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DIARY DATES

Mondays, "Old Sweats" Meeting, **BLH**, 10am—12 Noon, 07714 852364 bourton.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**.

Thursdays Flexercise, **BLH**, 10-11am. 01993 882350 kathy.kirk@live.com

1st Parish Council Meeting, **GMCC**, 7pm.

3rd Coffee Morning, **StLC**, 10-12 noon, in aid of Poppy Appeal. See page 5.

4th-5th Gift & Craft Fair, **VH**, 10am-5pm, accessories, soaps, up-cycled gifts, stationery, wood turning.

6th & 20th Mindsong, Sing 2 Remember Sessions, **GMCC**, 10.30am. 07764 212506 or 01451 821216.

8th Irene's Charity Knitting Circle, **WP**, 10am-12pm. See page 3.

8th & 22nd Bourton Community Day Club, 10.30am - 2.30pm, **MC**, GL54 2HE. 01608 652019.

8th Horticultural Society, "Mistletoe: Fact, Myth and Legend" by Dr Michael Jones. 7.30pm, **BCH**. See page 15.

9th-11th Gift Fair **VH**, Gift Ware, Handbags, Jewellery, Collectables, Children's Books/Toys

9th Bourton Lunch Club, **CCP**, GL54 2AY. 12Noon, 01608 692811.

10th & 24th Friendly Memory Cafe, **StLC**, 2-4pm, 07746 672726. See page 3.

12th Remembrance Day Parade, War

Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council Notes

Parish Council notes from the Parish Council Meeting on 4th October 2023.

The Police highlighted a new link to on-line reporting of non-urgent anti-social behaviour, see [Report antisocial behaviour | Gloucestershire Constabulary](#)

County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson is in discussions with Gloucestershire County Council Highways to progress Traffic Regulation Orders (TROs) for coach parking with a potential for an on-street drop off/pick up solution. He will also be meeting with GCC Highways and the Parish Council to progress the other village-wide TROs.

District Councillor Jon Wareing's report highlighted a significant shortfall of £448,000 in Cotswold District Council's budget for this year. This means that the District Council is actively looking to make savings through improved efficiency as well as cost cutting.

Refurbishment of Rye Crescent play area: A successful public consultation event was held during September and the working group continues to progress plans for new equipment.

Tourist Levy Funding: The Parish Council will once again receive monies from Cotswold District Council car parking charges in the Rissington Road for projects in the village. Three projects have been selected for funding by the levy, following a public consultation by CDC on a list of potential projects put forward by the Parish Council. These are: Installation of planters and seating around trees in the area in front of The Willow Pub, resurfacing of the path at Periwinkle Bank and planting around the edge of Clapton Row. Initials cost estimates and plans are being drawn up at this stage.

War Memorial: The Parish Council was awarded a grant of £280 from the War Memorials Scheme to fund 50% of the cost of repairs for the war memorial. It is hoped that the repairs can be completed over the next few months once we receive the appropriate permissions from the District Council.

Hedges, Shrubs and 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). Please check your hedges and shrubs prior to cutting back to ensure there are no nesting birds present.

The Parish Council would like to thank The Wright Signs of Shipston-on-Stour for carrying out works to the signage at the George Moore Community Centre without charge.

Memorial Safety Testing will be carried out at Bourton-on-the-Water Cemetery in Cemetery Lane and St Lawrence's Churchyard in the High Street from January 2024.

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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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Memorial. High St & Sherborne St closed 10.30-11.30am. Wreath laying 10.45am. See page 5

13th Probus, 10am, **GMCC**. Mike Aggleton, "Flying the Fairy Swordfish Part 2". See page 13.

14th WI, **VH**, 7pm.

15th Police Point open, **GMCC**, 2-3pm, P C S O J o h n A l l e n
www.gloucestershire.police.uk

18th Tayler & Fletcher, Monthly Auction, **NCS**, GL54 2AR. 821666.

18th-19th Gift & Craft Fair, **VH**, 10am-5pm, accessories, soaps, up-cycled gifts, stationery, wood turning

20th Rural Cinema, "Where the Crawdads Sing", Drama/Mystery/Thriller, PG 15. 2 hrs 5mins. **VH**, 2.30pm & 7.30pm. Refreshments from 2pm & 7pm, tickets £3 on door.

22nd u3a, 10am-12pm, BLH, "Folklore & More!" by Adrian James
www.u3asites.org.uk/bourton See page 3.

24th Boogie Bingo, **BLH**, 6.30-10pm, adults & children welcome. £5 per adult, children free. In aid of Cold Aston PTA. See poster page 6.

24th-26th Gift Fair **VH**, Gift Ware, Handbags, Jewellery, Collectables, Children's Books/Toys

26th Farmers Market, **BLH** Car Park, GL54 2AR. 8.30am-12.30pm. 07986 085599.

27th Probus, 10am, **GMCC**. Member presentation. See page 13.

30th Bourton Book Club, 7pm, Duke of Wellington Pub. Details from dpayne056@hotmail.co.uk

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The Parish Council understands that the headstone and memorial safety testing may cause concern to grave owners and families of the bereaved and wishes to give its reassurance that testing will be carried out respectfully and within national guidelines.

If a memorial is found to be unstable, a letter will be sent to the grave owner at their last known address. If you would like to update your details or require any further information about the safety testing procedure, please contact the Parish Clerk.

The Council appreciates your assistance and cooperation in ensuring that the Cemetery and Churchyard are safe places for everyone to visit.

Youth Club: The Youth Club are now meeting on Friday evenings during term-time at the Baden-Powell Hall. Juniors (Age 8 – Year 6) from 6.00-7.30pm and Seniors (Year 7 to Year 9) from 7.30pm-9pm.

Next Meeting Date: The next Parish Council Meeting will be held at 7pm on Wednesday 1st November in the Windrush Room at The George Moore Community Centre. All residents are welcome.

Sharon Henley, Clerk/RFO

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A message from

Santa's Magical Grotto

It is with much regret that due to ill health the grotto is unable to proceed this year. Jim and I are already missing the usual preparations and excitement of seeing it come together and packing, on Santa's behalf, the usual quality gifts. It goes without saying how we will also miss seeing over the weekends, all you wonderfully loyal families that have visited and supported our charities for numerous years.

We will however be having a charity sale during November. Keep an eye out for details and the date to be confirmed. From the bottom of our hearts we thank you all.

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Monthly meetings are held on Wednesday mornings at **the Royal British Legion Hall in Bourton-on-the-Water** and are ideal for prospective new members to sound us out.

Our November meeting is on:

Wednesday 22nd November 2023, from 10am to 12 noon, where our guest speaker, Adrian James, tells us about **Folklore & More!** - a first dip into the fascinating and often humorous area of folklore and legends associated with plants, seasons and traditions.

Please come along, enjoy a tea/coffee, and see what we have to offer.

We will be very pleased to see you.

Or look us up on:

u3asites.org.uk/bourton

Light Switch On Friday 1st December

Carols from 4.10pm on The Green. Santa arrives at 4.30pm to switch on lights.
Lynda Hicks



Bourton Business Network (BBN) Update

Bourton Business Network is close to finalising a workable solution to the coach parking issues which have been problematic this year. Full details will be published in the coming days.

BBN is pleased to announce that there will be a Christmas Late Night Opening of participating village centre businesses on Friday 1st December, after the official switching on of the Christmas Tree lights in the river. Watch out for further information on participating businesses. **Andrew Lund-Yates**

Irene's Charity Knitting Circle

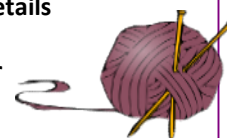
We meet on the second Wednesday of each month from 10.00am until 12.00pm at Willoughby Place, Station Road, Bourton-on-the-Water, (opposite the Co-op Filling station).

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.**



Dementia Friendly Cafe

A very successful Dementia Friendly Cafe was held at St Lawrence Church.

Our next meeting will be on the 27th October, 2-4pm. Feel free to come along. £1 a head towards tea and coffee.

Lynda Hicks



OUT AND ABOUT in November

- 3rd Christmas Fayre, Combe Mill, Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Long Hanborough. OX298ET. www.combemill.org. 01993 358694. See page 15.
- 6th-9th Cotswold Christmas Fair, Evenlode Grounds, Moreton-in-Marsh, GL56 0YS. In support of WellChild, with over 225 independent boutique stalls. <https://cotswoldfair.com/> 0333 242 7912
- 10th Cotswold Festival of Music, Bavarian Baroque Evening, Northleach Church, 6pm for 6.30pm, www.cotswoldfestivalofmusic.co.uk See page 11.
- 11th, 12th, 18th, 19th, 25th & 26th Secrets of Snowhill Manor, Broadway, GL1 1GH. 01386 852410. <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/>
- 16th-19th Cheltenham Christmas Market, The Promenade & Long Gardens, Cheltenham, GL50 1PJ. 10am-8pm.
- 17th-1st January, A Fairy Tale Christmas & Christmas Market (market until 17th Dec). Illuminated trail & Sleeping Beauty at the Palace. Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, OX20 1UL, www.blenheimpalace.com or call 01993 810530. Booking essential.
- 18th Rissingtons Local History Society, @2.30pm "Cotswold Wool and Witney Blankets" by Richard Martin. Village Hall, Upper Rissington GL54 2QW. Visitors Welcome £3.50. information.RLHS@gmail.com / Kate O'Brien 07815 606770.
- 23rd-25th 'The Flare Path' performed by the Wychwood players, New Beaconsfield Hall, Shipton under Wychwood OX7 6BQ. 7.30pm. www.wychwoodplayers.com See page 11.
- 24th-25th Enchanted Christmas, Westonbirt, The National Arboretum, Westonbirt, GL8 8QS. Illuminated trail 4-9.30pm. <https://www.forestryengland.uk/westonbirt/enchanted-christmas>
- 24th-7th January Mother Goose Pant, Everyman Theatre, Cheltenham, GL50 1HQ. www.everymantheatre.org.uk/shows/mother-geese/
- 24th-30th December, Spectacle of Light, Sudeley Castle, Winchcombe, GL54 5LP. Tickets [01242 705 555](tel:01242705555) or <https://www.everymantheatre.org.uk/sudeley/>
- 25th-26th Illuminate Trail, Cotswolds Farm Park, Guiting Power, GL54 5FL. www.cotswoldfarmpark.co.uk
- 25th-27th December Santa Express, Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway, Station Approach, Winchcombe, GL54 5LD. <https://www.gwsr.com/>
- 26th Village Market at Great Rissington, Great Rissington Club, 10am-noon. 01451 822285.

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A Coffee Morning was held at Chardwar Gardens in support of Macmillan Cancer on Friday 29th September 2023.

Cakes and Coffee/tea were provided, alongside a raffle with some amazing prizes donated by residents and local businesses in the village.

It was a very enjoyable and worthwhile event and a total of £597.45 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support.

My heartfelt thanks to helpers Anne, Jane, Sheila, Mary, Jean and April for all their hard work.

A big thank you to residents of Chardwar Gardens and the local businesses in the village for their kind and generous support.

Yvonne Pearson

MacMillan Coffee Morning

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There will be a fully licensed bar, a free mince pie at the interval and a raffle with prizes that include Christmas hampers. Come along and enjoy the warm atmosphere and festive spirit. Accompanied children under 15 are free and you'll be helping raise funds for the Royal British Legion and Rotary Charities. Tickets are available from: <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/rotary-club-of-the-north-cotswolds>



Cotswold Festival of Motoring Raises Nearly £9,000

Sunday 24th September started off wet and windy but intrepid vehicle owners braved the weather to put on a fantastic display at Bourton Vale Cricket Club. As the day progressed things brightened up and our visitors enjoyed the Seven

77s playing an amazing range of music. Children enjoyed time on the climbing wall and tackling the mystery treasure hunt; while the grown-ups marvelled at the machinery and enjoyed speaking with car owners. We're grateful to everyone who came to support the event and helped us achieve such a great total for Sue Ryder Leckhampton Hospice and the Helping Hand scheme. The volunteers did fantastic work and we'd also like to thank our principal sponsor, Brio Retirement Living, JWORX who funded the climbing wall and Aston Martin Cheltenham for their support.



If you'd like to learn more about what North Cotswolds Rotary does visit www.northcotswoldsrotary.org or follow us on Facebook @RotaryClubOfTheNorthCotswolds

John Barber

Guided Walks with the Cotswold Voluntary Wardens



Details of the walks available are described on the website (below). **Please check walk details carefully on the website, including whether booking is necessary. Additional walks may be published on the website.**

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

Batsford circular via Sezincote and Moreton in Marsh - Tuesday 7th Novem-

ber. Moderate 3hr 6.5ml.

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Walks are free although we do invite donations to help fund our conservation and improvement work.



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Poppy Appeal 2023

Poppy boxes will be in the shops etc from Thursday 26th Oct.

There is a Coffee Morning at St Lawrence's Church, 10-12 noon on Friday 3rd Nov.

Wreath Laying for Armed Services, Societies, Schools etc, 10.45am, Sunday 12th Nov, Followed by a service at the Baptist Church.

Mike Marshall



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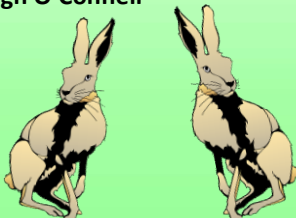
Suddenly, I give an early morning hare
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A magician or witch once thought to fly !
His hydraulics contain a coiled spring,
More dynamic than my car engine.

His sinewy strength from legs to ears,
Accelerate as I change down gears.
Then a flash of his bulbous, amber eyes,
As he flees faster than my thirty miles.

Hugh O'Connell



Bourton Browser Team News

Events: If you are planning events, **including events in 2024**, 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 on-line 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 one article, per community group, per issue.

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Message from the Church

We are living in very dark days. Conflicts in Israel and Ukraine are stunning us all. After two world wars and many other conflicts that have raged and continue to rage around the world you would think that we would have learned something. Millions of people have died and are dying because we have not learned to live together in peace.

My dad was called into the army at the age of 18 to fight in World War II. He saw many of his friends killed. Dad survived but the effect and the trauma of it all lived on in him. Many veterans today who have been deployed in the more recent conflicts have to live with the images and sounds of death. This in turn affects their families and many break down because it is too much to bear. We

remember with grateful hearts those who gave their lives to defend us but also all those men, women and their families who continue to live with the effects of war.

Yet war is nothing new. Man's inability to live in peace has always existed. Jesus was born into a land occupied by the Romans. The people lived under oppression and violence. Indeed, King Herod was so threatened by his birth he had all the baby boys under two killed.

In the midst of this Jesus showed us how to love. No one was beyond his reach. He forgave sins, healed the sick and touched those considered unclean. One of his last commands to us was: Love one another as I have loved

you. Love often requires sacrifice, a laying down of self and so is a challenge to us all but what a wonderful world it could be if we all followed this command.

Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends. John

15:13 **Rev Sue Woodley**

'In Memory'

a service of thanksgiving and remembrance for those who have died

Sunday 5th November @ 3pm

The names of those we are remembering will be read out at the service and there will be the opportunity to light a candle.

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8am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion – 12th and 26th

6pm - Holy Communion with traditional hymns – 5th

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During November our Church is being refurbished. Week-end Masses will be held at the Anglican Church of St. Lawrence, Bourton-o-t-Water, except for Sun. 26th Nov. which will be held at St. Peter's, Daylesford. Mass times will be the same (6 pm Saturday; 9 am Sunday) but check website for last minute changes. No Weekday Masses (except 1st, 2nd and 3rd November) until 27th Nov.

Usual Schedule: Weekend Masses: Sat. evening: Vigil Mass 6 pm. Sun. morning: 9 am Sung Mass.

Weekday Masses: At 9 am every day (No Mass Sat. mornings). Mass on Tues. takes place at St. Lawrence's at 9 am.

Special Masses: 1st Nov. Solemnity of All Saints, St. Lawrence's Church. Sung Mass 6 pm. 2nd Nov. : **Commemoration of all the Faithful departed.** Requiem Mass 9 am at Our Lady & St. Kenelm (Webley Room). **Fr. Stephen**



Bourton Baptist Church

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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

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Cafe Tots

Every Wednesday from 9.15 - 11.30am

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See our website for this month's diary and more details of all our activities

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A huge thank you to everyone who has supported our Astro fundraising campaign so far. We are delighted to share with you the news that we are close to reaching our fundraising goal of £165,000, having raised a fantastic £146,500, but we still need your support.

Following a pitch to Cotswold District Council community fund, we have won their support for £10,000 match funding. As match funding depends on the number of backers that support the project, every project backer and donation count. Our project will be assessed at the end of October, when we will find out whether it has been approved. To keep up to date, visit www.spacehive.com/save-our-astro. Fundraising via Spacehive will continue until the end of March 2024.

To sponsor an Astro square, please visit our website www.cotswold.gloucs.sch.uk/sponsor-a-square-campaign/

If you would like any further information, or can help in any way, please contact mtye@thecotswoldschool.co.uk

Many thanks for your continued support in helping us to secure another 20 years of all-weather sport for our 1,400 students and our local community clubs.

Open Days

It was wonderful to open our doors to Year 5 and 6 pupils and their families at our Open Evening last week. Visitors were able to explore the school's facilities and enjoy interactive activities in departments. If you were unable to attend one of our Open Days, but would like a tour, please contact admin@thecotswoldschool.co.uk

Sixth Form Open Evening

Do you want to study at an outstanding Sixth Form? Join us at The Cotswold School on Thursday 9 November, 6.15-8 pm.

The Cotswold School Fashion Show

On 16 November, 6.30pm, we will be holding The Cotswold School Fashion Show, showcasing 13 fabulous collections, created and modelled by our talented students and judged by fashion gurus George and Melanie Davies. To book tickets visit www.ticketsource.co.uk/the-cotswold-school. Many thanks for your continued support.

The Cotswold School

Bourton Primary Academy

October has been a very busy month in our school calendar. We have had a cross country event, 2 lots of orienteering at Sherborne National Trust Woods and our whole school Harvest Festival. We were very pleased to see so many parents and families watch our service. It is such an important event to remember how hard the agricultural sector work for us. We would also like to say thank you to all of the families who donated items for our collection to the food bank as well. They were incredibly grateful for our donations.

We were very proud of the runners who took part in the cross country event. This was a warm up tournament in preparation to the event in the Spring where the fastest runners would then go through to county finals to compete. In true cross country spirit, a child lost their shoe but carried on regardless and the shoe was then found by the next batch of runners! We had 4 teams in total; We had a boys and girls team for Year 3/4 and for Year 5/6. This was a team event and each team that competed won, so we had all 4 winning teams on the day! We are looking forward to taking part in more sporting events over the coming months.

We are seeking some new school governors, please read about this in more detail on page 6.

Tori Gainford,



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Bourton Rovers Youth

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Holding our own in two large county football leagues, the passion our coaches really shows. With league winners' medals and fair play trophies all handed out at last season's presentation, the future looks bright for these fantastic young players, giving it their all to help make Bourton Rovers a club to be really proud of – Not bad for a village club!

Support is key to any non-profit, community club & with a sudden pitch shortage this season the local community has really stepped up to support us. Local councils, schools and kind hearted land owners have all "pitched in" to make sure the youth have somewhere to play.

Currently our main focus for the youth is raising funds. After winning a grant for 40% of the cost, the remaining 60% is just

out of reach but we hope a recent push for sponsorship will help bridge the gap!

If you feel you can help or support us with the growth of this wonderful club in any way please do get in touch. Whatever you have to offer - fundraising, sponsorship, refereeing, or even just washing the kit! – Bourton Rovers needs you!

Catherine Williams



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Major news at Bourton Scout Group

We are restarting the Scout Troup! We are hoping to hold our first meeting in November and would encourage anyone who likes fun and occasional adventures and is between 10 1/2 and 14 years old to contact Nick (Cubs).

We are also starting a brand-new section, called Squirrels, for 4 to 6 year olds. Meetings should also be starting in November. If you're interested, please contact Steph (Beavers).

It's been a while since the last activity update as we've been so busy. In the Summer we took part in the annual 'Love Your Burial Ground' nature survey. As the least disturbed areas of our locality, it's important to know what flora and fauna can be found. Tom from Wychwood golf course swung by for another ever-popular golf night. We've been out orienteering, learning to make ropes, taking a walk around the village to see just what a wide range of services are provided for local residents.

The Summer highlight for the cubs was our now annual visit to Camp Evolution, along with 750 other cubs and brownies. Camp involves two nights away at Cirencester with the Saturday dedicated to a variety of activities. A competitive edge is introduced by scoring task performance. The unaccompanied Bourton team came in a very creditable tenth out of 50 teams.

The Summer highlight for the leaders was awarding 4 of our cubs the Chief Scout's Silver Award, for completing all 7 challenge badges and at least 6 activity or staged badges. As a team of leaders, it's so rewarding to see our young people taking the opportunities offered to them through scouting and it's great watching them develop through their time in scouting. A really big well done to Rylie, Felix, Henry and Rhodri for the dedication shown in achieving this award. We look forward to awarding more in the near future too. Since Summer we've got straight back into the action with activities for the naturalist badge, using pioneering skills to build shelters and last Monday there was an infestation of conker based creatures in the BP Hall as we put this year's harvest of conkers to creative uses. The light is now fading, so we'll be based in the hall for more meetings, but that doesn't stop the fun.

If you're an adult and would like to find out about volunteering with scouting, please get in touch with Nick or Steph. We also have places for DofE volunteers to complete the community service / volunteering section of their award – at all levels.

Nick Hawke

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My receipt records the time of my visit at 14:59:03. This is within the stated entry and exit times.

I have asked for the demand for payment of £100 to be cancelled.

It is ridiculous for the car park entry camera to record details of vehicles visiting only the Co-op and/or the Little Cotswold Laundry. It should be repositioned to record only vehicles entering the car park.

I understand that I am not the only person to have been caught out in this way. How many others have had to argue to get their PCNs cancelled or even been forced to pay because they could not provide evidence of the true reason for their visit?

Urgent action is required to rectify matters.

Ralph Williams

MARY MARTIN

We are sad to inform you that Mary passed away peacefully, after a short illness, at home on the 7th October. She was a well known and much loved character of Bourton and surrounding villages. At Mary's request there will be no funeral.

She will be greatly missed.

Angela Kendal

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The Wychwood Players'

The Wychwood Players' next production will be 'Flare Path' by Terence Rattigan

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Performances will be from Thursday 23rd November to Saturday 25th November at 7.30pm. The venue is the New Beaconsfield Hall, Shipton under Wychwood OX7 6BQ. The box office will open in early November. Please visit: www.wychwoodplayers.com for tickets.

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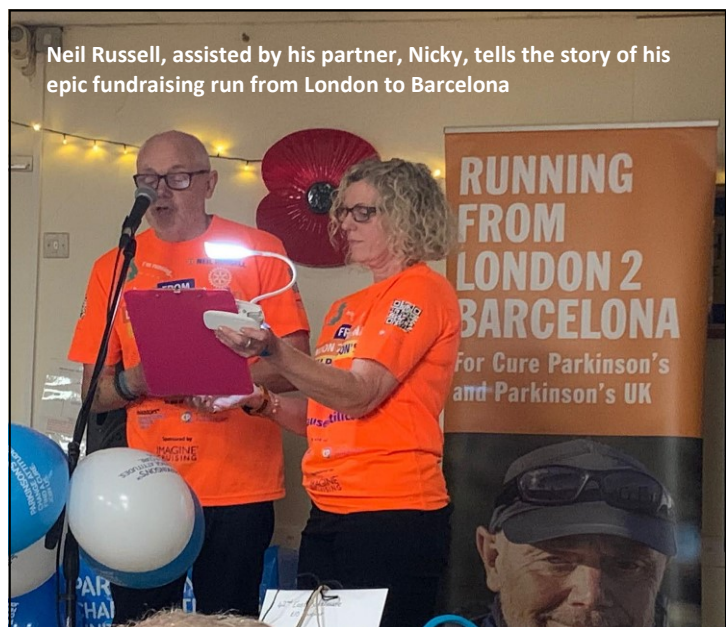
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Bourton Roadrunners



A Bourton Roadrunners' fundraising quiz night has raised more than £3,250 for Parkinson's UK and Cure Parkinson's on a night dedicated to Neil Russell's epic 918 mile run from London to Barcelona.

Neil, a longtime member of Bourton Roadrunners, was diagnosed with Parkinson's in 2018 and maintains that running has helped him deal with the condition. He completed his run in the summer and began the evening by telling the sell-out audience at the British Legion Hall how he often ran in the early hours to combat the extreme heat through France and Spain. Last month, he was named as ITV West Country's Pride of Britain Regional Fundraiser of the Year for 2023.

The general knowledge quiz, raffle and a busy bar meant that Bourton Roadrunners will be able to present the charities with a cheque for £3,252.71. Organiser, Allie Quinn, the club's social secretary said: 'It was a very successful evening put together by a big team of volunteers who were only too happy to do what they could to help Neil's cause.'

Neil's partner, Nicky described the amount raised as 'overwhelming'. She added: 'The money will help greatly to

wards the job of finding a cure and supporting people with Parkinson's like Neil.

'There were many people who helped put the evening together but we all know that Allie was the force behind its success. The support she gives to the club and all its members is always fun, positive and inspiring.'

Meanwhile, three of Bourton's younger runners headed north for this year's **Chester Marathon**, one of the country's most prestigious events. Eva Shoemark, in only her second full marathon, ran with Tom Hitchman and Alex Pye, maintaining a consistent pace throughout the 26.2 miles. Eva and Tom, finishing together, were rewarded with a superb time of 3 hours, 23 minutes 33 seconds, with Alex just four minutes behind at the in 3:27:45.



On the same day, Bourton's Darren Long and Maxine Emes raced nearer to home, at the **Cricklade 10k**, where Darren finished first-man in the Vet 50 category in a time of 41 minutes and 7 seconds, while Maxine was third woman overall (2nd LV40) in 45:49.

As always, Bourton Roadrunners were out in support of **park-run**, where three of its younger runners led the way at Chipping Norton, with training partners Thomas Harvey and Edward Hare finishing first and second overall in 19:14 and 20:11 respectively; both in the 11-14 year category. Just a whisker behind in fourth place was Douglas Hamilton-Smith in 21:08.

Other parkrun results included:

Chipping Norton: Matt Price – 34:01. **Cardiff:** Chris Dry – 28:59. **Royal Canal, Kilcock, Ireland:** Barry O'Leary – 28:22. **Stratford-upon-Avon:** George Swayne – 19:01 (JM15-17/2). **Witney:** Cleo Carruthers - 38.29 (LV70/1). **Wolford Woods:** Linda Edwards - 36.32.

John Gibson

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BOURTON PANTO GROUP



The days slip by, nights are drawing in and the village is quieter after another busy summer, but there is still plenty of activity in the Victoria Hall on two evenings each week! Our rehearsals for the pantomime are continuing apace with Red Riding Hood and her "mother" perfecting their lines along with the rest of the cast, scenery being planned ready for painting, characters being measured for their outfits, programmes compiled for the printer, music sourced and rehearsed and a hundred other jobs.....so much still to do! I have a feeling my treadle sewing machine will be humming away right up until the last minute! This is quite usual!! There are very often last-minute alterations/mends and sometimes whole outfits that require attention or even making! I can recall two at least, a subject for another time perhaps?

However, between now and showtime we still have our quiz evening to enjoy. The date is **Friday 1st December**, and the venue is **The Victoria Hall**. This has become a popular date in the village calendar. A fun evening of questions on Christmas! Everything you did AND didn't know, to gently tax the brain

cells on the run up to the festive season. As our regular quizzers know, our very own Emma J sets the questions and keeps us all in order (well nearly!) on the night. Places are usually booked quickly, so the best idea is to secure yours in good time. The entry fee is **£20 per table of four**. There is also a raffle, drawn at half time and light nibbles on each table. Drinks available at our bar. Doors open at **7pm** for the quiz to start at **7.30pm**. Fancy dress optional and Christmas jumpers positively encouraged!

To reserve your table contact Margaret 01451 820080.

Ann Chapman

Bourton-on-the-Water Probus Club



At our meeting on 11th September, Ken Atherton gave us an intriguing talk on Buster Crabb, the Royal Navy Frogman and Diver who disappeared mysteriously in 1956. We heard about his war-time exploits and personality, the mystery about his death and that of a body found some years later in the Solent. On 25th September a talk was given by yours truly, Roger Harris, on life in a neonatal intensive care unit, triggered by the recent Lucy Lextby case.

The Probus Club is designed for retired professional or business men and women. However, the Club is available for any retired man or woman who would like to listen to interesting talks, or meet and socialise with likeminded individuals. All are welcome, so please come to one of our meetings advertised in the diary section and meet us for a coffee and chat.

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We are asking you to look in the shed and in the dark corners of the garage. We are looking for spades, forks, trowels, screwdrivers, pliers, saws, spanners even sewing machines ... any tool which can be used by local Tanzanian people to build houses and fishing boats, farm the land and make things to sell. They do not have to be perfect as the charity will fix them before they are sent to Africa. Tools in a very good condition may also be sold at the charity shop to help fund their transport costs.

Tools for Self Reliance Cymru is an independent charity based just over the border in Wales that works with other similar charities in the UK. Hand tools are collected from many volunteer sources and taken to a refurbishment centre where rust is cleaned off, new handles are fitted, sewing machines are serviced, saws sharpened and set. The tools are then sent to four regions in Tanzania where the charity is in the process of developing training workshops to further improve the skills of the locals through the use of the tools.

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Our Autumn course to help older people with a very basic level of skill, learn how to use their computers and smart-phones is now underway. If you are interested in attending the next course starting early in the new year, please get in contact in the way described. We can place you on our waiting list to be contacted by phone later in the year.

Each course, for eight people, is led by a Trainer, supported by a team of volunteers and organised and coordinated by a Manager. It takes place on Tuesday mornings in Bourton-on-the-Water, over twelve weeks and is free to attend.

If you wish to express an interest in attending, please do the following:

- 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).
- Describe what help you'd like.
- Place the note in an envelope addressed to "Getting Connected". Deliver to the Parish Council office at the Community Centre in Moore Road, BOTW. If closed, use their letter box at the side.

Cleo Carruthers

Course Manager.



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Our next evening meeting is on Wednesday 8 November at the usual time of 7.30 pm at The Baptist Hall in Station Road, Bourton-on-the-Water. With the festive season approaching, our speaker will be Dr Michael Jones who will be giving a very seasonal talk entitled **"Mistletoe: Fact, Myth and Legend"**. Do come along and why not enter our competition which this month is **"A Seed Head Arrangement"** – you might win one of our lovely prizes!

With a modest annual membership fee of £15 (or £3 per visit), new members and visitors are always most welcome! With refreshments served at the end of the meeting, it is an ideal opportunity to talk to fellow gardeners and share one's gardening experiences.

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The 2023/2024 football season is now well and truly in full swing for both our adult and youth teams, who proudly play with the Bourton Badge on their shirts for our village. With over 250 youth members we have grown by over 40% in the last 5 years and are proud to be one the biggest grassroots football set ups in the Cotswolds!

This season saw us say goodbye to the Club's long standing Chairman Brian Hall, handing over the reins to Liam Williams, supported by Steve Hartley. Right behind this ever-active duo is our hard working, steadfast committee who have been working tirelessly prepping for the new season.

A big thank you must also go out to those ensuring our young players have somewhere to play! Bourton Primary, Rissington Council, The Cotswold school & Sherborne FC have all helped us out. You may have noticed the neatly mowed pitch, complete with goals, (Thanks to Hacklings for transporting!) popping up in the Car parking field on Station Road too!

As a non-profit club we really rely on this type of support, including our wonderful sponsors, who's businesses are proudly displayed our players shirts and on boards showcased around our beautifully maintained pitch, either side of our impressive supporters stand.

It is not just on the pitch we are working hard either! Complementing our weekend games, we have the Wonderful Little Shack on site to grab a bite to eat while you can enjoy one of our fantastic weekly events - Live music, Karaoke, along with some thrilling Friday night games under the lights - we aim to keep you all entertained all season!



Although it is a member's club, all are welcome and we keep our membership costs low, so please do come along and support us at Bourton Rovers!

Catherine Williams

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