



# THE SHERSTON CLIFFHANGER



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## Sherston Apple Day: Saturday 7 October



  
**Sustainable  
Sherston**



Plans for our annual Apple Day celebrations are well under way. This year, it will take place on Saturday 7 October, 10.00am-2.00pm, at the village hall. Enjoy discovering our local producers and artisans, practising your apple-juicing skills and having a cup of tea (and cake!), while the children have fun in the hall, playing apple-themed games. This will be our third Apple Day in Sherston and we hope to see you there!

### Reducing our carbon footprint

Sustainable Sherston is aiming to reduce our carbon footprint by making Sherston's own apple juice made from local apples. By gathering together all surplus apples (cookers and eaters), we will juice them, bottle and pasteurise the fresh juice, label them with winning artwork produced by Sherston School pupils, and sell them on Apple Day and in the village hall later in October. Pasteurised Sherston Apple Juice can be kept for a year or more, meaning you can enjoy it as a cold drink or mulled with spices for a winter warmer.

By cutting out transport emissions and keeping the collection and juice production at its simplest, we can ensure that making our own apple juice takes little or no toll on the environment. In that way, it's similar to making wine (see the chart above to show the energy used /emissions produced by each part of the cycle).

Our glass bottles are intended for recycling.

### Bring your own apples

This year, we will be pressing, bottling and pasteurising some of Sherston's apples before Apple Day. If you have an apple tree with ripe September apples, please bring your surplus (ideally, in good condition) in bags on Sunday 1 October and leave them to the left of the village hall, between the hall and the shed (see photo below).

If your apples need another week to ripen, please deliver them to the village hall on Friday 6 October or bring them along on the day itself. We will be demonstrating apple juicing on both our small press and our larger one (both paid for with grants from Malmesbury Area Board and Wessex Water Environment Fund).

### Juice with us!

The more, the merrier: we will be pressing, then bottling and pasteurising the apple juice the week commencing Monday 2 October and aiming to finish on Monday 9 October. If you have an hour or two to spare, we would love you to join in. Please call Eleanor on 840369 or 07949 292741 - leave a message and your telephone number so we can contact you.

### Bring your own bottles

We hope you will bring your own clean bottles and try the juice fresh from the press on Apple Day. Or you can buy it fully pasteurised and labelled - for your own consumption or as gifts.

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## news

We ended our summer term with an informal, sing-along open rehearsal/concert featuring some of the new pieces that we have added to our repertoire this year. This was followed by refreshments, and we were delighted that donations for these raised £116 for the MS Society, our chosen charity this year.

We will be back after our summer break on Wednesday 13 September. We meet at 7.30pm on Wednesdays in the British School Room on Cliff Road and, as usual, everyone is very welcome. There is no audition, and you don't have to be able to read music. So if you think you may be interested, please come along and give it a try.

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[info@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk](mailto:info@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk)

The size and content of the Cliffhanger depends entirely on the amount of copy we receive from individuals and groups. So, if you feel you have something of interest, please don't hesitate to tell us. Around 400 words would be a maximum but the shorter the better and less editing would be needed.

Top tip: if you're telling us of an event coming up, write a short piece about it rather than just supply basic details or a poster. You will then get a short article published to help boost interest as well as a mention in our What's On section. Don't forget to tell us how your event went, with a photo if possible.

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# Sherston Arts Festival

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FESTIVAL

A few reminders about the Arts Festival! Next month there will be a full programme of events included in the Cliffhanger.

If you would like to enter paintings or other 2D art in the Festival Exhibition at the Church of the Holy Cross, please use an entry form (see the website: <https://sherstonartsfestival.com/art-exhibition/>) and return as soon as possible. This exhibition is the biggest in the area, with over 100 artworks on show. Everyone is welcome to exhibit, whether amateur or professional. Stewards are needed too so please volunteer.

The Scarecrow Workshop on Saturday 14 October is a great way to get inspiration and assistance to make your scarecrow, using the materials from Wiltshire Scrapstore. Please see the website (<https://sherstonartsfestival.com/scarecrow-trail/>) for booking information.

Make sure you put these dates in your diary:

**Friday 3 November** - preview evening in the church

**Saturday 4 November** - lino cutting workshop in the Village Hall.

**Saturday 4 November** - evening concert in the church with the Blaenavon Male Voice Choir

**Saturday 4 November** – the Scarecrow Trail starts, ending Sunday 12 November

**Saturday 4 November** – the Art Exhibition opens in the church every day until Sunday 12 November

**Saturday 11 November** - Ceilidh (Barn Dance) in the Village Hall with the Packhorse Band

**Saturday 11 & Sunday 12 November** - the Children's Art Exhibition is in the British School Room

## Holy Cross Café



This takes place every Thursday from 10.00am to 12.00noon and is a great place to meet up with friends or just to experience the calm of our lovely church. The coffee is really good, there is always a choice of cake, both paid for by donation, so give what you can. There are some toys and books if you want to bring your toddler.

# Sherston Seniors

It seems a long time since we enjoyed 'End of the Track' entertaining us at the Boules Day afternoon tea, which was well attended. Our thanks to the committee who worked so hard to make the afternoon a success.

This was followed on Tuesday 25 July by an outing to Oakham Treasures at Portbury. Members were astonished at how much was on display. To see it all, you would need at least a day. From tractors to telephone boxes to GPO letterboxes, where in 'the good old days' letters were picked up three times a day. There was a drapers shop and sweet shop, Dinkie cars and ration books, seaside memorabilia, old kitchen utensils, tins of boot polish, toys and farming implements. It went on and on.

At our next meeting on Tuesday 8 August, the speaker was member Mo Mulrain who told us all about her holiday in the Galapagos Islands. Mo was able to illustrate her talk with stunning photos of reptiles, birds and wonderful scenery. We were very taken with the blue-footed booby bird. A most enjoyable talk very well delivered.

Following this, on Wednesday 30 August, we headed off on a mystery tour - more on this next month.

Looking forward, on Tuesday 5 September our speaker is Michael Lees, who will tell the story of the cruise ship Lekonia, and on Tuesday 19 September, we are celebrating harvest with an auction of produce so do come along and bid. Proceeds go to charity.

Visitors are always welcome, cost £2.00 includes refreshments. Further information from Helen Quirk on 840516.

# Collecting crabapples for a good cause!



This September, award-winning condiments maker Tracklements is encouraging the community to don their wellies, take a walk in the countryside and start collecting crabapples for a terrific cause.

Tracklements is partnering with Sherston Primary School, Scout and Girlguiding groupsto collect crabapples to make English Crabapple Jelly. For every kilogram of crabapples donated, 50p is given to the school and youth groups, as well as a further 25p from the sale of every jar sold nationwide. The project has been running for over 16 years and has raised over £9,000 so far.

The initiative is also a great way to teach Sherston's young people about the provenance of their food by showing them the process from tree to jar, as well as using fruit which may otherwise go to waste. Crabapples are 'wild' apples and can often be found in British hedgerows, nestled amongst other trees.

If you have any crabapples you won't be using and would like to support the children of Sherston, Tracklements would love them. All you need to do is drop them off at Tracklements, Whitewalls, Easton Grey, SN16 0RD (Tel. 827044, open 9.00am-5.00pm Monday-Friday) between Friday 1 and Saturday 30 September.

To view the full range and find out more about the project, visit [www.tracklements.co.uk](http://www.tracklements.co.uk).

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## VILLAGE HALL

## Sherston Village Hall 300+ Club

The Draw, 7 winners of £20 were: 007 Yvonne Fry, 109 Jane Harden, 158 Chris Pickthall, 233 Gwen Knight, 315 Pat Bunce

Christmas Bonus currently £180

Do sign up - we still need lots more members!

I/We\* would like to join/renew membership of the 300+Club for 2023 and enclose £10.00/£20.00 cash/cheque\* (made payable to Sherston Village Hall), being the subscription for 2023.

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\*Delete as appropriate – You may have more than one Membership

For help/queries contact Eric Meanwell (07789 280058) or Goug Wilcox (07788 558035)

Thank you for your continued support.

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# Sherston Gardening Club



SHERSTON GARDENING CLUB

## Next meeting

Tuesday 5 September: 'Propagation', Penny Jones from Westonbirt Arboretum, an expert propagator!

## Cuttings

Most of us are back from gardening leave and raring to go. Our first autumn speaker will be Penny Jones who shared her plant-hunting stories at our June meeting. This time, she will give tips and demonstrate sound practice in propagation, based on her expert knowledge of 20+ years as Chief Propagator at the National Arboretum at Westonbirt.

New members from Sherston and surrounding villages are always welcome. Look on it as an opportunity to renew annual membership, if you haven't already! The cost remains the same as last year: £15 single, £25 joint, U18s free. For a membership form and programme, contact our secretary: [sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com](mailto:sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com)

Club meetings are on the first Tuesday of each month at the British School Room, 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. Tasty refreshments, plant ID and sales, raffle, questions answered.

## Connections

The Sherston Gardening Club Facebook group is the forum for photos, questions, answers (where possible!) and news of meetings and events. Anyone can join the group and post tips, hints and pics. Why not share some photos of your late summer garden or someone else's that you particularly like?

## Community/Blooming Sherston

We'll be ordering spring bulbs for planting around the village (let us know of public areas that could use some extra colour). Gardening Club members are regularly watering the Post Office trough and we hope to secure funding for a

second trough. After the new village gate posts are installed, Blooming Sherston will create attractive plantings around them. Hopefully, there will be more progress to report in the next issue.

## Calendar

### Tuesday 5 September:

Penny Jones on Plant Propagation.

### Tuesday 3 October:

Lucy Bowles, Whatley Manor's new Head Gardener

### Tuesday 7 November:

Garden Designer, Laura Holmes on 'Creating your own space'

### Tuesday 5 December:

Julia Armstrong leads a wreath-making workshop

The committee is still researching presenters and talks for 2024 but we can give a hint of what may be booked, though some of the following are still provisional.

### Tuesday 5 March:

Margie Hoffnung on Rosemary Verey - her legacy to 20th century gardening

### Tuesday 2 April:

AGM and Mandy Bradshaw - Four Seasons Cotswold style.

### Tuesday 7 May:

(Possibly) Growing Clematis and other climbers

### Tuesday 4 June:

Harriet Rycroft - Gardening in pots

We are also preparing a programme of visits, possibly to RHS Wisley, Highgrove and to Wiltshire College, Lackham campus. Please do share any ideas you may have that could be incorporated.

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## Open Gardens 2024

The organisers of the Sherston Open Gardens Weekend are contemplating a September event next year. In one of the Covid years, possibly 2020, we did have the Open Gardens in September and it was very successful. This means less competition with the many other events held in June but also a way of appreciating late summer colour and a range of different plants - for example, asters, cosmos, dahlias, nicotiana and many others which are flowering now.

So, if you would like to open your garden next year, look around for inspiration and maybe aim for colour in September. More details next spring.

# Soup Lunch is back: Monday 4 September



Just a reminder that our Soup Lunch event starts up again on Monday 4 September, 12.00noon-2.00pm. Come along to the British School Room for soup, pudding, cake and coffee. No need to book, just turn up - but if you need a lift, please get in touch. There is no charge but any donations will go to a chosen charity.

Candi Williams Tarling, Revd Janet Evans, Revd Sharon Gleed, Revd Susan Harvey 840696

## Shear Class has relocated

We are pleased to inform you that the Shear Class Hair Salon, along with its team of beauty therapists, opens in new premises opposite the church on Tuesday 5 September.

The manager, Claire Broughton, says: 'We have looked to create a fresh and calming feel to our new salon and we are very pleased with the way that it has worked out. It's an ideal shape and size and is in a lovely location opposite the church.'

Everyone is invited to our Cheese & Wine Open Evening on Friday 29 September, any time between 5.00pm and 8.00pm (you are all welcome to come and go as you please), at which the team is looking to put together a series of hair and beauty demonstrations.

We are delighted to let you know that Claire's baby, Albie, and Lucy's baby, Freddie, were born within 24 hours of each other a couple of weeks ago. Both mums and their little boys are doing very well.



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## Movies@Malmesbury: Programme for September

Monday 4

2.00pm **Mission Impossible: Dead Reckoning**  
8.00pm **Oppenheimer**

Friday 8

2.00pm **Oppenheimer**  
8.00pm **Mission Impossible: Dead Reckoning**

Monday 18

2.00pm **Barbie**  
7.30pm **Vermeer: Blockbuster Exhibition \*\***

Wednesday 20

7.15pm **Das Reingold \* Live from the Royal Opera House, London**

Friday 22

2.00pm **Vermeer: Blockbuster Exhibition \*\***  
5.30pm **Barbie**  
8.00pm **Barbie**

Tickets 2.00pm and 5.30pm £5 & £4  
8.00pm £6 Except \* £12 and \*\* £10

All tickets must be purchased in advance from Malmesbury Town Hall or online at <https://cinema.malmesbury.gov.uk/> Tel: 822143

For all of the latest information, schedules, synopses, trailers, etc, check out our Facebook page at: [MoviesatMalmesbury](https://www.facebook.com/MoviesatMalmesbury)

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# Sustainable Sherston

## Testing our river water



Last month, Sustainable Sherston volunteers Richard Skeffington and Martin Smith started testing the river water quality at eight locations on the Sherston Avon and Luckington Brook. The first month of data has been uploaded to a website run by the Bristol Avon River Trust (BART) as part of their 'River Blitz' testing initiative. Sustainable Sherston will continue testing every month for a sustained period, to have a better understanding of what is happening in our local rivers. The main tests are for nitrates and phosphates but observations are also being made as to the presence of wildlife both in the water and on the banks.

## Launch of new Sherston to Malmesbury cycleway



On the morning of Saturday 23 September, Sustainable Sherston, Sherston Velo and the Friends of Sherston School will be coming together to officially open the signed cycle route between Sherston and Malmesbury along the Foxley Road. Please look out for Facebook announcements to confirm timings. This route was identified as a safer alternative to using the B4040. The distance travelled using the Foxley Road is exactly the same as using the main road but with less traffic. Google Maps says the journey takes 28 minutes on a bike. With the advent of electric bikes, this route will help those who are less fit get there and back without too much trouble as well. It's worth considering cycling instead of driving to Malmesbury as a way of staying fit, saving petrol and parking costs, and reducing your carbon footprint which all helps with the climate emergency.

## Sustainable Sherston relaunches public talks

In November, we will be restarting our public talks, kicking off with one on local water quality. This will be followed by one on sustainable fashion and a third on farming and our soil. More details to follow!

For more information, please email [sustainablesherston@gmail.com](mailto:sustainablesherston@gmail.com) or call Eleanor Lines on 840369.



# Rain, rain, go away



It's been a quiet time for Sherston Magna Cricket Club, with only one game completed due to poor weather and no fixture (as usual) on Boules Day.

The week before the match, it looked as though Sherston would have to cancel due to lack of players. However, two local villagers, Jon Walker and Dan Connor, bravely volunteered their services and were joined by Sherston under-13s coach Danny Butler. Sherston finally took the field with only 10 players to face the mighty Hinton Charterhouse.

What followed was probably the highlight of the season so far. With tremendous spirit in the field, Sherston stuck to their task brilliantly and with some 'mystery' bowling from Greg Hall and Andrew Tremellen, plus Ben and Alan Dickenson (who also shared wicket-keeping duties), Hinton were sensationally bowled out for only 155 in less than 39 overs.

The three last-minute recruits were outstanding. Dan Connor was excellent in the field, Jon Walker took a blinding catch at slip and Danny Butler finished the Hinton innings with a run out. Unfortunately, Sherston's injury woes continue as Andrew Tremellen suffered a spiral finger fracture

and will miss the next few games.

In their reply, Magna came up just a bit short, being bowled out for 129. It looked at one stage as though they would secure a historic victory but, following a couple of questionable LBWs, Sherston went on to lose their last three wickets in three balls and that, as they say, was that. With a lot of talk this season about a certain hat, perhaps it was fate that the game should finish with a 'hat trick' of wickets. The bowler in question left the field with a five-wicket haul and the match ball firmly shoved in his pocket.

But where is Sherston's own special hat? Well, it has been in the possession of Mr Howell for most of the month and he seems to be enjoying wearing it. It was certainly difficult to find a more worthy owner following the match with Hinton. Will he ever get rid of it, that is the question.

Magna's recruitment drive is in full swing. There should be a couple of debutants to report on soon. We are still looking for more though. If anyone's interested, just have a chat with Chris Fisk 07764 251668 or turn up at the nets at 6.30pm on a Wednesday night. You will be made very welcome.

## Sherston Taters and Tater Reserves

I would like to begin with a word of thanks to Sherston Taters fans who took an interest and came along to our preseason friendly fixtures. I trust that you were well entertained and pleased with the team spirit, performance and the abundance of goals the lads produced for your enjoyment.

Although our first team were well beaten 3-0 by Dursley Reserves in their opening game, a wee bit of 'hairdryer treatment' from manager Adam Salt plus a few tweaks saw the lads bounce back with an 8-2 win over Tormarton, and follow up with a 7-2 win over Stratton. Despite being narrowly beaten in our final preseason game in a 3-2 defeat to Minety, I was more than happy with our team hunger and the overall commitment shown (scored 17 goals and conceded 10).

The hidden potential of our recently formed Tater Reserves team was well and truly exposed with a 15-0 win over Minety Reserves and a follow-up 4-3 win against Stratton Juniors, despite being down 3-0 at half-time. This well-oiled machine then hosted Tredworth Tigers in their final pre-season game and once again it was 'goals galore'. They conceded an early goal but were not deterred as this deficit stirred a wake-up call and they went on to win 8-4. Striker Jerry Phillip scored five whilst Sam 'Thunderbird' Deverson contributed when he unleashed a dynamic 40-yard



shot on target! A Jordan Brailsford goal and an own goal completed the tally (scored 27 goals and conceded 7).

Manager Jay Martin has his crew pumped up and finely tuned for their inaugural Division 5 opening game on 26 August. Bring it on!

The big day arrived and the Taters first team got off to the perfect start in Division 2 football with a thrilling game against Uley F.C. After finding themselves 4-3 down at half-time, the lads found something special, took control of the game and went on to win 5-4, despite being reduced to 10 men when an infringement saw Tim Fry dispatched to the sin bin. The highlight of this well-contested game was a last-gasp penalty save from keeper Jacob Brown which prevented a draw and ensured all three points.

Fan support does play a massive part in our success so we extend a warm welcome to all, particularly for our Saturday home games.

Harry Andrews - sherstowntownfootballclub@gmail.com

# Cazalet and the North West Wiltshire Women's Conservative and Unionist Association



*Victor Cazalet MP and the North West Wiltshire Women's Conservative and Unionist Association, Sherston Branch, August 1928*

This photograph has been contributed by James King of Knockdown. He has identified his own 'Granny King' towards the left of the picture. He would be interested to know if anyone has more information or can identify individuals.

The photo is believed to have been taken at Easton Grey House (garden visible on the left) to mark the passing of the Equal Franchise Act in July 1928, which granted equal voting rights to men and women. Previously (since 1918) only women over the age of 30 had the right to vote.

Seated at the centre of the photograph, surrounded by about 180 women in cloche hats, is the 32-year-old Conservative Member of Parliament for Chippenham, Captain (later Colonel) Victor Alexander Cazalet.

In 1926, total membership of the North West Wiltshire Women's Conservative and Unionist Association (NWWCUA) branches was 4,548. There were branches in most of the villages. In June 1926, the Sherston & Sopworth Branch had 127 members.

Cazalet was in favour of the Equal Franchise Act, and supported efforts by the NWWCUA to recruit members from the tranche of women newly allowed to vote. A committee report on 18 May 1928 reads:

'In connection with the proposed addition of some 5000 women to the [constituency] electorate ... a general election will take place some time during next year, and no effort must be spared to do our part in the return of the Conservative Government ... There is room for a great increase of membership particularly among those who will then exercise the vote for the first time.'

To say Cazalet was well-connected would be an understatement - his godmother was Queen Victoria. Descended from a French Protestant Huguenot family, he represented the Chippenham constituency from 1924 until his death in 1943. He was killed in a plane crash in Gibraltar along with the Polish General Sikorski, for whom he was the liaison officer with the British wartime government. Cazalet is buried in Gibraltar. A heraldic shield commemorating his death is one of 23 which recognise MPs who were killed during World War II, on the walls of the House of Commons Chamber.

If you can help with any information, please contact Bill Reed preferably via email at [bill@euclidvillas.co.uk](mailto:bill@euclidvillas.co.uk) or otherwise leave a message on 07798 601224..

Research by Bill Reed with the help of Wiltshire & Swindon History Centre.



# Passion for the arts? Then join us in bringing music, theatre, comedy and more to Malmesbury!



Malmesbury Live Arts is a volunteer-led organisation and we all give up our time to bring live arts to our town. We always need extra people to help on the door and bar, help set up, pack down, put posters up (in neighbouring villages too), etc, etc, so if you are passionate about live arts, have a few hours a month to spare, please contact us: <https://malmesbury-live-arts.org.uk/getinvolved>.

A huge and heartfelt THANK YOU to everyone who has helped so far, some of whom are pictured here!



## Save the date

Season three begins on Friday 29 September at the King's Arms, Malmesbury, with our Season Launch Party and Frankenstein's Lobster, a fab up-beat band to remind us all that the end of the summer doesn't mean the end of fun! What's more, tickets are only a fiver! Book here: <https://malmesbury-live-arts.org.uk/seasonlaunch>

Between 7.00pm and 8.00pm, you'll be able to meet the Malmesbury Live Arts team who will be on hand to talk about our events this season - we can help you pick out what you might fancy seeing or doing and you'll also be able to find out about volunteering with us. Doors for our launch gig open at 8.00pm where F'Lobsters will treat us to some ukulele rock to help us wet the head of Season Three. Expect firm favourites and a bit of a knees-up as we prepare for our biggest season yet, including 10 live music events, four comedy nights, two theatre evenings, fun for children, three jazz jams and workshops galore, as well as a new spoken word evening! Head to our website to browse and book: <https://malmesbury-live-arts.org.uk/whatson>

Finally, here are a few pics of Tankus the Henge from our last Season Finale. What a fabulous and memorable night that was. Thanks to Rupert Barker for snapping away.



## Didmarton Rural Cinema - 22 September

### What's Love got to do with it?

(2022) – Comedy, Romance

Cert: 12A – Run time: 1 hr. 49 min.

Rotten Tomatoes audience rating: 89%

Starring: Lily James, Shazad Latif, Emma Thompson

Director: Shekhar Kapur

How do you find lasting love in today's world? For documentary-maker and dating app addict Zoe (Lily James), swiping right has only delivered an endless stream of Mr. Wrongs, to her eccentric mother Cath's (Emma Thompson) dismay. For Zoe's childhood friend and neighbour Kaz (Shazad

Latif), the answer is to follow his parents' example and opt for an arranged (or 'assisted') marriage to a bright and beautiful bride from Pakistan. As Zoe films his hopeful journey from London to Lahore to marry a stranger, chosen by his parents, she begins to wonder if she might have something to learn from a profoundly different approach...

Trailer: [www.filmbankmedia.com/films/archive/details/33795-whats-love-got-to-do-with-it#/video](http://www.filmbankmedia.com/films/archive/details/33795-whats-love-got-to-do-with-it#/video)

Doors open at 6.30pm for the bar with film starting at 7.30pm

If you can let us know if you're coming beforehand it helps with chairs.

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# TETBURY GOODS SHED

## ARTS CENTRE

## Highlights for September

### Sunday 3 September Off The Rails:

Welcome to our third family festival of music! There will also be magic, fire-eaters, a Samba band and impromptu entertainment for all the family, as well as a beer tent and a craft fair. 11.00am-6.00pm. A whole day pass is £5, under 18s free.



### Friday 8 September London Haydn Quartet:

A wonderful combination of Beethoven, Mendelssohn and, of course, Haydn. 7.30pm. Tickets: £22, under 18s £15.



### Sunday 10 September Afternoon music with Laraine Levin and pupils:

A series of performances by Laraine Levin and her music students who play piano, flute and recorder, aged from seven upwards and ranging in ability level. 3.00pm-5.00pm. Tickets: £8, under 18s £5.



### Friday 22 September The Making of Lucy:

Stroud Theatre Company uncovers the story of Rodmarton Manor, which Lucy discovered when she looks into her family history. With music, songs and dialogue. 7.00pm-9.30pm. Tickets: £12, under 18s £10.



### Sunday 24 September Tetbury Origins – Family Learning Workshops and Guided Tour:

Find out about when wool was the heart of the rural economy and go on a short, guided tour. 12.30pm-3.30pm. Tickets: £12.



For further details and to book tickets, visit our website - [www.shed-arts.co.uk](http://www.shed-arts.co.uk) - where you can also find information about films, talks, exhibitions and our Wednesday afternoon concerts.



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Monthly meetings take place on the fourth Thursday of the month (10.00am- 12.00noon) at Malmesbury Town Hall. Non-members welcome. 50p donation.

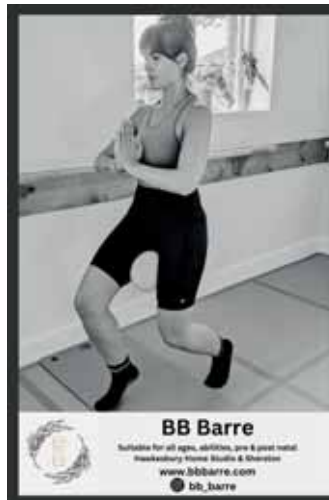
Check our website for an up-to-date list of groups and other information: [www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk). For more information e-mail [membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk)

**Thursday 28 September: Southern Reach - Al Sylvester**



This epic tale focuses on how Al led the RAF's first unsupported attempt on the geographic South Pole. He will describe how he selected and trained his team to survive in tents on Antarctica, and to ski 600 nautical miles to the bottom of the earth. Al provides a personal account of day-to-day living on the ice: of surviving on dried food, the challenges of toilet drills and of skiing in temperatures of -45 degrees!

There is little doubt that Antarctica is one of the most beautiful but most hostile locations in the world. Al will conclude his presentation by recounting the effects of frostbite and the mental resilience and determination required to recover so that he could again lead others to fulfil their dreams.



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# North Wiltshire Villages Flower Club

In August, we visited the Special Plants Nursery and Gardens at Cold Ashton - a lovely afternoon for members.

There are still spaces available for the training course on flower-arranging on four dates in September at Oaksey Village Hall.

## Dates for the diary

Wednesday 20 September: Club Annual General Meeting, plus speaker Sally Oates talking on growing cut flowers and foliage. Come along and see what is planned for the next 12 months.

Wednesday 18 October: Club competition and workshop

Wednesday 15 November: Open Meeting with Elizabeth Graham demonstrating at Malmesbury Town Hall. Not to be missed!

Please check the club's website - <https://northwiltshirevillagesflowerclub.co.uk/> - for further information. Any notifications of events from other clubs will also be posted on the website. We normally meet every third Wednesday at Crudwell Village Hall, 7.00pm for 7.30pm, unless it's an outside trip.

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# Local recycling and zero waste outlet information

## Recycling Facilities:

**Kerbside Collection** - check the Wiltshire Council website for up-to-date information of what they do and do not take

**The Household Recycling Centre** at Stanton St Quinton - take a look at their website to see what they take, you no longer need to book in advance!

### Soft plastics and batteries:

**Tesco Tetbury and Tesco Yate** - collection points available in the stores.

**Sherston Co-op** has a soft plastic collection scheme. A list of all the packaging they can accept can be found here: [www.coop.co.uk/environment/soft-plastics/packaging-list](http://www.coop.co.uk/environment/soft-plastics/packaging-list)

PLEASE ... NO compostables, NO hard plastic, NO plastic bottles and NO plastic trays and please make sure all the plastics are clean.

### Batteries/low-energy light bulbs

Sustainable Sherston Collection Point at Dog Leg House, 19a Church St. Small batteries are now part of the council's kerbside collection - place in a transparent sandwich bag on top of blue-lidded bin.

### Medicine blister packs

Unfortunately, the Superdrug/Terracycle scheme has changed and Superdrug will now only accept small amounts of medicine blister packs from individuals so Sustainable Sherston has had to close its collection scheme. Please take to Superdrug in Bath or Stroud.

### Clothes and Shoes Collection Point :

Wiltshire Air Ambulance - Sherston Village Hall Car Park

### Ink Cartridges:

Sherston High Street Telephone Box

### Dental items:

(toothbrushes, empty toothpaste tubes, electric toothbrush heads) Barley Mow Dental Practice, Malmesbury

## Zero-Waste/Eco Shops:

**The Sherston Market** on Thursdays, 10.30am-1.30pm, in front of the Village Hall - a selection of artisan stalls (including The Loaf Shack) selling meat, fish, cheese, chutneys and vegetables.

**The Loaf Shack** - a community pop-up micro bakery specialising in small batch artisan bread and baked goods which comes to Sherston every Thursday morning, 10.30am-1.30pm.

**Bennett's (Vending) Farm Shop**, Tetbury Lane, Lighterton (GL8 8UP) - a self-service retail outlet open 7 days a week 8am-7pm.

**Lucy Tom Interiors**, Noble Street, Sherston - refills of cleaning materials, beauty products, shampoo and conditioner as well as reusable water bottles, keep cups, second-hand book exchange.

**The Wild Food Company**, High Street, Malmesbury

- large selection of zero waste and plastic-free goods, liquid refills and loose dry foods, and loose milk

**The Greenshop**, Holbrook Farm, Calf Way, Stroud GL6 7BX - a whole group of businesses dedicated to providing sustainable goods and services. See [www.greenshopgroup.co.uk](http://www.greenshopgroup.co.uk)

**Loose**, 33 High Street, Stroud GL5 1BB - selling unpackaged foods and other household and personal care items in a largely plastic-free environment. Remember to take your own packaging!

**Hobb's House Bakery**, Malmesbury and Tetbury - take your own bags!

**Allington Farm Shop**, Chippenham SN14 6LJ - all manner of fruit and vegetables, butchers, deli counter and a huge set of freezers where you can scoop frozen fruit/veg/pastries/yorkshire puddings/fishcakes into your own containers/plastic bags

**Abbey Farm**, Burford Road GL7 5HF - brilliant organic farm, farm shop and cafe and a large selection of zero waste and plastic-free goods and liquid refills

## Zero Waste online services:

**Milk and More** ([www.milkandmore.co.uk](http://www.milkandmore.co.uk)) : milk, cheese, yogurt, fruit and veg boxes and zero waste groceries delivered to your door! Easy online ordering service.

**Riverford** ([www.riverford.co.uk](http://www.riverford.co.uk)) : organic fruit & veg boxes - zero waste - and lots more delivered to your door (on Wednesdays)

**Abel & Cole** ([www.abelandcole.co.uk](http://www.abelandcole.co.uk)) - organic fruit, veg, zero-waste groceries & household goods delivered to your door with very low plastic use

## Local Food Growers

**Home Farm**, Highgrove, Tetbury - veg stall and loose organic milk

**The Goods Shed**, Tetbury - locally grown veg sold on Friday mornings

**Shipton Mill Flour** - locally grown and excellent online shop [www.shipton-mill.com](http://www.shipton-mill.com)

# Groups and Regular Events in and around Sherston

## Sherston

### Regular Groups and Events in Sherston

#### Parish Council Meeting

2nd Thurs each month (except August) at 7.30pm in the village hall. Minutes of meetings can be read online at [www.sherston.org.uk](http://www.sherston.org.uk). Contact [clerk@sherston.org.uk](mailto:clerk@sherston.org.uk)

#### Weekly farmers market at Sherston Village Hall

Thurs 10.30am-1.30pm Stalls include meats, fish, cheese, sourdough and bakes, chutneys, dog treats etc.

#### Sherston Village Hall

Available for hire by all. Ideal for meetings, events, parties etc. For details contact Margot Holland 841019 [mplholland@btinternet.com](mailto:mplholland@btinternet.com)

#### Village Hall 300+ Club

For an annual subscription of £10 support the Village Hall enter to win one of the four £20 prizes awarded in 10 draws each year. Contact: Eric Meanwell (07789 280058) or Goug Wilcox (07788 558035)

#### Sherston 1016

Fundraising for local good causes and charities. Contact [sherston1016@gmail.com](mailto:sherston1016@gmail.com) or 07717 424619.

#### The Hygiene Bank

Drop-off location in The Co-Op in Sherston and The George Vets, Malmesbury. The Hygiene Bank collects donations of new and unused hygiene products for local charities e.g. women's refuges and young person's hostels [www.thehygienebank.com](http://www.thehygienebank.com).

#### Wiltshire Council Mobile Library

Every fortnight on Saturdays 10.30am – 12.45pm Sherston High Street [mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk) or visit <https://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/MobileLibrary/Library/Stop/65>

#### Link - (Malmesbury and District)

Link is a charity run by volunteers to provide transport for people living in the Malmesbury area to hospitals and other health related appointments. Volunteers always needed. Helpline: 840861 or [coordinators@malmesburylink.co.uk](mailto:coordinators@malmesburylink.co.uk)

## Children's Groups

#### Sherston Baby and Toddler Group

The group is a fun way for babies, toddlers and their parents to meet and play. Meets every Mon 10-11.30am. British School Room with toys for all stages from wrigglers to toddlers, craft activities, music. Contact [sherstonbabytoddlers@gmail.com](mailto:sherstonbabytoddlers@gmail.com) or regular updates on [www.facebook.com/sherston.toddlers](http://www.facebook.com/sherston.toddlers)

#### Sherston Brownies

Meet Weds 5.45-7pm in term time Scout Hut. All girls are welcome to join after their 7th birthday, but there is a waiting list. Visit [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk) and follow the parents link to register your interest, for all other queries contact [1stsherstonbrownies@gmail.com](mailto:1stsherstonbrownies@gmail.com)

#### 1st Sherston Guides

Meet Wed 5-6.30pm in term time - Village Hall. Girls are welcome to join after their 10th birthday, no waiting list. Visit [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://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](mailto:fi.picton@outlook.com)

#### 1st Sherston Beaver Scout Colony

Beavers is open to both girls and boys aged between 6 and 8 years old. Meet Mon 5pm to 6.15pm in term time - Scout hut. There is a waiting list for Beavers, email [join@sherstonscouts.org.uk](mailto:join@sherstonscouts.org.uk) for an application form.

#### 1st Sherston Cub Scout Pack

Open to both girls and boys aged between 8 and 10 ½ years old. Meets Fri 6.30-8pm in term times - Scout hut. There is a waiting list for Cubs, email [join@sherstonscouts.org.uk](mailto:join@sherstonscouts.org.uk) for an application form

#### 1st Sherston Scout Troop

Open to both girls and boys aged between 10½ to 14 years old. Meet on Tues 7-9pm in term times - Scout hut. There is a waiting list for Scouts, email [join@sherstonscouts.org.uk](mailto:join@sherstonscouts.org.uk) for an application form

#### 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. Meet Fri nights 8.30- 10pm in term times - Scout hut. Email [join@sherstonscouts.org.uk](mailto:join@sherstonscouts.org.uk) for an application form

## Church and Faith Groups

#### Holy Cross Church

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.

Church of the Holy Cross Coffee Shop Morning coffee every Thurs 10-12noon – small children's play area

Book the Church The church is often used for community events including concerts, lectures, exhibitions, pop-up cafes and so on. We also have groups (e.g. choirs) which use the space for rehearsals. Too book, contact the Church Warden via [sherston@gauzebrook.org](mailto:sherston@gauzebrook.org)

#### Sherston Congregational Church

Sunday Service, 9.30am except last of the month, which is a communion service at 4.30pm. All services can be joined in person in the British Scholl Room, Cliff Rd. or via Zoom. Please contact Rev Andrew who will send a Zoom link.

Bible Study or Prayer Group, alternating Mondays 7.30pm, also via Zoom. Contacts: Minister - Rev Andrew Williams Tarling - [awtcharfield@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:awtcharfield@hotmail.co.uk) or 07921 390878

#### Methodist Church

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

## Music, Culture and Social

#### Church Bell Ringing

Practices are every Wednesday 7.30 – 9 pm. Tower correspondent Graham Morris 07484 838330 or Jim Bartlett 07980 119320 or come along.

#### Sherston Community Choir

Meets at 7.30pm each Wed in term time in the British School Room on Cliff Road. £3 per session. All welcome. Contact Sheila Cutchner [sheilacutcher28@gmail.com](mailto:sheilacutcher28@gmail.com) or 840067, or on Facebook.

#### Sherston Drama Group

The Drama group puts on plays and pantomimes as well as smaller dramatic and social events in and around Sherston. If you're interested in taking part or helping out contact Katie Skeffington (Chairperson): [katie.skeffington@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:katie.skeffington@bristol.ac.uk).

#### Drawing Classes in Sherston

Classes Weds either 10am-12noon or 1.30-3.30pm British Schoolroom during term time. Contact Heather Martin [heather@geoffmartin.plus.com](mailto:heather@geoffmartin.plus.com) or phone 840375

#### 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 Tanya Burgess on 841498 or [smythtanya@hotmail.com](mailto:smythtanya@hotmail.com) or visit [www.sherstonwalks.org.uk](http://www.sherstonwalks.org.uk)

#### Sherston's Gardening Club

Meets 1st Tues each month apart from Jul & Aug, 7pm for



7.30pm start in the British School Rooms, bring and buy stall, quiz, refreshments, £15pa £25 joint, under 18s free. Contact [sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com](mailto:sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com) for more details.

### **Sherston Probus Club**

Meets first Mon each month at 11am at the Rattlebone for interesting talks followed by lunch with 30 retired business and professional men in Sherston and the surrounding villages. Contact Secretary Alan Pugh [pughaandg@btinternet.com](mailto:pughaandg@btinternet.com)

### **Senior Club**

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

### **Sherston Sewing School**

Beginners' Sessions in the British School Room on the 2nd Sat of each month, 10am-4pm £65 per day Phone Goug Wilcox on 07788 558035

### **Sherston Theatre Club**

Excursions with a Sherston High Street-to-venue return coach service. Annual fee £20. <https://sherstontheatreclub.co.uk> or contact Helen Quirk on 840516 or [helenandjim@thequirks.plus.com](mailto:helenandjim@thequirks.plus.com)

## **Fitness**

### **Exercise for over 60s with Synchronicity**

Exercise and Movement for over 60's on Wed 10am Sherston Village Hall. All abilities, men and women. No exercises performed lying on the floor. First class always FREE. Contact Emma to reserve a place 07843 256081, [emmacopec@synchronicity.me.uk](mailto:emmacopec@synchronicity.me.uk), FB: @exercise60plus.

### **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](http://www.pulse4life.co.uk) Stuart 07986 003602 or [stuart@pulse4life.co.uk](mailto:stuart@pulse4life.co.uk)

### **Sherston Nordic Walking classes**

A gentle full-body workout, accessible for people of all ages and abilities. Contact Kate 07792 064438 or [katemchardy@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:katemchardy@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Sherston Pilates**

Daytime and evening classes held in the village hall. Run by Saara Sharman, Chartered Physiotherapist. All ages and abilities welcome. Contact Saara on 07739 552336 or [sherstonpilates@gmail.com](mailto:sherstonpilates@gmail.com)

### **Ashtanga Yoga class**

A strong flowing practice for mind and body (beginners to advanced) Fri 10.30-11.45am Sherston village hall. Contact Stuart 07986 003602 [stuart@pulse4life.co.uk](mailto:stuart@pulse4life.co.uk) or [www.pulse4life.co.uk](http://www.pulse4life.co.uk)

### **Hatha yoga class**

Small breath driven relaxing Hatha yoga class Tues 6.45-8am and Wed 6-7.15pm. Support for anxiety, depression and quitting smoking offered. Please contact Russ on 07710 170081 or [russellhtownsend@gmail.com](mailto:russellhtownsend@gmail.com)

### **Yoga for All**

Mon evenings 7.30pm to 8.45pm in the village hall. Drop in rate £8 educing to £7 if you take up the course. More details contact 07779 600786 after 6pm or leave a message.

### **BB Barre**

Barre fitness classes at Sherston Village Hall & Hawkesbury Home Studio. Full weekly timetable across most days. Suitable for all ages, and abilities, pre & post-natal. Visit <https://www.bbbarre.com> or @bb\_barre on Instagram.

## **Sports**

### **Sherston Badminton and Table Tennis Club**

Play every Tues evening from 7.30-9.30pm 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](mailto:djboyle@hotmail.com)

### **Rattlebone Boules League**

48 teams playing in 3 Leagues weekday evenings at the Rattlebone's boules pistes Apr – Aug. Contact Graham Hayman [Grahamandgail@btinternet.com](mailto:Grahamandgail@btinternet.com)

### **Sherston Magna Cricket Club**

See website / facebook for fixtures. If you'd like to get involved with local cricket please email [cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk](mailto:cricket@sherstonmagnacc.co.uk) or visit the website <https://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk>

### **Sherston Velo Cycling Club**

Rides and social events for cyclists of all experience levels from beginner to advanced, including families. Regular road, gravel, MTB and virtual rides. Regular ride timetable: Tues- Castle Combe circuit (in season) or Zwift racing Thurs Gravel ride or chain gang (alternate weeks, in season) or Zwift/ RGT social ride (winter months only) Sat- Club A, B and cafe rides starting from 8am.Sun- Group ride, cafe ride and beginner rides. More info [sherstonvelo.cc](http://sherstonvelo.cc) or email [secretary@sherstonvelo.cc](mailto:secretary@sherstonvelo.cc)

### **Sherston Town FC**

The First team plays in the 2nd Division of the Stroud & District Football League, the Second team plays in the 5th Division at Knockdown Park on alternate Sat afternoons at 2.30pm. Sherston Veterans play on Sun mornings. Spectators and new players welcome. Please check socials or contact [sherstontownfootballclub@gmail.com](mailto:sherstontownfootballclub@gmail.com) or 07771 515489.

### **Sherston Netball Club**

Training every Thurs at SWR School Tetbury, between 7-8.30pm. All ages and abilities welcome. £3 per session. Contact Lauren (07885 597429), Saara (07739 552336) or Kate (07792 064438).

### **Sherston Short Mat Bowls**

Meet every Thurs 2.30-4.30pm & 7.30 – 9.30pm Village Hall. Bring flat shoes, we have the woods. Contact Tony Weedon 841377 or Anne Andrews 840941

### **Sherston Tennis Courts**

The courts are available to the village at no charge, at own risk. The courts can be slippery when wet. Please look after the courts and nets, take away any rubbish. A men's match team will have priority on Wed evenings over the spring and summer. Knockdown Road, next to the football pitch.

## **Outside Sherston in brief**

### **Luckington Mobile -PO Service**

outside The Old Royal Ship (SN14 6PA) each Wed from 1.30-2.30pm

### **Malmesbury Area Board Meeting**

see [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/areaboards)

### **Malmesbury Concert Band**

[www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk)

### **Malmesbury Community Choir**

[www.malmesburycommunitychoir.org](http://www.malmesburycommunitychoir.org) or [www.facebook.com/MalmesburyCommunityChoir](https://www.facebook.com/MalmesburyCommunityChoir).

### **Malmesbury Morris**

[www.facebook.com/malmesburymorris](https://www.facebook.com/malmesburymorris)  
[www.malmesburymorris.org.uk](http://www.malmesburymorris.org.uk)

### **Malmesbury Singers**

[www.malmesburysingers.co.uk](http://www.malmesburysingers.co.uk)

### **Malmesbury Film Society**

[www.malmesburyfilmsociety.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyfilmsociety.org.uk)

### **Tetbury Art Society**

<http://tetburyartsociety.org.uk>

*If you run a club, society or organisation in Sherston that holds regular events such as the above and wishes to be listed, please supply your details and we will add them to the Regular events list. If you have a particular event then please write a short piece about it and we can include it as an article and put the details in the What's On list for that month.*

# WHAT'S ON

Check in the main section of the Cliffhanger, their website / facebook/ contact details for dates and times.

## Weekly market at Sherston Village Hall

Every Thurs 10.30am-1.30pm Stalls include locally produced meats, cheese, Home Farm veg, sourdough and bakes etc. Organised by Holly from The Loaf Shack Bakery [theloafshackbakery@gmail.com](mailto:theloafshackbakery@gmail.com)

## The Angel Café with Rooms

Hot and cold drinks, breakfast, brunch, lunch and freshly made cakes daily 8am – 5pm summer (8am to 4pm winter), takeaways and bike parking in courtyard, accessed via Cliff Road (the gate is by the big red refuse bin). [www.angel-sherston.co.uk/menu](http://www.angel-sherston.co.uk/menu) and rooms [www.angel-sherston.co.uk/your-booking](http://www.angel-sherston.co.uk/your-booking) or 841627 for more details.

## The Bridge Restaurant

Indian cuisine to eat in or take away daily from 5pm-10pm on the site of The Carps. Call 840665 or [info@thebridge.restaurant](mailto:info@thebridge.restaurant) [www.thebridge.restaurant/sherston/](http://www.thebridge.restaurant/sherston/)

## The Rattlebone Inn

Indoor & outdoor dining with delicious country cuisine restaurant menu and pizzas from the wood fired oven at weekends. Quiz & Burger Night Quiz starts at 8pm Mon  
Check boards for more details, 840871, Twitter or visit [www.therattlebone.co.uk](http://www.therattlebone.co.uk)

## The Courtyard Café @ Lucy Tom's

Illy coffee, tea and herbal infusions and homemade cakes in Tucks Yard with covered seating – takeaways available. Bicycle parking. 841433 or <https://lucytom.com>

## Wiltshire Council Mobile Library

In Sherston Every fortnight on Saturdays 10.30am – 12.45pm  
Sherston High Street For further details call [clerk@sherston.org.uk](mailto:clerk@sherston.org.uk) or [mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk) or visit <https://services.wiltshire.gov.uk/MobileLibrary/Library/Stop/65>

## Events at the Church of the Holy Cross

Church of the Holy Cross Coffee Shop  
Tea, coffee, cake and biscuits, every Thurs 10am-12 noon. There is a play area for small children – proceeds to the Church upkeep

## Sherston Congregational Church – Activities in The British Schoolroom

Brick Club: 3.30-5pm every Thursday during term time. Free entry. All are welcome

Toddlers Club 10– 11.30am every Mon including holidays and half terms except Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

Admin/Bookings - Alicja Clark - [alicjaclark076@Qmail.com](mailto:alicjaclark076@Qmail.com) Brick Club - Please register your interest with Alicja by email or find us on Facebook.

## Churches Together 'Warm Space Initiative'

The Congregational Church, Methodist Church and Holy Cross Church invite people to join together on the first Monday of each month. It is a joint initiative, and everyone is welcome. No charge nor booking. Soup bread, pudding, cake and coffee will be served as well as companionship. 12 till 2pm in the British School Room and each month will support a different charity. Lifts are available on request.

For further information: Candi Williams Tarling, Revd Janet Evans, Revd Susan Harvey 840 696

## Sherston Drama Group Pantomime

Panto performances will take place in Sherston Village Hall in Oct half term  
email [katie.skeffington@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:katie.skeffington@bristol.ac.uk)

## Sherston's Gardening Club

Bring and buy stall, quiz, refreshments, first Tuesday of each month, British School Room, doors open at 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. £15pa £25 joint, under 18s free. Connections to: Our Church garden, Sustainable Sherston and Sherston Allotments.  
[sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com](mailto:sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com) for more details.

## Sherston Magna Cricket Club

Currently run an All Stars programme, have a thriving Junior Section with U9s, U11s and U13s teams, a Saturday League side, a Sunday friendly side and a new women's and girls' section <https://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk>

## Sherston Apple Day date!

Sat 7 Oct, 10am-2pm, Sherston Village Hall and Field. Free entry! A proper village day out with apple-pressing demos on our small and larger presses. Plus local producers - and apple-themed games and refreshments from the Friends of Sherston School in the main hall. Bring your bottles and fill up with fresh apple juice

straight from the press! Pasteurised, bottled Sherston apple juice will also be on sale on the day. Pasteurised juice lasts at least a whole year and can make a great mulled drink for the winter. If you have an apple tree with ripe September apples, please bring your surplus (ideally, in good condition) in bags to the VH on Sun 1 Oct

### **Sherston Arts Festival 2023**

The Festival runs from 3 to 12 Nov including two main events, the Blaenavon Male Voice Choir on 4 Nov in the church and the Packhorse Ceilidh Band on the 11th in the Village Hall.

At the heart of the Festival is the Art Exhibition which runs every day in the church, starting with the preview evening on Fri 3 Nov. Anyone is welcome to submit up to 5 works which must be 2D and be framed or appropriately presented. We include work by professional and amateur artists, who come from the local area or have a Sherston connection. Please see website for more details [www.sherstonartsfestival.com](http://www.sherstonartsfestival.com)

**Scarecrow Trail – Theme: Toys, Books and Games –** and **Wiltshire Scrapstore workshop** on Sat 14 Oct at the Village Hall (1.30pm-4.30pm, £15 per group). All your material will be provided and you can build a scarecrow in an afternoon. It's great fun for all the family! Only 15 spaces available email asap to reserve your place: Kirsty.strachan@icloud.com

#### **Packhorse Ceilidh Band**

Save the date! Sat 11 Nov. Sherston Arts Festival is delighted to have the Packhorse Ceilidh Band back in the village hall for a brilliant evening of barn dancing to live music. More details [www.thepackhorseband.co.uk](http://www.thepackhorseband.co.uk)  
Children's Art Exhibition is in the British School Room 11 & 12 Nov

### **Knockdown**

The Holford Arms -

<https://theholfordarms.com> or call 01454 238669

### **Luckington**

The Old Royal Ship -

[www.oldroyalship.co.uk](http://www.oldroyalship.co.uk) or 840222

### **Westonbirt**

The Arboretum

[www.forestryengland.uk/westonbirt](http://www.forestryengland.uk/westonbirt)

### **Malmesbury**

**Athelstan Museum**

Talks and Exhibitions

[www.athelstanmuseum.org.uk](http://www.athelstanmuseum.org.uk)

### **Movies@Malmesbury**

Movies@Malmesbury is run entirely by volunteers with new tiered seating in the Town Hall or Facebook page: [MoviesatMalmesbury](https://www.facebook.com/MoviesatMalmesbury) or [www.malmesbury.gov.uk/cinema.html](http://www.malmesbury.gov.uk/cinema.html) for schedules, synopses, trailers etc.

### **Malmesbury Artisan and Farmers' Market**

Market Cross every Fri from 9am to 3pm with an enticing array of local, fresh and organic produce

### **Malmesbury Live Arts**

Comedy and music each month:

[www.malmesbury-live-arts.org.uk/whatson](http://www.malmesbury-live-arts.org.uk/whatson)

### **The Big Malmesbury Craft Fair**

Last Sat every month 11am-3pm - meet unique creatives, creators, makers, designers, producers and bakers. The Hub [www.facebook.com/TheBigMalmesburyCraftFair/](https://www.facebook.com/TheBigMalmesburyCraftFair/)

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Reading group meets 3rd Wed each month

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The Summer Reading Challenge for 4-11 year-olds takes place in all libraries from 16 July – 10 September. The Library offers free wifi, computer and scanner access, daily newspapers to read in the library, plus printing for a small charge, as well as latest bestselling fiction and a wide range of books to borrow. [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/libraries) or follow Malmesbury Library on Facebook.

## Malmesbury & District u3a

Southern Reach - Al Sylvester (South Pole explorer) Thurs 28 Sept

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[www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk)

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### Tetbury Music Festival – 20th anniversary season

23 Sep – 1 Oct Festival Patron: HRH King Charles III [www.tetburymusicfestival.org/](http://www.tetburymusicfestival.org/)

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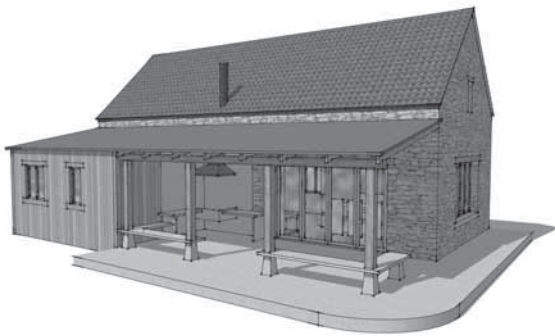
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### Sherston Emergency Response Coordinator

[emergency@sherston.org.uk](mailto:emergency@sherston.org.uk) (only during an incident)

### Wiltshire Council

Highways, Social Care, Emergency Transport

24hr telephone contact: 0300 456 0100

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### Useful Information

Wiltshire Council Online Gritting routes

[www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/gritting.htm](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/parkingtransportandstreets/roadshighwaysstreetcare/gritting.htm)

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### WATER – Bristol Water

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