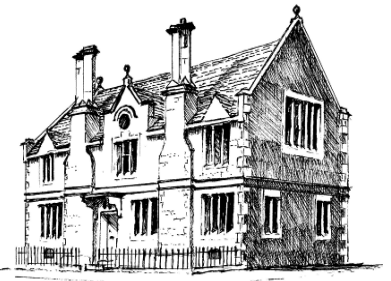


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DIARY DATES

- 1st Gift Fair, **VH**, 10am-5pm, all welcome, Tel: 07832195427.
- 1st Sight Loss Advice Hub, **GMCC**, drop in 1-2pm, join social group 2-4pm. Call 01242 221170, or email info@insight-glos.org.uk
- 1st Parish Council Meeting, 7pm, **GMCC**, all welcome. See page 3.
- 2nd, 7th & 9th Panto Group read-throughs for 'Peter Pan', **VH**, 7pm. See page 15. To express interest email rye.close@hotmail.co.uk.
- 2nd, 16th & 30th Bell ringing practice **StLC**, 7.30-9.00pm. 01451 810996.
- 4th North Cotswolds RNLi Duck & Lifeboat Races, Bric a Brac & Tombola, 10am-5pm, The Green. See page 2.
- 5th Car Boot Sale, Cotswold School. From 9am. See page 12.
- 6th & 20th Mindsong, Sing 2 Remember **GMCC**, 10.30am & 2.30pm. 07764 212506 or 01451 821216.
- 8th & 22nd Bourton Community Day Club, 10.30am - 2.30pm, **MC**, GL54 2HE. 01608 652019.
- 8th u3a Scrabble, **GMCC**. 2-4pm. 07341 094206. peterdaws790@icloud.com
- 8th Horticultural Club, **BCH**, 7.30pm. Roger Umpleby, 'Beneficial creatures in the garden'. See page 2.
- 9th Dementia Friendly Café, outing to Toddington Steam Railway. This replaces the normal Friday 10th meeting. See page 5.
- 10th Sunset Safari, Birdland, Rissington Rd, 6-9pm, exclusive free entry for Bourton residents only (proof of address required). Pre booking

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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 News

News from Bourton-on-the-Water Parish Council – July 2026

Updates from Parish Council meetings held on 27th May and 3rd June 2026 and the Community & Services Committee meeting held on 10th June 2026



Councillor Surgeries – New Dates Announced

The Parish Council's monthly Councillor Surgeries continue to provide a valuable opportunity for residents to raise local issues directly with councillors. Sessions to date have covered a wide range of topics including village maintenance, highways matters, and enquiries requiring signposting to other authorities or referral to Parish Council committees.

Upcoming surgery dates are:

- **Thursday 23rd July, 2–4pm**
- **Saturday 25th July, 10am–12 noon**
- **Thursday 20th August, 2–4pm**
- **Saturday 22nd August, 10am–12 noon**
- **Wednesday 16th September, 2–4pm**

Saturday 26th September, 10am–12 noon

All sessions will be held in the Salmonsbury Room at the George Moore Community Centre.

Village Green Management Meeting

A Parish meeting will be held at **7pm on Monday 13th July 2026** in the Windrush Room to discuss ideas for future management of the Village Green. All are welcome, please bring your suggestions.

Co-option of Parish Councillors

The Council currently has two vacancies. One position has been advertised, with co-option planned for the meeting on 1st July. A second vacancy will be advertised for co-option at 2nd September meeting. Residents interested in serving the community are encouraged to contact the Clerk for further information.

Reporting Local Issues

Residents are reminded that issues such as potholes, damaged paving, graffiti and street lighting faults can be reported directly to the relevant authority using www.fixmystreet.com. Reports which include photographs can help speed up resolution of issues.

Meadow Way ETRO (Coach Pick-Up and Drop-Off)

At an Extraordinary Meeting on 3rd June, the Parish Council reviewed feedback from residents and stakeholders regarding the Experimental Traffic Regulation Order (ETRO) at Meadow Way. Concerns raised included air pollution, engine noise, traffic congestion, pedestrian safety, and the impact on residents.

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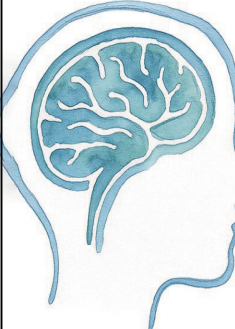
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- strongly recommended, see page 15 for poster.
- 11th Sunflower Suicide Support Duck Races & Tombola, 10am-4pm, The Green.
 - 13th Parish Council Village Green Management Meeting, 7pm, **GMCC**. All welcome. See page 3.
 - 14th WI, **VH**, 7pm. Bill Cowley, 'How to be aware of Scams'. See page 17.
 - 14th 15th & 16th Panto Group auditions for 'Peter Pan', 7pm, **VH**. See page 15. rye.close@hotmail.co.uk.
 - 19th Family Friendly Doubles Tournament, Bourton Vale Lawn Tennis Club, 10am. Register at BVTennis-Club@outlook.com See page 12.
 - 20th Rural Cinema, 'Hamnet', 12A, **VC**, 2.30pm & 7.30pm. See page 13.
 - 23rd Parish Councillor Surgery, **GMCC**, 2-4pm. See page 1.
 - 24th Dementia Friendly Café, Craft Session, **GMCC**, 2-4pm, 07746 672726. See page 5.
 - 24th u3a, **BLH**, 6.30-9pm, Annual Social Extravaganza. For u3a members & friends only. See page 13. www.bourton.u3asite.uk
 - 25th North Cotswolds Rotary Duck Races & Tombola, 10am-4pm, The Green. See page 6.
 - 25th Parish Councillor Surgery, **GMCC**, 10am-12noon. See page 1.
 - 25th-27th Gift Fair, **VH**, 10am-5pm, all welcome, Tel: 07832195427.
 - 26th Farmers Market, **BLH** Car Park, GL54 2AR. 8.30am-12.30pm. 07980 080073.
 - 30th Bourton Book Club meeting, 7pm. The Old New Inn. csandles75@gmail.com

Regular Weekly Bourton Events

Mon. Armed Forces Veterans Meeting, **BLH**, 10am—12pm, 07714 852364 bourton.secretary@rbl.community

Mon. & Fri. Bourton Men in Sheds, 9.30am-12.30pm, Behind **RBL**, Keith 01451 831886.

Mon. & Thurs. Stay Strong & Steady, **BLH**, 1-2.30pm. 07957 546067 cotswoldactivehealth@gmail.com

Mon. & Fri. Cotswold Yoga, **VH**, Mon 10-11am, Fri 5-6pm, 07490858775.

Tues. Drop in Digital Help Group, **GMCC**, 10.30am-12.30pm. 07707 281803. (see page 20)


Tues. "Together on Tuesdays", soup lunch, **StLc**, 12-2pm.

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

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Bourton Vale Horticultural Society

Your friendly garden club

At last summer seems to have arrived. A typical British summer that is. Rain, sunshine, wind but the gardens are looking lovely. The roses this year are amazing despite taking a bit of a battering. Unfortunately, our planned speaker for June, Robert Champion was unable to join us but he recommended Margie Hoffnung, who kindly stood in at the last minute. Margie was an excellent speaker. Following a career in horticultural as a hands on gardener with Rosemary Verey in Barnsley and a period at Highgrove, together with a friend, she decided to develop a Cut Flower farm. From a piece of grassland they have, in a couple of years, created a magical flower farm from which she supplies arrangement for weddings, funerals and other special occasions. She also has open days so our next year's outing may be sorted!

The competition for a rose had many entries and was won by Sue Davis. Our next meeting is on Wednesday 8th July at the usual time of 7.30 pm at the Baptist Church Hall and our speaker will be Roger Umpleby who will be talking about Beneficial creatures in the garden. The competition will be A Foliage Display.

Don't forget to occasionally stop and enjoy your garden.

Sheila Thorpe
Sheila@bobbelfarm.co.uk
07973 391741



The Parish Council resolved to advise Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) Highways that the current six-month trial should be discontinued.

A subsequent stakeholder meeting, chaired by County Councillor Paul Hodgkinson on 5th June, indicated that the majority of attendees supported continuation of the trial. This recommendation has been passed to GCC Highways, and a final decision is awaited at the time of writing. Residents can continue to submit feedback via highwaysconsult@gloucestershire.gov.uk.

Tourist Levy Funding 2026–27

Cotswold District Council has confirmed anticipated tourist levy funding of £70,000 for Bourton-based projects, to include the employment of a Village Warden. The Parish Council has agreed a list of proposed schemes, which will be subject to public consultation by CDC over the summer.

Rural Mobility Pilot

Progress continues on Gloucestershire County Council's Rural Mobility Pilot, which will install cameras at key locations to monitor traffic and pedestrian movement over a one-year period. The data collected will inform the wider Visitor Traffic Management Study funded through the Tourist Levy.

Baptist Cemetery Land Transfer

The Parish Council has agreed in principle to pursue the transfer of land at the Baptist Cemetery to the Parish Council. This will provide the scope for much-needed additional burial space to support long-term provision within the parish.

Two new water butts have recently been installed at the cemetery by the Parish Council, located alongside the shed, for use by visitors to the site. These have been kindly supplied by Gloucestershire County Council's Sustainability Team, and their provision supports ongoing efforts to promote sustainable water use within the parish.

Residents' Survey on Tourism

The Council has received the results of a survey conducted by Bourton Residents' Voice, with 202 responses on the impacts of tourism. The findings are currently under review by the Parish Council, and a formal response will be made following the July Parish Council meeting.

Local Government Reform – Asset Transfer

The Council has agreed to initiate discussions with Cotswold

District Council regarding the potential transfer of a number of CDC assets to the Parish Council as part of emerging Local Government Reform proposals.

Can you help with repair of the wooden planters at the George Moore Community centre?

We are looking for a little community help to refurbish the wooden planters in the Community Centre car park so they can look their best once again. Whether you can offer a small financial contribution towards materials or a bit of practical time to assist with repairs, your support would be very much appreciated. Please get in touch if you are able to help in any way - together we can keep this area looking welcoming for everyone.

Grant Funding

The Parish Council is once again offering a programme of grant funding for organisations that are based in Bourton-on-the-Water or provide services that offer a direct benefit to a significant sector of the community. A grant application form can be downloaded from our website <https://www.bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk/the-council/grants/> and the deadline for submission of requests is 20th August.

Meetings and How to Get Involved

The next meetings will take place on:

Wednesday 1st July 2026 at 7:00pm – Parish Council Meeting
Monday 13th July 2026 at 7.00pm – Parish Meeting to discuss Village Green Management

Wednesday 2nd September 2026 at 7:00pm – Parish Council Meeting All meetings will be held in the Windrush Room, George Moore Community Centre

Members of the public are welcome to attend all meetings in person or online via Microsoft Teams. Joining details are published with each agenda.

- Agendas and minutes: www.bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk/the-council/minutes-agendas/
- Committee meetings: www.bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk/the-council/committees/
- Meeting calendar: www.bourtononthewater-pc.gov.uk/the-council/meeting-calendar/

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OUT AND ABOUT in July

- Mondays - Northleach Bridge Club, Cotswold Hall, Northleach, 7:15pm. Contact northleachbridgeclub@gmail.com
- 4th Upper Slaughter Village Fete, 12noon-3pm. Set along the Eye riverbank. Family fun.
- 5th Summer Fete, The Bay Tree, Sheep Street, Burford, OX18 4LW. 12noon-4pm, stalls, games, BBQ, music. Free entry.
- 5th Vegan Fair, Cheltenham Promenade, 10am-3pm.
- 8th-12th New event. RHS Badminton Flower Show, 10am-6pm. www.rhs.org.uk/shows-events
- 9th & 23rd Bell ringing practice, Great Rissington Church. 7.30-9.30pm. 07711 867280.
- 11th Village Market, Great Rissington Club. 10am till noon. Do come & join us. Lots of stalls, teas, coffees & Bacon Baps. Contact Jackie Palmer 01451 822285.
- 11th-2nd September Join The Big Batsford Butterfly Hunt at Batsford Arboretum this summer. Search for colourful butterflies, discover fascinating butterfly facts and receive a prize on completion. £3 per child, plus Arboretum admission fee. Visit www.batsarb.co.uk for details.
- 11th Winchcombe Parish Summer Fete, St Peter's Church, Gloucester Street, GL54 5LU. 12noon-5pm, stalls, food, music, games, etc.
- 12th Wildlife by the Evenlode, Combe Mill (In Steam), Blenheim Palace Sawmills, OX29 8ET. Tea Room, gift shop, raffle & BBQ. 10.30am-4pm. Dogs welcome. Adults £9.50, seniors £8.50, Children free. Free parking. www.combemill.org 01993 358694.
- 16th Caribbean food theme night, The Lamb Inn, Great Rissington. enquiry@thelambinn.com See page 5.
- 18th-31st August, Summer of Play the Roman Way, Chedworth Roman Villa (National Trust), Yanworth, GL54 3LJ. Fun filled family day, learn how the Roman's relaxed and played. 10am-5pm. www.nationaltrust.org.uk
- 19th Tea Dance & Afternoon Tea, Upper Rissington Village Hall, 2.30-4.30pm. Tickets £15. See poster and article page 15.
- 21st-31st August, Medieval Moments, Sudeley Castle, Winchcombe, GL54 5LP. <https://sudeleycastle.co.uk/>
- 24th Live Music from 8pm, The Lamb Inn, Great Rissington. enquiry@thelambinn.com See page 5.
- 24th-26th GWR Diesel Gala at Toddington Station. GL54 5DT. www.gwsr.com or 01242 621405
- 24th-2nd August, Guiting Power Music Festival, Church Road, Guiting Power, GL54 5TX. Mix of musical styles and acclaimed acts. Programme, details & tickets, www.guitingfestival.org/
- 25th Naunton Fun Day & Dog Show, Recreation Ground, GL54 3AS. 1-5pm. Games, Stalls, bar. See poster page 14.
- 25th Theatre in the Garden, Sherlock Holmes, The Manor House Hotel, High Street, Moreton in Marsh, GL56 0LJ. 7pm, £20pp. 01608 650501.
- 31st Pavlova Winds, Oxfordshire quintet performing the familiar favourites to the classical and ethnic. Tickets at northleachevenets.co.uk
- 31st-2nd August Gloucestershire Vintage and Country Extravaganza, South Cerney Airfield, Northmoor Lane, South Cerney, GL7 5QD. 10am-5pm. Family fun, vintage vehicles, rides, animals, dog show, dancing, music, food, etc. www.glosvintageextravaganza.co.uk @GloucestershireVintageandCountryExtravaganza



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Policing in the village

As a result of concerns about a lack of visible policing in the village during this peak of the tourist season I spoke to Gloucestershire's Chief Constable Maggie Blyth recently, so that she is aware of the big pressures which Bourton faces with increased interest in the Cotswolds via social media and international and national attention.

Most coaches entering the centre of the village should not be doing so as a result of the Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) which prohibits them. There are a small number of exemptions but most shouldn't be in the village centre.

I have been told that Cotswolds Police led an operational activity recently in the wake of the issues faced, with co-ordinated patrols undertaken by the Cotswold Neighbourhood Team and Special Constabulary. This highlighted breaches of the TRO that have led to police communication with multiple coach drivers.

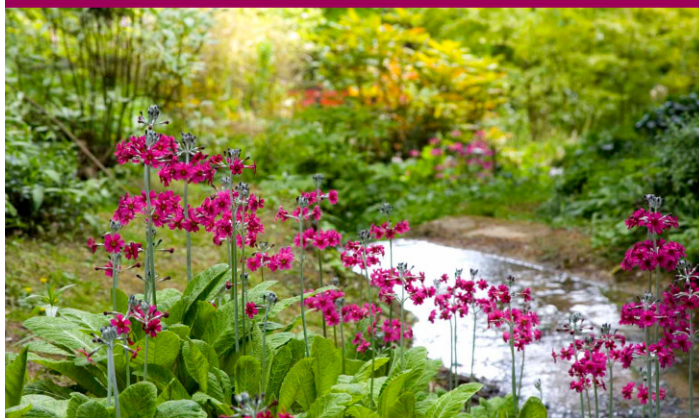
Further days of police action are planned over the summer. I did emphasise that the school holidays, bank holidays and weekends are the peak challenges when extra policing is needed.

Cllr Paul Hodgkinson

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Bourton Browser Team News

Scam Advert: On page 4 of the June edition we ran a small private advert for a 'Baby Grand Piano, free to a loving home.' The email we had received stated this was due to bereavement. We have since been contacted by two readers, warning us this is a scam, we are very grateful to them for their prompt action. Apparently, if you reply to the advert, you are sent 'photos and then asked to pay delivery charges for a non-existent piano. We immediately placed a warning on the Bourton Facebook page about this advert and removed the item from our website. We apologise for printing this but at the time we had no reason to doubt its validity.

We strongly recommend that no money is paid for any goods, (or delivery), until you have personally viewed the advertised items and are fully satisfied. Whilst we do our best to protect our readers, the Bourton Browser cannot take any responsibility for goods or services advertised and we print a legal statement to that effect in each issue.

Birdland Evening for Residents: We noticed some comments on the Bourton Facebook page suggesting that the free evening for Bourton residents at Birdland on 10th July might be a scam. We can

confirm that this offer is definitely true, as we have spoken with the manager! You do need to reserve your spaces as soon as possible and take proof of address with you, as this offer is for Bourton residents only. See page 15 for QR code and details.

Articles: We welcome articles, letters, poems, etc (**maximum 300 words**) & photographs, from adults, children, local community groups and businesses on any subjects of local interest.

Bourton On-line Village

Diary: To see what's going on in Bourton for this, and future months, use the QR code or go to our website, see below.



If you are planning a **Bourton based** event, email the details to the address below. We will add them to the on-line village diary and include them in the "Diary Dates" column in the relevant month's Browser.

The on-line diary is a useful tool that can prevent major events clashing, so check it before scheduling your event! Remember we can only put events in if you tell us about them!

The Bourton Browser Team

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DEMENTIA FRIENDLY CAFE



STOW ON THE WOLD MOTOR SHOW

There we are, going to the Motor Museum and enjoying the marvellous exhibits from the past and a tea and cake at the Willow. The museum is a gem and Bourton should be proud of it.

Next meeting on 26th June, is with Kate Holland, presenting an exercise session.

On Thursday, 9th July we are going to the steam railway at Toddington for a ride behind a puffer! NB, no meeting on Friday 10th July.

Carol will be running a craft session for us on 24th July, so busy, busy, busy!

Do come along and join our group - you are always welcome.

We normally meet on the 2nd and 4th Fridays, at the George Moore Community Centre.

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- 26th Nov - Split Whiskers (Blues)
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North Cotswolds Rotary

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There will also be a special race at 1pm, the Beechwood Park Cup, where entry is £5 a duck with the winner receiving £50.

In addition, there will be a Tombola where just £1 entitles you to 4 tickets and the chance to win an array of prizes.

We are very grateful to our event sponsor, Brio Retirement Living for their continued support and all proceeds will go to Rotary Charities.

So come and join the fun cheering on your duck in one of the many exciting races!

Open Garden and Art Exhibition Save the Date : Sunday 9th August

North Cotswold Rotary are excited to announce the first Open Garden and Art Exhibition fundraising event in collaboration with 6 local artists, some of whom are fellow Rotarians.

In the garden of Judy Harden's house, Grey Gables, a hidden gem tucked away in Bourton-on-the-Water, the event is open to both locals and tourists alike. Taking place on Saturday 8th and Sunday 9th of August from 10-5pm, entry is £5 for adults and includes a cold drink. Children are free and well-behaved

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This new project replaces the Greystones Fun Run in our fundraising calendar and all proceeds will be used towards supporting our ongoing charity activities.

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Message from the Church

So who are the Quakers? Hmm...Oats? No....Chocolate? Yes....Football team? Yes (Darlington FC). Plain dress? Not anymore. You know of many of us already: Judi Dench, Sheila Hancock, Joseph Fry (made the first ever recorded chocolate bar), Abraham Lincoln, Joan Baez, Joseph Lister (think Listerine), Robert Barclay, Joseph Rowntree, Kevin Bacon, David Byrne (Talking Heads)...the list goes on.

Here are some facts about Quakerism. Quakers are not a closed sect with secret handshakes. Quakers welcome newcomers with open-heartedness and warmth. Our weddings are joyful, uplifting affairs where we support the couple in their chosen partnership, Quaker or not. You don't have to be vegan or vegetarian. We are not the Amish or Shakers.

Quakers have never sold breakfast foods. The Quaker Oats Company chose its name in 1877 as a symbol of good quality and honest value. The figure of William Penn, who travelled to the US in 1682

and founded the state of Pennsylvania as a centre of religious tolerance, seems to have inspired the trademark. In his time Quakers wore black and grey, often accompanied by a hat or bonnet. There is no similar convention today.

Contemporary Quakers live in the world. We are not puritans. We use computers, go to rock concerts, drink alcohol, love art, shop in the high street, drive, eat chocolate, wear make-up, and watch t.v. We also try to live as simply and sustainably as possible.

What do Quakers believe? Quakerism is based in Christianity and open to all. It is an experience-based faith without a formal creed. We work for peace, justice and reconciliation, equality and truth, and try to live adventurously....all underpinned by a spiritual practice of shared principles and convictions by which Quakers seek to live and act. More on that, next time.

In Friendship
Myra Ford

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SERVICES IN JULY

Weekend Masses: Saturday evening:
Vigil Mass 6 pm. Sunday morning: **9 am Sung Mass**, including Childrens' liturgy.

Weekday Masses: **At 9 am every day** (no Mass Saturday mornings). Mass on Tuesdays usually takes place at St. Lawrence's, Bourton at 9 am. (Check with website).

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

SPECIAL CELEBRATIONS

Fr. Stephen is running a course teaching the basics of the Christian faith for people who want to know more.

Fr. Stephen

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All welcome on Sundays - 11am service every week

Wednesday Communion @ 10am on 1st, 8th & 15th July only
followed by coffee and chat (i.e. NOT during school holidays)

Other Regular services: 6pm - Holy Communion with hymns - 5th July
8am BCP Holy Communion - 12th & 26th

Breakfast Church Saturday 11th July - 9am start

Together on Tuesdays Lunch Club 12-1.30pm every week - all welcome

TOAST - for primary children and carers at 3.15pm alt Tuesdays in term time

BumbleBeez (parent and child group) every Thursday 9.30-11.30am

St James, Clapton-on-the-Hill— 9.30am on 5th July - Morning Worship
3pm on 19th July Songs of Praise followed by tea - all welcome!

Rev. Hannah Allen 01451 822918



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ALL WELCOME

Morning Service **Sundays 10.30am**
Communion **19th July**
Wavemakers Children's Ministry **12th and 26th July**
Prayer service **Saturday 4th July 10am**
Coffee Morning **Saturday 11th July 10-12**
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For The Younger Generations



At Sparkhouse Creatives we are very excited for all our summer events, jam packed with creativity and fun. Here is what you can book and look forward to!

Escape to Treasure Island

11th–13th August | Victoria Hall, Bourton-on-the-Water Ages 7–12

Our much-loved Summer Arts Camp returns with an immersive pirate adventure packed with creativity, imagination, and theatrical fun. Across three action-packed days, young adventurers are invited to journey to a mystical tropical island filled with hidden treasure, creative discoveries and theatrical adventures. Thanks to generous funding from Hacklings, we are offering 15 fully funded spaces for children from low-income families, alongside Supported, Standard and Pay-It-Forward donation-based places to help widen access to the arts (starting as low as £10).

Get ready to set sail for an unforgettable summer adventure! Scan the QR code to book.



Free Summer Performing Arts Festival for Young People at Cidermill Theatre



Young people aged 6-18 are invited to take part in the Cidermill Performing Arts Festival, a three-day creative programme taking place at Cidermill Theatre from 24th-26th August.

Thanks to the generous support of Rockspring Charity, all places are completely free. Participants can choose from a range of workshops including acting,

musical theatre, filmmaking, animation and music composition, working alongside professional artists and practitioners.

The festival aims to break down barriers to accessing the arts, helping young people build confidence, develop new skills and try something outside their comfort zone in a supportive and

inspiring environment. The event will culminate in a public Festival Showcase at Cidermill Theatre from 6pm–8pm on 26th August, where participants will share performances, films and creative work with family, friends and the wider community.

Scan the QR code to find out more & book!

Other Events

On Friday 12th June, we took 17 of our Youth Theatre members from our Bourton and Chipping Campden groups to London to see The Hunger Games at the Troubadour Theatre. It was an incredible production and thoroughly enjoyed by everyone!



Our Chipping Campden Senior Group is currently creating its own dystopian play for performance in July, and as well as inspiring them with fresh ideas, they were excited to see some of their own concepts and themes reflected on stage. It was a fantastic opportunity to experience innovative theatre-making and see how a complex story can be brought to life for a live audience.

Sparkhouse Community Choir - Monday's 7-8pm at Royal British Legion

It has been lovely to see so many new faces, alongside passionate singers who continue to join every week. The incredible Gil has been leading the choir through some fun music and the atmosphere was full of enthusiasm, community and a little bit of silliness. Make sure to join us! All voices, all ages, all abilities are welcome!

PS. Exciting and new intergenerational projects are coming up. We'd love for you to get involved and happy to provide volunteer references. If you or someone you know would love to join us, just get in touch sparkhousecreatives@gmail.com

Your Sparkhouse Team

Sarah, Jenny & Jennifer



SCAN TO FIND OUT MORE AND BOOK



Local Groups and Organisations for the YOUNGER GENERATION

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Hockey	Rhys Davies	07817 108970
Little Hurricanes (Babies & Toddlers)	littlehurricanes@hotmail.com	
Moreton in Marsh Young Farmers Club	Wilf Harrison	07821 152744
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The Cotswold School		820554
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The Cotswold School's own teams also enjoyed an excellent day, with Cotswold Blue winning the Cup competition, while Cotswold Gold impressed with their determination and positive style of play.

Dan Freedman Inspires Students with Journey from Football to Fiction

Last term, author Dan Freedman visited us as part of the National Year of Reading, delivering an inspiring talk to Year 7 and 8 students. He shared his journey from football journalist to

bestselling author of the popular Jamie Johnson series, highlighting how his passion for sport and storytelling led to a successful writing career. Students learned about his creative process, the importance of perseverance, and the value of reading widely. A commemorative football was awarded to Juliana M for her outstanding achievements in writing and sport.



Cadence Festival

We are delighted to announce the return of Cadence Festival, taking place on Thursday 9th July from 5.30pm to 9pm. This annual celebration brings together students, families, staff and the wider community for an evening showcasing creativity, talent and school spirit. Guests can enjoy live music, including performances from Back in Black, along with dance, drama, poetry slams, art displays, and a range of interactive activities such as circus skills, chess, orienteering and a robotics competition. A cadet's parade, food stalls and a PTA bar will also feature. Tickets are now available, with free entry for Year 6 and below. Contact marketing@thecotswoldschool.co.uk.

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Bourton Primary Academy

We can not believe we are so close to ending the school year already, it has absolutely flown by! June has continued to be super busy across all areas of the curriculum!



Our sporting teams have taken part in cricket, tennis, quad-kids and the athletics finals! One of our boys' cricket teams were unbeaten and are through to the County cricket finals at Cheltenham County cricket ground!

We have had visitors from The Cotswold School Year 8 band performing in a music assembly and they wowed the whole school with their impressive range of songs and musical talents! We have also had visitors from the language department where some Year 9 students taught our Year 3 and 4 classes a range of languages. This has happened several times throughout the year and we feel very lucky to be supported by so many departments at The Cotswold School. We are also busy preparing for our part in The Cadence Festival, which again we are very grateful that our dance squad and choir can perform to a wider audience.



Our Year 5 and 6 classes are busy building go-karts for our very own Bourton Grand Prix! Any past students often fondly look back on the go-kart project as one of the highlights of their time at our Primary School. Year 1 and 2 are getting into this busy sporting season by looking at The Commonwealth Games this term. Year 3 and 4 are enjoying their topic about Ancient Greece and our Reception classes are learning about healthy eating, the environment around them and are growing various vegetables to observe the changes.



Tori Gainford,
Deputy Head

Scout Group—Activity Afternoon

At the end of April 1st Bourton-on-the-Water Scout Group had an afternoon out in the sunshine at Far Peak. The youngest Squirrels to the oldest Scouts took part, with Beavers and Cubs in between, all enjoying being outside and challenging themselves on the various activities. Including the young leaders we had 50 or so young people taking part. The afternoon activities were part funded by the North Cotswold Rotary Club, courtesy of their Helping Hand grant, for which we are very grateful. We would also like to thank Johnny, Matty and Joe at Far Peak for keeping everyone safe on the climbing wall.



While some whizzed up the wall, keen to get a good view of the surrounds, others found it more challenging. The leaders were impressed by those who gave it a go, but found their limits slightly lower, yet still pushed on. There were a lot of smiling faces all round. We also spread ourselves across the low ropes course, archery butts and larger spaces for a 'wide game', good traditional scouting.

The group is actively looking for volunteers to allow us to provide activities for more of our community's young people. All sections currently have restricted numbers and waiting lists, which could be alleviated with more leaders. We're also keen to open an Explorers section (14 – 18 years) as our longer serving scouts are rapidly approaching the age to move on.

The group is also looking for help on the admin side – Secretary, Group Scout Leader, Quartermaster, all vital positions to help the group run smoothly. The Baden Powell Hall is also looking for a Treasurer.

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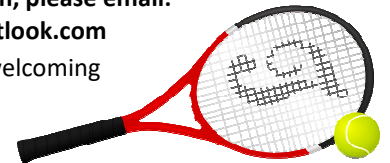
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Our next Meeting is our annual social extravaganza! It is on FRIDAY 24th July 2026 from 6.30 to 9 pm in the Royal British Legion Hall in Bourton-on-the-Water This event is for members, plus friends, only.



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Mark says "I've really enjoyed presenting on Cotswolds Radio: I do a lot of pre-show preparation with guests on their subjects so that they feel confident on air and listeners really enjoy the mix of topics featured on the show".

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COTSWOLD MOTORING MUSEUM

We chose this spot deliberately. The right-hand side of the museum is easy to reach, clearly visible from the road and footpath, and accessible at any time of day. Whether it's a busy summer afternoon with visitors everywhere or a quiet winter morning when the village is still waking up, the defibrillator is always ready and within easy reach.

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As a museum, we're proud to be part of the heart of Bourton, and installing this defibrillator is one small way we can give something back to the community that supports us year after year. We welcome thousands of visitors, but it's the local residents who make this village what it is. Providing a life-saving resource felt like a meaningful way to say thank you – and to play our part in keeping Bourton safe, vibrant, and well looked after.

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It is then time for a superb afternoon tea with a large selection tasty sandwiches, savouries, scones and cake served in the traditional manner. We then launch into the more modern music working our way through the years.

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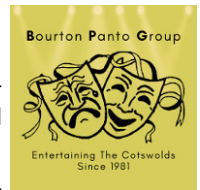
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Bourton Panto Group

Ahoy there, Panto fans!

Bourton Panto Group is delighted to announce that our 2027 pantomime will be **Peter Pan!**



It's been almost 30 years since we last journeyed to Neverland, and we're excited to bring this timeless adventure back to the stage. Expect pirates, lost children, plenty of laughs, and of course, a few "He's behind you!" moments along the way.

Directing this year's production is **Ann Chapman**, who is usually found working her magic behind the scenes as our stage manager and talented costume creator. This time, she's stepping back into the director's role, and we can't wait to see her vision take flight.

Whether you've performed with us before or are thinking of joining for the first time, we'd love to hear from you. We're looking for both cast and crew, and new members are always welcome aboard the Jolly Roger! To register your interest for this production, please email Ann at rye.close@hotmail.co.uk.

Read-throughs will take place on **2nd, 7th and 9th July**, with auditions on **14th, 15th and 16th July**, all from 7pm in the **Victoria Hall, Bourton-on-the-Water**. If you have any questions, contact us via Facebook or Instagram ([@bourtonpantogroup](https://www.instagram.com/bourtonpantogroup)) or email Ann.

Before we fly off to Neverland, don't forget our **Annual Summer Fete on Saturday 1st August**, from 10am-4pm on the Village Green. There'll be plenty of family fun, including our ever-popular duck races, so come along and support your local pantomime group.

Please, put on your pirate hats, gather your pixie dust, and join the adventure!

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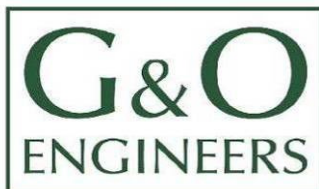
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North Cotswold Tri & Run (NCTR)

Members have enjoyed a busy May!

At the first race of the Cotswold Lake 62 Evening Triathlon Series, Ally Stirling finished 9th overall and 3rd woman in 57:42. Charles Perkins was 12th (59:11), Tim Heming 14th (59:19), Will Banks 17th (1:01:21) and Esther Phipp 47th overall and 12th woman (1:13:25). In the aquabike event, Dawn Coley finished 7th in 1:03:19.

NCTR also competed in the Cotswold Hilly 100 Relay, finishing 7th out of 24 teams in the mixed category. The team comprised Rachel Coley, Daniel Pebody, John Hancock, Hedley Philips, Nikki Hitchcock, Richard Walker, Chris Mason, Will Banks, Charles Perkins and Tom Williams.

At the Sherborne School 5 Miler, Daniel Pebody finished 4th overall and 1st MV40 in 32:49. Richard Walker was 13th overall and 3rd MV50 in 35:39, Ally Stirling was 3rd Senior Lady in 36:12, Rachel Coley was 8th Senior Lady in 41:58 and Elly Finley was 7th LV40 in 43:41. Pebody also finished 2nd overall and 2nd Senior Male at the Well Run Summer 10K in 44:40.



Junior member Sophi Mason completed the Oldbury White Horse TS2 triathlon in 22:36, improving her time from last year by 2 minutes 30 seconds.

At the Bourton Mile, Matthew Burrard-Lucas ran 5:08 (25th overall), Michael Mason 6:41 (107th), Jasper Williams won the MU16 category in a PB of 6:08, Sophi Mason was 4th LU14 in a PB of 7:04, Phoebe Miller was 2nd LU18 in 6:58, Sophie Redding was 4th LU16 in 6:58 and Archie Miller was 5th MU14 in 7:22.

At the Blenheim 7K Fun Run, Polly Kiani finished 12th female in 36:07, while Shah Kiani ran 37:29 to place 121st overall from a field of more than 1,200 runners.

Ben Hardy ran in the Fire Service College’s 100th parkrun, finishing in 29:00 and placing 102nd.

Polly



A New Era Begins at Naunton Downs Golf Club

Naunton Downs Golf Club is entering an exciting new chapter as the club officially comes under the management of Richard Ballard Golf. Led by father-and-son team Richard and Stan Ballard, the new management brings decades of golfing expertise, a passion for hospitality, and a clear vision for the future of the club.

Richard Ballard has been a PGA Golf Professional for more than 30 years and, alongside his family, has successfully owned and operated Sherdons Golf Centre near Cheltenham for the past 11 years. Joining him is Stan Ballard, who is currently undertaking his PGA qualifications and will be offering coaching, club repairs, and regripping services to members and visitors.

Nestled in the heart of the Cotswolds, Naunton Downs is a unique 13-hole course designed to fit around modern lifestyles, allowing golfers to enjoy a rewarding round in under three hours. The club aims to provide an accessible and enjoyable experience for golfers of all abilities, whether they are seasoned players, returning to the game, or picking up a club for the first time.

As part of the transition, the Ballard team has also taken over the food and beverage operation. New chef Hugo Hunt and hospitality manager Chelsea Morrall are leading plans to enhance the clubhouse experience with exciting menus, seasonal specials, Sunday roasts, and regular social events. Friday evenings will feature pool nights, burgers, pizzas, and a welcoming atmosphere for both golfers and non-golfers.

The club is also introducing new membership options, visitor packages, coaching programmes, society deals, and continued investment in facilities, equipment, and customer service.

With fresh ideas and a commitment to creating a vibrant community hub, Naunton Downs Golf Club is looking forward to welcoming members, visitors, families, and local residents to experience everything the club has to offer.



Headspace Update – Supporting Our Community

Before sharing an update on our work, we would like to acknowledge the recent passing of Harrison. Our thoughts are with his family, friends and everyone affected by this tragic loss. We know this has had a significant impact on many young people and families across our community. Headspace is working alongside local schools and partner organisations to provide support wherever possible and would encourage anyone who is struggling to reach out and talk to someone they trust.

At Headspace, demand for mental health and wellbeing support continues to grow. We are currently supporting 71 young people across the North Cotswolds through our mentoring, wellbeing and early intervention programmes, with a further 39 young people currently waiting for support.

One area of increasing need is support for young people experiencing anxiety and difficulties attending school. We were pleased to see The Cotswold School recently publish a range of guidance and resources for parents and carers. The information highlights the

importance of recognising emotional wellbeing concerns early and seeking support before problems become entrenched.

This reflects our own approach at Headspace. We believe early intervention is one of the most effective ways to help young people build resilience, maintain engagement with education and develop the confidence to manage life's challenges.

Our services currently include one-to-one mentoring, wellbeing groups, outdoor learning activities, and specialist projects such as supporting young people experiencing Emotionally Based School Avoidance (EBSA).

As a small local charity, we remain committed to ensuring that every young person in the North Cotswolds can access the support they need when they need it. We are incredibly grateful to our volunteers, funders, schools and supporters who make this work possible.

To find out more about our services, volunteer opportunities or ways to support our work, please visit www.myheadspace.org.uk.

Alternatively, anyone interested in finding out more can contact:

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Bourton WI



On Tuesday, Bourton WI had a very entertaining talk by John Kinery, a film extra.

John has appeared, albeit briefly and recognisable by his splendid white beard, in Midsomer Murders and Father Brown. He was also a Bishop in The Crown and he can be seen in Mama Mia. John appeared in Paddington as one of the prisoners wearing pink prison clothing (Paddington put something red in the wash!). He was a resident in a Care Home for a training film for Care Home Nurses.

Being a film extra involves very early mornings to be in casting, wardrobe and makeup before having a "very good breakfast". The catering is excellent from what John told us!

Sometimes he has had to be up at 3am with only time for a banana and a coffee before he is on the road to Pinewood Studios. But he obviously enjoys every minute of it!

We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month, in the Victoria Hall at 7pm. New members are always welcomed.

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Bourton Roadrunners

Last Wednesday evening Bourton Roadrunners were out in force again, with more than 20 members descending on the Cirencester Park estate for the annual **Cirencester Summer Sizzler 10K** race, a firm favourite with club members. Bourton were led home by Steph Lane in a sizzling time of 36 minutes and 18 seconds and first woman overall, giving her back-to-back wins at the event and almost two minutes faster than last year and her fastest 10km time since she was 18.

Darren Long also had a strong race and led the Bourton men home, with the MV50, pleased with his time of 39 minutes and 51 seconds, just three days after racing at Fairford 10K.

Niamh Shoemark was amongst the prize winners with her 43:01 (LV55/1 and sixth woman overall), who along with Jaq Underwood (LV60/1 in 46:25), and Steph Lane bagged the first women's team.

It was pleasing to see so many club members out midweek, with several earning personal best times, notably Melissa Samuel who knocked-off a massive nine minutes.

Other Bourton runners were Kevin Goodwill (40:26 – representing Cheltenham), Tim Hemming (42:41), Ian Shoemark (43:52), Rebecca Townsend (44:41 - representing Cheltenham), Arianna Downs (47:16), Lee Hutton (51:22 – MV70/3), Robin Smith (51:39), Claire Blackie (52:02), Barry O'Leary (53:08), Claire Carroll (54:10), Clementine Bright (56:05), John Harding (56:08 – MV65/3), Lee Smith (57:20), Giles Canning (61:33), Val McKay (66:34), Melissa Samuel (68:33) and Jenny Evanson (76:14).

Meanwhile, this weekend John Gibson headed off to Shoeburyness in Essex, with memories of his childhood, for the **Southend-on-Sea Half Marathon**, which was celebrating its 30th anniversary, with the event supporting the Havens Hospices. Whilst it was a largely flat course along the seafront, John was pleased for the large supporting crowd and gentle sea breeze to off-set the very hot conditions. He was pleased to complete the 13.1 mile course in a time of two hours, five minutes and 59 seconds, roughly in the middle of a field of 2700 finishers.

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