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DIARY DATES

- Mondays, "Old Sweats" Meeting, **BLH**, 10am—12 Noon, 07714 852364 bourton.secretary@rbl.community
- Mondays & Thursdays, Stay Strong & Steady (falls prevention exercises), **BLH**, 1-2.30pm. cotswoldactive-health@gmail.com See page 13.
- 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 The Annual Parish Council Meeting, **GMCC**, 7pm. See page 2.
- 2nd RNLI, Coffee Morning, 10am-12noon, **VH**, Connection Communities 200 Scroll. See page 16..
- 6th Panto Group, Fete & Duck Races, Village Green, 10am-4pm. See page 6.
- 6th & 20th Mindsong, Sing 2 Remember **GMCC**, 10.30am & 2.30pm. 07764 212506 or 01451 821216.
- 8th Irene's Charity Knitting Circle, **WP**, 10am-12pm. See page 15.
- 8th Horticultural Society, 7.30pm, **BCH**. Paul Williams, "Peppers, Potatoes, Petunias and Poisons". See page 6.
- 8th & 22nd Bourton Community Day Club, 10.30am - 2.30pm, **MC**, GL54 2HE. 01608 652019.
- 9th Bourton Lunch Club, **CCP**, GL54 2AY. 12Noon, 01608 692811.
- 10th & 24th Dementia Friendly Cafe, **StLC**, 2-4pm, 07746 672726.
- 13th Probus, "An African experience-

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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**

Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council Notes

Notes from the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd April 2024

County and District Councillor Updates:

County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson expressed concerns over recent chaotic scenes in the village due to high volumes of traffic during the Easter weekend. Discussions are underway with relevant authorities to proactively monitor parking on future Bank Holiday weekends.

District Councillor Jon Wareing emphasised the challenges of 'over-tourism' in Bourton and highlighted safety concerns, proposing long-term solutions like a 'park, walk and ride' on the village periphery or a 'park and ride' setup off the A40.

District Councillor Len Wilkins discussed changes to planning application processes at Cotswold District Council (CDC) and the upcoming implementation of double council tax for second homes in the Cotswolds.

Village Warden Report: Steve Cotton reported issues with parking enforcement due to unclear yellow lines on Victoria Street. This has already been reported to GCC Highways via www.fixmystreet.com.

Public Comments

Matters raised included coach parking, threats to residents from drivers of parked vehicles, and the negative impacts of 'over-tourism'. Calls were made for urgent action to address traffic blockages and explore safer alternatives for coach visits.

Also raised were the proposed projects for Tourist Levy funding, and traffic issues during Easter weekend. Specific matters raised included the potential for a new footbridge and a Parking Permit Scheme.

Council Resolutions and Actions Taken:

Coach Parking, pick-up/drop-off: A meeting was held on 27th March with various stakeholders including the local MP, Parish, District and County Councillors, Gloucestershire County Council Highways, Cotswold District Council, Bourton Business Network, Pulhams Coaches, James Baker Coaches and a representative of CPT (a coach industry body). The meeting generated a proposal for coaches to enter the village through the industrial estate, turn right at the Meadow Way roundabout and pick-up/drop-off by Jubilee Lodge. Then turning right onto Station Road, onto the Fosse Way at the lights and re-entering the industrial estate to park on the land owned by Hacklings and paid for by High Street businesses. It was agreed that the Parish Council would seek to re-engage with Cotswold District Council regarding The Rissington Road car park as a potential option for coaches.

Experimental TRO: The Council agreed to engage with Gloucestershire County Council Highways to progress a request for an Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) to address vehicle access and safety concerns. It was stressed that

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- Kilimanjaro & Mt Kenya" by Alan Benjamin 10am, **GMCC**. See p 3.
- 13th Parish Council, extra meeting, 7pm, **GMCC**. See column 3.
- 14th Mixed Ability Pilates, 5:30-6:30pm, **GMCC**. (weekly on Tues), 07932981023. www.wellnessity.co.uk
- 14th WI, **VH**, 7pm. See page 5.
- 14th-15th Gift Fair, **VH**, 10am-5pm. 07832195427
- 15th Beginners Pilates, 9:30-10:30am, **GMCC**, (weekly on Weds), 07932981023 www.wellnessity.co.uk
- 15th Sounds of Healing—Gong Sound Relaxation, 7.20pm, **GMCC**, pauline.mccrann2@gmail.com 07814636214. booking essential.
- 17th Police engagement vehicle, Bourton Co-op, 10am-2pm.
- 17th Fun Quiz with Ploughman's & Pudding, 7pm, **StLC**. All welcome, see page 7.
- 18th Tayler & Fletcher, Monthly Auction, **NCS**, GL54 2AR. 821666.
- 20th Rural Cinema, 'The Miracle Club'. Maggie Smith, Laura Linney, Kathy Bates, Comedy/Drama, 1hr 30mins, PG 13. **VH**, 2.30pm & 7.30pm. Refreshments 2pm & 7pm, £3 on door.
- 22nd u3a. AGM, 10am-12pm, **BLH** www.u3asites.org.uk/bourton See p 5.
- 22nd Bikers' Night, See column 3. www.bourtonbusiness.net
- 25th-27th Craft Fair, **VH**, gifts & hand-made crafts, 9.30am-5pm.
- 26th Farmers Market, **BLH** Car Park, GL54 2AR. 8.30am-12.30pm 07986 085599.
- 30th Bourton Book Club meeting, 7pm. The Willows. Details from dpayne056@hotmail.co.uk

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the Parish Council does not have the power to implement a TRO, only to declare an intent to engage with GCC Highways.

Open evening with residents to discuss traffic flow and parking 21st March:

Around 90 members of the public attended the meeting hosted by the Parish Council with County and District Councillors and the Police also in attendance. Lively debates occurred and feedback was collected for the Highways Committee to input into a Highways Strategic Plan. Thank you to all who attended on the evening. There will shortly be an on-line survey published via our social media and website to give an opportunity for feedback to those who were unable to attend on the night.

Tourist Levy Projects 2024-25: A list of potential projects was discussed, for submission to Cotswold District Council for public consultation prior to funding being agreed. The project list is to be finalised following a meeting with Gloucestershire County Council.

New Website: Matters of website compliance were discussed and it was agreed to instruct Aubergine website designers to build a new website for roll-out over the next few months.

The meeting concluded with discussions on legal matters related to The Naight access road.

Upcoming Meetings:

The Annual Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for 7pm on Wednesday 1st May 2024. Owing to the large number

of statutory items to deal with on this agenda, a separate Parish Council meeting will cover monthly business items at 7pm on Monday 13th May 2024. Both meetings will be held in the Windrush Room at the George Moore Community Centre.

For further details and enquiries, please contact:

the Parish Council Clerk Sharon Henley:

by emailing

clerk@bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk

or visit the Parish Council website

www.bourtononthewaterpc.org.uk

Bikers' Evening, 22nd May

In aid of Midland Air Ambulance

The Old New Inn will be serving BBQ on the front terrace, donating to the Midland Air Ambulance.

Cotswold Ice Cream will also be on our front terrace, donating to the Midland Air Ambulance.

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Fresh for Lunch will be serving Pulled Pork Baps.

Chestnuts will be serving snacks and open late.

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Anonymous Letters: Articles and letters published in the Browser are always attributed to a group or individual. Therefore we are unable to print the letter sent in this month, with a request to not publish the author's name. Please see page 16, column 1 for full terms and conditions.

Events: If you are planning any let us know as soon as possible, 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 other 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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The Bourton Browser Team

Obituary for Wendy

The Trustees of Moore Friends are greatly saddened at the passing of Lady Wendy Sterling who chaired Moore Friends for over 10 years. Wendy's work in the community was invaluable; she guided the Trustees of Moore Friends in making those all-important decisions to fund many healthcare projects, providing essential services in the Bourton-on-the-Water area.

Wendy managed the change in direction from previously focusing on supporting the needs of the hospital through, "The Friends of The Moore Cottage Hospital", to distributing grants to support healthcare related projects in the wider community as, "Moore Friends", following the closure of the hospital.

Wendy showed enormous commitment to everything she involved herself with, and demonstrated complete integrity in all her actions. We will miss her wisdom, guidance, knowledge, kindness and friendship very much. Her interest in supporting others reached beyond healthcare in Bourton-on-the-Water and she was also an important part of the Little Rissington community, where her contributions as Parish Council Chair and hostess for many village events, greatly enhanced village life.

Anyone who knew and worked with Wendy will sorely miss her ready smile, her sense of humour and her friendship.

Bill Wragge

Bourton Probus



At our meeting on 11th March, Mike Aggleton gave us a further talk on "Flying the Swordfish". His talk had an additional interest as much of it was from his fathers' logbook, and so was much more personal. It was interesting to learn how smaller vessels were converted into makeshift aircraft carriers, which only the swordfish could fly from and land. The hazards of the first rocket propelled launches, some of which finished in the sea as one or other of the rockets failed to start! His talk really brought home to us the hazards of flying at that time. On 25th March we were entertained by our member Les Hatcher, who described his personal experiences with a Cherry Picker that he hired to paint his house, and the disasters that led to his rescue by the fire service and squabbling neighbours, who all knew better than anyone else how to get him down! A highly amusing session.

Bourton Probus is designed for retired professional or business men and women, but open to anyone retired who wishes to join us. We meet for interesting talks twice a month and arrange various social events. If you would like to know more, either come and meet us at our fortnightly sessions in the George Moore Centre, or contact our secretary Kevin Hick on 01451860435. **Roger Harris**

OUT AND ABOUT in May

- Mondays, Yoga for All, 9.30-10.30am, Pilates 10.35-11.30am, Wyck Rissington Village Hall. 07950 424037 Enquiries: franyoga@rocketmail.com
- Daily- Icons of British Fashion, Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, OX20 1UL, 10am-4pm www.blenheimpalace.com .01993 810530.
- Daily - Lambing & Kidding, Cotswold Farm Park, Guiting Power, GL54 5F. 01451 850307. www.cotswoldfarmpark.co.uk
- 1st-6th Cheltenham Jazz Festival, Montpellier Gardens, GL50 1UZ. www.cheltenhamfestivals.com/jazz 01242 850270
- 4th-6th Lechlade Annual Vintage Rally, Country Show & Craft Fair, Clanfield, Bampton, OX18 2RZ. 10am-4.30pm. 01993 843221. <https://lechladecollectorsclub.co.uk/>
- 4th-6th Jousting Tournament, Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, OX20 1UL, www.blenheimpalace.com .01993 810530.
- 9th-12th RHS Malvern Spring Gardening Festival. Tickets & info 0344 3385400, <https://www.rhsmalvern.co.uk/>
- 9th Blues at The Merrymouth Inn, Stow Rd, OX7 6HR. John Doe Trio, 7-11.30pm, £14.50. 01993 256620. www.cotswoldmerrymouth.co.
- 10th-20th Giffords Circus, Sudeley Castle, Winchcombe, GL54 5LP. <https://giffordscircus.com/location/sudeley-castle/>
- 11th Village Market at Great Rissington, Great Rissington Club, 10am-noon. 01451 822285.
- 12th Bridewell Open Day, The Walled Garden, Wilcote, Chipping Norton, OX7 3DT. 11am-4pm. 01993 259059. Gardens, vineyards, teas, plant & preserves sale, picnic area.
- 12th Coleshill Village Open Day, National Trust, Buscot & Coleshill Estate, SN6 7PT. 2-5pm. 01793 762209. Replica WW2 Operational Base & 18th Century Watermill.
- 17th Rissington Local History Society, "Stonehenge, Roofed or Unroofed" by Sarah Ewbank. 7.30pm. Visitors welcome £3.50 includes refreshments. Village Hall, Upper Rissington GL54 2QW. information.RLHS@gmail.com 07815 606770.
- 18th Barnsley Village Festival, GL7 5EE. Barnsley House, Barnsley Park & Arboretum & other gardens open. 10am-5pm, £10 garden passport from www.eventbrite.co.uk or £12 on day. 10am-5pm.
- 19th Mercedes-Benz` Day, Combe Mill `In Steam` Blenheim Palace Sawmills, Long Hanborough. OX298ET. www.combemill.org. 01993 358694. See page 15.
- 24th Music in Country Churches, La Serenissima, string ensemble, with Italian mandolin virtuoso Raffaele La Ragione, an evening of Vivaldi - Northleach Church, 6.00pm. Tickets £15/£20/£30, northleachevents.co.uk
- 25th-27th Gloucester Tall Ships Festival, GL52 3NY. 10am-10pm. Tickets from <https://gcc.ticketsolve.com/ticketbooth/shows/1173640071>.
- 25th-27th Cotswold Festival of Steam, Gloucestershire & Warwickshire Steam Railway, Toddington, GL54 5DT. www.gwsr.com or 01242 621405.
- 26th Bowls England Big Weekend, 10am-4pm, Moreton-in-Marsh Bowling Club, all welcome. 07411 135757. www.moretoninmarshbowlsclub.co.uk See page 14.
- 27th Cheese Rolling at Coopers Hill, Nr. Brockworth (just off the A46 Cheltenham-Stroud Road 1.1 miles south of Brockworth) GL3 4SB. First race 12pm.
- 27th Tetbury Woolsack Races, All day street market, Charity auction, Village fete, street entertainers, Family entertainment, from 10am, first race 2pm.

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Bourton W. I



April's guest speakers were Morwenna and Creag from 'Hands on Harps', who waited patiently whilst our president went through the meetings formalities. You could see through-out the room, inquisitive glances towards the harps lined up on the stage



Morwenna played us a beautiful song and we were immediately captivated. She was only 12 when she first heard a harp and struggled with sheet music due to dyslexia. After meeting Creag in Australia the couple

travelled and busked to the Camino de Santiago and volunteered in Kenya and India.

They settled in Stroud and now have a successful business teaching how to play and selling the beautiful harps Creag has designed.

With Morwenna on the harp and Creag on acoustic guitar, they played a melodic old English folk tune. Little did we know what was to come! After distributing beautifully hand-crafted harps, Morwenna and Creag announced that we were all to have a go at playing and we could choose to play, under their instruction, "Drunken Sailor" or "Twinkle, Twinkle". I think Morwenna and Creag knew the firm favourite when a chorus of "Drunken sailor" sounded throughout the hall.

We all gave it a go and although we didn't sound the best, the best sound was laughter as we all enjoyed it immensely! Lynne (my lovely mother-in-law) didn't want to share our harp, she loved it that much!

Did you know that learning an instrument can lead to cognitive benefits and

increased wellbeing? As is being part of a wonderful group like the W.I. If you would like to come along, new members are always welcome. We meet every second Tuesday in the month at 7pm in The Victoria Hall. For details, please contact Patricia Taylor on 07518 457 652.

Victoria Jackson



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Our next meeting is our AGM and is on **Wednesday 22nd May 2024, from 10am to 12 noon.**

Five New Groups have been set up this year, and are proving to be very popular. These are: **Ballroom Dancing, Singles Coffee and Chat, Ukulele, Short Walks and Walks with Talks.** **No qualifications are offered and none are required.**

If any of these activities appeal to you, or you would like to explore our other Groups, please come along to our AGM, enjoy a tea/coffee, and chat about what we have to offer.

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North Cotswolds Rotary



Greystones 10k Trail Run

On Sunday 23rd June 2024, the popular annual 10k timed Run, sponsored by Brio Beechwood Park, will again be held at Greystones Farm. The course is set in the beautiful Cotswold countryside and is a mixture of trails, paths and some roads. It must be good since some clubs have now included this event in their yearly programme. The Farm is also holding an Open Day at the same time as the Run so there will also be many interesting things to see and do. To enter the Run, please go to www.entrycentral.com/Greystones10KTrailRun

Marie Curie Collection

The Marie Curie Charity set itself a target of raising £1 million in March to help fund its work to provide nursing care for terminally ill and end of life patients. North Cotswolds Rotary volunteers responded to the call. A day's collection at



Tesco, in Stow-on-the-Wold and in Bourton-on-the-Water raised £1152.00 towards Marie Curie's target. We'd like to thank everyone who gave so generously. We're pleased to have had the opportunity to support Marie Curie and its staff in their work supporting patients at home and in the 9 hospices they run nationwide. **John Barber**



Bourton Panto Group

With her permission, I have been given the opportunity to let you know a little about our director of next year's pantomime.



Clodagh had been a valued member of BPG several years ago but left us to continue her education and gain a musical theatre degree at Essex University. She had been a member of the Cotswold Children's Choir in Burford and has graced the stage at Stratford with Gloucestershire Youth Players as Peter Quince in Shakespeare's Midsummer Night's Dream. Not content with that she has also played there as Lady Capulet in Romeo and Juliet, a role she enjoyed immensely, basing the character on Patsy from Absolutely Fabulous!! That's something I missed and would have loved to see!

After working away from Gloucestershire for a number of years, she's back! Now, she is excited to be taking charge of us for our next production and is preparing to welcome others to join her to sing, dance and/or act OR join me and our happy band of regulars, to be part of the very necessary backstage team!



My contact number is: **01451 820917**

Clodagh can be contacted at: **clodaghogden91@gmail.com**

We are going to be holding our fete on

the green on Monday 6th May to raise funds to stage the pantomime next January. We would welcome any donations of jigsaws, books, drinks or other items for our stalls. Also, we would be delighted to welcome interested folk to join us and help with any of the myriad tasks required to bring the quintessentially British tradition of pantomime to the intimate "theatre" in Bourton, that is the Village Hall! Come and speak to us with ideas and join your skills with ours to create magical entertainment for our audiences.

Looking forward to seeing you very soon!
Ann Chapman



Bourton Vale Horticultural Society **Your friendly garden club**

At the time of writing we have had four days in a row when it didn't rain!!!! Let's hope for a few more.

Most of us are so far behind with our planting due to wet and cold soil but hopefully we can start getting our vegetable beds up and running. Herbaceous borders are already putting on lots of new shoots and the blossom this spring has been beautiful albeit short lived thanks to the rain.

Our April meeting was a plant and seed swap and was very well attended with lots of socialising and swapping. Finding interesting new plants for free is always exciting and everyone went home with a good selection.

The competition for one stem of a narcissi or daffodil was won by Wayne Harris with a very frilly specimen. We had

fewer entries this year which was probably due (again) to the wet weather spoiling blooms - or as in my case pigeons!!

Our next meeting is on Wednesday, 8th May. Starting as usual at 7.30 pm in the Baptist Church Hall in Bourton, when our speaker will be Paul Williams who is going to tell us about Peppers, Potatoes, Petunias and Poisons!!

The competition will be one specimen iris or tulip.

Members are reminded that our outing this year will be to Oxleaze Farm at Filkins. We will need final numbers and payment (£15) at May's meeting. It was lovely to see some new faces at the March meeting and very encouraging that we gained three new members. Visitors are always welcome and we look forward to seeing some more new faces, especially as the weather gets warmer and the nights lighter.

Happy Gardening
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Geese Feast

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Message from the Church

Easter has now passed and the church is looking forward to celebrating Pentecost. The day when the Holy Spirit was sent to all those who believed in Jesus Christ and his death and resurrection. Many today believe that Jesus lived, that he was a good man and even a good teacher, but he was so much more. The Son of God! His death on the cross made a way for us to be forgiven for our sins and have a restored relationship with God. His resurrection showed us that there is life after death and a wonderful eternity to look forward to. When the Spirit came at Pentecost believers were changed. Born again. Made spiritually alive.

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Frank Morison was convinced that the facts were impossible to believe and set

out to prove his theory. The evidence for the resurrection changed his life and he wrote a book called "Who Moved The Stone?"

Lee Strobel was a journalist for the Chicago Tribune. While covering a story about a family who had lost everything in a fire, he was intrigued by how they still talked confidently about their faith in Jesus. Their peace and calm and subsequent answers to prayer caused him to wonder how a family that had nothing but faith, were happy and at peace, while he had everything materially but felt anxious and empty on the inside. The Holy Spirit sent at Pentecost was alive in them.

Lee set out to investigate the facts and became a Christian. In his words he received the greatest gift of all - Christ himself. To all those without hope Christ offers himself as one who can forgive, heal, and restore. Why wait?

Rev Sue Woodley



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Join our main Sunday service at 11am each week

Barn Dance in aid of Christian Aid - 4th May 4.30pm-6.30pm - Suitable for all ages
Special service for Ascension Day at Upper Farm, Clapton 7pm on Thursday 9th May

Regular services: Holy Communion - every Wednesday @ 10:00am
6pm - Holy Communion with hymns - 5th May
8am Book of Common Prayer Holy Communion - 12th and 26th May

Breakfast Church - Saturday 11th May - 9am start
Together on Tuesdays Lunch - every Tuesday 12pm - 2pm
BumbleBeez (parent and child group) - every Thursday 9-11am
Youth Club (Years 7-10) meets monthly - email for details

St James, Clapton-on-the-Hill 9.30: 5th May - Morning Worship and
19th BCP Holy Communion



Bourton Baptist Church

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Church Office: 01451 824225
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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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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.

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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. (Check website)

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

Special Masses: Thur. 9th May: Ascension Day. Solemn Mass 6 pm (No morning Mass). Sunday 19th May: Pentecost Sunday. Solemn Mass 9 am; Sunday 26th May: Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. Solemn Mass 9 am; Sunday 2nd June: Corpus Christi. Solemn Mass 9 am.

Young children: From 12th May onwards, there will be a special facility for young children from 3 years old upwards at all Sunday 9 am Masses.

Fr. Stephen

Quiz evening, Ploughman's and Pudding

We are holding a quiz evening at St Lawrence's Church on Friday 17th May at 7pm. Come along with your team of up to 6 people and enjoy an evening of food and fun. Entry £10 per person at the door, includes refreshments, but please bring your own drinks. All proceeds will go to Christian Aid.

If possible, please book ahead with your team name and details so that we know approximate numbers. Alternatively, just come along on the evening and if you're on your own, we can form another team or two.

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For The Younger Generations

North Cotswold Gymnastics and Trampoline Academy

Soaring to success – North Cotswold Gymnastics and Trampoline Academy developing a rising star!

Lily Giles, age 12, who trains at North Cotswolds Gymnastics and Trampoline Academy (NCGTA) delivered an excellent performance at the British Gymnastics South-West Region National Grades held on Sunday 24th March 2024. Lily secured the bronze medal overall, securing a place in the team to represent the south -west region at the British Gymnastics Women's Artistic Gymnastics National Development Plan Finals to be held at Stoke on Trent in May.

This victory marks a milestone in the achievements of both Lily and the club, solidifying their place amongst the top clubs in the region.

With this impressive achievement under Lily's belt, she is poised for even greater achievements. She is a true inspiration to aspiring gymnasts everywhere, demonstrating the power of dedication, hard work, and unwavering determination.

Rose Giles



Bourton Vale Tennis Club

On Sunday May 12 from 2pm we will be hosting our annual Open Day at Bourton Vale Tennis Club under the LTA Big Tennis Weekends banner. The Open Day is a chance for both kids and adults to come along to the club to see the facilities on offer and have a go at tennis for free. Club coach, Kingsley Harris, will be on hand to run some activities and fun games for the kids and there will be adult members available also to hit a few balls with parents and adults. Rackets and balls will be provided, so whether you've never picked up a racket before or you're a seasoned regular – there is fun to be had. There will also be some light refreshments to enjoy. Basic info is on our website at www.clubspark.lta.org.uk/BourtonValeLawnTennisClub. If you can register online in advance that'd be great, but if not just come along by 2pm to register and please ensure you have appropriate footwear (trainers are fine).



Hope to see you on court on May 12!

Alex Peyton



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Bourton Primary Academy

The summer term has fully started and we are hoping that the weather is improving. It is lovely in the summer when we can go outside more and make use of the beautiful village that we live in.

We have a huge variety of topics this term around the school. Our Reception classes are taking part in a 'Fantasy Adventure' topic. So far, a Giant has been to visit them and a beanstalk has grown in the classroom. They will be looking at a range of fairy tale stories and trying to retell some of them! Year 1 and 2 classes are having a Geography and Science focus this term and comparing Bourton to Brazil! They have taken part in an Amaze Day of cooking different foods, samba rhythms and carnival mask making. They will be looking at animals from the rainforest and even going on a trip to a Living Rainforest as well. Lower Key Stage 2 are focusing on Inventors, specifically Leonardo Da Vinci. They will look at how inventions have changed the way we live our life and even become an inventor themselves in Design and Technology. They will also look at Da Vinci's artwork and create their own 3D effects. Upper Key Stage 2's topic is 'The World in our Home'. This is mainly a Science and Design & Technology topic about electricity, levers & pulleys and compiling them to make a moving vehicle!

Year 4 will have been on their 3-day residential by the time you read this! It is always such a lovely experience seeing them bond out of school and take part in team activities. Our Year 6 children are gearing up for their KS2 SATS tests and we are very proud of the determination they have put into their learning this year. It always amazes us how resilient our children can be when faced with challenges.

Tori Gainford



Amaze Day

Local Groups and Organisations for the YOUNGER GENERATION

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The Cotswold School hits fundraising target for Astroturf campaign

I am delighted to announce that The Cotswold School has reached its fundraising target, raising over £164,000 to replace the Astroturf carpet. Our fundraising campaign was launched in 2023 to make the much-needed improvements to the current Astroturf which, after 18 years of use, is no longer fit for purpose. Regularly used by the school and local clubs, the Astroturf is a real asset to the community; supporting hockey and football clubs for all ages, as well as the PE curriculum for 1500 students.

I am always humbled by the generous contributions that the school and local community continue to make - enabling students to benefit from improved facilities and opportunities. I would like to express my thanks to everyone who has donated to the project and we look forward to starting work on the improvements over the summer holidays.

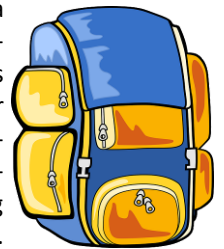
Senior Citizens Afternoon Tea

It was wonderful to welcome the local community to our Senior Citizens Afternoon Tea before Easter. Thank you to every-

one that came along, for the brilliant raffle donations, fabulous entertainment, and to all the staff and students involved.

Gold and Silver DofE Expeditions

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award is a great experience for young people at The Cotswold School - it's a chance to develop essential life skills, discover new interests and talents, as well as having fun with friends. Well done to our Gold and Silver DofE students who recently took part in their practice expeditions, with Gold participants powering through the rain in the Black Mountains. Good luck in the expeditions later in the term.



Wishing all students sitting their public examinations the best of luck. Thank you to everyone for your hard work and positive attitudes. To our parents, carers and families, thank you for your ongoing support.

Will Morgan
Headteacher





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Bourton Rovers Youth Football



With just a month left of the season, league games are now finished and the start of summer tournaments are beginning. Some teams will be preparing to adjust to 9 aside or 11 aside football & our U16's will be heading into U18's or adult football. Youth teams start at 5 aside in U6, move up to 7 aside at U9, 9 aside at U11 (with the offside rule implemented) and 11 aside at U13 upwards.

Next season will see Bourton Rovers enter an U18's team (for the first time) into the Cheltenham midweek floodlit league. There is plenty of excitement entering these youngsters into such a challenging league and there is no doubt our adult team managers will be keeping a close eye on them, looking for local talent to feed into their adult teams.

The highlight of May amongst our youth will be of course our BRFC summer tournament. Hosting a youth tournament for the first time at the club is creating a huge buzz at the club as well as a little trepidation! But I am in no doubt our steadfast committee will rise to the challenge, and the whole day will go off without a hitch, giving hundreds of youth players the opportunity to enjoy a great weekend of football. This takes place on the 18th & 19th May – We would love for you to stop by and support our young teams!

Off the pitch, an early Easter saw the Easter bunny arrive at the club and despite the cold we had a huge number of local children participate in our free Easter egg hunt, a huge thank you to all those who donated eggs for this, I can confirm they were all gratefully received (and quickly consumed!) by the youngsters!

Please continue to support our youth!

Catherine Williams



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Bourton Roadrunners

Despite the early departure from Bourton-on-the-Water, Sunday morning witnessed another weekend where a large group of runners from Bourton Roadrunners were setting off together, this time it was to Berkshire for the **Reading Half Marathon**. One of the oldest events in the country, this traffic-free event benefits from massive local support around the course, providing much needed encouragement.

In-form Eva Shoemark led the Bourton team home in a time one hour, 30 minutes and 49 seconds, earning her a new personal best (PB).

Chasing all the way was Eva's mum, Niamh Shoemark, looking relaxed on her way to 1:34:44. Lisa Braid and Jaq Underwood worked together around the 13.1 mile course, achieving a very respectable 1:48:06.



Eva Shoemark at mile 12 of Reading Half Marathon

Arianna Downs, running in her first half marathon, ran much of the distance with Louise Hamilton-Smith, finishing within seconds of each other and both looking comfortable, with Arianna achieving 2:13:31 and Louise 2:13:37. Other Bourton runners, also running in pairs, included Michela Sartori (2:14:27), Claire Carroll (2:14:27), Allie Quinn (2:17:16), Liz

Hulcup (2:17:16), Val McKay (2:23:37), Tom Knight (2:24:10), Imogen Cox (2:33:21 in her first half marathon) and Jenny Evanson (2:52:48).

Meanwhile, Claire Cox travelled north for the **Manchester Marathon**, which delivers a big city marathon experience with over 21000 runners. Claire is no novice to marathon running, have twice run the Brathay Trust "10 marathons in ten days" challenge. She battled her way through the crowded field to achieve a very respectable three hours, 45 minutes and 38 seconds.

John Gibson

Bourton Rovers



The warmer weather has definitely put a spring in the step of our football teams as they forge on into May after a sunny, game filled end to April. With the Hellenic league team by now already finished their league, all eyes will be on the Witney league team, who's fixtures run until the end of May, giving us plenty of May mid-week & Saturday football to enjoy.

At the time of writing, Harry Burrell & Rex Chiles are both in the running for top goal scorer with just 1 goal between them, and with a recent new signing (Tim Barber) bringing another talented youngster to the Hellenic team, none of the players are wanting to stop! – Could an

inter house summer league be on the cards for Bourton maybe?

Our Vets team may want in on that action after they played their second fixture, a last-minute goal denied them a draw in a well fought game – Don't forget training every Monday night at 6:30pm, minimum age is 35, maximum age is open ended! Interested? - Come and join!

Progress off the pitch has stepped up a gear too, sunny Saturday days are filled with live sports on the big screen & evenings are still providing fantastic weekly live music, the club house is becoming a hive of activity! Our Saturday fortnightly darts competitions have been so popular we have introduced a mid-week darts event on a Wednesday now too!

Remember, we have the lowest drinks prices in Bourton and non-members are always welcome, making Bourton Rovers the ideal place for a great weekend with friends. With an annual membership costing just £30 for the year - giving even more discounts on drinks - you may even find yourself becoming a member!

See you There!

Catherine Williams



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Bourton Business Network

Bourton Business Network (BBN) came into being in 2021, as we were all emerging from the periods of lockdown, initially as a support group for businesses as we began to thread our way back to some sense of normality. It was an opportunity to meet on occasion to discuss common problems, share ideas and solutions and to be able to act collectively to build relationships with parish and district councils and local residents. We put on the Bourton Festival of Music, Art and Food, in the late summer of 2021, specifically aimed at the local communities who had suffered terribly during the pandemic with gatherings having been prohibited for what seemed like many, many months. We were asked by the parish council to organize the four days of Jubilee celebrations in 2022, and then the two-day Coronation celebrations in 2023, and in December 2023 we organized the low-key late night opening coinciding with the Christmas light switch on.

We are looking to join forces with Chipping Campden, Stow-on-the-Wold, Moreton-in-Marsh, and Broadway business groups this year celebrating the best of business in the area with the North Cotswolds Business Awards, as well as facilitating the first Biker Evening to be held in Bourton for many years on 22nd May, Late night opening at Christmas, and sponsoring the Christmas Tree in the river. We have also taken over the Bourton Information website following the closure of the Visitor Information Centre at the end of 2023.

Latterly BBN has been supporting businesses facing potential loss of income

from the threatened prohibition on coaches, and representing those businesses at stakeholder meetings, intent on assisting with finding a viable workable safe alternative solution for the entire community.

What started as an informal organization now needs to be formed into a legal entity to enable our plans for further community engagement to progress, and we are looking for individuals to join as directors, our newly formed Community Interest Company, a company that will plough any profits which may be generated from our activities, into projects which have the local community's interests at its heart.

If you would like to get involved as a director of the company, and have skills which may include (but not limited to) administration, legal knowledge, fundraising, marketing, or PR, we would really welcome your input. Please contact us at hello@bourtonbusiness.net and we'd love to have a conversation. Expressions of interest should reach us by 26th May 2024.

hello from COTSWOLDS RADIO
BORN TO BE HERD



Cotswolds Radio Culture Club is a live show that airs fortnightly on Saturdays at 10am with a repeat the following week. Kathy Ellison and Sian James explore all things cultural – literature, theatre, TV, movies and music as well as local arts events. We're lucky to have so much going on locally and

we often have the chance to interview performers and guests who are active in the arts locally.

In February, we interviewed Lorna Brookes of local publisher Crumps Barn Studio. Lorna invited



Crumps Barn Studio

us to record a fascinating talk by one of their authors, Michael Bartlett. Michael had a long career as a scriptwriter for radio drama, served as Director of BBC Children's Television, as well as writing four books published by Crumps Barn Studio, so there was plenty to talk about. Michael was also able to read extracts from his new thriller Hunting the Hornets, and his debut novel Dreams of Eleven. We aired his talk in our show on 13th April. We're planning more collaborations with Crumps Barn Studio in the future, so keep an eye on Cotswolds Radio social media to find out what's coming up.

If you missed these broadcasts, you don't need to miss out – you can listen again on the Cotswolds Radio App on your smartphone, online or on Mixcloud.

Cotswolds Radio is a community radio station run entirely by volunteers of all ages – from under 8 to over 80. We broadcast over 30 shows from our studio at The Old Prison in Northleach covering a host of topics – all kinds of music, gardening, beauty, chat, local news and history, culture and the arts, sports and of course our popular daily Breakfast Show.

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Congratulations to the Bourton Browser Team

April's 300th edition of the Bourton Browser was quite an achievement. The 1st issue was in May 1999 and it has gone from strength to strength. Its distribution has sustainably increased because of all the new housing.

During the 25 years there have been three editors, Lynn Dartnel 1999-2003, Jane Davis 2003-2013 and Susan Dodd, the current editor. Christine Gorton joined Susan, becoming sub editor, looking after the Church and Youth pages. They have all done a splendid job of getting everything out on time. Journalism is all about times and dates.

Derek and I started the Browser in 1999 and were actively involved in various roles until our retirement in 2016.

Since then, the new production team, Ray and Susan Dodd, and Rob and Christine Gorton have increased the number of pages from 12 to 16, put the Browser on-line at www.bourtonbrowser.co.uk, computerised the village diary (see website), and introduced colour print. They have an excellent printer, Peter Dunsford, for whom nothing seems to be too much trouble. They are ably supported by the bulk distribution team of David Tebutt, Myra Ford, Karen and Ernie Rumsey and David and Jenny Stanfield. There are also over 50 hardworking street deliverers, who do a vital job putting the Browsers through your letterboxes.

So many look forward to this free monthly village magazine, and to think, all involved (except the printers), are

volunteers, helping the community share local news and stay in touch.

You are an excellent team, all working smoothly and we know everything is in safe hands.

Long may the Browser continue.

Mollie Wise

Jubilee Lodge Care Centre

This month, the team and residents at Jubilee Lodge Care Centre are inviting the local community to join them in planting a sunflower. These beautiful flowers symbolise trust and loyalty, joy and light, and we love the bright yellow petals, so we'll create an impactful display at the home for all our residents and visitors to enjoy.

The idea has come about as we remember a family member's son, who lost his life to suicide. Come along to the home any time in April or May and plant a seed. You're welcome to take the pot home with you, or to enter it into our sunflower garden and see if yours will be the tallest. Each year, the Orders of St John Care Trust has a gardening contest amongst all its homes, and we want to make our residents proud to show the judges around our sunny gardens. We'll be posting our progress on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/OSJCTJubileeLodge) and we would love to see your photos too – tag us in your pictures with #JubileeLodgeSunflowers.

We hope that our sunflowers will offer some sunshine to everyone, and we know the flowers are special to the local community in Bourton-on-the-Water too.

Rowen

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Carol Groom is a local Bourton-on-the-Water resident and mother to Dan.

Five years ago Carol lost her son Dan to suicide and has since campaigned to raise awareness and funds for Sunflowers Suicide Support to help other families who may find themselves on the same journey as hers.

She discovered that there were very little resources for this kind of support and counselling in our area and so she turned to this wonderful charity. Since then, they have not only been a part of her support network but have also become a part of her family.

This year Carol turns 60! It is also the five-year anniversary of Dan's loss. Such significant milestones require recognition and so Carol has decided that she will do a wing walk on the 19th September. As a community we want to support Carol's "bravery" and help her to raise as much money for this wonderful organisation as possible which will go towards counselling for those bereaved and other programs set up by Sunflower Suicide Support. Please contact W J Wrights on 01451 810700 for details on how to donate.

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Horse chestnut trees with candles pink and white in Sunday best
The frosty days are over now and the sun grows warmer too
Carpets of flowers in woodland glades, awash in azure blue.

by Pam Clifford



Our May 

Around us spring has sprung
As merry May has begun.
May pole braided ready
Dances danced to a melody.
Morris Dancers gaily leap
As their bells in rhythm keep.
Bees and insects buzz around
Busy gathering pollen they've found.

Carol Groom

**Bourton Matters with Emma & Jon –
Cotswolds Radio – May 2nd**

4:00pm to 6.00pm

The next edition of Bourton Matters airs on 2nd of May at 4:00pm. We are delighted to announce that one of our guests for this show will be Johnny Hornby, one of the owners of the Hawkstone Brewery. Johnny will be talking about what the owners want to do with the Brewery concept within the context of Jeremy Clarkson's desire to promote and support British farming. No doubt we'll also explore what happened with the suggestion that Hawkstone might buy The Coach & Horses on the Fosse Way.

You'll hear more chat and commentary on local Bourton goings-on, interwoven with our own selection of music.

If you have any messages, dedications or questions that you would like Emma and Jon to explore, please get in touch at BourtonMatters@gmx.co.uk

It is great to have live interaction from listeners so please listen in and get involved!

Follow us on Instagram #bourtonmatters and message us live via the Cotswolds Radio App.

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From Wednesday 8th May, from 7pm, the club welcomes all standards to play fun and social hockey.

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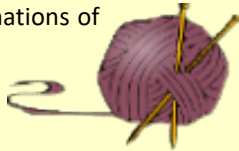
Irene's Charity Knitting Circle

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. Please note, there is no parking available at Willoughby Place, however, we are very happy to collect anyone who needs a lift within Bourton. Just give us a call.

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