in having that extra game!

Last year, we were unable to get a date agreed with Crudwell or with Marshfield so we didn't have any inter-village rivalry but we did have some really great evenings here with our friends, some of whom joined during the year. Some of our members work away from home quite often so the numbers turning up each Tuesday evening do tend to vary.

We have a broad range of ages and abilities and we really enjoy our games. Anyone over 18 is welcome to join us and you will be made most welcome; just turn up. If you are under 18 you would need to be accompanied by your parent or guardian because we are not registered with the DBS. If you want to try out the game for an evening it would be good to contact David on 07740 188882 or djboyle@hotmail.com.




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School Days - news from Sherston Primary School

Year 4 cool off for summer!

'On the last Monday of the year, Year 4 had a water fight! It was quite hot and really fun! We all squirted Mrs Berry lots and she got soaked! I have really enjoyed having Mrs Berry as a teacher.' Henrietta, Year 4

End-of-term show-stopper!

At the end of the summer term, Year 6 and Year 5 performed Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies. It was a great show - enjoyed by the audiences and the performers equally!

'It was so fun. On the evening performance, the sound didn't work for the first five minutes and then on the last performance it went wrong again and we had to do it 'a cappella'! I played Grabbit the spy.' Matilda, Year 6

'Robin and the Sherwood Hoodies was very funny and I enjoyed it very much. It was a five-star show!' Ellie, Year 3

'I was really worried (even though I only had two lines!), but it was very funny and I really enjoyed performing it! I think it's a shame that we don't get to perform it again!' Evie, Year 5

'To start with, we had some trouble with the sound but it was OK by the end. My character was Nurse. I had funny face-paint on. Overall it was really funny and we enjoyed it.' Mabel, Year 6

'I was Robin Hood and had a lot of lines and found it hard to remember them. There were a lot of jokes which everyone loved. It was fun to be in.' Ellie, Year 6



A busy end to summer term for Sherston Primary School children

It was an action-packed summer term for the children at Sherston Primary School! As well as having the opportunity to enjoy the Sherston Olympic Day, competing in various sporting activities to win medals, followed by Sherston Boules Festival, which many of the children entered, they also had the opportunity to meet James Gray MP when he visited the school on 12 July and was given a tour of our lovely village school by some of the children.



James Gray MP meeting some of the children from Sherston C of E Primary School

A few of the children and their parents also attended a march in Westminster recently to highlight concern about government cuts to education which are affecting schools nationally. After such a busy term, it was definitely time for a well-earned summer holiday!



Unwanted clothes wanted!

Have you just been having a summer sort-out? Do you have clothes, shoes, bags, etc that you're ready to part with but are still hole-less, clean and wearable? If so, please bag them up and bring them along to Sherston School by 9.00am on Thursday 26 September as the Friends of Sherston School are having a Rags2Riches clothing collection! If you have any items you can't drop off but are happy to donate, please contact Sophie (sophcheetham@gmail.com or 07786 990045) to arrange collection.

Lucy Tom Repair Café



In support of World Recycle Week, Lucy Tom Interiors (Noble Street, Sherston) will be running a Repair Café at their workshop in Sherston from 10.00am until 3.00pm on Saturday 28 September.

We are living in a throw-away society that is not sustainable for our planet and lots of the items we regularly throw away could actually be repaired and as good as new with the right tools and knowledge.

For a voluntary donation to charity (Friends of Sherston School), our experts can repair your item or help you to repair it yourself. We will have seamstresses, electricians, artists, upholsterers, carpenters and a computer expert on hand.

In addition, we have a large selection of remnants and fabrics on the roll that will be available for a charity donation on the day.

We will also have coffee and cake so come along even if you don't have an item for repair!

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Sherston Boules Festival 2019



Thank you to everyone who made this year's festival happen! Here are just a few pictures from the weekend ... there's not space to capture everything here but it was once again a real community effort.

The Boules Committee 2019 will be meeting in the next few weeks to work out the final totals and decide which charities will benefit from extra funds this year. Watch this space!

Congratulations to all the teams who took part and, of course, the winners and runners-up, to the ducks who won and those who are still holidaying (see page 14), to all those who showed up at 6.00am to help rake the pistes and earned their fantastic Velo Café bacon butties in return ... to those who were tirelessly clearing up and collecting cones still at 9.00pm that evening, and then to the

all the people who went on to make the gig at the Village Hall totally smash it. On Sunday, we had more events, ending as always with the duck race and the very lovely tea and cakes in the garden of Mill Cottage. Thank you and see you next year!

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Sherston Velo Cycling Club



This year marks the fifth anniversary of the cycling club. Conceived by a group of half a dozen enthusiastic cyclists, we now have 57 full members, one associate and 11 youth members. The club is representative of the local community and welcomes everyone, no matter their cycling ability. We cater for those who enjoy a faster paced ride, as well as those who enjoy a stop for a coffee and cake before continuing their ride. Obviously, both men and women are welcome and we also have a youth section. All our members are from villages and towns from the local Cotswold area.

We have organised rides on most weekends throughout the year. These are announced during the week and those who wish to ride sign up before the weekend. On Saturdays and Sundays we have two rides each day, starting between 8.00am and 9.30am, depending on the ride. The 9.00am ride on a Sunday stops at a designated cafe for much-needed sustenance. All rides vary in distance and profile but generally we try to stay off the main roads and take in the beautiful Cotswold scenery. All rides start and finish in the car park at the back of Sherston Co-op and all rides have a ride leader to ensure the ride runs safely and smoothly.

Throughout the year, there are organised cycling trips both in Europe and the UK and, traditionally, include a spring classic in around April each year in either Belgium or the Netherlands. This year, we did Liège - Bastogne - Liège and 2020 will be a return to the Tour of Flanders. There have been trips to the Alps, training weekends in Wales and this year a cycle around the Isle of Wight.

The emphasis of the club is to be as inclusive as

possible and to have fun and enjoy cycling with enthusiastic people of all ages and ability. We even have our own cycle kit!

We currently sponsor the 'Bikeability' course in Sherston and Luckington schools. This is a course promoting cycle safety and is our way of contributing to the local community.

We always welcome new members and if you feel like trying the club out, then come out for a trial ride on one of the weekends.

If you would like to find out more, please contact secretary@sherstonvelo.co

Regards, Steve Harvey, Chair

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Sherston 1016 Firework display cancelled this year

Due to the diminishing numbers in Sherston 1016, we are now only able to set up and fire the fireworks, this being carried out as fully trained and insured operators. Over the last few years we have made requests for assistance in setting-up the field for the event and for clearing it on the Sunday morning. We have had assistance with the evening event itself in the past but not this year, also no group or large enough body of people have come forward for the field prep and clearing tasks so we are unable to put the event on this year.

If there is another group within the village that would care to take on this event, continuing to delight the attendees and to raise money for whichever causes they deem suitable, then please contact the Sherston 1016 group via Martin (07717 424619, or sherston1016@gmail.com). The group are very willing to support a handover of knowledge and to provide support on the day to ensure the first event runs successfully. We can supply the minimum requirements for the display itself and firework costs for any budgeting - should they want to use Sherston 1016 as firers and suppliers.

We would like to thank everyone for their past support, in particular our sponsors who donated

funds, other people who have helped us over the years particularly the nearby residents and mostly the Hillier family for the use of the field. The audiences who have previously attended have always commented as to how good it was and thanks to all these people mentioned we have managed to raise many thousands of pounds for Wiltshire Air Ambulance, the Village Hall & other local good causes.

We shall still be holding our other weekend displays at Didmarton and Westonbirt School this year.

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The Sherston Song

As sung on Boules Day by Sherston Community Choir. This came about when Beer in Devon had a village song and won the Best Village Competition in 2017. Sherston felt it needed one too! (Words and music by Alan Hetherington from the original poem by Gertrude Merchant)

The village stands upon a hill
The streets are broad and long
Houses quaint and rugged
The buildings firm and strong

Sherston oh Sherston
Has stood the test of time,
Through wars and bombs and Wassail songs
it stands the same sublime
Sherston oh Sherston
Whose streets are broad and long
Still preserved and undisturbed
We're standing firm and strong

Through all the years of wars and scars
No missile has defaced
The wondrous beauty of our church
Or stolen from its grace.

Sherston oh Sherston...

Picture the scene in the year ten sixteen
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Facing the swords of the Viking hordes
He defended the town alone (just like Game Of Thrones)

Clutching a stone to his wounded side
He conquered the Danes and restored our pride
And henceforth guarantee that our land will be free
At least for a few more years until the Normans conquered us in....

Sherston oh Sherston
Has stood the test of time
With flags unfurled and mangolds hurled,
The town has seen it all
Sherston oh Sherston
Whose streets are broad and long
Still preserved and undisturbed
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Sherston Oh Sherston...

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An Invitation from SHoCC

Well, the summer holidays are over, and so Sherston's own community choir will be starting up again after our summer break. As ever, we enjoyed singing in the High Street on Boules Day, and premiering Sherston's very own village song (see opposite for the words). We received a lot of positive feedback which was lovely!

However, great though it is to perform, our main reason for singing is because we all enjoy it, and that's why we extend a warm welcome to anyone who wants to join us. We are a non-audition choir, which means you don't have to be able to read music to join us. Our repertoire is varied - from pop, songs from musicals and folk songs, as well as traditional choral music. We meet during term time at the British School Room in Cliff Road on Wednesdays at 7.30pm. Why not come along for a free 'taster' evening? We start again on Wednesday 4 September, but don't worry if you can't make that date, you will be very welcome any time.

If you want any more details feel free to contact me, or take a look at our Facebook page

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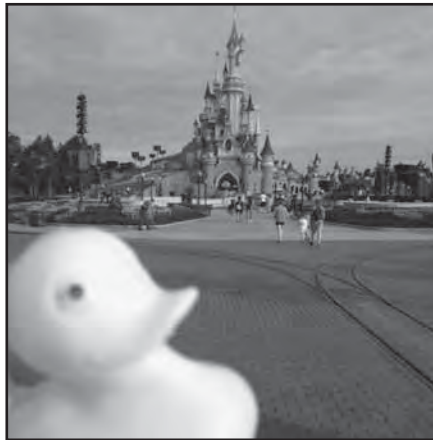
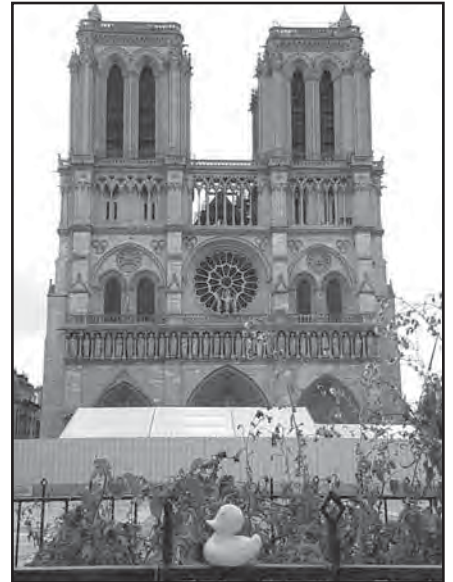
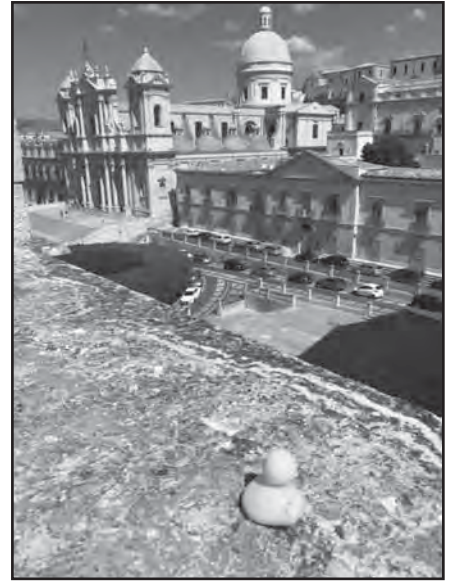
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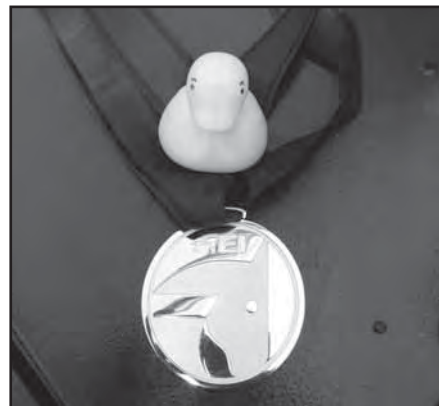
15th September, 11.00am - Communion Service

22nd September, 10.30am - Harvest Service

Sherston ducks having a quacking summer!

The Sherston Boules Ducks have been out and about on some amazing travels... thank you to everyone for your enthusiasm! If you would like some duck company on your next trip, just pop into Sherston Co-op and pick your companion! Find more intrepid duck photos on Instagram @sherstonboulesduckstravel or Sherston - what's occurring? Facebook page.





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'Ride and Stride' for churches

Many of you will already be aware of this year's sponsored 'Ride and Stride' which takes place on Saturday 14 September, between 10.00am and 6.00pm.

This is an opportunity to raise money for Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust and your local church and enjoy a fun and healthy day out, perhaps as a family or group, in the Wiltshire countryside visiting our beautiful churches. Last year £62,000 was raised.

This year's Ride and Stride will be particularly relevant to Holy Cross, Sherston, as we will need to apply to the Trust for a grant towards the cost of replacing our vestry and porch lead roof which is worn out and leaking. If the church has been represented in Ride and Stride, the church is given priority. We do of course always support Ride and Stride with refreshments, a place to rest and the often very welcome toilets, but it is the taking part that counts.

You can ride on bicycle, horse or mobility scooter or walk to as many churches or as few as you can manage during the day and get sponsorship for doing so. Sponsors can either offer an amount per church visited or a total sum. There are also cash prizes to be won, see link below. The money raised is split between Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust and your chosen church, which in Sherston we hope will be Holy Cross! Visit www.wiltshirehistoricchurchestrust.org.uk for more information. Sponsorship forms, a list of participating churches and notes for riders and striders are available on the website or from Charles Graham (ctg100@hotmail.com) or from Pam Pickthall (841072 or pampickthall@hotmail.co.uk).

Looking to be bowled over on a Thursday afternoon?

After having established itself in the village for just 12 months, Sherston Short Mat Bowls Club is looking to expand and invite new members!

The club currently play each Thursday evening from 7.30pm to 9.30pm from September to April and have received several enquiries if an additional daytime session can be included for the new season. As such, commencing 12 September, a further session will be held at the Village Hall from 2.30pm to 4.30pm to run alongside the normal evening meeting.

Short mat bowls follows the principles of outdoor bowls, i.e. it is a game that can be played by both men and ladies alike. The aim is to roll bowls along a flat surface to get as close as possible to a smaller bowl (the jack) and to score more points than the opposition. The main advantage compared to outdoor bowls is that it is played on a carpet in a nice warm village hall, albeit with a fiendish wooden block in the centre of the mat which needs to be avoided at all costs.

No experience is required, just an enthusiasm to play and to enjoy yourself. All equipment is provided, including the bowls themselves.

If anyone is interested or wishes to find out more, please contact either Tony Weedon on 841377 or Anne Andrews on 840941

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The Flying Monk Arts Trail takes place this year on 28 and 29 September.

The Arts Trail brings together traditional and contemporary professional artists and craft-makers in Malmesbury and its surrounding villages to showcase their creative work. This is an annual event, which is privately run. Visitors are invited to step inside studios and venues to experience the wealth of creative talent.

Visiting the venues offers the chance to meet the artists and to buy work directly from them. The hugely diverse range of artwork on show includes original paintings, prints, graffiti arts, ceramics and textiles, as well as photography, sculpture, crafts, jewellery and many other media. This year the artists/venues are located in: Malmesbury, Sherston, Pinkney, Lea and Shipton Moyne.

In Sherston, there are six artists taking part, three from Sherston - Heather Martin, Jenny Riley and Gill Ashley - and three from surrounding villages - Gloria Pugh, Alison Goodall and Lou Ropner. The group have work ranging from textiles to watercolour, acrylics and oils to jewellery and mosaics, mixed media to pottery. Something for everybody! Come along to the British School Room on Saturday 10.00am to 5.00pm or Sunday 12.30pm to 5.00pm. For all details of the trial, pick up a brochure from the Tourist Information Centre in the Town Hall, Malmesbury. During the weekend money is raised for Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

re:Verse Poetry

We are a group of writers and poetry enthusiasts who meet on a monthly basis to explore life, faith and spirituality through verse. Our evenings are relaxed, varied, fun and open to all, whether you are new to poetry or not.

We started our group in spring this year and have shared our favourite poems, explored writing for ourselves in poetry workshops, and have invited local published poets to read their work to us. Anyone is welcome to come along, no need to formally join, just turn up when you can.

Our autumn evenings are:

Tuesday 17 September - an informal poetry workshop and an opportunity to share recent work from the summer

Tuesday 15 October - local guest poets present and read their published work

Wednesday 20 November - we are delighted to be hosting nationally acclaimed Roger Wagner and Malcolm Guite who will be presenting an exciting mix of their poetry, art and music.

All evenings are in Malmesbury Abbey at 7.30pm. Refreshments are available during each evening and entry is free.

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To find out more please contact
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Or take a look at our website
www.luckingtonpreschool.org.uk



North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club

Our summer meetings have taken the form of demonstrations, with Rosemary Kerr providing an 'Oriental Takeaway' in July, and Anna Steven taking us on her 'Flights of Fancy' in August. Rosemary, a local demonstrator from Marshfield Flower Club, led us through her journey around Japan, giving us a taste of the culture she experienced, interpreted in flower form.

Future events

Wednesday 18 September: Annual General Meeting, marking the end of one year and the exciting start of a new one, so a good time to join us if you've been thinking about doing so. This will be followed by a talk on 'Designing Gardens' by Barry Holman, who has restored and created many gardens for large country houses and hotels including Whatley Manor.

Saturday 5 October: A floral art workshop (free-standing design) by Pam Lewis at Oaksey Village Hall.

Wednesday 16 October: Demonstration by Cath Brown, '50 Shades of Colour'.

Wednesday 20 November: Demonstration by Andrew Baker, 'Ideas for Christmas'.

The club has a full programme of interesting and varied events throughout the year, including demonstrations, workshops and outings. For more information, please visit our Facebook page – North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club. Our new programme for 2020 will be published following our AGM in September.

Flower Club meetings usually take place at Crudwell Village Hall (SN16 9HB) on the third Wednesday of the month, 7.00pm for 7.30pm. We are a friendly, thriving and enthusiastic group with members from throughout the area. Visitors and potential new members are guaranteed a warm welcome at our regular meetings, with refreshments and friendly chat at the end of the evening, so do come along if you're interested.

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



'Vivaldi Undercover': Saturday 5 October

Malmesbury Abbey Music Society (MAMS) brings to you 'Vivaldi Undercover', a concert by Passacaglia. A UK-based professional ensemble with over 25 years of performing and recording experience, Passacaglia specialises in music from the baroque era, played on baroque recorders, flutes, violin, viola da gamba, guitar, cello and harpsichord. Passacaglia brings the music of the baroque era to life with a range of exciting, colourful and engaging programmes.

Vivaldi, as popular in the baroque period as now, was unashamedly imitated, borrowed from and re-arranged by composers across Europe. In Vivaldi Undercover, Passacaglia explores Vivaldi's music as it masquerades in various different guises ... with quirky re-workings of the Four Seasons and other concerti by Nicolas Chedeville and JS Bach, an exploration of Vivaldi's mysterious 'opus 13' and Passacaglia's own boisterous interpretation of Vivaldi's 'La Follia' variations. An invigorating and colourful programme, suitable for all kinds of audiences.

The concert takes place at 7.30pm on Saturday 5 October at Malmesbury Abbey. For further information and membership of MAMS, contact Neil Medland on 823461 or visit –

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The Extravaganza will include a great selection of popular, classical, big-band, jazz and some original music for concert wind band. In addition, for this special event, the concert will include friends from Salon Baroque who, on this occasion, will include Julia Bowen (voice) Helen Coombes (piano and voice) and Jacqueline Tong (spoken word and voice). Recently, they have performed together for Malmesbury Carnival, Wessex Week, Athelstan Museum and the Mayor of Malmesbury.

The Malmesbury Abbey Choir will also be supporting the concert by performing music by Elgar and Stanford, and the evening will conclude with the audience being invited to participate in Land of Hope and Glory and Tchaikovsky's memorable 1812 Overture – not to be missed!

The event has been generously sponsored by local companies The Hilditch Group, Blount & Maslin estate agents, Forrester Sylvester Mackett solicitors, The Old Bell Hotel, and the James Dyson Foundation.

Tony Fleming, MCB's Director of Music said: 'This will be our twelfth annual musical extravaganza. But this anniversary event, for which we have been preparing for many months, will be very special indeed. We are enormously grateful for the contribution from Salon Baroque, Malmesbury Abbey Choir and from our sponsors.'

Tickets are available online through the band's website, www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk, at £10, £8 (for students and pensioners) and £3 (accompanied children under 12), at Malmesbury Abbey or The Wild Food Co. in the High Street.

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Tickets £6 adults from Lesley on 01249 783157 or email l_palmer@btinternet.com [underscore between l and p]

Doors open 7.00pm, programme starts at 7.30pm. If you could let me know by 17 September if you would like tickets, that would be very helpful.

Future dates for your diary:



Wednesday 30 October: Fisherman's Friends

Wednesday 4 December: Yesterday

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Sherston Baby and Toddler Group

The group is a fun way for babies, toddlers and their parents to meet and play. Meets at 10 -11.30am each Tues in the British School Rooms with toys for all stages from wrigglers to toddlers, craft activities, music and snacks for all, and a cup of tea/coffee for the deserving parent. For further details contact sherstontoddlergroup@gmail.com or like us on Facebook for regular updates www.facebook.com/sherston.toddlers

Sherston Badminton Club

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

Sherston Brick Club

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

Sherston Brownies

Meet every Weds during term time 5.45 – 7pm in the Scout Hut. All girls are welcome to join after their 7th birthday, but there is a waiting list. Visit www.girlguiding.org.uk and follow the parents link to register your interest, for all other queries contact Tawny Owl (Nicky) at nicky.gray@btinternet.com

1st Sherston Guides

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

Holy Cross Church

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Sherston Community Choir

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

Congregational Church – in The British Schoolroom.

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

Methodist Church

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

Church bell ringing

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

Sherston Magna Cricket Club

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

1st Sherston Cub Scout Pack

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

Sherston Drama Group

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

Drawing Classes in Sherston

Classes are held in the British Schoolroom during term times Weds either 10am to 12noon or 1.30 to 3.30pm. Students have individual attention and the classes are friendly and welcoming. We work on observational drawing in a range of media, pencil, watercolour crayon and pastel; subjects include plants and flowers, natural objects and still life groups. For further information please contact Heather Martin heather@geoffmartin.plus.com or phone 840375

Sherston Whitewall Explorers

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

Sherston Town FC

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

Footpaths Group

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

Forest School

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

Fresh Air Fitness

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).

The Hygiene Bank

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Sherston Netball Club

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Parish Council Meeting

Takes place on the 2nd Thurs each month at 7.30pm in the village hall. Minutes of meetings can be read online at www.sherston.org.uk. Further details contact the Clerk at clerk@sherston.org.uk

Sherston Pilates

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

Rattlebone Boules League

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

1st Sherston Scout Troop

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

Senior Club

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

Sherston Short Mat Bowls

Meet every Thursday at 2.30 to 4.30pm & 7.30 – 9.30pm. in the Village Hall. New members welcome – bring flat shoes, we have the woods. For more information contact Tony Weedon 841377 or Anne Andrews 840941

Sherston Tennis Club

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

Sherston Theatre Club

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Sherston Velo

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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

Outside Sherston

Avonvale Utd FC

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

Boules at the Bull

Friendly boules club at the Red Bull Inn (Malmesbury Rd) - meets every Thurs at 7.15pm – any level. For the more competitive members, there is a team playing in the Cotswold Pétanque league. To enter, please contact Sue McKechnie on 840601 or susannemckechnie@hotmail.co.uk

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

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

Easton Grey Parish Church See Parish Life for details of services

Friends in Grief (FIG)

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

Gauzebrook Church for Children

Children are welcome at all the services which are held in the Gauzebrook Group churches but there are some occasions which are particularly for them: Junior Church is held at Court House, Hullavington at 11.00am now on the first Sunday of each month, except for August. This is for children from 3 to 11+. Any children under 3 need to be accompanied by an adult. Contact Becky Fisher 07974 030212 or becky.fisher@deanery.org.uk

Hogwards

The Help a Hedgehog Hospital charity has a satellite hospital in Tetbury. Mary Hinton 07779 299224 www.helpahedgehog.org

Ingleburn Trefoil Guild

Meets on the 3rd Monday of the month, usually at St. Mary's School Tetbury at 7.30 p.m. Lifts are available for non-drivers in the Sherston/Malmesbury area. Details from Helen Price, 503187 or retreatcottage17@btinternet.com

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@wncount.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

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

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Sherston High Street mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk or visit <https://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/MobileLibrary/Library/Stop/65>

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.armsherston

The Rattlebone Inn

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

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

Sherston WI Talks

Young Lives v Cancer – Paula Watts, CLIC Sargent Charity Thurs 5 Sept 7.30pm Village Hall

79th Anniversary lunch 3-Oct

The Amazing Honey Bee - Richard Rickitt Thurs 7 Nov 2.30pm

British Schoolroom Cliff Rd

For further details call Secretary 07388 606785 Village Hall.

Sherston Magna Cricket Club

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>

Art Exhibition at Shear Class Salon

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

Sherston Senior Club

Simple science for growing better plants - Talk by Piers Lavan of Hortico 10 Sep 2.30pm British School Room Visitors are always welcome £2 per meeting includes tea and biscuits. British School Room For further details call Helen Quirk 840516 Please contact Pearl Dyer 01666 840619 to reserve a place on the outings.

Ride and Stride

The annual Sponsored Ride and Stride in aid of Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust and your local church Sat 14 Sep 10am-6pm Ride (cycle or horse) or walk to as many churches as you can manage

during the day and get sponsorship for doing so. Last year £62,000 was raised for Wiltshire's churches, and 34 churches benefited from Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust grants, ranging from £400 to £10,000. As ever, the Holy Cross Church, Sherston needs help with ongoing maintenance and repairs. Half of all money raised is shared out to go to the church of your choice, the other half is used by the Wiltshire Historic Churches Trust to award grants to churches with special maintenance needs.

Sponsorship forms, a list of participating churches and notes for riders and striders from the website or Charles Graham : ctg100@hotmail.com or from Pam Pickthall on 841072 or pampickthall@hotmail.co.uk or visit www.wiltshirehistoricchurchestrust.org.uk

Friends of Sherston School

Crabapple collection This year the Friends of Sherston School are collecting the crabapples for Tracklements to turn into their English Crabapple Jelly. For every kilogram of crabapples donated and for every jar sold nationwide, Tracklements will donate money to the school so every apple counts! If you have any crabapples you won't be using or have collected any on your walks, please drop them off to Sherston School or take them to Tracklements.

Crab-apples are "wild" apples and can often be found in the British hedgerows, nestled amongst other trees; why not pick a few on your Sunday walk? All you need to do is drop them off at Tracklements, Whitewalls, Easton Grey (827044, open 9am-5pm Mon-Fri) from the beginning of Sept until Fri 27 Oct

If you donated crabapples or bought a jar of English Crabapple Jelly this year, you helped raise over £700! Alongside making sensational jelly, the Crabapple Project is also a great way to teach the school children about the provenance of their food by showing them the process from tree to jar as well as use up fruit which may otherwise go to waste.

Flying Monk Arts and Crafts Trail

Comes to Sherston - in Aid of Wiltshire Air Ambulance This year the artists/venues are located in: MALMESBURY, SHERSTON, PINKNEY, LEA, SHIPTON MOYNE. Sherston British School Room Sat 28 Sept from 10am - 5pm and Sun 29 Sept from 12.30pm - 5pm The Flying Monk Arts Trail brings together traditional and contemporary professional artists and craft workers in Malmesbury and its surrounding villages to showcase their creative work. Artworks on show include prints, graffiti arts, ceramics, textiles, photography, sculpture, crafts, jewellery and many more. Details of the whole trail will be in a leaflet available from Sherston Post Office, and other local shops and pubs and Malmesbury Tourist Information Office or download a copy from the website

This year there are five artists taking part, four from Sherston - Heather Martin, Jenny Riley, Julia Leyden and Gill Ashley and, from Malmesbury, Lesley Kenny. The group have work ranging from textiles to watercolour, acrylics to oils, printing to mixed media For further details call or visit www.flyingmonkartstrail.co.uk

Sherston Theatre Club

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

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Basingstoke. Ticket and coach £28. Tue, 8 Oct 9am -4.30pm
Rigoletto Opera by Verdi at the Cardiff Millenium Centre at 7.15pm. Tickets & coach £61.50. 1 ticket only. Departure Sherston High St. 3.45pm

On your Feet 24 Oct Musical - Gloria and Emilio Estefan's story Broadway and West End Smash Hit production at Cardiff Millenium 7.30pm tickets & coach £57. Departure Sherston High St.

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

Sherston Arts Festival

Sherston Arts Festival See the flyer and check out the website to get all the news, ticket information and downloadable entry forms for this years festival - www.sherstonartsfestival.com for a full line up 11-20 Oct 2019 Ten days of arts events suitable for all ages including art and photography exhibitions, concerts, lectures and the ever popular scarecrow trail Window Wanderland is a great way to display your creativity in your window - no theme so do whatever takes your fancy.

Art Exhibition Preview Fri 11 Oct 7.30pm Holy Cross Church - A preview of the art exhibition which will run for the duration of the festival. SHOCC (Sherston Occasional Community Choir) will be entertaining the exhibition goes on the evening - everyone is very welcome. Stewart Geddes, President of the RWA (Royal West of England Academy) will be opening the exhibition. £5 to include a glass of wine. (The exhibition is free for the remainder of the festival: Open every day; Mon-Sat 10am-5pm; Sun 11am-5pm. Purchase tickets from Sherston Post Office or pay on the door. Or artsfestival@sherston.plus.com. Enquiries 840375. **Young Person's Art Exhibition** in the British School Room Sat 12 10am-5pm & Sun 13 12.30pm-5pm An exhibition of artwork from the young artists of Sherston and the surrounding villages. Every year we also create a 'Big Art' project with previous exhibits including the Peg Village, 'Sherston Rocks' and the 'Home' Exhibition. This year is very exciting as we will be creating a group installation 'Footsteps for the Earth'.

Window Wanderland Exhibition Sat 12 & Sun 13 Oct, all day with a special illuminated evening trail on both evenings 6.30pm-9pm. Hot chocolate will be served in the British Schoolroom on Saturday evening from 6pm-8pm Window Wanderland transforms everyday streets into magical, outdoor galleries, where anything goes and you never know what's around the next corner. The great thing is you don't have to be an artist to get involved - all you need is a window and a willingness to join in! Take a sneaky peak at www.windowwanderland.com to get the low down. It's free to take part and it's simply a matter of popping something fun in your window. We produce a free trail which you can pick up during the festival **Local Author - Martin Fry** "Cotswold and Cream" Martin's photography is inspired by the ever changing light, from the rolling hills of the Cotswolds to the drama of the Cornish coast. He will take us on a journey as Martin explores his passion for the landscape through his award winning images and audio-visuals (a short sequence of images set to music or prose.) A Fellow of the Royal Photographic Society, he has achieved awards in over 40 countries. His most successful image 'Storm over Newlyn Lighthouse' was published in the BBC Countryfile Calendar. Fri 18 Oct 7.30pm Village Hall £8 including refreshments

Feltmaking workshop Sat 19 Oct There will be two sessions making a Kingfisher in the morning and a fox in the afternoon: 9.30am - 12.30 or 1.30 - 4.30pm. Mainly aimed at adults, but accompanied 12 years or older welcome, run by Yvonne Wood, see her website www.needlefeltart.co.uk/ The cost is £30 per person inclusive of materials. Sign up to reserve a place by the end of Sept.

'Sherston Brick Club'

British Schoolroom

Fridays 13th and 27th September from 5.30 to 7pm
 Free entry. All ages welcome.

Bible Study Group

Mondays 2nd and 16th September
 from 7pm in the British School Room

Prayer Group

Mondays 9th and 23rd September
 from 7pm in the British School Room

Cuppa, Cake and Chat

Tuesday 17th September
 from 2.30pm in the British School Room

All welcome!

Email lucy@sherston.plus.com The BIG Brass Band at the Holy Cross - a lift the roof off type of night. Sat 19 Oct 7.30pm £13 in adv £15 on the door

Photographic exhibition Sat 19 Sun 20 Oct in the Village Hall The categories for 2019 are: In the Garden; Sherston Life; The Cotswolds; My Family and Other Animals

Scarecrow Trail

Events at the Church of the Holy Cross

1016 AND ALL THAT... WHAT HAPPENED AFTER THE BATTLE OF SHERSTON? Talk by historian Heather (Fen) Flack on King Edmund Ironside's life after the battle against the Danes Sat 26 Oct 7.30pm Tickets, £10 (£5 for children), with refreshments, will be on sale from Sherston Post Office Store or contact Pam Pickthall or Heather Martin. All proceeds towards the upkeep of the church

Sherston Drama Group

Half-term Pantomime: Aladdin Wed 30 Oct to Sat 2 Nov 7.30pm with matinee at 1pm matinee on Sat / This Pantomime is even bigger than ever before as it will also run a children's fancy dress competition on halloween Tickets go on sale at the beginning of Oct. from the Post Office £8.00 adult £6.50 children / OAP Cash bar available

For further details call sherstondramagroup1@gmail.com or 07970 11160

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The Badminton Ride 10 mile sponsored ride in aid of 'The Great Badminton Church Restoration Fund' and the Duke of Beaufort's Hunt. Badminton Church is the Parish Church for the village and is run and funded by the community and its Parochial Church Council Sun 22 Sep start times 10am - 2pm see website for more details. This is a wonderful opportunity to get that "Badminton" feeling and to enjoy riding round (with lots of optional jumps) the beautiful Park, the Estate and the famous Lake with the backdrop of Badminton House itself. For further details visit www.badmintonride.com

Rotary Horseless Team Event

Rotary 36th Horseless Team Event Sun 29 Sep Registration starts at 08:30 (on-line pre-registration is available) Entries received before Sun 22 Sept will be sent a free car park ticket for the event – otherwise car parking on the day costs £5. The race itself starts at 10am. Adult entries are £15; junior (aged 15 or under) entries are £10. Entry can be as an individual, or as a team, over either the 5k or 10k distance. The event also welcomes canicrossers (runners with dogs) – again for the 5k or 10k distances, but, with so many deer and sheep around, they must be kept on leads at all times. Held in Badminton Park (by kind permission of the Duke and Duchess of Beaufort), the off-road, all-terrain course takes runners over some of the world-famous Horse Trials obstacles, along country tracks in sight of the deer herds, and through fields and woods. The event features professional chip-based electronic timing for all runners.

The event raises money for Rotary Charities and allows runners to seek their own sponsorship for their own charities.

For further details call or visit <https://races-nation.co.uk/register/rotary-club-of-the-south-cotswolds/badminton-hse-5k-and-10k>

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 **Guided walks and craft skills courses throughout the month** see website for details

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.forestryengland.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

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

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Didmarton Flicks in the Sticks

Fisherman's Friends Fri 13 Sep 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

Ten fisherman from Cornwall achieve a Top 10 hit after they are signed to Universal Records by a cynical London music executive 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. Malmesbury Children's Centre 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. Malmesbury Activity Zone, Bremilham Road For further details call 01249 443469 or e-mail mwils@alzheimers.org.uk or visit www.alzheimers.org.uk

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

The View from the Wings - Brian Freeland A sideways look at theatrical productions from the stage manager's point of view. Thurs 26 Sep

The Early History of Penguin Books - Barry Edwards (A paperback revolution). Thurs 24 Oct 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

Mon, 2 Sept	2pm	Pavarotti
Fri, 6 Sept	2pm	Current War
Fri, 6 Sept	5.30pm	Lion King
Mon, 16 Sept	8pm	Current War
Fri, 20 Sept	2pm	Lion King
Fri, 20 Sept	5.30pm	Horrible Histories: Rotten Romans
Fri, 20 Sept	8pm	Once Upon a Time in Hollywood

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Malmesbury Concert Band

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.

160th anniversary Musical Extravaganza Sat 12 Oct 7.30pm The Extravaganza will include a great selection of popular, classical, big-band, jazz and some original music for concert wind band. In addition, for this special event, the concert will include friends from Salon Baroque and Malmesbury Abbey Choir. The evening will conclude with the audience being invited to participate in Land of Hope and Glory and Tchaikovsky's memorable 1812 Overture. Tickets are available on-line through the band's web site, www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk, at £10, £8 (for students and pensioners) and £3 (accompanied children under 12), at Malmesbury Abbey or The Wild Food Co. in the High Street.

For further details call Tony Fleming, the Musical Director, on 575229 or tony@jacfleming.plus.com

re:Verse Poetry

Poetry Evening in Malmesbury Abbey New to poetry? Not sure what it's all about? Like to find out more? Come to re:Verse poetry evening and discover for yourself the power of words to make sense of and give meaning to life's experiences. We are a group of writers and poetry enthusiasts who meet on a monthly basis to explore life, faith and spirituality through verse. **Tues 17 Sep Poetry evening** local guest poets present and read their published work **Tues 15 Oct Roger Wagner and Malcolm Guite** present an exciting mix of their poetry, art and music. **Wed 20 Nov** All evenings are in Malmesbury Abbey at 7.30pm. Refreshments are available during each evening and entry is free. For further details call Andy on poet@ac24.com

Malmesbury Artisan and Farmers' Market

held at the historic Market Cross every Fri from 9am to 3pm with an enticing array of local, fresh and organic produce together with artisan products and gifts at great prices.

The Big Malmesbury Craft Fair

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

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

Malmesbury Abbey Music Society

PASSACAGLIA - 'Vivaldi Undercover' 5 Oct 7.30pm £15 members/£5 student or chd. Season tickets are also available for only £55 For further details call Neil Medland on 823461 or visit <https://mamsmusic.co.uk>

Events at Malmesbury Library

Mischief Makers Summer Reading Challenge 2018. The challenge asks four to 11-year-olds to borrow and read any six library books over the summer. The Mischief Makers theme is inspired by the Beano comic, which is celebrating its 80th anniversary July - 8 Sep Malmesbury Library, Cross Hayes For further details call 823611

Malmesbury, Chippenham

FREE Children's Centre activities 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.

Seniors' lunches The Rise Trust Volunteers regularly serve a Community Lunch for Seniors at St Paul's Church Hall, Malmesbury Road, Chippenham at 12pm. This is a great way to make new friends and socialise. For more details please contact Vicky Watt on 01249 445288 or email vickyw@therisetrust.org

Youth Club and Youth Café We run lots of activities for young people in Chippenham including a Youth Club and Youth Café Gemma Matthews 01249 464008 or gemma@therisetrust.org For further details call 01249 463 040 or visit www.therisetrust.org/programmesevents/

Grittleton Moviola - the Touring Rural Cinema Scheme

RED JOAN [12A] Wed 25 Sep Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm start £6 from Lesley or on the door

In a picturesque village in England, Joan Stanley (Judi Dench), lives in contented retirement until her tranquil existence is shattered when she's arrested by MI5. Joan has been hiding an incredible past; she is one of the most influential spies in living history. Cambridge University in the 1930s, and the young Joan (Sophie Cookson), a demure physics student, falls in love with an attractive Russian saboteur, Leo (Tom Hughes). Through him, she begins to see that the world is on a knife-edge and perhaps must be saved from itself in the race to military supremacy. Post-war and now working at a top secret nuclear research facility, Joan is confronted with the impossible: Would you betray your country and your loved ones, if it meant saving them? Grittleton Village Hall For further details call Lesley 01249 783157 or email L_palmer@btinternet.com or visit www.moviola.org/

Tetbury Goods Shed

Vegetables from Aunt Addie's Visit the amazing Ros for all your delicious locally grown vegetables. Adeline Farm is a farming venture with the emphasis on quality, fresh, local and seasonal produce. Although not certified as Organic they are committed to using organic methods - and to working with nature and respecting wildlife. They are also totally committed to producing the finest produce possible. 10am-2pm Adeline Farm Community Project offers facilities to the disabled, people with learning difficulties, and other groups in the Wilts./Glos. area. **Afternoon Piano Recital** Every Wed 2.30-4pm Afternoon tea concerts are back by popular demand. Tickets £2.50

Film Night (details on the website Every Thursday 7-10.30pm

7 Sep Ceilidh with the Bursledon Village Band The Bursledon Village Band was formed in early 1977, mainly to play for local barn dances. 7.30-11pm £11

14 Sep Classical Guitar Masterclass with Alan Brinley Shaw 2.30 -4.30pm A rare opportunity to take part in a classical guitar masterclass with virtuoso Alan Brinley Shaw. £5-£10

14 Sep Classical Guitar Concert with Alan Brinley Shaw 7.30-10.30pm An evening of beautiful classical guitar presented by virtuoso Alan Brinley Shaw. £12

15 Sep The Foeffees of Tetbury - Dr Tony Walsh explains 2-3.30pm A guide through the history of Tetbury and the Foeffees

15 Sep Open Mic Sunday The 3rd Sunday of every month is Open Mic at the Shed for singers, musicians and poets 7.30-9.30pm £5

21 Sep Comedy at the Shed 8-10pm £5

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For further details call Box Office: 0333 666 3366 or Tetbury Visitor Information Centre or visit www.tetburymusicfestival.org

Crudwell North Wilts Villages Flower Club

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

AGM, followed by a talk on 'Designing Gardens' by Barry Holman 18-Sep
A Floral Art Workshop (free-standing design) by Pam Lewis 5 Oct at Oaksey Village Hall

Demonstration by Cath Brown, '50 Shades of Colour' 16-Oct
Demonstration by Andrew Baker, 'Ideas for Christmas 20-Nov
Crudwell Village Hall SN16 9HB For further details call Margaret on 01285 770 639 or Facebook page - North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club.

Brinkworth The Brinkworth Show

The 40th Brinkworth Produce & Handicraft Show On the first Sunday of Sept - 1 Sep 11am-5pm There will be a wide variety of stalls, attractions and entertainment for all the family. The event will be hosting the annual Produce and Handicraft show and a family fun dog show The Brinkworth Show will be supporting the Wiltshire Air Ambulance and GWH Brighter Futures Appeal with proceeds from this year's show.

Amusements at this year's show include a wonderful inflatable obstacle course and a large slide. Other children's favourites are the Punch and Judy Show, Alpacas, a face painter and the Wiltshire Bee Centre. The recreation field also has its own children's play area. Brinkworth Recreation Field.

Chippenham Neeld Community and Arts Centre

Secret Spitfires The Friends of Chippenham Museum have arranged a showing of this fascinating documentary film, which will include a Q&A session with Norman Parker, history advisor for the film and WWII Spitfire engineer. Secret Spitfires is the remarkable story of how WWII Spitfire fighter aircraft were built in secret right in the heart of Southern England. Tues 3 Sep 3.30pm £5-7 Proceeds will be going to military charities and the Friends of Chippenham Museum.

The Big Get Together Sat 7 Sep The Big Get Together aims to bring various clubs and organisations together in one place, to provide a showcase of activities that will encourage people to participate, get involved and expand their social life. Over 50 local clubs and organisations are attending to promote a range of interests and activities, and there will also be opportunities for volunteering, fitness activities and social groups.

The Everly Brothers and Friends Tribute Show Sun 8 Sep The Temple Brothers, officially the UK's No.1 Tribute to The Everly Brothers as voted for by the National Tribute Music Awards 2017, are proud to announce the return of their theatre show.

Project Play: Dad's Army Read-Through Project Play is for anyone who enjoys being on stage, acting or being part of a production in any capacity. The project offers local enthusiasts a superb opportunity to be involved in a professional approach to staging a popular play that aims to attract a wide ranging audience- this year's production is popular sitcom Dad's Army. 26-Sep For further details call 01249 446699 or visit www.neeld.co.uk

Cirencester The Barn Theatre

FRINGE AT THE BARN There will be a huge variety of acts, appealing to all ages, including the best of the Edinburgh Fringe, with a mix of established stars along with arguably some of the finest up and

coming talent in the UK. From comedy, music and amazing magic to top children's entertainment, this year's FRINGE AT THE BARN will have something for everyone - some highlights

Spontaneous Sherlock 4-Sep Spontaneous Sherlock is an award-winning, entirely improvised Sherlock Holmes comedy play based on an audience suggestion of a title. Performed in two halves by some of the UK's most critically-acclaimed comedy improvisers, with live Victorian music

Tom Brace : Brace of Spades 6-Sep Tom Brace returns with a brand-new magic show for the whole family! Featuring Tom's unique blend of comedy and magic, the show promises to have a little something for everybody. 'Classic magic tricks with youthful charm' (EdinburghGuide.com) 'Hilarious... joyfully daft... if you want to catch a magic show this Fringe, then this should be it'

I'm Sorry I'll Read That Again.. Again! 16-18 Sep The OFFSTAGE Theatre Group recreate the anarchic comedy show that bestrode BBC Radio during the 1960's and 1970's; giving birth to The Goodies, Monty Python's Flying Circus, and I'm Sorry I Haven't A Clue.

Following on from their critically-acclaimed tour (and 4-part revival on BBC Radio 4 Extra), this NEW touring production is another Greatest Hits compilation of material by Graeme Garden and Bill Oddie; adapted, directed and produced by Barnaby Eaton-Jones

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.

Wed - Sat : 5.30pm till late (last table for food at 9.30pm) Call 01285 648238 or email info@teatro-ciren.co.uk to book your table. For further details call Box office: 01285 648255 or boxoffice@barntheatre.org.uk or visit <https://barntheatre.org.uk>

Wotton-Under-Edge The Electric Picture House

A refurbished local cinema run by volunteers from the local community This month's films: Dora and the Lost City of Gold; The Souvenir; Mrs Lowry and Son; National Theatre Live: Fleabag Thur 12 Sep; Downton Abbey; The Angry Birds Movie 2; NT Live: One Man, Two Guvnors Thurs 26 Sep; Bait; National Theatre encore: Fleabag 1-5 Oct; Roger Waters Us + Them Wed 2 Oct; National Theatre Live: A Midsummer Night's Dream Thur 17 Oct The Electric Picture House For further details call 01453 844601 or visit www.wottoncinema.com

Kemble Bluegrass Festival

Didmarton Bluegrass Festival One of the UK's premier bluegrass, Americana and old time music festivals Check the line up on the website 30 Aug - 1 Sep Displays, concerts, workshops, food marquee and vintage clothing tents Check website for ticket details. Kemble airfield For further details call or visit www.didmarton-bluegrass.co.uk

The Emergency Services Show

Fire engine and police car rides, Parachute displays, vintage emergency vehicles, fairground, Wiltshire Air Ambulance Sun 16 Sep 10am - 4pm £6.50, chd £3.50 under 3s free The Emergency Services Show (ESS) is the biggest outdoor show of its kind in the South West, showcasing local emergency services and partner agencies. The Show provides a safe environment to learn about your local emergency services, view displays and demonstrations, take part in activities, listen to safety talks and meet your local emergency service teams. Cotswold Airport For further details call enquiries@emergencyservicesshow.com or 01380 732999 or visit www.emergencyservicesshow.com

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Sherston Emergency Response Coordinator
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Wiltshire Council

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