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# DIARY DATES

- Mondays, "Old Sweats" Meeting, **BLH**, 10am—12 Noon, 07714 852364 <u>bour-</u> ton.secretary@rbl.community
- Mondays & Fridays, Bourton Men in Sheds, 9.30am-12.30pm, Behind **RBL**, 01608 692811.
- Tuesdays, "Together on Tuesdays", Soup lunch. 12-2pm, **StLC.**
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bourton Scout Group Fete, Duck races, Stalls & Activities, The Green.
- 4<sup>th &</sup> 18<sup>th</sup> Mindsong, Sing 2 Remember Sessions, **GMCC**, 10.30am. 07764 212506 or 01451 821216.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Police Point open, **GMCC**, 10-11am, PCSO John Allen www.gloucestershire.police.uk
- 6<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting, **GMCC**, 7pm.
- 9<sup>th</sup> <u>Bourton's 132<sup>nd</sup> Garden Show</u>, **RBL**, 2-4.30pm, 820866. Adults £1, children free entry. Raffle & Teas. See poster page 6.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Fun Day, Bourton Primary School, 2-5pm, face painting, tombola, refreshments etc. Chance to connect with the community. See p. 8.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Tayler & Fletcher, Monthly Auction, **NCS**, GL54 2AR. 821666.
- 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> Gift & Craft Fair, **VH**, 10am-5pm, accessories, soaps, up-cycled gifts, stationery, wood turning.
- 10<sup>th</sup> Car Boot Sale, Manor Field, Station Rd, 11am-3pm, in aid of Kate's Home Nursing. See page 10.
- 11<sup>th</sup> Probus, 10.30am, **GMCC.** Ken Atherton, "Buster Crabb" See page 15.
- 12<sup>th</sup> WI, **VH**, "Country Dancing Steve & Myra Ford. 7pm. See page 12.

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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** Willoughby Place = **WP** 

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## Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council Notes

#### Parish Council Meeting on the 2nd of August 2023

**Closure of the Village Information Centre** – Cllr Bob Hadley reported that CDC is withdrawing the funding from the Village Information Centre and the Directors have no alternative but to close it. The centre was due to close at the end of September, but Cotswold District Council (CDC) is using money from the Tourist Levy to provide a temporary stay of execution until the end of December. The Parish Council was not given notice of the plans for closure or consulted on the use of the Tourist Levy. The Information Centre is an important resource for the village and the Parish Council has written to the District Council expressing its concerns and are hoping to open negotiations to find a solution. A petition for CDC to keep it open, circulated by Bourton Business Network, can be found at https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SaveCotswoldVICs. See p. 4.

**Coach Parking**: The Parish Council is deeply concerned by the issues raised with the loss of eight coach parking spaces in the village. It is working with other stakeholders to look at alternative options to try and find a solution. Representatives from Bourton Business Network attended the Parish Council meeting and made a statement. BNB stated that Coach passengers spend more than car passengers. The impact on businesses is difficult to counteract in the cost-of-living crisis. It was felt that CDC has over costed the coach parking in Rissington Road. Bourton Business Network refuse to enter into the joint statement which says there is no solution and wanted the Parish Council to do the same. A summary of the coach park stakeholder meeting had been sent out by CDC with a draft statement. The statement implies finality despite CDC officers being asked to undertake further investigation. There was no discussion of costs or practicalities in the first stakeholder meeting and a meeting of Cllr Roberts with another body has yet to take place. The Parish Council cannot sign up to CDC's draft statement and has written a strong letter of protest to CDC and requested further meetings of the Stakeholders to resolve the issue.

"The coach parking Issue has still not been resolved and those involved are still looking at possible options. The Parish Council understands the concerns of residents & businesses by the uncertainty and inconvenience this is causing." Parish Council August 2023

**Cotswolds AONB Caring for the Cotswold Grant Funding**: The terms of this new grant were considered and suitable projects for submission were suggested. Applications must fit in one or more of the four themes: 1. Conservation of habitats and species 2. Heritage and landscape 3. Improving access 4. Education Grants start at £500 and go up to £2,500. They are looking for high quality projects in the Cotswolds that could be delivered relatively quickly if a Caring for the Cotswolds grant was offered. To apply, an application form and project budget need to be completed and submitted. Periwinkle bank and other projects were suggested. Cllrs Davis and Wragge will take this forward.

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

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



September 2023



- 29<sup>th</sup> Macmillan Coffee Morning, 11am **WP**, 824472. See page 11.
- 30<sup>th</sup> Bretforton Silver Band, The Green, late morning.



**Freedom of the Parish**: The Parish Council considered creating a protocol to award Honorary Freedom of the Parish to individuals in recognition that they have provided exceptional work, service, or other worthy undertakings, over a period of time, that benefit the community. The Parish Council were unanimously in favour of this.

#### Reports from County & District Councillors

**County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson** reported on his meeting with the local Highways Manager - Bourton-on-the-Water is a priority. A Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) can be started this year, provided he receives the information on what the Parish wants. This is the TRO including the bus spaces, motorcycle parking and other waiting restrictions which were missed last time or where the previous implementation has adversely affected residents. The implementation is planned for spring/ summer next year after a consultation which could cause delays. One complaint received of a coach dropping off in Station Road. Question on who is responsible for enforcement of coach parking - presently the Police but planned changes to legislation for Civil Enforcement. Public Service Vehicles are banned from the centre of the village. Health Centre NHS Gloucestershire waiting times highest in England. A lot of GPs are under a lot of pressure and new GPs are not coming forward to fill the roles of those leaving.

**District Councillor Len Wilkins (Bourton Vale)** reported that the Town and Parish Councils meetings with CDC meet on



the 11th of September in Cirencester and on the 28th of September in Moreton-in-Marsh. Invitations have been circulated. Funding for community/ business starting in September. Cotswold District Council have a group scheme for residents for solar panels. CDC will guarantee the work. To note: Gilder's EV Charging Station, planning conditions amendment - Ref:23/02305/ FUL.

**District Councillor Jon Wareing** (Bourton Village) reported that Coach parking has been his main focus for the month. He is encouraging complainers to report issues to the police and also to contact the crime commissioner to encourage increased policing. The Robin on demand rural service needs more publicity. Enforcement of planning infringement on the list for CDC Scrutiny Committee.

**Next Meeting Date:** The next Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 6th of September in the Windrush Room at The George Moore Community Centre. All residents are cordially invited.

Linda Morrison Allsopp, Locum Clerk/ RFO Tel: 01451 820712; Email: clerk@bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk

#### Lloyds Bank mobile visits to

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New members are particularly welcome so if you are looking for something stimulating amongst friendly people, give us a try. We currently have about 260 members participating in 25 different groups ranging from Archaeology to Writing (with much in between) and many of their wares will be on display at the meeting. We would also welcome suggestions for new groups on topics of particular interest to you.

If you are unable to visit us in person, check out our website www.u3asites.org.uk/bourton where you will find details of all our activities and how to contact us. We look forward to seeing you. **Neil Cox** 

#### **Bourton Men in Sheds**

Bourton Men in Sheds will be closed as from September 6th on Wednesdays only. This a temporary measure and we hope to be back 3 mornings a week. We will continue to open on Monday and Friday mornings from 9.30 - 12.00 as usual.





#### Irene's Charity Knitting Circle

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month from 10.00am until 12.00pm at Willoughby Place, Station Road, Bourton-on-the-Water, (opposite the Co-op Filling station).

Why not join us or just pop-in with your knitting?? Enjoy a coffee/tea with biscuits. Everything we receive will be donated to very worthy causes.

We have been asked by The John Radcliffe Maternity and The Great Western Hospital Maternity for knitted beanie hats for Premature and Newborn Babies. We can collect, give us a call.

For further details call either Irene or Peter on 01451 824175.



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#### IN MEMORY OF MY MOTHER, BETTY WHYTON, & A HUGE THANK YOU TO KATE'S HOME NURSING

My mother, Betty Whyton, died of cancer on 7th March this year. She worked for many years in Bourton Post Office and later volunteered in the Sue Ryder shop. She spent much of her time before, and in retirement, contributing to charities in one way or another.

Kate's Home Nursing made it possible for mum to stay at home which meant everything to her. Kate's were also there for my brother and I when we really needed support, which we will never forget.

Shortly before mum died she asked me if I would do a fund-raising event to support the amazing work Kate's Home Nursing provide.

I decided to enter the Sydney Marathon which is on September 17th this year. I will be running in memory of mum and to raise funds for Kate's Home Nursing.

If anyone would like to support me in raising funds for such a valued local charity please visit my Just Giving Page.

https://www.justgiving.com/page/ karen-sanderson-1683822730460?

Many Thanks, Karen Sanderson

#### OUT AND ABOUT in September

- Daily until 1<sup>st</sup>October, Bottle feed baby animals, Cotswold Farm Park, GL54 5FL. www.cotswoldfarmpark.co.uk 01451 850307.
- Daily until October 31<sup>st</sup>, Animal Ark, Sudeley Castle, Winchcombe, GL54 5LP. Augmented Reality (AR) treasure hunt, new reserve area, life-sized animal sculptures from Kenya, China, Tibet, India & the North Pole. www.sudeleycastle.co.uk/ 07771 988432.
- 1<sup>st</sup>- 3<sup>rd</sup> Children's hedgehog hunt at Batsford Arboretum. Visit www.batsarb.co.uk for details.
- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>, Summer Play, Historic toys, bikes & dressing up station. Snowshill Manor and Gardens NT, Snowshill, near Broadway, WR12 7JU. 01386 852410.
- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup>"Paddington Lo-Commotion", immersive experience with Paddington Bear, also boating, canoeing & kayaking, Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, OX20 1UL, call 01993 810530 or www.blenheimpalace.com.
- 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> September, Kids free entry (0-18), The National Arboretum, Westonbirt, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8 8QS.
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- 2<sup>nd</sup> Moreton Show, fun for all the family, crafts, livestock, show jumping, food, stalls, etc. Reduced tickets available from Bourton Visitor information centre. 01451 820211, Email <u>info@visitbourton.com</u> See page 13.
- 2<sup>nd</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Harvest Fayre Weekend, Cogges Manor Farm, Church Lane, Witney, OX28 3LA . 11am-4pm. 01993 772602
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Badminton House Open Gardens, South Gloucestershire, GL9 1DD. 10am-4pm. Reduced tickets in advance from https://www.badmintonestate.com/events/open-gardendays/
- 8<sup>th</sup> Illustrated talk by Ross King on the Bookseller of (Renaissance) Florence, Northleach Church, 6.30pm. Tickets £12/£15 incl a free drink, <u>northleachevents.co.uk</u>
- 8<sup>th &</sup> 9<sup>th</sup> Moreton in Marsh Beer Festival, 11am-11pm, Moreton Cricket Club, Batsford Road, GL56 9QA. http:// northcotswoldcamra.org.uk/
- 8<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Cheltenham Heritage Open Days, walks & talks. http://cheltcivicsoc.org/events/heritage-open-days/ 07711631962. FREE events.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Village Market at Great Rissington, Great Rissington Club, 10am-noon. 01451 822285.
- 9<sup>th</sup> Cycling tour of Britain in the Cotswolds, Tewkesbury, Cotswolds, Gloucester. https://www.tourofbritain.co.uk/ stages/stage-seven/
- 13<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> Crafts Alive In the Maker's Hands, Rodmarton Manor & Garden, Cirencester, GL7 6PF. https:// guildcrafts.org.uk/ 07562 516545
- 17<sup>th</sup> Combe Mill in Steam, 'Crafts & Skills', Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Long Hanborough. OX298ET. www.combemill.org. 01993 358694.
- 17<sup>th</sup> Classic Car Rally, Sudley Castle, Winchcombe, GL54 5LP. www.sudeleycastle.co.uk/ 07771 988432.
- 22<sup>nd</sup>-24<sup>th</sup> Malvern Autumn Show, gardening, RHS flower show, harvest, crafts, animals, food, vintage, family fun etc. https://www.malvernautumn.co.uk/ 0344 338 5400
- 23<sup>rd</sup> Book Festival, The Railway Station, Station Approach, Winchcombe, GL54 5LD. 01242 621405. www.gwsr.com/

#### Visitor Information Centre 01451 820211 info@visitbourton.com

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For Sale Handy petrol multitool, brush-cutter, hedgecutter, prune attachment, plus 62cm extension bar. £75. 07763130868

#### For Sale Black Labrador print, framed 62cm x 62cm, 'Dog Tired' by Nigel Hemmings. £40 ONO 07760 174260 (Bourton area)

For Sale Antique Cast Iron Back Fire Plate, (wheat sheaf). £50 ONO. 07760 174260 (Bourton area)

> For Sale 4 Black tubular steel folding chairs, £15. 810447.

# For Sale

Multi-purpose Aluminium Ladder, 4 x 3 rungs, £80. 07763130868

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Cotswold Stone, for walling / landscaping etc. £270 per tonne, £400 for two tonne. 07760 174260 (Bourton area)

For Sale Teasmade Goblin (852). In original box. Working / excellent condition. £50 ONO. 07760 174260 (Bourton area)

#### For Sale

Russell Hobbs Microwave, only used once (unwanted gift). Silver & Black. £25 ONO. 810294 after 6pm

# **Visitor Information Centre Funding**

A petition has been set up to try and persuade CDC to rescind their decision to cut funding to the Cotswold Visitor Information Centres. A total of 700+ signatures would, I understand, enable this decision to be debated at CDC, where we would hope our local councillors, no matter their political persuasion, would be able to support a rethink on this decision.

The link to the survey is here: https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/SaveCotswoldVICs

Please complete, and share as wide as you possibly can.

Andrew Lund-Yates, Bourton Business Network <u>www.bourtonbusiness.net</u> 01451 820467

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With the cost-of-living crisis hitting hard, North Cotswold Foodbank has seen its shelves rapidly emptying as more people require assistance. The number of parcels provided in 2022/23 was 1568, effectively double the number provided in the previous year.

So, we would like to say a big thank you to everyone who donated food at our recent Stow Tesco collection which raised an amazing 277.44kg of food. We'd also like to express our gratitude to all of you who regularly drop off food at our foodbank outlets, churches, or other collection points. Every item helps us support those struggling in our local community.

The most recent Trussell Trust research found that one in seven people in the UK have been food insecure in the last 12 months – a very worrying figure.

Anyone wishing to give food or other essentials can see the most up-to-date

list of items we need on our website (https://northcotswold.foodbank.org.uk/). Our current list includes tinned meat, tinned vegetables, small jars of coffee, long life milk, long life fruit juice, sponge puddings, custard, biscuits, washing up liquid and washing powder.

In the meantime, if you, or someone you know, are struggling to make ends meet, NCFB is here to support you. Call 07879 375562 or visit the website above.

Bourton outlet is in the Baptist Church on Station Road and is open Thursdays 10.00-12.00.

The Stow outlet is in the Baptist Church off Sheep Street in Stow and is open 10.00-12.00 on Wednesdays.

Jo Cooper,

**Bourton Outlet lead and Trustee** 

The Bourton Browser is printed by Peter Dunford, 01608 658104, petedunf@aol.com



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#### **Bourton Browser Team News**

Jocelyn Lawrence: Jocelyn, who has been our Letch Hill Drive Browser deliverer for many years, has had to retire due to mobility issues. We'd like to thank her for her many years of service.

**Chrissie and Ben Northing:** We'd like to welcome Chrissie and Ben who are joining the team and taking over the Letch Hill Drive round. Many thanks to them.

**Events:** If you are planning events let us know, we can advertise them in "Diary Dates" and the on-line village diary, www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk

It is well worth checking the village online diary when scheduling events to avoid clashing with over village events!

Articles: We welcome articles (maximum 300 words) & photographs, from adults, children and local community groups on any subjects of local interest. We only have room for <u>one arti-</u> cle, per community group, per issue.

Email team@bourtonbrowser.co.uk The Bourton Browser Team



# Public Exhibition.

Proposals for land off Station Road, Bourton-on-the-Water (the former Co-Op site).

Pegasus and Lioncourt Homes are consulting on their proposals for the demolition of the existing retail buildings and the erection of residential buildings.

To find out more and discuss our proposals with members of the project team, please come along to our public exhibition:



#### Tuesday 12th September 2023, 1pm to 7pm

Windrush Room, George Moore Community Centre Moore Road, Bourton-on-the-Water Gloucestershire, GL54 2AZ



#### **Bourton Vale Horticultural Society**

#### Your friendly Garden Club

Members and partners were made most welcome by Chris King to her beautiful garden in Bourton-on-the-Water for the Members' Garden Party on Wednesday 9 August. After a spell of inclement weather, the sun came out on the day and a lovely afternoon was had by all. Congratulations to Jane Hardie for winning the decorated hat competition with her lavender-inspired creation and many thanks to Chris for her kind hospitality and for sharing her garden with us.

Our next event, is of course, our Annual Garden Show, now in its 132<sup>nd</sup> year, being held again at The British Legion Hall on Saturday 9 September and we hope you will manage to come along at 2 pm when the doors open. Of course, there is still time to enter your vegetables, fruit and flowers and flower arrangements and show schedules are readily available at the Visitor Information Centre and Hartwells! There are also sections for photographs and various children's topics, with our ever-popular plant stall, raffle and refreshments on offer.

Our next evening meeting is on Wednesday 11 October at the usual time of 7.30 pm at The Baptist Hall in Station Road, Bourton-onthe-Water, when our speaker will be Jonathan King sharing his experiences of "15 years in China – A Journey of Landscape and Learning". Jonathan returned to the UK in 2019 and set up his own landscape and garden design practice in Cheltenham. The title of October's competition is A Display of Autumn Daisies (asters and rudbeckia).



With a modest annual membership fee of £15 or £3 per visit, new members and visitors are always most welcome!

Sandra Mitchell – Secretary BVHS, Mobile: 07840 898472, Email: sandra@rissington.uk



#### **Message from the Church**

September is here bringing with it new beginnings and the return to familiar routines. As the academic year begins, children and teachers return to school, or even start school for the first time, young people leave home to begin college and the various clubs and organisations which have taken a break, resume.

Whatever our age, I expect we can remember that new term feeling and its many emotions: maybe trepidation, excitement or even sadness that the holidays have ended. Time doesn't ever stay still, it moves on, our lives changing as one chapter closes and another begins.

The clock on St Lawrence keeps this time through the generations with its chime marking the quarter, half and hour. In the life of our community we celebrate and mark the beginning and ending of lives, and as we do so we are reminded that our life on earth is a journey. This journey is a gift from God, the source of all life and love. Sometimes the road this journey takes us on is rough, sometimes smooth, but no matter what, we are assured that we do not walk it alone. A well-known children's hymn couldn't put it more clearly. I share it with you as a poem and prayer for our community and individual lives as we take one more step.....

One more step along the world I go, One more step along the world I go From the old things to the new, Keep me travelling along with you: And it's from the old I travel to the new; Keep me travelling along with you.

Round the corners of the world I turn, More and more about the world I learn; All the new things that I see You'll be looking at along with me.

As I travel through the bad and good, Keep me travelling the way I should. Where I see no way to go, You'll be telling me the way, I know.



The Rev'd Rowena King revrowena@gmail.com 01451 821282

www.bourtonparishchurch.co.uk

Join our main Sunday service at 11am each week This service is also livestreamed on our website

Other services: 8am—Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion – 2nd & 4th Sun. 6pm Holy Communion - 1st Sun.

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

Together on Tuesdays is taking a break over August – see you back in September.St James, Clapton-on-the-Hill:1st Sunday at9:30 Morning worship<br/>3rd Sunday at 9:30 BCP Holy Communion

#### **Bourton Baptist Church**



Minister: Rev Sue Woodley Manse: 01451 820055 Mobile: 07828 781246 Church Office: 01451 824225

E-mail: minister@bourtonbaptist.co.uk Sunday Morning Service - 10:30 am

We gather for worship every Sunday morning so do come and join us, everyone is welcome. Communion is usually celebrated on the 3rd Sunday of each month

#### Open4U

Open every Thursday from 10.00 am until 4.00 pm in the Church Hall, with a range of activities and time to chat. A light lunch is served and refreshments are available through the day. Everyone is welcome – just drop in and stay as long as you like.

#### Cafe' Tots

Starting on Wednesday 12th July 9.15 - 11.30am. A group for mums, dads, carers, babies and tots to enjoy time together. Tea, coffee, croissants. Toddler art, water play and much more. All welcome.

See our website for this month's diary and more details of all our activities www.bourtonbaptist.co.uk

Give me courage when the world is rough, Keep me loving though the world is tough; Leap and sing in all I do, Keep me travelling along with you.

You are older than the world can be, You are younger than the life in me; Ever old and ever new, Keep me travelling along with you:

#### Rev'd Hannah Allen

#### **Bourton Library**

The George Moore Community Centre, Moore Road, Bourton-on-the-Water, GL54 2AZ. 01451 820964 <u>Opening Hours</u> Tues 10am-1pm, Wed 2-5pm, Fri 10am-

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#### Roman Catholic Parish of Our Lady & St. Kenelm, Stow on the Wold

Parish website: stow-bourtoncatholic.net Fr. Stephen Lambert 07836 384932 Email: <u>sulharcomb@aol.com</u>

Weekend Masses: Saturday evening: Vigil Mass 6 pm. Sunday morning: 9 am Sung Mass.

Weekday Masses: At 9 am every day (No Mass Saturday mornings). Mass on Tuesdays takes place at St. Lawrence's Anglican Church, Bourton on the Water at 9 am.

The priest welcomes all enquiries about the Christian faith, and Baptisms, Confirmations, Weddings, Funerals, the Sacrament of Reconciliation, Blessing of houses, etc.

Please check Mass times with website in case of last-minute changes.

#### Fr. Stephen

#### QUAKERS

The Religious Society of Friends Every Sunday 11am at The Friends Meeting House, Pytt Lane, Burford Enquiries welcome Howard Crook 01451 810447. To request a free info pack, email: outreach@quaker.org.uk

## **For The Younger Generations**



# **GLOUCESTERSHIRE TENNIS**

#### **Bourton Vale Tennis Club**

The 2023 Junior Club Championship took place on an overcast morning in July. But there was nothing bleak about the turnout and standard of play. With ten players of varying ages the com-

petition was divided into two age categories. Playing for the trophy in the older age bracket was Sam Redding (14), Emily Campbell (15), and Haydn Jeary (17). Matches were one full set. With both Haydn and Emily able to get the better of Sam in their respective matches, the final came down to a very closely fought tussle with Haydn just about coming



through with a 7-5 win over Emily. Well done to Haydn, BVLTC 2023 Junior Club Champion!!

In the lower age category, notable mention to Myles Mukherji (7) for playing in a tennis competition for the very first time against older players than himself. A round-robin competition took place between seven players with each mini match played



as first to get to seven points. It was great to see juniors playing in a competition for the first time, especially Isabella Edwards (13) and Feeny Wright (11) for giving it a go and playing well. There was some great tennis played always in good spirit and at times some truly fantastic rallies. Lots of applause from parents as they watched from the club-

house. Some of the best tennis was played by Ethan Pratt (9) and Ben Redding (12) with some excellent shot-making from Harry Brown (10) and Rhodri Hawke (10). After all matches were played there was a three-way tie for first place with Ben, Harry and Ethan all winning five of their six matches. Congratulations to everyone who played, you are all winners!!

See you on court! Alex Peyton



# THE COTSWOLD SCHOOL

September is a busy month at The Cotswold School, introducing our new Year 7 and Sixth Form students and supporting them in their next stage of education.

#### **Open Mornings and Open Evening**

Come and see our school in action and visit our Open Mornings and Open Evening, try out practical subjects and meet our staff and students.

If your child is moving up to secondary school in 2024 or 2025, we look forward to welcoming you to one of our Open Mornings on 26/27 September and 5 October and at our Open Evening on 5 October. Please visit our website to find out more and register to attend these events

#### www.cotswold.gloucs.sch.uk Sixth Form Open Evening

For students in Year 11 and thinking ahead to post-16 study, our Sixth Form Open Evening will be held on Thursday 9 November.

We are incredibly proud of the many roles and destinations that our students pursue, many Year 13 students head to prestigious universities, including Oxford and Cambridge, to study subjects such as medicine, languages, art, law, geography, history and criminology. An increasing number also opt for degree apprenticeships and apprenticeship qualifications, such as in engineering. Come along and find out more about what our Sixth Form has to offer, meet current students, the Sixth Form leaders and subject teachers. We look forward to meeting you. Keep up to date with school news at

#### www.cotswold.gloucs.sch.uk/latest-news

At the time of writing, public examination results for 2023 have not yet been published. We will reflect on these results in the next edition.

#### **Helen Murray**



Face painting, tombola, splat the rat, refreshments and a chance to connect with the



community



Save the date,



Saturday 9th September 2-5 pm

Look out for posters and more information from the school nearer the time.

#### Local Groups and Organisations for the YOUNGER GENERATION

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#### Couch to 5k with Bourton Road Runners

Our popular Couch to 5K sessions will be returning in early September and are a great way to get started in running.

We'll be following the NHS (National Health Service) Couch to 5K course to 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 @ 5:50pm starting 5 September Thursdays @ 5:50pm starting 7 September



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 Lorna a t brr.c25k@gmail.com to register your interest or for more information

### Panto Group

Hello everyone! Thank you to those who took the time to stop for a chat at our pop-up promotional stand at the Co-op last month. We were encouraged that some of you took away our "join us" leaflet and hope the invitation results in new faces at the AGM on 5<sup>th</sup> September! Our pantomime for next year has been chosen and will be Little Red Riding Hood. Now the work really begins!

As previously mentioned, the group's AGM will be held on 5<sup>th</sup> September at the Victoria Hall, starting at 7.30pm and we would be delighted to welcome anyone interested in becoming an integral part of the group, to come along and join us. Only paid-up members are able to vote to elect the new Committee, however, after the necessary business is over, the script is seen for the first time and read through! This can make for much amusement but be an anxious time for the current director wondering if their choice will be well received by cast and then audiences! Casting, rehearsal schedules, scene design and construction, costume design and creation, lighting plot, sound requirements, front of house personnel, music choices (tailored to cast abilities) all need to be addressed over the coming weeks, along with a thousand other tasks.

The commitment is huge but those of us who "keep at it" are rewarded with the audience's smiling faces as they sing to the community song, hiss and boo the baddies and enter into the spirit of traditional panto! If you are keen to continue to see live theatre happening in Bourtonon-the-Water, come along and see what happens, you just might have found a new hobby or maybe refresh a previous one?

#### Remember...Victoria Hall, **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September**

#### 7.30pm start. See you there!

Ann Chapman



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#### **Charity Greeting Cards**

Your unwanted, used, greeting cards can help us raise funds for Gloucestershire Arthritis Trust. A team of ladies have been busy remaking cards to sell at £1 each. The Arthritis wards at Cheltenham and Gloucester hospitals have been delighted to receive new equipment, in the shape of 'wheeled walkers' costing £850 each. These are much better than Zimmer frames as they enable patients to be more mobile in an upright position. Walking sooner and doing exercises can reduce hospital stays to just 3 days. The fund raising to help surgeons is on-going.

If you, your club, group or neighbours would like to see what is on offer, don't hesitate to contact me. I also sell the cards from my home, just ring the bell. We cover all occasions, 'Get Well', 'New Home', 'Sympathy', 'Age Cards', 'Birthday cards' and 'Blanks', for your own messages. Only £1 per card.

New cards cannot be made unless we have your old ones. Please leave them in the black boxes near the front doors of 19 Moore Rd (opposite Doctors) or Alice's Cottage, Victoria St (opposite Clapton Row). We also collect used postage stamps and albums, very old and modern.

Thank you for your continued support. Mollie Wise and Team. 822365

#### **Cotswold Fosseway Lions**

At the Trustees Meeting on 21st July, the proposal from the Welfare Committee for the winding up of the 100 club, and donations from its remaining funds, was discussed. It was decided that donations would be made to the Northleach Evergreens, Northleach Scouts Group, Northleach Football Club, Northleach Swimming Pool and the Northleach C of E Primary School PTA and this has been done.

The club would like to thank all those who have subscribed to the 100 Club over the years. Your support has enabled us to make donations totalling £6,911, as well as paying out on the monthly draws 20% of those month's receipts, with double payment in June and December. This shows that running a 100 Club can be successful and should another organisation within Northleach wish to try and run one in future, we would be happy to explain how to do so and the regulations surrounding running one. We cannot however, provide details of those that subscribed to our 100 Club as we would not wish to break regulations around data protection.

A donation was also agreed from the Charities Fund to a charity of the out going president's choice. They nominated - CALM – Children Achieving Lifelong Movement, a very small local charity providing one to one physical movement therapy sessions to children affected by long-term movement conditions. These can be caused by many conditions including, for example: childhood stroke, cerebral palsy, brain trauma, etc.

The Trustees will oversee the running of the club, which has just one member, whilst this member works with the Lion District and a Guiding Lion to see if a new home for the club in another Cotswolds Town can be found that will attract new members. Only time will tell.

#### Avril Haseler



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In this month's article we're featuring our daytime chat show, Cotswolds Women, which celebrates women's achievements and women in business. Cotswolds Women is hosted by Annabelle Belcher and a regular panel. Annabelle joined Cotswolds Radio right at the very start, presenting a series of music genre shows. She then decided that it was time to bring a fun, daytime chat show to the station. Cotswolds Women was first broadcast in October 2020 and now has a great following.

Each week, Annabelle and the panel interview special guests from around the Cotswolds. Guests (usually, but not exclusively women) are an eclectic mix and have included TV presenters, therapists, local tour guides, a travel agent, a wedding dress maker, a celebrant, charity fundraisers, campaigners and even Tweedy the Clown! Discussion topics have covered anything from navigating the menopause to how to support local businesses; from travel to palliative care and autism awareness; all mixed with light chit-chat and great music. The show goes out live at noon on Fridays and is repeated at 7pm on Thursdavs.

Annabelle, who has lived in Northleach for over 20 years, has loved music and per-

forming from a young age. She has a soft spot for 80's, Tex Mex and soul music. She also presents The 80's Show and The Power of Music on Cotswolds Radio and is the powerhouse behind planning our fantastic schedule of shows and all of our social media and website updates.

Annabelle is always looking for new people to join the panel or appear as a special guest on the show. Email us at <u>contact@cotswoldsradio.com</u> explaining why you would like to be on the show and we will get back in touch with you.





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Willoughby Place Annual MacMillan Coffee Morning On Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September, 11am Raffle, cake stall, tombola & lots more. All welcome. Contact Sally on 01451 824472

A talk by Neil Russell on his inspirational 918 mile run from London to Barcelona in aid of Parkinson's UK, followed by a fundraising quiz and raffle!

7pm Sunday 24th September

The Royal British Legion, Bourton-on-the-Water

Call or message Allie on 07748 370 059 to book a quiz team of 6 at £7 per person

Raffle tickets sold at £1 per strip at Cotswold Art Supplies, Stow Physio, and Northleach Post Office as well as on the night. Cash bar.

Donate to Parkinson's UK at www.neilstillcan.run





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With a Summer Fete offering glorious cakes for sale and the annual Garden Party, with yet more wonderful cakes on offer, it's fair to say that the BOW WI ladies have been keeping on top of their "Five a Day", but maybe not in the most conventional way. On offer were: 1) Carrot Cake, 2) Apple Cake, 3) Banana Cake, 4) Fruit Cake, 5) Strawberry Cake.

Both events were a great success and enjoyed by everyone.

September's meeting looks to be a fun evening. We have a lovely couple, Myra and Steve Ford, who will be guiding us in some Country Dancing steps. Why not come and join us on Tuesday 12th September at 7pm in the Victoria Hall in Bourton, new members always very welcome. Please call Pat Taylor for more information on 07518 457 652

**North Cotswolds Rotary** 

#### Fantastic Family Day Out. The Cotswold Festival of Motoring sponsored by Brio Retirement Living. Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> September

Join us at Bourton Vale Cricket Club. Witness a flypast by one of the RAF's Battle of Britain Memorial Flight's Spitfires\*. See cars spanning the last 110 years of motoring. Look out for "Steve McQueen" in his Bullitt Mustang on the Motion Picture Motors stand. Or marvel at the evolution of the Corvette as the model celebrates its 70th anniversary. Entertainment on stage will include the band Seven 77s and Illusionist, Lee Joseph. The free climbing wall, sponsored by JWORX, returns and there will be other kids' activities too, including a Mystery Trail. Enjoy great food and retail stalls too. Come and join us for a wonderful day out. You can get a 20% early bird discount on the entry price by booking at: <u>https://</u> www.ticketsource.co.uk/rotary-clubof-the-north-cotswolds or use the QR Code:



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**Cotswold Festival of Motoring Grand** Raffle. Our raffle will raise funds for the purchase of a hospital generator for Ukraine. Thanks to the generosity of our donors, you could be experiencing a morning on the gallops with full English breakfast for 4, or driving an Audi for a weekend, or enjoying a delicious lunch or dinner with a friend at a private members' club or be having fun with the family on a day out at Cotswold Wildlife Park. Tickets will be available on the day, but you can also get tickets from Harrison & Hardie's offices in Bourton and Moreton, the Curious Wine Cellar, The Ox House in Northleach, or contact

dianawhite.7020@gmail.com

John Barber

## Home Start Baby & Me

If you know someone with a START

new baby aged 0-6 months, Cotswolds our free postnatal group, 'Baby and Me', returns to Bourton in September! Run by family support charity, Home-Start Cotswolds, the group is a great opportunity to build your confidence as a parent, share experiences and learn more about your baby's development. Each week we cover a different topic (such as feeding, play and communication, baby massage and sleep), in a friendly and supportive environment. Starting Thursday 28th September for 8 weeks (not 2<sup>nd</sup> Nov), we are at the George Moore Centre, GL54 2AZ from 1pm to 2.30pm. To reserve your place, please email groups@home-startcotswolds.org.uk or call us on 01285 885391 and we look forward to hearing from you!

Vanessa

#### A Massive Thank you



I can't quite believe it, but the sun shone on us at our sale to raise awareness and to make as much money as possible for Pancreatic Cancer UK.

It was a really enjoyable day, with the duck racing proving a great success, with help from Adam Henson, our local farmer, commenting on each race.

A massive thank you to everyone who gave us raffle prizes, tombola prizes, delicious cakes, and The Croft who provided us tea and coffee.

To all the wonderful people who ran the stalls, and everyone who helped to make it a very special day, we raised an amazing sum of £4,879.56 for the charity.'

Sue Gilbert

#### **Rural Cinema**

The autumn season will give us 3 showings: September, October and November. Over the past few months we have seen some enjoyable films including, 'Mrs Harris goes to Paris' and 'A Man called Otto' with Tom Hanks as the lead.

Your cinema team are all volunteers and we would like to ask if any of you could volunteer to become one of our projectionists?

As the Cinema runs for only 10 months of the year, on 3rd Monday of each month, it should be easy to slot into your everyday life. We have 2 or 3 other volunteers who organise a rota. The equipment is now stored in the Victoria Hall, so there are no storage or transportation needs. Usually, one volunteer sets up before the Matinee and another clears up after the evening showing, packing the equipment away under the stage. If you could give up a few hours once a month The Bourton village residents would be very grateful. If anyone is interested, please could you email me Denease @ plkerris@aol.com.

The film on September 18th will be 'What's love got to do with it', PG 12. Everybody is welcome to join us for a tea or coffee and biscuits for just 50p each beforehand. We look forward to seeing you at the Victoria Hall 2pm for 2.30 pm and 7pm for 7.30pm. The price for attending the film is only £3 per person or £10 per family of four, payment on the door.

Come and treat yourselves to an afternoon or evening out.

Your Bourton Cinema team



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#### Flexercise

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#### Skylark

So high, so high, so high, Her serenades fill the sky. For all times and all ages, Plays the greatest of stages. She sings for all she's worth, As if to soothe a troubled earth. Her melodies so swift and sweet,

All doubt and darkness defeats. No poet can equal her refrain. Heaven sent she could claim With songs of mellow delight.

Yet few ever detect their might. Every single day she sings, Giving our hearts fresh wings. And after her arias leaves. Shielded by a curtain of trees. Hugh O'Connell

### - Getting Connected -**Digital Technology Course for Older People**

Only a few openings remain for older people on our next course starting in September. It's advisable to express your interest right now as there are only eight places. Each course takes place on Tuesday mornings in Bourtonon-the-Water, over twelve weeks.

#### If you wish to express an interest in attending, please do this:

- Write a note, giving your name, age (over 55), address, phone number (and email address if you have one).
- Describe briefly your current level of skill (if any) with digital technology and the brand name of your device(s) (Apple, Samsung, etc).
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#### **Bourton Probus Club**



Our meeting on 10th July was given by Mike Aggleton, who spoke on the Fairy Swordfish, its design,

shortcomings and its role in the film Sink the Bismark. It was clearly an ill-fated plane but it was a useful addition to the Fleet Air Arm in the 2nd world war. On 24th July we heard Tom Constant talk on Stepping Stone to Fame. Despite grappling with AV equipment failure. Tom gave us an interesting talk on the Tring Park School for Performing Arts, where many a young actor has started off their careers.

Bourton Probus club is for any retired men or women who would like to hear interesting talks and attend various social events. If you are interested in joining, then please come to one of our meetings and meet us all.

#### **Roger Harris**





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