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SALTFORD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

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100 CLUB DRAW Saltford Community Association Fund Raising Draw 2024

 Following the last two years successful draws we invite local residents and supporters to join in the new prize draw commencing January 2024
 The object is to raise funds for the SCA and to offer members the chance to win substantial cash prizes with monthly random draws Prizes ranging from £35 to £250
 Membership is open to all supporters of the Association to a maximum of 100 each contributing £25 for a one-year membership
 Application forms will be available from November 2023 at Saltford Hall or from Saltford Community Post Office and Library or shares can be purchased via www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevents
 Thanks for your continuing support and Good Luck Terms and conditions apply

REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT SALTFORD HALL

We set out below some of the regular activities that take place here

The start time quoted is the booked from time and not necessarily the start time of the event

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Monday

	9.30am	Jazzercise Class	Main Hall
	11.00am	Tai Chi Shibashi Class	Main Hall
	1.30pm	Saltford Short Mat Bowls	Main Hall
	1.30pm	Whist Club	Avon
	2.00pm	Saltford Scrabble Club	Kelston
	6.00pm	Emma Walker Pilates	Wansdyke
	8.15pm	Saltford Badminton	Main Hall
Tuesday			
	9.30am	The Art Group	Kelston
	9.30am	Emma Walker Pilates	Avon
	11.00am	Core Rehab – Seated Pilates	Avon
	1.15pm	The Art Group	Kelston
	4.15pm	Time2Share	Avon
	6.15pm	Tuesday Evening Badminton	Main Hall
	6.30pm	Hatha Yoga Class	Somerset
	7.30pm	Saltford Village Choir	Wansdyke
	7.30pm	Avon Badminton	Main Hall
Wednesday			
	9.15am	Phonics with Robot Reg	Avon
	9.30am	Wednesday Morning Badminton Group	Main Hall
	9.30am	The Art Group	Kelston
	11.15am	Betty Burgess Badminton Club	Main Hall
	1.30pm	Saltford Short Mat Bowls	Main Hall
	4.15pm	Time2Share	Avon
	4.45pm	Keyford Dancing School	Wansdyke
	4.30pm	Keyford Dancing School	Somerset
	5.00pm	Taekwondo Classes	Main Hall
	7.00pm	Slimming World	Wansdyke
	8.00pm	Saltford Seq & Old Time Dance Club	Main Hall

Thursday

	9.30am	Jazzercise Class	Main Hall
	9.45am	Music With Mummy	Wansdyke
	10.55am	First Steps Soccer	Main Hall
	12.00am	Move it or Lose It	Main Hall
	2.00pm	Painting for Pleasure	Somerset
	6.30pm	Hatha Yoga Class with Corinne	Kelston
	6.30pm	Pilates Class	Main Hall
	7.00pm	Yoga for Men	Wansdyke
Friday			
	9.00am	Vitality Pilates	Avon
	9.30am	Hatha Yoga Class with Corinne	Wansdyke
	10.30am	Saltford Wind Chamber Group	Somerset
	1.30pm	Saltford Short Mat Bowls	Main Hall
	4.00pm	Perform Dance Company	Avon
Saturday			
	9.30am	Jazzercise Class	Main Hall

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

10.00am	Craft & Natter Club	Kelston
10.00am	Saltford Ladies Gardening Club	Wansdyke
2.00pm	Saltford Afternoon WI	Main Hall
7.00pm	Saltford Evening WI	Avon
2.00pm	Saltford & Keynsham Flower Club	Main Hall
7.15pm	Saltford Parish Council	Avon
10.00am	Contemporary Quilters	Wansdyke
10.00am	Face2Face Parkinsons	Wansdyke
7.30pm	Book Club	Somerset
2.00pm	Motor Neurone Support Group	Avon
9.15am	Orchestra Workshop	Main Hall
10.00am	Saltford Morning WI	Main Hall
7.30pm	Keynsham & Saltford Wine Circle	Somerset
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SALTFORD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FORTHCOMING EVENTS IN 2023

October	17	Saltford Community Coffee Club	2 – 4pm
	20	Community Cinema – Where the Crawdads Sing	7.30pm
	21	Saltford Repair Café	11 – 1.30pm
	27	SCA Quiz	7.30pm
	29	Antiques Fair with Community Cafe	9 - 2pm
November	3	Park Lane Big Band	7.30 pm
	5	Sunday Afternoon Tea	2 – 4pm
	16-18	Saltford Drama Production – Ladies Day	7.30pm
	18	Saltford Repair Café	11 – 1.30pm
	21	Saltford Community Coffee Club	2 – 4pm
	24	Community Cinema – The Unlikely Pilgrimage of Harold Fry	7.30pm
	25	Little Pickles Market - cafe	12.30 - 4 pm
	26	Antiques Fair with Community Café	9 – 2pm
December	2	Christmas Market	10 – 1pm
	3	Sunday Afternoon Tea	2 - 4.00pm
-	7	Lighting the Christmas Tree	7.30pm
	8	Bingo	7 - 10pm
	9	Saltford Choir Christmas Concert	7.30pm
	12	Saltford Community Coffee Club – Christmas Lunch	1 - 3pm
	17	Community Cinema – Last Christmas	2.30pm

For more information on fundraising events please e-mail <u>events@saltfordhall.co.uk</u> or ring the Booking Office on 01225 874081

SECTIONAL ORGANISATIONS

SALTFORD SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

This article is submitted about three weeks before SCAN magazine is published. Right now, the Conservative Party Conference is underway, we are having an unusually warm October and "Strictly" dance pros are flinging their partners wildly around the dance floor for another season.

Meanwhile (without music and "the judges") set in the relative calm of Saltford Hall, in a relaxed but competitive manner, we begin our autumn season of short mat bowls. We've played throughout the summer, but autumn is the time when our best players start to compete in league matches. But it's not all about the competition! Club members simply come along to meetings to enjoy playing the game and having fun together. If you like Christmas, then there's nothing better than a lunch, bowls related games and a fun quiz!

We are always trying to encourage new members to join. Short mat bowls is for anyone and everyone. So, we are really pleased to have a very promising young player coming to the Club. I hope he enjoys playing and will want to continue in future.

Anyway, the sun's gone in and it's time to put on my sequins for another round of "Strictly".

To join Saltford Short Mat Bowls Club, please contact our Secretary, Sue McCaig, on 0117 9867770.

SALTFORD VILLAGE CHOIR

Our Choir started back in September with a full row of men, twelve in all, ready to start learning songs for the Christmas concert. It was good to welcome new recruits to all sections of the Choir, and we made a joyful sound.

Some of us were again able to entertain the residents of Kingfisher Lodge one morning. We also travelled to St Teresa's in Corston to sing in beautiful surroundings to the guests there. One of the residents is our friend Tony Williams, former Chair of Saltford Village Choir. He was delighted to meet us and sing along with us for the morning.

Twelve Choir members attended a full day singing workshop at

Chew Valley School. Led by David Ogden, this was a wonderful day, attended by 240 enthusiastic singers, who made a great sound with a varied programme of songs from South African Freedom chants to the Hallelujah Chorus.

We are well on the way with practices for our Christmas songs now.

Our annual concert is called 'Singing For Christmas' and is held on

SATURDAY DECEMBER 9TH at 7:30pm.

Tickets are priced at ± 10.00 and include light refreshments.

They will be on sale shortly.

We hope to see you there, and you will have the chance to join in the audience items to welcome in the Christmas Season.

John Waldren - Chair, Saltford Village Choir.

AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

SALTFORD SPORTS CLUB

Over the past few months Saltford Sports Club has undergone extensive renovations that are not only improving the overall experience for our members but also championing the future of women's sports in the community. The club's commitment to inclusivity and community sport shines through in these upgrades.

In testament to promoting inclusivity, the club partnered with Mencap to host their first-ever "Super Saturday" Petanque Tournament and hope this will be the first of many. The children and volunteers had so much fun

The Club's vision doesn't stop at infrastructure. Our "Warm Welcoming Wednesday" initiative has become a staple in the community, offering complimentary home made cakes and warm food courtesy of the talented and generous chefs at Flourish. Everyone is welcome please just pop in Wednesdays 1-3pm.

We are also helping to organise, and will be hosting the annual Saltford Santa Dash. A morning full of festive fun, raising much needed money for several well deserving local children's charities.

Most months we host an evening of live music from talented local musicians. Alongside these events we have local gourmet street food vans who serve food from 6pm, to encourage the younger members of your family to come along too. Best of all, these nights are entirely free, making it a community-driven gathering spot where friends, families, children and even your dogs can enjoy an evening surrounded by beautiful countryside. Please see our website or social media to find out whats on. https://www.saltfordsportsclub.co.uk/

SALTFORD BRASS MILL

The Mill is now CLOSEDTO THE PUBLIC for the winter. The displays and models which form the Education and History Interpretation Centre inside the Mill have



been moved to higher levels to protect them from winter floods.

September was exceptionally busy with the Heritage Days Festival preceded by a visit from our Metro Mayor, Dan Norris and spanning visits from almost 80 Cubscouts who worked hard to fill in their quiz sheets and got a bit damp operating the reinstated model waterwheels! Meanwhile, other clubs and societies continued their visits. The season drew to an end with the end of B&NES Museums Week on Saturday 28th October. See our website www.brassmill.com for updates on our plans for opening again in May 2024.

All this relies on our volunteers! We have been delighted to welcome two or three more this autumn. Volunteers continue their work to care for the Mill all year as well as welcoming visitors on open days and for group visits. We are always looking for NEW MEMBERS to help. There is a wide variety of roles and opportunities. We meet every second and fourth Saturday mornings.

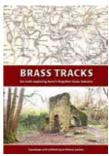
Since the Mill was acquired by the Bristol Brass company in the 1720s and converted to process brass. Three hundred years on, Saltford Mill is nationally, even internationally, recognised. As a unique remnant of a special time, it is a Scheduled Ancient Monument and a Grade2* Listed Building: a captivating place with a fascinating story which we aim to tell – allowing visitors of all ages to learn about a critical period in local social and industrial heritage which developed here in the Avon Valley even before the age of steam. Please help if you can. Contact us through our website www.brassmill.com, or via the contact details in this SCA Newsletter

KEYNSHAM & SALTFORD LOCAL HISTORY SOC.

This season's programme of talks is well underway and our next meeting, on 20th November, features Gary Atterton speaking on "Cotton Threads - The History of the Great Western Cotton Factory, Barton Hill". All meetings are St Dunstan's Church Hall on Bristol Road, Keynsham, starting at 7.30pm; new members are always welcome and you can find more details of our activities at www.keysalthist.org.uk

A reminder that our new book, "Brass Tracks", is

now on sale. This combines five local walking trails of different lengths plus one cycle trail with a history of our local brass and copper industries and the people involved. The routes include one starting in Saltford and another along the Chew valley from Compton Dando. We have worked with the Saltford Brass Mill Project



in producing this and the Saltford Mill, as the only remaining building of its kind, is a key point on the trails and in the accompanying text.

The book is fully illustrated, wire bound for handy use in the field, and costs £10.00. Copies can be obtained by emailing books@keysalthist.org.uk or phoning 0117 9864453.

SALTFORD MORNING WI



We end our financial year with a healthy membership of 70 and main meetings are attended by, on average, 50 members. Speakers have been interesting and varied including wellbeing, history, nature and gardening, a local auctioneer and light entertainment.

In addition to the main meetings the Reading and Discussion Groups have continued to meet and are always happy to welcome new attendees. We had many enjoyable summer trips including Museum of Bath at work, the Brassmill and a trip on a fire boat

Charity fund raising hit a new high this year with a total of $\pounds1287.80$ raised by a variety of enjoyable events

Bake Off & Strictly Sweepstake; Christmas hamper raffle and cake raffle; Clothes Sale; 3 Coffee Mornings; 4 Open Gardens Garden Party & Afternoon Tea; Bring and Buy Table; Donations

All of the above were very successful due to the hard work and generosity of the members. We will therefore be presenting a cheque for £600 to each of this year's chosen charities – Keynsham District Dial-a-Ride & Support for Carers in BANES. Our next charities are CRY, Cardiac risk in the young and Motus dance academy which is a local academy that offers interactive dance lessons for young people to raise esteem and mental well being

Our members continue to respond generously to various appeals for items to help charities such as Women in Crisis, Southmede Breast Cancer Department, Project Linus and others.

We are proud to be part of a WI which works together for the benefit of others and looks out for each other whilst having a good time. We look forward to 2024

If you would like to find out more about our WI then please contact me.

You will receive a very warm welcome

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KEYNSHAM GROUP, AVON WILDLIFE TRUST

Events with Avon Wildlife Trust Keynsham Group this Winter

Our Autumn program of talks continues in November at the Baptist Church Hall in Keynsham with "The Green Planet - breathing life into our world" on Friday 10th November with Paul Williams (BBC Natural History Unit film producer). Paul has worked on many of the incredible BBC Wildlife series in the last 20 years. BBC's "The Green Planet" revealed the strange and wonderful world of plants as never seen before and Paul has many tales to tell from behind scenes, developing and working with new technology and techniques.

Friday 8th December is our Members Evening,

"It's Snow Time" with a program of short talks including "The Fox & Hounds Restoration Project", "The Azores - more than just Whales!" and "Wild Flower Season in the Western Cape" plus festive refreshments. Open to all!

Entry: £3.50 for Avon Wildlife Trust members/£4.50 for non-members to include refreshments served at 7:15pm before each talk. All welcome at our talks, no booking required - just turn up.

For more information on Keynsham Group and details on our talks, visit our website:www.keynshamawt.org Email: keynshamawt@gmail.com or phone Kathy 07850 08702

SALTFORD ENVIRONMENT GROUP



During the autumn, Saltford Environment Group (SEG) and SCA have agreed to work together in partnership to secure for the community the longterm future of SEG's History of Saltford project.

As well as a significant amount of online published digital information and images including our Online Museum, the project that began in 2015 includes approximately 3,000 items comprising digital images, digital documents, maps, printed documents/ papers and historical artefacts.

SEG is deeply appreciative of the generous provision by St Mary's of a dedicated room in the church hall, but the location and lack of disabled access has always been a concern. In future, a selection of artefacts and printed or digital panels may be displayed at Saltford Hall - either at special heritage/village events and/or in a display cabinet or via AV equipment.

St. Mary's looks after Saltford's oldest building, the Anglo-Saxon church tower, and the continued support and involvement of St Mary's PCC who kindly help SEG securely store our artefacts will be an ongoing aspect of the new History of Saltford partnership. Saltford School will be involved in future plans too, as much of our online material has been deliberately published in a format that can be of benefit to the school's teaching of history.

These plans are still being formulated, but residents can be reassured that the village's amazing history is being secured for current and future generations of Saltford residents.

www.saltfordenvironmentgroup.org.uk

KEYNSHAM & SALTFORD WINE CIRCLE

At our September meeting we started off the evening with a delicious Fish & Chip Supper, delivered by Tynings in Saltford.

As Brenda and Keith Poulter were to celebrate their 50th Wedding Anniversary within the next week, we presented them with a bunch of flowers and a "golden" bottle of bubbly.

The main event of the evening - A Charity Bottle Auction followed. This year's Auction raised £130 - Keynsham Mencap was the Charity drawn out of the hat to receive this.

At the October meeting we had a blind tasting of commercial wines, presented by our Chairman, Alan. Bottles of two whites, a Rose, two reds and a dessert wine were covered to hide their identity. Members were then asked to state the country of origin, the grape variety, alcohol by volume (ABV) for each wine. Needless to say everyone was a winner.

We look forward to a lunch at Saltford Golf Club in November and a Christmas Party at the December meeting.

May all our Members and their families have a very Merry Christmas and enjoy a Prosperous New Year.

If you are interested in a pleasant evening with good company, on the second Friday of each month, or for more information, please contact Alan Dummott on 01249 542856 or mobile 07941 774939.

SALTFORD EVENING WI

Can't believe it is August! How did that happen? I always thought that time went quicker when you were older, but that is not true.

August is our 'social month' so we didn't have a speaker but an evening of 'doing our own thing'.

It was a good evening where there was time to just mingle and talk. We had a Beetle Drive and it is quite amusing to watch members become quite competitive over this very old game. We had a 'Saltford Buffet' where everyone brought a small plate of food – so there was lots of delicious tit-bits to choose from. Also a glass of wine to celebrate a lovely relaxed evening.

A small contingent went on a trip to Warner's hotel on the Isle of Wight in September. The holiday was a resounding success, thoroughly enjoyed by all. We hope to arrange one again next year with maybe even more members participating.

"Stories with Music" was the title of Dick Bateman's visit in September. Dick is a member of the local musical quartet 'Now & Then' who perform some 60 sing-a-long gigs a year visiting local Day Centres, Rotary clubs, Care Homes and similar organisations. He very kindly offered to come along to our meeting and entertain us. Well Dick and his quitar certainly did that! He related some hilarious stories, anecdotes and jokes gathered from the countless folk he has met in the different environments in which they meet or live. He managed to accompany these with an appropriate 'sing-along' in which we all participated. It certainly was an evening with a difference and sent us all home with a smile on our faces. Dick's charity is AGE UK. We are in October – with almost a heatwave!

SALTFORD AFTERNOON WI

August's speaker was a lady from Ukraine. After fleeing war torn Ukraine Sasha arrived in the U K with her son. She told us about the conflict and leaving her family behind.

At first she suffered depression, so she looked for something to do to take her mind off the situation back home. She looked on the internet and saw a demonstration making Ukraine dolls. She quickly learned how to



make the dolls, which give off positive thoughts.

She devised a kit and was selling them for £5 and the money raised was going to the Ukraine people. She demonstrated with vigour and fun how to make them not by sewing but wrapping the fabric and tying with cotton.

Many of us had a go and found it quite entertaining.

We had our annual picnic in a member's beautiful garden in August, taking an item of food to share and catching up with member's news.

We also arranged a tour to the Clifton Suspension bridge. It was to see the vaults under the bridge. A pleasant and informative time was enjoyed by our members.

Our speaker in September was the author and

journalist, Bel Mooney. She has been in journalism for 53 years has interviewed many interesting people including Margaret Thatcher. She has travelled the world, had 3 children and has written 35 children's books.



Bel presently writes an

advice column for the Daily Mail and she gave us an insight into how the letters and emails are dealt with.

Her talk was enlightening, witty and entertaining and was enjoyed by 37 members and 10 guests.

We had two trips in September, a Bath walk and a trip to Cheltenham where we enjoyed shopping and lunch.

KEYNSHAM & SALTFORD PROBUS CLUB

Just a few words about our "Members Medley -My First Car" presentations

Four members volunteered to give short presentations.

Roger Lewis spoke about his early cars and told a story of his trip with

some young friends down through France and Spain in a very old Citroen 2CV.

Owen Cole took us on a trip around Devon in his first car.

Sam Walker treated us to adventures around the Midlands in his first car

John Kiely told us how he managed to get his first Ford off his brother and

of trips around the London area.

Quite a delightful wander through the history of cars and nostalgic road trips.

Finally, Peter Coombs and Chris Primrose told stories of Police cars and the characters who drove them.

Altogether a fascinating and fun filled meeting.

SALTFORD TENNIS CLUB



Sadly ten years ago in March 2013 Saltford LTC lost Russell Simmons to suicide. He was a great player, coach, friend and valued member of the club. On World Suicide Prevention Day the club held the "Creating Hope Through Action Tournament" in memory of Russell, in order to raise awareness and funds for Suicide Prevention-UK.

It was ideal tennis weather and eighteen players consisting of ex-players, players Russ coached, his friends and club players took to the courts for a round robin men's doubles competition. A final was held between the two pairs with the greatest number of points. It was a closely fought and entertaining final between James Meredith & Elliot Jones versus Joe Mason & Tom Griffith. The final victors were James and Elliot.

The players were cheered on by an enthusiastic crowd of people consisting of Russell's parents, family, friends, ex-coaches and tennis club members creating a great community atmosphere.

To keep the crowd happy there was a vast range of baked goods on offer, for a donation. These included some delicious Romanian pastries donated by one of the clubs new members Marina (@patisserie.marina.2023).

After raising a toast to Russell, Russ's father David presented the trophy to the winners. When the event concluded the sun came out and many of the spectators and competitors headed to the Saltford sports bar for a drink and catch up. Many thanks to Russell's inspiring and caring parents Jan and



David for giving their selfless blessing so that the event could take place.

Although it was an uplifting event that raised £860 the heart breaking and serious topic of suicide was addressed. If you are suffering from suicidal thoughts please talk to someone or contact the National Suicide Prevention Helpline UK 0800 689 5652. Open from 6pm to 3:30am every day.

BATH GUILD OF EMBROIDERERS

September was a month I had been looking forward to and it didn't disappoint. We requested another visit from Annette Bolton. We have been having Annette come and teach for us for many years and it is always a lovely day. Annette had a beautiful redwork bag which she had made with a group in a residential weekend. We knew that we would only make a start but would have the instructions to make the bag later at home. It was really nice to see how people adapted the design by using different colours.

October is pulled thread work with Liz Tapper. We had Liz earlier in the year and she is a very good teacher so I can see her being a regular in the programme.

In November we have post cards with Sue Green. There will not be a great amount of embroidery that day but a workshop on how to embellish fabric to make something totally unique.

We will be having our usual morning stitching, ploughmans lunch, Christmas cake and tea in December. It is always a time to catch up with everyone as most people come along. Richard Box is our speaker. He is an artist who also embroiders so we are looking forward to seeing his work and hearing how he goes about creating his wonderful pieces.

If you are interested in joining us either as a visitor or a member, please contact Jeanne Aldous at jeanne.aldous@btinternet.com or 0117 9324889 for more information.

See our website for the full programme at bathguildembroiderers.chessck.co.uk or on facebook - Bath Guild of Embroiderers for pictures from our previous workshops.

SALTFORD SCHOOL

PLAY AND OUTDOOR LEARNING AT SALFORD SCHOOL

Play and time learning outdoors are fundamental

to children's development. It is therefore essential that we offer a high-quality play environment and a wide variety of opportunities for children to be learning while enjoying the outdoors.

The children have their outdoor footwear available at all times so that we can get out into one of our many lovely outdoor sites, whatever the weather. We have two large fields and one small, our school secret garden and the pond area all on site. The play areas are equipped with a giant sandpit, which has been a huge success, an activity kitchen, a wooden play arc and an "active zone" in the shape of a castle-themed climbing frame.

The Huff n Puff shed in the playground is full of sports/activity equipment for use at playtimes and the Playpod facility is more focused towards being creative and imaginative outside.

We are always looking to improve our school grounds to keep the children stimulated and excited by playtimes. We will be playing a 'Game of the Week' where our outdoor education & play provision leader, Mrs Morgan, will introduce a new game which the Equalities Team will facilitate every day with the other children.

Outdoor learning is also planned into scheduled lesson plans so that we maximise the availability of our super outdoor spaces and facilities. There are also extra opportunities for all children in the shape of Forest School sessions which start at the beginning of November this year. These are led by external experts and never fail to engage the children.

SALTFORD FAIRTRADE GROUP

Thank you! We would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who have supported us during 2023. Our two coffee



mornings were buzzing and well supported.

A big thank you goes to the Saltford Community Association and the Saltford Parish Council who have supported us since we became a Fairtrade village. Also, to St Mary's Church who have been Fairtrade supporters for many years and local businesses who have been keen to help us promote Fairtrade.

A date for your diary – December 2nd – please come and find us at our Fairtrade Stall at the Saltford Christmas Market. Christmas comes but once a year and Fairtrade products can help you get ahead. From spices for your cakes and herbs to pep up your cooking to Christmas tree baubles and room decorations – yes Fairtrade is more than tea and coffee. We look forward to seeing you there.

Climate change is making life very hard for farmers across the world and the Fairtrade organisations are working with the farmers by helping them to make the best use out of their land. They are going organic if possible, growing more robust suitable varieties of plants to cope with extreme weather and making other changes to help them achieve more sustainable crops.

Fairtrade producers are guaranteed a fair price for their crops (whatever the yield). In addition, a yearly premium is given to them to use as they see appropriate for the needs of their co-operatives. Thank you for choosing and supporting Fairtrade.

If you are interested in Fairtrade and what it means, we would love to hear from you, new members always welcome.

Find us on Facebook, or on the website https://www.saltfordenvironmentgroup.org.uk/ fairtrade.html or you can email us on saltfordfairtrade@hotmail.co.uk

KEYNSHAM & DISTRICT MENCAP SOCIETY

A YEAR OF CELEBRATIONS AT KEYNSHAM MENCAP!



It's been a busy year of celebrations at Keynsham and District Mencap Society, as the charity marked its 45th birthday with a big family fun day in July.

Operations Manager Laura Jefferies also celebrated working for the charity for 15 years this year. Laura works tirelessly for the members and her commitment and devotion has touched so many lives.

This year marked 10 years since Treasurer, Russ Pocock came on board. Russ joined in 2013 to help out 'for a few months'. As a thank you for 10 years of voluntary service, Russ was nominated for the Keynsham 'Good Citizen Award'.

The Music Man Project celebrated a 5 year anniversary in April. The club started in 2018 and has gone from strength to strength. The group is currently working towards a performance at The Royal Albert Hall in April 2024, where they will perform alongside other MMP groups from across the country at the iconic venue.

Other highlights this year include holidays to the New Forest and Devon, trips to Longleat and Weston Super Mare, Inclusive Sports Day, katakunuing along the River Avon, the Barry and Suzi show on KTCR FM, a new bi-monthly 'Mencap Movies' event at The Space and much more!

Festive activities available this winter include an inclusive Santa's grotto, which is adapted to meet the needs of children with additional needs, meaning that all children can enjoy this magical experience. There will be an annual trip to Hippodrome to watch the pantomime and a tobogganing trip which will be an exciting new activity for the members.

If you would like to find out more about these activities, or about the clubs that Keynsham Mencap run, or if you would like more information about the rewarding volunteering opportunities available, please contact Laura@Keynshammencap. org.uk or visit www.keynshammencap.org.uk.

K&S DEMENTIA ACTION ALLIANCE

Our twice monthly Music for the Mind sessions continue to be well attended and the sound created is getting better and better. There were 5 Thursdays in September so we organised an extra session and instead of singing we played boccia. Boccia is similar to bowls but is played indoors while sitting down and is suitable for all ages and disabilities. Everybody took part who wanted to, those living with dementia and their carers and great fun was had by all. It was competitive and there was a lot of cheering from the sidelines.

We have arranged a couple of outings to Oakham Treasures near Portbury. On 27th September using Keynsham Dial-a-Ride we took some residents from St Phillips and St James's care home along with care staff. The building is full of old memorabilia and the cry of "oh I used to have one of those" was often heard. Drinks and cake were consumed during the visit. A second trip is arranged for Thursday 19th October. We are also looking to arrange a pre-Christmas trip to a local garden centre.

We are looking for more volunteers to help with our music sessions and also someone to build up links with businesses and organisations so they can help to make Keynsham and Saltford more dementia aware. For more information you can either e-mail us at ksdaa22@gmail.com or call us on 01225 872801 or 07392442966. Music for the Mind is on the 2nd and 4th Thursday mornings of each month from 10.30am until 12.15pm in St Dunstan's Church Hall in Keynsham

SALTFORD GOLF CLUB

This week Saltford Golf Club welcomed our new Captain, Ian Richardson and Captain Elect Dave Boulton

A retired RAF Avionics Technician Ian has been a member since 2015, he served as a Board Member and on the Management



Committee stepping down to become Captain of the Senior Section in 2021/22.

As well as his love for Golf, Ian is also involved in the sport of bobsleigh and currently is a Director of the British Bobsleigh and Skeleton Association (BBSA). As a qualified International Jury President for the International Bobsleigh & Skeleton Federation he officiates at all levels of IBSF events, including Olympic Games and World Championships.

During his year, Ian will be raising funds for his nominated charity CRY (Cardiac Risk in the Young)

SALTFORD FOOTBALL CLUB

All teams have now started their respective leagues with a positive start to the season. All youth teams observed the FA initiative of Play Safe across the weekend 30th September/1st October. The campaign is endorsed by NSPCC and its aim is to focus attention on the vital importance of safeguarding across the national game. The start of the new season also saw the completion of the renovation of the first team changing rooms which is the latest of a long list of improvements the club has embarked on in the last 12 months. Our minisan introduction to football has also started and any kids from reception or year 1 school year are welcome to come along and try a session. Please contact the club for details.

SALTFORD & KEYNSHAM FLOWER CLUB

Meets every fourth Tuesday of the month in Saltford Main Hall.

Visitors welcome; £7 for a demonstration, £6 for a Practice.

November 28th Tuesday 2pm -Christmas Demonstration with Alison Finch entitled 'Traditions of Christmas' starts at 14:00; come early for seasonal refreshments, sales tables and raffle tickets.



For more details on the club, please visit https:// saltfordfloralclub.com or visit our Facebook page Saltford & Keynsham Flower Club.

SALTFORD WHIST CLUB

We have had another good month of friendship and competition. Our visitor Joyce from the Channel Islands joined us again as she is visiting family over here, and another new member joined us. We are a friendly club, anybody interested please contact me Malcolm 01225872555

SALTFORD WOMBLES

Hello fellow Wombles and residents of Saltford,

And so another year has whizzed by with, we hope, a kinder, less storm ridden winter than the last one and all the river litter we faced in January/ February. Thank you so much for all your year long, stalwart support in keeping our village litter free. One day we might be redundant but for now we press on.

On that note, some good news, in that, hopefully, the new single use plastic ban might help to reduce litter with more focus on disposables or at the very least it will be degradable, if we don't manage to litter pick.

When out and about, please take care if you litter pick e-cigarette or vapes, they should be treated as electrical waste or can be taken to Tesco in Saltford for recycling.

The last group litter pick of the year is Sunday 26 Nov, 2pm Little Coffee Shop. There is no group pick in December but please do keep up with solo picks/ bag changes as and when weather and commitments permit. Thank you. If you would like to know more about the Saltford Wombles, please do contact lan at Saltfordwombles@gmail.com

KEYNSHAM TALKING NEWPAPER



Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of Keynsham & District Talking Newspaper (1983-2023)

On Saturday 16th September 2023 we held a tea party in Keynsham to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Keynsham & District Talking Newspaper.

The event was the first in-person event since Covid and was a wonderful way to celebrate the work of the talking newspaper, and for listeners to



share their thoughts on the KTN and to meet the people behind the voices they hear.

Listeners, volunteers and supporters enjoyed a lovely tea party and a special 40th anniversary cake.

KTN Chairman, Mike Crane, said:

"Thank you to all of you who came to celebrate with us.

"I would like to highlight our loyal VIPs – our listeners who continue to give us encouragement, support and guidance; our committee, readers and technicians; our friends and supporters in the community; past volunteers; and our behind-thescenes volunteers who plan the rotas, edit the news, and our Post Office volunteers."

He added, "It hardly seems possible that 40 years have passed since Mary Burnard originally founded KTN. Keynsham was part of the Wansdyke District Council area at the time, and it was originally thought that up to 30 listeners living within the area might be interested in receiving a tape.

"Since 1983, over 1,275 listeners have benefitted from our services and often enjoy the recordings in company of friends or family.

"We no longer use cassette tapes, we now have our own recording studio, record digitally, and send our recordings out via USB stick.

"Our recordings are even available on the internet, via our website."

KTN has always been generously supported by its patrons – firstly Leslie Crowther, then his wife Jean, and now by comedian Bill Bailey.

To receive this free service for you or a loved one, call 0117 299 3021 or visit www.ktn.org.uk

BRISTOL EMPIRE DRAGONS NATIONAL DRAGONS!



In September our club attended the National Dragon Boat Championships in Nottingham for a full weekend of racing. We were really competitive with our rival crews, around 28 in total. As a crew that were mostly new to Dragon Boat race events we gave them all some close racing and many were surprised how well we were performing. Lots of praise was given to ourselves and our coach by the organisers and other clubs from around the country.

One of the highlights was the under 18 race category which has not been run for quite a few years. 4 of our juniors had the opportunity to race this section. There were 55 young people from clubs around the country divided into 3 boats who raced against each other in a 3 heat race. Considering thier ages 7 to 17 they were amazing and show potential to be great paddlers in the future. I even had the honour to present them with medals for thier efforts. Sophia was in the 1st place boat and Jasmine, Sophina and Arcadia were in the 3rd place boat. Well done to all these young ladies, you didn't expect to race this weekend but jumped at the opportunity.

We are looking to build our membership in several ways, Adult members – up to 80! Never too old and U18's from around 9 years old to 18 as you are the future of our sport. Also we have just introduced the Breast Cancer Survivor team as it is proven to be an ideal sport to help with your medication and recovery. Membership is only £15 per month – an absolute bargain!

If you would like to give this sport a try please get in touch we would love to meet you. We are a very friendly and inclusive group of very mixed abilities. Our training takes place at Saltford **Rowing Centre on Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. Please call Tina on 07720 353701.**

1ST SALTFORD SCOUT GROUP

CUB ADVENTURE CAMP

This month 35 Tigers and Wolves spent the weekend camping at Woodhouse Activity Centre as part of thier Cubs Activity event in which 500 Cubs took part from around the Country.

They experienced lots of amazing challenges including climbing, abseiling, crate stacking, go

karts, sumo wrestling, giant chess, water slide, zorbs, assault and a ropes course. The day finished with a traditional campfire where they participated in campfire songs with actions before hot chocolate and snuggling into thier sleeping bags for the night.

I believe the leaders tried thier skills at some of these challenges too so it's not just the young people who have all the fun. Plus they get to see all those happy faces having such a great time.

This Autumn we will be making major improvements to our Scout HQ in line with Green Energy schemes. Insulating our roof, fitting replacement Led lights, solar panels and heater fans. We would really appreciate some help with wiring in the fans if anyone could help us with them.

We are as always happy to welcome any new volunteers to help out with many things both big and small, please get in touch.

saltfordscoutgroup@gmail.com

Or call Tina 07720353701





September 23rd saw the first collaborative activity between the Saltford4Nature group and Saltford Community Orchard volunteers. The sun shone and it was a pleasure for members of the two groups to meet and work together, both sharing the common goal of seeking to create areas in the village that sustain and encourage a diversity of wildlife. Age was no object: two local schoolchildren worked enthusiastically alongside the adults and the synergy of the combined groups' efforts meant that a great deal of clearing of invasive or non-native species was achieved. The two groups are hoping to meet again soon to complete the current clearing task as part of an ongoing enjoyable collaboration.

Saltford4Nature's aim is to adopt some local green spaces to improve biodiversity, whilst supporting pollinators. In addition to the practical activities, some members have also begun designing a suitable visually attractive and pollen rich planting scheme for the first of the proposed grass areas to be adopted. In October we will be meeting a representative from BANES to discuss and agree on these proposals. In the meantime, in preparation for planting, we have begun accumulating suitable plants as cheaply as possible, through division or propagation.

If you want to know more about Saltford4Nature, please contact us at saltford4nature@gmail.com.

SALTFORD DISTRICT GUIDING

On Saturday 23rd September a coach load of excited Rainbows, Brownies and Guides set off for an action packed day of activities hosted at Mendip outdoors. Rainbows enjoyed tobogganing, shelter building and fire lighting, whilst Brownies and Guides spent the day either climbing and abseiling at Sandford Quarry, or paddleboarding and competing on an obstacle course at Hewish Watersports centre. All girls had a wonderful time and we are very grateful to our team of volunteers who made the day happen for the girls.

Saltford District Guides are running a stall at the

upcoming PTA Christmas fayre so please do pop along if you would like to buy any Girlguiding merchandise, Brownie bears or Guide pens make a fab gift for a friend at Christmas time. The fayre is on Friday 1st December in the school hall from 3pm.

We are also currently recruiting volunteers to save our Brownie and Rainbow units from closure on a Thursday. If you are keen to lend a hand to save these units from closure at Christmas, please do email saltforddistrictguides@gmail.com or pop along to the fayre to speak to us.

If your daughter would like to join Guides in Saltford and is aged between 10-14 years please do email us as we have places available on a Monday and Wednesday evening: saltforddistrictguides@gmail.com

PARKINSON'S UK BATH & DISTRICT BRANCH

Coffee morning on the final Tuesday of the month (28 November; no meeting in December) at The Talbot Inn, Bath Road, Keynsham, Bristol, BS31 INP, 10.30am to midday. Open to everyone with Parkinson's, their families, friends and carers; a chance to discuss your situation and enjoy the company of others. Coffee and a chat, occasional quizzes and speakers. Coffee mornings too on various days of the week in Bath and other locations across B&NES. Contact bathparkinsons@ gmail.com for more information.

SALTFORD WALKERS

It's hard to believe that I am writing the Christmas entry for Saltford Walkers. It has been a mixed year of walks with several cancelled due to either the extreme heat or flooded pathways.

As this is being written there are still two more walks left for 2023 for each group and we are looking forward to our October social evening which this year will be a beetle drive and American supper. It should be an interesting evening!

Our Christmas meal is to held at Saltford Golf Club again this year after a very successful lunch last year. It was a lovely lunch enjoyed by all.

Our new programme for 2024 will be circulating very soon with more interesting and varied walks along with our social evenings and coach trip.

On behalf of Saltford Walkers committee may I wish all of our members a very happy Christmas and a happy and peaceful 2023

SALTFORD SANTA DASH

Mark your calendars for December 3! Saltford Santa Dash is returning,



promising more fun than ever before. This event is open to all ages, making it a fantastic family affair. The highlight? You get to choose your route. ensuring it's a merry run or a steady pace tailored to your liking. Whether you are a seasoned runner or just seeking festive fun, Saltford Santa Dash caters to all. And here's the heartwarming twist it's not all about the joyous community gathering. The event aims to support two admirable local charities, putting the 'giving' in 'festive giving.' So, picture yourself dashing through local roads cheered on by familiar faces, dressed as Santa, knowing that every step raises funds for those in need in our community. Invite family, friends, and neighbours, and let's make December 3 unforgettable. See you at Saltford Sports Club for the 2023 Saltford Santa Dash xx

https://race-nation.co.uk/register/saltford-santadash/saltford-santa-dash-2023

SALTFORD DRAMA CLUB

Saltford Drama Club have been in existence at the Hall since 1961 and in that time have put on 140 productions.

We hold regular play reading nights to choose future plays, these take place on the first Monday of the month, many of our new members attend these evenings before they join us! Check out SCAN for club night dates

Our next play in November will be 'Ladies Day' a comedy by Amanda Whittington. Our director Jane Busby is a relatively new member to the club, but brings with her loads of previous experience with her from other clubs. Rehearsals are well under way and the stage set is planned and props already in place to start a set build the week before the play goes live. The play will be on at the Hall from Thursday 16th November until 18th November 2023. Tickets will be £12 and are available from www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevents or Saltford Post Office/Library Hub.

We have had a socially packed year so far which has included; a Boat Trip and Cream tea on the Avon, a fun packed evening at Congo Falls Crazy Golf at Stockwood Golf club, a fantastic club BBQ and a planned group visit to the Theatre Royal Bath to see 'Peter Pan Goes Wrong'. A club dinner is also planned for January 2024.

If you would like to be a part of our thriving Drama Club, contact us via our club website at www. saltfordrama.org.uk. AND take a look at our Facebook page and LIKE AND SHARE what you see!

OTHER NEWS

News from our B&NES ward councillors

WECA A4 CORRIDOR CONSULTATION

Thank you to everyone who took part in the recent WECA public consultation. The follow-up public consultation is expected in September 2024 and will be based on the feed-back from this first consultation and essential traffic modelling. Any proposals at that stage will be subject to air quality studies and safety audits. B&NES Council remains the Highways Authority and changes will have to undergo the usual Traffic Regulation Order (TRO) process which requires public consultation and sign-off by amongst others the Chief Constable and ward councillors.

We endorse the response to the consultation made by Saltford Parish Council. Cllr Hounsell walked with an officer along Manor Road, Beech Road, Norman Road, and the High Street and fed back to WECA detailed local knowledge. There is no question of parking bays being lost in Manor Road and Beech Road. There will be NO double yellow lines at the bottom of the High Street. We believe it likely that many of the proposals for these "quiet streets" will be shelved.

Agenda papers tabled at a recent WECA committee chaired by Dan Norris, the Metro Mayor, made clear that the Bristol to Bath corridor project is under stress because of high inflation, procurement issues, and tight schedules. "Construction" for the Keynsham to Bath section has been rescheduled to March 2027. The current funding deadline for the Bristol to Bath corridor project is the same month!

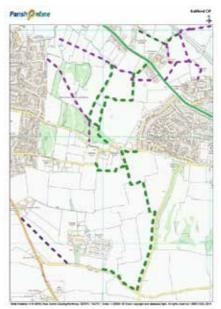
PERMISSIVE FOOTPATH DONATION APPEAL

We are delighted to announce that the paths will remain open for another year, through to the end of October 2024.

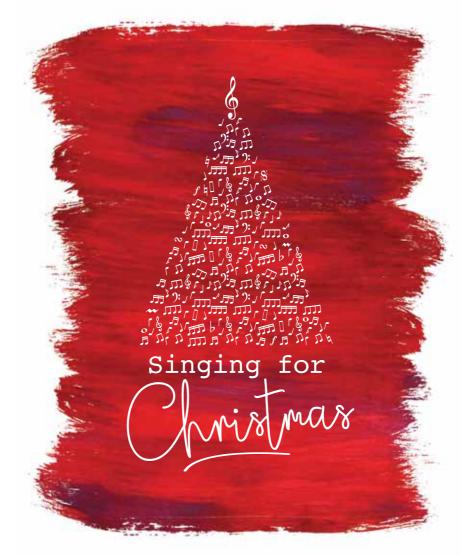
Many thanks to everyone who donated £3000 (including Gift Aid) to keep these important paths open for the whole community.

We will launch our appeal for the following year in 2024.

Once again, many thanks to all those who generously donated to keep these paths open and who also donated generously to the SCA and Saltford Community Post Office and Library Hub.



THE SALTFORD VILLAGE CHOIR



7.30pm Saturday 9th December at Saltford Hall

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Donations will be collected for the Woodland Warrior Programme



WOODLAND WARRIOR

Christmas is fast approaching and once again Santa and the Elves are preparing themselves in readiness to both tour around the streets of the Village and attend various seasonal events held in December.

Below are schedules showing the dates and timings and the specific routes for the nightly street tours.

Like last year we will set up dedicated 'Santa Stops' along each route in places where it's safe and convenient to park up. We ask that people congregate at these stops, we won't leave until everyone has had a chance to meet Santa.

Stops will be well lit and easy to find, we will publish exact locations nearer the time and timings will vary depending on the number of people at each stop.

Event	[December / Time
Christmas Market - Saltford Hall	2nd	10am - 1pm
Santa Dash - Tennis Court Car Park	3 rd	8:30am - 12pm
Lighting the Xmas Tree - Saltford Hall	7 th	7 - 9pm
Post Office/Library visit 1	9 th	9 - 12pm
Street Tour 1	11^{th}	6 - 8pm
Street Tour 2	12 th	6 - 8pm
Street Tour 3	13 th	6 - 8pm
Street Tour 4	14^{th}	6 - 8pm
Post Office/Library visit 2	16 th	9 - 12pm

Street Tour	Date	Santa Sleigh will visit
1	Mon 11th	Montague Road, Grange Road, Claverton Road area
2	Tues 12th	Manor Road, Uplands Road, Tyning Road, Rodney Road area
3	Wed 13th	Norman Road, Wedmore Road, Stratton Road, Saltford Hall area
4	Thurs 14th	Beech Road, High Street, The Shallows, The Glen

In the coming weeks detailed maps will be posted on the SCA Facebook page and SCA website.

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Park Lane Big Band Saltford Hall Friday November 3rd 7.30 pm for a 8.00pm start

Tickets £12 including nibbles from

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The production of the annual Saltford Calendar is a joint SCA/SEG initiative. Net proceeds will be split equally between SCA, SEG and Saltford Community PO/Library, to help further their work supporting the local community.



Saltford Community Assocation with the Art Group present



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Sunday 17 December

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The award-winning theatre company are busy rehearsing and are enjoying learning music and dance, which will shine a spotlight on some of the most successful musicals to run on the WestEnd stage.

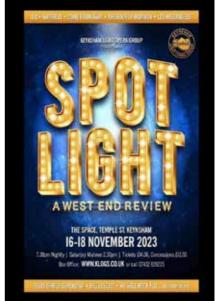
Alongside performing the well-known classics, the company will perform numbers from new musicals that are enjoying rave reviews and huge box office success on the WestEnd stage. Waitress, Come from Away and Book of Mormon to name a few which will be sure to delight audiences.

Performing in the tiered seated venue The Space in Keynsham, with a licensed bar, you can enjoy a glass of wine whilst the talented company of 25 plus singers and dancers deliver an outstanding evening of entertainment.

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The Saltford Business Network promotes and supports businesses in and near Saltford. We provide access to local and regional information and organisations and the chance to share ideas and issues with local colleagues. We seek to ensure that the views of our businesses are represented when plans are made and decisions taken.



Saltford Business Network continues to work hard to support local businesses in difficult times - as we did when the Network was founded a dozen

or more years ago. Our on-line seminars continue, as does the steady stream of information through social media, our website and email, and we provide opportunities to share experiences in informal settings. The Network maintains links with local government, business organisations and academic institutions in the region.

Our membership goes on growing in number and diversity. More new members will always be welcome and the membership fee is reduced again for 2023. All you need is to be a business person resident, or actively engaged in business, in Saltford or nearby. We'll include your business in our on-line directory.

Our series of informative on-line discussions and briefings continues, interspersed with informal networking get-togethers. In September we resumed our sequence of relevant briefings, holding a joint session with colleagues in the "BS 31" Group on small business use of "Chat GPT", AI and Machine Learning. And in October SBN worked with SCA to deliver another Jobs Fair at Saltford Hall. Offers from members or other local businesses to run further sessions will be welcome! We had another networking breakfast at Newton Farm in late October and plan to round off the year with a curry in December. Do join us.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

11am - Family Service for all age groups. We believe church should be enjoyed NOT endured.
Junior Church (ages 3 upwards) including a variety of bible-based crafts & stories.
6pm - Teaching Ministry open for anyone to attend for a slightly more serious study of the bible.
Our services are streamed live on our YouTube channel and through a link via our website.

1st MONDAY OF THE MONTH - FOOD FOR THOUGHT



12pm - 2pm. Offering a variety of soups, cakes and fresh coffee or tea, for those who wish to get out for friendly conversation over lunch, including a 5 minute thought from the Bible.

3rd MONDAY OF THE MONTH - COFFEE MORNING



10:30am – 12pm. Please join us for coffee, cake and conversation. Come along and spend some time in a relaxed atmosphere, with light refreshments and friendly company. Start the week refreshed.

TUESDAY - TODDLERS



9.30am - 11.30am – Parents and Carers – Instead of feeling bound by the four walls, why not join us for a cup of tea or coffee while your children play in a safe and friendly environment, including a dedicated baby area, ride-on toys, a dressing up area, home corner and plenty more to keep the little ones occupied. Fun craft activities are planned each week and the session always ends with a sing along. So come along and join in the fun!

WEDNESDAY 8pm - PRAYER MEETING & BIBLE STUDY



We meet in the church, but access is also available via Skype. During these meetings, we study the bible and relate it to our own lives, this includes vibrant discussion and practical application. We also firmly believe that prayer works and unashamedly pray for our community, family & friends. If you would like to join our study and discussion, using Skype, please use the contact form on our website.

A message from our pastor Rev. Mike Leaves

When you think about Christmas and the baby Jesus, do you ever think why Bethlehem? Bethlehem even today is a very small village just 4 miles outside of Jerusalem. In the days of Jesus, it had only one thing going for it, it was the place where king David was born, the most famous king of Israel.

Yet why did God send His Son to be born in Bethlehem? Why not in a palace or in Rome? The answer is that God, hundreds of years before, said that was where His Son Jesus would be born. In the Bible, in the Gospel account written by Matthew [chapter 2 verse 6], Matthew quotes a passage from the Old Testament which says, "But you Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are not least among the rulers of Judah; for out of you shall come a Ruler. Who will shepherd My people Israel". Here the Bible is telling us that Jesus will be born in Bethlehem.

Does God say anything else about His Son Jesus?

Yes, He does, in the Old Testament we are also told that He will die to pay for the sins of all who believe in God and in Jesus the Christ.

In the Old Testament part of the Bible, Isaiah, 600 years before the birth of Jesus, wrote: "But He [Jesus] was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement for our peace was upon Him and by His stripes we are healed" [Isaiah chapter 53 verse 5]. At Christmas, please don't stop at the manger in Bethlehem, but move on to the cross at Jerusalem. If you want to know more, we will be glad to you tell the Good News about Jesus at our services.

Upcoming Festive Events

Tuesday 12th December



Toddlers Christmas Party – Please come along and join us for some festive fun. Just bring some party snack food and a small, wrapped gift, for your child to open.

Sunday 17th December



11am - Family carol service for all ages.

6pm - Carols by Candlelight.

Please join us for either of our family friendly services, including many of your favourite carols. Followed by refreshments, so please join us after for hot mince pies, cakes and coffee.

CHRISTMAS DAY

Service 10:30



Please come and join us on Christmas morning, as we thank God for the greatest gift we could ever receive and celebrate the birth of our LORD and Saviour.

Please contact us on 01225 874520, Facebook or use the contact form on our website. We do not charge for any of our meetings or activities. The gospel message is free to all.



Saltford Parish Council

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SPC gives grants to Saltford Santa Dash & SCA's Santa Sleigh

The sight of hundreds of Santas (and mini-Santas!) running through the village is now something of a Saltford tradition. In July, SPC was pleased to award the Saltford Santa Dash team a grant of £275 towards the costs of 'sum-up' e-readers for donations to help raise funds for worthy charities.

SCA's Santa Sleigh has also become a much-loved local festive tradition. As well as Santa's visits staying in the memories of many of the village's children for years to come, SCA's Santa Sleigh helps raise funds for charity. SPC welcomed SCA's proposed environmental and safety improvements to the sleigh and agreed a grant of £225 towards costs at its September meeting.

January 2024 meeting - new date & location

SPC's January 2024 meeting will take place at 7:15pm on the second Tuesday of the month (Tuesday 9 January), not the first as usual due to it being so close to the festive break. It will be held upstairs at Saltford Hall in the Kelston Room (not Avon Room as usual). Public welcome.

Five years as Saltford Community Library & Post Office's tenant

Congratulations to Saltford Community Library and Post Office Hub, who recently celebrated their five-year anniversary. SPC's Office has been located at the back of the building since the community hub opened, and SPC welcomes the chance to support the hub by being its tenant.

If you have some spare time and your New Year's resolution is to support the community, there's a range of volunteering opportunities locally, including at Saltford's Community Library (plus Saltford Scouts, SCA, Saltford Guides & Brownies, etc!) Please contact groups directly for details.

Festive Period Office Hours

The Saltford Parsih Council Office will be closed over the Christmas and New Year period, please see our website for details at <u>www.saltfordparishcouncil.gov.uk</u>





On behalf of Saltford Parish Council, we wish you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year





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Dear friends,

This is my first article written for SCAN, having lived in the village for just over a month now. Looking towards Christmas with this being the Nov/Dec edition, it feels as though time is rushing by. How are we almost at the end of the year already, wasn't it March only last week? Every year Christmas seems to happen earlier. I was even in a garden centre last week, which had its Christmas section out but without the carols, which felt weird! We always seem to be rushing towards the next event, and once that's here, the next.

In the church seasons the time leading up to Christmas is called Advent and it is used as a purposeful time of slowing down and pausing. A time of waiting and then celebrating the Christmas story and Christmas day where we remember Jesus' birth, the moment God became human to meet with us and know us better.

So, this year I want to challenge you, or maybe encourage you, to slow down a little in the lead up to Christmas. To take moments to relax with friends and family, maybe spend some time looking after yourself or even come along to church and hear about who and what we celebrate. If I see you or not before Christmas, and this feels very early to be writing this in early October, have a blessed time and Merry Christmas!

Blessings, Nigel

	5 th November	12 th November	19th November	26 th November
	10am	10am	10am	10am
Saltford	Morning Worship	Remembrance	Holy Communion	Holy Communion
		Service		
	11.15am	10am		
Corston	All Saints Patronal	Remembrance		
	Holy Communion	Service	~	~
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		10.45am		11.15am
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		Remembrance		
Telephone	4pm	4pm	4pm	4pm
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Why not join us for the Christmas season in one of our churches

	3 rd December	10 th December	17 th December	24 th December	25 th December	31 st December
Saltford	10am Morning Worship	10am Christingle	10am Holy Communion 6pm Carols at Christmas	5pm Crib Service 11.15pm Midnight Communion	10am Family Celebration with Communion	~
Corston	6pm Darkness into Light	4pm Carol Service around the Christmas Tree	11.15am Christingle	11.15am Holy Communion 11.15pm Midnight Carols & Readings	10.30am Christmas Celebration	11.15am Benefice Holy Communion
NSL	11.15am Christingle	11.15am Holy Communion	~	~	11.15am Family Celebration with Communion	~
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If you would like more information about anything you have read or would like to introduce yourself, please get in touch. We look forward to hearing from you.

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