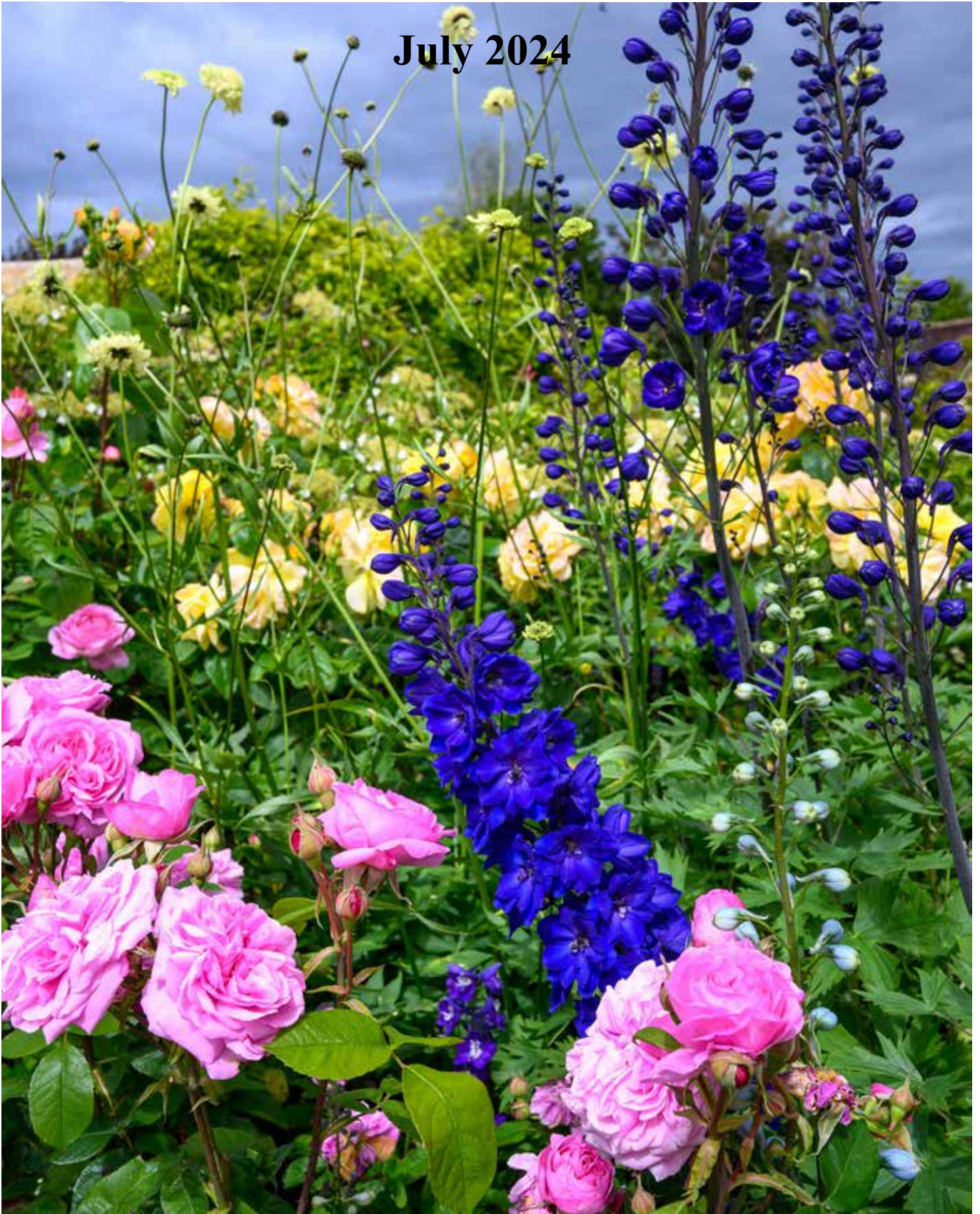


THE BRIDGE

July 2024



One of the many beautiful gardens in the Burford Festival photographed by Andrew McKerlie

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EDITORS' NOTES

A Busy Month

In a normal month our deadline for copy to be submitted for the next edition of this magazine is the 10th. The Burford Festival ended on 16 June and the final reports and photographs trickled in the 17th or 18th. As we wanted to give as much coverage as possible to the festival, we have had to delay publication so the magazine will arrive later than usual.

We hope that many of our readers took the opportunity to enjoy some of the varied festival events this year. Although there were a number of distinguished visitors, two excellent and entertaining talks were given by local residents, the evergreen Raymond Moody and a newcomer to the event, Steve Colter. Congratulations to Sara Hall and her team for organising this great event. There is much more on the festival within.



Election News

No, don't panic. We have tried to make this magazine an election-free zone and indeed because of the delay referred to above it may not reach you until after polling day and you will know which of the seven all-male candidates has been elected as MP for Witney. But if by chance you do get it before 4 July, don't forget to take photo ID with you when you go to the polling station. A passport, driving licence or older person's bus pass will do as long as your photo is on it - there is a long list of what is acceptable on the back of your poll card (which is actually now a letter rather than a card).

Long Service

In our May edition we rather rashly speculated that no one was likely to exceed David Cohen's spell of 30 years on Burford Town Council. It was swiftly pointed out to us that another councillor has already served for longer: step forward Jane Tunnell-Westmacott. She has been on the council so long that the exact date of her election is lost in the mists of time but the provisional estimate is that she has been in office for 35 years which include a long stint as deputy mayor. So well done, Jane, for all you do for the town as a councillor, as trustee of four charities and in many other capacities.

And also well done to Sue Lofthouse who has stood down after 20+ years. We are lucky to have councillors who devote so much time and energy to serving the community.

Where's that tree?

On the front of the May edition of The Bridge we put a photograph of a tree which we took in Burford last year. At the time we couldn't remember exactly where it was but going round the excellent open gardens provided the answer: it is on the right-hand side of Swan Lane Close and we believe it is an Acer griseum (paperbark maple). Well worth a visit.



THE REAL BRIDGE

Finally, the repair of the bridge is slowly under way. It is a shame a lot of the original stonework has been lost along with its original historic graffiti; let us hope the new stone will age to match over the next few years. Perhaps the spray and exhaust fumes from HGVs will help! It was damaged on 9 June two years ago.

Thanks, and an opportunity

After over 20 years, Cllr Sue Lofthouse has retired from the council so we will have another vacancy for a councillor over the next couple of months. My thanks to Sue for her service to the town. The town council is non-political and we do our best to keep Burford the special place it is, and support all parts of our community. If you are interested in the voluntary opportunity, please contact Christina on town.clerk@burford-tc.gov.uk

Burford Festival

The Mayor's Reception to start the Burford Festival was very well attended with a real "buzz" on a lovely sunny evening. It was good to meet so many residents old and new and welcome some from Cotswold Gate. We were provided with lovely food from Jane and Mary, and our councillors ran the free bars. My thanks to all involved, and the Warwick Hall for hosting the event, making a great start to the Festival.

What is the future of The Recreation Ground Pavilion?

I wanted to share the Council's concern about the future of the pavilion building on the Recreation Ground which may be reaching the end of its economic life.

The pavilion was built in the 1960s, and was constructed of wood with a felt flat roof. The roof has leaked for some time and the front has deteriorated badly. With no showers and with outside toilets, it is not up to current standards for facilities to support sports teams.

We are having the structure evaluated for safety, and then we need to decide what to do about it.

We will be asking the community and the users of the recreation ground for their suggestions for upgrade or demolition and possible replacement on the site. As ever, there will be a problem with funding but first, we need to have a conversation about what is needed for Burford recreation ground for the next 20-30 years. Look out for more in next month's edition.

Double Yellow Lines on The Hill

The double yellow lines first installed by OCC in 2005 on the pavement on The Hill, which had faded over time, have now been repainted, as recently many vehicles have parked there illegally. OCC are now able to, and will now start, to enforce the parking restriction. Vehicles are allowed to access the pavement for loading/unloading, but not for parking. I hope residents will respect this and ensure any visitors/contractors do so too.

Finally, welcome to our new councillor

Clare Sylvester will be joining the council in July. She was part of our Play Area Committee, and I welcome her now after her election onto the full council and look forward to working with her.

Peter Higgs - Mayor Burford Town Council



Although no meeting for June, members were busily baking and got together helping to serve tea and cakes on both afternoons at the Burford Festival Open Gardens. It's great to support raising funds for all the worthy local projects that the festival donates money to.

Our May meeting with Helena McBride, an Oxfordshire declutterer, now of TV fame, we certainly learnt how to declutter and sort out our lives. Learning to fold clothes in all number of ways plus she provided so many hints and ways how to recycle and resell our clutter.

In June, I was fortunate to attend and be the delegate to represent our WI and three others locally at the National Federation WI annual conference this year held in the Royal Albert Hall. It was such an inspirational day seeing 5,000 women from all around England and Wales in the audience, with goose bump moments when we all sang together Jerusalem in harmony. The theme for this year was having awareness of domestic violence and how to stop it. The speakers were Mel B MBE, Nazir Afzal OBE, and Timothy Watson. Mel B was interviewed by Victoria Derbyshire, and she gave a frank insight to the abuse she suffered during her 10 year marriage giving her personal insight of coercive and controlling behaviours and about the strength to leave with her children and start again. She is now Patron of Women's Aid. Nazir Afzal was the chief Crown Prosecutor for the NW England. He spoke so passionately and both Nazir and Mel B received a standing ovation. The campaign was unanimously voted 'For'. Dental Health Matters, will be this year's resolution.

Our WI Garden Party is on 13 August by the kind invitation of Sue and Richard Newport, in their beautiful garden with a game of 'Aunt Sally'. This is a traditional English game with players throwing sticks at a ball and often played at pubs. There will be drinks and snacks too.

On 10 September we are back in the Baptist Hall and have a fascinating speaker giving us an insight into 'Behind the Tape - Crime Scene Investigation'. Our speaker Hayley is a former Crime Scene Examiner with over 14 years of experience working with the Metropolitan Police.

We are always keen to welcome new members and guests are always very welcome to any of our meetings for a suggested donation of £5.

The Fab WI meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the Baptist Church in Witney Street at 7.30 p.m. For further information please visit our website thefabwi.org.uk or contact me on thefabwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk or Mobile 07710 103015.

Jennie Craven - President

PET CHARITY BLUE CROSS

Blue Cross pet charity in Burford is thanking its team of dedicated volunteer pet foster carers who go the extra mile to care for homeless pets until permanent owners are found by caring for them in their own home; from small pets like degus and chinchillas to dogs, cats and even horses. The charity is



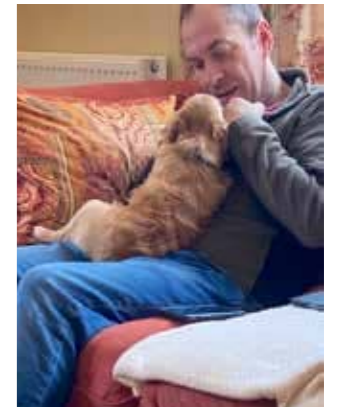
also calling on local animal lovers to find out more about becoming a volunteer foster carer and sign up.

Hannah Wiltshire, Centre Manager at Blue Cross in Burford, said: "We are so grateful to all of our volunteers who foster pets for us. We know they find the experience incredibly rewarding and some even say it has been life changing, for both themselves and the pets they have cared for. Being in a home environment is so much better for pets and it

also means more space in our rehoming centres to help animals in desperate need. For puppies and kittens it is essential for them to be around the usual household sights and sounds to enable them to grow into happy and confident adult pets."

Blue Cross aims to rehome 10,000 pets per year by 2026 and is calling out to local animal lovers to sign up as volunteer foster carers to help the charity to reach this ambitious aim.

Rob Thomas and his wife Bev have fostered 60 dogs for Blue Cross in Burford since starting seven years ago and are currently fostering a three-year-old Cavalier King Charles spaniel called Bailey for the charity until a forever home can be found. Bailey came into the charity after his previous owner passed away. Rob said: "The reason we foster is that it's so rewarding to see what difference we can make to the dogs' lives, and how they open up in a home environment."



Foster carers receive full training and all costs, including travel, are covered by Blue Cross and there is full support and guidance throughout. To find out more about becoming a volunteer foster carer and joining the Blue Cross team visit www.bluecross.org.uk/pet-fostering or contact the centre in Burford on 0300 777 1849 or email burford@bluecross.org.uk

With the increasing demand for Blue Cross pet welfare services, the charity needs the support of animal lovers to continue its work helping pets and their people, in any way they can. Whether that's by donating to keep rehoming and veterinary services going through these tough times, fundraising for Blue Cross, providing foster care for pets while loving new homes are found, volunteering at pet food banks, or signing up to support Blue Cross campaigns for better pet welfare. www.bluecross.org.uk

Emma Sword

Don't forget to look at our website www.thebridgeburford.co.uk too for updates on local news, previous features and topical photographs

And for more photos about Burford events do look at Burford Life on Facebook

FOOLS DELIGHT CIRCUS

Such stuff as dreams are made on...

In the glorious rural setting of an idyllic Cotswold farm, you could be forgiven for thinking you had stepped into a childhood fairytale as you wander past the blossoming orchard to a rustic barn where drinks and treats await, before entering the surprisingly little bigtop that is home to Sideshow, the spring production for 2024.



Created by the amazing and talented Lil Rice, niece of legendary Nell Gifford, Fools Delight was founded in 2022 after a fortuitous meeting with Sam Goodburn (the hilarious and incredible 'Eyes Closed Man') and top chef, Dave Cross, and a new era of spectacular Cotswold circus began.



Catering for both adult and child audiences, the daytime shows are perfectly family orientated, with a variety of daring and magical acts (no spoilers here!) and engaging humour performed to a backdrop of bluesy rock music provided by the excellent Fools Delight band - listen for the invisible 'trumpet' and 'musical saw' played vocally by Leonie. The evening shows include a fabulous three course dinner, using seasonal ingredients and catering for any special dietary requirements.

As with all circuses, you would expect to see unbelievable and enchanting acts, but what makes Fools Delight stand out from the rest is the intimacy enjoyed by an (occasionally and unexpectedly) participant audience: you are made to feel part of this circus family from the very first moment, and that is what makes a trip to see Fools Delight so very special. The show is full of surprises and warmth from a troupe of entertainers who are clearly having a ball - it feels like

stumbling upon a secret, magical dressing up box left forgotten in the attic and will bring out the child in all who are lucky enough to find it.

Tickets are available for the next, exciting show, Spinster, which runs from 1-19 August - just go to www.foolsdelight.co.uk to book. Instagram @foolsdelightcircus
Joanna McKerlie



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The team are working extra hard at Madhatter Bookshop, we are working on our new shop 'Little Madhatter' and all the events and excitement that will bring. You can follow our progress at www.madhatterbookshop.co.uk

Burford Literary Festival

Tickets for Burford Lit Fest will go on sale very soon and we look forward to seeing many of you there with a varied line-up that includes Sir Laurie Bristow, Simon Mason, Flora Soames, Sally Page and many others. We do hope you will find something that appeals to you.

All the information is available at www.burfordlitfest.co.uk
July is the time book lovers turn their thoughts to a holiday read. Whether you are looking for a book to keep you glued to your sun lounger or a literary masterpiece, here are a few of our favourites to brighten your beach bag.

The House of Doors by TanTwan Eng: from Man Booker Prize-shortlisted Tan T'wan Eng, *The House of Doors* is a masterful novel of public morality and private truth a century ago. Based on real events, it is a drama of love and betrayal under the shadow of Empire.

Yellowface by Rebecca F Kuang: When failed writer June Hayward witnesses her rival Athena Liu die in a freak accident, she sees her opportunity... and takes it. But what of the consequences?

Unruly: A History of England's Kings and Queens by David Mitchell is a funny book about a serious subject *Unruly* is for anyone who has ever wondered how we got here - and who is to blame!

Tom Lake by Anne Patchet: from the author of *The Dutch House*, *Tom Lake* is a meditation on youthful love, married love and the lives parents lead before their children are born. Both hopeful and elegiac, it explores what it means to be happy even when the world is falling apart.

The Paris Novel by Ruth Reichl: 'The last word anyone would use to describe Stella St Vincent is adventurous.' She's perfectly comfortable with the familiar, strict routines of her life as a copy editor in New York. Or at least, she is until she receives a mysterious note from her late mother and a one-way plane ticket to Paris.

We look forward to seeing you in the bookshop soon.
Happy reading, Kim and the Madhatter Team

NEW TO BURFORD & AREA?

Welcome. The Burford & District Society will be happy to deliver your free copy of the 'Living in Burford & District' Pack with details of many of the local facilities, clubs and societies. Simply email your name and address to lizannjack@gmail.com

BROUGHTON CASTLE AND THE ROUNDHEADS



On 21 May, the Burford & District Society was given a tour of Broughton Castle, which some 40 of us enjoyed immensely. To date the owners have included 22 Lords Saye and Sele and our guide took us briefly through the history of the house over the last eight centuries. It was all well done; but the guide was I think a little hard on William Fiennes, 1st Viscount and 8th Baron Saye and Sele (1582-1662), who took the side of Parliament during the Civil Wars of the mid 17th century. Specifically she referred to him darkly as 'plotting' against Charles I, as if Saye was clearly a villain.

There is another point of view. Some would say that Fiennes was a principled man, who disagreed strongly with Charles about politics and religion and was prepared to fight for what he stood for, despite the dangers. Saye opposed King Charles during the so-called 'Eleven Years Tyranny' of 1629-1640, when Charles ruled without Parliament; and he strongly resisted the payment of the ship-money tax, because it had not been authorised by statutory law. In the 'Short Parliament' of 1640 he was one of the few peers who sided with the Commons in demanding the redress of grievances before supply; and it was after King Charles dissolved that Parliament that Broughton Castle was searched, in the hope of finding treasonable documents. This led to Saye being accused of plotting; but, when I was at school, I was taught that the Civil War was a 'struggle for the Constitution'.

Saye was also a Puritan and he was critical of Charles I and Archbishop Laud's attempts to move the Church of England in what many considered to be a Roman Catholic direction. His schemes to colonise the Americas were intended to undermine the Spanish empire, that great bastion of Catholicism. These differences about religious matters may not mean much to us now; but they mattered a great deal in 17th century England.

For all his apparent radicalism, Lord Saye was no revolutionary. Charles I's principal adviser wrote that he 'had not the least thought of dissolving the monarchy, and less of levelling the ranks and distinctions of men.' Though Saye and his sons fought for Parliament, he opposed the execution of Charles I in 1649 and thought that those who had established a republic had gone much too far. He once famously remarked that he had not fought the King to be ruled by 'ploughboys'; and, in 1660, he welcomed the Restoration of Charles II.
Stephen Cooper, Chairman of the Burford and District Society

GUIDED WALKS WITH THE COTSWOLD VOLUNTARY WARDENS

Details of the walks available are described on the website (below). Please check walk details carefully on the website, including whether booking is necessary. Additional walks may be published on the website.
<https://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/visiting-and-exploring/guided-walks/>

A Walk around the Sherborne Valley – Tuesday 2 July – Moderate 3hr 5.5ml

A circular route starting and finishing at Northfield Barn CP crossing the Sherborne Brook at Mareslaid Copse and returning, exploring the NT-owned estate trail. Please bring a drink/snack. Start: 9.30am Northfield Barn, Sherborne. OS Map ref: SP 175 154. W3W: enhancement.kneeled.scrubbing

Witney and Minster – Contrasts and Compromises – Monday 8 July Moderate: 8.5 miles 5 hours

Start: 10am St Mary's Churchyard, 7 Church Green, Witney A circular walk revealing the rich history of this wool town. Expect some great country views too.

Crossing a River, a Railway and a Border on the lookout for Butterflies Saturday 20 July - Easy: 3 hours 5.5 miles

Start: The car park next to the village school in Kingham OX7 6YD.

A nice easy walk slap bang in the middle of the Big Butterfly Count 2024. We will be joined by a butterfly expert.

Chastleton – A Wheelbarrow and a Barrow – Wednesday 24 July – Moderate 5hr 8.5ml

A delightful walk with glorious views on grass meadows, fields and tracks. As always the likelihood of mud after wet spells. Bring a packed lunch and National Trust membership card if you have one. Car parking is free for members. The house and gardens are well worth a visit after the walk. Please bring a lunch and a drink/snack. Start: 10.00am Chastleton House (NT) car park GL56 0SU OS Map ref: SP 252 289. W3W: stall.edgy.continues

Chipping Campden Town Walk – Every Tuesday and Thursday to the end of September – Easy 1.5hr

We will walk along the High Street and provide a historical tour of the town. From the granting of Campden's Charter in the 1180s, the growth of the town and its magnificent buildings, to the arrival of the Arts and Crafts movement. Refreshments available in the town after the walk. Start: 2.00pm on Tuesdays and 10:00am on Thursdays. Meet at the Market Hall in the centre of town. OS Map ref: SP 151 392.

PLEASE use appropriate footwear as some walks may be steep and muddy in places. EASY - Length may vary but terrain is mainly flat (level); MODERATE - includes some hills and rough ground. STRENUOUS – may be rough underfoot and ascents and descents may be steep. We welcome guide and hearing dogs - sorry, others not allowed. Walks are free although we do invite donations to help fund our conservation and improvement work.
Sheila Wasley and Rosemary Wilson



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Helen Bryce donations by her grandchildren



Around 1916 the artist Helen Bryce came with her mother to Littleham, near Burford bridge, setting up her studio probably on the first floor looking over the road and meadows upstream. Later Miss Bryce, an accomplished artist, had a house built at Cocklands Hill, Fulbrook, and set up a press there to produce greeting cards until the 1970s. Burford Tolsey Museum holds some of Helen's sketch books and several paintings of local scenes; her 'Impression of Burford High Street' is now featured on one of the Burford Tolsey's exclusive greeting cards. Miss Bryce also led the team who created the famous Burford dolls house, and for which she personally made all its lifelike residents.

In connection with a forthcoming book that the Burford Tolsey Museum is developing, we recently managed to trace the whereabouts of her grandchildren in London. This resulted in us welcoming her grandson Leigh and granddaughter Susie to the Museum on 6 June to see our collection. To mark their visit and thank us for appreciating and celebrating their grandmother's work, Leigh presented us with a wonderful folder packed with pristine examples of Helen Bryce's Christmas and greeting cards. His sister Susie separately presented the Museum with a painting that her grandmother had left to her which had the following explanation on the back, "Keylocks Petrol Station, High Street, before alteration".

The above photo shows left to right, Susie and her husband Clive, Peter Martin (BTMA trustee), Leigh and Penny, his wife, who made the folder. The other pictures are of the painting together with a modern image of the subject matter. The hawk-eyed will quickly spot, or already know, that today there is a pull-in space immediately in front of the two bay windows shown in green on the painting. This was to allow vehicles access to the two petrol pumps which swung out over the pavement. The pumps have long since gone but we are left with this wonderful 1920s image of this section of the High Street, thanks to the donors' generosity.

The collecting policy of the Burford Tolsey can be found on our website under 'More About Us' but in short, items for our permanent collections must have a significance and/or relevance to Burford and its surrounding district. This simply means that items must demonstrate a strong association with Burford and its environs by having been made or used in the area, or by being strongly identified with its heritage or culture.

Items not meeting these criteria will not usually be accepted, especially if it would be more appropriate for them to be offered to another museum or archive. We will always try to suggest other museums or archives if we think that an object would be better suited to another collection.

Peter Martin



They Run With Surprising Swiftness
The Women Athletes of Early Modern Britain.
Peter Radford 7.30pm Thursday 25 July
Burford Baptist Church 34 Witney St, Burford

Women have battled for place in the male-dominated world of sports throughout the twentieth and early twenty-first centuries, overturning obstacles and highlighting the changing position of women in societies around the world. This has become one of the defining stories of our age and the central story of women's sports. This talk tells a different and much older, forgotten story with many of the same themes.



Sports have never been the sole preserve of men; women athletes have always been there. Throughout the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries in Britain, women of all ages ran, fought, rode, played football, cricket, tennis, and other sports. They competed in tough, head-to-head events that required extraordinary endurance and skill. Though not labelled "athletic" at the time, these women performed feats that in our age would certainly earn that description. Peter Radford's talk, based on his book, recognises these remarkable athletes and their achievements and aims to restore them to their rightful place in the long history of women in sport.

Peter Radford is a former British athlete, who competed at 100 and 200 metres (and 100 and 220 yards), broke world records, and won Olympic medals.

Admission, £6 payable at the door or www.tburfordtolsey.org/ event. Free to all Benefactors of the Burford Tolsey.

Peter Martin

FRIENDS OF BURFORD LIBRARY

June was such a wonderful month. Thank you to all who organised such a memorable Burford Festival.

Our own event, the Poetry and Pimms afternoon, held at the Baptist Church, was a great success. Our appreciation to all the fascinating poets who entertained us.

As we now relax into the summer months, please remember that the Library houses an enviable stock of varied and interesting books. Whether you want a spellbinding page turner to take on your summer holiday, or need to research that subject that has grabbed your attention, please make your way to Burford Library in the High Street.

We are always pleased to see you.

Maureen Percival

BURFORD LIBRARY



Get creative this summer with a FREE children's reading challenge in Burford's library!

From 6 July to 7 September, children can collect stickers and rewards as they enjoy reading library books.

This year's theme – Marvellous Makers – is all about creativity; from dance to drawing, junk modelling to music, there's something for everyone. Children who finish the challenge will get a medal and a certificate.

Under fours can take part in a mini challenge with their own special card and stickers.

Carol-Amy Holdcroft - Librarian.

BURFORD AND KINGHAM ROTARY

This is the Rotary calendar for the summer months. Guests are very welcome to speaker meetings. Please contact our secretary John Smith email jpw.smith@jasss.co.uk 07717883182 if you would like to join us the Thursday before the meeting.

29 June Chastleton teas. Do visit and come have a cup of tea and a piece of cake

15 July Bridewell picnic

22 July Peter Mountford MBE speaker veterans charity

28 July Chastleton teas

29 July Indian meal out in Burford

19 August Dr Muriel Pilkington speaking on the Burford Mutiny

24 August Chastleton teas

Why not think about joining Rotary? We meet at Burford golf club on Mondays 6.30pm for 7.00pm (except Bank Holidays). We are a small but very friendly vibrant group, with members from all the local villages in the area.

We are always looking to increase our membership. You will get a very warm welcome.

If I can give you any more details about Rotary please do give me a ring. I would love to hear from you to have an informal chat.

Ros Richardson
01608643844/07702135731



BURFORD & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

This month's talk, Potatoes, Peppers, Petunias and Poisons, was made fascinating by our speaker, Paul Williams, who knew what we can and cannot eat in this group of plants, the Solanaceae. How about the fact that aubergines have nicotine in them; about 14 kilos is the equivalent of one cigarette, best of luck to those trying to give up smoking. But Paul did suggest a slice of aubergine taped to your arm may work instead of a nicotine patch!

We are looking forward to our trip to David Austin, and getting ready for the Horticultural Summer show.



Everyone is invited to join in with the Horticultural Summer show on Saturday 6 July at Burford Bowls Club, not just members. All the details are on our website burfordhorticultural.com, or you can contact David Cohen, show secretary, on 01993 822288 or 07899 837482, just 20p per class entry. Alternatively, you can come along to see the results between 1.15 pm and 2.00 p.m. for £1 including tea and biscuits.

So, we are now looking forward to some good weather, just the right amount of rain, at night preferably, and plenty of sun.

Jan Cohen

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18 July 2024 by 5.00pm. Late orders will not be accepted. Deliveries for the July order are expected to be between 22 July and 4 August, depending on holidays and market conditions at the time. The following order will be on Thursday 12 September 2024.

Please note for existing members there is no need to renew your membership. For new members there is a £10 membership fee.

You can join the syndicate and order online at www.burfordoil.co.uk, or membership application forms, and order forms are available from Reavley's Chemist. Any questions please contact *Peter Higgs 822462*

GILBERT JESSOP MEMORIAL



The legendary cricketer Gilbert Laird Jessop, who still holds the record for the fastest century (76 balls) by an Englishman in a Test match,



was honoured at Burford School in May, to commemorate his link with the school and the 150th anniversary of his birth.



Jessop's famous innings was played during the Test match between England and Australia in 1902. England, needing 263 to win, had fallen to 48 for 5 when Jessop went in to bat. After his whirlwind innings England scraped home by one wicket. Jonny Bairstow came closest to breaking the record in 2022 with a hundred in 77 balls.

The Old Burfordians Association was happy to fund the project as a mark of respect for Jessop who taught at Burford Grammar School (as it then was) in 1893-94 before going on to represent Cambridge University, Gloucestershire and England.

The unveiling was performed by Jessop's granddaughter Lucy and his daughter-in-law Pat and in attendance were several Old Burfordians, the headteacher and the two captains of Jessop House, Kat Kola-Abiola and Alexander Anderson.



This year also marks the 130th anniversary of the first recorded Boys v Girls match, which took place at Burford in June 1894 and it is widely believed that Jessop played a prominent role in getting this match played between the youngest boys of the school and the daughters of the masters and local businessmen. The girls won.

More information about Gilbert Jessop and his links to Burford School can be found online.

David Cohen and Gordon Elliot

THE ARTS SOCIETY COTSWOLDS

Our next lecture will take place on Wednesday 11 September, on the topic of The Sculpture of Antony Gormley. Until then, the committee of The Arts Society Cotswolds wish you a happy summer break.

To learn more about The Arts Society Cotswolds and to see what lectures, Special Interest Days and other activities are planned, please log into the website: www.theartsocietycotswolds.org.uk

Or contact Carolyn Walton on 01993 822296

Alison Morgans

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Have you, or an adult that you look after, stayed in hospital during the last 12 months? If so, Healthwatch Oxfordshire would like to hear from you.

The county's independent health and social care watchdog would like to hear about your experience of leaving hospital, and any care and support you got in the first few weeks afterwards.

Healthwatch Oxfordshire would particularly like to understand what worked well and what could be improved, so it can help shape the support people receive when they leave hospital. You can share your views and experiences by completing this anonymous survey www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/leavinghospital

The survey also includes an option to leave your contact details so that Healthwatch Oxfordshire can get in touch with you for a more in-depth conversation about your experience.

If you would like a paper copy of this survey to complete, would like it in another format or language, or would prefer to speak to someone about this, please contact Healthwatch Oxfordshire on 01865 520520 or at hello@healthwatchoxfordshire.co.uk

For more information about this work see www.healthwatchoxfordshire.co.uk/news/leaving-hospital
Vicky Tilley

BBC - BURFORD BRIDGE CLUB

We are a newly established club that began in June 2024.

Apart from a few, most members of the BBC are either novices or those returning to the game after a hiatus, myself included.

To preserve the ethos of the BBC as a congenial learning environment for novices and to retain its attractiveness to a wide audience, we play in Rubber and Chicago formats with hands that are cut and dealt, rather than using Duplicate with boards.*

Weekly Play and a Monthly Supervised Play sessions at the Warwick Hall between 4:30pm - 6:30pm.

- * Weekly Play every Tuesday
- * Monthly Supervised Play every second Tuesday - hosted by Joe Searby

Fee per player:
Yearly Joining Fee: £30.00 - commencing June 2024
Monthly Session Fee: £12.00 - one supervised and three/four non-supervised plays

Bidding boxes, playing cards, score sheets and felt table covers will be provided by the club. Tea and coffee facilities including biscuits.

The BBC strives to serve as a community learning hub for beginners, offering friendly games of Rubber and Chicago Bridge.

Amir Hashimi 07831 301886 bbc.office@mail.com

How about Mornington Crescent Format? Ed



BURFORD SCOUT GROUP

We would like to thank everyone who has supported the Boot Sales every Bank Holiday Monday for the past 25 years.

A few have been cancelled owing to bad weather but the majority have been successful and have raised funds to keep the Scout HQ in good repair and we are fortunate to have plenty of camping equipment to help make the young people's camping experiences memorable.



Back in 1999 our group was quite small, and we wanted to take 16 young people to a Jamboree in Essex. To do this we needed to raise funds. As you can imagine the costs were huge with camp fees, food, transport to take us etc. It was then that a local established car boot sale in Swinbrook was folding, and we thought it was a good opportunity to help raise the funds we needed. With a discussion with Burford town council it was agreed that we could hold the events on Westfield on four Bank Holiday Mondays a year. In the beginning we were pleased to get 20 boots at £5 and fortunately more as years went on. The last May holiday we had 52 boots and we charge £10 per pitch.



Bacon sarnies, teas, coffee and cakes along with the toilet facilities have always been welcomed by our visitors, add to our funds and bring regular booters back year after year.

We are looking for any small local charities that are keen to raise some funds to help with staffing next year's boot sales. ideally between 7am and noon.

After 25 years and only missing three mornings, with a heavy heart I am stepping down and am happy to pass on my knowledge to keep them running and funding the group and other charities.

Weather permitting, 25 August is the final one this year and if anyone is interested in helping or finding out more about the running of the event, please contact me or come and see us on the day.

Over the past 25 years we have only cancelled the August day twice because of weather. This is usually the busiest and our record for the day is 76 boots.

Claire Griffin 07751472125 Burford Scout Group.

BURFORD PRE SCHOOL

Summer term at Burford preschool is fast approaching, and we have been busy arranging our annual school trip to a farm park, and a visit from Burford fire station. Sadly we will be losing several children as they will be moving onto pastures new, we wish them all the best for the future. We have been getting them primary school ready by encouraging lots of independence and visits from their new prospective teachers. We do have several spaces available for a September start but places are filling up quickly so please do get in touch if you would like a place for your child.

We would like to thank everyone who has supported us over the past year, especially Mrs Garratt who gives up her free time and comes in weekly to spend precious time with the children, they thrive on this, so thank you so much. Not forgetting Amy Dadge who has fund-raised this year as we desperately needed these funds to keep up with all of the building maintenance and provisions for the children.

Karen Peedell

AUDIO CORNER

The Bridge carries many articles recommending books to read but we can't remember any about audio books which are popular amongst those who are on the move and the visually impaired.

The editors have been enjoying listening to the Just William stories by Richmal Crompton (1890 -1969). The author started her career as a schoolteacher but lost the use of her right leg through polio at the age of 33 and gave up teaching to become a full-time writer. And what a writer she was, producing 41 novels for adults, nine short story collections and 38 books of the Just William series. The William stories were originally intended for adults but proved popular with children and were hugely successful, with 12 million copies being sold. The protagonist, William Brown, is a schoolboy who gets into various scrapes but always somehow comes out on top through a combination of good luck and sheer cunning. The supporting cast includes his gang, The Outlaws, their deadly enemies the Hubert Laneites and the immortal Violet Elizabeth Bott (catchphrase: "I'll threem and threem until I'm thick - I can, you know!").

Although of their time, the humour and invention of the stories remain fresh. The recordings were originally made for the BBC by Martin Jarvis who shows amazing virtuosity in providing different voices and accents for the various characters. They come in 15 minute episodes so don't need much concentration to listen to. Highly recommended.

Editors



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THE WINDRUSH VALLEY FLOWER SHOW

And Red Devils, Classic Cars and many more delights



The Windrush Valley Flower Show is something of an annual institution, and one of which the remarkably small team of organisers can be justifiably proud, with many features of the show remaining the same today as when it first started in Little Barrington in the 1960s.

Today, thanks to the generosity of the Wingfield family, Great Barrington village hall plays host to regular competitions of home grown produce, cakes, preserves, wine and handicrafts, all judged by local experts. Prizes and trophies are awarded in a ceremony at the end of the day. With many keen local artists the art and photography categories are increasingly popular; the show also includes needlecraft, floral displays and other handicraft competitions for all ages, demonstrating a remarkably talented local community.

Since 2020, and in response to increasingly popular public demand, the show has included an area for visitors with classic cars and vintage tractors. Proving a popular venue for local and regional classic car clubs, many seeking a target for the summer club 'runs', the show has been privileged and delighted to welcome a wide range of vehicles. Entry is offered free to driver and passenger, and there is a splendid tankard for the Most Popular Car Award following a public vote during the show. The public vote tickets are then entered into a raffle draw for a special prize.

This year the highlight of the day will be a scheduled display by the Parachute Regiment Freefall team, the Red Devils. Following cancellation in 2023 owing to appalling weather, the show arena will be transformed into a drop zone for the 13 man team, jumping in formation and displaying flags from 15,000 feet. The parachute team's ground and liaison group will 'talk down' the jump, having marked the area with smoke canisters to indicate wind direction. The Red Devils' static displays will include a demonstration of parachute packing, augmented reality headsets and photo opportunities. Also, three former tandem jump students will be selling raffle tickets for our star prize, an exclusive training day and tandem jump with the Red Devils.

In the field adjacent to the hall you will find the traditional tea tent, BBQ, Pimms stand, ice cream vendor and Nutmeg & Thyme vegan foods, all supplying delicious foods and drink to be enjoyed during the afternoon.

In addition, there are plans afoot to reintroduce some of the traditional children's races, including egg and spoon race, sack race and three legged races. The regular games such as splat the rat, the ladder game, plus dog photography, the ever popular dog show and agility course, will all be present, accompanied by the delightful sounds of Yarnton Brass Band.

Unusually, the show was not devised purely with the intention of raising money - its mission is to engage with the community spirit. Any profits generated are divided between the four participating villages to use for community projects for the benefit of everyone.

Do come and visit the show - bring your dog, classic car or tractor! Entry fee is just £2.50, children under 15 free. Saturday 27 July from 1pm - go to www.windrushvalleyflowershow.org for more information.

Joanna McKerlie



KEEP UP WITH THE NEWS



In between editions of this magazine you can keep up to date with the news in our area by registering for news updates on our website. You will then receive an email link whenever a new post appears on our website. Stories in recent weeks have included the following:

- Runners and riders in Witney Parliamentary Election
- Poll predicts Conservative win in Witney
- National Park for the Cotswolds?
- Photographs from the Open Gardens
- Surprise royal visitor to festival
- Raymond Moody speaks at the festival
- Latest poll
- Two honoured in birthday honours list
- Car fire in Burford

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Editors

BEAGles



As our contribution to the Festival we held a panel debate on 10 June on how West Oxfordshire - and Burford in particular - can meet the challenge of coming off oil to heat our houses and the energy transition needed before 2040. We need to reduce emissions by 78% by 2035 and by 100% by 2040, and to move all households who are currently on gas or - in Burford's case - oil onto electricity, all of which will need to be supplied by renewables. This will involve a major upgrading of the electricity transmission network across the UK. If it sounds ambitious, it certainly is - but it comes with benefits too, as transitioning away from fossil fuels to renewables will reduce overall demand by a massive 40%.



Panellists included Barbara Hammond, CEO of Oxford-based Low Carbon Hub (LCH), responsible for funding 55 renewable energy installations throughout the county and saving over 2600 tonnes of CO₂ every year, OCC councillors Dr Pete Sudbury and Gayle Pilkington, our local Burford-based grid connection consultancy Roadnight Taylor to give the global picture, and Geordie Stewart from funding advisors Cosy Homes Oxfordshire. We are indeed fortunate in Oxfordshire in having LCH - an organisation that is unique in the UK - but, as we discovered, other county organisations are able to help with funding, which is available for retrofitting houses of all sizes and all ages. We also have courses in the county that offer training in the skills necessary for the energy transition, in the shape of the Abingdon & Witney College's Net Zero Skills Hub, proving that there are local jobs to be had in moving to a greener world.

We heard about some of the challenges of moving some of our 'legacy' houses over to electricity from fossil fuels, but also about some of the rewards possible on houses old and new: Burford residents who have installed heat pumps are saving money whilst they save on emissions, with one household saving £120 per month during the wintertime, and the consumption of another retrofit falling from 11kW to 3kW, whilst doubling the size of the house. Funding is available too, under the Home Upgrade Grant phase 2 (HUG2) and Green Homes Grant Local Authority Delivery scheme. Households suffering from fuel poverty - of which there 102 in the Burford area alone - are particularly targeted by these schemes. If anybody is curious about what the costs and benefits of improving home insulation and installing a heat pump, please let me know.

A copy of the slideshow can be downloaded at <https://burfordbeagles.wordpress.com/slideshows/> Finally, there is an energy saving app for Oxfordshire residents launching this month. You can pre-register for further information by going to <https://energysaverapp.com/> Andy Hayter, beagles.burford@gmail.com, 07552 788994

FAIRWAYS COTSWOLD EXPLORER

30th Anniversary 1994-2024

This month we are celebrating 30 years since we first started our private hire business

As a local company based in Fulbrook we pride ourselves on always maintaining mutual respect, consideration and loyalty to all our clients

We would very much like to thank you all for being an essential part of our success over the past 30 years and look forward to future journeys together as you embark on your next business trip or holiday adventure.

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Claire Griffin

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CRAFT IN ACTION FAIR

Warwick Hall, Burford, OX18 4RY
Saturday 27 July 2024 10.30 - 4.30

This event is a great opportunity to browse an array of quality-made, uniquely crafted items all made by the crafter behind their table.

A warm welcome to one and all, not forgetting we are dog friendly. Easy access for wheelchair users and admission is free.

Email: craftinaction@yahoo.co.uk. Facebook@ Craft in Action. Website@ craftinaction.co.uk
Helen Wallis

MYSTERY HOUSE IN TAYNTON



I found the attached photo in amongst my mum's things. It shows a cottage in Taynton with 'my grandmother's cottage' written on the back. We have visited many times but can't place it. Could you help?

Jeanette Hinton - answers to editor@thebridgeburford.co.uk

ROYAL VISITOR TO FESTIVAL

The audience to Steve Colter's festival lecture on the life of Edmund Harman, tenant of Burford Priory and barber-surgeon to Henry VIII, had an unexpected bonus when Steve was joined on the platform by none other than the much-married monarch himself. Steve revealed a number of interesting facts in the course of his talk, one of which that in the course of his reign Henry was responsible for the deaths of 72,000 people, not all of whom he was married to. Apparently Harman's role was to look after some very intimate aspects of the king's health, one requirement being to monitor the royal wee. Henry was asked to provide a sample - fortunately he was prevailed upon

to leave the stage first - and he produced a glass of very dubious-looking cloudy liquid which Steve sniffed, drank and pronounced to be evidence of robust royal health.

Some members of the audience noticed a striking resemblance between the king and Rory Darling. Could Rory perhaps be descended from Henry on the wrong side of the blanket? Clearly some more testing is needed.

Bridge royal correspondent



Monarch and subject, the former modestly turning his face from the camera

BURFORD FIREFIGHTER AWARDED BRITISH EMPIRE MEDAL

Burford on-call firefighter Steve Edginton has been awarded the British Empire Medal in the latest King's Honours list for his dedication to the community over more than forty years.

Steve was born in Burford, moved away as a child before returning at the age of 18 to build his own house in the town. He says he "reluctantly" joined the fire and rescue service in September 1980 but now could not see himself being anything other than an on-call firefighter.

Steve explains: "Back in the 80s there was a relative shortage of local people available to the service, so I thought I'd do my bit for the community and joined up, thinking little about it. Now, 44 years later, I look back with pride and can say without a doubt it was the best decision I ever made.

Speaking about being awarded the British Empire Medal, Steve said: "This is such an unexpected honour. I'm an on-call firefighter because I love the role, the responsibility, the opportunity to meet people and to play my part in keeping them safe, and because of the camaraderie among the crew at Burford Fire Station. I share this honour with my wife Sue who has always been tremendously supportive and has got used to me being whisked away to deal with a call.

"When we enjoy a quiet evening together or when we go out locally for an evening meal, we know our plans could be disrupted at any moment by my emergency pager. We've come to accept these 'no notice' interruptions, but I am, and always will be grateful for the understanding from Sue."

Steve has responded to hundreds of calls but he remembers one major incident in particular, the day the Bull Hotel caught fire in the 1980s:

"My wife and I had just arrived back home from holidaying in Cornwall, so I wasn't even on the on-call rota. But hearing the commotion outside, I leaped into action, reporting to the duty officer at the scene. It was personal too; my wife's manager and his children lived above the hotel. The fire completely gutted the building but thankfully no lives were lost. An incident so close to home makes you appreciate the role of fire and rescue; and why I do what I do as an on-call officer."

Christine Barefield - Oxfordshire Fire & Rescue

BRIDGE WRITER AWARDED MBE

We are also pleased to report that regular Bridge correspondent Ros Richardson has been awarded the MBE (Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire). Ros has for some years been providing us with news from the Burford & Kingham Rotary Club, of which she was for a time the president. The honour has been awarded to her as counsellor to the House of Lords for services to Parliament. Well done, Ros.

Editors



NEW HOTEL IN BURFORD

Welcome to Burford Lodge Hotel and Brasserie, now under new ownership! My wife Andrea and I took over this beautiful building last August, and since then we've transformed it with care and dedication. Over the past several months, we have tastefully furnished and updated our nine bedrooms, creating two fantastic suites—one featuring a large jacuzzi tub and the other with a verandah overlooking the golf course. We've also added a new terrace for guests to enjoy the stunning views of the course.

One of Burford Lodge's rare features is its exceptionally large car park, a true convenience for our guests. Our hotel lobby, bar, and lounge are warmly welcoming, impressively furnished, and highlighted by a grand piano, enhancing the elegant atmosphere of our adult-only establishment. Since our grand opening in February, we've quickly earned a reputation for exceptional service and upgraded amenities, and we're thrilled to be almost fully booked for the year.

We also developed a restaurant, the Lodge Brasserie, open to both guests and the public. Andrea and I wanted to create a special place for locals to dine and be entertained. Our brasserie, catering exclusively to adults, offers a delightful blend of Italian and French cuisine in an upscale dining environment, complete with live piano music. Our fully stocked bar adds to the charm, making it a perfect spot for a memorable evening.

Andrea and I have spent our lives in hospitality, bringing a wealth of experience from our adventures around the world, from St Tropez to Dallas, Texas. My journey has come full circle, as I was based at Brize Norton with the RAF back in the early '70s, and now, almost 50 years later, I find myself back in this wonderful area.

Our family business also includes another hotel in Bourton-on-the-Water, managed by our son Ross and daughter Carly. Ross, 34, was a solicitor but joined the family business three years ago to help out and discovered his passion for hospitality, deciding to stay. Carly, 27, was in law school but also joined us and found her true calling here. Expansion is definitely on the horizon, but for now, Andrea and I are focused on making Burford Lodge and the Lodge Brasserie a local success story.

Come and experience our hospitality for yourself—reservations can be made on (01993) 822248 and our website. We look forward to welcoming you soon.

Rob Grant

THE BRIDGE TIMETABLE AND CONTACTS

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ALMSHOUSE VACANCY

The Burford Almshouse Charity invites applications for a two-bedroom bungalow, suitable for a couple with limited resources who live in or have connections with the Burford area.

Application forms and further information are available from anneyoungson@btinternet.com, 07946273902, or 01993822894.

The deadline for applying is Friday 9 August.
Anne Youngson

COMPETITION CORNER

Congratulations to Frank Nicholls for being the first to provide the correct answer to last month's competition which was identifying the bridge by the Fox pub in Great Barrington.

This month Tom Barry (who also provided the front page photo) has posed the following questions:

1. In which Oxfordshire village is this bridge?
2. The village was an exclave of another county until the mid-19th century. Which county?



THE BRIDGE TEAM

As well as a large number of valuable, helpful distributors, the Bridge team consists of:

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BURFORD FESTIVAL 2024

A excellent range of musical, dramatic, social, educational and other events over 10 days provided Burford with possibly its best festival yet!

With too many events to feature here we have selected just a few to review - but everyone involved should be congratulated on a most enjoyable and successful achievement.

Cool, Dude of the Mountains

Whether it was the flatness of boyhood Slough or the leap from textbook geology at Leeds University to the actual Himalayan mountains which first inspired Kenton Cool to his life of intrepid adventures on the world's highest peaks, local residents and visitors certainly enjoyed learning more about his life and his expert knowledge of Mount Everest in his talk, "Adventures on the Mountain".

Taking his audience on a journey spanning some 55 million years to his own, recent, 18th conquest of the world's highest mountain, Cool's passion and humour made for a most enjoyable and exciting afternoon.

Anecdotes and tales of the failures and successes of climbing expeditions were brought to life in colourful accounts of the many teams who have attempted to conquer the summit since the 1920s, succumbing in some cases to the treacherous and inhospitable landscape.

Britain's most successful Himalayan climber, Cool also gives talks on leadership challenges and critical decision making in hostile environments, skills he has learned from personal experience.

A lively and passionate speaker, Cool's highly entertaining talk gave a fascinating insight into how Everest was declared the world's highest mountain and the pains and dramas which then ensued personally and politically for the international climbers who wished to reach its summit.

Cool's book, 'One Man's Everest', is available to purchase online or in book stores, published by Arrow Books.

Cider with Rosie by Laurie Lee - A Rehearsed Reading Performed by the Local Community

This year, 'Cider with Rosie' was the choice for a community rehearsed reading, performed by local residents and members of the Wychwood Players local amateur dramatic group.

Capturing many charming and poignant memories of childhood, along with some of its darker moments, Laurie Lee's work has been skilfully adapted by Nick Darke into a play script which draws beautifully from Lee's own poetic and lyrical text.

Expertly directed by Hazel Hughes, the small cast recreated the chaos, banter, humour and rivalry of family life in a rural Cotswold cottage in Slad, using just a few props and minimal furniture and with musical extracts by English composers.

At times hilarious, at times horrific, each cast member played several characters convincingly and sympathetically, Lee's "brightness of spirit" reflected throughout. These were tough times and, despite the romance and poetry of his mother's own reminiscences, the hardship endured and brutality of life was ever present, albeit laced with poetic charm, humour and wit.

Short extracts from Lee's original book were interspersed throughout, adding detail to the account being played out

before us. One of Lee's originally proposed titles, "The Abandoned Shade", was subsequently used instead for a particularly poignant poem, which was performed at the outset.

Sensitively and delightfully dramatised, the whole cast, director and crew are to be congratulated on an excellent rendition of this classic work.

For anyone wishing to join Wychwood Players please visit www.wychwoodplayers.com.

Stronger Together - Brize Norton Military Wives Choir Raise the Roof at Burford Church

"A very moving performance" was the description given by several audience members after a beautifully arranged and performed repertoire by the women who make up Brize Norton Military Wives Choir.

Accompanied faultlessly by Harriet Warner on piano, the group were led by Musical Director Lizzie Soden, whose superb arrangements included the notable 'John Lewis medley', which demonstrated the talents of both soloists and group harmonies beautifully as they performed music used for John Lewis Christmas adverts.

Set up 12 years ago, the choir forms part of a global Military Wives Choir group whose mission statement of 'Sing - Share - Support' explains exactly what the choir brings to all those who join: a support network of like-minded women who have similar experiences and an understanding of all the challenges and amazing times one can expect from military life; plus, of course, the opportunity to enjoy singing (which Lizzie promises will help you live longer!).

The group sang with infectious joy, smiling at the audience who were, at times, moved to tears, especially during pieces which held deep, military significance. But, along with the smiles, one could not fail to note the united strength of the group: as soloists they were sensitive, gentle, but when singing together it was their power, pride and determination which shone through.

For anyone with a military connection (wife, mother, sister, or colleague) who is interested in joining the choir, please go to www.militarywiveschoirs.org for more information. The group meet every Monday and welcome all ages and abilities!

Everyone's a Winner at the Preloved Charity Fashion Show!

Magnificently managed and choreographed, this year's charity fashion gala was a packed house-sell-out once more.

Parading in a collection of personally chosen outfits from the three participating charities, Sue Ryder Care, Blue Cross and Helen & Douglas House, the volunteer models provided a welcome splash of colour to a grey June afternoon.

And everyone is indeed a winner: the preloved clothes and accessories are sold at bargain prices (many donated items were brand new), the charities benefit from the sales and the whole recycling process is eco-friendly.

Both male and female models took part, with clothing collections presented for summer social from weddings to film premieres. Young Eva (12) and Amber (8) joined the line-up, everyone enjoying themselves on the catwalk, with clothing modelled available for purchase afterwards.

Congratulations to all who took part in making this popular event such a resounding success.

[Joanna McKerlie](#)

FESTIVAL FEEDBACK

Some comments from people attending Festival events recorded by Ruth Reavley

Barn Dance

Great to see so many people of all difference ages, all having a great time Tom P, Burford

I'd do it all again! Christina, Burford, aged eight and a half

All the energy and enthusiasm from the dancers makes a big impact for the band. It was a good evening. Alison, Bowreed violinist and caller

Military Wives Choir

I joined choir after the awful time of lockdown at quite a low point. I didn't go out much. The members of Brize Norton Military Wives Choir were welcoming and friendly and I think that's what it's all about!

Lizzie S, Witney

An inspiring evening. The standard of performance exceeded my expectations (which were high anyway). I have high respect for the soloists, and for their superb musical director. A moving event. Steve P, Burford

Cider With Rosie

Performing "Cider with Rosie" in the Cotswolds - bringing it to life locally - such an opportunity does not come along very often - a great chance to work with Laurie Lee's fantastic legacy. Heather H, Shipton under Wychwood

I always wanted to do drama, and my daughter leaving home gave me the time. Being in "Under Milk Wood" for the 2022 Festival was such fun. This is a fabulous, joyous play, with a great group of people involved. Rachel R, Shipton under Wychwood

I've loved being in this production. I'd never read the book. It's lovely to bring Wychwood Players to Burford, as we've never come here before. Rehearsals are such fun! Rose H, Shipton under Wychwood

Kenton Cool Adventures on the mountain

Fantastic! Absolutely amazing! Oliver S, Fulbrook

Open Gardens

I've had a wonderful afternoon. Susan P. Highworth

Beautiful, creative! E.O, Gloucester

Cottage Restoration

Bee's talk gave an insight into the excitement, pitfalls and hazards of embarking on such a project and generously shared her knowledge where to source materials and advice - a treat to listen to her. Sue T, Ramsden

Creative writing

I love Anne Youngson's presentations. Each time is slightly different. They are great fun. With lots of creative people there, it's inspirational. Carolyn W, Burford

Sarah Harkness - A Publishing Powerhouse

Fascinating talk - so worthwhile being here. This type of biography personalises history, enhances, and warms up the subject matter. Andrew and Victoria S, Cold Aston



A Burford Serenade

I thought the evening was delightful....created another lovely dimension to the Festival program. Wonderful effort by the children...seemed to love singing with orchestra! Festival should always try to include children as performers....somehow seems more inclusive. I especially was hypnotised/ mesmerised by watching Michael Bochman's fingers on his violin...and the choices of music were sublime for that summer evening mixed audience...noticed the children (esp two young children) enjoying "conducting" the storm (in the Vivaldi Four Seasons) Sandy K-J, USA and Burford.

*I really felt part of the Festival singing in the choir. Rehearsing and performing with a real orchestra was amazing! Ivy, aged 9.
Learning new songs with a big orchestra was a once-in-a-lifetime experience – it was super-exciting! Eleanor, aged 11*

Fleetville Swing Band

Excellent. The best thing! Bob W, Fulbrook

Nigel Hastilow - The Man who invented the News, Marchamont Nedham

I'm interested in Civil War. Marchamont Nedham was mentioned in a recent podcast; it felt relevant to come. Josh P, Signet

For Burford Archive and Tolsey Museum to be part of a well-established local event is important. The Festival appeals to all, with a very wide audience for events. David C, Burford

Poetry & Pimms

Running an event, however small, takes a lot of planning, but an efficient, cheerful committee can make it fun too, and all the fizzle dissolves in the face of smiling happy attendees. Veral M of Burford

John Hendry Revolting Women

Excellent speaker, who made a complicated subject very interesting – lots of facts! Julie B, Burford

Fascinating. I love going to these talks. They bring everyone together. Robin S, Fulbrook

Our priority is the Jazz tonight, and we've added on other events to make a day. Very interesting. Liz W, near Charlbury

Hugo Lovage Tea

Another great Tea Party event. I love the savouries. The demonstration and the menu were good. I might have a go at the lemon meringue pie. Bob W, Fulbrook

Such a friendly buzzy occasion. Delicious menu, interesting interview, captivating demonstration. Fascinating to hear from a successful expert chef, and enjoy exquisite baking. Ruth R, Burford

Jazz Evening

I went to a Duke Ellington concert in the 1950s but much preferred the Jake McMurchie Quartet's smooth and melodious delivery. John M, Burford

A wonderful evening of amazing musical talent in a great venue. An excellent night out. Karen E, Burford



A question of Faith

Wasn't that wonderful! Let's invite them again. Wendy R, Fulbrook

It gives me hope - it was wonderful to see three major religions together respecting one another, seeing "that of God" in each other. Ruth J-D, Burford

*Very engaging. Janet R, Burford
A very interesting presentation by three major religions, but which never grappled with the fundamental question of faith: our relationship with God. Clive F, Burford*

BEAGles

I think on a general note, what was so encouraging was the turnout, and the number of people who have signed up to come along to our meetings. Pete Sudbury's comment that 'everything is impossible until it becomes inevitable' was striking; ultimately, for our children and grandchildren's sake there's a desire to do the right thing, and Burford is no different in this respect from any other town, if perhaps a little more affluent! A Burford BEAGles member

Kiftsgate

Wasn't that a lovely, interesting talk; inspirational! Viv B, Fordwells

We love gardens. Kiftsgate is so different from the garden we have. We'd met Anne, and thought it would be nice to come to hear her and to support the Festival. Caroline L, Sherborne

Jim Ede

Marvellous. Fascinating. Maggie and Ian F, Chipping Norton

Very, very knowledgeable, up to date. Penny C, Little Barrington

Fascinating and captivating. Bryn E, Little Barrington

Charles Matthews Organ

A wonderful sound bath. Ruth J-D, Burford

It was a rare pleasure to listen to the recital by Charles Matthews on the pipe organ. All the pieces had the common theme of a "ground bass", but with a huge variety of treatments. My favourite was Byrd's The Bells. Ruth D, Lechlade

Illyria

I loved the Cake Song – "Cake is healthier than lettuce!" Letty aged 9, Charlbury

I liked the monkey bridge. Maive, age 4, Bristol

The Parrot narrating was brilliant. I loved the Bull dance. Bluebell, aged 7, Charlbury

I liked it when the pirate was eaten by a shark. Orla, age 7, Bristol

Absolutely fantastic show. We laughed and laughed! John and Sarah H, Fulbrook

Festival Finale concert

It was a wonderful concert! (with a smaller stage and a smaller choir) it's different – surround sound. Bridget L, Witney

Fantastic! Burford Singers stands out by its cohesion and focus. Anna S, Oxford



Fashion Show

It was fun. I want to do fashion when I'm older. Eva, age 12, one of the models

Fun. Nice to choose what to wear from my options. I was pleased to do this. Amber, aged 8, one of the models

It's great to be representing our charities in the wider community. Bex J-A, Burford, on behalf of the three charities

My mum got me into this! She's modelling too. Such fun! Imo C, Burford, a model

It's everyone's fault I got into this. On the day, I'm really enjoying it. I'm, amazed at the clothes we've been able to find. Sanchia B, Burford, a model

Glamour, gorgeous feisty ladies strutting their stuff, dapper gents also sashaying across the floor - what more can you want! E. OH Gloucester

The photos of this event, and many others in the magazine, were taken by Andrew McKerlie.



MORE PHOTOS OF LOCAL PEOPLE DURING THE FESTIVAL

Thank you to all of you who sent photos to us. They were all appreciated but regrettably we can only show a few.



A swallow by Mike Russell



Hiya, I'm Harold and this is my buddy Loki. We are two, fun lovin' boys about Westhall Hill. Well, Loki is a bit more playful than me because I am the older and wiser one, see. I just turned 6 and he's still a kid, only 2 1/2. Our owners, John Monks and Jean Smith are neighbours, so we often hang out with each other. But, apparently, they go on holidays sometimes where we aren't allowed. I was not consulted on this, but what can I do? I am only a dog. We are looking for a friendly neighbour to hang out with us while they are on the occasional week or weekend away. Most likely it will be only one of us at a time. We both love other dogs so, if you already have a dog, chances are Loki and I would love to play with him/her. And we can pay you in dog treats (or even £). Whaddya say?
[Jean Smith jeanesmith99@me.com](mailto:Jean.Smith.jeanesmith99@me.com) or [John Monks johntpp@aol.com](mailto:John.Monks.johntpp@aol.com)

Derek Cotterill kindly provided this photo of the performance of Dr Dolittle at the Warwick Hall



FESTIVAL STARS

The Burford Festival was another great success for Sara Hall and was attended by large numbers of people. Some events were standing room only! We are all indebted to the tremendous thought, planning, creativity and energy from all the members of the Festival Committee:

- ★ Sara Hall
- ★ Adrian Jackson
- ★ Ann and Karl Morris
- ★ Jane Arnell
- ★ Sarah Duckworth
- ★ Paul Newman
- ★ Joanna McKerlie
- ★ John Hendry

What's the Festival for? To get out, get together, be inspired and have fun! Hugo A, Burford

DIARY OF SPECIAL EVENTS

28-30 June	Lodge Park Open	Lodge Park Sherborne	10-4pm
Sat 29 June	Charity sale of quality bric a brac etc	Tolsey, Burford	10-3pm
Sat 29 June	Film - Wicked Little Letters	Windrush Village Hall	7.30pm
Sat 6 July	BDHA Summer Show	Bowls Club	TBA
Sat 6 July	Burford Orchestra - Pirates Outlaws Cowboys Musical Event	Burford School	7.30pm
Tue 9 July	FABW1 Talk - Tea, Coffee and Chocolate	Baptist Church Witney St	7.30pm
Tue 23 July	Summer Gala - see article	Burford School	7pm
Thu 25 July	Tolsey Talk - Talk on Women Athletes	Baptist Church www.burfordtolsey.org/shop	7.30pm
Sat 27 July	Craft in Action Fair	Warwick Hall	10.30-4.30
Sat 27 July	Windrush Valley Flower Show	Great Barrington Village Hall	1pm +
1-19 August	Fools Delight Circus www.foolsdelight.co.uk	Bampton	
10-11 Aug	Windrush Art Exhibition (more details in August edition)	Windrush Village Hall	TBA
Tue 13 Aug	FABW1 Garden Party	Sue Newport's Garden	TBA
Mon 26 Aug	Scout Car Boot Sale	West Field, Burford	
Tue 10 Sept	FABW1 Talk on Crime Scene Investigation	Baptist Church	
Wed 11 Sept	TASC - Talk on the Sculpture of Antony Gormley	Warwick Hall	10.50am
Tue 17 Sept	Burford & District Society Talk - Travels with my Art	Warwick Hall	7pm
Wed 25 Sept	The Water Gypsy	Baptist Church www.burfordtolsey.org/shop	
Thur 26 Sept	Horticultural Assoc Talk - New Plants from Old	Bowls Club	2.15pm

PLEASE remember to give us **DAY, DATE and TIME** when providing information about forthcoming events to ensure the full and correct details are published. Thank you.
Editors

This information is sometimes out of date but included as a prompt for people to remind us what Clubs, Societies and Regular Events still exist and who is the contact for them.

REGULAR LOCAL EVENTS, CLUBS AND SOCIETIES

Aerobics	Monday and two on Thursday	Warwick Hall Monday 6.15pm, Thursday 11.45 and 6.15pm	Gill Hames 822971 gillianhames46@gmail.com
Astally Arms	Last Friday of the month	Memorial Hall Asthall Leigh	From 7.00 pm
Badminton Group	Monday nights	Burford School 8-10pm. Friendly, all abilities	Kevin 704655 scareyradar@yahoo.co.uk
BEAGles aka Burford Environment Action Group	Third Monday of the month	The Prince of Burford	7.30pm
Burford Bridge Club	Every Tuesday Joining Fee £30 Monthly Session Fee £12.00	Warwick Hall Contact 07831 301886 bbc/office@mail.com	4.30-6.30pm
Burford Badminton Club	Tuesday nights 8-10pm	Burford School - fun, social, all abilities	Vijay 891043 vijaysmobile@gmail.com
Burford Crafters	3rd Wednesday of the month	Burford Library 2.30-3.30	Judith Butcher 01993 824194
Burford & District Society	Meet 7 times a year	Warwick Hall at 7.00pm	Bert Clough, Secretary 07943 720668
Burford Town Bowls Club	Friendly Roll-up all Mondays	Bowls Club from 6.30 pm	Pat Walker 01993 822330 patr47@btinternet.com
Burford Trees care/planting	4th Sunday of the month	Community Allotment - Tanners Lane	lucy.staveley@gmail.com
Coffee and Company	Every Wednesday	St John the Baptist Church 10.30 - 12 midday	Diana Peters 01993 822785
Cub Scouts	Mondays (term time)	Scout Hut 6 - 7.30 pm	Mandy Bielby 07941 470465
Fencing	Tuesdays	Bradwell Village 7-9pm	Keith Money 01982 448295
Fulbrook & Burford WI (FaBWI)	Second Tuesday of every month	Burford Baptist Church Hall	Jennie Craven 07710 103015 thefabwi@oxfordshirewi.co.uk
Fulbrook Coffee am	Every 3rd Thursday	Fulbrook Meeting Place 10.30 - 12	Lyn Bibbings 823640
Fulbrook Fitness Group	Thursday (wef Sept 2021)	Fulbrook Meeting Place 9am	Pat Ferrett 822892
Horticultural Association	Fourth Thursday	Bowls Club - times vary	Janet Copley 01451 844210
North Cotswold Arts Assoc.	Every 2nd Wednesday	Warwick Hall	2-4pm
Pickleball - fun, social sport	Mon 11-1pm, Thu 10-12pm, Fri 8-10pm	Charlbury Community Centre	Vijay 01993 891 043 or vijaysmobile@gmail.com
Pilates Class	Wednesdays 10.00am	Burford Baptist Church	Elizabeth Jarvis cotswoldpilates123@gmail.com
Pilates Class	Thursdays 9.30am. Suitable for men and women	Warwick Hall	Elizabeth www.wellnessity.co.uk 07932 981023
Rhyme Time	Friday 9.15-10.00 am Term Times	Burford Library (for under 5's)	Carol-Amy Holdcroft 823377
Rock-a-Tots	Tuesday during Term Time	Warwick Hall	9.45 - 11.15 www.burfordchurch.org/rockatots
Rotary Burford & Kingham	Monday	The Burford Golf Club	John Smith 07717 883182
Signpost - Coffee and Help	Every Wednesday in term time.	The Warwick Hall, Burford 10.00 - 12 midday	Opportunity to raise worries confidentially
Scouts	Thursday (term time)	Scout Hut 6 - 8pm	Alex Gill 07762161769 burfordscouts@gmail.com
Scrabble	1st Tuesday of each month	Burford Library (free soft drinks)	7pm
Soup & Pudding Club (currently suspended)	Every 2nd Tuesday	Baptist Church, Witney Street	Gill Crippen 07967 362885 or 07793 012215
The Arts Society Cotswolds	2nd Wed (not July/Aug)	Warwick Hall 11.00	publicity@theartsocietycotswolds.org.uk
The Wychwood Lodge of Freemasons	3rd Thursday Sept-April	The Masonic Hall 31 Sheep Street	Mike 868302 / Allan 822240 wychwood988@outlook.com

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CHURCH SERVICES

BURFORD BENEFICE

St John the Baptist, Burford

7 July Benefice Holy Communion (CW) Morning Service (CW) Evening Meeting	9.30am 11.00am 7.15pm
14 July Choral Matins (BCP) Holy Communion	9.30am 11.00am
21 July Holy Communion (CW) Morning Service (CW)	9.30am 11.00am
28 July Morning Service (CW) Morning Service (CW)	9.30am 11.00am

Every Wednesday at 10.30am we have Holy Communion Service followed by Coffee & Company.

St James the Great, Fulbrook

14 July Morning Prayer (CW)	9.30am
21 July Matins (BCP)	9.30am
28 July Holy Communion (BCP)	9.30am

St John the Evangelist, Taynton

21 July Evening Prayer (BCP)	6.00pm
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St Nicholas, Asthall

14 July Evening Prayer (BCP)	6.00pm
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St Mary, Swinbrook

7 July Holy Communion (CW)	11.00am
14 July Morning Prayer	11.00am
21 July Morning Prayer	11.00am
28 July Morning Prayer	11.00am

St Oswald, Widford

28 July Evening Prayer (BCP)	6.00pm
23 June Evening Prayer (BCP)	6.00pm

9.30am and 11.00am services in Burford are also live streamed. Swinbrook Service are available to catch up on Monday. These can all be found on our website or YouTube Channel.

Tarnia Usher

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Dan Boyle

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Do get in touch.
Gill Crippen

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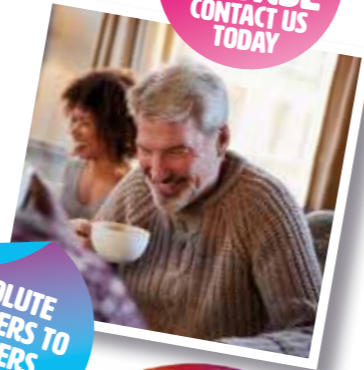
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