



# THE SHERSTON CLIFFHANGER



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## Come to Apple Day!



Sustainable Sherston is hosting its fourth Apple Day, celebrating local produce, on Sunday 6 October (10.00am-3.00pm, Sherston Village Hall) celebrating local produce.

The Friends of Sherston School will be in the big hall, with apple-themed games and face-painting for children. Meanwhile, in the field (or under cover in rainy weather) will be our local food producers, who are all helping towards our net-zero carbon journey, whether by farming regeneratively, producing locally or offering organic, unprocessed foods. Each of them helps to reduce our carbon footprint. As well as offering food for sale, they will all be happy to talk about their businesses and explain how they are run. There will be fruit and veg, honey, meat from Luckington Farm, cheese - and even olive oil tastings.

### Bring your apples

Apple Day is a celebration of our local apple harvest. Please bring your local surplus apples and add them to the apple bag (between the village hall and the wooden shed on the left) any time from now up until Apple Day. The best apple juice is made from an even mix of eaters and cooking apples. So bring whichever apples you have (in good condition please) and we will mix them up for pressing.

On the day, we will be apple pressing, using our large 'cheese press' and our smaller 'demo' press - with free juice tastings. There will be bottles of filtered, pasteurised local juice on sale which will last more than a year unopened!

This year - for Apple Day only - we have a special offer on the juice: : four bottles for just £10. Or: one bottle for £3.50, two for £6.

We look forward to seeing you all on Apple Day! Any queries, please call Eleanor Lines on 840369.



It's panto time! Oh yes it is!! Sherston Drama Group is excited to perform Alice in Wonderland, a brand new script by Ben Crocker. A normal day takes a surprising turn for Alice when she falls down a rabbit hole, finding herself surrounded by absurd characters and in charge of a mission to save Wonderland from the evil Wrong Red Queen. Join Alice as she attends a mad tea party, bakes tarts with the help of a flamingo, takes a flight in a teapot, encounters a Jabberwock and tries to evade capture by the Wrong Red Queen and her gang of evil rabbits. Hilarious fun and adventures suitable for all ages!

Performances will take place every evening from Wednesday 30 October to Saturday 2 November at 7.30pm in Sherston Village Hall, as well as a matinee at 2.30pm on the Saturday. Tickets (£10/£8.50 concessions) are now available from Sherston Co-op (cash or cheque) or on TicketSource (ticketsource.co.uk/sherston-drama-group, booking fee applies).

## Bulbs and Plants for Sale



Come along to Holy Cross Church for all your bulbs and plants! Good-value bulbs (including 'pick & mix' tulips) will be for sale on Thursday 3 October and Monday 7 October in the church porch from 10.00am until 12.00noon, while plants will be for sale outside the church from Thursday 3 October to Sunday 6 October.



## Parish Council Notices



### Parish Council Meeting

Our next meeting is on Thursday 10 October at the village hall.

Everyone's welcome to attend - you will have the opportunity to raise questions and pass comment.

If you're unable to attend but have something to raise, please email [clerk@sherston.org.uk](mailto:clerk@sherston.org.uk).

### Changes at the Parish Council

Andy Tremellen has stepped down from his position of Vice Chairman, but remains a Councillor on the Parish Council.

Martin Smith was elected Vice Chairman for Sherston Parish Council at the September meeting.

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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.

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## Season Launch - Gloryhole Comedy Club

Friday 11 October

The Kings Arms, Malmesbury

Doors: 8.00pm



We're back for our fourth season and how better to open it than with our ever-popular Gloryhole Comedy Club. We'll be revealing the line-up for the night very soon but meanwhile book ahead to avoid disappointment. Expect four brilliant acts and a compère for our usual three hours of fun and frivolity chez Gloryhole!

Tickets: £12 available from [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/season-launch-gloryhole-comedy-club-presents-tickets-1001246815177](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/season-launch-gloryhole-comedy-club-presents-tickets-1001246815177)

## Sherston Senior Club

In August, we had a very pleasant outing to Clevedon. It was a breezy day but thankfully did not rain once we arrived. Members were given the option of exploring the town or taking in the pier and seafront. The walk on the pier certainly blew the cobwebs away and was very interesting in that some members were taken beneath the glass café to see the huge porthole that shows all the underpinnings of the pier.

At our next meeting, we were entertained by the 'End of the Track' singing group. Lots of memories were triggered by the group and information exchanged about the music of the Sixties, it was a very jolly afternoon. Following this, we held our Harvest Auction on 17 September.

### Looking forward

We meet fortnightly on Tuesdays; on 1 October, we'll have a talk on 'Survivors of the Titanic'; on 15 October, Anne Prece singers will be entertaining us; and on 29 October, Tracey Corderoy, author and guide to Highgrove gardens, will be talking to us.

Visitors are always welcome for just £2, including refreshments. Meetings take place in the British School Room, Cliff Road, at 2.30pm (until the clocks change, then it will be 2.00pm). For further information regarding the club, please contact Helen Quirk on 840516.

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# Fairy Tale Ceilidh - A Fantastical Dance Party



The Fairy Tale Ceilidh is a fantastical dance party cum theatre show, coming to Sherston Village Hall on Friday 18 October at 7.30pm. The evening combines the delight of listening to a good story with the laughter and mayhem of a barn dance.

Over the course of the evening, international storyteller and ceilidh caller Hannah Moore tells one of the wondrous Grimm's fairy tales. With the accompaniment of live music, Hannah weaves country dances into the telling, guiding the audience in and out of chances to dance as they help bring the story to life by galloping down the middle and swinging their partner from this world into the magical fairy world. You will dance as characters, fantastical creatures, magical spells and mythical journeys. The dances are simple and fun for all ages and abilities.

Come and listen to a captivating story, be transported to another realm and find your feet moving to the wild music, as the story invites you to circle and spin ...

You can come and just listen, or join in and dance every dance!

No dance experience or partner necessary - everything is explained.

Whether you love an evening out at the theatre or a concert or a party, the Fairy Tale Ceilidh has something for everyone! Suitable for ages 8+

*Come into the forest and stray from the path,*

*There are wonders and secrets hid deep in its heart,*

*Music to snatch your feet swift into dance,*

*And words to bewitch you given half a chance ...*

Tickets: £12 adult, £6 child, £30 family ( 2 adults, 2 children). Available from [www.poundarts.org.uk](http://www.poundarts.org.uk) (or can be purchased on the door - cash only please).

## Donate your marvellous medlars for a bee-riliant cause!



This autumn, as part of its commitment to be environmentally friendly, local condiment-maker, Tricklements, is calling for the community to donate their unwanted medlar fruit. Tricklements turns this peculiar fruit into its delightful Aromatic Medlar Jelly, with 50p from the sale of each jar going towards helping the bees: 25p goes towards purchasing bee-friendly medlar trees, which blossom later in the year after other blossoms have faded, providing an invaluable source of pollen; and 25p is donated to the British Beekeepers' Association, a charity committed to promoting the importance of and protecting the British honeybee.

Now in its 14th year, the project has helped plant

almost 200 beautiful bee-friendly medlar trees across Britain and has contributed to Tricklements donating thousands of pounds to the British Beekeepers' Association, £3,000 last year alone!

If you have any medlars and you'd like to donate to a bee-riliant cause, all you need to do is drop them off at Tricklements HQ in Easton Grey (SN16 0RD) from Tuesday 1 October until Friday 29 November. For full details on the project and on how to win a tree, visit [www.tricklements.co.uk](http://www.tricklements.co.uk).

No medlars? No worries! You can still support the project by purchasing a jar of this sweet, aromatic jelly, just in time to enjoy with warming roasts and cheeseboards!





# School Days - news from Sherston Primary School

## Welcome to Sherston Primary School!



We are thrilled to welcome 22 new Reception children this year, along with four children who have joined us further up the school. It's an exciting time for Sherston as we embark on a new academic journey together. We look forward to all the learning, growth and adventures that lie ahead for each of our pupils.

At Sherston, we believe every child brings something unique to our school community, and we can't wait to see how each one will flourish in the year to come. We're confident that this year will be full of exciting challenges, creative discoveries and memorable experiences for all.

### School Performance

While we believe in more than just academic results here at Sherston, it would be remiss of us not to mention our incredible academic results from last year. Across the entire school, we are operating above national standards, including 100% of the children passing the Year 1 phonics screening check and 90% of our Reception children achieving a 'Good Level of Development'. Our Year 6 'Class of 2024' also achieved fantastic academic results in their SATs including 100% of the class reaching at least the national standard in maths. This is truly remarkable, and I would like to thank the children, parents, and staff for their hard work. More detailed school performance data can be found on our website ([www.sherstonprimary.co.uk](http://www.sherstonprimary.co.uk)).



### Reception 2025 Open Day

If you are a prospective parent, come and see our incredible Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) space during our Reception 2025 Open Day on Tuesday 26 November from 1.30pm to 3.00pm. Our dedicated EYFS area is a vibrant and nurturing environment where children can explore, learn and grow at their own pace, supported by our fantastic team. It's a place where young minds are free to be curious, build friendships and start their educational journey in a setting designed just for them. If you would like to book your place or a one-to-one tour with Mr Towers, please contact the school office: [admin@sherston.wilts.sch.uk](mailto:admin@sherston.wilts.sch.uk)





## Sherston Living Churchyard

As we are in the process of cutting back grass that has been allowed to grow long to help wildlife – as well as the areas we have not had the resources to mow more often this summer – it's a good time to think about a possible unintended side effect. Hedgehogs love these untended areas but, unlike other animals, they don't run away at the sound of an approaching mower. They are well known for curling up into a defensive ball when threatened and sadly this means that they can hide unseen in long grass and be killed. Many of you may have left wild areas in your gardens in support of wildlife so, when you clear them for the winter, do check carefully first that there isn't a hedgehog in there. In the churchyard, we also find slow-worms in the grass, although they will make off with enough noise to alert them to approaching danger. Both these creatures are under threat from loss of habitat; our gardens and countryside have become hostile to them. We can all help them to make a comeback and the information from our friends at Greening Tetbury gives you some ideas about how you can help (see below).



If all has gone according to plan, by the time you read this, we should have had two full-day visits from the Community Payback Team in September and you should see a lot more grass clearance!

Our next volunteer work session will take place on Saturday 5 October, starting at the slightly earlier time of 9.30am - but do come along at any time before midday. As usual, this will be part of the GrowGreener@Holy Cross days, with the EcoCafé on Thursday 3 October, and plant and bulb sales from then until the end of the weekend (see page one). We hope you will be able to join us to see what is going on and to help with work in the churchyard if you can.

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## Protect What You Love



This October, get out in the natural world and do something amazing to protect it by joining Greenpeace's 25-Mile Challenge. I will mainly be walking with my dog, Ben, at Westonbirt, but my final miles will be at the March for Clean Water on 26 October in London (supported by River Action, Surfers Against Sewage, Greenpeace, National Trust, RSPB, the WI, CPRE, WWF, the Wildlife Trusts and many more).

My main aim is to spread the message 'Protect what you Love' rather than raise money, but if you would like to support me visit [challenges-greenpeace.org.uk/fundraisers/patriciaclawrence](http://challenges-greenpeace.org.uk/fundraisers/patriciaclawrence) or maybe sign up yourself and/or join the Sustainable Sherston team at the March for Clean Water on 26 October. Contact me, Tricia Lawrence, for more details via email at [pjlawrence46@gmail.com](mailto:pjlawrence46@gmail.com) or Martin Smith at [martin.fausing.smith@gmail.com](mailto:martin.fausing.smith@gmail.com).



# Mini Makeover for Sherston Scout Hut

Funded by  
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Having repainted the main hall last year, we have continued to make improvements to Sherston Scout Hut.

Earlier in the year, we repaired the leaking roof and replaced the gutters and, thanks to funding from Wiltshire Council, over the summer, the lights and fuseboards were replaced and heaters were installed in the bathroom and kitchen.

Not only will this help us to be more energy efficient and reduce our running costs, but it also makes the Scout Hut a much more pleasant place for our Beavers, Cubs and Scouts and anyone else who would like to use it!

The Scout Hut is available for hire and, with its ample size, proximity to the park and parking, is a great venue for groups and private hire.

If you would like to enquire about hiring the Scout Hut, please email [join@sherstonscouts.org.uk](mailto:join@sherstonscouts.org.uk). You can also use this email address should you want your child to join the waiting list for Beavers, Cubs or Scouts, or would like to volunteer to help in any way with these groups or with the running of the Scout Hut.

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# Flu and Covid Clinics at The Tolsey



Just a reminder that our flu and Covid clinics are starting again at The Tolsey. Did you know that our surgery must order our vaccines a year in advance based on the number of likely eligible patients and how many we think will turn up and have the vaccine?

Please don't think that you are helping the surgery by having your flu jab at a local pharmacy. If you are eligible but don't book your vaccine at the surgery, valuable vaccines will be wasted which is both environmentally unfriendly and a waste of practice resources.

If you would like to book your vaccine, please contact the surgery.

# Yak & Yarn Christmas Fair: Book your table!

The Yak & Yarn Christmas Fair will take place on Saturday 30 November from 1.00pm to 4.00pm at the British School Room. To book a table (£10 plus a donation to the raffle), please contact Candi Williams Tarling at [cwilliamstarling@gmail.com](mailto:cwilliamstarling@gmail.com).



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## SHERSTON GARDENING CLUB

**Next Meeting: Tuesday 1 October. Speaker: Rachel Golding Barrett of the Tetbury Flower Company.**

### Cuttings

Last month, for our first meeting back after a leave of absence in August, we enjoyed an inspiring talk by Rachael Emous-Austin, co-owner of Austin Design Works in Nailsworth. Rachael explained her approach to landscape design and shared lots of colourful slides of clients' gardens. Plenty of inspiration and useful tips for us all, regardless of the size of our outdoor space ...

Later in September, there was a jolly coach trip to stunning Waterperry Gardens near Oxford. The massive herbaceous borders were a riot of early autumn tints whilst shady river walks and subtle colours in the Silent Garden afforded contrast. Starting and finishing with a visit to the café further enhanced the experience for many!

We're delighted that Rachel Golding Barrett is our guest speaker on Tuesday 1 October. As many people in Sherston know, Rachel is a local girl who has made a giant career leap from management consultancy to the cut-flower trade. In her delightful walled garden in Sopworth, she



*Rachel at work in her dahlia cutting garden*

grows tulips, dahlias and a variety of seasonal flowers from seeds and cuttings, all started in her small nursery. It is a fantastic achievement in under two years and it will be fascinating to hear how she's done it.

### Clippings

Club meetings take place on the first Tuesday of each month at the British School Room, Cliff Road, 7.00pm for 7.30pm start. Plant ID, plant sales, raffle, gardeners' question time, jobs in the garden for the month and friendly chat over homemade refreshments. New members are always welcome. Cost is £15 single, £25 joint, U18s free. We communicate with members via a monthly newsletter, on the sherston.net website and on our SGC Facebook page. Our Secretary can be contacted at sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com

### Community

Hundreds of daffodil and tulip bulbs have been ordered and will brighten the troughs and entry gates next spring. Anyone who would like to help us with the planting will be warmly welcomed!

### Calendar for the rest of 2024

Tue 5 November 'Winning on my Allotment' with Sally Oates

Tue 3 December 'The Victorian Gardener' (with Christmas theme) with Francis Burroughes

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# Is five the magic number?

Sherston Advent House started off as a 2020 lockdown project and, since then, has snowballed into a lovely Sherston tradition. Lots of people have been asking if the Sherston Arts Festival can help organise the trail again. Absolutely - if we have enough interest and people fancy creating a window or garden - we can put a map together for Sherston's fifth Advent House! If you would like this event to go ahead, we need you to sign up - if you have never taken part before, this might be the year to give it a go!

As a quick recap, it's like an advent calendar but for houses. You decorate a window (or windows) or a garden with a Christmas theme and make it look all sparkly! Each night from 1 December, a house (or a few houses if we get lots of takers) lights up their numbered scene until 23 December when everything is lit and we can take a stroll around our magical village for the full Sherston Advent House trail. Number 24 will be at Holy Cross Church.

The windows/gardens don't need to be complicated and, as many of us will be putting up fairy lights anyway, adding a few festive decorations to your house would be easy. You can even do the same as last year!



Simple is beautiful too but here are some ideas for you if you would like to add a bit of fun ... get the toys out and create a little scene, mess about with tissue paper and make a picture in your window or add some extra sparkle to your garden with baubles from trees. From ginormous gnomes to a



festive Kermit and Miss Piggy, it's always fun to see what Sherston creates! Taking part is the key - every window is special - and the more, the merrier. You only have to light up on your night or, if you fancy keeping them switched on every night, that's fine too!

Please email [kirsty.strachan@icloud.com](mailto:kirsty.strachan@icloud.com) with a 'Yes, I'm in' along with your address to sign up so we know the idea can go ahead again and we can get you on the map. Last entry date will be Friday 1 November! (But please email ASAP so we can start getting organised). We had over 70 houses and businesses take part last year - bringing a little Sherston community magic to December - and we would love as many houses as possible to take part this year!

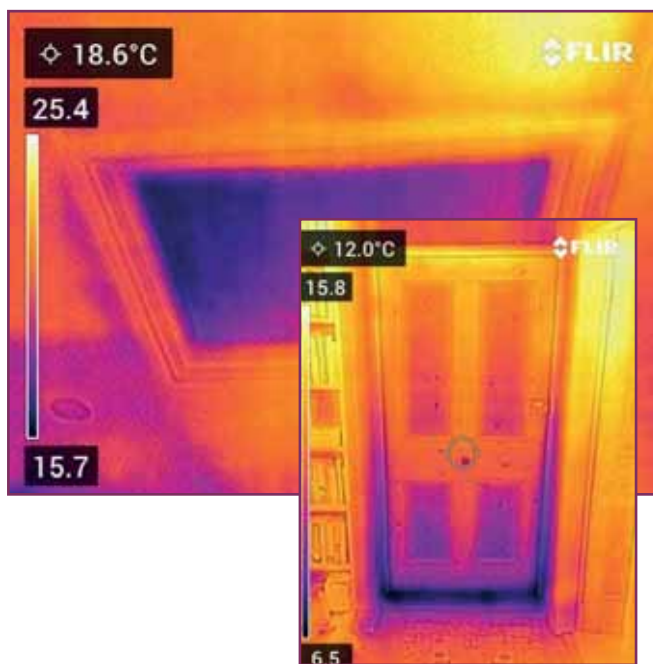




# Stay warm and cosy this winter!



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# Sherston Churches Together Christmas Lunch



On 25 December, we will be hosting a Christmas lunch in the Congregational Church. In preparation for it, we would like to put together a list of people who want to help and how that will look in the lead-up, planning and on the day.

We are holding a meeting at 4.00pm on Sunday 20 October in the Congregational Church. If you are not able to attend and would like to help or if you would like more information beforehand, please contact Candi Williams Tarling at cwilliamstarling@gmail.com or Susan Harvey.

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# HD Dance Studios Expands to Alderton!

HD Dance Studios has opened its doors in Alderton's village hall, providing a warm and welcoming space for primary school-aged children.

The ballet classes promote imagination and cognitive development through the use of props and music, allowing students to fully immerse themselves in the art of dance.

Harriet Dyke, founder of HD Dance Studios

in Bromham, Wiltshire, has strong family ties to Alderton. So when the opportunity arose to open a branch there, she was excited to bring her passion for dance to the local community.

Ballet classes are held every Friday afternoon, starting at 3.45pm. For more information, please contact Harriet on 07810 864162 or email [hd\\_dance@outlook.com](mailto:hd_dance@outlook.com)



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# Didmarton Rural Cinema: Friday 11 October

**Baltimore (2024)**

Cert: 15. Run time: 97mins

Starring: Lewis Brophy, Jack Meade, Imogen Poots, Tom Vaughan-Lawlor

Director: Joe Lawlor, Christine Molloy

Based on the infamous true story of an English heiress who became a revolutionary. Debutante Rose Dugdale (Imogen Poots) enjoys a life of wealth and privilege, but her rebellious nature soon leads her down a militant path. Amongst the political turmoil of the 1970s, her sympathy towards the IRA's conflict evolves into radicalisation, culminating in an armed raid on an Irish estate with three comrades. However, when her simple heist takes a violent turn, is Rose prepared to face the devastating consequences?

Doors open at 6.30pm for the bar, with the film starting at 7.30pm. If you can let us know that you're coming beforehand, as it helps with chairs if we know numbers.

Apologies for the card machine not working last Friday - we will try to fix it for next time!

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## Malmesbury & District u3a

We will be holding an Open Morning for prospective new members on Saturday 5 October at The Hub (formerly The School Room) at Malmesbury Town Hall, 9.30am-12.30pm. Do come along for a chance to find out more, meet the various interest group leaders and existing members.

Details of our next guest speakers and the talks they will give are below:

**Thursday 24 October - Stewart Linford - The remarkable story of our National chair 'The Windsor'**

Stewart is a chairmaker and has created chairs to celebrate great British heroes. He made a limited edition Churchill Chair in beautiful walnut wood, one of which he brought along to one of our meetings last year. In this talk, Ian will tell us the remarkable story of this, our national chair.

**Thursday 28 November - Sara Gray - The extraordinary very early history of the Theatre Royal Bristol**

Known to us now as the Bristol Old Vic, of course, Sara will talk to us about its highs and lows and its heroes and villains. From a riot at the 'hut on Brandon Hill', a secret door, predictions of idleness and debauchery, illegal performances, a gatecrashed funeral and perceived insult to the American president, to its stars who took Bristol by storm – and an elephant. And this is just the first 50 years!

Sara is a former primary school teacher, nearly retired drama teacher and life-long theatre addict. She taught in an interesting part of Bristol for several years and has always been fascinated by the city's theatre history. Preparing this talk was a great opportunity to delve further and discover more.

## 300+ Club

Thanks for your continued support....

September draw: £50 326 Paul Robbins, £30 136 Caty Tappin, £20 273 Ian Callow

The contribution of the 300+ Club is vital to the running of the Sherston Village Hall in helping to pay the monthly bills. Half the money collected has to be returned as prizes. Contributions from all in the village is really needed to keep the Hall running.



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For help/queries contact Mike Tarrant (07790 593058)

Thank you for your continued support.



# 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

**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 make sure all the plastics are clean.

### Batteries

Batteries are collected by Wiltshire Council with its kerbside recycling, placed in a sandwich bag on top of the blue-lidded bin. Batteries are no longer collected by Sustainable Sherston in the village.

### Low-energy light bulbs

Sherston High Street telephone box. Please no candescent or halogen light bulbs.

### Medicine blister packs

Small quantities only can be taken to Superdrug in Bath or Stroud.

### Clothes and Shoes Collection Point

Collection points at Sherston Primary School car park to fundraise for the school and Sherston Village Hall car park in aid of Wiltshire Ambulance.

**Ink Cartridges** Sherston High Street Telephone Box

## Zero-Waste/Eco Shops

**The Sherston Market** on Thursdays, 10.30am-1pm, in front of the Village Hall - a selection of artisan stalls (including The Loaf Shack) selling bread, meat, fish, cheese, honey, chutneys, vegetables and small plants.

**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-1pm.

**Bennett's Farm Shop**, Tetbury Lane, Leighterton (GL8 8UP) - a self-service retail outlet open 7 days a week 8am-6pm.

**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 oat 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!

**Hobbs House Bakery**, Tetbury - semi-skimmed milk (loose), take your own 1litre glass bottles - and 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

### Milk in glass bottles (no plastic!)

Loose milk is no longer sold at Close Farm (Highgrove, Tetbury) or Church Street Grocers, Tetbury (now closed) - nor at Bennett's Farm, Leighterton or at Hobbs House Bakery, Malmesbury (now closed), but is still available from Hobbs House Bakery in Tetbury (semi-skimmed only, from Cotswold Dairy). For raw (unpasteurised) milk, try Dora's Dairy, Quarry Farm, Purton (Jon Cook). Email: [dairymaid@dorasdairy.co.uk](mailto:dairymaid@dorasdairy.co.uk) Note: Any dairy farmers able to supply milk for possible dispensing in Sherston, please contact Eleanor Lines on 07949 292741.

**Oddbox (Oddbox.co.uk)** 'Fighting waste one curvy cucumber at a time'. Small to large boxes of veg (plus optional fruit) delivered overnight to your door. Also great recipes, easy exclusion options, etc.

## 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

**Close Farm**, Highgrove, Tetbury - veg stall

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

### Weekly farmers' market at Sherston Village Hall

Thurs 10.30am-1pm. Stalls include meats, fish, cheese, sourdough and bakes, chutneys, dog treats etc. Organised by Holly from The Loaf Shack Bakery [theloafshackbakery@gmail.com](mailto:theloafshackbakery@gmail.com)

### Sherston Village Hall

Available for hire by all. Ideal for meetings, events, weddings, parties etc. For full details and the booking calendar visit [sherstonvillagehall.org](http://sherstonvillagehall.org) or contact Jake Peplow 07857 657 454

### 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)

### Wiltshire Council Mobile Library

Every fortnight on Saturdays 10.30am – 12.45pm Sherston High Street For further details email [clerk@sherston.org.uk](mailto:clerk@sherston.org.uk) or [mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:mobilelibraries@wiltshire.gov.uk) or [www.apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/librariesinformation/route/Index/6](http://www.apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/librariesinformation/route/Index/6)

### 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)

### Sherston Living Churchyard

1st Saturday of the month 10am - work to support wildlife diversity to create a more beautiful place for the community. Everyone welcome. Come along and see what's happening, and join in if you like. [www.gauzebrook.org/churches/holy-cross-sherston](http://www.gauzebrook.org/churches/holy-cross-sherston)

## 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 Rooms with toys, 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)

### 1st Sherston Brownies

Meet Weds 5.45-7pm in term time at the 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 5.30-7pm in term time at the Village Hall. All girls are welcome to join after their 10th birthday, there's 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 5.15pm to 6.30pm in term time at the 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 Weds 6-7.30pm in term times at the 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 time at the 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 at the Scout hut. Email [join@sherstonscouts.org.uk](mailto:join@sherstonscouts.org.uk) for an application form

### Ballet with HD Dance Studios

Ballet classes for primary-aged children. Fridays at 3.45pm. More info: Harriet Dyke on 07810 864162 or email [hd\\_dance@outlook.com](mailto:hd_dance@outlook.com)

## Church and Faith Groups

### Holy Cross Church

Sunday service 9.30am - 1st, 3rd and 4th Sundays - Holy Communion; 2nd Sunday - Family Service. Coffee is served after the morning service

6pm - Book of Common Prayer Evensong or Holy Communion. Please check on [gauzebrook.com](http://gauzebrook.com) for exact details Church of the Holy Cross Coffee Shop Morning coffee every Thurs 10-12noon – small children's play area Book the Church for concerts, lectures, exhibitions, pop-up cafes. Book via [sherston@gauzebrook.org](mailto:sherston@gauzebrook.org)

### Sherston Congregational Church

Sunday service 10am. 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 the Minister - Rev Andrew Williams Tarling - [awtcharfield@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:awtcharfield@hotmail.co.uk) or 07921 390878

## Music, Culture and Social

### Church Bell Ringing

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

### Drawing Classes in Sherston

Classes Weds either 10am-12noon or 1.30-3.30pm British School Room 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 [smyhtanya@hotmail.com](mailto:smyhtanya@hotmail.com) or visit [www.sherstonwalks.org.uk](http://www.sherstonwalks.org.uk)

### Sherston Senior Club

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

### 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. No auditions and you don't have to be able to read music. Contact Sheila Cletcher [sheilacletcher28@gmail.com](mailto:sheilacletcher28@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) via [katie.skeffington@bristol.ac.uk](mailto:katie.skeffington@bristol.ac.uk)



## Sherston Gardening Club

Meets 1st Tues each month apart from Jul & Aug. 7pm for 7.30pm start in the British School Room, bring and buy stall, quiz, refreshments, £15pa £25 joint, under 18s free. Contact 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

## 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. sherstontheatreclub.co.uk or contact Helen Quirk on 840516 or helenandjim@thequirks.plus.com

## Yak & Yarn

Every Friday morning 10am till 12 noon in the British School Room, Cliff Road. A friendly group for anyone who wants to knit, crochet or do anything with yarn, whether experienced or a beginner!

## Fitness

### ABEL Pilates

Monday evening classes held in Sherston North Building (former pre-school building on the Rec). Fully certified body control teacher. All ages, bodies and abilities warmly welcome. 6pm Mixed Ability Class, 7:10pm Absolute Beginners' Course. Contact Kate: 07957 313109 or kate@abelpilates.co.uk www.abelpilates.co.uk

### 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 or www.pulse4life.co.uk

### 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 www.bbbarre.com or @bb\_barre on Instagram.

### 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, emmacope@synchronicity.me.uk, FB: @exercise60plus.

### Fresh Air Fitness

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

### Sherston Bootcamp

Every Saturday on Sherston rec, 8-9am. Starting 3 August. £10 per session. Drop in - no commitment. Contact Coach Jonze on the Sherston Bootcamp Facebook to sign up.

## 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

## 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

## Yoga for All

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

## YogaForEveryone

An inner awareness practice open to all levels focussing on functional mobility and strength. Tuesdays 9am-10.15am at North Building on the Recreation Ground. (former pre-school). More details from Sheila on 07584 177712, sheila.chapman@urbankandy.com www.urbankandy.com

## Zen Meditation Group

10am-12noon on a Sunday at Scots Farm, Pinkney. All welcome. If you would like to have an introduction to Zen meditation, contact Lawrence Barrow - ljikob@gmail.com / 07947792919 / lawrencebarrow.com

## Sports

### Rattlebone Boules League

48 teams playing in 3 Leagues weekday evenings at the Rattlebone's boules pistes April - August. Contact Graham Hayman Hercule.Laboule@outlook.com

### Sherston Badminton and Table Tennis Club

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. Contact David Boyle 841587, 07740 188882 or email djboyle@hotmail.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 or visit the website https://sherstonmagnacc.co.uk

### Sherston Shooters 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), Julia 07791783905 or Penny 07846123455 or sherstonshooters@gmail.com

### Sherston Short Mat Bowls

Meet every Thurs evening 7.30pm - 9.30pm in the Village Hall, September through to May. 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.

### 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 alternative Sat afternoons at 2.30pm. Sherston Veterans play on Sun mornings. Spectators and new players welcome. Please check socials or contact sherstontownfootballclub@gmail.com or 07771 515489.

### Sherston Velo Cycling Club

Rides and social events for cyclists of all experience levels from beginner to advanced, including families. Regular rides include Castle Combe circuit, gravel ride or chain gang. RGT social ride, group ride, café ride and beginner rides. For more info sherstonvelo.cc or email secretary@sherstonvelo.cc

## Pubs and cafés

### The Angel Café with Rooms, Sherston

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 Courtyard Café @ Lucy Tom's, Sherston

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

### Holy Cross Café, Sherston

Thursdays 10am-12 noon. Tea, coffee, cake and biscuits. There's a play area for small children. Eco café theme on the 1st Thurs of each month, with recycled cards & fairtrade items for sale.

### The Rattlebone Inn, Sherston

Indoor & outdoor dining with delicious country cuisine restaurant menu and pizzas from the wood-fired oven at weekends. Mondays 8pm - Quiz & burger night. Weekday evenings April – Aug Rattlebone Boules League matches. Check boards for more details, 840871, Twitter or visit [www.therattlebone.co.uk](http://www.therattlebone.co.uk)

### The Holford Arms, Knockdown

[theholfordarms.com](http://theholfordarms.com) or call 01454 238669

### The Old Royal Ship, Luckington

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

### The Whistle Stop café, Tetbury

Open for takeaway coffees and takeaway food on Tues to Sun 10am-4pm [www.shed-arts.co.uk](http://www.shed-arts.co.uk)

## Alderton Village Hall

### Ballet with HD Dance Studios

Ballet classes for primary-aged children. Fridays at 3.45pm. More info: Harriet Dyke on 07810 864162 or email [hd\\_dance@outlook](mailto:hd_dance@outlook).

Art classes with local artist Claire Evans. Weds 6.30-8pm (7 session £80 including materials). More info: [clairesanders.co.uk](mailto:clairesanders.co.uk) or 07717 734955

Pilates with Penny. Every Thursday 12-1pm. 07796 955304

## Hullavington

Weekly Zoom French clubs for children contact Anna-Kate on [admin@clubs4kids.com](mailto:admin@clubs4kids.com) for more details.

## Luckington

Luckington Mobile-PO Service outside The Old Royal Ship (SN14 6PA) each Tues 1.30 - 2.30pm

Luckington Village Hall Book via Stephanie Stephenson on 0778 6275328 or [luckingtonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:luckingtonvillagehall@gmail.com)

## Malmesbury

### Athelstan Museum

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

### Malmesbury Artisan and Farmers' Market

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

### The Big Malmesbury Craft Fair

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

## Malmesbury Library

Rhyme times for babies and toddlers every Tues and Fri Tuesday's Public Living Room 1.30-4pm an opportunity to share a cup of tea and a chat  
Reading group meets 3rd Wed each month  
Rethink Mental Wellness 2nd Fri each month  
Repair Café Malmesbury are here to fix your household items on 3rd Sat each month

The Summer Reading Challenge 'Marvellous Makers' for 4-11 year-olds takes place in all libraries 13 July to 7 Sept.

The library offers free wifi, a warm space and free self-service hot drinks, 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, or call 823611.

## Carer Support Wiltshire with Dorothy House Hospice

Every Monday, 2pm-4pm – Bereavement Help Point, Kings Arms, 29 High Street, Malmesbury. A community based drop-in service for anyone who is bereaved to talk with others in an informal and supportive setting. Free.

## Malmesbury & District u3a

Wide and varied interest groups - for an up-to-date list and other information: [www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk) or e-mail [membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk)

Monthly meetings take place on the 4th Thursday of the month (10.00- 12.00) at Malmesbury Town Hall. Non-members are welcome. 50p donation.

## Malmesbury Riverside Community Centre

Alzheimer's Support - Music and Movement Sessions fortnightly music and movement group for people affected by dementia along with any carers/family and friends. £3.50 per person and includes tea and biscuits and the first session is free. Saturday Friends - refreshments, a variety of activities inc. talks and visitors – usually first Saturday of the month, except August

Golden Zumba - seated exercise Thurs 2-2.45pm  
[www.riversidecommunitycentre.org.uk](http://www.riversidecommunitycentre.org.uk)

## Malmesbury Area Board Meeting

[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](http://www.facebook.com/MalmesburyCommunityChoir).

## Malmesbury Morris

[www.facebook.com/malmesburymorris](http://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

Tetbury Art Society <http://tetburyartsociety.org.uk>

*If you run a club, society or organisation in Sherston or nearby that holds regular events such as the above and want it to be listed, please send details to [info@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk](mailto:info@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk)*

*If you have a particular event, please write a short piece about it, send it to [editorial@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk](mailto:editorial@sherstoncliffhanger.co.uk) and we can include it as an article and put the details in the What's On list for that month.*



# WHAT'S ON

## Sherston

**Tuesday 1 October** 7pm for 7.30pm start, British School Room. **Sherston Gardening Club**. Speaker: Rachel Golding Barrett of the Tetbury Flower Company. New members are always welcome. Cost is £15 single, £25 joint, U18s free. Contact our secretary for more info: sherstongardeningclub@gmail.com

**Tuesday 1 October** 2.30pm, British School Room. **Sherston Senior Club**. Talk: 'Survivors of the Titanic'. Visitors £2.

**Thursday 3 October** 10am-12noon, Holy Cross Church. **EcoCafé**. Tea, coffee, cake and biscuits, with recycled cards & fairtrade items for sale. Play area for small children.

**Thursday 3 October and Monday 7 October** 10am-12noon, Holy Cross Church porch. **Good-value bulbs (including 'pick & mix' tulips) for sale**

**Thursday 3 October to Sunday 6 October** Holy Cross Church. **Plant Sale**.

**Saturday 5 October** 9.30am-12noon, Holy Cross Churchyard. **Sherston Living Churchyard**. Join us to see what is going on and to help with work in the churchyard if you can.

**Sunday 6 October** 10am-3pm, Village Hall & Field. **Apple Day**. Apple-themed games, refreshments, selection of stalls, Sherston Apple Juice for sale.

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**Monday 7 October** 12noon-2pm, British School Room. **Sherston Churches Together Soup Lunch**. All welcome.

**Tuesday 15 October** 2.30pm, British School Room. **Sherston Senior Club**. Entertainment by Anne Prece singers. Visitors £2.

**Friday 18 October** 7.30pm, Sherston Village Hall. **Fairy Tale Ceilidh** - a fantastical dance party. Traditional storyteller and ceilidh caller Hannah Moore will lead you into the deep woods of the fairy kingdom, with all its mystical music and dangerous dancing. No dance experience or partner required - just bring yourself and your imagination! Recommended for age 8+. Tickets: £12 adult, £6 child, £30 family ( 2 adults, 2 children). Available from www.poundarts.org.uk (or can be purchased on the door - cash only please).

**Tuesday 29 October** 2.30pm, British School Room. **Sherston Senior Club**. Talk: Tracey Corderoy, author and guide at Highgrove gardens. Visitors £2.

**Wednesday 30 October-Saturday 2 November**, 7.30pm plus Sat matinee at 2.30pm, Sherston Village Hall. **Sherston Drama Group's Alice in Wonderland**. Tickets (£10/£8.50 concessions) from Sherston Co-op (cash or cheque) or on TicketSource (ticketsource.co.uk/sherston-drama-group, booking fee applies).

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## Luckington

**Saturday 19 October** 7pm, Luckington Village Hall. **Friends of Luckington School Quiz Night.** £18 per person. Come as a team of six or join one on the night! Free drink, supper, licensed bar, auction! For more info or to book: [friendsofluckingtonschool@gmail.com](mailto:friendsofluckingtonschool@gmail.com)

## Malmesbury

**Saturday 5 October** 9.30am- 12.30pm, The Hub (formerly The School Room) at Malmesbury Town Hall. **Malmesbury & District u3a Open Morning** for prospective new members. Do come along for a chance to find out more, meet the various interest group leaders and existing members. [www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk) [membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk)

**Friday 11 October** 8pm, The Kings Arms. **Gloryhole Comedy Club.** Tickets: £12 available from [www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/season-launch-gloryhole-comedy-club-presents-tickets-1001246815177](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/season-launch-gloryhole-comedy-club-presents-tickets-1001246815177)

**Thursday 24 October** 10am-12noon, Malmesbury Town Hall. **Malmesbury & District u3a monthly meeting.** Speaker Stewart Linford: The remarkable story of our National chair 'The Windsor'. In this talk, Ian will tell us the remarkable story of this, our national chair. Non-members welcome - 50p donation. [www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk) [membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk)

## Tetbury

**Sunday 13 October** 10.30am-4pm, Tetbury Goods Shed. **Tetbury Comic Con 2024.** Stalls, cosplay, exhibition, artwork, comic book dealers, artists, writers, creators and individual unique items. Cosplay for every age and level. Tickets £6 (under 16s £3). More info and to book: [tetburygoodshed.co.uk/events/tetbury-comic-con-2024/](http://tetburygoodshed.co.uk/events/tetbury-comic-con-2024/)

**Sunday 20 October** From 10am, Tetbury Goods Shed. **Tetbury Wool Fair.** Featuring independent yarn manufactures, spinners, dyers, eco-friendly dyers using only naturally sourced colours, yarn accessories, lectures, workshops and a knitting table when you can seek advice on your latest project. Free entry but donations appreciated. More info and to book workshops, walks, talks: [tetburygoodshed.co.uk/events/tetbury-wool-fair-at-tetbury-goods-shed-2024/](http://tetburygoodshed.co.uk/events/tetbury-wool-fair-at-tetbury-goods-shed-2024/)

## Didmarton

**Saturday 12 October** 4pm Didmarton Village Hall GL9 1DS. **Local author Talk.** Carole Britton talks about her new book, 'Past, Present, Presence', a journey through the life, legacy and words of Hilary Peters of Worcester Lodge, presented by the Badminton Benefice. Admission £8 (includes refreshments) or 2 for £15. Signed books on sale. Please book tickets in advance, call/text 07990 576514.

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## Didmarton Rural Cinema

**Friday 11 October** Doors open 6.30pm for bar, film starts 7.30pm, Didmarton Village Hall. **Baltimore** (2024). Based on the infamous true story of an English heiress who became a revolutionary. Please let us know if you're coming for chair numbers: jenny.body1@gmail.com 01454 238358 / 07875 406637

## Grittleton Village Hall

**Saturday 19 October** Doors open 2.30pm, 3.00pm start (lasts approximately 1 hour). Rural Arts touring presents - **Ghastly Stories for Gruesome Gremlins** told by Gav Cross. A silly and spooky storytelling show for anyone aged 6+. Tickets: adults £10, children £6, family (x3 members) £20 available from: grittleton-village-hall.sumupstore.com/. For further info: Miche.lang@me.com or call 07876 355119.

## Movies@Malmesbury

Run entirely by volunteers, for schedules, synopses, trailers etc, visit the MoviesatMalmesbury Facebook page or go to [www.malmesbury.gov.uk/cinema.html](http://www.malmesbury.gov.uk/cinema.html)



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