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DIARY DATES

Every Monday, "Old Sweats" Meeting, BLH, 10am–12 Noon, 07714 852364 bourton.secretary@rbl.community

Every Mon, Wed & Fri, Bourton Men in Sheds, 9.30am-12.30pm, Behind RBL, 01608 692811.

2nd North Cotswold Lifeboats Branch, AGM, GMCC, 2pm, see page 13.

2nd Parish Council meeting, 7.00 pm. GMCC. See page 2.

5th & 6th Gifts, Cards, Collectors & Children's Book Fair. VH, 10am-5pm. 07832195427

6th At the Pavilion", Market, 10am-4pm, CCP, jlthepavilion@gmail.com

7th & 21st Mindsong, Sing 2 Remember Sessions, GMCC, 10.30am. 821216 / 07763 212506.

8th WI Meeting, 7pm, VC. See page 3.

9th Irene's Charity Knitting Circle, GMCC, 10am-12Noon. See p 12.

9th & 23rd Bourton Community Day Club, 10.30am - 2.30pm, MC, GL54 2HE. 01608 652019.

9th Gardening Club, StLC, 7 for 7.30pm. See page 13.

10th Bourton Lunch Club, CCP, GL54 2AY. 12Noon, 01608 692811.

13th Car Boot Sale, Co-op Garage, Station Rd, GL54 2EN. 8.30-11.30am, in aid of Kate's Home Nursing, 07867121122. See page 11.

14th & 28th Probus meetings, 10am, GMCC. See page 4.

16th Bourton Local History Society, BCH, 7.30pm.

19th Tayler & Fletcher, Auction Sale, NCS, GL54 2AR. 821666

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Parish Council Notes

Parish Council Notes – Council Meeting 2nd February 2022

Budget & Precept 2022/23: Further to the update in the January Browser, the following Statement has been published on the Parish Council's website:

Budget-Precept-Investment Statement 2022-2023

At its meeting on 10th January 2022, the Parish Council approved its budget and precept for the year 2022-23, the precept being the share of money each household pays to the Parish Council to help fund services and amenities provided (eg the local Cemeteries, play areas, allotment sites, Community Centre etc). In 2022-23 the Council approved a precept of £177,932. This money will be collected from the 1,780.3 contributing local households. This means that the amount of money a Band D household will pay in 2022-23 to the Parish Council to maintain its assets will be £99.94 pa. This year's precept therefore represents an increase of 56p a month (over ten months) compared to 2021-22. This money will be collected by CDC for onward forwarding to the Parish Council, and the sum will be shown within the breakdown of taxes on each household's annual Council Tax bill.

The Council's budget for 2022-23 will enable the Council to achieve a wide range of projects during the financial year, including: The purchase of software to enable digitalisation of burial records, to provide part-funding for the Queen's Jubilee weekend celebrations in the village, increased frequency of play area inspections to ensure safety for users, provide funding towards the anticipated election charges that will be levied by the district council from 2023, to enable a burial consultant to search for a suitable site for a new burial ground, the continuation of Play Rangers after-school activities, grants for local organisations and to pay for additional hours for a Civil Enforcement Officer (traffic warden) in the village if this money is not available from the District Council. Also, to ensure the George Moore Community Centre receives any necessary ongoing maintenance, all health and safety requirements are met and to budget sufficiently for the rising utility costs which all consumers are currently experiencing.

The Council is also required, by law, to set aside a certain sum in General Reserves in order to be able to respond to emergencies – the level of funds that must be set aside are reviewed annually with reference to its responsibilities at that time. This is subject to approval by the external auditors. General Reserves have been reviewed and set at appropriate levels for 2022-23.

Election Charges: We have been updated on the proposals for charging to Parish and Town Councils by Cotswold District Council. Cabinet agreed that there would be charges for contested by-elections as follows: (i) from 01/04/2024 - 50% of the cost (ii) from 01/04/2025 - 75% of the cost (iii) from 01/04/2026 - 100% of the cost. This is a change from the previously proposed start date of May 2023.

District Councillor Richard Keeling invited the Parish Council to give feedback to the District Council on the proposals and the response given was

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

The *Bourton Browser* is run by volunteers & delivered monthly FREE to every household in the Village.

Go to the "Get in Touch" tab and then complete the contact form to send questions, articles (max.300 words), adverts & event details to the team.

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- 21st Rural Cinema, **VH**, Little Women, Romance/Drama 2hrs 15mins. Emma Watson, Florence Pugh 2.30pm & 7.30pm. Refreshments from 2pm & 7pm, tickets £3 on the door.
- 23rd u3a, Social Morning, 10am-12 Noon, **BLH**. See page 6
- 25th "Abbaholics", **BLH**, See page 14. www.cotswolds-events.co.uk
- 26th-27th "Celebrate Feathered Mums" for Mother's Day, Birdland, Rissington Rd, 01451 820480.
- 27th Clocks go forward one hour. British summertime begins
- 27th Farmers Market, **BLH** Car Park, GL54 2AR. 8.30am-12.30pm. 07986 085599. See below.
- 30th Annual Parish Meeting, 7-9pm, **GMCC**, all residents welcome.

Royal British Legion car park,
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24 July	28 August	25 September
23 October	27 November	18 December
	22 January 2023	

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that the District Council should pay for the first contested election cost. If there is a need for subsequent local elections in that year, then these are paid for by the District Council and repaid when Parish can raise the funds from the forthcoming precept.

Cotswold District Council Local Plan Partial Update: Regulation 18 'Issues and Options' Consultation: This public consultation is now live until Sunday 20th March. The following public drop-in events have been arranged by **Cotswold District Council**:

Wednesday, 2nd March 2022 from 2pm until 6:30pm at the Committee Rooms, Council Offices, Trinity Road, Cirencester, GL7 1PX; and

Wednesday, 9th March 2022 from 2pm until 6:30pm at Moreton Area Centre, High Street, Moreton-in-Marsh, GL56 0AZ.

The consultation documents can be viewed on-line at <https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/planning-and-building/planning-policy/> and hard copies are available at all libraries and the District Council offices in Cirencester and Moreton-in-Marsh. You can respond to the consultation on-line at <https://issuesandoptions.commonplace.is/>

The Parish Council will hold an Extraordinary Meeting at 6pm on Wednesday 16th March to agree responses to the consultation.

Accessibility Audit: The audit is now complete and Inclusion Gloucestershire will present the findings to Councillors so that any actions can be planned to make the parish more accessible for all.

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Play Areas: The contractors who fitted the new equipment at The Naight will be installing hard core and a base along the access track which became very muddy over the winter when the works were being completed.

Following recommendations, Council approved the introduction of Quarterly operational inspections on all play equipment which will be carried out in addition to the existing weekly and annual inspections.

Platinum Jubilee Event: The working party continues to work hard on plans which are reported to the Parish Council each month. The Parish Council approved a design for commemorative mugs which will be given to primary school children, with additional stock being ordered for purchase by those attending the events.

Bourton Tourist Action Group (BTAG): A Working Group has been set up to initially report back to Council on Terms of Reference and with a particular focus on producing a Community Plan. At that point a number of residents will be invited to join the group.

Annual Parish Meeting: A reminder that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 30th March at 7pm in the Community Centre.

Next Parish Council Meeting: Wednesday 2nd March at 7pm in The George Moore Community Centre

Sharon Henley, Clerk/RFO

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Bourton Browser Team News

To help advertise the many Platinum Jubilee events being planned for the village from 2nd – 5th June, the April Bourton Browser will be a 20 page edition! The 4 middle pages will form a special pull out Jubilee supplement, so villagers will be able to start planning their Jubilee weekend activities. The Browser is funding this as a contribution towards the celebrations. We are very grateful to all our deliverers for agreeing to deliver these, one off, heavier Browsers. All the usual features will be published as normal.

If you are organising events do let us know so we can advertise them and put them in the on-line village diary, accessible via our website:

www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk

If you have a programme of regular community meetings and would like them added to "Diary Dates" please email the programme to:

team@bourtonbrowser.co.uk


We welcome articles (max. 300 words) & photographs from adults & children on any subjects of local interest. Please email to the above address.

The Bourton Browser Team

Bourton-on-the-Water WI

The Bourton-on-the-Water WI ladies had a very interesting evening meeting on Tuesday 8th February. They were entertained by Sue Davis with an exceptional talk entitled, "In the wake of Scott and Shackleton". A very enthusiastic Sue detailed her exciting experience of going to the Antarctic on a Russian icebreaker ship. The expedition took over a month in which Sue explored islands and icebergs on her way to the climax of the tour visiting Scott's hut. With a lovely collection of photos and videos, Sue conveyed her interest and excitement of the trip, which she took in 2019, a trip of a lifetime.



The BOW ladies have lots of interesting talks and social events throughout the year, meeting on the second Tuesday of each month at the Victoria Hall in Bourton, starting at 7pm. We always welcome new members, so why not come along and enjoy a very sociable evening. **Vanessa Yamin** 

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AQUAMARINE, March's Birthstone

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Cotswold Fosseway Lions



At our February meeting we held a minute's silence to remember our fellow Lion, Keith Herbert, who passed on 30th January, a few days after his 99th birthday. Keith was a founder charter member and had served as a Lion since 1989. He will be much missed.

FUNDRAISING: We have a date in the diary for our Quiz on Friday 6th May in the Cotswold Hall, Northleach. More details will be published nearer the date. Our next **COMMUNITY PROJECT** will be a litter pick, hopefully in May.

FOODBANK COLLECTIONS: Club members collect donations fortnightly on a Tuesday morning from Fruitcakes in Northleach and deliver to the Guiting Power depot.

SOCIAL: We are pleased to have a social evening organised for 23rd March, a skittles evening and meal at The Farmers Arms in Guiting Power, which has always been a popular venue with the club.

Our next monthly meeting is 8th March in The Black Cat Cafe at 8pm. If you would like to know more about our club please come along.

Avril Haseler/President

OUT AND ABOUT in March

- Daily, Lambing & Kidding at Cotswolds Farm Park, Guiting Power, GL54 5FL. 01451 850307. www.cotswoldfarmpark.co.uk
- 1st & 6th Chedworth Roman Villa, volunteering days, Yanworth, GL54 3LJ. 01242 890256. www.nationaltrust.org.uk
- 11th Rissingtons Local History Society, @7.30pm. "William Morris and the car industry in Oxford" by Alastair Lack. Visitors welcome £3.50, includes refreshments. Enquiries - information.RLHS@gmail.com / 01451 820233
- 12th Great Rissington Village Market, Great Rissington Club, 10am till noon. 01451 822285.
- 12th "Da Capo" cappella chamber choir, Soul Music. 7.30pm, Northleach Church. Tickets £12, Northleach outlets or ticketsource.co.uk/dacapo See poster page 12.
- 15th-18th Cheltenham National Hunt Festival, Cheltenham racecourse, GL50 4SH.0844 5793003. www.thejockeyclub.co.uk
- 20th Combe Mill 'Open day In Steam', Combe Mill, 10.30am-5pm, Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Long Hanborough. OX298ET www.combemill.org See page 14.
- 24th Cotswold Energy Saving Exhibition, Westwoods Centre, Northleach, 3-8.30pm, ENTRY IS FREE. For details & times of talks see poster on this page below, column 2.
- 25th Rissingtons Local History Society, 2.30pm "RAF Brize Norton - over 80yrs of flying operations." by Trevor Jackson. Upper Rissington Village Hall GL54 2QW. Visitors welcome £3.50. RLHS@gmail.com 01451 820233.

Visitor Information Centre 01451 820211
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BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER PROBUS CLUB



The Club has held two very successful meetings since our AGM in January, featuring Guest Speakers on (1) Riley motorcars and (2) the history and work of the Commonwealth War Graves Commission. We also held a most enjoyable "Skittles and Lunch" session at the Farmers Arms, Guiting Power on February 24th.

Our next meetings include Guest Speakers Myles Pilling on "Tales from a Special Schools Teacher" (February 28th) and Geoffrey Calver on "Amazing incidents in the Courtroom" (March 14th). On March 28 we will be holding a Members Open Meeting.

Meetings are held at George Moore Community Centre on 2nd and 4th Mondays of each month at 10 a.m. for coffee/tea, fellowship and talk by a Guest Speaker. You are warmly invited to join any Meeting as a Guest and should contact David Tebbutt 01451 821098 david.tebbutt1@gmail.com



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TALKS FROM

Christopher Crookall-Fallon - Head of Climate Action, Cotswold District Council
Meeting the decarbonisation challenge for Cotswold properties
6.30pm

Paul Sheridan - Senior Domestic Energy Advisor, Severn Wye Energy Agency
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Panto Group



Have you been a member, part of the stage crew or maybe Front of House, for the Bourton Panto Group in the past? If you have then why not come and join in the 40th anniversary celebrations? They will be held at the British Legion Hall on the 2nd April. You can get details of how to obtain a ticket from Angela Layton on 07767 237537 or from Margaret Strevens on 077919 17684. Current members and patrons will receive an invitation with details about obtaining a ticket.



Our recent panto, A Panto Puzzle, by Mary Portalska, went ahead with great success, we even got a mention in the Gloucestershire Echo with a photograph on the front page - fame at last!

I'd like to leave you with a few words of thanks from our Stage Manager, Ann Chapman. And don't forget, if you want to join us, call us.

Jackie Denham

Our fortieth anniversary fell in 2021 but due to the Covid 19 pandemic, we were unable to meet, let alone begin preparations to stage a celebratory pantomime! As restrictions eased, belief grew that we might actually consider producing a show for 2022 and the work began last spring. We read scripts, sent details

to members and reserved dates for rehearsals and performances.

All through prop making, sewing, scene painting, stage preparation and rehearsals, we were plagued with potential setbacks and constant doubts that we would even be able to open the doors to our audiences. Cast and crew took lateral flow tests regularly to keep each other safe (how quickly these terms have entered our vocabulary over the last two years!) and stress levels were quite high!

After two years of coping with Covid 19, subsequent lockdowns and, afterwards, a general understandable reluctance to gather in an enclosed space, ticket sales suffered and we were forced to reduce our dates to three this year.

However! We were delighted to be back together and, even happier, to once again welcome our audiences to a theatre experience in our village hall.

We would like to express a HUGE thank you to all those who attended our performances of "The Panto Puzzle" by Mary Portalska, a script written during lockdown. The continued support of our wonderful patrons, loyal members, fantastic helpers and enthusiastic and generous audiences means a great deal to us amateur thespians. We love to entertain and are always ready to welcome others to this enjoyable hobby.

Ann Chapman, Stage Manager

Bourton Panto

I would like to send my congratulations to all concerned for the fantastic show in the Victoria Hall. I am sad that they had to cancel performances due to the lack of ticket sales. What is wrong with the folk of Bourton.....a brilliant show right on the doorstep and they need YOUR support!

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The Panto Puzzle

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The main characters, Dame Dolly Mixture and Cheeky Charlie, kept the audience very amused but we got told off if we were naughty!

Packed houses for Wednesday and Friday evenings but where were the community on Thursday? Only 9 tickets sold, so the performance had to be cancelled.

40 years of pantomime from a group of keen amateurs, a commitment to all concerned, be it on stage, back stage or front of house.

I have seen 25 pantos and know you as good friends, audience and cast.

Please carry on, as I look forward to the 2023 show.

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Mollie Wise, patron

If you have you ever been a Member, Crew or Front of House in the past then

Bourton Panto Group

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u3a Bourton & District

After a certain amount of uncertainty regarding the progress of the recovery following the Omicron variant of Covid, the monthly meetings of Bourton and District u3a have resumed and the next monthly meeting for all members will be held at the Royal British Legion Hall on Wednesday, 23rd March from 10 am. It is planned to hold a social morning, with refreshments being served, as usual, with the opportunity to re-engage with fellow members. The cost will be £2 per head.

Bourton and District u3a, which covers Bourton, Stow, Moreton and the surrounding villages, is one of many branches of this organisation, run by volunteers, for people who are retired or semi-retired. We welcome all such people, are non-religious, non-political and welcome all, men and women, singles and couples, alike. We hope to provide the means of making new friends, finding new interests and generally making life somewhat more fulfilling and enjoyable.

As well as the monthly meetings for all members, we have a range of smaller special interest groups, the topics of which are decided upon by the members themselves. If a new member would like an interest group in a particular subject not already in existence, he or she can be helped to start such a group. At present, not all our interest groups have recommenced after Covid, although some have operated almost

throughout the pandemic (sometimes on Zoom) and other group organisers are considering when to restart.

If you are retired or semi-retired and would like to broaden your horizons with new interests or would like to pick up old interests, why don't you consider joining us? We have a website (please see below) where you will find further information and, should you wish to speak to a committee member for further information, we have a phone on which you can leave a message for one of the committee members to call you back. We'd like to hear from you.

Website: u3asites.org.uk/bourton

Phone: 07783 235320

Bourton Roadrunners

Evesham Parkrun – 12th February

In addition to Bourton Roadrunners' long-standing tradition of supporting as many local running events as possible, it has been a keen ambassador for the parkrun movement and its world-wide appeal. As running and other events start to open up further the club has continued to demonstrate its support of parkrun by selecting one of the several local events each month, promoting its social and wellbeing values.

February's event was the well organised Evesham parkrun, which attracted 15 club members, with Alex Pye leading the team home in 20:24. Derek Darby was 1st MV45 in 21:07, achieving a course PB, with Tim Hemming finishing 1st MV50 in 21:42. Tom Hill also achieved a course PB of 24:10, while

Margaret Hollamby finished 1st LV65 in a fine 24:36. Lorna Shawcross was 1st LV60 in 25:15, narrowly piping Barry O'Leary in 25:16. Liz Hulcup, who is training for Cardiff half marathon next month, achieved 25:45.

There was further friendly club rivalry between John Harding (1st MV65) and Chris Dry, finishing in 26:05 and 26:06 respectively; well done to both. Other Bourton Roadrunners were Gill Carrick (27:47), David Rees (27:48), Sharon Rees (32:05), Lynn Hudson (34:22) and Coral Feeney-Hill (35:25 – course PB).

Other parkrun events this week

Some of those who couldn't make it to Evesham, found alternative parkrun events including: Harcourt Hill: Louise Hamilton-Smith – 29:32. Harkerville, SA: Gillian James – 34:28 and Chris Lynch – 35:00 (course PB). Old Deer Park: Kate Price (2nd claim) – 34:11. Stratford-upon-Avon: Susan Hunt (2nd claim) 1st LV55 – 24:47, Linda Edwards (2nd claim) – 36:56, Steph Holton – 36:57, Gary Holton – 36:57.

February 6th parkruns comprised

Cannon Hill: Susan Hunt (2nd claim) – 24:49. Cheltenham: Chris Dry – 25:40. Chipping Norton School: Derek Darby – 22:11, Louise Hamilton-Smith – 40:28 (running with her young daughter). Newport Riverfront: Jaq Underwood (2nd claim) – 21:44. Stratford-upon-Avon: Lucy Hillary, 1st female (JW11-14) – 21:15 (course PB). Tewkesbury: Claire Carroll – 27:30 1st LV60, Rob Williams – 28:44.

John Gibson

Message from the Church

One of the things I am enjoying at the moment is the slow sense of reconnecting with family, friends and local community. As restrictions ease and I slowly feel myself emerging from what are now habits of isolation, I am taking time to really appreciate and savour my connections with others. However, I have also realised that I am having to be more intentional about creating times and opportunities for those connections – what used to happen quite naturally, now seems to need thought and planning.

It is worth it, though, as our connections with others support us in body, mind and spirit; as humans we are made to be in community. Loneliness and isolation are proven to be huge health risks, and they are also on the increase, particularly after the shifts of past two years.

One of the ways we at St Lawrence are addressing this is through our **Together**

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If you are able to volunteer, or simply want some more information about what is involved, please get in touch with: **Mike Marshall on 01451 820866**.

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Bourton Baptist Church Services

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You can still join the Cirencester services online from your home if you prefer; these are now available via www.youtube.com and search for 'Cirencester Baptist Church' We are also now holding Open4U again every Thursday, from 10am until 4pm, in the Church Hall, so do come along and join us, everyone welcome.

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SPECIAL SERVICES IN MARCH, including Lenten arrangements.

Wed.2nd. **Ash Wednesday. Day of Fasting and Abstinence.** Sung Mass with Blessing and distribution of Ashes. 6 pm.

Fri 4th **Stations of the Cross and Adoration.** 6pm-7pm

Fri 11th Talk 1 by John Huntriss: **Why did Jesus die?** 6pm-7pm

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Sat 19th **Solemnity of St. Joseph**, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Mass 9 am

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Please donate towards our new library

If you can support your child to raise money for The Aird Library, or are able to make a donation direct, your contribution will really make a difference to children throughout our school.

Will Morgan
Headteacher



Bourton Vale Tennis Club

This year marks the tennis club's centenary. Founded in 1922 as part of the croquet club, Bourton's tennis club has moved away from lawn tennis on the cricket club's ground to having two fabulous floodlit hard courts. One of the ways we are celebrating our 100th birthday is with a new clubhouse. Work began toward the end of 2021 and we expect to be 'moved in' by the summer. The new clubhouse will benefit all members and should prove to be a much more comfortable place for post-match socializing!



The tennis season starts in April so we are accepting new memberships and particularly welcome children and adults of all abilities. Tennis is a great way to keep active, improve hand-eye coordination, sportsmanship and etiquette. It is a sport very much for everyone and we really want to get more juniors (and adults!) into the game. Anyone interested in having a go for the first time is welcome to come along for a taster session. Junior membership is only £25 (reduced to £15 if taking coaching) for the whole year with access anytime to the courts - incredible value for money! Adult and family memberships are available too.

Kingsley Harris is our expert new Club Coach. The Junior Programme is already in full swing but new juniors are welcome to join at any time. If interested in taking tennis lessons please contact Kingsley direct on 07879 644218 or visit our website at www.bourtontennisclub.org for more details.



With our centenary this year we will be doing quite a lot to celebrate and to make the club a fantastic sporting place for the local community for the next 100 years, so now really is the time to get into tennis!

See you on court!

Alex Peyton

Local Groups and Organisations for the YOUNGER GENERATION

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Recreational Gymnastics	Caroline	263130
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Taekwon-do	Lee Chapman	01285 640500
The Cotswold School		820458
Youth Club	Linda Hicks	824225

4 Shires Swimming Club

With our busy season under way, swimmers are working hard in preparation for the various meets/galas coming up. Last month we had a successful Chipping Norton schools partnership gala which has hopefully produced some new talent.

Senior swimmer of the month was Oscar Spence and Junior swimmer was Ellis Hale, both swimming well and part of our county relay teams.

We are also pleased to welcome two new coaches to the club, Izzy Lane and Ben Chapman.

So, if you are a keen swimmer and are looking to compete or are simply looking to develop your fitness and swimming skills then please contact us to book onto one of our trial sessions.

You can do this via our website - <http://www.4ssc.co.uk/join-us> or email us at membership@4ssc.co.uk for details of our next Trial sessions.

Lucy Warner



Bourton Primary Academy

Spring is very much on its way and with that come many sporting events in our school calendar. We have taken a group of Year 3 and 4 children to a Gym competition at The Cotswold School. We have also taken over 70 children to a cross country event. This event is well attended by many schools across our cluster. We had several children qualify for the next round. We welcomed St. Andrews school from Chedworth for a football match for our Year 3 & 4 team and our Year 5 & 6 team. As always, we were very proud of their behaviour and their great sporting attitude. KS1 have also had some extra sporting activities in February and our local Ju-Jitsu instructor came to give them some taster sessions of this Martial Art. It was very popular and the children enjoyed learning something different. Many of you reading this will have had some connection with the Primary School, whether you came here as a child, have children or grandchildren at our school or have taken part in events linked to the school. With this in mind, you will have met many members of staff and we are grateful to each of them for all of the hard work that they put in everyday. It is with fondest memories that we are saying good luck and farewell to our longest standing teaching assistant, Caroline Gulwell, who has worked at our school for 33 years. It has been a privilege to work alongside you and we hope you have a wonderful and relaxing retirement.

Tori Teague, Senior Leader





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Felix and Neil



On Sunday, February 27th, 15-year-old Felix Thompson and Neil Teague will be taking part in the Bourton 10km road race that starts in the centre of the village.

Felix, who was born with a genetic condition that affects his physical and cognitive development, will be pushed by Neil in his trusty wheelchair around the course that starts and finishes with loops of the village centre.

The plan is for Felix to push his own chair down the final yards and across the line in the high street. If they succeed, both will have fully deserved the post-race (in Felix's words) "cheeky pasty" that has been the main topic of conversation during training.

They are raising money for The Friends of The Milestone School, the charity that supports the work of the specialist school in Gloucester where Felix has been a pupil for the past decade. The

charity helps raise funds to enable access to learning for children with learning difficulties and autism. Neil and Felix have been training since the start of the year, whatever the weather – with locals becoming used to the seeing the flashing lights of the wheelchair with the Captain America wheels flying past!



The event will be a test for Neil too. The 58-year-old has spent the past six years battling back to fitness after surviving a road accident in 2015 that left him with a shattered pelvis, broken ribs and needing a hip replacement.

Neil says: "Every time we go a little bit further and I think I'm getting stronger – although ask Felix and he'll give you a big smile and tell you I'm always feeling knackered!"

Both welcome as much support as possible on the day. If you'd like to donate to Felix and Neil's fundraising efforts, please log on to www.justgiving.com/f10k

Neil and Felix

COTSWOLD FRIENDS COMMUNITY DAY CLUB



Cotswold Friends Community Day Club is up and running. If you would like to get together with others for a chat and a cuppa, or to join in with a programme of social activities, please do come along. If you are a carer, we can support the person you care for to attend the group while you take a break – or you can come along together. The Bourton Club runs on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month from 10.30am until 2.30pm at The Lounge, Market Close, GL54 2HE. All day with lunch costs £4.50, am or pm with refreshments costs £1.00. If you would like to come along, please call Bridget on Tel: 01608 652019.

Cotswold Friends is also urgently in need of befriending & carer support volunteers to support Bourton residents. Please call George on Tel: 01608 697007 if you could spare a little time each week to help.


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<https://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/visiting-and-exploring/guided-walks/>

Guiting Power to Naunton, Aylesworth, Westfield Shooting Ground. Tuesday 1st March – Moderate 3hr 6.5ml. A moderate walk incorporating parts of the Windrush, Wardens and Diamond Ways. Bring drink/snack. **Start:** 9.30am Guiting Power village car park (honesty box) plus roadside parking GL54 5TX. OS Map ref: SP 095 247.

A Circuit of Meon Hill – Tuesday 22nd March – Moderate 3.5hr 7ml. An interesting walk circumnavigating Meon Hill with tales of murder and devilry. We will also enjoy tantalizing glimpses of two arts and craft gardens. It could be muddy! Bring drink/snack. **Start:** 10.00am Hidcote Manor car park (with kind permission of National Trust). OS Map ref: SP 176 430.

Winchcombe to Belas Knap – Wednesday 23rd March – Moderate 3hr 6ml. Easy paths and lanes meander past Sudeley Castle and along the valley of Beesmoor Brook, then up into woods and combs with spectacular views until we reach Belas Knap. The return to Winchcombe is gentle downhill. Bring coffee/snack. Cafes & pubs are available in the town following the walk. **Start:** 10.00am Winch-

combe, Back Lane car park (£1 all day). OS Map ref: SP 024 283.

PLEASE use appropriate footwear as some walks may be steep and muddy in places. **EASY** - Length may vary but terrain is mainly flat (level); **MODERATE** - includes some hills and rough ground. **STRENUOUS** - may be rough underfoot and ascents and descents may be steep. We welcome guide and hearing dogs - sorry, others not allowed. Walks are free although we do invite donations to help fund our conservation and improvement work.



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Frederick Robert Day

Sadly, a gentleman by the name of Mr Frederick Robert Day (DOB: 22/04/1948) passed away at Cirencester Hospital on 22/12/2021 with no registered next of kin on file.

We are appealing to anyone who may have known Mr Day or anyone who may know of any next of kin details for Mr Day.

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The February meeting was very successfully organised by Marie Russell and Dawn White in our absence on holiday, for which we are very grateful. An enjoyable morning was had by those attending and we hope that future meetings will continue to encourage new members to join us and enjoy the companionship and banter whilst producing items for those in need.



COVID restrictions have been lifted sufficiently now for us to supply items locally in Gloucestershire and the Gt. Western Hospital in Swindon and we hope to be able to recommence arrangements for sending items to Syria shortly.

Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 9th March, at the Bourton Community Centre Cafe in Moore Road, from 10:00 - 12:00 noon. Coffee/Tea and Biscuits will be served and we hope to see all our members there. New members will be very welcome to join us and meet new friends as well as helping to provide comfort for families in need in our local communities.

With our very best wishes Irene & Peter

For further information contact:

Irene Summers Tel: 01451 798718

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Music

Hello: have you ever thought about learning a musical instrument, or trying singing? It can be really beneficial for your health and well-being, at any age. My name is Julian Grimshaw, and this is a short piece to let you know a little bit about myself and the musical services I am pleased to offer for adults or children in the Bourton area. I moved from Mickleton into the village of Lower Slaughter two years ago (just before the first lockdown). I have been involved in music one way or another all of my life, and, following a first degree in music in Aberystwyth, moved to Oxford to undertake research and further music qualifications, focusing on early music and composition techniques. My time is now divided between research, practice and teaching (currently for piano and classical guitar; previously also music history and theory). I accompany singers and children's and youth choirs on the piano, and play the organ for services, weddings and other events around the South Warwickshire Seven (SW7) Benefice. I have full DBS clearance and undertake regular safeguarding training with Warwickshire Music. Contact details: 01451 821525 or 07891 423855. Do get in touch if you would like to find out more about lessons or tutorial sessions, or singing opportunities. Contact Julian at: jdwyergrimshaw@btinternet.com.

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David Ogden

Denise and Clodagh Ogden and family would like to thank friends, neighbours and colleagues for their messages of condolence on David's death and for attending the funeral ceremony.

We are also very grateful to the District Nursing team, Kate's Home Nurses, carers and friends who supported David and our family in the last months of his illness.

David retired six years ago as Headteacher of Temple Guiting C of E school and was active for some years in the Bourton-on-the-Water Scouting Association. He was a loving husband, father and grandfather, a good friend to many and will be greatly missed.

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Thank you to everyone who came along to our February meeting, and a warm welcome to all of our new members. There is still time to join and non-members are always welcome too. Congratulations to Jenny Reed for winning the February snowdrop competition, our March competition is 'flowers in my garden', all interpretations are welcome and there is a floral prize on offer.



We are working behind the scenes on the Saturday September 10th Garden Show, and more details will be released shortly. There are spaces available on

our annual coach outing, to the beautiful Kelmarsh Hall and Gardens in Northamptonshire on Thursday 9th June, the aptly named Sweet Pea's tearoom offer lunches and cake and there is a gift shop too.

Overgrown clump forming perennials can be divided in March, reinvigorating the original plant and providing new ones to help fill your own borders or given away as gardener's gifts, for others to enjoy. This works best with summer flowering plants, any due to flower in spring, it is best to wait until autumn. By creating extra pollinator favourites for our gardens, Sedums, Geraniums, Verbena, Asters and Eryngium (Sea Holly), you will almost certainly be rewarded with butterflies and bees.

Our March meeting will be the annual plant and seed swap with a gardener's question time for any thorny problems. For anyone who has not taken part before, just bring along any seeds or plants you have spare and there will a central table to put them on, then small groups are asked in turn to choose which plants

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The Seasonal Bulge?

It will soon be spring,
The nights are getting lighter,
We have all put weight on over Christmas,
And our clothes are tighter!

The weight will soon come off,
When we start again to dig,
Remember all the calories,
Or we'll end up like a pig!

Millie Thomas

Moore Friends

Well, the New Year is racing along. One minute it is dry and the next minute it is wet. We still have our meetings via Zoom and everyone is keeping well. We hope our members and residents are keeping safe. The virus is still around and will be for the foreseeable future. Try and avoid crowded places! Artlift is going well so is Kate's Home Nursing and all the other projects we are funding. Note, our AGM will be held on 15th June at 2.30pm, George Moore Community Centre. Rejoice in the snowdrops and daffodils.

Bill Wragge, Trustee

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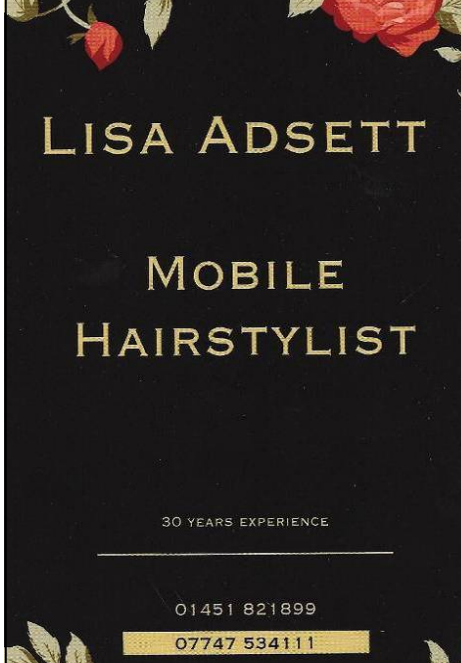
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Village Volunteers

Let us praise those who give
Something back to the village:
Such as our team of litterpickers,
Whose bags get bigger and bigger!
They always give a cheery smile
As they tidy up over a mile!
They clean the culvert near the cross
Of grass and weeds and moss.
Despite the cold and the dark,
They bag the leaves in the car park.
The stars of the Litterpicking Team,
Try to keep Bourton spruce and clean.
They're out and about all day,
Helping to keep rubbish at bay.
Volunteers, whoever they may be,
Happy in what they do and for free!
Volunteers give far and above
To whatever they respect and love.
So give them a clap and a cheer,
Whoever serves as a Volunteer!
Hugh O'Connell

Introducing Community Builder



Sue Pilling

My Name is Sue and I am delighted to be serving as a Community Builder in the Cotswolds.

I am here to speak and listen to as many people as possible. I look forward to hearing all that is good and going on in the community, so I can make sure that everyone knows about it and to help

enable others to connect.

I am also here to help bring people together who feel passionate about doing something in their community and encourage them to see what can be done with like-minded people.

Please say "Hi", if you see me walking around Northleach or pop into the Black Cat Café on a Tuesday 12-1.30pm or on a Wednesday 3.30-4.30pm as I'm always happy to chat and help support people to take action on what they really care about. If you want to catch up with me, please email on sue.pilling@publicagroup.uk or call me on 07564055713

Police Point Times
at George Moore Community Centre.
www.gloucestershire.police.uk

Day/Date	Times	Officer
Thursday 10 th March	1.30-2.30pm	PCSO John Allen

LOCAL GROUPS AND ORGANISATIONS Numbers without area code are 01451

(For amendments call 822431)

Archery Club	GRArcheryClub@gmail.com	
Badminton Club	cclaire@gmail.com	
Bell Ringers, BOW	Stephanie Hemming	810996
Bell Ringers, Gt Ris	Sheila Jesson,	820395
Bourton-on-the-Water WI	Jean Furner	810740
Bourton Panto Group	Jan Close	831911
Bourton Probus Club	David Tebbutt	821098
B'n Road Runners	Lynn Hudson	01242 820920
Bourton Rovers Football Club	Brian Hall	07901106900
Bourton Vale Cricket Club	Lourenza Hargreaves	07375 033609
Bourton Vale Tennis Club	www.bourtontennisclub.org	
Brass & Silver Bands	Stephanie Hemming	810996
Bridge Club, Northleach	Tim Morris	01285 750288
Community Group	Bridget/Lorna	01608 652019
Cotswold Fosseyway Lions Club		0845 833 9825
Embroiderers Guild	Julie Smith	01608 651006
Fitness League	Kathy Kirk	01993 882350
Gardening Club	Sheila Thorpe	07973 391741
Gardening Club	Sandra Mitchell	07840 898472
Glos. Advanced Motorists	Rod Harrison.	821605
History Society	Sue Roberts	822230
Hockey	Tracy Dixon	07813187933

Jubilee Lodge		01451 823100
Lunch Club (B'n Vale Cricket Club)	Sam	01608 692811
Men in Sheds Membership	Rob	01608 698557
Men in Sheds Orders	Keith	01451 831886
Moore Friends	Sandra Morgan	01452 821212
Moreton Bowls Club	Brenda Dix	821020
North Cotswold Gymnastics Club	Caroline Gill	01451 263130
OPEN 4U		824225
Pilates	Robert Cox	07500 188445
Rotary Club Nth Cotswolds	Steve Whincup	07488 365908
Royal British Legion Bourton	Bill McKenzie	824303
Rural Cinema	Mollie Wise	822365
Scottish Dancing Group	Christine Bucknall	Bucknallce@gmail.com
		01993 830760
Short Led Walks	Carol Price	810305
Tai Chi	Valerie Ward	07779 746346
u3a Bourton & District	Group Mobile	07783 235320
Village Agent	Steve Cotton	077291 148833
Volunteer Help Centre		01608 651415
Windrush Carers Support Group	Barbara Newstead	821523
4 Shires Swimming Club	Jo Shaw	membership@4ssc.uk

Platinum Jubilee Children's Parties

Bourton Primary School age children are invited to attend a children's party to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

Taking place on **Thursday 2nd June** (a Bank Holiday) at Bourton Primary School Hall, the parties will be split into 2 groups as follows:

1.30-3.30pm: Primary School Reception and Years 1 and 2

4.00-6.00pm: Primary School Years 3-6

There will be a circus skills entertainer and a refreshment break and there may even be a surprise visitor at the end to help give out party bags.....! Parents are required to register in advance – forms are available for collection from the Primary School Office between 9am and 3pm during term-time only, or can be downloaded from Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council's web-site under the "Celebrations" page.

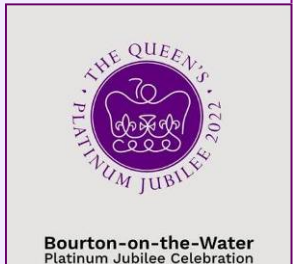
Platinum Jubilee Generation's Tea Party

The table is set for a Tea Party honouring Her Majesty's 70th Jubilee.

Residents over the age of 65 are invited to the Royal British Legion Hall to enjoy an afternoon tea, with fancy cakes of course and to be entertained by, and join in with, a rousing singalong with the U3A singers, watch a country dancing display, and play bingo.

Date and Time: Thursday 2nd June from 2.00-5.30pm

Entry is free but with tickets only (your ticket is also an entry to a lucky draw!) which are allocated on a 'first come, first served basis'. Drivers are available to provide transport - just let us know if you need transport when you collect your ticket. Tickets will be available from April 15th from the Visitor Information Centre in Victoria Street, Bourton-on-the-Water, 01451 820211.



JUBILEE FLOTILLA

RIVER WINDRUSH, THE VILLAGE GREEN,
BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER. 15:00, 5TH JUNE 2022



As part of the **Sunday Fun Day** celebrations on the Village Green, a very special person will be launching a flotilla of model boats on the River Windrush!

If you, your family, a group of friends, school class, business or community group fancy making a model boat to drift down the river, why not have a go?

They can be superbly built, made out of recycled materials, anything you like. Conventional or completely crazy – the choice is yours!

There's one important catch! The model boat needs to be able to drift down the river and under the bridges. They should be no longer than 100cm and no taller than 60cm.

No mechanical forms of propulsion are permitted. Wind power is fine.

There will be prizes for the funniest boat, best boat made by a youngster under 10 and best individual, family and/or friends, and organisation's boat.

The flotilla launch takes place at 15:00!

To be eligible for a prize you need to register. Simply fill in and tear off the strip below, by May 31st, and drop it into:

The Visitor Information Centre
Victoria Street
Bourton-on-the-Water
Gloucestershire
GL54 2BU

Name(s) _____

Individual ☐, Under 10 ☐, Family or Friends ☐, Organisation ☐

Telephone No. _____ Email _____



BOURTON-ON-THE-WATER, PLATINUM JUBILEE

Thank you to those people who have offered to open their gardens on Friday June 3rd as part of the Village celebrations.

However, we do need quite a few more to join us or, we shall sadly not have enough gardens to make this event worthwhile or possible.

So, this is a last plea to all you owners of our lovely village gardens, please join in and help us make this happen. Small or grand we NEED you!

Please contact me, Judy Harden on
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