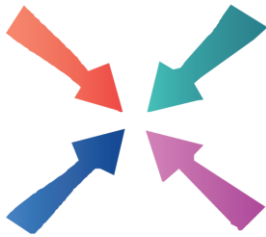


# Meeting Point



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## From the Editor

Our cover picture this month is by Eleanor Baxter, aged 10 years, who is a pupil at Olveston School. It was the winning entry in a competition to design the poster for the new format School and Church Fayre. Find out more about this event, which I am sure will be great fun, inside the magazine.

It is always good to receive articles for the magazine from our younger readers. This month, as well as the front cover design, Eleanor has produced a piece for us on the need to cut down on our use of plastics, due to the environmental damage they cause.

We are still on the lookout for somebody to help organise the Advertisements in Meeting Point. I was asked to point out that most adverts remain the same from month to month and that organising any changes that do occur is not onerous. It may also be of interest to know that the Treasurer deals with collecting the payments from advertisers. Interested? Please contact Nigel Dawes – details in the column on the left.

*Marelin*

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# News from St Mary's

*Debbie Harries*



## **Sevenside Songs of Praise**

'Connecting with our Community'.

To be held in the recently re-ordered St Peter's Church, Pilning, on June 10th at 6pm. Led by Revd David Moss our new Anglican Minister for North Sevenside. Sing with Sharon Edwardes and the newly re-furbished organ! The service will be followed by refreshments. All welcome!

## **The Rose Ball**

Our Annual Ball is on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July in the marquee at Tockington Manor School. The Rose Ball begins at 6.15pm for 6.45pm with carriages at midnight. Dinner is by Napier Catering and dancing once again to the superb Manhattan Nights. The evening is in aid of the Tower Fund and 'Maggie's Charity'. Dress code black tie with a floral touch! Tickets £65. It is always a wonderful evening so book your tickets now! Contact Julia Johnstone on 07966 302762

## **From the Registers of St. Mary's, Olveston**

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|------------------------|--|
| 14 <sup>th</sup> April | Wedding of Joanna Emily Sawyer and James William Bradley.                        |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> April | Funeral Service followed by Burial at St John's, Aust of Sarah Elizabeth Spratt. |
| 29 <sup>th</sup> April | Baptism of Arlo Robert Perry-Mogridge and Skye Violet Perry-Mogridge.            |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> May   | Interment of Ashes of Grantley John Browning.                                    |

## **Computer Clinic**

*Adrian Baxter*

The Computer Clinic team would like to say a big 'Thank You' to Brian Brown for manning the Monday and Wednesday Computer Clinics for the past four years. We are sure that those he has helped and supported will join them in this sentiment. Sadly, this does mean that until other volunteers come forward, the Computer Clinic will now only run on a Friday evening from 7pm -9pm. If you could volunteer, please contact Adrian Baxter on 07957 433 091 or [adrian.baxter@olvestonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:adrian.baxter@olvestonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

# Olveston to Bréhan 2018

May 4<sup>th</sup> – May 8<sup>th</sup>

The Twinning visit to Bréhan this year was a tremendous success. There were 35 of us in all – including eleven children – and we were made very welcome by our Breton hosts. It helped that we had a flat, calm sea for the crossings in both directions and beautiful sunny weather throughout our stay.



We spent the Saturday with our host families. Some of us knew our hosts already and for others there were new friendships to make. On the Sunday we were all taken to an interesting open-air museum, Poul-Fetan, where a small village of traditional houses had been restored to how they might have looked in the 16th century. There were demonstrations of how to cook traditional Breton crepes, butter making, spinning and so on. There were also lots of traditional games for us to play. In the evening we were taken to the Salle des Fêtes (village hall) in Bréhan for a party with food, music and dancing.

We got back to Olveston at about midnight on the Bank Holiday Monday. It had been a long journey and we were all rather weary but agreed that it had been a wonderful experience.

If you would like to find out more about the Olveston Parish Twinning Association (OPTA) please contact Lucy Shrimpton  
[lucyshrimpton@talktalk.net](mailto:lucyshrimpton@talktalk.net) or 07752942284

PS: Our regular coach driver, who has taken us to and from Bréhan for many years, loved the area so much he has moved there with his wife and set up a delightful B&B. Take a look online at Renard Retreat, La Ville Culan 56 580, Bréhan [www.brittanybnb.net](http://www.brittanybnb.net).

# Cancer Research UK

The Poet's Quartet played to a packed house at a free concert held in the Thornbury United Reformed Church on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April. From Dvorak to Bach to The Beatles, we were treated to a delightful performance of string playing. The programme was varied and thoroughly professional. Listening to their music was a joy and the rapturous applause well deserved. Wine and juice were offered and donations to Cancer Research UK invited. The generosity of all, coupled with Gift Aiding, raised in excess of £1000 and we thank you all for your support.

The following day was "Tesco Goes Pink" day and £456 was collected, an amazing amount, from local Thornbury residents again giving generously.

Cancer Research UK receives no government funding so support such as the above is helping to fund vital research into more than 200 different forms of cancer, thereby enabling survival rates to double during the past 40 years.

Your local Thornbury and District Cancer Research UK Committee is forever grateful for the wonderful and loyal support you give us year in and year out.

Thank you all most sincerely.

## Old Down Cricket Club

*Tony Gardner 07889 727729*

### **150 Club Winners May 2018:**

£50 Lesley Clarke  
£15 Tracey Jarvis  
£5 Jean Panes

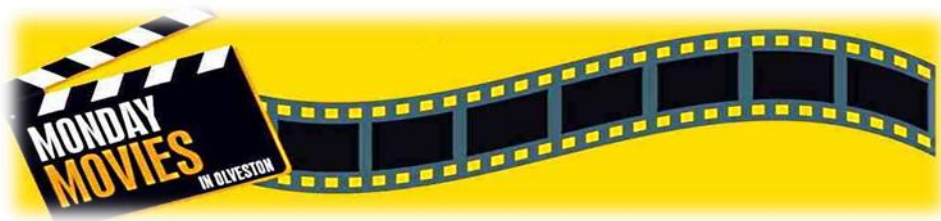
### **Latest £25 Bonus Ball Winners:**

28/04/18 Andy Rowen

### **Home Fixtures June 2018 (1.30 Start)**

02/06/18 2nd XI v Exiles  
09/06/18 1st XI v Blagdon  
16/06/18 2nd XI v Winford Old Cathedralians  
23/06/18 1st XI v West United  
30/06/18 2nd XI v Knowle

All spectators welcome. Up the Down!



## JUNE PROGRAMME

Trevor Anderson

### MONDAY MOVIES (7.30pm on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month)

**Mon 4 June:** This brilliantly entertaining comedy drama is utterly of its period, yet timeless. A disillusioned college graduate is back home, wondering what to do with his life. An unexpected diversion crops up when he is seduced by an older married woman and friend of the family. The pair meets regularly, with neither expecting anything serious from the relationship, but this seemingly simple situation becomes complicated when he meets and begins dating the married woman's daughter. Featuring a famous Simon and Garfunkel soundtrack, the film was nominated for six Oscars. (1967, 1h 48m, Cert 15)

**Mon 18 June:** As Hitler's forces storm across the European landscape and close in on the UK, Winston Churchill is elected the new Prime Minister. With his party questioning his every move, and King George VI skeptical of his new political leader, it is up to Churchill to lead his nation and protect them from the most dangerous threat ever seen. Recently released on DVD, this powerful, inspirational drama contains a thoroughly mesmerising performance from the lead actor in one of the finest hours of his career. (2017, 2h 5m, Cert PG)

### CHILDREN'S MOVIE CLUB

Would you like to join our CMC team? We urgently need more adults to keep the Club going. If you think you might like to help, please contact Martin Gibson on [mrtngibs@aol.com](mailto:mrtngibs@aol.com)

All the films are shown in **St Mary's Church, Olveston** and doors open 30 minutes before the start. Refreshments are available at all the shows, plus licensed bar in the evenings and popcorn and soft drinks in the mornings.



We make no charge for entry, but we do value and appreciate a small **donation** towards church running costs if you have enjoyed the show.

**MONDAY MOVIES** will be having a well-earned Summer Break from July to September. But no worries - we will be recommencing in October.



# Aust Parish Council Matters

*Tim Pyper (austparishcouncil@googlemail.com)*

## **The Parish Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting was held at Elberton Village Hall on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2018. Councillor Riddle gave a report on South Gloucestershire matters and Councillor Collinson on the activities of the parish council over the year. A copy of the report of the meeting can be found on the website.

## **The Parish Council's Annual Meeting – new Councillor**

This meeting was held on 8th May. Catherine Collinson was re-elected as chairman and Steve Meredith as vice-chairman. Following Mike Hawkins retirement in April and publication of the vacancy, there was no call for an election, so the council had to co-opt a new Councillor. Claire Hawkins of Elberton will fill the vacancy and will be welcomed to the council at our June meeting. Claire works in the field of environmental and planning policy and has given a great deal of advice to the council over the years.

## **HONK – TMTG Juniors**

This summer, Thornbury Musical Theatre Group Juniors bring you HONK, a musical adaptation of the Hans Christian Anderson story 'The Ugly Duckling'.

This wonderful musical, set in the countryside, is about a young duckling who is 'different' from his brothers and sisters. So, come and join us down on the farm and meet Mother Duck Ida, her cute little ducklings and of course Ugly himself. However, beware the farm Cat is lurking around every corner, ready to trap a tasty snack! Ugly travels on a journey of self-discovery revealing that it really is OK to be yourself. HONK is a musical adventure the whole family can enjoy, full of wonderful catchy tunes and clever lyrics.

The production will be staged at the Armstrong Hall in Thornbury from Thursday 12th to Saturday 14th July. Performances are 7.30pm nightly, plus a matinée at 2.30pm on the Saturday. Tickets are bookable online at [www.tmtg.org.uk](http://www.tmtg.org.uk) with no booking fee. Adult tickets £12.50 and Concessions (OAPs, students and under 16s) £10.50. Box office enquiries 07305 222922.

## **Litter Pick**

*Rod Williams*

The next litter pick will be on Saturday 9th June.

Please meet at the Olveston Parish Hall car park at 1pm.

# Almondsbury Gymkhana, Horse, Pony and Dog Show

*Jill Cyphus*

**Sunday July 1<sup>st</sup>. Washingpool Hill, Tockington. BS32 4NY**

The Almondsbury show is a very popular family event attracting many competitors, supporters and spectators. The show is run by an enthusiastic group of local volunteers, with all profits going to St Peter's Hospice and Great Western Air Ambulance. In the last 4 years it has raised over £17,000. This year is the 75<sup>th</sup> year, having been run continuously by a local family and helpers ever since 1943, when it was set up to provide much needed funds for the Almondsbury Memorial Hospital, for injured troops returning from World War 2. Its long and interesting history includes holding The Foxhunter Event through the 1970s, sponsored by The Daily Express, with Pat Smythe, a top class show jumper of that time competing at the show - and getting beaten by a local



This event has classes to suit all ages and abilities, ranging from dressage, showing, show jumping, to clear round jumping, gymkhana games and novelty classes. There is also a companion dog show for those without a horse!

With great refreshments available, or the opportunity to picnic in beautiful parkland surroundings, there is something for everyone.

We are looking forward to making this an even more successful fund-

raising year, with the help and support of competitors and spectators. We hope that many people will come and support this event, whether they have been before or whether this is a new venture. Please give it a go.

*Picture by a pupil at Crossways Infants' School.*



# Flower Festival

St Mary's Church, Thornbury, 8<sup>th</sup> – 11<sup>th</sup> June

We will be holding a Flower Festival on 8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> June as part of the Diocesan 'Festival for All', celebrating the community. The theme of the flower festival will be Nature's Elements of fire, water, earth and air. We welcome anyone who would like to visit St Mary's Church to view the floral exhibits.

Organisations selected to benefit from the festival will be Thornbury in Bloom and St Mary's Church. All donations gratefully received.

# Armed Forces Day in Thornbury

*Pat Savage*

The 2018 Armed Forces Day will be held in Thornbury on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2018. This year the country will commemorate the Centenary of the ending of the First World War. Armed Forces Day honours the contribution made by current members of the armed forces and by veterans of all ages. It raises awareness in the community of the work the military do, the skills that can be learned by joining the forces and how those skills benefit the community on leaving the forces. As well as the parade through the town there will be a wide variety of stalls, stands and activities for all ages on the Chantry Fields. The event is free to enter and has something for all the family.

Please visit <http://www.mythornbury.co.uk/thornbury/armed-forces-day>

# Thornbury Orchestra

Thornbury's local Symphony Orchestra will be holding the latest in their successful series of concerts on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June 2018 at Castle School, Thornbury at 7.30pm.

The programme will include a mix of well-known and lesser known pieces by Dvorak, Elgar, Vaughan-Williams and Nugent. In addition, the Orchestra welcomes talented local French Horn player Ellen O'Brien, who will perform the Strauss Horn Concerto.

Entry for children & young adults is free and adults charged at £8. Tickets are available on the door or from any of the Orchestra members. Full details of this and future concerts are available on the Orchestra website [www.thornburyorchestra.org.uk](http://www.thornburyorchestra.org.uk)

# Oveston School and Church

## Summer Fayre

**Friday 29th June at 3:30pm School Field, followed by the School Music Proms at 6pm. New Name, New Time, New Day, New Combination!**

*Cheerio 'Fete', hello 'Fayre'. Farewell Saturday, welcome Friday. Au revoir 2.30pm, bonjour 3.30pm. Adios a single event, Buenos Dias two events in one!*

**Summer Fayre: 3:30pm - 5:30pm.** There will be lots of games and stalls, including a bouncy castle, face painting and a visit from some of the animals at Old Down Country Park. There will also be a BBQ, bar and cream teas.

**Magician: 5:30pm – 6:00pm.** A Magician will be performing to keep the children entertained between the Fayre & Proms.

**School Music Proms: 6:00pm.** The School Proms is a wonderful opportunity to showcase our children's musical talents. They will be performing songs and music with a jazz theme. There will be a BBQ but you're welcome to bring a picnic.

If you are available to help at the Fayre, then please do get in contact by emailing [foospta@gmail.com](mailto:foospta@gmail.com). We really hope you'll enjoy the new format and we look forward to seeing you there.

## Plastic, plastic what have you done?

*Eleanor Baxter (age 10)*

As you may have heard in the news, plastic is becoming a problem for our planet. The ocean is getting polluted with it and it is suffocating the ecosystems, so we need - as a community - to cut down on our use of plastic.

So, for example, stop buying one use plastic bags every time you shop and buy a bag for life and take it with you every time you go shopping. Don't buy those flimsy one-use plastic bottles, buy a BPA free bottle instead which you can fill up as many times as you need to.

Don't fret if you have a lot of flimsy plastic bags or bottles at home, you can reuse them in so many ways e.g. knitted/ crocheted plastic bag items and plastic bottle bird feeders and many other things. For more ideas search on the internet: '*How to re-use plastic items?*' and there are plenty to make and do. Just do as much as you can and spread the message 're-use plastics!'

# Wildlife in the Garden

Trevor Cook

Water is something we all take for granted, we open the tap and clean water flows out. Plus, in this part of the country we seem to have more than sufficient rain for our needs.

Although we seem to have plenty of water we learn that during the last century more than half a million ponds were lost in our country; which is a significant loss of habitat for wildlife and is something we might be able to redress.

Of course, not everyone has room for a pond in their garden and anyone with small children needs to assess the risks that come with any pool of water.

However, having water available in a garden is a definite boon for wildlife and an education for young and old.



It doesn't need to be large affair; a small pool of water, made by sinking an old washing-up bowl into the ground and containing few water plants will suffice for a mini beast habitat as can be seen in the photograph. With a little care, dragonflies and damselflies will zoom around the garden; in spring the frogs will croak their love song to the world and frogspawn will turn from

tadpoles to baby froglets.

(Pond picture taken from: <http://www.thesmallgardener.co.uk/make-mini-frog-pond/>)



# South Gloucestershire Second World War Stories

This is a new and exciting project exploring the impact of the Second World War in South Gloucestershire, both during the war and in the post-war years. The project has been made possible by the Heritage Lottery Fund.

- We want to know what it was like to live and work in South Gloucestershire - as varied a picture as possible.
- We also hope to find stories from local people who served in the forces during the war or in the aftermath.

To do this we will:

- Hold reminiscence groups in community settings, perhaps using objects from local sources as memory triggers.
- Capture personal stories through short films.
- Find Living History Volunteers willing to share their own personal stories and answer questions with local school children, helping young people to understand what the war and post war periods were really like.

How can you become involved? We are hoping to make this a truly collaborative, community-based project. We hope people will help in the following ways:

- By lending us objects or photographs from the period for our reminiscence sessions
- By linking us with individuals whose story you think we should capture - people who lived or worked in the South Gloucestershire area during and after the war or who were in the forces at that time
- By volunteering to help us with research
- By becoming a Living History Volunteer –sharing your story with local school children.

If you feel you would like to contribute in anyway, please do contact me on [christina.wheeler@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:christina.wheeler@southglos.gov.uk) - 01454 863951.



# Oveston Parish Council

*Pat Savage*

## Annual Parish Assembly

The Parish Assembly was held on Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> May at Oveston Parish Hall and was attended by over seventy

parishioners. The Meeting was opened by the Chairman followed by a presentation from The Great Western Air Ambulance Service.

The Annual Financial Review was undertaken by the Clerk; Annual reviews were presented by both the Chairman of Recreation and Leisure and the Chairman of Planning. Councillors also reported on the project to replace the Old down Play Area together with reports on Communications, Community, Defibrillators and Bio-Diversity. Richard Lloyd updated parishioners on the work of the Group which is reviewing the South Glos. Consultation on their plans to increase housing in rural parishes such as Oveston.

Questions were taken from the floor regarding the Old Down Recreation area and the need to provide additional burial facilities in the parish. Matthew Riddle closed the Assembly with thanks to all Councillors and parishioners.

## Dog Fouling

Although there are sufficient bins through the village pavement fouling is still a problem. On numerous occasions it occurs outside the village stores where the owners and staff must deal with the clean-up. Please show more consideration for your fellow villagers and ensure you are equipped with the necessary bag when dog walking.

## Oveston and Tockington W.I.

*Vicki Townsend*

In April a short business meeting was followed by an entertaining, amusing and baffling display of magic by Barry Smith. I was sitting in the front row and have no idea how the tricks were performed, and I did follow very closely. Barry gave a presentation about the history of magic and told us how his interest began at the age of seven, when he received a gift of a boxed set of David Nixon's Magic Tricks. After 30 years in the Army, Barry returned to his interest in magic. Following a show at Oveston Parish Hall several years ago he was admitted to The Magic Circle. The magician's art was shown at its

best, helped by assistants who were chosen from the audience, who were equally amazed by the results they produced.

We cannot guarantee magic, but we can guarantee a very interesting talk by Audrey Shepherd on William Burgess, architect and designer of Cardiff Castle, at our next meeting on Tuesday 12th June at 7.30pm in Olveston Parish Hall. All are welcome. Members of the group will be visiting Cardiff Castle for a conducted tour two weeks after Audrey's talk.

## Auction of Promises

*Asha North*

Friends of Olveston School (FOOS) would like to thank everyone who supported last month's Promises Auction, either by donating a promise or by coming along to the event. After a last-minute bid, the total takings on the night were a massive £2,005, which surpassed our expectations! All this money goes to the new outside play area at Olveston School. Thanks again for all your support!

## Friends of St. Mary's

The prize winners in the May draw, held on 3rd May 2018 at the Friends' Committee Meeting were:

<u>Amount</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Name</u>
£150	407	Mr M Dixon, Olveston
£75	219	Mrs P Dash, Olveston
£25	538	Dr M Wright, Olveston
£25	501	Revd D Bone, Tockington
£25	203	Mrs J Davis, Olveston
£20	603	Dr E Saunders, Olveston
£20	563	Mr B Brown, Olveston
£20	185	Mrs B Morgan, Tockington
£10	463	Mr S Panes, Chepstow
£10	387	Mrs M Baker, Olveston
£10	159	Mrs S Fairhead, Oldbury-on-Severn
£10	451	Mrs C Black, Thornbury
£10	187	Mrs E Marsh, Tockington

If you are not yet a member and wish to join the lottery, please telephone Andy Phillips on 01454 614890.



# St. Peter's Hospice - Tea at 2.30

St Peter's Hospice Severnside Support Group would be delighted to welcome you to Tea at 2.30pm, Friday 29th June at the Thornbury Cricket Club, venue at the top of Alveston Hill. (By kind permission of the Club).

Teas available between 2. 30pm and 4.00pm. Raffle, Books, Stalls.

Entrance £3.00 to include tea, coffee and cake. Please come along and support St Peter's, your local Hospice.

## Police Report

We have heard from Kelly Dimmery, our Police Community Support Officer for 13 years, with the news that she is standing down from this role and that a new PCSO will be appointed in due course. We are very grateful to Kelly for all her work in the area over the years and wish her every success in whatever the future holds.

Please note that the Beat Surgery date has been changed so that PC Ross Calderwood (Beat Manager) can attend.

**Wednesday June 6<sup>th</sup> Olveston Stores 10:30 – 11:15**

## Village Contact Scheme

*Pat Thirkettle*

You will soon be receiving a card from the newly formed Village Contact Scheme, delivered by a volunteer in your street. This scheme is supported by the Parish Council, St Mary's Church and Olveston School and it aims to increase awareness of our neighbours' possible needs. The card includes information about regular village activities such as lunch clubs, transport and pharmacy details and who to contact.

## Cricket at TMS

Tockington Manor School will be hosting the following County Cricket matches this Summer. All are welcome to come and watch.

Sun 17th June 12 noon: Gloucestershire County Cricket Club U'14 vs City of London

Sun 1st July 12 noon: Gloucestershire Country Cricket Club U'12 vs Dorset

Sun 15th July 12 noon: Gloucestershire Country Cricket Club U'11 vs Middlesex

# Open Afternoon at Stepping Stones

**Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June 1pm – 3pm**

You are invited to our Open Afternoon at Elberton Village Hall to see the setting in action. We believe that each child is an individual who deserves the very best that we can offer. We have 12-18 children per session, aged between 2 and 5 and were rated 'good' in our last Ofsted inspection. We pride ourselves on our fantastic outdoor environment and are lucky to have woods in the grounds which enable us to offer forest sessions. We also have an amazing garden which has various trees for natural shade and offers a wealth of stimulating activities. Our staff are highly qualified and include an Early Years Professional. All other permanent staff are qualified to level 3 or above.

We have spaces available in September so come and see for yourselves the excellent learning opportunities that we offer. For more details please visit our website at [www.steppingstoneselberton.co.uk](http://www.steppingstoneselberton.co.uk) or email Gill at [gillpowell1961@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:gillpowell1961@hotmail.co.uk).

## Community Meals on Wheels

**Hot, fresh and affordable meals delivered direct to your home**

We deliver hot meals to the local community all year round, this service is available for anyone and is particularly helpful in supporting older, disabled and vulnerable people living in their own homes. As part of the service we also do a welfare check at each visit and can contact their designated name contact if there is a problem.

All our meals are nutritionally balanced and additional cold meals are also available. We can provide for most dietary needs, vegetarian meals and to meet religious and cultural needs (additional supplement may be payable). The meals cost £5.50 for a hot lunchtime meal including dessert, and £3.40 for a cold tea meal – which can only be ordered in addition to the lunchtime meal.

For a discussion about our Community Meals service and your needs please do get in touch with Integra (part of South Gloucestershire Council) on 01454 865996 (office hours 8.30am to 2.30pm Mon-Fri) or online: [www.southglos.gov.uk/communitymeals](http://www.southglos.gov.uk/communitymeals)

# Update from A Forgotten Landscape

*Katie Scaife*

This season brings walks, arts and a festival!

## Severnside Walking Festival

Our amazing walking festival runs until 16<sup>th</sup> June. Help us launch our 15 new walking routes in style! Our walks range from 2 to 10km and are a mix of urban and country walks. To celebrate the new routes we've got a fantastic walking festival with lots going on; story walks, wildlife walks,



history walks! Truly something for everyone. For more information and to book your free place, go to here: <http://www.aforgottenlandscape.org.uk/get-involved/events/>. And if you come on a walk you can get a full set of our walk leaflets! Each walk is clearly way marked and the leaflets contain directions, a map, and lots of fun information about what's along the route.

## Severn Beach Sculpture Launch Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June, 7-10pm, Severn Beach

Join us for the unveiling of the three new stone sculptures in Severn Beach!

Come to our big unveiling on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June! We will be celebrating with fire sculptures, live music, a chance to meet the makers and a wonderful procession. It's free – just come along and join in.

Events:

- 7-8pm come along and create a flag for the procession on the green space between the



shops and the river, BS35 4PQ

- 8:15pm join the procession with live music outside Severn Beach village hall
- 9pm festivities on the green space & unveiling of the sculptures followed by burning of the fire sculptures to create brief and magical images in the flames!

Get involved in creating the fire sculptures with Alan May and learn how to weave willow into your own sculpture for the event. He's holding two free workshops; Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June from 12-4pm and Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June from 12-6pm. Find out more and book your free place at [www.aforgottenlandscape.org.uk/sculpturelaunch](http://www.aforgottenlandscape.org.uk/sculpturelaunch) or call 01454 864265.

### **Introduction to running a small holding** **23<sup>rd</sup> June, 10am-3pm      Lawrence Weston Community Farm**

This workshop is being run by our friends at Lawrence Weston Community Farm with support from A Forgotten Landscape. The workshop will include: poultry keeping, growing fruit and veg, security (hedges, fences, problems with neighbours), general land management



including considering whether to use hand tools or mechanization and general larger animal keeping such as sheep, pigs and goats. You must book a place for this workshop. There is a £30 charge which will go to supporting the community farm. The workshop is for adults only.

<http://www.aforgottenlandscape.org.uk/events/introduction-running-small-holding/>

### **Severn Festival - Get Involved!**

Back by popular demand, the Severn Festival will be happening again this year. Get out your diaries and put a big circle around Saturday 14 July. From 11am – 4pm in Severn Beach come and enjoy loads of stalls, activities, a live music stage and much more.

We'd like as many people as possible to get involved! If you'd like to have a stall please contact Delcia 01454 633215 or [delciahumphries@btinternet.com](mailto:delciahumphries@btinternet.com). If you would like to perform, help on the day, or do something else, please contact Emma at [emma.cross@southglos.gov.uk](mailto:emma.cross@southglos.gov.uk) or 01454 864 265.

# What a Knight for League Cup Champions, Olveston!

*Russell Knight*

On 2<sup>nd</sup> May, Olveston United were crowned League Cup Champions having defeated Hambrook F.C. in the final played at Cribbs Football Club.

Olveston captain Chris Barnes was restored to the starting line up in the only change from the weekend's action, whereas Will Howard was deemed fit enough for the bench after recovering from a serious knee injury.

With the stands packed, and the floodlights beaming, the match kicked off with both teams looking to seize the initiative early on. From the opening exchanges, it was Olveston who retained most of the possession, attempting to play out from the back and utilise their midfield. However, it was Hambrook who had the first chance of the evening. Olveston lost possession cheaply inside their own half allowed Hambrook to break on the Olveston back line, forcing a good save from keeper Craig Beavis from just outside the box.

Olveston responded well, creating chances of their own. George Williams and Phil Williams both had shots on goal, but both seeing their efforts go wide of the Hambrook post. The Olveston pressure continued with Luke Garbacz playing in Russell Knight down the right-hand side, who crossed to the near post where Matthew Knight applied a sharp diving header to break the deadlock and give Olveston the games crucial opening goal.

The remainder of the first half saw some good spells of football from both teams, setting up a tense second half for both sets of players, management and fans.

Hambrook came out for the second half in search of the game's equaliser, and immediately looked more of an attacking threat. However, it was Olveston who were creating the pick of the chances. An Olveston United corner whipped in by Joe Loney found Matthew Knight whose header was cleared off of the Hambrook goal line.

As Hambrook pushed further and further up the pitch in order to find the elusive equaliser, Olveston's counter attacks, led by the electric Matthew Knight, posed an ever-increasing threat. On the 70 minute mark Shane Walker was introduced to proceedings looking to exploit the tiring Hambrook defence with even more pace and power.

It didn't take long for Shane Walker to make his mark on this final. In another

blistering Olveston counter attack, Matthew Knight picked the ball up near the half way line with his back to goal. Knight then turned his man and tore past 2 opposing defenders down the left-hand side before cutting the ball back to Shane Walker who guided the ball past the Hambrook keeper, making the score 2-0 to Olveston.

Olveston then looked to kill the game off, building large spells of possession and limiting Hambrook to few opportunities on goal, with captain Chris Barnes leading the sturdy Olveston defence. On the 75th minute mark Olveston were awarded a free-kick on the right-hand side, mid-way into the Hambrook half after Matthew Knight was fouled. Joe Loney stepped up to whip in yet another dangerous looking ball into the Hambrook penalty area, finding Russell Knight who beat his man to the ball to head home from close range, handing Olveston a 3-0 lead.

With 10 minutes to go, Will Howard made his return from injury from the bench. The substitute nearly made an immediate impact on the score-line after being played in on goal by the instrumental Matthew Barnes, only to put his effort wide of the post. A few moments later, it was Howard who was picked out again by a Matthew Barnes cross who couldn't keep his header under the bar.

Final score 3-0.

This win handed Olveston United the League Cup title after defeat in the previous year's final, adding another trophy to the GFA cup won last year. Olveston return to action on Saturday (5th May), where they have the opportunity to win the Bristol Premier Combination League with a win against Shaftesbury Crusade F.C.

Man of the match, sponsored by Avon Cobblestone, was Matthew Knight.

## May Puzzle Answers

You were given anagrams of five South American countries:

Aneurism/Suriname - At Grannie/Argentina - Euro Cad/Ecuador

Oil a Comb/Columbia - Pure/Peru

And the one that was got by the fewest of the 100 people asked was Suriname.



# The Mill on the Floss

## **Bristol Old Vic Theatre School**

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June at 7.30pm in the Armstrong Hall, Thornbury.

Maggie Tulliver is one of literature's most charismatic heroines. In this acclaimed visceral adaptation by Helen Edmundson of George Elliot's unforgettable story of first love, sibling rivalry and regret, she loses none of the breadth of the story while beautifully examining the complex nature of relationships and love.

Tickets £15 (£10 for under 18) can be obtained from Thornbury Town Hall or by calling 01454 412272

Bristol Old Vic Theatre School has included Thornbury its West Country Tour as part of the series of fund raising events for the Armstrong Hall Redevelopment Project (Phase 1).

## June News from The Chantry

If you have seen scaffolding up you may have realised that the roof has been repaired with money from Lottery funding. This will stop the damp in the Stuart room and enable us to release the shutters.

### **Thornbury and South Glos. Amateur Radio Club**

Wednesday evenings 7.30-9.30pm in the Buckingham Room

New members with an interest in Amateur Radio and Technology are welcome. For more information ring the chairman 01454 501213 or 01454 611615, check out the web page or better still pop in on a club night where you will be made very welcome.

### **Quiz Night Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June 7.30pm**

Come and test your knowledge at our monthly Quiz. £1 per person and up to 4 in a team, bar open.

*www.thechantry.org.uk* email: *office@thechantry.org.uk* Tel: 01454 414268

## Gloss FM

GLOSS FM, the local radio station for Thornbury and District, has signed the paperwork and taken possession of a ground floor premises in Castle Street. The deal comes just 9 months after the station re-launched with its internet-only service. The advance has been made possible through the generosity of Penny Skinner and Rowena Moncrieffe at Bonds of Thornbury.

This development is a major step on the road for GLOSS FM which seeks to return to the airwaves in and around Thornbury as soon as possible. The station has been working closely with local MP Luke Hall to lobby bureaucrats in the Government regulator Ofcom to allocate the station an FM frequency. This lobbying resulted in Ofcom stating in 2017 that they will invite applications for FM licences in early 2018. The town centre studio will make it much easier for local people to present shows on the station. The station has many vacancies – mainly volunteer roles, but some paid roles. Anyone interested in presenting, or helping behind the scenes, can make contact by emailing [studio@glossfm.co.uk](mailto:studio@glossfm.co.uk), or phoning the station on 01454 838296. Further details on vacancies are also available at Thornbury Volunteer Centre in the Town Hall on the High Street.

**Yours Faithfully**

*Roger Howell   Society of Friends*

We live in a violent universe, a universe that began with the mother of all explosions and continues to evolve according to fierce physical laws. Stars are born with nuclear reactions and die with enormous explosions. Planets are created by collisions of material and once created are often subject to earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, extremes of cold and heat and sometimes weather systems that include violent whirlwinds, cataclysmic rainfalls that produce huge floods and disastrous mudslides. Life on planet earth has evolved through several mass extinctions, life forms have survived through competitions which has sometimes meant the destruction of the competitor. This is clearly seen in the case of human society, whether of the tribal, national or imperial variety. What are we to make of all these different kinds of violence? The ancient and mediaeval worlds often viewed them as God's punishment for our wickedness or as a warning to mend our ways. The outcome of a battle, however bloody it may have been, was seen as a sign of God's favour to the victor.

Nowadays we tend not to see the destruction wrought by a tsunami or a tornado and a punishment for wrong doing, though we still may hear people saying, 'Why did God allow this to happen to me?' An alternative is to view violence as inherent in the universe and nature and the action of God not in the violence, but in man's reaction to the violence. We see it in the actions of those at the scene of an accident who, oblivious to the danger to themselves, rush to give assistance or comfort to the dying, in the brave fire fighters in 9/11 who gave their lives trying to rescue people from the inferno, or the doctors and nurses in war zones who selflessly try to preserve life in appalling conditions.

# Church News

## ST MARY THE VIRGIN, OLVESTON

June 3	8am	Holy Communion	Rev. Helen Webb
	10am	Holy Communion	Revs D Moss & A Lloyd
	6pm	Evensong with Choir	Mr Paul Harrod
June10	8am	Holy Communion	Rev Ann Lloyd
	10am	Morning Prayer with Choir	Mr Trevor Cook
	6pm	Severnside Songs of Praise at St Peter's Pilning	
June17	8am	Holy Communion	Rev Ann Lloyd
	10am	Holy Communion with Choir	Revs D Moss & D Bone
	6pm	Evensong	Mr Trevor Cook
Jun24	8am	Holy Communion	Rev. David Bone
	10am	Fourth Sunday	Mrs Janet McBride
	6pm	Evensong with Choir	Rev David Moss

Information on services correct at time of going to press.

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Verger: Mrs. June Robbins, 01454 617491

[www.stmarysolveston.org.uk/index.html](http://www.stmarysolveston.org.uk/index.html)

PRAYER GROUP: Mondays, 2.45pm in the Chancel

WEDNESDAY HOLY COMMUNION: At 9.15am except 4<sup>th</sup> Wed when it is at Olveston Methodist Church

Morning Prayer 8.30am daily ex. Wed

## CHAPELRY OF ST JOHN, AUST

Jun10	9.45	Holy Communion	Revs D Moss & A Parker
Jun 24	9.45	Morning Prayer	Rev Ann Parker

Focal Minister: Rev Ann Parker, 01454 632329

e-mail [annatdibley@btinternet.com](mailto:annatdibley@btinternet.com)

Church Wardens: Jon Burnett 633835 & Jenn Dickens 632035

## ST MARY DE MALMESBURY, LITTLETON-ON-SEVERN

June 3	9am	Holy Communion	Rev David Moss
June17	9am	Morning Prayer	Mrs Tracey Black

Contact Mrs Tracey Black 01454 417660

## ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST, ELBERTON

June10	9am	Morning Prayer	Judith Heybyrne
Jun24	9am	Holy Communion	Rev David Moss

Contact Mrs Tracey Black 01454 417660

## OLVESTON AND TOCKINGTON METHODIST CHURCH

June 3	10am	Tock. Ch.	Morning Worship with Holy Communion led by Rev. Pete Brazier
June10	10am	Olv. Ch.	Morning Worship led by Mrs Dorothy North
June17	10am	Tock Ch.	Morning Worship led by Ms Christine Jones
Jun24	10am	Olv. Ch.	Morning Worship led by Rev Sandy Williams

**NORTHWICK LUNCHEON GROUP:** This meets at 12.30pm on Wed.13<sup>th</sup> June  
To book your lunch please ring 416528

**TOCKINGTON LUNCHEON GROUP Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June at 12.15**

It is not necessary to book in advance

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

**PRAYER MEETINGS** Tuesdays 9.00-10.00 in Olveston Methodist Church.

**HOUSE GROUP** Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30 at 6 Manor Close Tockington

**THE OLVESTON COMPUTER CLINIC** Olveston Methodist Hall Friday 7-9pm  
Ring 07833 354672 or 07957 433091 for further information.

**CONTACT:** Rev Pete Brazier Tel 01454 418176,

e-mail [pete@thebigfishcafe.co.uk](mailto:pete@thebigfishcafe.co.uk)

### **THE VINE House of Prayer**

Pilning Street, Awkley BS35 4HL

Designated as a 'House of Prayer for all Nations' in 2005 we continue to meet in a relaxed atmosphere seeking, with God's help, to find ways to influence the world in which we live through prayer and relevant actions. This also includes sharing our own personal situations and praying for one another and the communities of which we are a part Times of worship (in various forms), applying Biblical Truths and a time of remembrance of the death and resurrection of Jesus in sharing Communion are essential in our meeting together. We meet, on Sundays at 10.30am and Mondays and Wednesdays at 7.30pm We also visit other Churches and events so please check our Notice Board or contact:

**Mike and Barbara Matthews,** tel. 07512 917229 or email:

[thevine\\_awkley@hotmail.com](mailto:thevine_awkley@hotmail.com)

## **THE OASIS CHURCH, OLD DOWN**

June 3	6.30pm	T.B.A.
June 10	6.30pm	T.B.A.
June 17	6.30pm	T.B.A.
June 24	6.30pm	T.B.A.

Each Thurs at 7.30pm Prayer & Praise Time

Contacts Jenny Parfitt [jennyparfitt@ymail.com](mailto:jennyparfitt@ymail.com)

Sue Tett [stett56@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stett56@hotmail.co.uk)

## **AUST EVANGELICAL CHURCH** Family Worship 11.00am

For more details contact Danny Bamfield 01454 419324.

e-mail [danny@thebamfields.co.uk](mailto:danny@thebamfields.co.uk)

## **LITTLETON EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

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

## **RC CHURCH OF CHRIST THE KING**, Thornbury -

Sun 8.30am Mass 11.00 Family Mass

Monday-Friday Daily Mass at 10am

Tel 01454 412223 [www.ckk-thornbury.org.uk](http://www.ckk-thornbury.org.uk)

## **SOCIETY OF FRIENDS (QUAKERS)**, Thornbury

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

**Local contact:** Roger Howell [rog3er2@gmail.com](mailto:rog3er2@gmail.com) 01454 415035

National: [www.quaker.org.uk](http://www.quaker.org.uk) Bristol area: [www.bristolquakers.org.uk](http://www.bristolquakers.org.uk)

# Diary Dates for June 2018

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

1 <sup>st</sup> Fri	Thornbury Carers Support Group Haven Memory Café Computer Clinic every week	1.00-3pm 10.15-11.45 7.00-9.00pm	Chy URC MH
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	Coffee Morning	10.30-12.00	MH
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun			
4 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Monday Movie	7.30pm	S+M
5 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Coach Trip to Portsmouth Tel 416528 Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee morning Tea/Coffee & Bis. 50p Raffle British Legion WS Reg King 'Rolling Pin'	10.30-12.00  7.30pm	DGCL  DGCL
6 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Beat Surgery Holy Communion followed by Tea & Cake Table Tennis every week	10.30-11.15 2.30pm 7.00-8.30pm	OS+ DGCL PH
7 <sup>th</sup> Thu	Thornbury Farmer's Market Coffee Shop Olveston Playgroup	9.00-1.30 9.00-12.00 9.30-11.30	OS+  MH
8 <sup>th</sup> Fri			
9 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Coffee Morning Coffee Morning	10.30-12.00 10.30-12.00	AVH MH
10 <sup>th</sup> Sun			
11 <sup>th</sup> Mon			
12 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee morning Memory Café Aust Parish Council W.I. 'William Burgess' Audrey Shepherd	10.30-12.00 10.15-11.45 7.30pm 7.30pm	DGCL TMH EVH PH
13 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Table Tennis every week	7.00-8.30	PH
14 <sup>th</sup> Thu	Coffee Shop Olveston Playgroup	9.00-12.00 9.30-11.30	OS+ MH
15 <sup>th</sup> Fri	Haven Memory Café Th. Picture. House. 'Sweet Bean'	10.15-11.45 7.30pm	URC CH
16 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Coffee Morning Parish Council Surgery Tockington Manor Annual Fun Day	10.30-12.00 10.30-12.00 From 12.00	MH MH TMS
17 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Cricket Glos U14 v City of London U14		TMS
18 <sup>th</sup> Mon	Monday Movie	7.30pm	S+M
19 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee morning	10.30-12.00	MH
20 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Table Tennis every week	7.00-8.30	PH



	Jazz at the White Hart	8.30pm	
21 <sup>st</sup> Thu	Thornbury Farmer's Market Coffee Shop Olveston Playgroup	9.00-1.30 9.00-12.00 9.30-11.30	OS+ MH
22 <sup>nd</sup> Fri			
23 <sup>rd</sup> Sat	Coffee Morning Alm. School. Summer Fayre	10.30-12.00 12.00-2pm	MH
24 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Aust Quiz Night at Boar's Head	7.30pm	
25 <sup>th</sup> Mon			
26 <sup>th</sup> Tue	Friends of Daldry Gardens Coffee morning Memory Café Olveston Parish Council	10.30-12.00 10.15-11.45 7.30pm	DGCL TMH AP
27 <sup>th</sup> Wed	Table Tennis every week	7-8.30pm	PH
28 <sup>th</sup> Thu	Coffee Shop Olveston Playgroup	9.00-12.00 9.30-11.30	OS+ MH
29 <sup>th</sup> Fri	Church & School Fete	3.30-5.30pm	
30 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Coffee Morning	10.30-12.00	MH
<b>Looking ahead to July</b>			
14 <sup>th</sup>	Severn Festival at Severn Beach Rose Ball	11.00-4.00 6.15 - 12.00	TMS

**KEY:** AC Aust Church; AH – Armstrong Hall; AMC – Alv Meth. Ch.; AMH- Alv Meth. Hall; AP – Alexandra Pavilion; AVH – Aust Village Hall; ; CH – Cossham Hall; Chy – Chantry ;CS Castle Sch.CTK Christ the King DGCL – Daldry Gardens Community Lounge; EVH – Elberton Village Hall; LVH Littleton Village Hall MH – Olv.Meth.Hall;OMC Olv Meth Ch OS – Olv. School; OS+ – Olv. Stores; OSH Old Sch. Hall Alm; PH – Olv Parish Hall; StM St Mary's Church, Olv.; StMA Almondsbury Church StMTSt Mary's Thorn TCh Tock Chapel; TBCh - Thornbury Baptist Church; TMH – Thorn. Methodist Hall; ; TMS Tock Manor Sch.. URC United Reform Ch Th

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