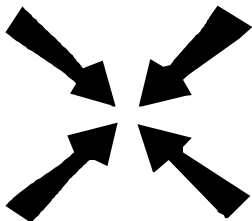


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From the Editor

June is always a busy month in the English calendar. And so it is in the Meeting Point area and beyond.

Freddie's electrifying front cover design announces the Olveston Fête. Support Aust church roof appeal by meeting a real live author and going to a mid-summer concert. Go on a walk from Malmesbury to Littleton, or on a railway walk, see a Shakespeare play or take the plunge with U3A. It's all happening in June, in a place near you.

Our cover this month is by Freddie Peacock aged 8 who goes to Olveston School. 'The Crusher' will also appear on the front of the Olveston Fête programme.

Meeting Point Founded in 1976 by the Anglican and Methodist churches in Olveston, near Bristol

Meeting Point magazine and Meeting Point Directory are online at the Community Website: www.olvestonandaust.com

Oveston Parish Council Matters

Richard Rogers (olvestonpc@gmail.com)

The Parish Council would like to thank all who attended the Parish Assembly on May 2nd and enjoyed an interesting presentation from the Environmental Agency. (Full copies of this and the Chairman's address can be found on the Oveston website: www.olvestonandaust.com). As mentioned at the Assembly, the Council is looking to improve its communications with parishioners and is trialling a facebook page in addition to the Oveston website. We will continue to maintain the regular Meeting Point article with as much information as possible, and are always interested in other ways to distribute information.

Mrs Lyons, Oveston Parish Chairman, welcomed everyone and informed the Assembly that on average seven Councillors attended each of the monthly meetings and that Mr Riddle, our District Councillor, only missed two. Three Parish Councillors left at the end of March, having collectively given 27 years service to the Parish, and new Councillors are being co-opted.

During the year, 8 parishioners and 2 visitors attended Parish Council meetings, to discuss the proposed wind farm, speeding throughout the parish, and defibrillators. Mr Richard Lloyd was thanked for his help with S.Glos Council consultation documents on the Oveston Conservation area, and Mr Geoff Chappell for volunteering to lead the CPRE Village of the Year Competition (which Oveston won).

The Planning Committee had to consider 70 planning applications including the wind farm at lngst, house extensions, conversions of redundant farm buildings, tree works within the conservation area, and several applications that changed the use of agricultural land to equine, including stables and manège. There were also several applications for solar panels, including one for 19 ground mounted units.

The Projects Committee has worked hard to get the Parish Vision Steering Group set up, meeting with other Parish Councils, and interest groups to understand the process. The Steering group now meets regularly, chaired by Mark Roper and Keren Ansty, and has its own website (www.olvestonparishvision.co.uk . The Projects Committee has also been working with Oveston Methodist Church to host an internet facility within the Parish.

The very poor weather through the year has exacerbated the many drainage issues in the Parish, as well as affecting the footpaths and the environment. The Parish Council has been working with S.Glos engineers and Matthew Riddle to seek solutions. Our thanks again go to Rod Williams who continues to walk our footpaths and organise the litter picks throughout the year. It is

also hoped that the telephone boxes which are now owned by the Council will become scenic reminders of the past.

The Recreation & Leisure Committee has maintained the play areas and, in conjunction with Olveston Pre-School, installed new equipment in Tockington. Work is ongoing to repair the War Memorial Steps, undertake repairs to the Queen Alexandra Memorial Pavilion, and update leases on the Parish Hall and especially the Vicarage Lane Play Area.

Work has continued with the Olveston School Travel Plan Group to improve pedestrian access to the school. This has included a potential car parking area on the Aust road verge, as well as the ideas recently announced in Meeting Point.

Mrs Lyons closed with a vote of thanks to the leaseholder chairmen and committees who continue to provide many facilities in the Parish, the contractors who support the Parish Council and the various parishioners who give up their time to maintain parish amenities. Special thanks went to the Diamond Jubilee Committee, under the chairmanship of Nikki Clark who organised such wonderful celebrations on 4th June 2012.

Olveston Fête

Saturday June 22 2.00 – 4.30 pm

The Annual Olveston Fête is looming – it's on June 22nd from 2pm till 4.30pm, and once again the church and the school are combining forces, so it's being held in the Vicarage front garden and the school hall and grounds. The theme is Superheroes, whether traditional or invented ones. The entrance is through the Vicarage garden, and the Westerleigh Brass Band will be there to greet you with their splendid music.

It's the culmination of the Scarecrow Festival too, and judging will be done that afternoon – and the scarecrows need to be brought to the front garden for that judging.

There's a Grand Draw which we hope you'll buy lots of tickets for, and the usual selection of stalls and sideshows, as well as the usual licensed bar selling beer and Pimms. As ever, we're grateful for the support of the local shops and businesses, and we hope that you will support them as best you can, as well as us on the day.

Two events to help raise the roof at Aust –

Meet the Author

Where? Olveston Methodist Chapel

When? Saturday 15th June, from 10.30 am to 12 noon

Why? Author/illustrator Susan Godwin will be signing copies of her new children's book: "Teddy and Molly have fun on the farm", price £5. This is a lovely counting book for young readers, a sequel to "Teddy and Molly's Big Adventure". Coffee, soft drinks, children's play area.

All proceeds in aid of the Roof Fund Appeal for St John's Church, Aust.
For further info, please contact Jennifer Bone, ☎ 01454-614601 or by e-mail: jennifer.bone@btinternet.com

Mid-Summer Music at St John's, Aust

June 22nd 7.30 pm

Mid-Summer Music on June 22nd is going to be a great fun concert in aid of St John's Roof Fund, with the *DURSLEY MALE VOICE CHOIR* as our principal guests, and many local artistes; the concert starts at 7.30pm. There will be a Bar selling wine, Pimms, and soft drinks (we're hoping for a delightful summer evening!!) and the finale (in the best traditions of Mid-Summer Music in Aust) will be all your favourites from *The Last Night of the Proms* – yes, you can sing and wave your flags!!

Tickets priced at £10 are available from any member of the Church Council, or from: Janet Ford ☎ 01454-633300 janetford@btinternet.com or David Bone ☎ 01454-614601 david.bone10@btinternet.com or *The Boar's Head* at Aust ☎ 01454-632278.

We do hope that as many as possible will support this evening and help towards getting the re-roofing underway very soon.

Don't forget the

Malmesbury to Littleton Walk - 1st and 2nd June

For more details contact Dave Pole davepole@me.com (01454 414801) or Tim Pyper tim.pyper@btinternet.com (01454 416422)



Saturday 15th June on Tockington Green

What a lovely day we had on Tockington Green to introduce back Totally Locally. We welcomed Judy with her new stall of her fresh eggs and quiches and already the feedback has been -'delicious'!

Thank you Jeff Bee for the interesting tales of your honey and the origins of the bees to explain the different colours of the honey - it's such a shame, even I have not seen a honey bee in my garden this year !

Our next market day will be 15th June 9.30 - 12.00 noon.

New to look forward to will be our Cotswold Gold drizzle oil which will add to the continuing sales of the oil and refill service, and obviously seasonal garden produce and garden plants alongside all your old favourites.

Everyone welcome and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Jane Sunnucks and Sharon Lapworth
01454-419931 01454 -613502

Thornbury Summer Food Fair

Saturday 22nd June

Usual time, usual place and hopefully sunshine, come and join us at the Summer Food Fair on Saturday 22nd June in Castle Street. Treat yourselves to some of the best local produce or try some of the delicious food from slightly further afield including fresh fishcakes from Devon and chorizo from Spain.

With music supplied by the Thornbury Band and plenty of places to get a bite for lunch, come and see why Thornbury is one of the best places to live in the country (it's official!!).



Cook's Calendar:

June

Natasha Harrod

The fine weather seems to be finally here after a long, hard winter and my appetites have changed. Out with the desire to wrap myself in the culinary equivalent of a cashmere blanket and in with fresher, cleaner tastes that speak of the longer days.

And yet nature plays a cruel trick on us as there are still no signs of the sunshine in what is available to harvest; for that we must wait.

This month's recipe uses the last of the winter vegetables and yet gives a far lighter result, the flavours being clear and clean. It is perfect for a warm spring day with a touch of cool in the evening. It also chugs away in the oven without needing your attention, leaving you to make the most of being outside.

Pork with Apples and Cranberries

2 tablespoons of olive oil
100g smoked streaky bacon, chopped into 1cm pieces
800g diced pork shoulder
1 onion, chopped
2 large leeks, chopped
4 carrots, chopped
2 garlic cloves, chopped or crushed
2 bay leaves
2 teaspoons chopped sage leaves
5 tablespoons of brandy
250ml apple juice
200ml chicken stock
75g dried cranberries (not the sweetened variety)
15g butter
2 Granny Smith's apples, peeled and chopped into chunks

Serves 4

Preheat the oven to 160C

Take a large lidded casserole and heat the oil in it, adding the bacon. Allow it to cook for about 5 minutes until gently browned, then remove and turn up the heat. Add the pork, browning and allowing to crispen at the edges, then remove from the pan.

Continued overleaf

Add more oil to the pan if necessary, then add the onion and leeks, cook for 5 minutes then add carrots, bay and garlic. Cook for a further 5 minutes and add the brandy, allowing it to evaporate a little, then add the stock and the apple juice. Return the pork and bacon to the pan and stir through the cranberries. Bring to a simmer.

Meanwhile, melt the butter in a small saucepan and fry the apple pieces. When they are browning at the edges, add them to the casserole, give everything a good stir, pop the lid on and put in the oven for a couple of hours. When you lift the lid your kitchen will be filled with the most heavenly aromas!

This recipe is gluten free. It has plenty of sauce and so is best served with rice or mash; sweet potato mash is particularly good.



Fire safety springs to mind

It's the time of year to think about spring cleaning your house, and that means paying attention to your smoke alarm too.

Avon Fire & Rescue Service (AF&RS) wants people to spring into action and dust their smoke alarms while cleaning their kitchens and other rooms.

Station Manager Rob Edwards said: "Smoke alarms save lives, and can give you and your loved ones vital extra seconds to escape a fire. But they can only do that if they are working properly and are kept clean. Without a properly working alarm, you could easily sleep through a fire and never wake up. Just two or three breaths of toxic smoke are enough to render you unconscious, so the early warning you get from a smoke alarm really can make the difference between life and death. At this time of year, we are encouraging anyone who is having a spring clean to remember their smoke alarms too. They also like a regular spring clean to make sure they stay clear from dust build up. You can do this by vacuuming the alarm with a soft brush attachment."

Families are also advised to ensure they have an escape plan, so that everyone knows exactly where to go and how to get out of a property quickly and safely in the event of a fire. AF&RS visits the homes of the most vulnerable members of the community to provide fire safety advice and fit smoke alarms free of charge. To find out more about these Home Fire Safety Visits, call 0117 926 2061 and for more fire safety advice, visit www.avonfire.gov.uk and go to the "safety advice" pages.

Open Gardens

We will be having Open Gardens on the 1st & 2nd June in Olveston and surrounding villages in aid of St Mary's Church and a defibrillator for the community. Programmes and maps are available from Olveston Stores or from the Church.

Enquiries 614861

St Mary's Quiz and Supper evening

On June 8th St Mary's is hosting another of their excellent Quiz and Supper Evenings at 7.30pm. This time it's sweet and sour chicken on the menu. Tickets are only £5, meal included, so how can you resist?! Chris Smart is our Quizmaster, and there is a licensed bar to help you try to remember the answers to the questions!

Friends of St. Mary's

The prize winners in the May draw, held on 2nd May 2013 at the Friends' Committee Meeting were:-

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>
£150	315	Mr R. J. Spratt, Tockington
£75	481	Mr D Skinner, Olveston
£25	461	R & J Smith, Olveston
£25	434	Mrs M Scarborough, Almondsbury
£25	515	SJ & MJ Phelps, Olveston
£20	312	AL & JK Maunder, Cornwall
£20	218	Mrs P K Dash, Olveston
£10	256	Mrs C Healey, Olveston
£10	457	Mr S J Webb, Olveston

From the registers of St Mary's Olveston

Sat May 11th Funeral Service for Tilly Geer

1st Olveston Scouts

Visit to Broadcasting House Bristol

9th April 2013

By Richard Sawyer & Dan Hall



We arrived outside the BBC Studios Whiteladies Road Bristol feeling cold but excited! Emma Garrett took us in and introduced the studios to us. She showed us around and what they did at the BBC.

We were shown the balcony where the weather man does his daily broadcast for Points West. We were informed that he doesn't have to wear a suit and can be in jeans and T-shirt which was unexpected.

We saw a roomful of people on computers looking very busy. We also saw the BBC Bristol Radio suite. We were taken into an interactive room and we got to make our own mini broadcasts with nutty headlines which the staff had already prepared for visitors. There was a green screen behind us and they had a backdrop of a fake studio. I was surprised by this as it looks so real when you see the room on TV.

Larkin one of the finalists from the TV show Masterchef was waiting in the interactive studio as he was about to go live and talk about his experience. We then crept into a viewing room where the "On Air" lights were beaming so we had to be very quiet. Sally Challoner from Olveston then took over looking after us. While watching the live news being filmed. After this finished we went into the actual Points West studio which was smaller than we thought. We met TV presenters David Garmston and Alex Lovell who showed us how everything worked like the auto-cue which was smaller scale than expected.

A BIG Thank You To Sally From All Of The Scouts

Interested in becoming a Scout? Aged 10.5 - 13yrs?

Call Lynda 01454 632484 or Email Lynda.spratt@icloud.com

Olveston School Fun Run - a reminder!

Don't forget that this year the fun run is on Sunday 30 June 2013, start 10am, with a 1K course around the school field and a 5K course starting and ending at the school. Entry forms are available from Nicola Bushell on 01454 612173 or on the website www.olvestonschoolfunrun.org

Oveston & Tockington W.I.

For our June meeting we have booked Annie McKie to talk to us. After training as an actor and speech and drama teacher she became well-known as a broadcaster on Radio 4. To add to her busy life, she has also become known for her fiction writing. Annie's talk is entitled "My accidental career".

Visitors are very welcome to join us at the Parish Hall on Tuesday 11th June starting at 7.30 for what I'm sure will be a fascinating and informative evening.

Movies at St Mary's: June

Trevor Anderson



TWO movies this month at St Mary's Church Oveston. Everyone is welcome and there is no need to book:

MONDAY MOVIES (*Recent releases and popular classics*)

Mon 3rd June at 7.30pm: At a home for retired opera singers, the annual concert to celebrate Verdi's birthday is disrupted by an unwelcome new arrival. If you enjoyed **Marigold Hotel**, you'll enjoy this gentle comedy drama which has just been released on DVD and has been much requested. *Cert 12*

MONDAY MOVIES EXTRA (*Quality 'non-mainstream' films*)

Mon 17th June at 7.30pm: A gripping and harrowing docudrama about a 1985 mountaineering expedition to scale a 21,000 ft peak in the Peruvian Andes that went horribly wrong, told in the words of the survivors. *Cert 15*

Refreshments available at all the shows. Admission is free although a small **donation** at the end towards expenses is always appreciated.

For copyright reasons we can't name the films here, but if you **join the Movie Club** we'll send you titles and full details by email. It costs nothing to join – just email me at trevoranderson@btinternet.com.

Litter Pick

There will be a litter pick on Saturday 1 June. Please meet at the Parish Hall car park at 1pm. 90 minutes effort makes a satisfying difference.

Rod Williams. 612850.

New Cinema and Theatre for Almondsbury and surrounding areas

Graham Pendrill, Tower House, Almondsbury writes:

"I am very excited to inform you about the future opening of Cinema and Theatre in the core of Almondsbury (24 Gloucester Road). I do not know at what stage things will be at when you read this, but I am making a planning application to use part of my home, Tower House, to run a 60 seater Theatre that will host very many different cultural activities. I am proposing for it to run Wednesday-Saturday in the evenings. It will have the atmosphere of the halcyon days for Cinema 1940s-50s with programmes reflecting that period, from classic comedy through to period drama; while the theatre side will be thrown open to local theatre groups for them to put things on. For this purpose and at this stage, we would like to invite you all to engage in this project by offering the space to any collective or individual who would like to bring their creations to life. Please get in touch with us by writing to towerhousecinema@yahoo.co.uk

"So keep an eye on the press, concerning its opening and we look forward to seeing you here in the summer."

Old Down Cricket Club

150 Club Winners May:

£50 Marilyn Green

£15 Paddy Gardner

£5 Bill Finch

Latest £25 Bonus Ball Winners:

20th April Richard Panes

June Fixtures at the Park: (2.00pm Start)

1st June 2nd XI v Stothert & Pitt

8th June 1st XI v Bristol Pakistanis

15th June 2nd XI v Cleeve

22nd June 2nd XI v Winterbourne A

29th June 1st XI v Long Ashton

Please come along & support, everybody welcome.

Up the Down!!

Tony Gardner 07889 727729



In aid of Hammer Out

Table Top Sale

Saturday June 1st, Olveston Parish Hall 10am -12 noon

50p entry (kids free)

Refreshments and home-made cakes available

To book a table contact Brenda on 614366 (£10 table - money confirms table booked)

Ladies Clothes Swap Party

Thursday June 20th - 7.30-9.30pm Olveston Parish Hall

£5 entry plus 3 "unwanted" items from your wardrobe (can include bags, shoes and belts). Come along on the evening and browse for 3 "new to you" items (additional items can be purchased for a small donation).

All items "unswapped" at the end of the evening will be donated to St. Peter's Hospice Shop, St. Michael's Hill, Bristol.

Thank you

We would like to thank all those who supported us with our London Marathon fund-raising Mamma Mia event and pub quiz, and also for the support throughout the training. We are delighted to say we all completed the 26.2 miles and have so far raised nearly £4,000 between us for our chosen charities. We had a fantastic day which was unfortunately blighted by finding out that one of us had been burgled whilst doing the run!

Lucy, Chrissie and Rachael

Daldry Gardens

Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning is now open to everyone on every Tuesday from 10.30 - 12.00, not just the first Tuesday in the month. Coffee and biscuits just 30p.

Thornbury and the Railway

Sunday 23 June

A walk organised by Thornbury and District Museum tracing the path of the branch line which ran to Thornbury between 1872 and 1966 will take place on Sunday 23 June. We meet at the roundabout on Grovesend Way at 1.50pm for a 2pm start. Please note that there is no parking available

The walk will last about 2-3 hours and will end in the town and you are advised to wear sturdy footwear as there are some field paths and stiles en route. The walk is unsuitable for wheelchairs and also the under tens. Older children must be accompanied by an adult. No dogs please, except for guide dogs. A suggested donation of £2 per person towards Museum funds would be appreciated, payable on the day.

Booking is essential as places are limited; tickets are available from the Museum (Tel: 857774 during opening hours) or email: enquiries@thornburymuseum.org.uk or visit the Museum in Chapel Street on Tues - Fri 1-4pm, Saturdays 10am-4pm. Other walks will take place during the summer; for more information please contact the museum or visit our website www.thornburymuseum.org.uk

Catalytic Converter Marking

Over the past months there have been a few thefts of catalytic converters; as a result of this we had a fairly successful Catalytic Converter Marking initiative last week in Thornbury.

I just wanted to inform you that if you know of anybody who would be interested in purchasing a pack for themselves, here are the details:-

The packs include:- 1 x Ultra-destruct label, 2 window warning stickers, Metal marking fluid, Applicator, ISR Contact Card. These are available from Retainagroup at a cost of £9.95 per pack inc. postage. To place an order please call 01233 333000. If you are interested in the website, it is www.theisr.org however no orders can be taken via the internet.

Remember this does not stop offenders from stealing the converters: it is used as a deterrent. For any further information please do not hesitate to contact me: PCSO 9317 Kelly Dimery, Thornbury Police Station.

Tel: 0117 945 5959

Mobile: 07917 586645

The Alveston Singers Summer Concerts

7.30 pm Friday 7th June United Reformed Church, Thornbury

7.30 pm Tuesday 11th June St Helen's Church, Alveston

Works by Mendelssohn, Britten, Elgar, Vaughan Williams, Bennett and Stanford. Free admission with retiring collection for Children's Hospice South West & Great Western Air Ambulance.

Bristol Old Vic Theatre School

Production of 'Moonfleet'

Friday 28th June 7.30 pm in the Armstrong Hall

Did you see triple Oscar Winner for Best Actor, Daniel Day Lewis, in a Bristol Old Vic Theatre School production? His talent was so intense it was almost frightening; a sure-fire star in the making! Will there be another such star blossoming in this year's Bristol Old Vic Theatre School production? As gripping a yarn as 'Treasure Island', 'Moonfleet' has enthralled generations with its fast moving and breathtaking drama.

Come along and appreciate the cream of the country's young actors in this new production of 'Moonfleet', J. Meade Falkner's classic tale of smugglers, shipwrecks, hidden treasure, vengeance and enduring love, on stage in Thornbury as part of an extensive tour.

This is advance notice of a terrific ensemble production which is part of the fund raising for the Armstrong Hall Backstage Improvement Appeal. Friday 28th June 2013 at 7.30pm in the Armstrong Hall. Tickets at £12 each (under 16s £10), to include interval finger food, can be obtained from Thornbury Town Hall or by phoning 01454 412272.



Sharing the Caring

St Peter's Hospice - Tea at Three

St Peter's Hospice Severnside Support Group would be delighted to welcome you

to Tea at Three to be held on Friday 28th June in the garden of the Wheatsheaf Public House in Thornbury (by kind permission of Mr and Mrs R Camp). Teas available between 3.00pm and 4.00pm. Raffle and stalls. If a wet day the event will be held in the skittle alley.

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***A Midsummer Nights Dream* by William Shakespeare**

Sunday 9 June at 14.30. Garden open for picnics from noon. Bring your own low back chairs and rugs.

Tickets: Adults £14 (children under 15 £9.50)

Booking:

Telephone 01 454 413318

Online www.thefestivalplayers.org.uk

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Founded in 1919, Combat Stress (Charity no: 206002) is the leading UK charity specialising in the care of Veterans' mental health. Over the years it has supported almost 100,000 Veterans of every campaign that British Forces have been involved in since the First World War. It is currently supporting just over 5,200 ex-Service men and women. This includes 724 who served in Iraq and 396 who served in Afghanistan.

Sevenside Ramblers



Come and get some fresh air and exercise. Join Sevenside Ramblers on a ramble. Non-members are always very welcome. Please bring packed lunch and plenty of fluids. If you want to go directly to the start of the walk, phone the contact person.

For more information about walks in June 2013, log on to www.sevenside-ramblers.org.uk or pick up a programme at your local library.

Sunday 2 June 2013

Leisurely 10 mile walk Hidden Parts of Bath. Walk on the new Greenway taking in the Devonshire and Coombe Down Tunnels. Return via canals and parks. Meet 8.30 Aldi Car Park Bradley Stoke. Contact 01179 315108

Saturday 8 June 2013

Iron Acton. 4.5 miles. Fields, meadows, river paths on part of Frome Valley walkway. Several stiles. Optional drink at end. Contact 01454 419274 for meeting point and start time.

Sunday 9 June 2013

Moderate 8 mile walk, Vale of Gloucestershire. Pasture, quiet lanes and riverside in overlooked area of Gloucestershire. Easy to moderate undulations. Meet 9.00 Aldi Car Park Bradley Stoke. Contact 01594 845423

Friday 14 June 2013

Clevedon. A two hour Scenic Coastal walk with one steep incline and two stiles. Meet 9.30 Aldi Car Park Bradley Stoke. Contact 01179 761445

Sunday 16 June 2013

Wotton/Ozleworth. 11 miles. Climb out of Wotton to Ozleworth Estate. Paths in and around estate. Cotswold Way back to Wotton. One big climb and few hills. Meet 9.00, Aldi Car Park Bradley Stoke. Contact 01454 633001

Sunday 23 June 2013

Moderate 10 mile walk in the Cotswolds. "Broadway" Broadway tower, Snowhill, magnificent views, and acres of lavender. Meet 9.00 Aldi Car Park Bradley Stoke. Contact 1594 845423

Friday 28 June 2013

A leisurely 2 hour ambles around Oldland Common/Bitton, Meet 9.30 Aldi Car Park Bradley Stoke. Contact 01454 777963

Sunday 30 June 2013

Goodrich. 9 Miles. Woodland, common & riverside pasture. Few slopes/stiles. Views of Symonds Yat & Forest of Dean. Meet 9.00 Aldi Car Park Bradley Stoke. Contact 07890 113179



Thornbury Area Music Trust Young Musicians aged 8- 18

Thornbury Area Music Trust is a charitable trust, run by volunteers to serve the young musicians of Thornbury in South Gloucestershire and its surrounding area. New members are always welcome, so please come along for a 'no obligation' trial.

For beginners to Grade 8 – all string, brass, wind instruments & percussion welcome. The rehearsals for Thornbury Area Music Centre are held at Marlwood Secondary School (Alveston, near Thornbury) on Saturday mornings – 9.30am to 12 noon.

The next Thornbury Area Music Centre concert will take place on Saturday 29th June at Castle School in Thornbury. Concert starts at 7pm (doors open 6.30pm). Just come along – donations on the door.

Email us: info@thornbury-music.org or telephone 01454 415454 Visit our fantastic website & listen to some of the music on sound cloud– www.thornbury-music.org Or like us on face book to show your support

Thornbury Picture House Members' Choice - 'Only Human'

Friday 14th June 7.30 pm at the Cossham Hall

Back by popular demand since our original screening in January 2007, *Only Human* has been described as a fresh and funny Spanish take on the classic family screw-ball comedy, where a mismatched couple discovers that whatever can go wrong will go wrong during a family visit. Winningly human, wonderfully funny, not an evening to miss!

Cossham Hall at 7.30pm on Friday 14th June.
£5 on the door for non members.

News from Thornbury Library

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

NEW Wednesday coffee mornings - with added nostalgia!

Our regular coffee mornings every Wednesday have a new twist. Enjoy nostalgic images of times past on our plasma screen over coffee. For full enjoyment why not bring a friend or neighbour?

Every Wednesday 10.30 -11.30 at the library.

Donations for tea / coffee welcomed.

Drop in service for help with IT problems – Mondays 10-midday

Having problems with email, internet...or any such IT matter? Our volunteer, Mike, is available to help every Monday at Thornbury Library 10am-midday.

There is no charge for this service. Library computers can be used for free – charges apply for printing.

SPECIAL LIBRARY DISPLAYS

Thornbury Poetry Competition – display of winning poems

A slideshow display of winning poems is now showing on our library plasma screen. The competition was launched by Thornbury Gazette and prizes were awarded by Carol Ann Duffy, poet laureate, during Thornbury Arts Festival.

The five winning poems on the theme “My Thornbury” celebrate why Thornbury has been voted one of the best places to live in the UK. Library staff will be happy to run the slideshow on request, if it is not showing at the time of your library visit – please ask.

Women’s Prize for Fiction 2013

Borrow from our selection of shortlisted books for this annual prize, formerly the Orange Prize. The winning title will be announced on June 5th. Shortlisted authors are: Hilary Mantel, A.M. Homes, Kate Atkinson, Barbara Kingsolver, Maria Semple and Zadie Smith.

Continuing until June 30th while stocks last.

Votes for Women

Book display documenting the campaign for women’s suffrage

June 8th 2013 marks the centenary of the death of the suffragette Emily Wilding Davison, who died as a result of injuries sustained when she ran in front of the King’s horse on Derby Day, June 4th 1913. Borrow from our selection of titles which commemorate the courage of the trail-blazing women who campaigned for women’s suffrage.

Continuing until June 30th while stocks last.

Thornbury U3A

Serving postcodes BS32, BS34, BS35, BS36, GL12, GL13

Thornbury University of the Third Age continues to be a thriving group within the local community. The term “university” may appear a little misleading as there is no accreditation or validation and there are no assessments or qualifications to be gained. The list below shows the extremely varied nature of the groups on offer to members for the £7.00 annual subscription or £12.00 for two people at the same address. Members can join as many groups as they choose, although in some cases there may be a waiting list. They may also need to pay the cost, if any, of materials, a contribution towards the cost of refreshments and, if required, of the hire of premises. The majority of meetings are held during the day and some in the home of the group leader.

Archaeology	Architecture	Armchair music
Art Appreciation	Aspects of 20 th century	Astronomy
Bird Watching	Book groups (2)	Bridge (3)
Card Making	Church visits (2)	Cinema
Classical studies	Computer club	Concert visits
Cooking for one	Cooking for gentlemen	Country dancing
Cycling	Discussions	Drawing (3)
Family history	Financial planning	French Book club
French conversation	French WD40	Garden visits
Gentle exercise	German (2)	History (The Tudors)
History (The Stuarts)	Indoor bowls	Investment clubs (2)
Italian	Jazz Appreciation	Latin
Lunch Clubs (2)	Mah Jong(2)	Maths
Music	Opera	Our Living Language
Painting	Photographic	Play-reading
Plodders walking	Poetry appreciation	Railway and Transport
Recorder (3)	Sailing	Scrabble (2)
Science and technology	Singing for non singers	Spanish
Short Slow Rambles	Spanish	Table Tennis (3)
Tai Chi	Theatre and Opera visits	The Great War
Travel and Tourism	Walking	Wine clubs (3)

If anyone is looking for something to do in retirement, or semi- retirement, the U3A is a friendly, entertaining and supportive way to enjoy pursuing new activities or to continue with present ones. New members are always welcome, but new membership is now restricted to the post codes above. Further details can be obtained from the Membership secretary, Tony Turnbull at 01454 614843 or tonyt@cherry-lyn.demon.co.uk Information can also be obtained from the website: www.thornburyu3a.org.uk

Advance notices

Flower Festival: 5th - 7th July

St Mary's Olveston is committed to a project called 'Flight for Sight'. This will enable a minimum of one thousand people to have their sight restored by supporting Mission Aviation Fellowship, whose planes take medical services to remote areas, otherwise only accessible by several days travel.

The final fund raising event will be a Flower Festival from 5-7 July, opening hours 10am to 7pm. On Sunday there will be Morning Worship at 10am and Evening Worship at 6pm and all are welcome to combine them with the flowers. The theme is 'A year in the life of a Parish Church', with over forty displays ranging from the liturgical year to the Film Club and Pet Service! There's no entrance fee though donations will, of course, be welcome. The festival finishes with a Songs of Praise at 6.00 pm on the Sunday so if you have a favourite hymn let Roly Bain know (contact details below).

Tea and coffee will be available in church. The Crusty Loaf, our village bakery, and The White Hart pub are nearby. The Crusty Loaf sells sandwiches, filled rolls, pasties etc, and the garden at the White Hart will be open for lunch after 12 o'clock.

Contact person: Rev Roly Bain tel: 616593 email: roly@rolybain.co.uk

Summer Village Fête - Littleton-upon-Severn - The Marquee

(next to the village hall)

Saturday 13th July 1.00 - 4.00 pm

Traditional Village Fête including dancing by the 'Applejacks', the famous Made in Littleton Stall of homemade goodies, local produce, competitions and traditional games. All Welcome.

Alveston Gardens Association

Monday 1st July 7.30 pm Jubilee Hall, Alveston

Please come and join us at our meeting at the Jubilee Hall, Alveston on 1st July at 7.30 pm when Peter Holloway will give a talk entitled "Fuchsias, Species & Unusual Cultivars". Visitors will be made very welcome and tea and coffee will be served. Cost for non members is £2.

Yours faithfully

A Note from the Quakers

Next year the Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends is to be held in Bath. Quakers from all parts of Britain will be gathering to worship together, make decisions and explore what it means to be a Quaker today. Since Olveston played a significant part in early Quaker history a number of participants from the meeting will be visiting our region to explore its Quaker connections.

Within two years of its foundation in 1652 two members of the Society were holding meetings in and around Bristol, one of which was on Elberton Green. George Fox, one of the founders of the Society, visited Olveston several times and spent his honeymoon at Hill House in 1669. The Quaker burial ground at Lower Hazel, established in 1656, was one of the earliest in the country. Gaunts Earthcott Manor was the home for several generations of the Sturge family who were prominent in Quaker affairs. The great philanthropist Joseph Sturge was born in Elberton Manor in 1793. Thornbury Quaker Meeting intends to arrange an exhibition next year to illustrate the many Quaker connections with the district.

Modern Quaker thought is perhaps best summarized by a recent note in a Quaker magazine – “Quakers share a way of life, not a set of beliefs. Their unity is based on shared understanding and a shared practice of silent worship, where they seek a communal stillness. They seek to experience God directly, within themselves and in their relationships with others and the world around them. They meet together in local meetings, which are open to all who wish to attend. Quakers try to live with honesty and integrity. This means speaking truth to all, including people in positions of power.

“The Quaker commitment to peace arises from the conviction that love is at the heart of existence and that all human beings are unique and equal. This leads Quakers to put their faith into action by working locally and globally to change the systems that cause injustice and violent conflict. They try to live simply and are concerned about the excesses and unfairness of our consumer society and the unsustainable use of natural resources”.

*With best wishes
Roger Howell
The Society of Friends*

Church News

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, OLVESTON

Jun 2	8am	Holy Communion	Rev Philip Rowe
	10am	Holy Communion	Rev P Rowe & Mrs A Lloyd
	10am	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club Team
	6pm	Evensong with Choir	Rev R Bain & Rev R Crew
Jun 9	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev R. Bain
	10am	Morning Worship with Choir	Mr D Jones & Emma Murray (Food Bank)
	10am	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club Team
	6pm	Holy Communion	Rev Philip Rowe
Jun 16	8am	Holy Communion	Rev Roly Bain
	10am	Holy Communion with Choir	Rev Roly Bain
	10am	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club Team
	6pm	Evensong	Rev R Bain & Rev P Rowe
Jun 23	8am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev Helen Webb
	10am	Fourth Sunday	Mr D Jones & Rev R Bain
	10am	Breakfast Club	Breakfast Club Team
	6pm	Evensong (BCP) Choir	Rev David Bone
Jun 30	8am	Holy Communion	Rev David Bone
	10am	Morning Prayer	Mrs Janet McBride
	6pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Choir	Rev David Bone

Information on services correct at time of going to press.

Rev Philip Rowe, 01454 613223; email: office@stmaryssevernside.org.uk

Rev Roly Bain for Baptisms, Marriages & Funerals 01454 616593.

Verger: **Mrs. June Robbins**, 01454 617491

www.stmarysolveston.org.uk/index.html

PRAYER GROUP: Mondays, 2.45pm in the Church

WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION: At 9.00am led by the **Rev. Roly Bain** except 4th Wed when it is at Olv. Methodist Church

CHAPELRY OF ST JOHN, AUST

Jun 9	10am	Holy Communion.	Rev David Bone
Jun 23	10am	Morning Prayer	Rev David Bone

Hon. Curate: **Rev David Bone**, 01454 614601

Church Wardens: Terry McLeavy 633680 Janet Ford 633300

ST MARY DE MALMESBURY, LITTLETON-ON-SEVERN

Jun 2	5pm	Pilgrimage	Rev David Pole
Jun 16	9am	Holy Communion	Rev David Pole

Contact: Rev. David Pole 01454 414810; www.sthelensalveston.org

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, ELBERTON

Jun 9	9am	Matins	Rev David Pole
Jun 23	9am	Holy Communion	Rev David Pole

Contact: Rev. David Pole 01454 414810; www.sthelensalveston.org

OLVESTON AND TOCKINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

Jun 2	10am 6pm	Tock. Ch. Tock. Ch.	Morning Worship led by Mr Glyn Varney Taize Service led by Mr Denis Jones. Filton congregation will join us for this Service
Jun 9	10am	Olv. Ch.	All Age Worship led by Rev. David Hardy. The Breakfast Club will join us later
Jun 16	10am	Tock. Ch.	Morning Worship led by Mrs Rosalie Doyle
Jun 23	10am	Olv Ch.	Morning Worship led by Mr Glyn Varney
Jun 30	10am	Tock Ch.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev Sandy Williams

NORTHWICK LUNCHEON GROUP: This meets at 12.30pm on Wednesday 12th June. To book your lunch please ring 01454 416528

TOCKINGTON LUNCHEON GROUP meets at 12.15 in the Swan Tockington on Thurs 20th June To book please ring 613241, or 612112

COFFEE MORNINGS: Sats 10.30 - 12 noon in the Olveston Methodist Hall.

HOUSE GROUPS One led by Mr Glyn Varney or Mrs Rosalie Doyle on the 2nd Tues. of the month at 10.30am at 7 The Green Olveston. Another led by Rev. Sandy Williams on the 4th Wed. at 10.30am Please ring 416528 for venue.

CONTACT: Rev David Hardy 0117 9693135,
e-mail dandlhardy@btinternet.com

THE VINE, AWKLEY

The Vine, Pilning Street, Awkley

We meet in a relaxed, informal manner for worship, prayer & conversational Bible studies incorporating Communion, on Sundays at 10.30am and Mondays and Wednesdays at 7.30pm We also visit other Churches and events so please check our Notice Board or contact .

Mike and Barbara Matthews, tel. 07512 917229 or email:
thevine_awkley@hotmail.com

THE OASIS CHURCH, OLD DOWN

Jun 2	6.30pm	Ray Anderson
Jun 9	6.30pm	Tony Ward
Jun 16	6.30pm	Paul Ashford
Jun 23	6.30pm	Ceri Morgan-Davies
Jun 30	6.30pm	Chris Palmer (OMS)

Each Thurs at 7.30pm Prayer Time

For further information please contact **Ceri Morgan-Davies** 413043

Paul Ashford, 07774 110814 or email: Paul@CalebGroup.net

AUST EVANGELICAL CHURCH

 Family Worship 11.00am

'The Door' for young people on the last Sunday at 7pm

www.THEDOORYOUTH.CO.UK or tel 07837234949

For more details, please phone 632564.

LITTLETON EVANGELICAL CHURCH

Evening Worship every Sunday at 6pm for details tel. 413247

Resound (BCF) - Twice monthly meetings are held at 4pm at Thornbury Baptist Church (Youth Block)

Contact 0117 3050969 www.bcfnet.com

RC CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING

, Thornbury -

Sat Vigil Mass 18.00 Sun 8.30am Mass 11.00 Family Mass

Tel 01454 412223 www.ctlk-thornbury.org.uk

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)

, Thornbury

Meeting for Worship Sundays 10.30-11.30: The Hanover Room, The Chantry, Castle St. Wheelchair accessible. Children welcome with prior notice.

Local contact: Ben & Candia Barman 01454 412603

National: www.quaker.org.uk Bristol area: www.bristolquakers.org.uk

Diary Dates for June 2013

The information given below is believed to be correct as we go to press.

1 st Sat	Coffee Morning Table Top Sale tel. 614366 Litter Pick Open Gardens Olv./Tock./Awkley	10.30-12.00 10.00-12.00 1.00pm 1.30-5.30	MH PH PH
2 nd Sun	Olveston Open Gardens	1.30-5.30	
3 rd Mon	Monday Movie	7.30pm	StM
4 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning R.B.L.Women Antarctic Adventure	9.30-11.30 10.30-12.00 7.30pm	WR DGCL DGCL
5 th Wed	Every Wed & Fri Vic Hallett Library open		
6 th Thu	Thornbury Farmer's Market Coffee Shop Beat Surgery Olveston Toddlers Open Mic. At White Hart	9.00-1.30 9.00-12.00 10.30-11.30 2.00-4.30 8.30pm	OST OST MH
8 th Sat	Coffee Morning Coffee Morning Quiz & Supper	10.30-12.00 10.30-12.00 7.30pm	AVH MH StM
11 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning Memory Café Women's Institute	9.30-11.30 10.30-12.00 10.15 7.30pm	WR DGCL TMH PH
13 th Thu	Coffee Shop Olveston Toddlers Th. & District Flower Cl.-Open Demo	9.00-12.00 2.00-4.30 7.30pm	OST MH TMH
15 th Sat	Totally Locally on Tock. Green Coffee Morning Meet the Author 15 th -22 nd Scarecrow Festival Superheroes	9.30-12.00 10.30-12.00 10.30-12.00	MH OMC
17 th Mon	Monday Movie Extra	7.30pm	StM
18 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning R.B.L.Women Bingo	9.30-11.30 10.30-12.00 7.30pm	WR DGCL DGCL
19 th Wed	Severn Vale Flower Club Strawberry Tea Jazz at the White Hart Olveston	3.00pm 8.30pm	Chy
20 th Thu	Thornbury Farmer's Market Coffee Shop	9.00-1.30 9.00-12.00	OST

	Olveston Toddlers Ladies Clothes Swap Party	2.00-4.30 7.30-9.00	MH PH
22 nd Sat	Coffee Morning Th. Food Fair Castle St/Plain Olveston Fete Dursley Male Voice Choir	10.30-12.00 10.00-2pm 2.00-4.30pm 7.30pm	MH AC
24 th Mon	Severn Vale Flower Club Practice	1.30pm	AH
25 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee Morning Memory Café	9.30-11.30 10.30-12.00 10.15	WR DGCL TMH
26 th Wed	Severn Valley Quilters Skills Night	7.30pm	CH
27 th Thu	Coffee Shop Olveston Toddlers Th. & District Flower Cl.-Workshop	9.00-12.00 2.00-4.30 7.30	OS† MH TMH
28 th Fri	SPH Tea at Three in Wheatsheaf Garden	3-4pm	
29 th Sat	Coffee Morning Car Boot Sale at Marlwood School	10.30-12.00 1.30-3.00pm	MH
30 th Sun	Olveston School Fun Run Old Down Neighbourhood Watch BBQ		

Looking ahead to July

5 th -7 th	Flower Festival		StM
13th	Littleton-on-Severn Village Fete	1.00-4.00pm	LVH

KEY: **AC** Aust Church; **ACR** – Almondsbury Church Rooms; **AH** – Armstrong Hall; **AMC** – Alveston Methodist Church; **AMH**- Alveston Methodist Hall; **AP** – Alexandra Pavilion; **AVH** – Aust Village Hall; ; **CH** – Cossham Hall; **Chy** – Chantry ;**CS** Castle Sch. **DGCL** – Daldry Gardens Community Lounge; **EVH** – Elberton Village Hall; **LVH** Littleton Village Hall **MH** – Olveston Methodist Hall;**OMC** Oliv Meth Ch **OS** – Olveston School; **OS†** – Olveston Stores; **OV** – Olveston Vicarage; **PH** – Olveston Parish Hall; **StM** St Mary's Church, Oliv.; **StMA** Almondsbury Church **SMH** St Mary,s Ch. Hall Thornbury;**TCh** Tockington Chapel **TBCh** - Thornbury Baptist Church; **TMH** – Thorn. Methodist Hall; **URC** - Thornbury United Reform Church; **WR** – Wesley Rooms.

Contact details for any clubs or organisations in the Meeting Point area can be found in the Meeting Point Directory on the community website: www.olvostonandaust.com. If you would like to update your organisation's details, please email: meetingpointsecretary@olvostonandaust.com

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