

Meeting Point

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From the Editor

There is a bit of an apple theme in this October issue with a recipe and an invitation to press your own apples in Winterbourne. The variety and taste of English apples is certainly something to celebrate.

The rain hasn't been all bad in the garden. I returned home after two weeks away to find 6 huge marrows and masses of long perfectly straight runner beans dripping off the plants the like of which I have never grown before.

Seven local friends and I were lucky enough to find 14 consecutive days of hot sunshine in Croatia, cruising around the beautiful coastline. One of our strongest impressions was the religious fervour in the country possibly as a result of its complete suppression in Tito's time. Many churches had twice daily, well attended services and we also witnessed a village candlelit procession involving several hundred people bearing "the little Virgin" on their shoulders.

Looking through the Diary pages you will see how much is going on in the area in October and looking forward to November too. There are even a couple of mentions of Christmas!

Our cover is by Neil Cairncross.

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

Village Person Arthur Witherbed

Part two

Pat Thirkettle

After Arthur's Scandinavian adventure in 1940, he returned home for debriefing and medicals and was split up from his three pals. He had various jobs and at one point failed a medical to go on active service because of his frostbitten feet. Eventually he saw an advertisement for volunteers for the Military Police, was accepted, and went to the HQ at Frogmore for police training. After serving at various military sites, he was moved to Bletchley Park working on the vital security there and met Anne who was in the ATS. They married in Scotland in January 1944 and Anne was discharged later that year when Ian was born. Meanwhile Arthur was put in charge of six police guarding an extension at Drayton Parslow, a village outside Bletchley Park, where there was very tight security twenty four hours a day. This was part of the Enigma code-breaking operation and where the first computers were developed. These produced reams of paper, which were driven in truckloads under armed security to a paper factory. There the lorries backed up to a big drum (and not a scrap was left behind) to be mixed with straw and water then rolled out into hardboard.



In 1946 Arthur was discharged from the Military Police and spent the rest of his working life as an engineering draughtsman in Loughborough. On his retirement, Ian thought he might want something to do, so suggested they came to Olveston for a fortnight to look after the shop while he and Hilary took a holiday.

This worked so well that they eventually moved into the house next door. The year before that, the 5th Leicesters and the Sherwood Foresters were invited by the town of Lillehammer to join the annual National Day of Celebrations, as it was fifty years since their involvement in the area. They went by bus to Newcastle and sailed to Oslo for a reception at the British Embassy and a tour of the city. Then they went by train to Lillehammer to be met by a band on the station. Arthur, Anne and another couple shared one of the lovely chalets being built for the Olympic Winter Games. They ate in the local army camp and were shown around the old battle sites and the war graves. One day they attended a service of rededication and remembrance in Lillehammer Cathedral and the gold cross that Arthur had brought from St Mark's Church, Leicester, was placed before the altar. A moving ceremony took place in the part of the Cathedral cemetery dedicated to the two battalions, when schoolgirls laid flowers on each grave in turn, to music.

Arthur continued helping in the shop for many years; he was in charge of the frozen food section. When Ian and Hilary moved on and Richard took over the shop he took over Arthur too! Two years ago, when Jason and Tracy amalgamated, Arthur was invited to continue but sadly Anne was ill (and died last year) so Arthur decided that the time had come to finally retire. He still lives next door, not so physically fit, but with total recall of his adventures in Norway, and happily Ian and Hilary and their sons live locally so he is well looked after.

Aust Church Fête

Jo Jenkins

A huge thank you to everyone who gave their time to help with the Fete, and to those who came along to support us. We had a fabulous day and the sun shone for us. The cakes sold out in the first half hour, and the cream teas, BBQ and ice creams did a roaring trade. People who came along had great fun smashing plates or trying to win their favourite tippie on the bottle stall. Whilst browsing the other stalls, many people enjoyed watching the local dogs take part in the agility course. They and their owners were the cause of much amusement as any means necessary were used to coerce *Fido* through the tunnels! In the novelty classes, no-one was surprised that lovable local farm dog and village scrounger of food, Bertie Spratt, won "catch the titbit"!



The evening kicked off with a well supported rounders match, with 5 teams of 9 people battling for the Aust Rounders Cup. This was hotly contested, with Aust Evangelical Chapel finally taking the title. Whilst this was going on, Mike Gibbons from Bristol Hot Air Balloon Club kindly brought his hot air balloon to show us and, the weather being favourable, he took off, whisking church warden Jo off for a surprise flight over the local villages, landing next to Eastwood Park Prison (much to the joy of the prisoners!).

With everyone's support, we raised an amazing £2313.80, just £3.20 short of our all time best! Thank you again and hope to see you next year.

Friends of St. Mary's

The prize winners in the June draw were:

Amount	Number	Name
£150	211	Mrs. C.E. Black, Thornbury
£75	262	Mrs. A.R. Knight, Olveston
£25	338	R. & R. Simmons, Olveston
£20	509	Mr. P.J. Floyd, Old Down
£15	254	Mrs. S. Roos, Olveston
£15	353	Mrs. J.V. Robbins, Olveston
£10	393	Mr. J. Crossley, Olveston

The prize winners in the July draw were:

Amount	Number	Name
£150	295	Mrs. B. Binns, Olveston
£75	343	Mr. B.R. Arkell, Olveston
£25	253	Mr. R. Williams, Olveston
£20	401	Mr. L.R. Slaytor, Tockington
£15	299	Mrs. J. Dickens, Aust
£15	267	Mr. I.A. Hughes, Olveston
£10	256	Mrs. C. Healey, Thornbury

Parish Hall News

Village Harvest Supper - Saturday 4th October

Tickets from June Robbins tel: 617491 and Geoff Chappell tel: 615806.

Active For Life: Saturday 11 Oct. 10am - 12.30pm

Olveston Parish Morning of Action

South Gloucestershire Council Community Sport and Active Lifestyles team is offering a morning packed with free activities for all the family! Simply come along and join the friendly, fully qualified team, ready for some action!

10am-12.30pm: Bike Maintenance and Skills (all ages)

10.15-10.45am: Multi-Skills Games (under 12s)

10.15-10.45am: Exercise Taster (adults)

11-11.45am: Health Walk (all ages)

11-11.45am: Multi-Skills Games (12+)

11.00,11.15,11.30,11.45: Sports Massage (must be booked: 862296)

12noon-12.30pm: Multi-Skills Games (under 12s)

12noon-12.30pm: Exercise Taster (adults)

10am-12.30pm: Refreshments on Sale

Go on: give it a try! If you like what you see, there is a chance that some of activities will take place regularly. The team would love to find out what you want! For this reason and also for insurance purposes, you will need to complete a registration form (one per family). You can find these forms at various places around the parish, or you can complete one at the registration desk on the day. Refreshments will be available for sale.

If you have any questions, please ask Geoff Chappell (12, Denys Court, Olveston - 615806) or Brian Gardner (Community Sport - 862296).

Family Quiz Night - Saturday 8th November

Teams of 4 at £5 per head. Families with children under 16 years: £15 per team. Prices include a light supper and soft drinks. Bar available.

Grants

The Committee are pleased to announce that we have secured grants from South Glos. Area Forum and Oldbury Power Station to the value of £4350 which will be used to fund a utility area with running hot water and patio doors to the new garden area. Our next project will be the refurbishment of the loos, again a much needed improvement. By supporting these events you can help to make the Hall a facility for all the community to be proud of.

If you can help or would like any further information, please contact Geoff Chappell 615806.

Kiss Me Kate 14th to 18th October

Cath Chappel

“The show must go on!” – this may be an old theatrical cliché but for Thornbury Musical Theatre Group it could not be more appropriate. Tragically we have recently lost a well loved, longstanding member of our group. David Wrench Senior died on Saturday 17th of August, following a short illness. It is the wish of his family, many of whom are also involved with the group, that we put on the best performance we can and that is what we intend to do as a tribute to a very special man. Rehearsals are well underway and please don't be alarmed if you hear strange noises emitting from Tytherington Village Hall – it's all in the script! This is the third time in forty years that Cole Porter's **Kiss Me Kate** has been presented in Thornbury. We are very fortunate to have our original “Kate” as director this time; Linda Evans is a highly experienced local actress and director and, along with musical director Karen Blount and choreographer Julia Edwards, is busy putting the group through its paces. The show promises wonderful music, beautiful costumes, exciting scenery, comedy and much more. So if you have not done so already, book your tickets by calling at Wildings, Thornbury High Street (mobile no 07707 673734) or ring 01454 415850.

Olveston & Aust on line

The community website for Olveston and Aust is now live and available to all with access to the World Wide Web. To view go to www.olveston.com or www.olvestonandaust.com where you can read what each of our local clubs and societies has to offer, what the parish councils have to say and where you can read current and past issues of Meeting Point. Should you be organising an event, check to see what else is on over the next few months and avoid clashes.



We have already had over three hundred ‘visitors’ logging on to the site, including enquirers from Brazil, Greece, America, and Finland. We hope they enjoyed reading about us and we hope that you do too.

WI Report

Anne Boulton

Olveston and Tockington WI's ninetieth birthday meeting in September included two presentations. A delightful flower picture by Kate Hickman was donated to Children's Hospice South West for the parents' room and received by Jane Powell who spoke briefly on the work of the Hospice. Audrey Shepherd presented Kenny Neale with a gift in recognition of his role as washer-up after our meetings - never is the job done more cheerfully. And of course we had a celebratory cake, kindly made by Rita Garlick.

Visitors are always welcome on the second Tuesday of the month at the Parish Hall, which now looks splendid following its redecoration and beautiful new blue stage curtains.

'Obituary'

(Taken from the Tresco times)

We mourn the passing of a beloved old friend, **Common Sense**, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his records have long been lost in bureaucratic red-tape.

He is credited with cultivating such abilities as taking the bitter with the sweet, recognising that life is not always fair and that maybe it *was* my fault after all.

Common Sense developed some sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can repay) and also reliable parenting strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

Common Sense's health declined in the 1960's when he became infected with the If-It-Feels-Good-Do-It virus. His health further deteriorated when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun-lotion or Elastoplasts to a student, but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and asked for an abortion.

Common Sense lost the will to live when the Ten Commandments could not be publicly displayed for fear of giving offence; churches became businesses and criminals received better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you could not defend yourself in your own home but the burglar could sue for assault. He finally gave up the will to live after a woman failed to realise that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled some in her lap while driving and was awarded massive damages.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents Truth and Trust, his wife Discretion, his daughter Responsibility, and his son Reason. He is survived by his four step-brothers: I Know My Rights, I Want It Now, Someone Else Is To Blame and I'm A Victim.

Farewell, Common Sense, may you rest in peace.

Friends' Walking Group

Slimbridge - The Bird Sanctuary.

A trip is arranged for October 16th; we meet at 12.30 p.m. for coffee and lunch then we see the hides and the many animals – flamingoes, ducks, geese, swans, cranes etc. We can visit the tower and the tropical house, also explore the area and ride on a canoe!.

Closing date October 5th. Cost: possibly about £8 – depending on new group rates. Telephone Dan Evans on 01454 625313.

Severn Vale Flower Club

Jo Whiteman

On Monday 3rd November 2008, the Club presents David Martin on "Wow! It's Christmas" in the Armstrong Hall. Doors will be open at 6.30 for 7.30pm. Tickets are £8 and there will be seasonal refreshments, a raffle and some stalls.

Concorde at Filton

Pat Thirkettle

Like everybody around here, I was aware that Concorde 216 was parked at BAC and that it was possible to visit it, but as so many local people worked there somehow it didn't seem very urgent. However through visiting it with our grandchildren and with no knowledge of the Airbus site, we were very pleasantly surprised.

You park at BAWA Sports Centre, off Southmead Road, and go in by bus. Our guide was one of a band of retired air industry staff, some of whom had worked on Concorde, all very knowledgeable and enthusiastic and doing this on a voluntary basis. First we had a tour of the site, seeing the hangars where Concorde was built, hangars where present aircraft parts are being built and a hanger with two transport planes undergoing refurbishment and much more. To anyone with no connection with the aircraft industry this was very interesting.

You then go to a small visitor centre showing a video of Concorde's last flight, before an airline announcement asks you to go out to Concorde. You are in small groups, each led by a volunteer who can tell you anything you could possibly want to know about the aircraft! Inside, you sit in the front seats for more information and you can have a photo taken in front of the mach2 sign. You see typical menus and wine lists and some seats are laid out with the tablecloths, crockery and glasses. In pairs you visit the cockpit, which is so fantastically complicated you really should go and see it. You have plenty of time to take photos before returning by bus to the BAWA site.

British Airways has loaned Concorde 216 to Airbus UK, who campaigned hard to bring the aircraft back to Filton, and are being very helpful to the visitor operation, which must be a bit of a nuisance for them. The Bristol Aero Collection, a local aviation charity which looks after much of Filton's aviation heritage at Kemble (near Cirencester), is managing Concorde at Filton. All proceeds will be used for the creation of a major aviation heritage centre at Cribbs Causeway, near the Venue, into which Concorde 216 will move under cover.

The volunteers work very hard and are so dedicated. I've written this article because they asked us to tell everyone about Concorde at Filton and encourage you to visit, so they can hopefully raise the funds to move to Cribbs Causeway by 2012.

The website is: www.concordeatfilton.org.uk or phone 0117 936 5485.

Olveston Pre School Open Morning

An open Morning will be held on Wednesday 15th October from 9.30-11am at the Parish Hall, Upper Tockington Road. All welcome.

Thornbury Camera Club News and Tips

Peter Haworth

Autumn is upon us but don't put your camera away as this month's tips consider Landscapes and Nature photography, which can provide you with many photo subjects. This kind of photography can give you much joy as you search and find scenic locations, whether remote or close to home. Why not give yourself a challenge and use your creativity to capture a nature shot at Westonbirt Arboretum?

Landscapes are an ever changing subject; the same scene can often be photographed in all seasons. Try and get some foreground interest, such as a wall or fence at an angle that will take the eye into the photograph or perhaps a building or wildlife to populate the landscape. Alternatively photograph a landscape with only trees, plants, rocks, and sky or water.



Each time of day offers its own landscape and nature photographic charm. Consider the light; dusk and dawn make particularly good times for this type of photography because the light is warm and the lower angle of sun brings out the texture of the scenery. Rainy and cloudy weather can put a damper on your photography but can also form the basis for some interesting moody shots.

If you are not using a tripod, set your camera on shutter priority mode. This allows you to choose a high enough shutter speed to counteract any photographer shake and the camera will automatically select the aperture to produce the optimal exposure.

Thornbury camera club programme for November meetings will take place as usual on Monday evenings at the Old Bakery Annex:

3rd November: Practical evening - Table Top

10th November: Judging of competition No.2 - "Blue"

17th November: speaker Gordon Wren - subject "Kenya Wildlife Safari"

24th November: North East Midlands Photographic Federation slide show of their "Annual Exhibition 2008"

A beginner's course will take place at the United Reform Church, Thornbury on Thursday evenings commencing 16th October until 20th November (no meeting on 6th November). The club are always interested in new members, from beginners to experienced photographers. Please contact me, Peter Haworth, on 01454 612441.

'A Touch of Magic' - 22 November

Watch out, there's magic about! and it's happening in Thornbury next month. For one night only, 'A TOUCH OF MAGIC' will be presented at the Cossham Hall on Saturday 22 November 2008. Astonishment will be the order of the evening as Barry Smith astounds the audience with his magical skills, eloquent patter, interesting facts and comedy. Barry last performed in Thornbury at the Mayor's Charity Show in May, and at the Thornbury Musical Theatre Group's Olde Tyme Music Hall in June this year, where he delighted audiences with his own inimitable style.

This type of entertainment, not usually seen in Thornbury, will surely be popular and a crowd pleaser, appealing to mixed age groups. There will be predictions, rope tricks, telepathy, card tricks, illusions and much more, with opportunities for audience participation.

The performance starts at 7.30 pm, and tickets costing £5.00 will be on sale at Thornbury Town Hall weekdays from Monday 3 November, or by calling 07849 638804 at any time. Alternatively, e-mail magic@barrysmith.co.uk. To find out more about Barry, visit his website www.barrysmith.co.uk. It is advisable to book tickets in advance to ensure you are not disappointed, as tickets are limited.



Charity Bridge Drive

will be held at

the Almondsbury Old School Hall
on **Thursday October 23rd 2008**

starting at 7.30 p.m. prompt

£7 including refreshments

Contact RICHARD HARROP (01454) 416927

e-mail exall@thedown99.freeserve.co.uk

New Organist

St Mary's Church, Almondsbury is looking for a new Director of Music, Choirmaster and Organist. Our aim for Church music is to glorify Christ and to use music to lift hearts and eyes to him. We offer a lively proactive Village Church, a strong musical tradition and RSCM conditions. We need someone with a heart for worship, inspirational leadership and traditional with innovative values. For an informal discussion and application form, please contact the Rev. Philip Rowe – 01454 613223 or office@stmaryssevernside.org.uk. The Closing Date is Thursday 7th November 2008 and interviews will be held on Saturday 22nd November 2008.

Watch Out for Car Park Scams

South Gloucestershire Council's Trading Standards Service would like to remind residents to be extra vigilant when parking their vehicles in privately owned car parks. Reports of car parking and car clamping scams frequently feature in the media. Here are some steps to follow if you feel you have received a ticket incorrectly or believe it is a scam.

- Check with the car park operator that those issuing parking fines are legitimately operating on their behalf - recent incidents show that this may not be the case at all
- Check the terms of privately owned car parks.
- Follow the appeals procedure. If it is a privately owned car park you may need to contact the company to find these procedure details. If it is a public car park, contact the council.
- you can always write to the landowner expressing your concerns.
- Remember, if a parking company wants to enforce a ticket they have issued, the onus is on them to prove you were parked incorrectly – ask for proof.
- If you have a car clamping complaint contact the Security Industry Authority to lodge a complaint and check the clammer is licensed.

*If you feel you have fallen victim to, or would like to report a car parking or clamping scam, contact **Consumer Direct on 08454 04 05 06.***

Music in the Church at Aust

Jon Swayne and Becky Price on Saturday 11th October at 8pm

Aust concerts are known as being very bagpipe heavy, with some of the best pipers in the world playing quite regularly. However, this month we let an accordion slip through as an accompanist to one of these celebrated bagpipers and the result is enchanting.

The two performers in question are the world renowned bagpipe maker and performer Jon Swayne and his accompanist, Becky Price. When these two sit down to play, what you are going to hear is not simply technically magnificent, but musically breathtaking. From the style and mastery of their instruments to the splendid compositions which bridge the gap between folk, jazz and classical music, Jon and Becky are a force of nature, completely at odds with their gentle stage manner. But who needs to be loud and overly charismatic when one short strain of your music lets the audience know that they are about to witness magic.

Jon Swayne and Becky Price will be at Aust church on Saturday 11th October at 8pm. Tickets are £10 full and £8 concessions, available from Peter or Gina Dobbins on 01454 632306 or directly from the Boar's Head, Aust, or Olveston Stores.

Police Report for August 08.

The Safer Stronger Community Group priorities for the police remain speeding vehicles and HGV's on the B4461 at Elberton, youth issues in Olveston and vehicles causing problems outside Olveston School. The next meeting is Wednesday 8th October 2008 at 7.30pm in the Berkeley Room at Oldbury Power Station.

A couple of people have complained about some of the vehicles parked in the parking area in Laxton Close Olveston. The parking area (the low walled area on the left as you reach the T) is privately owned. We have checked with the highways dept and land registry and confirmed this, therefore we are limited as to what we can do with regard to removing the vehicles. The advice we received was that home owners should check their deeds to see what piece of land they own. They may then be able to have a vehicle removed from their area through a private tow away company probably at some expense.

Raised at the last beat surgery were a couple of complaints about youngsters cycling on the pavements around Olveston. It isn't so much the fact that they are using the pavement but the speed that they are going so if your children cycle around Olveston please let them know and ask them to slow down.

The next beat surgery is on 25 September 2008 between 1030 and 1200 at the coffee shop in Overton Stores.

A reminder that Kelly and I are now regularly using the office at the Olverston Parish Hall on Upper Tockington Rd. If you see the police car outside please feel free to drop in.

For the month of August we received 42 calls to the police from our beat. There were 8 crimes

2/8/08 A stone was thrown through the rear window of a car in Littleton.

4/8/08 A broken down vehicle left at the side of the road in Elberton was stolen by being towed away (this is quite a common method of theft of vehicle throughout the South Glos district).

8/8/08 A garage in Oldbury was entered and 2 sat. navs were stolen from vehicles inside. A generator was also stolen.

10/8/08 A house in Aust had pond equipment stolen and items from the locked shed were also stolen.

13/8/08 Aust services had a vehicle drive off without paying for £5 worth of fuel!

12/8/08 A vehicle in Olveston had the letter H scratched into the bodywork.

17/8/08 Another drive off from Aust services.

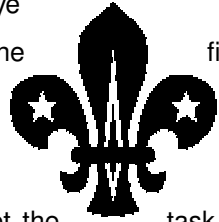
22/8/08 A large amount of money was stolen from the accommodation part of a pub.

Roger Hopes PC 3404 , Neighbourhood Beat Manager

Phone: 0117 945 5959 , Mobile: 07919628625

Scout camp 2008 at Biblins Ross-On -Wye

Sunday 27th July: When we arrived it was hot and sticky. The job was to assemble the shared tent. It was a bit complicated but we managed it with ease! It was fun sharing but there was quite a bit of talking at night (so no down sides then, if you don't include the strange smells).



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Monday 28th It was still sunny, but less sticky. We were set the task of building a sculpture out of sticks (Pioneering). Unfortunately, Damien Hurst was too busy to help that day, so our efforts were less than successful. Apparently, the fun is in taking part and not winning. It actually looked like a bridge until it fell down.

Tuesday 29th Today we hiked to Go Ape in the rain but by the time we arrived we ate our sandwiches in the sun. This was my second favourite activity, because we got to go on massive zip wires in the trees.

Wednesday 30th We arrived at Kerne Bridge in the rain though it didn't stop us from canoeing. Because there was no danger of any of us falling in by accident (we were naturals), the instructor insisted that we jumped in the water ourselves. Also, some of us were lucky enough to spot a kingfisher on the river bank (or so they said....). We arrived back two hours late and soaking wet, it was awesome. (the leaders had fun too!)

Thursday 31st, we went for a hike in the morning and then came back to the tents for lunch. After lunch we had to take the tents down and my little sister helped. By now, we were all camping experts and it only took us 3 hours to get the jobs done.

Camp was a fantastic experience and I also had the chance to cook outside and make fires. Can't wait for next year....

By Chris Boocock (Camp patrol leader)

The Scouts are organising the Coffee Morning on Saturday 8th November for the Royal British Legion.: 10pm at Olveston Methodist Church.

Cricket Club News

150 Club Winners September:

£50 Peggy Jones £15 Pat Stovold £ 5 Diane Buckley

Latest £25 Bonus Ball Winners:

23rd August Olivia Maunder 30th August Paddy Gardner

Diary Dates:

Saturday 11th October: Dinner & Dance at Cattle Country

Friday 14th November: Race Day at Cheltenham

Please contact me for Tickets & Information: Tony Gardner 07889 727729

www.olddowncricketclub.co.uk



ACT Presents a Fascinating Evening!

ACT [Arts and Community in Thornbury] is delighted to offer an evening of music and singing with a difference! On Friday 10 October at 8.00 pm, ACT's season of arts events features two rare musical treats in Thornbury's Cossham Hall.

The first is a Ladies' Barbershop Choir named ***Fascinating Rhythm***, which currently boasts over 30 members and is based in Rangeworthy. The other intriguing component of this exciting programme is Harpist **Tessa Sullivan**, who unusually combines this talent with singing. ***Fascinating Rhythm*** started 13 years ago with 5 ladies interested in singing close harmony *a capella* music in 4 parts and now boasts 30 female members, whose voices cover tenor, lead, baritone and bass! Besides singing at weddings, music festivals and taking part in competitions, the group has sung in such diverse locations as the S S Great Britain and Berkeley Castle, as well as in village halls and shopping centres! ***Fascinating Rhythm*** has recently run two very successful 'Learn to Sing' courses, open to women of all ages and 190 ladies registered, with some becoming new recruits! A member of the Ladies Association of British Barbershop Singers, which competes annually, this group was delighted to win the Novice Chorus Award in 2001.

Tessa Sullivan started singing at nine and was immediately entered for eisteddfods, music competitions and exams, eventually becoming a Licentiate of the Royal Academy of Music. She has always enjoyed singing a wide range of vocal music and has played lead rôles in shows, such as Magnolia in *Show Boat*, Eurydice in *Orpheus in the Underworld*, Kate in *Kiss, Me Kate*, and Mother Abbess in *The Sound of Music* for Thornbury Amateur Operatic Society, plus Anna in *The Merry Widow* and Maritza in *Countess Maritza*, to mention just a few; passing on her skills to hundreds of pupils over the last 20 years. Tessa fulfilled a lifelong ambition four years ago, when her husband gave her a harp as a birthday present and the rest is history, with Tessa performing regularly and even running workshops for harpists!

This wonderful combination promises a varied musical palette, combining folk songs with well known standards, gospel tunes and numbers from musicals. Altogether an evening not to be missed and tickets (£10 and £9 for FACTs) are available from Thornbury Garden Shop, High Street, or tel **01454 416291**. For further information on **ACT** and its challenging project to build a theatre and arts centre in Thornbury, please ring or log on to our website: www.ACTthornbury.org.uk .

Thanks

I would like to thank our many friends in the Meeting Point area for the very generous help and support we received during and after Kathleen's last illness, and at the funeral on 22 August. Andrew Waddicor

October - Recipe

Marian Stephens 412165



Jam and Eating Apple pie filling

What do you do with eating apples that are not “good enough” to display in the fruit bowl? And isn’t it annoying when you can’t get the last of that lovely jam out of the jar?

Here’s what to do: Fill the almost empty jam jar with clean cold water. Replace lid. While jar is soaking peel, core and cut the apples into slices and place in a saucepan. Give jam jar a little shake, to loosen jam and pour contents into the saucepan with the apple. There is no need to add sugar as jam and eating apples are sweet. Bring apple mixture to

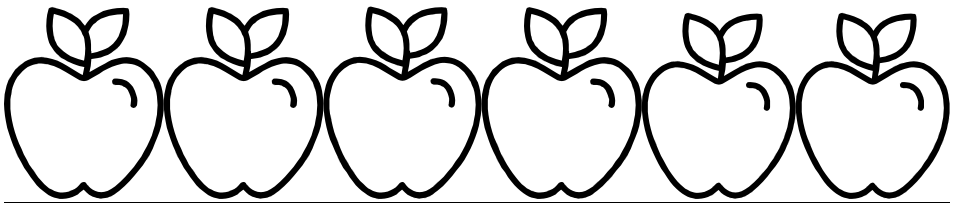
the boil and simmer (cook gently) until the apple is soft.

For a quick desert eat with digestive biscuits and ice cream, or use as a filling for tarts, crumbles or sponge.

Tips for October – New season eating and cooking apples are available locally this month. Look out for free ripe apples growing in genuine public community areas, or those for sale from local growers. How about asking a neighbour if they would like help in picking apples from their trees?

Safety first - Do take care when picking.

For other ideas on using up leftover food see www.lovefoodhatewaste.com.



Orchard Harvest Day

Tony Harding

Come and join the fun at Winterbourne Medieval Barn in Church Lane on Sunday October 5th for the annual Orchard Harvest Day. Sample or buy local fruit and produce, or food and drink created from it including local beer and cider. You can bring your own fruit and press it on site. Rustic Rocket BBQ. There will also be displays by local schools and fruit-based games for all ages. The event takes place from 10.30am until 3.30pm. Free entry. Contact Tony on 01454-772285 for further details.

Oveston Parish Matters

Andy Clarke

It has sometimes been difficult to remain cheerful in a miserable summer of cloudy, windy, watery weather but the progress Oveston Scouts have made towards the completion of their lovely new facility is enough at least to bring a smile. It cannot be long now before it is fully operational thanks to the wonderful work of Ian Knowles and his gang of willing workers.

While we all wish to encourage the youth of the Parish we also must remember to care for our more elderly citizens. Sadly, some thoughtless individuals have stooped to stealing milk from Daldry Gardens doorsteps more than once, in the wee small hours. Let's try to stop them, it's so unfair.

Some people may also be concerned that since Merlin took over the running of Daldry Gardens from the Council that there will no longer be a residential warden to supervise care. However a recent poll revealed that most residents felt that they had little need for such in-depth supervision, leaving Merlin with a fairly free hand to make good their cost-cutting exercise. We are assured that some supervision will be maintained however, but in a less focussed way while, for example, personal care procedures remain available, according to need. On the plus side, residents have also been informed that an earlier ban on house pets is no longer to be enforced.

Daldry pensioners can be helped in other ways too. Those of us with more garden or allotment produce than we need can leave some of it at the door of Daldry House, rather than let it go to waste. Also the offer of lifts to our less fit old folk around the area is welcome. These schemes are already in place and can be applauded.

It is now a good time of year for pensioners, asthma sufferers and the like to make appointments with their own doctors for the Autumn 'flu jabs. A stitch in time saves nine perhaps.

The Parish Council remains busy on your behalf as you can see on the website- www.olvoston.com/councils/olvoston-parish-council. Our latest venture is a bid to secure from South Glos Council Village Green status on the land at Vicarage Lane Playing Fields. The land is not owned by us but this status, if granted, would ensure its use as an open space for the Parish in perpetuity, unthreatened by any other potential development.

Of course open spaces all around us could be under some threat if the Government's edict to build 33,000 new houses in our County in the next 20 years goes ahead. Many people, including South Glos Council, have expressed concern over the size of this proposal. We have tried to identify affordable housing sites in our Parish for development in recent years already, though as yet no recommendation from us has met with success.

If there are any issues you wish to discuss please contact any councillor or the Parish Clerk, Mrs. Valerie Tutin (0145 613730).



Gift Fayre - in support of St Peter's Hospice on Saturday 4th October

A Gift Fayre will be held at The Armstrong Hall, Thornbury between 10.30am and 4.00pm. Many stalls, ideal for early Christmas shopping. Refreshments and raffle in support of St Peters Hospice.

Cancer Research

Betty Cain

The Thornbury and District Local Committee are holding a **Christmas Celebration of Words and Music** commencing at 7.30pm on Wednesday 26th November in St Helen's Church, Alveston. The evening will include secular and religious offerings and everyone is most welcome. The evening will conclude with light refreshments and a retiring collection for Cancer Research.

Sustainable or Transition?

All over the world, more and more people are choosing to live in a more sustainable way. At grassroots level, like minded individuals are getting together to set up projects within their local community to enable and support such change. The recent publication of Rob Hopkins book, "The Transition Handbook" describes how he began the Transition movement – interesting and very readable.

For the past year, Sustainable Thornbury has been steadily growing as more and more small groups of people have begun to set up projects such as Grow Your Own Food, the recent Give Away/Take Away Day as well as raising awareness of related issues such as climate change.

So what's the difference between sustainability and transition? This question was discussed at a recent meeting of Sustainable Thornbury. Should Thornbury become a Transition Town? Is Sustainable Thornbury moving in this direction already?

To explore this further, Sustainable Thornbury is organising a talk about Transition Towns at the Chantry on October 6th, 7.30-9.30. Do come along and find out more. For further information contact:

Maggie Jeffery: email maggiejeffery2@hotmail.co.uk

Inheritance Tax (IHT)– a Basic Guide

(Taken from an article in BAE systems newsletter by John Porter)

For IHT purposes, the estate of a dead person includes everything they possessed: house, plane, boat, caravan, car, (or more than one of anything!) art items, antiques, “goods and chattels”, financial investments of all common types, bank balance, a proportion of sizeable gifts made within seven years of death – everything. The only exclusions are some specialist investments, generally associated with agriculture and well beyond the scope of this note.

Inheritance Tax, at a rate of 40%, is payable on the amount by which the value of the estate of a dead person exceeds a threshold, referred to as the nil rate band (NRB) - currently £312,000 (2008/9). If the estate is passed entirely to the dead person’s surviving spouse then no inheritance tax is paid. When the second person of the couple dies then the NRB, which hasn’t been used, is transferred to that person’s estate so that no tax is payable if the estate does not exceed £624,000. This NRB is likely to increase in future years to £325,000 per individual.

If your estate (as a couple) already exceeds £624,000, there are measures available to reduce it – you may prefer to give money now to those of your choice rather than having HM Government take it from them after you have died. There are several IHT exemptions applicable to gifts, principally:

- Exempt gifts – to: spouse or civil partner, political parties, charities, universities, “national” institutions eg National Trust
- Annual exemption – up to a total of £3000 pa
- Small gifts – each up to £250 to an unlimited number of recipients
- Gifts from income – regular gifts (eg birthday presents or insurance policy payments) demonstrably paid from income, **not from capital**.
- Potentially exempt transfers – the Inheritance Tax payable is calculated on a sliding scale relating to the number of years between the gift being made and the donor dying, becoming nil after seven years.

It is always advisable to take advice before giving away large sums of money.

John Porter

Thornbury Library News

Friday 3 October 10.00-12.00 (part of Family Learning Month)

Our friendly Age Concern tutors have kindly agreed to do an informal 'drop-in' session on this date for absolute beginners on computers. Just turn up between 10.00am and noon and they will endeavour to direct you to the sunny side of the street of computing!

BUT just so we have some idea of numbers in advance please let us know you are coming by calling in or phoning 868006.

Parents-help your children with maths

Filton College are repeating their popular course which was held in the Spring. This will run on Thursdays from 9.30am-11.30am starting on Thursday 2 October. Please ask for further details from the library or ring Filton College on 0117 9092239.

Library Committee AGM

The Library Committee will be holding their AGM on Wednesday 8 October at 7.30pm in the library - entrance via back door. If you have any comments you want to make on your library service, you are welcome to attend at the start of the meeting.

Senior Citizens Forum, Armstrong Hall, Tuesday 7 October, 10.30am-4.00pm

Come along to talk to us at the library stall and see and hear about many other activities and organizations.



Dads' story-times - Saturday afternoons - kick off 2.15pm!

In addition to our Monday afternoon pre-school story-times we thought it would make a change to have a fortnightly Saturday afternoon pre-school story-time also starting at 2.15pm that will give Dads a chance to bring their children to the library for a story. Dates in October are 4th and 18th. Look out for more details in the library.

Football reading game including a real penalty shoot out!

On Saturday afternoon 1 November, children's author *Tom Palmer* (a Leeds United supporter!) will be visiting the library to host a *Football Reading Game*. This is a game of two halves. A quiz about football and reading followed by a penalty shoot-out! This will be suitable for older children. More details to follow.

Dieting the Lazy Way

Jackie Cavanagh

OK, so if you are one of those folk who want or need to shed fat fast, then do what your doctor says and follow a calorie-controlled diet with lots of sweaty exercise. If however you don't want to follow a "diet" because it makes you think and pine far more about food than you normally would and you don't mind losing weight slowly, then diet the lazy way by using the following tips that I myself use.

From day to day your body will only notice a 20% increase or decrease of food either way. So start off by keeping a food diary, and eat "normally". The purpose of the diary is to be aware of how much you are eating, but be warned, every one always underestimates how many calories they eat. Once you have established what a typical week of calories consists of only decrease by a maximum of 20%. For me, a tall size 14 woman, that means cutting out the daily slurps of wine with dinner and replacing them with water. Aiming a reduction of only about 100 to 200 calories per day equates to losing 10 lbs in 10 months. But remember, more than 20% will make you feel deprived, and deprivation makes you feel grumpy and focuses your mind more on food. It's a genetic thing!



We all have eating cues that unknowingly encourage us to over-eat, so identify what your cues are and simply trick your brain by tricking your cues. We don't eat calories, we judge what we eat by sight and therefore by volume. Our eyes decided when we are full rather than are stomachs.

So serve food in smaller bowls and plates and use tall thin glasses instead of short fat ones. Also follow the moneymaking catering industry's lead by, for instance, dragging the ice cream scoop across the face of the ice cream to form a large looking scoop that is actually made up more of air space than yummy ice cream rather than gouging out a solid lump.

We humans are bored easily, so minimise the numbers of different flavours/tastes per meal and then you will eat less. For instance, serve carrot and swede mashed together rather than separately.

Don't eat stuff just because it is free or cheap. Remember, a moment on the lips, forever on the hips!

Try and eat until you feel 80% full, then have a glass of water and wait 10 minutes. If you still feel hungry eat a bit more.

If you are going to eat sweets, then pick ones with wrappers and leave the empty wrappers in plain view while you are munching, because the empty wrappers help you to subconsciously keep count, and therefore sends the "I am full" signal sooner. Again limit the variety of flavours of sweets, bore yourself!

Find out what your other eating cues are and alter your life style to accommodate. Ask yourself when do you stop eating? Be truthful otherwise you are only fooling yourself. Do you stop eating when you are full? When your plate is empty? When

you have finished your drink? Or my personal favourite, when your TV show is over.

Learn how to serve correct portion sizes by sight; life's too short and busy to be hauling the scales out of the kitchen cupboard, every time I need to do a meal. One protein (meat) portion should be no bigger than the size of your palm.

We are genetically bred not to want to diet, we want salt, fat and sugar, but if you have tried every diet going and have not kept the weight off long term, then have a go at the lazy way, I dare you!

Can They Really Sell Your Car?

Consumer Direct, the government's consumer advice service, is warning people who are selling their cars through classified or internet advertisements to be wary of telephone canvassers offering potential buyers.

Consumer Direct has received hundreds of calls from people who have received unsolicited telephone calls from canvassers, who in return for an up-front fee, claim to be able to put you in touch with buyers looking for the specific make and model on offer.

Very often, however, sellers are left disappointed when no buyers come forward. People who agree to the fee may have an ad placed on a website but others receive nothing at all, and those who seek refunds can often find it difficult or time consuming.

Consumer Direct has put together the following list of tips:

- If you are selling your car privately, using a newspaper or website advert, you may receive calls from canvassers even though you may state "No Canvassers" in your advert.
- Ask them to send written information in the post. Never agree immediately and do not give your card details to a caller you do not know.
- If you are buying goods or services costing over £100, consider paying by credit card, as you may be able to claim your money back from the card company if the trader fails to honour the contract.

Anyone experiencing problems with traders, or needing further advice can call Consumer Direct on 08454 040506.

Coffee Morning

Thornbury Hospital League of Friends is having a coffee morning at Alveston Methodist Church Hall on Wednesday 1st October at 10.30am. All welcome.

Housework is what a woman does that nobody notices unless she hasn't done it.

From the Registers at St Mary's

Baptism on 7th September of Luke William son of Ian and Rebecca Portch

Marriage on 23rd August of James Slade and Emma Phillips

Marriage on 6th September of James Greenland and Sally Floyd

Cremation at Westerleigh on 26th August followed by a Thanksgiving Service at St Mary's of Rosalind Silvey.

Yours Faithfully

Geoff Watkins

The first ten words in the Bible declare:” In the beginning God created the Heavens and the earth.” I have been privileged to have seen so much of this awe-inspiring creation – vast deserts, roaring seas, beautiful lakes and waterfalls, mighty rivers, desolate places, lush tropical jungle and African bush. Each is so hard to describe and yet He created it to sustain us and for our pleasure. This year we spent our holiday in Alaska, enjoying snow covered mountains, fast flowing rivers, ancient glaciers and forests, so vast they are hard to comprehend. This beautiful world with all its resources was created by God in such minute detail for mankind to enjoy and we certainly want to share with our friends the fantastic nature of what we have seen.

God also gave the world His only Son, Jesus, who lived on the earth for 33 years. He was crucified so that all our sins could be forgiven and in God's sight they are put “ as far as the East is from the West.”

(Psalm 103 v 12) This gift from God is to give us all the opportunity to become a “ new creation in Christ Jesus”. How can you and I become a new creation? It's quite simple really. Accept what Jesus has done for you, ask him to forgive your sins, trust and believe He has done this for you. Find a Church where you can join other worshippers. If you are reading this and have not accepted what Jesus did for you, then make a decision now. Tomorrow may be too late!

Let me conclude by saying that I believe God has wonderfully created a world for us to enjoy now, but more importantly, He has also made provision for eternity in giving us new life in Jesus. Surely, that's a free gift we cannot afford to miss.

Church News:

ST MARY THE VIRGIN, OLVESTON

Oct 5 th	8am 10am 10am 6pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion Breakfast Club Evensong with Choir	Rev Philip Rowe Rev Philip Rowe Breakfast Club Team Mrs Janet McBride
Oct 12 th	8am 10am 10am 6pm	Holy Communion (BCP) Morning Worship with Choir Breakfast Club Evensong	Canon David Sansum Mr Denis Jones Breakfast Club Team Rev Philip Rowe
Oct 19 th	8am 10am 10am 6pm	Holy Communion Holy Communion with Choir Breakfast Club Evensong	Rev. Philip Rowe Rev Philip Rowe Breakfast Club Team Rev David Bone
Oct 26 th	8am 10am 10am 6pm	Holy Communion(BCP) 4 th Sunday Breakfast Club Evensong(BCP) with Choir	Canon David Sansum Rev Roly Bain Breakfast Club Team Rev David Bone

Information on services correct at time of going to press.

CONTACT PERSONS:

The Rev Philip Rowe, (01454 613223); email: office@stmaryssevernside.org

Please contact Philip about Baptisms, marriages, funerals or other matters at any time, but please try to avoid Thursdays except in an emergency.

Mrs. June Robbins, Verger 01454 617491

Internet: www.stmarysolveston.org.uk/index.html

PRAYER GROUP: Mondays, 3.00pm in the Church (except third Monday)

WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION: At 9.00am led by the Rev. Roly Bain

CHAPELRY OF ST JOHN, AUST

Oct 5 th	8 am	Holy Communion	Rev David Bone
Oct 12 th	10 am	Holy Communion	Rev David Bone
Oct 19 th	8 am	Holy Communion	Rev David Bone
Oct 26 th	10 am	Morning Prayer	Rev David Bone

Assistant Curate: Rev David Bone (01454 614601)

Church Wardens: Jo Jenkins (01454) 632838 and Janet Ford 633300

ST MARY DE MALMESBURY, LITTLETON-ON-SEVERN

Oct 5 th	9am	Holy Communion	Rev.David Pole
Oct 19 th	9am	Matins	Mr Don Streatfield

Contact person: Rev. David Pole (01454 414810); www.sthelsalveston.org

ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, ELBERTON

Oct 12 th	9 am	Matins	Mr Don Streatfield
Oct 26 th	9 am	Holy Communion	Rev Dave Pole

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

OLVESTON AND TOCKINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

Oct 5 th	10am	Tockington Ch.	Morning Worship.led by Rev. Malcolm Warren. Junior Church in the Wesley Rooms. Evening Worship led by Rev.Audrey Standhaft
	6pm	Tockington Ch.	
Oct 12 th	10am	Olveston Ch.	All Age Worship led by MrGlyn Varney The Breakfast Club will join us later in the Service. Evening Worship led by Miss Kitty Barrett.
	6pm	Tockington Ch.	
Oct 19 th	10am	Tockington Ch.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev. Iesinga Vunipola. Junior Church in the Wesley Rooms. Evening Worship led by Mr David Bainbridge
	6pm	Daldry Gardens	
Oct 26 th	10am	Tockington Ch.	Morning Worship led by Mr Glyn Varney Junior Church in the Wesley Rooms Evening Worship led by Rev. Iesinga Vunipola
	6pm	Olveston Ch.	

LIGHT LUNCHES: Thursday 2nd Oct in the Tockington Wesley Rooms. To book your lunch please ring 416056.

NORTHWICK LUNCHEON GROUP: This meets at 12.30pm on Wednesday 15th Oct. To book your lunch please ring 416528

PRAYER MEETINGS: Thursdays at 2.15pm in the Olveston Vestry.

COFFEE MORNINGS: Saturdays 10.30am – 12 noon in the Olveston Methodist Hall. Please note there will not be any Coffee Mornings at Tockington this month.

DISCUSSION GROUP: A Discussion Group covering topical subjects is held on the 4th Tuesday of every month. Meetings commence with coffee 10.30am for 11.00am. This months meeting is on the 28th October **CONTACT**

PERSON: Rev Iesinga Vunipola. 01454 412269; iesinga@hotmail.com

THE VINE, PILNING STREET, AWKLEY

We meet in a relaxed, informal manner for worship, prayer and conversational Bible studies and incorporating Communion, normally on Sundays at 10.30am and Mondays and Wednesdays at 7.30pm. As we also visit other churches and events, please check our Notice Board or contact us. If you would like us to pray for you, your requests can be posted through the letter box at The Vine or sent to us by post or email. Please add a name or initial to identify your request.

Mike and Barbara Matthews, tel. 07840 793772
or email thevine_awkley@hotmail.com

THE OASIS CHURCH, OLDFOWN

Oct 5th	6.30pm	Munir Din
Oct 12th	6.30pm	Ed Stuart
Oct 19th	6.30pm	Pat Monks
Oct 26th	6.30pm	Ceri Morgan-Davies

For further information please contact Olwen Wonnacott (412141) or Paul Ashford (07774-110814) email: Paul@CalebGroup.net

AUST EVANGELICAL CHURCH offers a warm welcome to Family Worship at 11.00am and to Evening Worship at 6.30pm. For more details, please phone 632564. 'Happy are the people whose God is the Lord'.

BRISTOL CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP IN OLVESTON - Our Sunday morning meetings are held at The Grange School in Warmley at 11 am, but the life of the church continues in a variety of forms, locations and styles throughout the week. Please contact the Fellowship Office in Almondsbury on 01454613305 for more information or on the internet at www.bcfnet.com

RC CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING, Thornbury - each Sunday
8.30am Mass **11.00 Family Mass** **6.30pm Mass**

SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS), Thornbury Meeting for Worship Sundays 10.30-11.30am, The Hanover Room, The Chantry, Castle St. Wheelchair accessible. Anyone can come but children welcome with prior notice.
National website: www.quaker.org.uk Bristol area: www.bristolquakers.org.uk
Local contact Elizabeth Sidwell 412975

Diary Dates for October 2008

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

1 st Wed	Thornbury Hospital Friends Coffee Morning Historical Society AGM	10.30am 7.30pm	AMH MH
2 nd Thu	Coffee Shop - Olveston Stores Olveston Baby & Toddlers Group	10am-12noon 2.30-4-30pm	MH
3 rd Fri	British Legion Women	7.30pm	DGCL
4 th Sat	Olveston Methodist Hall Coffee Morning St Peter's Hospice Gift Fayre Village Harvest Supper	10.30am -12noon 10.30am - 4pm Evening	MH AH PH
5 th Sun	Thornbury Rambling Club 1.Cotswolds (Long) 415615 2. Marshfield (Short) 414410 or 0117 9659242 Orchard Harvest Day, Winterbourne Barn	1. 9am 2. 9.30am 10.30am - 3.30pm	
7 th Tues	Tockington Toddlers	10am-12noon	WR
8 th Wed	Severn Vale Flower Club Harvest Lunch, followed by Jennifer Winstone 'Wait and See' British Legion Men	12noon 7.30pm	AH DGCL
9 th Thu	Coffee Shop - Olveston Stores Th Rambling Club W-U-Edge (Short) 418093 Olveston Baby & Toddlers Group Th & District Flower Club demonstration: 'Coming Home' Penny Usher	10am-12noon 10am 2.30-4.30pm 7.30pm	MH TMH
10 th Fri	ACT Fascinating Rhythm	8pm	CH
11 th Sat	Olveston Methodist Hall Coffee Morning S. Glos 'Active for Life' Music in the Church at Aust	10.30-12noon 10am-12.30 pm 8.00pm	MH PH AC
12 th Sun	Thornbury Rambling Club 1. Castle Coombe (Medium) 0117 9560869 2. Bedminster (Short) 0117 9409742	1. 9am 2. 9.30am	
14 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers WI: 50yrs as a Church Organist - Dr Robert Hall Kiss me Kate (14th – 18th Oct)	10am-12noon 7.30pm 7.30pm each eve	WR PH AH
15 th Wed	Olveston Pre-school Open Morning Severnvalle Smallholders Association: 'Renovation of Old Buildings' by Mike Hardwick	9.30-11am 7.30pm	PH Chy
16 th Thu	Coffee Shop - Olveston Stores Friends Walking Group: Slimbridge (625313) Olveston Baby & Toddlers Group	10am-12noon 12.30pm 2.30-4.30pm	MH
18 th Sat	Olveston Methodist Hall Coffee Morning The Stones Live in Concert	10.30am-12noon 7.30pm	MH StM
19 th Sun	Thornbury Rambling Club: Forest of Dean (Medium) 415448	9am	
21 st Tue	Tockington Toddlers	10am-12noon	WR
23 rd Thu	Coffee Shop - Olveston Stores	10am-12noon	

	Olveston Baby & Toddlers Group Thornbury & District Flower Club Practice: 'Fun with Foliage' Charity Bridge Drive: Action Medical Research	2.30-4.30pm 7.30pm 7.30pm	MH TMH ACR
25 th Sat	Olveston Methodist Hall Coffee Morning	10.30am-12noon	MH
26 th Sun	Thornbury Rambling Club: Grey Hill, Shirenewton (Long) – Tel: 414022 Marlwood School Car Boot Sale	9am 9.30am	
27 th Mon	Severn Vale Flower Club Practice - 'Mosaic'	1.30pm	AH
28 th Tue	Tockington Toddlers Olveston Parish Council meeting	10am-12noon 7.30pm	WR AP
30 th Thu	Coffee Shop - Olveston Stores Olveston Baby & Toddlers Group	10am-12noon 2.30-4.30pm	MH

Looking Ahead to November

1 st Nov	Music in the Church at Aust	8pm	AC
3 rd Nov	Severnvale Flower Club	6.30pm	AH
5 th Nov	Historical Society Archives Evening	7.30pm	PH
8 th Nov	Family Quiz Night		PH
22 nd Nov	Friends Bazaar A Touch of Magic	7.30pm	PH CH
26 th Nov	Cancer Research Christmas Concert	7.30pm	St Helens

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; **CCCP** – Castle Court Car Park; **CH** – Cossham Hall; **Chy** – Chantry; **DGCL** – Daldry Gardens Community Lounge; **EVH** – Elberton Village Hall; **MH** – Olveston Methodist Hall; **OS** – Olveston School; **PH** – Olveston Parish Hall; **StM** – St Mary's Church, Olv.; **StMA** Almondsbury Church; **TBCh** - Thornbury Baptist Church; **TMH** – Thorn. Methodist Hall; **URC** Thorn United Reform Church; **WR** – Wesley Rooms; **AC** - Aust Church

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