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Message from Rev Ben

This year we have already seen some glorious and some appalling days of weather! With this in mind, the middle of July marks the feast of St Swithun on 15th July, who is of course famed for the telling of fair or foul weather, depending on the state of play on 15th July.

*St. Swithin's day if thou dost rain
For forty days it will remain
St. Swithin's day if thou be fair
For forty days 'twill rain nae mair (no more).*

St Swithun was born in my home county of Hampshire, in about 800 and died 2nd July 863 in Winchester. He was Bishop of Winchester between 852-863 and is venerated for his kind, clever and miraculous deeds. Among these was the building of a stone bridge over the river Itchen at the eastern gate of Winchester, to help the poor enter the city to sell their wares. Legend has it that one of his miraculous acts occurred when an elderly woman crossed the bridge, coming into the city to sell eggs. She tripped and dropped her basket of eggs, breaking them all. St Swithun gathered the eggs and returned them to her unbroken. Artistic depictions can be found in various places in Hampshire with the egg remaining as a symbol of St Swithun.

'But what has St Swithun got to do with rain?' I hear you ask! In keeping with his humility, St Swithun, as the Bishop of Winchester, requested to be buried outside of Old Minster where the rain could fall upon him, and where he was still with the daily hustle and bustle of the city. However, in contradiction to his wishes, his body was moved inside of the Old Minster (not his final resting place), on 15th July 971 and legend has it that on this day a heavy shower poured forth as a token of disgust from the late St Swithun.

In these uncertain times when good weather and the opportunity to meet people outside is a refreshing form of comfort, I do hope and pray that we can all find St Swithun's day as fair and bright as a foretaste of further good weather to match our homes for the future.

Ben

Rev Ben Rundell-Evans

St George's 100 Club

Results for the June draw:

1st Prize: Jim Mann

2nd Prize: Kevan Barton

The numbers were drawn outside Bourton Garage on 16 June.

Results for July and August will be in the September edition of the magazine but can be viewed on the bourtondorset.org website and will be on the noticeboard by the post office.

Ruth Burrows
01747 840371

St Martin's Millennium Club

June winners

**J Lucas
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J Palfrey
K Bullen
R Pitts**

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Green Fingers

Notes from a Fairweather Gardener

July & August 2021

Are you sitting back in your favourite garden spot reading this? After all the odd weather patterns we have experienced over the past few months, your garden is now probably a riot of colour and possibly also fruitfulness as all the plants try to make up for lost time.

As you sit and gaze on the results of your handiwork, you should dig out some of your most useful garden tools. No, not the backbreaking sort, but the ones you keep, or should keep, in your pocket at all times when you wander round the garden. I mean a camera and a notebook. You don't need to be a prize winning photographer to make a record of your garden throughout the year. It is easy to think that you will remember that wonderful plant combination that haphazardly appeared and you want to repeat next year, but unless you truly do have a photographic memory, it might fade into oblivion in a month or so.

Use your camera, your phone, or perhaps a sketchbook if you are artistically inclined, to record anything you want to remember, good or bad. Use the notebook to remind you which plants need to be split in the autumn and which need to be moved, either because they are unhappy where they are or because they don't look good in that position. You might like something you see when you visit an open garden – take a picture, make a note! Even the grandest gardens have something that can be adapted for our more humble patches.

As you make a record for next year, take the opportunity to dead head flowering plants to encourage new growth. Sweet peas, roses and other cutting flowers will only continue to bloom if you keep picking them. The seeds from some perennials can be scattered now to provide a naturalistic look next year, and you can leave some annuals to self-seed as well. If they pop up where you don't want them next year, they will probably be quite easy to move. Don't be too rigorous with this though – some seed heads provide excellent food for the birds. Although they can look a bit ragged, the seeds of red hot poker are a favourite with goldfinches, and what a delight it is to see them in the garden.

Daphne Knott

Kilmingington & Stourton Women's Institute

For the 22nd June Zoom Meeting the speaker was Nick Baxter, who is a Wiltshire Historian, on "Wiltshire - a Journey Through Time". We have nothing booked yet for July 27th. But we will resume after the August holiday on 28th September. Members will be kept informed.

If you are interested in joining the WI please contact:

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News from Stourhead

July is here and so is summer. As I write this the sun is shining and the garden at Stourhead is tempting me away from my laptop with the cooling presence of the lake and shady pathways under magnificent tree canopies. It really is the perfect place to while away a summer's day.

Since the last time of writing, we have reopened the house from 11am to 3pm daily and it has been such a pleasure to welcome visitors back through the front doors again. If you haven't managed to visit in person yet, you can visit virtually through your television set as Stourhead features in the new BBC adaptation of Nancy Mitford's novel, *The Pursuit of Love*. The Palladian Bridge and the view towards the Temple of Apollo feature in episode one but in episodes two and three it is the house that takes centre stage, with the Italian and Column Rooms standing in as the interiors of Linda's chic Parisian apartment and the Entrance Hall as an art deco nightclub. You can catch up with the whole series on BBC iPlayer.

Now onto some dates for your diary (yes actual diary dates!). We are very excited to announce that for the first time this summer, Three Inch Fools theatre company will be performing two riotous new open-air productions on the South Lawn at Stourhead: Shakespeare's *Romeo & Juliet* and family favourite, *Robin Hood*. Please visit our website at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/stourhead for dates, times and to book your tickets. We can't wait to welcome audiences back for an evening of outdoor entertainment in the wonderful surrounds of the Top Garden and we hope to see you there with your friends.

I am sad to say this will be my last time updating you with all the news from Stourhead as I move on to start another role in the National Trust. It has been such a pleasure and inspiration to work here for the last 8 months but it's not goodbye as I will no doubt be returning to enjoy this special place with my family over the summer and beyond.

Louisa Reeves, Marketing and Communications Officer.

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Country Calendar: July/August 2021

The weather always dominates: it dictates and impacts on everything we do. After the dry cold spring everything is much later, and we are busy with silaging and harvest is not too long away. The cattle are out which eases the workload somewhat, so now we are hoping for a good dry settled spell -- unlike a memorable day in May when the heavens opened and hailstones fell like mini golf balls: unbelievable! Being irritatingly confined to barracks I had time for a coffee and a quick browse through the newspaper - a luxury in itself.

My exasperation upon reading an article on the proposed Australian trade deal of beef to the UK instantly made me put to pen a letter to *The Times*. This was my first ever attempt, and, regardless of whether or not they printed it, it was extremely therapeutic. The next day I received an e-mail back that it would be in the Friday edition. So here it is (see *next page*) in print, and the funniest thing was when my daughter rang and said "Mum you have gone viral", as apparently it was on Twitter, Instagram, Facebook, and a Farmers Forum of people sharing it all around the world. Within hours I had 15,000 likes on Instagram alone, with lots of positive and supporting comments, even from an MP (opposition party of course).

I am afraid I do not do social media but my children were rather impressed - my five minutes of fame you could say, except it is a very serious matter. The UK will agree to a zero-tariff, zero quota access for Australian agricultural exports. In return Australia will remove tariffs on products such as Scotch Whisky and cars. Climate change and carbon footprint affects all our lives, so surely producing our own food should be of the highest priority. It is very obvious that UK farmers are being used as a pawn; we are expendable, a price the Government is prepared to pay for membership of the Trans-Pacific Partnership which requires Australia's support and is seen as key to getting the agreement! "It is politics" one friend told me: regardless of all our legitimate concerns we are a minority industry, and we simply do not have enough clout! Well, rewilding is the answer to climate change according to a programme on Radio 4. Plant more trees - fabulous for eating up the carbon emissions; and introduce beavers to create wetlands - brilliant except beavers eat trees and in Scotland the beaver is creating problems as a result of escaping and multiplying at a surprising rate. Like the badger no predator. Oh, I have the answer - wolves!

Jane Parker

Jane's letter to The Times on next page



Sir, As a beef farmer producing the highest-quality product under the strictest animal welfare rules with the best environmental practices, I am mindful of how we fed our nation through the lockdown, with the public queueing outside independent butchers and farm shops as supermarkets struggled to restock. This deal is a betrayal of an industry that should be nurtured, encouraged and promoted. Moreover, importing beef and lamb from Australia is wrong based on the carbon footprint alone.

Boris Johnson and Liz Truss should be called to account for not supporting the hardworking British farmer, who has kept this nation fed and watered for centuries.

Jane Parker

Warminster, Wilts

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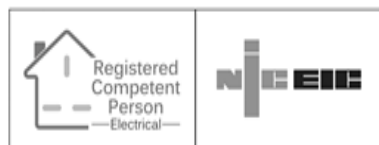
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July

July 1, 15, 29	Zeals	School	10.00-10.40 am
	Kilminster	Home Guard Club	

August

August 12, 26	Zeals	School	10.00-10.40 am
	Kilminster	Home Guard Club	11.25-11.35 am

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Harry Lawes

Harry Lawes died in the early hours of 25th May after some months of illness. Harry's funeral was held on 28th June at St George's Bourton followed by private cremation.

Harry was a very long term resident of Bourton who gave so much of himself to the wider community. He served as a School Governor, Churchwarden, Trustee of St George's, and as a Parish Councillor. He was committed to St George's Church and its fabric. He locked and unlocked the Church each day for many years, and delivered the parish magazine, also for many years. He was a very active Mason and a keen gardener whose front garden was a riot of colour each summer. He was also a great supporter of, and fundraiser for, the Air Ambulance.

He valued tradition and could be sceptical about modernising our ways. He will be remembered for his dry sense of humour and the ready twinkle in his eye, and he will be much missed.

Harry leaves a daughter, Jo, who organised a multi faceted funeral service at St George's on 28th June as a tribute to Harry. He was a devoted father and grandfather, and friend to many, and he will be much missed.

Archdeacon Alan Jeans MBE

Many congratulations to our Archdeacon, Alan Jeans, on his award of an MBE in The Queen's Birthday Honours. This award was given in recognition of his long standing work as Padre with the Army Cadet Force and his dedication to young people and mission.

Flower Gala in May

St Peter's Church was beautifully decorated for the three days of the Bank Holiday weekend at the end of May. Very many thanks to all those who created the wonderful arrangements. There was a steady stream of visitors, although the footfall this year was a little down. However the comments made were most rewarding, and the scent of the rhododendrons was wonderful.

The produce stall was very successful, and so was the plant stall and very many thanks go also to all those kind people who baked cakes and biscuits etc., made fudge, donated rhubarb etc, and to everyone who came to man the stall and steward the church. Your time and hard work are very much appreciated.

The stalls, plus donations from the public over weekend, came to £1,112.82 - a much welcome contribution to parish funds. Thank you very much to all involved.



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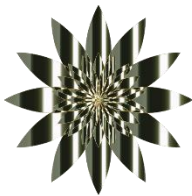
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Summer Garden Event Sunday 8th August

Art in the Garden Event from 3pm-5pm in two gardens in
Old Pound Court: No 3 Margaret and Brian Martin, and
No 5 Nick Hall. Teas as well as art!

If it is wet on 8th August we will try again on
15th August. Some of the art will be available to buy.

ALSO - ALERT TO READERS WHO PAINT!

We would be delighted to receive paintings from readers of the magazine for display in our gardens in August. Paintings may be included which are for sale and not for sale. If you wish to sell a painting please price it. We would ask for a donation to St George's Church as you feel is appropriate should you make a sale. Please bring easels or supports to help display your work. Paintings may be brought to our gardens from 2.30pm before we open at 3.0pm or they may be left with Nick Hall or Margaret Martin before the event.

Any queries please contact Margaret Martin on 01747 840433

SERVICES FOR JULY 2021

Sunday 4th **5th Sunday after Trinity**
10.00 am Parish Communion at St George's Bourton
(Preacher: Archdeacon Alan Jeans)

Sunday 11th **6th Sunday after Trinity**
10.00 am Parish Communion at St Mary's Kilmington
4.00 pm Pet Service at Home Farm Stourton (*see below*)

Sunday 18th **7th Sunday after Trinity**
10.00 am Parish Communion at St Peter's Stourton

Sunday 25th **Feast of St James**
10.00 am Parish Communion at St Martin's Zeals

Weekdays

Mondays: 9.00 am	Morning Prayer at St George's Bourton
Wednesdays 4.00 pm	Afternoon Prayer at St Martin's Zeals
Thursdays 9.00 am	Morning Prayer at St Mary's Kilmington

A Service of Praise & Celebration of our Pets & All Creatures, Great & Small

Sunday 11th July 2021 : 4 pm at Home Farm, Stourton, BA12 6QL
(by kind permission of Jane & Harry Parker)



Do come along and enjoy this special service of praise for your beloved pets, whether they have fur, feathers or scales. For those who no longer have a pet, please bring a treasured photo and share your memories with us. This service is suitable for all ages, and will be followed by pet treats and light refreshments.

Donations for Pets as Therapy & Cinnamon Trust most welcome.

This is a working farm: please follow the directions for parking and venue and be responsible, keep your pet under control & clean up after your pet.

Contacts: Barbara 01747 840141/Rev Ben Rundell-Evans 01747 840221

SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2021

Sunday 1st Lammastide

10.00 am Parish Communion at St George's Bourton

Sunday 8th 10th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Parish Communion at St Mary's Kilmington

Sunday 15th Feast of The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

10.00 am Parish Communion at St Peter's Stourton

Sunday 22nd 12th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Parish Communion at St Martin's Zeals

Sunday 29th 13th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Parish Communion at St Mary's Kilmington

September

Sunday 5th 14th Sunday after Trinity

10.00 am Parish Communion at St George's Bourton

From the Registers

Weddings

12th June at St Peter's Church, Stourton: **Samuel Burley and Nethni**

Weerakoon

26th June at St Peter's Church, Stourton: **William Edwards and Kathryn Blyth**

Funeral

28th June at St George's Church, Bourton: **Harry Lawes**

Baptisms

30th May at St George's Church, Bourton: **Alfie Harris**

20th June at St Peter's Church, Stourton: **Myles Ponsonby**

September Show
Saturday 4th September

BOURTON VILLAGE HALL

↑ ***NB NEW VENUE*** ↑

Doors open at 2pm

Auction at 4.30pm

New Classes

Look out for entry forms from Bourton Garage
and on Bourton Village Facebook page from August

Entries should be brought to Village Hall
4-7pm on Friday 3rd September

Contacts: Carolyn 01747 840517 Glenis 01747 840948



Neil Joyce
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News from Parish Councils

Bourton

After 14 months of virtual meetings Bourton Parish Council finally met face to face in the village hall for the three meetings – the Annual Parish meeting, the Annual General meeting and the usual monthly Parish meeting. All three meetings went very well and our Chairman, Andrew Cattaway, managed all three of them superbly. There were 8 members of the public in attendance and all the necessary COVID safe measures were carefully adhered to by all.

During the AGM a unanimous vote by all councillors in attendance agreed that our existing Chairman and our Vice Chairman, Peter Williams, continue in their roles which is good news for the PC and the community. All other councillors present volunteered for the following roles: Peter Williams, Andrew Sturt, Kevan Barton and Paul Curry – Planning Sub Group; Fran Gillet – Highways and Transport Officer; Kevan Barton – Footpaths Liaison Officer; Andrew Cattaway and Andrew Sturt - North Area DAPTC Representatives; Peter Williams – Bourton and Silton Charity Representative; Andrew Sturt – Safeguarding Officer; and Sheila Williams – Community Safety.

We have had two councillor resignations – Roger Moores submitted his to the Chairman on 11th May and Ian Cooper on 20th May. The Notice of Vacancy was duly advertised and the electorate had 14 days to call for an election. However, no election was called which meant that candidates could put themselves forward with further details published in the noticeboards, website, and the village Facebook group.

Please remember that all the minutes can be viewed on the Bourton Village website, the village Facebook page and also both noticeboards.

Eve Wynn, Clerk

Kilmington

At the Annual Parish Council meeting on 20 May, the annual accounts were approved and signed off. As has been the case for the past few years, it was agreed to certify the council exempt from External Audit and this will save a fee of £200. All of the paperwork in connection with the accounts is on our website and on the village noticeboard, including information on public rights to inspect the accounting records between 14 June and 23 July which is a legal requirement.

Since our last meeting, the council has considered another planning application (PL/2021/04683) in relation to the change of use from agricultural to holiday let to include five proposed glamping pods and a service pod, on the field to the west of the B3092 between Norton Ferris and a private residence, Ferngo. The Council agreed (on vote of 5 for, 1 against and 1 abstention) to **Support subject to the condition** that the glamping pods are used solely as holiday

accommodation. In addition, the council has concerns about the highways access and support is conditional upon the Wiltshire Council highways engineers being satisfied that any access to and from the entrance is safe. (Full details of this and any other planning applications can be viewed on the Wiltshire Council planning portal – <http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/planning-building-control/planning>)

Our next meeting will take place on Monday 6 September at the Home Guard Club commencing at 7.30 pm.

Ruth Burrows, Clerk

Stourton with Gasper

Following the recent elections and the Annual Parish Council Meeting Cllr Catherine Spencer remains Chairman of Stourton with Gasper Parish Council. She will be assisted by Cllr Richard Higgs who has taken over as vice-chairman. Cllr Nick Hoare remains on the council and he is joined by new councillors Crin Fearon, Ashley Gray and Jane Joyce.

Cllr Spencer thanked Pat Booth, Mark Gittoes, Andrew Morgan and Verity Parker and for all their hard work over the last few years as councillors and active members of the community. Pat has volunteered to continue maintaining the defibrillator situated at the top of Bells Lane which is much appreciated.

Following the slight lifting of restrictions, the rota for the SID (Speed Indicator Device) has now been resurrected and Stourton will be having this every third month. Hopefully it will calm some of the eager drivers as they approach our village.

We have completed our year end procedures and various auditing documents will be available on our website www.stourton.org.uk.

Our next parish council meeting will be on Wednesday 1 September. We wish all residents a lovely summer.

Fran Hill, Clerk clerk@stourton.org.uk

Zeals

There has not been a meeting of the parish council since the last edition was printed, and the minutes are able to be read on-line (see below) and on our notice boards. Since they were published I am pleased to say we have had very positive responses from the requests we made recently to Wiltshire Council. Also, we have arranged for our local MP, Andrew Murrison, to meet those residents who wish to raise issues with him in person on the morning of Thursday 29 July between 9.00 and 9.30 a.m. in the Village Hall.

The July meeting is scheduled for the evening of Tuesday 13 July starting at 7pm, and hopefully members of public will be able to attend.

Graham Edgar: www.hugofox.com/community/zeals-parish-council



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The weather has warmed up so the swimming pool has been opened after the half term break. The school has had to work hard in the last two years to insulate the walls around the pool and install a heat exchanger to take the warmth from the air to the raise the temperature of the water. It has worked well, but we have encountered a few problems over winter, so a new heater was installed and a new cover, all thanks to the friends of the school. We are asking parents for a voluntary contribution of £10 each child to help towards the running cost of the swimming pool.

The Coram Life Education & SCARF team will be visiting our school virtually this term with live online workshops. They provide health and wellbeing education support to schools, and the workshops are delivered by skilled educators. These age appropriate sessions are to help children understand the importance of physical and emotional health; they learn life skills that are known to help their overall achievement. Early years Key Stage1: learn to keep their bodies healthy, managing feelings and being a good friend. Key Stage 2: children explore emotional needs, choices that can affect health and wellbeing, qualities of friendship, and also learn strategies for looking after their emotional needs. This subject is known in school as PSHE education.

Vanessa Higgins (head of School)



THE ELIZABETHAN EVENING AT MANOR FARM

Sunday 1st August 2021 at 2.30pm & 7.00pm

Tickets: theelizabethanevening.com, 01373 832113

Gates open 1hr before performance. Performance approx 2hrs (inc 20min interval).

Cancellation in the event of dangerous weather only, when performance will be rescheduled.

Tickets are non-refundable, except for cancellations due to Covid-19 government mandates. Booking fees may apply.

Please bring your own seating/rug & warm clothes. Refreshments available, picnics welcome. All profits to local food banks.

Advance Notice

GRAND SALE IN AID OF LOCAL CHARITIES

Friday 1st October 2021 at Bourton Village Hall

to include: Nearly New Adult/Childrens Clothing & Accessories ~ Bric a Brac
Cakes ~ Jewellery ~ Raffle etc .

All quality sale items

Help will be required please, and some stalls may be available

Charities to be supported will be announced in the September issue

Enquiries to Barbara Borwell 01747 840141 (evenings)

Silton Coffee Morning and Sale

It is hoped to hold a Summer Coffee Morning and Sale at Silton Village Hall on **Saturday 31st July from 10.00 am until noon**. On sale will be all the popular baked goodies usually found on the stall outside Bagmore Farm in Silton, plus good quality bric-a-brac, plants, preserves, produce, books and there will also be a raffle. If the weather is fine, coffee will be served outside and the cake stall will be under the shelter of the Woodhouse. Do come along. All proceeds (as with the stall) will be donated to various, mainly local, charities.

Fraud Protection

The **South West Regional Organised Crime Unit (SWROCU)**, is a Home Office-funded law enforcement body serving all the police force areas of the South West of England.

Fraud makes up approximately a third of all reported crime and in 2020 around 4.4 million frauds were reported in the UK, with a loss to individuals of around £7 billion in total. Frauds are frequently targeted at elderly and vulnerable citizens, for whom the consequences of victimisation can be devastating, both psychologically as well as financially. However, as much as 80% of fraud is preventable with relatively simple safety measures that can be employed to protect us from the scammers. SWROCU offer the following with no charge:

- Free fraud safety presentations.
- Narrated fraud safety presentation via YouTube
- Free 'Spotting financial exploitation' training.
- The Little Book of Big Scams – this excellent fraud prevention resource has been created to help raise awareness of the dangers of fraud and offer preventative measures to help keep everyone safe from the insidious creep we are seeing in financial crimes in recent years.

Contact **Ashley Jones MBE Regional Fraud Protect Advisor**
07889 660015 / ashley.jones@avonandsomerset.police.uk

Who is Watching ?



The children were lined up in the cafeteria of a church primary school for lunch. At the head of the table was a large pile of apples with a note posted on the apple tray "TAKE ONLY ONE APPLE – GOD IS WATCHING".

Moving further along the lunch line, at the other end of the table, was a large pile of chocolate chip cookies. A child had written a note "TAKE ALL YOU WANT BECAUSE GOD IS WATCHING THE APPLES"

Regular Weekly Events

Weekdays	Pre-School	08.45 -15.15 at the Preschool Playing Fields, West Bourton <i>[term time only]</i>
	The ZAC (Zeals AfterSchool Club)	Daily 15.15-18.00 (17.00 Fridays) at Mere Youth Centre, off White Rd, Mere 01747 840077/ info@thezac.org.uk
Tuesdays	Tummies, Tiddlers & Toddlers	09.15 – 12 noon at Bourton Village Hall
	Beavers	contact Anne Martin (ZAZU) anne.martin9@btinternet.com or by text to 07368 588270
<i>Bourton Beavers are making the most of the longer evenings and exploring their local villages with their leaders. We welcome children aged 6 to 8 years of age. Try us and see if you like us!! TUESDAY NIGHT IS BEAVER NIGHT 6-7 pm</i>		
Wednesdays	Bell ringing practice	19.30 – 21.00 at St Martin's Zeals <i>[will re-commence when restrictions allow]</i> Contact Georgina Muir 01985 844245
Fridays	Friday Fun Club	10.00 - 11.30 Whitesheet School Hall Zeals <i>[temporarily suspended due to Covid]</i>
	Choir Practice	Most Fridays (18.00-19.00) at St Martin's Church Zeals. New singers welcome. Contact Tom Wheare 01747 840 622 <i>[will re-commence when restrictions allow]</i>

Cubs

Contact Lesley Love GSL
lesley1ump@hotmail.co.uk
or text on 07967100106

Bourton Cubs are not meeting as our Leaders have changed jobs and are not available to run the sessions currently. We apologise for this and realise it is a disappointment to our young people. We hope to be able to offer Cubs once again in September, watch this space for updates.

Dates for your Diary

July

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Sunday	1 st	Elizabethan Evening, Corsley	page 25
Saturday	7 th	Neil Joyce Memorial, St Peter's 2.30pm	page 16
Sunday	8 th	Art in the Garden, 3-5pm, Old Pound	
		Court, Bourton	page 16
Saturday	14 th)	Trash or Treasure in Zeals 10am-3pm	page 13
Sunday	15 th)		

Bourton Village Hall

Saturday 24th July is the date for our next Afternoon Tea which coincides with the end of the school term and the start of the Olympics. Bring the family for a fun afternoon of games, hot and cold drinks and a delicious selection of cakes. The hall will be open from 2:30 until 4:30pm. It's £2.50 for adults and children are free.

Who's up for a great evening of jazz music on Sunday 5th September? Ian Millar and Dominic Spencer are a professional duo from Scotland playing old favourites and original compositions on saxophone and piano. Check them out on YouTube and their website. Doors and bar open at 6:30pm for a 7pm start. Tickets are £10 and seating will be limited so contact Nick on nickrhall@waitrose.com to reserve yours now.

A couple of our regular events are planned to start again in September: Film Nights on the 2nd Wednesday and Village Lunches on the 2nd Monday of the month. Keep an eye on noticeboards for more info.

And finally, a big thank you to Sandra Parsons. It's the end of an era as Sandra, who has been keeping our Hall spotlessly clean for the last 36 years, is retiring. The Trustees wish her well and thank her for all her hard work.

To discuss hall bookings, please contact Heather 07849 673670 h.j.ransley@outlook.com. Safety is very important to us and we will ensure that COVID restrictions are followed at all events.

**Contributions for the September 2021 edition by
Friday 20th August 2021 please**