

# BOURTON BROWSER

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## DIARY DATES

Every Monday, "Old Sweats" Meeting, BLH, 10am—12 Noon, 07714 852364 [bourton.secretary@rbl.community](mailto:bourton.secretary@rbl.community)

Every Mon, Yoga with Fran, 9-10am, suitable for all levels. 07950 424037. [franyoga@rocketmail.com](mailto:franyoga@rocketmail.com)

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

1<sup>st</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup> Mindsong, Sing 2 Remember Sessions, GMCC, 10.30am. 07764 212506 or 01451 821216. See p. 7.

2<sup>nd</sup> Parish Council meeting, 7.00 pm. GMCC. See opposite.

3<sup>rd</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Gift Fair, VH, Accessories, Collectables, Children's Books, Toys, Stationery. 07832195427.

4<sup>th</sup> Police Point open, GMCC, 1-2pm, [www.gloucestershire.police.uk](http://www.gloucestershire.police.uk)

6<sup>th</sup> Moreton Bowls Club, Duck Races, Tombola 7 stalls, The Green, 9.30am-5pm. See page 3.

7<sup>th</sup> At the Pavilion", Market, 10am-4pm, CCP, [jilthepavilion@gmail.com](mailto:jilthepavilion@gmail.com)

8<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> Summer Holiday Play Sessions, Melville Play Space, 10am-4pm, see page 8 [www.playgloucestershire.org.uk](http://www.playgloucestershire.org.uk)

8<sup>th</sup> Probus, 10am, GMCC. Lynn Hilditch tells us a Family Story "and there was more". See page 11.

10<sup>th</sup> Irene's Charity Knitting Circle, Wiloughby Place, 10am-12Noon. See page 12.

10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> Bourton Community Day Club, 10.30am - 2.30pm, MC, GL54 2HE. 01608 652019.

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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

## Parish Council Notes

**Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council Notes** from the meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> July 2022.

### District Councillor Nick Maunder reported

- The owners of Bourton Vale car park have announced their intention to cease coach parking provision from 31<sup>st</sup> December. The district council are arranging a meeting with the car park owners and have asked for the parish council's input to find an appropriate solution for coach parking in the village.
- The Sustrans report concluded that the redevelopment of the old Bourton-on-the-Water to Kingham railway line into a walking/cycle route is a viable project so the district council are looking for grant funding to develop plans.

**Councillor Resignation:** The Parish Council received the resignation of Councillor Piers Millett due to a change in circumstances and he was thanked for his hard work during his time on the Council. We hope to be in a position to co-opt a new councillor by the September Parish Council meeting. Please see the separate notice for further information.

**Hedges, Shrubs & Trees:** The Parish Council would like to remind householders and landowners of their responsibilities to cut back any hedges, shrubs or trees that may be overhanging the pavements or footpaths bordering their property. This is to ensure the safety of pedestrians and allow sufficient space, where possible, for the use of wheelchairs and buggies. Please ensure the full width of a pavement is kept clear, ideally with a minimum cleared width of 1.1 metres (3ft 7 inches). Head clearance should be a minimum of 2.1 metres (approx 7 ft). As we are currently in bird nesting season please check your hedges and shrubs prior to cutting back to ensure there are no nesting birds present.

**Platinum Jubilee Event:** A final report was received from the working party and it was agreed to make donations to a range of local organisations with some of the profits. The remainder to be retained whilst a suitable project is identified as a permanent commemoration of the event.

**Zero Waste Declaration:** The Council adopted a [Zero Waste Declaration](#). In addition, an Environmental Action Working Group will be formed to work through a number of proposals. The group will report into the Village Environment Committee.

**Allotments:** The allotments will be entered into the Moreton Show competition again this year with judging taking place during August. We wish our allotment holders all the best.

**Next Parish Council Meeting:** We have changed the day of the August meeting to a Tuesday, so the next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> August** at 7pm in The George Moore Community Centre. Sharon Henley, Clerk/RFO Tel: 01451 820712; [clerk@bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk) [www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk](http://www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk)

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The **DEADLINE** for Adverts & Articles for the **September** edition, is **Noon on Midday 15<sup>th</sup> August**

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- 10<sup>th</sup> Gardening Club, **BCH**, 7pm "Dundry Nurseries" speaker Chris Evans. 7.30pm. See page 16.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Bourton Lunch Club, **CCP**, GL54 2AY. 12Noon, 01608 692811.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Bourton Panto Group, Duck races & Fete, The Green, 10am-4pm.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Tayler & Fletcher, Monthly Auction Sale, **NCS**, GL54 2AR. 821666.
- 14<sup>th</sup> Car Boot Sale, Co-op Garage, Station Rd, GL54 2EN. 8.30-11.30am, in aid of Kate's Home Nursing, 07867121122. See above.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Bourton Local History Society, **BCH**, 7.30pm.
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Probus meeting, 10am, **GMCC**, "Tesla – The Inventor, not the car". A talk by Dennis Harvey. See p. 11.
- 24<sup>th</sup> u3a, 10am, **BLH**. "Dignified or merely Disneyfied?" by Mike Aggleton. [www.u3asites.org.uk/bourton](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/bourton)
- 25<sup>th</sup> Police Point open, **GMCC**, 1-2pm, [www.gloucestershire.police.uk](http://www.gloucestershire.police.uk)
- 28<sup>th</sup> Farmers Market, **BLH** Car Park, GL54 2AR. 8.30am-12.30pm. 07986 085599. See page 14.

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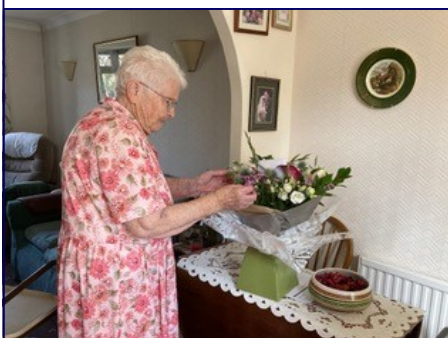
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#### Bourton Browser Team News

We'd like to say a very big thank you to Gladys Oakey, who is retiring after having been the deliverer for the Folly Field round for the last 23 years! Gladys was given a bouquet of flowers as a token of our gratitude. We are pleased to say that the round is being "kept in the family", as Gladys' daughter, Caroline, is taking over. We extend a warm welcome to Caroline.



We would like to thank the Jubilee Committee for their very kind donation of £250. The Browser supported the celebrations by not charging for any advertising. However the donation is gratefully received and will probably go towards funding a 'thank you' get together for our deliverers later in the year.

If you are organising events let us know so we can advertise them and put them in the on-line village diary, accessible via: [www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk](http://www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk)

We welcome articles (max. 300 words) & photographs from adults & children on any subjects of local interest. Please email to [team@bourtonbrowser.co.uk](mailto:team@bourtonbrowser.co.uk)

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#### Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council Co-Option of Parish Councillor

A casual vacancy has arisen following a recent resignation by Piers Millett. This vacancy has been advertised by Cotswold District Council to give residents the opportunity to call a by-election. If a by-election is not called then Council will be given the authority to co-opt a resident onto the Council.

As we do not have this information to hand at the time of going to press, and in order not to lose time in recruiting a replacement, we would therefore ask residents interested in joining the Council to confirm this interest to the Council in writing.

Residents who meet the qualifying criteria, namely those who are an elector over the age of 18 and who have lived, or had their primary place of work, in the village for the past 12 months, are asked to register their interest in writing to the Clerk, Parish Council Office, The George Moore Community Centre, Moore Rd, Bourton-on-the-Water, Gloucestershire GL54 2AZ or email [clerk@bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk) by **noon on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August**. If an election is not called, applicants will then be invited to meet with Councillors later in August, with the aim of confirming an appointment at the Council meeting on **Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September**. Applicants are asked to provide brief details of their background and give reasons why they would like to be considered. If you have any questions about the role or its responsibilities, please contact the Clerk who will be happy to answer them.

It is hoped there will be a good response to this appeal for an additional councillor as we do need to be at full strength in order to take forward the many projects and issues being progressed.

**Mrs Sharon Henley, Clerk**  
**Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council**

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### Bourton-on-the-Water

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The Bourton-on-the-Water WI had a very enjoyable outing to Berkeley Castle recently.



15 members went on the trip which involved a very informative tour including lots of interaction with old costumes which was thoroughly enjoyed. The day was rounded off by a lovely cream tea with a multitude of very large scones and I am told that one lady enjoyed the scones soooooo much that she had 3 !!!

If you would like to enjoy similar trips why not join the Bourton WI for some more great outings in the future. The ladies meet on the second Tuesday of every month, 7pm in the Victoria Hall. No meeting in August as it's the ladies annual garden party but new members very welcome at their September meeting which will be Tuesday 13th September.

Come along and you'll be made to feel very welcome!!! **Vanessa**

### Community Speedwatch

The Parish network of "Safe-speed" ANPR cameras continue to monitor traffic flow and speed 24/7. The speed of all passing vehicles is captured and reviewed regularly to identify persistent transgressors. Following a recent software enhancement, the way that warning letters are sent to drivers has been streamlined and the number sent out greatly increased. The Road Traffic division at Glos. Police HQ coordinate letter sending and will also follow up and take action as necessary for persistent offenders. The ultimate aim is to encourage drivers to slow down and stick to the speed limits. Speedwatch volunteers will also be out from time to time to record traffic volumes and also use the speed gun to monitor speeds. This provides a visual deterrent as well as supplementing the ANPR enforcement procedure. Warning letters will also be sent out to drivers that are caught. Again, the aim is not to try and catch as many speeders as possible but to educate and encourage drivers to obey the limits. Speeding wastes fuel, creates more pollution, raises stress levels, and makes the roads less safe for other road users, including passengers. Lower speeds help other people feel safe to walk, bike, or travel with children. Please keep below the limits and make Bourton's roads safer. 20mph along the village centre roads and 30mph elsewhere. The road signs are there - please obey them. Thank you.

**Bourton Speedwatch Coordinator**

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## OUT AND ABOUT in August

- Various dates, Longborough Festival Opera, New Banks Fee, GL56 0QF. 01451 830292. [www.lfo.org.uk](http://www.lfo.org.uk)
- Until-4<sup>th</sup> Sept, Children's hedgehog hunt at Batsford Arboretum. visit [www.batsarb.co.uk](http://www.batsarb.co.uk) for details.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> "The Importance of Being Ernest", Berrybank Park Amphitheatre, Oddington, GL56 0XW. 07799 151420. 7pm, [www.slapstickpicnic.com/](http://www.slapstickpicnic.com/)
- 5<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> Gloucestershire Vintage & Country Extravaganza, Northmoor Lane, South Cerney, GL7 5QD. Vintage vehicles, fun fair, etc. 01453 890891. [www.glosvintageextravaganza.co.uk/](http://www.glosvintageextravaganza.co.uk/)
- 6<sup>th</sup> Cold Aston Fayre, 1.30-5pm, The Green. Fun Dog Show, tombola, cakes, produce, plants, nearly-new clothes, bric a brac etc. BBQ, tea & cake, Wotton Silver Band.
- 13<sup>th</sup> Village Market at Great Rissington, Great Rissington Club, 10am-noon. 01451 822285.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Summer Teatime Classics with Gill Hopkin (violin) & Gerry Hopkin (piano). Northleach Church 3.00pm. Tickets £5 on door, Cream teas available.
- 20<sup>th</sup> Cotswolds Vintage Fair, Toddington Village Hall, Toddington, GL54 5DU. 10am-4pm. £3pp. 07342 045244.
- 21<sup>st</sup> Combe Mill Steaming Day, Models & Collections, Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Long Hanborough. OX298ET [www.combemill.org](http://www.combemill.org).
- 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> European Transplant and Dialysis Sports Games 2022, Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, OX20 1UL, [www.blenheimpalace.com](http://www.blenheimpalace.com) or call 01432 355416. Advance tickets must be purchased.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Voluntary Warden Walk. Start: 9:30am Andoversford, Station Road, GL54 4HR. Moderate 3hr 6ml. Shipton Oliffe, Hampen, Soundborough & Syreford. Bring tub for blackberries! Full details / booking <https://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/visiting-and-exploring/guided-walks/>
- 24<sup>th</sup> Summer Teatime Classics with Michael Bochmann (violin) & Gerry Hopkin (piano). Northleach Church 3.00pm. Tickets £5 on door, Cream teas available.
- 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> Children's' Book Festival, Westonbirt, Arboretum, GL8 8QS. 0300 067 4890. [www..forestryengland.uk](http://www.forestryengland.uk)
- 28<sup>th</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> September, North Cotswold Arts Association, Annual Summer Exhibition, Warwick Hall, Burford Church, 10am – 5pm. See page 15.
- 31<sup>st</sup>– 3<sup>rd</sup> September, Salon Privé, Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, OX20 1UL, [www.blenheimpalace.com](http://www.blenheimpalace.com) 01432 355416.

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## Tributes at Bourton-on-the-Water Cemetery

Please could all visitors to Bourton-on-the-Water Cemetery be reminded that only floral tributes are permitted in the Cemetery and that all tributes should be placed at the head of the grave on the plinth of the headstone/memorial only.

If there is no headstone, the tributes should be restricted to an area at the head of the grave in line with other memorials.

The Parish Council would like to work together with families over the next 12 months to bring all tributes back within the cemetery guidelines.

Families are asked for their assistance in removing all non-floral tributes and ensuring that tributes are only placed at the head of the grave.

This will greatly assist the Parish Council's contractors in maintaining the Cemetery safely and efficiently so that it is in as good a condition as possible for all visitors, and we're grateful to all families for their co-operation.

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### Bourton One Mile Challenge



Athletes of all ages and abilities wait, alert and poised for the start of the 20th and final running of the Bourton One Mile Challenge towards the mass of spectators on the High Street on the evening of July 1st.

Norm and Ali Lane created this race back in 2002 to run in conjunction with the Bourton Victorian Evening in December. At that time the Victorian Evening was a new concept for the local residents, with the Panto Group, shop keepers and local celebrities appearing in Victorian garb, performing and offering mulled wine, mince pies etc. Whilst the race was a success, it was quickly realised the main problem was picking out the individual runners in the dark, so the race was moved to the summer! From this it grew and grew in popularity and it is therefore with great sadness expressed by many athletes, some of whom travelled 4 hours to take part, and the organisers, that it's time has come to an end.

With a donation from sponsors Cotswold and Vale Electrical and F&M Plumbing each year, the race has raised many thousands for Gloucestershire Arthritis Trust and it was fitting that Steve Morton of GAT actually took part in our final race, commenting on the fantastic atmosphere and encouragement by all levels of runners.

This year's race was won in the 3rd fastest time ever, as William Stockley of Belgrave Harriers stormed over the line in 4.13, closely chased in by Simon Bone of Swindon Harriers 4.14 and Richard De Camps, Gloucester AC in 4.17.

The first 3 ladies were super impressive with

Kiya Dee U/17, Cheltenham & Co. Harriers 4.56 taking her to no. 1 in the U/17 National Rankings, Eva Barton U/13, Saint Edmund Pacers 5.16 and Lucy Hillary, Bourton Road-runners 5.29.

Some superb Veteran times were recorded also: V/40 Matt Moon, Worcester AC 4.46, V/45 Mark James, Western Tempo 4.45, V/50 Jason Tilley, Gloucester AC 5.13, V/55 Paul Northup, CLC Striders 5.40, M/60 Nick Holliday, Cheltenham & County Harriers 5.30, M/65 Alan Whitby, Tewkesbury RC 5.31, MV/70 Derek Jackson, Worcester AC 5.36, MV/75 John Butler, Stratford-upon-Avon AC 9.14.

Veteran ladies: LV/35 Francesca Copley, NCTR 6.43, LV/40 Patricia Dendy, Almost Athletes 6.01, LV/45 Tracy Hinxman, Gloucester AC 5.43, LV/50 Caroline Cottrell, Stroud & District AC 6.25, LV/55 Susan Baldwin, Tewkesbury RC 6.43, LV/60 Alice Lewis, Dursley AC 7.17, LV/65 Annette Heylings, Dursley AC 8.23.

A special mention must be made by the amazing results of husband and wife, John and Eileen Hieron of Dursley AC, who at 86 and nearly 80 (running is the only time you are proud to state your age!) won the V/80 and LV/75 categories in 10.07 and 11.10. They both look like they are in their 60s.

Under 20 prize winners: Alex Adams who was actually 4th overall in the race, Stratford-upon-Avon AC 4.33, Thomas Williams U/15 5.19, Reuben Linscott U/13 Swindon Harriers 5.26. LU/20 Amber Spackman, Gloucester AC 5.53, LU/15 Milly Foster, Cheltenham & Co. Harriers 6.18, LU/13 Poppy Oliver, Forest of Dean 5.53.

Special thanks to Steve & Lynn Hudson of Lush Timing, who have volunteered their chip timing facility for the Charity and helped every step of the way for years.

Also thanks to our family members, all the many friends who have also volunteered their help and the athletes who have supported it over the years - it's been a great 20 year run!

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### The man, the legend, the mile long racer!

Sergeant, Officer, Gang-gang (to his grandchildren) or runner number 363, as of Friday the 1st July. He is not just our own



hero but now the village's too. As many runners journeyed to the perimeter of the village for a mile long run, 87 year old John Cork, or as many know him, 'Corky', had a very similar task ahead of him. Give or take 27 extra minutes!

Whilst many were readying on the start line performing professional looking stretches, Corky sat back, relaxing, taking in the atmosphere.

Many wouldn't believe that an 87 year old who uses a walking stick would have it in him, including myself at times. But in the past year Corky has showed so much determination, after suffering from a stroke last year, then having an Ostomy due to bowel cancer in January, along with having a pacemaker fitted. But he proved us all wrong by completing the race. When he reached the finish line there were many spectators watching his final steps. The ex-Army champion received not one medal, but two!

He is proof that age is just a number, enjoy the things you love, keep the body moving and keep going. Be sure to salute or perform a royal wave if you see him out training around the village. And if you need any tips on how to transform yourself into an athlete, Mr Cork would have no qualms in helping you out - provided you supply the Hueland Protein bars which are now a personal favourite of his, not a requirement but caramel flavour if possible!

So well done to our local legend who we very much look forward to seeing on the starting line next year, keep it up!

He's a true Inspiration to so many people, not just our family. **Charlie Griffin**

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 **North Cotswolds Rotary**

**Bourton-on-the-Water  
 Greystones 10k Trail Run Raises £1,000**



A lovely sunny day greeted the 83 runners who entered the Greystones 10K trail run on Sunday July 3rd. The trail run, organised by North Cotswolds Rotary and sponsored by Brio Retirement Living, took in the beautiful Cotswold countryside at Greystones Farm Nature Reserve.

The overall race winner was Dan Capper in a time of 43 minutes and 52 seconds, closely followed by Alex Pye of Bourton Roadrunners. Patricia Dandy of Almost Athletics won the women's race in a time of 45 minutes and 32 seconds and was 3rd overall. Katie Coleman, also of Almost Athletics, came in 4th with Kevin Field 5th. Hannah Kallenberg was third in the women's race with a time of 46 minutes and 49 seconds.

Medals for all runners were presented by Elle Gower of Brio Retirement Living and Kevan Taylor the President of North Cotswolds Rotary.

The run also raised £1,000 to support Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust's work at Greystones Farm Nature Reserve, which is designed to protect the environment and provide local education pro-

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grammes on conservation and wildlife.

Many thanks to LuSH race timing for providing the chip timing, Brio Retirement Living for their sponsorship, Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust for allowing us to hold the trail run around their beautiful reserve and of course the 83 runners who turned up on the day and helped make it such a success.

First three in the women's race: Hannah Kallenberg (left), Patricia Dandy, and Katie Coleman (right)



First three in the men's race: Kevin Field (left); Dan Capper, and Alex Pye (right)



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**Lorraine and Greg Staniek  
 Receive Community Award from  
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Since the war in Ukraine started Greg and Lorraine Staniek from Little Rissington have been working tirelessly to help refugees in need who have fled to Poland. Using their knowledge of the area the couple have been in direct contact with local authorities in Poland to assess and meet the needs of refugees in several small towns in the south of the country. Donations and medical supplies have also been transported into Ukraine for hospitals in Lviv and Kiev, some of which are then forwarded to soldiers on the front line.

In recognition of the amazing work that Lorraine and Greg have done North Cotswolds Rotary awarded the couple their Annual Community Award and a cheque for £250 towards their Lifeline Appeal.

At the presentation (see picture below) Greg and Lorraine thanked the many people across the North Cotswolds who have donated money, food and essential items and the numerous volunteers who sort through the donations and help load the lorries.

If you wish to donate to support the Lifeline Appeal please go to [www.northcotswoldsrotary.org](http://www.northcotswoldsrotary.org) and click on the donate button. We will ensure that every penny donated plus gift aid will go to support Greg and Lorraine's initiative. They are clearly making a huge difference to the lives of mainly women and children fleeing the conflict.

## Message from the Church

We hear a lot today about the importance of inclusivity and making things accessible to all, but of course it isn't a new idea. One of the things you may notice if you read through the stories about Jesus in the Bible, is the way he embodied inclusivity. Jesus welcomed all types of people – from the children his disciples tried to turn away, the elderly woman bent over with her crippled back, to those living with leprosy whom no-one else would approach, and everyone in between. Down through the centuries, the Church has tried to do the same, though (sadly) not always successfully. God loves everyone he has created, and he longs to be accessible to all.

At Bourton Baptist Church, we too try to be as inclusive as we can and to offer a welcome to all. Our weekly Thursday drop-in, Open4U, is – as the name suggests – open to everyone, although many who come along tend to be older. So one of our sadnesses during the Covid pandemic was the fact that we had to stop our Toddler Group, and struggled to find the resources to restart. Recently, however, in partnership with the Aspire Foundation, we have started a new 'Toddler Time' group for preschool children and their parents and carers, and it has been a great delight to know that there are children once again running around in our hall. On Wednesday August 17th, we will be extending the session to showcase some of the other opportunities available locally for families with children from a wider age-range, and we do invite you to come along and see what is going on. (Keep an eye on social media for more details of this and also a planned trip to Weston-super-Mare.)

As a church, we believe that God created us to be a family, embracing all the diversity that a family involves. So why not come and meet us and find out what God's welcome is all about?

**Sue Handy**



The Rev'd Rowena King

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**Join our main Sunday service at 11am each week**

This service is also livestreamed, please check our website for details

**Other services:**

Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion—14th and 28th August 8am

Holy Communion —7th August 6pm

Please note there are no Wednesday Communion services in August – they'll be back in Sept.

**BumbleBeez** (parent and child group) every Thursday 9-11am still on over summer!

**St James, Clapton:** 7th—Morning Worship and—21st BCP Holy Communion 9.30am



## **Bourton Baptist Church Services**

### **Sunday Morning Service - 10:30 am**

We gather for worship in the church building every Sunday morning, with services led by a member of the church or a visiting speaker.

Everyone is welcome to join us

### **Open4U**

Open every Thursday from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm in the Church Hall, so do come along and join us, everyone is welcome.

### **Toddler Time**

Open every Wednesday from 1.00 pm until 3.00 pm in the Church Hall, in association with the Aspire Foundation Steps Ahead Project, for families with children up to pre-school age; also open during the school holidays. For more information and booking, please visit: <https://aspirefoundation.coordinate.cloud/project/30911> or contact

[Mrs Philippa Duckmanton on 07796 346781.](mailto:Mrs.Philippa.Duckmanton@aspirefoundation.co.uk)

### **Contact**

To contact Bourton Baptist Church either visit our website [www.bourtonbaptist.co.uk](http://www.bourtonbaptist.co.uk) or leave a message on 01451 824225.

## **Thank You**

On behalf of Saint Lawrence church, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the community and businesses of Bourton-on-the-Water, for their fantastic generosity in both the quantity, & quality, of the hundreds of donations they gave to the Church Summer Fete. Thanks to this incredible response, we realised a record day over the course of the 25<sup>th</sup> June Fete, raising a staggering, & record breaking, £2,625 for the Fete event overall.

This wonderful total was as the result of a team effort. We would like to add a huge thank you to all the residents & the businesses who stepped up & helped make Tombola stand, in particular, the resounding success that it was.

Our business donations roll-call of honour include – Numark Pharmacy, La Reine, Green & Pleasant, Santos & Payne, Craft & Furniture, Smiths, Chester House Hotel, The Mousetrap, Cotswold Antiques & Tea Room, Tourist Information, Cotswold Perfumery, Cotswold Candlemakers, The Loadstone, Coffee Hub, Co-operative Food Store, Londis, Bourton Landrover Ltd., Cotswold China & Cookware, Small Talk Tea Rooms, Cotswold Distillery, Bourton Basket, Forget Me Not Florist, Edinburgh Wool Mill, So Sentimental, Fenella, The Cotswold Shop, Cedars Bourton, Gift Times, The Nook, Quirky, Box of Delights, Chip Shed, High Bridge Jewellers, Sweets Treats & Gifts, Food Box, The Den, The Victorian Christmas Shop, Bourton Little Sweet Shop, The Kingsbridge, The Manse, The Wellington, The Post Office

If we have missed anyone, we are sorry, but the above gives an insight into the closeness of this completely brilliant village community. This is our heartfelt thank you from your village church, Saint Lawrence's, for your kindness and generosity, & we look forward to making next year's Church Summer Fete an even greater success with your help and support.

**Julie & Patrick Smith**

**St Lawrence PCC & Rev Rowena**

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## For The Younger Generations



### THE COTSWOLD SCHOOL

#### A round of applause

The last weeks of term were packed full of performance and enrichment experiences. Thanks are due a great number of people – many of whom are ‘behind the scenes’ – for their support for children at the school.

#### Sharon Laws Loop

Well done everyone who cycled in memory of Sharon Laws, a pupil at our school who became a champion GB cyclist. People of all ages joined the 43-mile Cotswolds route, which started at the school. Look out for this event next July – any route permitted!

#### Learning at Birdland

A big thank you to the wonderful team at Birdland who have helped a small group of students learn about the responsibilities and challenges of working in this setting – and to the support you always give our school. I am delighted that a new group of pupils will benefit next year, too.

#### Work experience providers

Over 170 local and global companies, including many in Bourton, enabled young people in Year 10 to gain work experience in July. Thank you for inviting and helping them understand more about careers options and develop important skills and knowledge.

#### Beauty and the Beast



Did you see the show? This modern performance was quite a departure from the Disney original and ran for several nights to great acclaim. Bourton Primary School children were our first guests; followed by families from our community and even some former pupils! It was a powerhouse of acting and singing, with amazing costumes, music, set design, props, production, stage management and incredible amounts of work behind the scenes, after school and at weekends. A huge and collaborative effort directed by Mrs Dowie in the Drama department. Well done!

Keep up to date with school news at

[www.cotswold.gloucs.sch.uk/latest-news](http://www.cotswold.gloucs.sch.uk/latest-news)

**Will Morgan, Headteacher**

#### Bourton Primary Academy

What an incredible school year we have had. It hasn't been the easiest of years, but we are so proud of each and every pupil in our school. After 2 very chaotic years due to the pandemic, it has been so nice to recently welcome parents into school for our 3rd parent open session and sports day. We have also been lucky that some of the classes were able to go on school trips, the Year 6 children have been to Drayton Manor and Reception visited The Cotswold Wildlife Park.

We are pleased to announce that our data across the school has been similar to the National averages or pre-pandemic levels for our school. The children tackled the end of key stage assessments with resilience and determination. We are grateful to all of our parents for their support during home learning over the previous 2 years and since we have returned to 'normality' in school. It is their support along with the hard work of all of our staff that has seen the children be able to show us how capable they are.

We are sad to say goodbye to our Year 6 children, but we know they will go on to do some amazing things in their future. We hope they enjoyed their leavers' assembly and the end of their Year 6 was memorable for them. We look forward to hearing all about how they are getting on in Year 7. We hope everyone has a lovely, relaxing and well-deserved break over the summer.

**Tori Teague,  
Senior Leader**



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Bourton Road Runners Juniors	Richard Buffton	831733 / 824379
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B'n Vale Equestrian Centre	Leanne Launchbury	821101
Bourton Vale Tennis Club	Kingsley Harris	07879 644218
	www.bourtontennisclub.org	
Brownies	Steph	07941502222
Bumblebeez babies & pre-school tots	Rowena King	821282
Children's Jujitsu	Andy or Hayley	07951587398
Cubs	Nick Hawke	01451 822786

Guides	Steph	07941502222
Hockey	Tracy Dixon	07813187933
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4Shires Swimming	Jo Shaw	membership@4ssc.co.uk
Taekwon-do	Lee Chapman	01285 640500
The Cotswold School		820458
Youth Club	Linda Hicks	07867 121122

### Bourton Vale Tennis Club

At Bourton Tennis Club, we had our annual Open Day on July 2 which, despite the rain, was very well attended. Thank you to all those who came along (and of course all volunteers)! Many of those who did make it have joined the club so I really hope you are now enjoying use of the courts in this Great British Summer!

Club coach, Kingsley Harris, will be holding two summer camps during the summer on July 28 and August 4 from 10am to 3pm. All juniors aged 6 to 14 are welcome. Please bring a packed lunch and drink. If interested, please contact Kingsley direct at [kingsleyharris@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:kingsleyharris@hotmail.co.uk).

The junior coaching programme has now finished for the summer but will resume w/c Sep 5. Any youngsters interested in playing tennis and joining the coaching programme should contact Kingsley directly.

Finally, our new clubhouse is now finished and we are looking forward to the grand opening and our centenary event to be held in August. All members should have received their invitations to what should be a very exciting day! We welcome new members to the club all through the year so if you would like to join us, please find more info on our website [www.bourtontennisclub.org](http://www.bourtontennisclub.org).

**Hope to see you on court over the summer!**

**Alex Peyton**

### 4 Shires Swimming Club

The Club has attended a number of competitions over the last month including development meets for our younger swimmers.

Senior Swimmer of the Month was Bella Knight, who always works hard as was shown by her great swims at the Club Championships.

Junior Swimmer of the Month was Edee Cassidy, she shows potential and is training well as her race times keep improving.

With the swim season coming to an end our swimmers will maintain their fitness during dedicated summer sessions in preparation for the Autumn gala season leading up to County Championships in early 2023. From September our calendar of events begins with 50m sprints at Coventry and meets at Witney and Oxford.

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. We have 6 squads – Academy, Pre-Comp, Competition, County, Regional and Masters. You can do this via our website - <http://www.4ssc.co.uk/join-us> or email us at [membership@4ssc.co.uk](mailto:membership@4ssc.co.uk) for details of our next Trial sessions.

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Hi everyone I am getting a lot of enquiries these days about Scouts starting again at the BP Hall in Bourton on the water.

Bourton Scout group has a super well established Beaver colony with excellent leaders and a very well-run Cub pack. We are hoping to start Scouts again in this group in the future when we can get appropriate leaders. Squirrels, which is the younger section of the scout movement is also hoping to start later in the year.

However for those parents/guardians who wish to see their youngster join scouts at this time I am pleased to advise that Moreton in Marsh Scout troop is very active and has some wonderful leaders.



The photo shows a few of the Moreton in Marsh scouts and leaders at their

recent scout fayre enjoying themselves..

Please let me know if you require further details.

Yours in Scouting  
**Ricky Campbell**

**Deputy District Commissioner/  
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### **New baby? Come to 'Baby & Me'!**



Baby & Me is a weekly postnatal group for parents with babies aged 0-6 months. Each week we cover a different topic, such as sleep, feeding, first aid etc. To book, please call 01285 885391 or email [Groups@home-start-cotswolds.org.uk](mailto:Groups@home-start-cotswolds.org.uk)



Our next weekly group runs from Thur 22nd Sept to Thur 17th Nov 2022 in Bourton-on-the-Water

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## BOURTON-ON-THE -WATER PROBUS CLUB.



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The club has passed a resolution to admit both men and women who are semi or completely retired from their profession. 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 can contact Kevin Hick on 01451 860435 or by email at [kevinhick8@outlook.com](mailto:kevinhick8@outlook.com) or via any of our members.

**Kevin Hick**

### Moore Friends

We held our AGM in July by Zoom because a few of the committee had succumbed to covid. There seems to be a lot of it in Bourton at the moment. We will be continuing to fund health related schemes for another year. The schemes include ArtLift, Men in Sheds, the nurse at the Primary School and others. These are important contributions to our community and we are concerned about the situation when our funds reduce and we wind up at the end of 2024 We have made good use of the funds generously given over the years. Have a good summer.

**Bill Wragge, Trustee**

## In aid of Sunflowers SUICIDE SUPPORT

I would like to thank everyone who supported this year's Sunflower Week, from the fabulous window displays to all those who gave donations. Thank you to the Co-op for allowing us to do a Tombola on the Wednesday and Thursday. Our window competition was amazing. Abbie, founder of Sunflowers Suicide Support, came to Bourton to judge the windows.

First place: The Cedars. Second: Bourton Antiques and Tea Room. Third: The Garden Cafe.

We have raised so far £930.00. So a big thank you to each and everyone.

**Carol Groom**



## Couch to 5k with Bourton Road Runners

Taking up running can seem like a scary prospect, especially if you feel out of shape or unfit. We would love to help. We want to encourage everyone to come and try running with us in this new venture.

The NHS (National Health Service) Couch to 5K course, which we intend to follow, will help you gradually work up to running 5K in just 9 weeks. The course involves you doing 3 x 30min sessions a week. We are offering led sessions on: Tuesdays @ 6:00pm starting 13th September Thursdays @ 6:00pm starting 15th September A third session on either a Saturday or Sunday can be arranged to suit the majority of the group. Session leaders will hold England Athletics qualifications and other club members will participate to encourage you. The nine week course costs £10 which will be deducted from your club membership fee if you decide to join and continue your running with us. Please contact Margaret at [brr.clubsec@gmail.com](mailto:brr.clubsec@gmail.com) to register your interest or for more information

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## Panto Group



At last it's summertime, well, it is while I'm writing this and fingers crossed it'll carry on for a while. I've got a box full of plastic ducks here clambering over each other to get to the river. They're a very competitive lot and they can't wait till the next duck race. I've had to sit on the box to keep them contained and I'm not sure I can stay here that long. Come to the village green on August 13th and cheer them on. We'll have other games for you, some old favourites and some new ones. Come and try your hand and have some fun.

Have you ever thought of being a patron for the Panto? It's support we couldn't do without and in return you get a multitude of benefits. They include priority booking for the shows, get the best seats before the neighbours get theirs, you can have the seats you really want, far away from Aunt Doris and her sticky sweet wrappers. And there's a free programme for you when you come to the show. If anyone asks why you're drinking that glass of wine in the interval just point to your name in the back of the program and say 'that's why'. You're invited to all the Group events, no, the lady across the road won't be there. There are events arranged exclusively for patrons like the Coffee morning happening on 9th August. If you want to join us as a patron give Angela Layton a ring on 07767 237537 and she'll save you a slice of cake and a coffee.

Talking of shows, some members of the Panto Group Committee have been to see the Cotswold School perform Beauty and the Beast today and what a performance! It was a thoroughly enjoyable show with excellent singing, dancing and acting. The Panto Group would

welcome any of the young performers into the group and I'm sure they would bring an abundance of talent to our shows.

If anyone is interested in joining the group speak to Jan Close on 01451 831911 or come along to our AGM on the 6th September followed by the first read through of the next panto, The Snow Queen. **Jackie Denham**

## IRENE'S CHARITY KNITTING CIRCLE



Our next monthly meeting will take place on Wednesday, 10th August, at our **new venue Willoughby Place, Station Road, Bourton-on-the-Water**, opposite the Garage, 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 us to provide support for families in need in our local communities and in areas of conflict.

Our aim is to provide help to the families struggling to survive in Ukraine. Thanks to our knitters, in July we were able to add clothing, blankets, toys, etc. to a lorry driving directly to Ukraine. The lorry was filled with urgent supplies of food, medicines, clothing and equipment desperately needed.

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## Platinum Jubilee Memories

For those of you wishing to revisit memories of the four-day programme of Platinum Jubilee events in the village, or simply to take as a peek as you were unable to participate, then please check out the Parish Council web site in August. There will be a link to a dedicated location for images captured from all the events spanning the long weekend.

We are also working on a Jubilee Memory book of which we aim to have more details by the next issue of the Browser.

And finally, we are also exploring the possibility of a screening of the short film of highlights from Sunday Funday, where you can revisit the joy of the Primary School Flash Mob, the flotilla in the river and the fun and games on the Village Green together with a slide show of the many pictures taken over the whole weekend. In addition there will be a showing of the film from the Silver Jubilee celebrations. Please keep checking the Parish Council web site for details.

**Jon Wareing**

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## Cotswold Fosseway Lions Club

### FOODBANK:

The club continues to collect and deliver donations from the Lion's box in Fruitcakes, Northleach to the Guiting Power depot fortnightly on Tuesday mornings. The dates for the collections in August are 2nd, 16th and 30th.

### WELFARE:

At our recent June Business meeting the club donated £250 to the V & C/W Fund. This fund is available to help anyone in need during this very difficult time for either food or fuel. Please contact the Vicar (in strict confidence) for that help.

The Environment is just one of the Lions core causes. The club continues to collect plastic packaging such as crisp packets from the Black Cat Cafe and Northleach Primary School and takes them to Tesco for collection.

### COMMUNITY SERVICE:

A few of the club's members helped with marshalling during the Northleach Jubilee Street Party which was a very enjoyable day. We have also been asked to help with marshalling for the Myton Hospice Charity for their cycle challenge fundraising event held on 10th July.

### 100 CLUB:

At the Northleach Charter Fair & Musical Festival the Lions promoted our 100 Club. The aim of the club is to raise funds for specific local needs. A share costs £13 per year. Your name goes into a monthly draw with cash prizes. There will be a draw at the monthly business meetings. In the past the 100 club has helped to fund community projects such as Northleach Playground, com-

puters for the Northleach Primary School and 4 Defibrillators in the town.

If you would like to support the 100 club by joining please contact Barbara Eastland 01451 821655 or email address: barbara.eastland33@btinternet.com

### SOCIAL:

Our next social gathering is a curry evening at The Coach and Horses, on 17th August.

Our next monthly meeting is 9th August in The Black Cat Cafe, Northleach at 8pm. **Avril Haseler/President**

### Cotswold Fosseway Lions Club

## The Merrymouth Inn



The Merrymouth Inn has stood on the main A424 highway midway between Stow-on-the-Wold and Burford since the 13<sup>th</sup> Century. Originally part of the Murimuth family estate some 600 years ago and then named The Murimuth Arms, the Inn has had a fascinating history. There are rumours of escape tunnels built in 16<sup>th</sup> century during the reformation that run from the Inn's cellars to the nearby Abbey and reports of the notorious highwaymen Tom, Dick & Harry Dunsdon from Fulbrook frequenting the Inn in 18th century.

Of late, the Inn has undergone a number of ups and downs and was recently acquired as a family business in the middle of lock down. It has been sympatheti-

cally renovated by Andrew, Wendy and Charles who now run the Inn and restaurant. The Inn has a large bar & restaurant area with a further two function rooms along with 11 en-suite lodging rooms and substantial parking. There is also a large courtyard seating area and lawns with a children's play area and beautiful views of the surrounding countryside.

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### Update: Digital technology help for older people

In case you missed news about this in the July edition of the Bourton Browser, a course is being planned to enable older people to learn and feel comfortable with digital technology. It now has a name - it's called **'Getting Connected'**. It's currently under development but will be organised as a class located in Bourton with a tutor. There will also be volunteers to support people individually within the class. It is still in the planning stages and has the support of various organisations in the county that already help people of all ages and from all walks of life with digital skills.

Digital technology includes computers, mobile phones and other devices which connect to the internet. So if you are an older person who is struggling with today's digital world, this course is aimed at helping you.

We are hoping to start the course in September/October. It is likely to be for two hours once a week over several weeks. As plans advance, more information will become available. In the meantime, we are asking for expressions of interest by asking you to do the following:

- Write a note, no longer than a page, giving your name, age, address, phone number (and email address if you have one).
- Describe briefly your current level of skill (if any) with digital technology and what brand name, if you do use it (Apple, Samsung, etc).

- Describe what type of help you'd like.
- Place your note in an envelope addressed to 'Getting Connected' and deliver to the Parish Council office at the Community Centre in Moore Road by **17th August**. If closed, use their letter box at the side.

There's no obligation to take part by sending it.

### Volunteering: Would you like to share your knowledge of digital technology skills?

Plans for **'Getting Connected'** - a course to help older people with digital skills are underway. Hopefully, this will start within the next two to three months and already, many people have expressed an interest in attending.

A very important component of the course will be our group of volunteers. Arrangements are yet to be finalised, but what we do know is that we need people of any age who have some knowledge of how to use a computer and other devices - and patience!

Can you cast your mind back to what it was like when you first learned how to use a computer? It probably felt rather daunting. Our tutor will be there to teach our ten participants but we also need several lovely volunteers to provide extra support to help guide our participants 1-1 as they learn in class.

The day and the times are soon to be decided but each class is likely to be for two hours a week over the course of ten weeks.

If you think you might like to help the older residents in our community become more comfortable and proficient with their computer skills and smart phones, then please get in touch by email with your contact details and a little bit about you: [botw.ot@outlook.com](mailto:botw.ot@outlook.com)

**Cleo Carruthers, Resident, BOTW**

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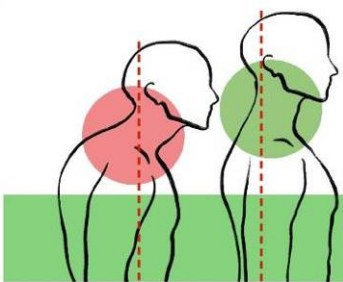
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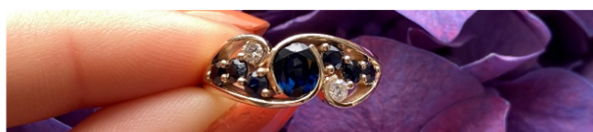
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### NORTH COTSWOLD ARTS ASSOCIATION

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Our members use a variety of media including jewellery, ceramics and glassware. Most months we have a demonstration and, so far this year, we have had talks on mixed media, a comparison of art and photography and print making. In previous years we have been taught how to make reed pens and create mosaics. However unlikely the subject seems there is always something that inspires or improves our own technique. Sometimes, we just meet to paint together or offer critiques to each other. We also have a regular painting group who meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at Broadwell Village Hall.

The big event of our year is the Summer Exhibition, held in The Warwick Hall at the end of August. This gives our members a chance to sell not only their varied work but also both prints and cards of their pictures. There are tables for the crafts so there is something of interest for everyone and we get a good number of visitors over the week. Although we continued throughout the pandemic by 'zooming' we are now back to normal and would like to invite other artists, beginners to experts, to join us. Our annual subscription is only £25 but do come along and try us out. For further information please do contact Alexa Buffery on 07999 589387 or email [alex\\_a\\_buffery@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:alex_a_buffery@yahoo.co.uk)

### An Amazing Result!

The Pancreatic Cancer Sale on July 2nd was a truly special sale, the total on the day raised £2031 !!!!! and other money collected prior to the sale made the end result £4019. I just can't say how very grateful I am to all the wonderful helpers who made it all happen, the people who provided cakes and the villagers who supported us so generously. The Cotswold Farm park collected for the fund during June, asking if people would like to donate in exchange for feeding lambs etc, and this raised nearly £1000. Thank you so much. I have been really humbled by people's kindness, and just hope that raising funds and awareness will help to conquer this dreadful disease for the future.

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There is a change of venue for the August meeting which will be held at the Baptist Church meeting rooms in Station road, where we are welcoming Chris Evans from Dundry Nurseries, who also founded the nature therapy group, the Butterfly Garden in Cheltenham, and the August Competition is a display of five tomatoes.



If you are cutting hedges, double check, in case of late nesting blackbirds and thrushes, and by ensuring plenty of food and fresh water the parents and youngsters will be helped too. By August, many birds will be looking slightly worse for wear, as they shed or molt their breeding feathers and grow new ones ready for the coming autumn.

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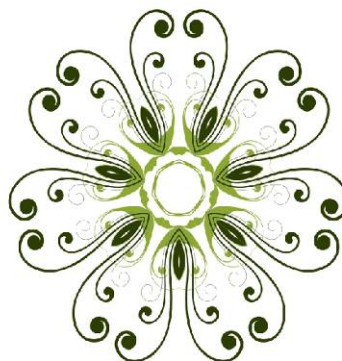
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