

# BOURTON BROWSER



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## DIARY DATES

- 1<sup>st</sup> Parlane Showroom Clearance Sale, 10am-3pm, Unit J, Bourton Industrial Park, GL54 2LZ. 812700
- 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Santa's Magic Grotto, Clapton-on-the-Hill. Book at [santasmagicalgrotto.org](http://santasmagicalgrotto.org) Helen 01451 820453.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting, **GMCC**, 7pm, all residents welcome.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Friday Club Over 60s, **BCH**, 2.30pm, 810233.
- 7<sup>th</sup> & every Friday, Moore Lunch Club, 10am-1.30pm, **GMCC**, transport provided. 824338.
- 7<sup>th</sup> PrettySimpleSongs, local live music, 8pm, Bourton Vale Cricket Club Pavilion, Free entry, Details from Silvi 07504 068262. See page 15.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Panto Group Quiz, **VH**, 6.45pm, £12 team of 4. Bookings Margaret Strevens 07791 917684 see page 6.
- 7<sup>th</sup> Many Bourton shops & eateries open late, event at **BCH**, see page 5. No street entertainment or light switch on.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Clic Sargent (Cancer in Children Fund) Christmas Concert with the Chedworth Silver Band, **BLH**, 7pm, 7.30 Start. Tickets £5. See page 15.
- 8<sup>th</sup> Tayler & Fletcher, Auction Sale, **NCS**, 10am. View Fri. 8am-6pm. 821666. [www.taylerandfletcher.co.uk](http://www.taylerandfletcher.co.uk).
- 11<sup>th</sup> WI, **VH**, 7pm, Christmas Party.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Irene's Knitting Circle, Coffee Morning, **GMCC**, 10-Noon, 798718.
- 12<sup>th</sup> Horticultural Society, **BCH**, 7.30pm, speaker Claire Wrenn "Christmas Wreath demonstration".

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## PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

### Parish Council Notes – Council Meeting 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018

**First Aid Courses:** Cotswold First Aid very kindly agreed to run free first aid training courses for residents at the Community Centre. The take up was excellent, and an additional course was put on, which was fully booked within days. We're very grateful to Cotswold First Aid for giving up their time to provide this training, which will hopefully lead to some additional local First Responders being recruited.

**WWI Commemoration:** The Parish Council has contributed towards the purchase of a limited edition print which captures the action at the Sambre Oise Canal for which Major General Dudley Johnson was awarded the last Victoria Cross of WWI. The painting depicting the battle scene in which this former local resident took part is by renowned military artist, David Rowlands, and it will be on permanent display in the Community Centre Windrush Room from December onwards.

**Allotments:** It has been agreed that fees will go up £1 to £20pa in 2020, which is hopefully still good value. Rent renewal notices will be sent out in early December, and any tenants intending to give up a plot are asked to contact the Council as soon as possible so vacant plots can be reallocated without delay.

The Council has just approved the lease issued by Cotswold District Council which allows the Parish Council to occupy the Springvale allotment site for a further 7 years. However, CDC has the ability to bring the lease to an early end after 2 years if the land is needed by it for housing development. It's hoped this will not come to pass, but the Council will keep residents notified of any such proposals well in advance. Any planning application for housing will also be subject to the planning consultation process during which time the Parish Council and residents will have the opportunity to comment.

**Village speeding:** Automatic Number Plate Reading equipment is being installed in the village at agreed locations to help try to address speeding concerns – residents are advised to read the separate article on page 5 for more details.

**Grants:** The Council awarded a grant to help fund Artilift sessions which take place in the Royal British Legion each week.

**Traffic Regulation Order (TRO):** Apologies to residents that the public consultation on various changes in respect of local parking restrictions and other highway related matters has been delayed. The arrangements to install number plate reading equipment have proved extremely time-consuming, and this has delayed finalisation of the draft document on which the public will be consulted. Now that the speed identification equipment is close to installation the Committee will focus on the TRO,

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Baptist Church Hall = **BCH**  
British Legion Hall = **BLH**  
George Moore Community Centre = **GMCC**  
Jubilee Lodge = **JL** Market Close = **MC**  
North Cotswold Sale Room = **NCS**  
St Lawrence Church = **StLC**  
Victoria Hall = **VH**

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- 12<sup>th</sup> U3A, **BLH**, 10.30-2pm, Christmas Cracker Party. Members Only.
- 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> North Cotswolds Memory Club, 10.30-2.30, **MC**, Support & activities. To discuss free Carer Respite call 07971 929258.
- 15<sup>th</sup> Richard Coxon Concert. Opera & Musical theatre, **StLC**, 7.30pm, in aid of cancer research. Tickets [richardcoxonvoice@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:richardcoxonvoice@hotmail.co.uk) & VIC. See page 9.
- 16<sup>th</sup> Christmas Pop Up Shop, **VH**, collection of luxurious merino wool, garments & accessories, 11am-4pm.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Farmers Market, **BLH** car park, GL54 2AR. Morning.

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To see events throughout 2018/19

**Catherine Smyth** FSSCh  
DPodM, MBPChA, HPC Rgn CH16797

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and it's hoped the next Browser will contain details of the date for public consultation. Thank you for bearing with us on this.

**Meetings:** Residents are asked to note that the January meeting will be held on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> and not Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> January as originally scheduled, due to the New Year holiday period.

**Next Parish Council Meeting:**

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm in the Community Centre.

Sue Cretney, Clerk. 01451 820712;  
[clerk@bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk).  
[www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk](http://www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk)

**To our Parish Council**

On behalf of the Bourton Royal British Legion we would like to express our gratitude for the most successful coverage of Major General Dudley Johnson's VC presentation to our village. Also for the beautiful Monument, our village must be very proud of this. The talk given in the Victoria Hall on Friday evening by his grandson Andrew Larpent O.B.E. (introduced by The History Society Chairperson, Mrs Susan Roberts), was very interesting. It gave an insight into his Grandfather's brave exploits in numerous wars and how he rose through the ranks, being seriously wounded several times. What a brave man! On Saturday Andrew gave another interesting talk, followed by the unveiling of the new monument. Special thanks go to Chairman Mr Bob Hadley for his tireless work in achieving this special weekend. Many thanks Bob.

**John Finch RBL (pres)**

**Bourton-on-the-Water Women's Institute**



Following our AGM on 13<sup>th</sup> November we enjoyed an interesting and stimulating talk by Jan Long on the life of Gertrude Bell. We learnt that Gertrude Bell was born in 1868 in the North of England to a wealthy family. She was very well educated and received a First Class Honours Degree in History from Oxford University. After leaving Oxford she spent some time travelling, mountaineering in Switzerland and developing an interest in archaeology and languages. She became fluent in Arabic and Persian as well as European languages. We heard that she spent a lot of her adult life in the Middle East where amongst others she met T.E. Lawrence and for a time during the First World War she worked for British Intelligence. She advised Faisal, who became King of Iraq in 1921 and also attended the 1921 Peace Conference in Cairo convened by Winston Churchill. Gertrude Bell died in 1926 and had a State Funeral in Iraq where she is buried.

Our December meeting is a Christmas Party for members only, and then we start the New Year with a meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> January in the Victoria Hall when the speaker will be Stewart Linford on the subject 'The Wicked Wit of Churchill'.

**Janet Randall**

**Last Posting Dates**

For Christmas deliveries the last posting day for 2<sup>nd</sup> class mail is Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> December, last posting for 1<sup>st</sup> class mail is Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> December. For full details leaflets are available from the Post Office or [www.postoffice.co.uk/christmas/last-posting-dates](http://www.postoffice.co.uk/christmas/last-posting-dates)

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## *Bourton Browser Team News*

It's been a good year for the Browser, every advertising space has been sold, we have been swamped with articles every month and our website and village diary have been well used.

Thank you to all our contributors for your articles throughout the year. We are happy to receive articles on any topic relevant to the village. We try to publish different view points but will not print anything unsigned or, in our view, defamatory. Articles must be limited to a maximum 300 words.

If your group has monthly events/meetings, please email us a copy of your 2019 programme ASAP to ensure your events continue to appear in "Diary Dates" or "Out and About". Please NB

the deadline for the January issue will be **Noon on 12<sup>th</sup> December.**

Thank you to all our advertisers and especially the "regulars". Thanks also goes to our bulk distributors Myra, Mary & David, our diligent proof readers Wendy & Rose and our 50+ street deliverers. All are volunteers. Also our grateful thanks to our very helpful printers, Peter & Camilla Dunsford.

Keep watching our website for updates & send in your diary dates for events during 2019 so we can add them to the online village diary which is accessible through the website:

**[www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk](http://www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk)**

We would like to wish all our readers a  
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*The Bourton Browser Team*

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Until 13<sup>th</sup> January, Pantomime, Aladdin, Everyman Theatre, Cheltenham. [www.everymantheatre.org.uk](http://www.everymantheatre.org.uk)

1<sup>st</sup> Dec to 6<sup>th</sup> Jan Join the Big Batsford Elf Hunt! Santa's helpers have gone missing & they're all hiding in the Arboretum – find them to win a prize! £2.50 per child, + Arboretum admission fee. [www.batsarb.co.uk](http://www.batsarb.co.uk) for details.

1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Christmas at Cotswold Farm Park, Guiting Power, GL54 5UG. 10am & 3pm. Children's tickets available includes entrance, a slot to see Father Christmas & present from the Toy Room. To book 850307. [www.cotswoldfarmpark.co.uk](http://www.cotswoldfarmpark.co.uk)

1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Santa Specials Trains, Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Steam Railway. 01242 621405 or [www.gwsr.com](http://www.gwsr.com).

3<sup>rd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> The Nutcracker, Royal Opera House LIVE Ballet, Corinthum Cinema, Park St, Cirencester, GL7 2BX Mon 3<sup>rd</sup> 7.15pm, Sun 9<sup>th</sup> 2pm. 01285 655611.

7<sup>th</sup> Broadway Christmas Shopping Nights, 5.30-8.30pm. Street entertainment, food etc.

8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Visit Santa in his magical grotto at Batsford Arboretum! 2-4pm, £5 per child. To book, call 01386 701441.

8<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>-23<sup>rd</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> Spectacle of Light at Sudeley Castle, Winchcombe, GL54 5JD. Beautiful illuminated trail, characters from Alice in Wonderland, Field of Poppies, Meteors, Moroccan Lanterns etc. 01242 604244.

12<sup>th</sup> Moreton Jazz - Ben Holder, Redesdale Hall, Moreton in Marsh, GL56 0AW. 7.15pm. £12.00 in advance, £15.00 on door. 07515 275655.

13<sup>th</sup> Country Music Night at Notgrove Village Hall. 7:30-11:30pm live music, licensed bar. £5 pp entrance fee. Tonight's act is Glen Long contact Ken on 07870795560 or 01451 850502 for further details. Members Only.

15<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> Father Christmas at Hidcote Manor & Gardens, NT, 11am-3pm, Festive Trail & meet Santa. Nr Chipping Campden, GL55 6LR. [www.nationaltrust.org.uk](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk).

26<sup>th</sup> Boxing Day, Enjoy a magical winter walk through Batsford Arboretum on Boxing Day with a free glass of mulled wine (while stocks last!). Open 10am-3pm. Arboretum entrance fee applies.

29<sup>th</sup>-30<sup>th</sup> "Christmas Cracker", Steam & Diesel Services, Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Steam Railway. 01242 621405 or [www.gwsr.com](http://www.gwsr.com).

Visitor Information Centre 01451 820211 [info@visitbourton.com](mailto:info@visitbourton.com)

### Police Point

My name is Charlie Symes and I'm one of the Police Community Support Officers on the Team that covers Bourton-on-the-Water. I attend the Bourton police point most weeks and recently I have seen a huge decrease in people coming down to see me. In the past 9 weeks we have had no more than 4 visitors in total which is very frustrating, bearing in mind that the constabulary pay many thousands of pounds a year for this room it

would be good if it didn't go to waste or stop getting used at all. The times and dates that we attend are published in the Bourton Browser and also on display in the Community Centre, so make sure you come down even if just for a quick hello or to ask a couple of questions! **Charlie Symes, Police Community Support Officer 9251**

Cotswolds LPA, Stow on the Wold  
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Tues 4 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	PCSO Charlie Symes
Wed 12 <sup>th</sup>	2pm	PC Page or PCSO Charlie Symes
Tues 18 <sup>th</sup>	3pm	PCSO Charlie Symes

### Christmas / New Year Waste Collections

Friday 28<sup>th</sup> December 2018: Everything  
Friday 4<sup>th</sup> January 2019: Food/Garden  
Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2019: Everything  
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### Bourton Men in Sheds

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A big thank you to all who have supported us financially, including local charity Cotswold Friends (who provide support as part of their Community Activities Programme), to everyone who has purchased our creations including bird boxes, trugs and planters and to those who have commissioned special projects from us. Kindling is always available at £5 per very large bag. Thank you also to Mark Weir who gave the 'shed' his time and energy as secretary. He has now left and moved on to pastures new. Howard Crook has also resigned as Chairperson due to ill health, but is still a shed member.

New officers: Keith Barber (Chairperson) – Tel: 01451 831886. Mike Little (Secretary) – Tel: 01451 831408

Why not come along and see for yourself what we do and the things we achieve. We are there from 9.30am to 12.30pm every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Our website is now updated at [www.bourtonmeninsheds.weebly.com](http://www.bourtonmeninsheds.weebly.com) showing the things we make and giving an insight into what "men in sheds" is all about. We are also on [www.cotswoldfriends.org](http://www.cotswoldfriends.org) the Cotswold Friends website. We are always promoting the 'shedders' and welcome new recruits to come along and share their ideas and skills with us. Come along during our open hours or call Sheryl Murray at Cotswold Friends on Tel: 01608 697007 to find out more. Please note: Unfortunately, we are unable to sanction work off site due to insurance stipulations.

Many thanks, Dave Birch  
(Committee Member) Tel: 01451 810913

### A Christmas Shopping and Family Evening for the locals Friday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2018



I've lived in Bourton-on-the-Water now since 2011 (a relative newcomer!) but have experienced Bourton on the Water village on the first Friday of December: a great way to feel that Christmas is well on the way, pick out some presents from the local shops, have a drink or something to eat, and enjoy music and company of those in the village. A real family evening out.

I know a couple of years ago it was flooded with too many people but prior to that, it was a lovely evening we could all enjoy. I'm sure many of you feel the same, and I've recently seen local people posting on the Bourton-on-the-Water Facebook pages expressing sadness for those days. Although the Parish Council have said there is no event I've talked today (28<sup>th</sup> October) with virtually all the shops and many cafés in Bourton - and nearly all will be open. A great opportunity for Christmas shopping – not stalls and funfairs, sure, but lovely gift shops, and cafes and pubs.

I'm a deacon at Bourton Baptist Church, on Station Road, and will have a Family Christmas Crafts area early evening, where the kids can enjoy making something, plus a Nativity dressing up stable area so you can all come and do a 'Selfie in the stable' and later we will have some live Christmassy music to enjoy & mince pies and drinks available. There won't be a 'turning on the lights' but the Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council have confirmed the tree will be up and lights on that evening. I'm sure our village will look lovely. Let's make this an evening for the local community to enjoy! Let's celebrate the start of Christmas! Let's make it a family evening the kids will remember! So – calling all locals! Everyone, put the date in your diary to come along!

Sally Lenihan

### Automatic Number Plate

#### Recognition

#### Speed Monitoring System (ANPR)

Excessive speeding has long been a concern amongst Village residents. Through the work of our Community Speed-watch team, it has been established that drivers use our Village roads without consideration for local speed limits or the danger caused by exceeding them. The introduction of the 20 mph speed limit in the Village Centre has helped, but there are drivers who show little consideration for the local environment or the speed limits in force that are in place to ensure the safety of all road users and pedestrians.

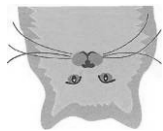
Following an initial trial in 2016, ANPR technology has now been successfully installed in several Gloucestershire Parishes and this has reduced the numbers of speeding vehicles. With the support of Gloucestershire Police and the County Council, the Parish Council has now decided to install an ANPR speed monitoring system in the Village.

The system comprises intelligent ANPR Cameras integrated with a radar unit which detects the speed of each passing vehicle and captures the date, time and vehicle number plate. Vehicles are monitored by the system in both directions, all day and night, and the speed of all vehicles is logged. From this information, reports are generated that identify vehicles exceeding the prevailing speed limit and repeated speeding occurrences by the same vehicle. This data is then available for any subsequent action the police may wish to take within their regulatory powers.

The ANPR System will be installed and operational in the Village shortly. We ask all drivers to take note and be aware and respect the Village Speed limits to help make Bourton-on-the-Water a safer community.

Parish Council

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And we have more exciting news, you can now book your ticket for Ali Baba on our website. Tickets will be available to book from the 10<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at [www.bourtonpantogroup.com](http://www.bourtonpantogroup.com). There will also be a box office where you can get tickets from 10am – 12noon on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> January 2019 and every Friday and Saturday at the same time during January in the Salmonsbury room at the George Moore community Centre. You can support the Bourton Panto Group by becoming a Patron. If you would like to find out about this please ring Angela Layton on 01451 821344. For other enquiries regarding the Panto group please contact Jan Close on 01451 831911 who will happy to answer any questions. **Jackie Denham**



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### **Bourton Vale Horticultural Society your friendly garden club**

**14<sup>th</sup> November 2018: *Small is Beautiful:***

*Alpines with Julie Ritchie*

**Next Meeting 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018: *Clare***

***Wrenn Christmas Wreath Demonstrations***

Julie is a great speaker and had a wonderful collection of photos, plus the list as an aide memoire. The pictures showed so clearly exactly what these plants looked like, at a distance and close to, and the selection covered all small plants that are easy to grow and look after - not always the case with alpines. The main growing advice is really free drainage, so lots of grit. Having said small, I was tempted by the sales table, and, lo, my choice was a fern, small now, but growing to a metre wide and tall, but so beautiful, and I do have the spot for it.

Mike put a question to the meeting whether to change the meeting time to 7.00 pm, but there was not sufficient positive response to that, but we will still bear it in mind.

A request was sent asking if anyone could help with the gardens at the George Moore Village Centre. Not sure what the situation is there now, but if anyone is interested, (it is a paid job) do

contact the Parish Clerk.

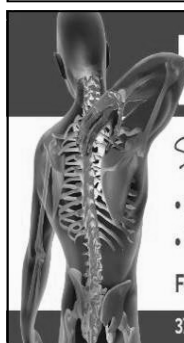
Next month is our Christmas meeting with a suitably celebratory talk. And then January will be our AGM, and another year. But do all enjoy the run up to Christmas, and be joyful.

**Antoinette Green**



### **Knitted Poppies**

A big thank you to all the ladies who knitted poppies and to the shops and businesses who were involved with this appeal to mark 100 years of the end of WWI. It was a pleasant surprise to receive 100 beaded, knitted poppies from a lady in Australia, and also some from a group in Lanzarote. Altogether 780 knitted poppies were sold during the months of August–October. Our local Royal British Legion were more than surprised that the grand total raised came to £2251.35. It was a great pity that a thief took one full money box from a counter and I was astonished that the business concerned wished to continue with the appeal. My special thanks for this very noble gesture. A worthwhile effort by everyone. Thank you. **Mollie Wise**



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## Message from the Church

December is a time of lights: Christmas lights, fairy lights, candle lights, shining out in the dark of the long night time hours, which of course also let us enjoy the starlight and the moonlight of the night skies. Winter is a time of real contrast between light and dark.

Our lives too, can feel like a real contrast between light and dark – joys and sorrow, love and hate, peace and fear. And just as we long for the warmth of a light glowing in the darkness of the night, we also long for the lights of love, joy, peace and hope to shine brighter in our own lives. We long for them to grow in the dark corners of ourselves and the world around us.

As Christians we celebrate God's promise of life and love coming into the world at Christmas; God's very presence born into the midst of our broken and beautiful world, shining light into the darkness. That love was born in Jesus 2000 years ago, but is reborn in every time and in

every place where love is shared and peace is made. As we know, these are not always easy tasks; to live in love and peace takes commitment and courage. To hold onto hope in an uncertain world can be a radical step. Yet the story of Christ's birth reminds us that love can and does grow in all places even, and perhaps especially, in the unlikely ones, and that God is always present even in the darkest nights.

So my Christmas wish for you is that you may find light in the darkness this season, whether that be in the joy of the love of family and friends and shared celebrations, or if life is difficult for you right now my prayer for you is that you may find light in a kind word or listening ear and someone to walk beside you on your journey.

May God's peace and blessing be on you all this Advent and Christmas.

**Rev. Rowena King**

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contact Rev Rowena King, 821282, [revrowena@gmail.com](mailto:revrowena@gmail.com), for more information or go to – [www.bourtonparishchurch.co.uk](http://www.bourtonparishchurch.co.uk)

#### Christmas Services

**Christingle** – at Breakfast church – 9am Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Carols by Candlelight** - 6pm – Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> Dec

**Crib Service** – 4pm - 24<sup>th</sup> Dec – *Children are invited to come dressed as a character from the story.*

**Midnight Communion** – 11:15pm - 24<sup>th</sup> Dec    **Christmas Communion** – 11am - 25<sup>th</sup> Dec  
**Sunday Services**    **2<sup>nd</sup> Dec** - 11am All Age Advent service    **6pm** Communion (CW)  
**9<sup>th</sup> Dec** – 8am Communion (BCP)    **11am** Communion (CW)  
**3:30pm** Bereavement Service – remembering those we've loved and lost.

**16<sup>th</sup> Dec** – 11am Morning Worship (*informal*)    **6pm** Carols by Candlelight

**23<sup>rd</sup> Dec** - 8am Communion (BCP)    **11am** Communion (CW)

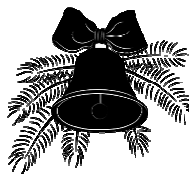
**30<sup>th</sup> Dec** – 11am Benefice Communion (CW)    **6pm** Taize, with members from the U3A choir and recorder group helping with the music.

*Mid-week Communion* – Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am

### St James', Clapton on the Hill

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**Carols at Clapton** - Fri 21<sup>st</sup> Dec 6pm



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### Cotswold Hall, Northleach

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### Bourton Farmers Market

## For The Younger Generation

Hello Young Bourtonians,  
I love this time of year when all the decorations start appearing and our towns and villages become a bright festival of light. Unfortunately for some it is a time of stress and/or loneliness. So perhaps we should all try to do one thing for someone else each day. A smile or kind word can do a lot to improve someone's day and your own. Have a very Happy Christmas.



**Christine Sub Editor**



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Everything was supercalifragilisticexpialidocious! It was three evenings of excellent singing, costumes and acting! Well done to all of the cast and staff of this year's Mary Poppins, who put on a fantastic show and to the PTA who organised the bar and the raffle.

It's now December! These last few weeks of the winter term are always so busy and filled with cheer and good tidings! We have plenty to celebrate:

The School Choir has been integral to the daily life of pupils from when the School first opened its doors back in 1988 as The Cotswold School. Year 7 to Year 13 perform in the School Choir and rehearse every Monday and Thursday with a busy schedule of concerts and performances running. They sang beautifully in the annual Carol Service at Gloucester Cathedral on 27<sup>th</sup> November, (in aid of Muscular Dystrophy). This event is the pinnacle of the Choir calendar and cements a longstanding relationship with the charity and the Cathedral

We welcome our Spanish and French students to school with lots of day trips and in-school activities

The annual Carol Concert is on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> December to be held this year at the Church of St Peter and St Paul in Northleach

**Calling all Senior Citizens! Year 11s are hosting a party on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December, 12.30 to 2.30 with afternoon tea, entertainment and raffle! Please call 01451 860 554 or email [reception@thecotswoldschool.co.uk](mailto:reception@thecotswoldschool.co.uk) if you would like to come along!**

Year 7 will be heading to the pantomime to see Peter Pan

Year 7 and Year 8 will take part in the Cheltenham Science Christmas Lectures

The School participated in the Christmas Shoebox scheme, and there were many festive boxes sent off to those less fortunate than ourselves, to arrive in time for Christmas Day

The Sixth Form will enjoy the annual Winter Ball organised by the Student Head team

Thanking and wishing all the students, staff, parents, PTA, Governors, and our community all the very best of the season and onwards to 2019!

**Merry Christmas**

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**By Will Morgan, Principal**

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### Primary School News



Wow! What an amazingly busy term we have had already; our Year 6 pupils have been particularly busy with their residential trip. In November, the Year 6 pupils went on a fantastic adventure to France and Belgium. There were many highlights of this trip, the chocolate factory and theme park being just some of them.

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November we were honoured to be invited to the commemoration of Major General Dudley Johnson VC at the Sambre Canal. We arrived at the village of Rejet-de-Beaulieu early in the morning and were greeted by many members of the friendly community. After croissants and juice, we joined a procession made up of people from France, England, Australia and even New Zealand to follow in the footsteps of Major General Dudley Johnson's battalion (exactly 100 years to the day). We walked to the Sambre Canal and took part in a small ceremony in which we sang the National Anthem and met local dignitaries. It was a beautiful day and an even more beautiful place. The children were then invited to show their respect to fallen soldiers at the graveyard in Rejet-de-Beaulieu. Each pupil joined hands with a pupil from the local primary and they placed crosses and poppy -painted stones on the graves of the 53 soldiers.



Our children's behaviour was absolutely exceptional and was commented on by many of the congregation. We then went on to walk back to the village and sang a beautiful version of, 'Where have all the flowers gone', directed by our music teacher, Mrs Cartwright. The children sang phenomenally and brought a tear to many eyes. We are so eternally proud of each and every pupil; they were a credit to us, their parents and our community.

Following on from this, it was lovely to see many familiar faces at the special commemoration event held on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> November in the village. Thank you to all of the parents and children who showed up to show their respect. What a wonderful community we belong to.



**Miss Salmon**



## Local Groups and Organisations for the YOUNGER GENERATION

Army Cadets	IJ Haines	850758 after 6.30pm
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Bourton Gymnastic Club	Martin Collett	820015 /07870624180
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B'n Out of School Club (OSC)		07950 048066
B'n Rovers Youth	Deb Hunt	810966
Bourton Vale Cricket Club	Lucy Gillespie	
	craiglucygillespie@yahoo.com	
B'n Vale Equestrian Centre	Leanne Launchbury	821101
Bourton Vale Tennis Club	James Hilltout	07946 397186
Brownies	Kathleen Punched	824459
Bumblebeez babies & pre-school tots	Linda Powell	822206
Canoe Club	Oliver Robbins	07890318079

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Wiggle	Maria Blundell-Paethorpe	07732754431

### Continuing Success for Bourton Gymnasts!

After a recent bout of success, gymnasts from The Gym Centre/Cheltenham School of Gymnastics and its local satellite club, run by Kerwen and Martin Collett, held at The Cotswold School, have achieved yet more uplifting results over the last few months.

On 16<sup>th</sup> September 2018 gymnasts attended the Gloucestershire Level 5 and above competition at Fromside Gymnastics club. The gymnasts achieved some positive and encouraging results.

#### Level 5 – 9 years

Sophie Havill – 2<sup>nd</sup> vault, 3<sup>rd</sup> bars – Third Place Overall

Jessica Havill – 2<sup>nd</sup> vault – Fifth Place Overall

#### Level 5 – 11 years

Hannah Rowe – 3<sup>rd</sup> beam – Sixth Place Overall

#### Level 4 – 13+ years

Emily Franks – 1<sup>st</sup> vault, 1<sup>st</sup> floor, 2<sup>nd</sup> bars, 3<sup>rd</sup> beam – Second Place Overall

Emily Rowe – 2<sup>nd</sup> vault 3<sup>rd</sup> bars, 3<sup>rd</sup> floor – Fourth Place Overall

On 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018 girls from the Bourton classes also competed in Round 2 of the West Country League alongside their team-mates. Hannah Rowe competed with her team who placed 6<sup>th</sup> in Division 4. Jessica Havill competed with her team placing a fantastic fourth place within Division 2.

Most recently, Katie Rowe took part in the Gloucestershire Level 6 competition on the 14<sup>th</sup> October. Katie came 1<sup>st</sup> on bars and placed



overall in Fourth Position.

The gymnasts' hard work and support from their coaches has led to their continuing development and success. We would like to invite anyone who would be interested in joining a club with a positive nurturing approach to get in contact via 01451 820015 or 07870624180.

**Gabrielle Norton**

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As some sources of food get harder to find, birds and other creatures turn to the seeds and berries of our trees and hedgerows to help them through.

Where hedges are left untrimmed, they provide a vital source of food to help sustain our wildlife through the tough, leaner months ahead.

**Those farmers, landowners and homeowners who leave at least some of their non-road-facing hedges untrimmed until well after Xmas (February) - when the birds and small mammals would have had the benefit of the berries they produce, are giving nature the very best possible Xmas present - a source of food.**



We can also all do our bit to help in our gardens, as many kind people

already do, by putting out supplementary food in bird feeders.

One of the best all round foods is sunflower hearts or sunflower chips, many types of bird species enjoy the seeds (goldfinches, greenfinches, great tits, blue tits etc) and they provide a great source of high value nutrition.

Another helpful food to put out in feeders is high quality suet fat balls (best without nets so no beaks or legs get caught in them). As the name suggests, the 'fat' in the fat balls provide an important source of 'quick' energy for birds in the colder months. Plus, they are loved by many species such as great tit, blue tit and, if you're lucky you may also get nuthatches and woodpecker.

In really hard weather we may also see larger, farmland birds come closer to our gardens. Redwing (looks like a small Thrush) and Fieldfare (about the size of a wood pigeon) both love apple chopped into small rings - and in conditions like last year's snows, putting out food like this can be a life saver.

For more information on best supplementary foods for birds or wildlife friendly hedgerows, try the RSPB links below:

[http://ww2.rspb.org.uk/images/englishhedgerows1\\_tcm9-133255.pdf](http://ww2.rspb.org.uk/images/englishhedgerows1_tcm9-133255.pdf)

Di Wheatley



Our first evening of professional storytelling in the roundhouse was a great success, with visitors of all ages enthralled by the tales told. On 14 December and 18 January, Bryony Holden from Tinkerscuss will lead evenings of music and stories, performing tales of folklore and mythology. People of all ages are very welcome, as well as children from the age of 7 years. At these cosy sessions, the roundhouse fire will be lit and luxurious hot chocolate will be served.

### Shy wildlife spotted

We're lucky to have a trail camera at the nature reserve at Greystones which allows us to view some of our more secretive wildlife. In the past week, the camera has

recorded otters, water voles and stoats, while we also have barn owls nesting here. At this time of year you're very likely to see bullfinches, redwings, snipe, greylag geese and fieldfares.

### Nature Tots

Our events for children will be continuing in the winter, encouraging them to love being outdoors and to learn about the wildlife around them. Our Nature Tots sessions for pre-school children are very popular, so do book your place in advance via our website [gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk](http://gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk). The next one takes place on 14<sup>th</sup> December.

### Warm up in the café

The café is open every Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, 10am until 4pm and provides a peaceful retreat close to the village centre. We are serving freshly made snacks along with good-quality tea, coffee and hot chocolate. As well as a classic cream tea we also offer savoury afternoon teas: two scones, ham, local cheese and a drink for £5.



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### 'Health Connect Bourton'

#### "Bourton Funstival 2018"

As part of our local community development project 'Health Connect Bourton', the 1<sup>st</sup> "Bourton FUNSTIVAL" – a community event for people living in and around Bourton took place on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018! The "Funstival" was aiming to bring local people together, offer free activities and showcase what's on offer locally in terms of support and activities for all ages. It's been a very successful, fun event for all ages with 25 local groups and organisations attending and nearly 300 people visiting. Planning this event was an enjoyable, collaborative task between local people, local stakeholders and businesses, Leisure Centre, Cotswold School, the Parish Council as well as the District Council and I would like to thank everyone involved for their commitment and effort! Many thanks also to the Midcounties Coop for the very kind donation of wraps, fruit, tea and coffee from the store in Bourton-on-the-Water and the great effort of the Baptist church serving snacks and drinks. Also the Pharmacy Co-op had generously offered free flu vaccinations that day with a good take up from local people. Feedback from visitors, as well as groups/organisations, about the event has been very positive and we are planning to establish the "Funstival" as an annual event and new asset for Bourton!

Through the 'Health Connect' project we'd like to hear more feedback from people living in and around Bourton, what they like or dislike, how connected they feel and what needs and/or issues in terms of health and wellbeing there are. We, therefore, are planning a consultation during January/February 2019. There will be more information about the planned consultation and how to take part in the next issue of the Browser. Contact: **07801247555** or [jacqueline.wright@cotswold.gov.uk](mailto:jacqueline.wright@cotswold.gov.uk)

#### Bourton Roadrunners

##### **Tewkesbury 5 miles – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

For some, the Tewkesbury Guy Fawkes 5 mile road race was their second race of the weekend. The race, which was the last event for this year's Gloucestershire AAA County road race series, was extremely well organised and well marshalled. The first Bourton Roadrunner to finish and running well after completing the Bournemouth marathon in under 3 hours, was Darren Long - 2nd MV45 in 30:28 and 19th position overall. Margaret Hollamby had another fine run - 1st LV60 in 38:12 and Liz Hulp joined the prize winners - 1st LV65 in 40:47. Graham Lane had another strong race in 39:05 and Nick Harper, in

his first 5 mile race, ran a creditable 40:03. Lynn Hudson paced Allie Quinn as she knocked a minute off her PB, both 47:08 and Shirley Creed came out of "retirement" following a long injury, running 49:36. Ellen Montilla in her first race at the distance ran with Donna Harper, with the pair battling in a sprint-finish, achieving 54:36 and 54:37 respectively. Jeanette Brew, in her first race, ran with Coral Feenan-Hill to complete the race in 65:18 and 65:17.

##### **New York City Marathon – Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November**

Susan Hunt and Linda Edwards joined over 50,000 other runners in the one of the world's hotly-contested events; the New York City Marathon, which passes through the five boroughs, starting at Staten Island and finishing in Central Park, Manhattan. Both veteran runners, with Susan having previously represented England at marathon distance. Susan had been planning this race for some time in memory and celebration of her late mother's own participation in the early days of this blue-ribbon event, when few women ran a full marathon. Both Susan and Linda certainly acquitted themselves with both providing fine performances, and should feel proud of their times – Susan 4:23:12 and Linda 4:51:24. **John Gibson**



## Name Change for Local Lions Club

### Northleach & Fosse Lions are changing their name to Cotswold Fosseway Lions Club.

The reason for this change is to enable the club to reach out to a larger area to offer service and support, and to widen its membership. The club wishes to be more inclusive of the area it serves. It has been felt that by identifying a single town within our name, there is a perception that the club is only concerned with that community and not those situated along the Fosseway. It is felt that Cotswold Fosseway embraces the area along the A429 from Cirencester through Stow on the Wold and up to Moreton in Marsh. It is hoped that a change of name may make our Lions Club more relevant within the wider community that we serve, and, hopefully, encourage others to join. The new name has been approved by Lions Club International and is in the process of being registered with the Charities Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. Previously, the club operated under the umbrella organisation of Lions Clubs International. As with all name changes, it will take some time before publicity materials are updated.

In the meantime the club may continue to be seen serving the North Cotswold area as Northleach & Fosse Lions until marketing materials bearing the new name 'Cotswold Fosseway Lions Club' are available. For the time being the club will continue to meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 8pm in the Cotswold Hall, Northleach, but may move to alternative venues as membership grows in other North Cotswold communities. Club

President Corina Sherman can be contacted on 01451 861233 for further information, or check out our Facebook page - although, this is still under the name Northleach & Fosse Lions Club, for now.

**Corina Sherman**

### Cotswold Fosseway Lions (Northleach & Fosse Lions)

**As the October meeting was delayed until 23<sup>rd</sup> October because several members were on holiday, this report will cover 2 months of Lions activities, and it has been a busy time.**



The annual Table Top Sale took place in the Cotswold Hall on Sat 10<sup>th</sup> Nov; this brings together local charities and fundraisers, giving them a chance to raise funds and provides an opportunity for the public to purchase unique gifts for Christmas. This year was the first time that the Lions had been asked to organise the event, and the entrance fee was a donation for the foodbank, so even the entrance fee supported a charity. Monies raised by the Lions through the table fees, refreshments and the raffle will be donated to the Cotswold Hall Clock Restoration. If you missed it this year, make sure to look out for it next year.

Thanks to the Harvest Festival Produce donated by Sherborne School and

Northleach Church, 128.38Kgs of food was delivered by the Lions to the North Cotswold Foodbank, for distribution to those in need. Other donations agreed during the last 2 months have included the Gloucestershire Fire and Rescue Service against Cancer campaign with their bed push from Northleach to Fairford in mid-September, the Northleach Playgroup Garden Project, the Evergreens Christmas Party, the Toddler Group, Acorns Children's Hospice and Medical Research for Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy. The final donation of £1,250 to the Town Council for the Northleach Playground will be handed over at the next Town Council meeting.

We have also planned several Social events including a Christmas Dinner for 18<sup>th</sup> December and an American Supper for January. Final plans are being put into place for the Lions to host Santa at the Christmas Fair on 30<sup>th</sup> November at the Victoria Hall, Bourton-on-the-Water, between 4pm – 7pm. A chance for Christmas Lists to be handed over to Santa.

All local residents are welcome to attend the Lions Club's regular meetings, which are held at the Cotswold Hall in West End, Northleach. The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> December at 8pm.

**Corina Sherman**



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### Vibrant Village

I am responding to your letter from David Hutchman in last month's Browser. It is easy to take anecdotal evidence and use it as fact when trying to prove a point, but not very convincing as you will always get the response you want if you ask the right question. If we are to rely on anecdotal evidence then I would say that a lot of people I speak to who were brought up here accept that tourism is a "necessary evil", in that without it, the local trade would not be able to support the many shops of all kinds and pubs and restaurants which many locals use and that would not be able to survive on local trade alone.

In my view the so called problem is in management of tourism and in particular traffic, if we had a full time traffic warden he would pay for himself in fines if it could be sorted out that way and it would very soon stop the problem of people trying to park illegally and causing obstruction and traffic flow issues.

Bourton has always been a busy place and while some think it has got busier lately this is surely as a result of the fine place and facilities we have on offer which is a testament to the hard work put in by many, you only have to go to Northleach to see what happens to a busy town when drastic measures are taken (the bypass was needed but the town is now, many years later, only just about recovering), so be careful what you wish for, if you moved here to retire to a quiet village you picked the wrong one, if you want a vibrant village you got it right.

At this point I will declare a past interest, I went to school here and have lived in Bourton for 16 years having lived in the area for many years prior, and yes, I too ran a guest house for many years, would not now I have retired make business difficult for people plying their trade in our lovely village. **Martin Macklin**

### Rowing Boats and Pedalos?

There were so many tourists in our village this year that seemed to have little or no idea of where they really were, they had just been told "you ought to visit Bourton-on-the-Water". Little do they know that the Cotswolds is an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

As a volunteer at the Visitor Information Centre these are just a few questions I have been asked:

By 'phone - "How much is it to come to Bourton-on-the-Water?" my reply, "Only the car park fee". Hesitation, "What is the entrance charge?" I inform the lady calling that we are a village, residents live here, there are shops and services. This lady had thought it was like Alton Towers or Disney Land. Another called asked, "What time does the tide come in?"

At the counter - "Where do I hire a donkey?" She had seen them last year being washed in the river by the Coronation Bridge ford. Stow Gypsy week I assume! Other queries, "Where are the pedalos?" and "I want to hire a rowing boat?" Had the customer taken no notice of the depth of the water and the low bridges?! Looking up at our wonderful display of Cotswold pictures in VIC there is one of a lady in a rowing boat, but that was on the river Thames at Lechlade.



Seeing we are featured as "The Venice of the Cotswolds", I am sure it is only a matter of time before someone asks me for a gondola! I am sure my colleagues can add more unusual questions. Our village is now really only beautiful first thing in the morning and late in the evening.

**Mollie Wise**

### Overtourism

I have changed the title as it more accurately reflects what people are saying, but firstly may I thank all the people who responded to my first article. Your comments were very helpful and facilitated my follow up article OVERTOURISM. This is a shortened version but the full version can be viewed on the Browser website.

**What is overtourism?** *In short, overtourism occurs when there are too many visitors to a particular destination. "Too many" is a subjective term, of course, but it is defined in each destination by local residents, hosts, business owners and tourists. When rent prices push out local tenants to make way for holiday rentals, that is overtourism. When narrow roads become jammed with tourist vehicles, that is overtourism. When wildlife is scared away, when tourists cannot view landmarks because of the crowds, when fragile environments become degraded – these are all signs of overtourism.*

I and many contributors also think that the number of tourists has crossed a threshold - where it is detrimental to the people who actually live here. It's interesting that now the tourists themselves are complaining, which is something people had not considered. There is general consternation about the very high number of coaches, mini buses and cars that are now trying to squeeze into this quite small village. This is due to high number of parking spaces being made available plus on street parking. I have learned that the residents of Lower Slaughter have never wanted a car park in their village and have actively opposed it over the years. The reason? They don't want their quiet and tranquil village 'turning into another theme park like Bourton-on-the-Water'. Please try and read my full article and get back to me at: [www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk](http://www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk)

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to these families in the Gloucestershire area. At Christmas time items are distributed through the Community Awareness charity which was established eight years ago and received charitable status in 2017.

We would like to express our best wishes to all at Christmas time for a Very Happy Christmas and a Healthy and Prosperous New Year. We will be having our first monthly meeting on the 9th January, the second Wednesday of the month, and look forward to another successful year.

For further info contact: Irene Summers  
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### The Bells, The Bells

Bell Ringers at St Lawrence Church had the honour to ring for Rowena King's Service of Institution and Induction on 10<sup>th</sup> October. Also in the tower were ringers from Great Rissington and from Dursley, Rowena's last posting. All together there were 15 ringers welcoming her that evening.

At the North Cotswolds Branch of the Gloucester and Bristol Diocesan Association of Church Bell Ringers AGM and Striking Competition in October, the ringers from Bourton-on-the-Water came in 3<sup>rd</sup> place out of 7 teams. Well done, all.

On 11<sup>th</sup> November, bell ringers from Bourton-on-the-Water joined in 'Ringing Remembers' by ringing at 7:05 along with thousands of other bell towers, to commemorate the 1,400 bell ringers who lost their lives in World War I. There was a nation-wide campaign to recruit 1,400 new ringers in the year leading up to the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Armistice, but in fact, 2,400 new ringers were recruited, including 2 in Bourton's Tower.

If anyone is a fan of fictional Cotswold Detective, Agatha Raisin, and watching 'her' T.V. series (Sunday evenings at 7 p.m. on Pick), you may have seen the recent episode "Hell's Bells". This was a terrible portrayal of technique! Why not come to the tower on a practice night, Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. to see how it's really done and have a go yourself?

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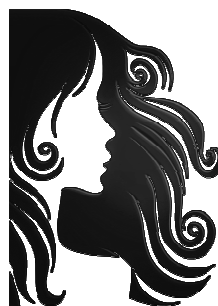
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There is always some good old fashioned sing alongs and plenty of space for a bit of a dance too. The stage is open to everyone, so bring your guitar, sax, backing tracks etc. Come along and be a part of this unique, fun night. The bar serves a selection of ales, ciders, beers, wines, spirits and soft drinks. There is no entry fee and each evening is put together and run by volunteers who all believe in music and community. On Friday December 7th, 8pm, we will be hosting a magical night of music with food and a few Christmas songs thrown into the mix to coincide with the famous Christmas late night shopping. For more info please contact Silvi on 07504068262 or <https://en-gb.facebook.com/prettysimplesongspresents/>. Hope to see you all there. **From all at PrettySimpleSongs Presents and Bourton Vale Cricket Club**

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**John & Yvonne Finch.**

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