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Saltford Community Cinema

SALTFORD HALL FRIDAY 28TH JUNE



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ONE LIFE tells the true story of Sir Nicholas 'Nicky' Winton, a young London broker who, in the months leading up to World War II, rescued 669 predominantly Jewish children from the Nazis.

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			
	9.30am	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
	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
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
Saturday			
	9.30am	Jazzercise Class	Main Hall

MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

USUALLY			
Last Monday	10.00am	Craft & Natter Club	Kelston
First Tuesday	10.00am	Saltford Ladies Gardening Club	Wansdyke
First Tuesday	2.00pm	Saltford Afternoon WI	Main Hall
Second Tuesday	10.00am	Bath Guild of Embroiderers	Wansdyke
Second Tuesday	7.00pm	Saltford Evening WI	Avon
Fourth Tuesday	2.00pm	Saltford & Keynsham Flower Club	Main Hall
First Tuesday	7.15pm	Saltford Parish Council	Avon
2 nd /4 th Wednesday	10.00am	Contemporary Quilters	Wansdyke
Second Wednesday	10.00am	Face2Face Parkinsons	Wansdyke
Second Thursday	7.30pm	Book Club	Somerset
Third Thursday	2.00pm	Motor Neurone Support Group	Avon
Second Friday	9.15am	Orchestra Workshop	Main Hall
Third Friday	10.00am	Saltford Morning WI	Main Hall
Second Friday	7.30pm	Keynsham & Saltford Wine Circle	Somerset
Fourth Saturday	2.30pm	Historical Model Railway Society	Wansdyke

SCA is on Facebook! https://www.facebook.com/SCACOMM/

SALTFORD COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION FORTHCOMING EVENTS IN 2024

April	26	Community Cinema – Oppenheimer	7.30pm
	27	Saltford Jobs Fair & Cafe	11 - 1pm
	28	Antiques Fair with Community Café	9 – 2pm
Мау	5	Sunday Afternoon Tea	2 – 4pm
	18	SCA Repair Cafe	11.00 - 1.30pm
	21	Saltford Community Coffee Club	1 – 3pm
	24	Community Cinema – Wonka	7.30pm
June	1	Saltford Village Choir Concert	7.30pm
	2	Sunday Afternoon Tea	2 – 4pm
	2	Little Pickles Market with Community Cafe	10.30am
	7 - 16	Saltford Festival (see centre of this SCAN)	Various
	28	Community Cinema – One Life	7.30pm
July	20	Park Lane Big Band Evening	7.30pm
September	22	Flea Market	10 -1pm
October	5	World Textile Day West	10- 4.00pm
November	21 - 23	Saltford Drama Production - Blithe Spirit	7.30pm
	30	Christmas Market	10 – 1pm
December	12	Lighting the Christmas Tree	7.30pm
	14	Saltford Choir Christmas Concert	7.30pm

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

SECTIONAL ORGANISATIONS

SALTFORD SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB

There's been a lot of hype recently about a group of Swedes. Yes, ABBA. The shiny Lycra-clad pop quartet known for their win at the Eurovision Song Contest in 1974 and for their continuing success over the last 40 years. A lot has happened in those years and Greta Thunberg, another girl from Sweden has played her part. She's brought climate change to the forefront and her tiny figure has been carried off by burly policemen, in front of the media, to innumerable awaiting police vans. Most recently she has been supporting a group of Swiss women who successfully took their Government to the European Court over their inactivity on climate change.

But, we don't all want to wear shiny Lycra and sing in front of millions like ABBA. Neither do we relish sitting on hard pavements in protest at our leader's inactions, in front of the media, and in anticipation of a nice "blue light" ride.

However, we do want to be part of a flourishing, supportive community and join together to enjoy our interests and hobbies, and to meet and make friends. Of course, there are lots of choices out there. But don't leave out the enduring social sport of Short Mat Bowls. Best played in comfortable clothes and on soft flooring without the hard glare of the media spotlight. If you like a bit of competition as well, we compete amongst ourselves (just for fun and a small prize) and in a league. We also play social games against local teams and do a bit of fundraising too.

Our Captain, Geoff Simmons, would be pleased to hear from anyone who would like to give Short Mat Bowls a try. You can call him on 0117 9867206.

SALTFORD VILLAGE CHOIR

Here are some very good reasons to sing:

- It is easy to do in many spaces
- No expensive musical instruments to buy
- · Strengthens health, both physically and emotionally
- Aids diction and can help alleviate stuttering
- · Good links with creativity and self-esteem
- · Provides opportunity for positive social activities

The variety of songs on offer at our choir evenings

certainly shows what music can do for us. Not every song suits everyone, but there are times when it all comes together beautifully. Our ongoing rehearsals for the summer concert definitely help to focus the mind, and you are warmly invited to hear the results on June 1st at 7.30pm in the summer concert.

Every Tuesday evening we tackle several songs, with the occasional solo item from a brave member. In one week we sang 'Gloria', 'Fields of Gold', 'Ave Maria', 'Mamma Mia', 'The King and I', 'Waly Waly' and 'Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat'. Various members meet outside of choir for musical outings, including trips to Bristol Beacon for Orchestral Concerts, a Fleetwood Mac tribute band in Bath, Faure's 'Requiem' at Redcliffe, 'Hamilton' at The Hippodrome, and 'The Longest Johns' back in the refurbished Beacon.

Our recent AGM was very well attended. The new Chair of S.C.A. gave us an account of the many activities going on in the Saltford Community, and he was delighted with the Choir's donation of £4000 this year - our largest donation ever.

I leave you with this quote:

'Music gives soul to the universe, wings to the mind, light to the imagination, a charm to sadness, and life to everything' [PLATO 427-347 BC].

How right he was. Do join us sometime for a good sing.

Best wishes John Waldren Chair of Saltford Village Choir.

AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

SALTFORD BRASS MILL

The Mill is OPENING for National Mills Weekend on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th May from 10am until 4pm and the displays and models which form the



Education and Interpretation Centre inside the Mill have been reinstated after 4 or 5 floods this winter! Volunteers have worked to clear away the silt and clean the walls. Sadly, the exterior walls and chimney are showing signs of decline and we hope discussions between B&NES, who are responsible for major maintenance, and Historic England will have identified a way forward for restoration soon.

We rely on our volunteers, who 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. Those Saturdays are our main open days now until October. Please help if you can.

The Mill was acquired by the Bristol Brass company in the 1720s and converted to process brass. Spare a thought for the workers then when the Mill was a significant employer in the village (possibly only after agriculture and domestic service) who would lose their income during floods! 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.

Contact us through our website www.brassmill. com, or via the contact details in this SCA Newsletter.

KEYNSHAM & SALTFORD PROBUS CLUB

Our Club continues to provide a diverse programme for our members. Recent speakers at our monthly lunches have been Andrew Stainer, who related The History of Saltford told through 20 objects, and Lyndsey Wright who spoke about Fair Trade and Climate Justice.

In contrast to our excellent coffee mornings and lunches, we have also ventured outdoors when Robin Dixon guided us through the Landscape Garden at Prior Park and other locations associated with Ralph Allen, Bath's famous 18th C. entrepreneur.

We have recently arranged an Autumn trip to the Watermill Theatre, Newbury where we will have lunch and see a performance of 'The King's Speech'. This trip quickly sold out.

Look out for our stand at the Saltford Festival Open Morning on Saturday 8th June!

KEYNSHAM & SALTFORD WINE CIRCLE

Sadly we mourn the death of David O'Neill who passed away after a long illness.

He was an enthusiastic member of the Circle for many years. David had served on the Committee and was always there to help when needed. He was a vital part of the life of the Circle. Our sympathy goes out to his wife, Diane and his family.

Our programme for 2024/2025 started with a Commercial Wine Tasting presented by Peter Church, entitled "Wines around the World". They were Pinot Grigio from Italy; a Sauvignon Blanc from New Zealand; a Sauvignon Blanc Rose from South Africa; a Malbec from Argentina; a Shiraz from Australia and finally a Vin Doux from Greece. A most enjoyable evening!

An illustrated talk on the "History of Saltford" by a representative from the Saltford Environmental Group will have taken place in April, (after this copy was due in to the SCA). This will be reported upon in the next edition of SCAN.

We look forward to a talk on "Pyronaut - a Bristol City Fireboat"; a Circle holiday to the Isle of Wight, and a Garden Party, all part of our forthcoming events.

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 MORNING WI

We were inspired by a guest at our final fundraising coffee morning in March.

Jenny Noakes was invited to talk about her voluntary work as a street pastor in Bath. A team reach out to homeless and people in need on the streets of Bath every weekend from 10pm until 4am. They look after anyone who needs help or support and provide food, blankets and the opportunity to talk about their experiences. Jenny spoke with humour and compassion and we are so grateful that we have volunteers such as she is together with her team.

The three coffee mornings have raised a total of £250 and what more could we ask for! The opportunity to meet and make new friends and eat delicious cakes.

Our first trip of the year was a walk to the local Cheese Farm where we had a mini tour of the cheese making process, sampling cheese and a delicious lunch. We are looking forward to a walking tour of Bristol docks with a guide.

Our February meeting was a treat and was called

Bags of Glamour. Sara Delves brought along many samples of bags both old and new. She gave a lively talk with slides about bags from more than 2000 years ago up to the present day.



She included the eye watering cost of some of the bags.

Sue Symonds is a regular speaker at our WI and her talk on German Castles has also inspired us to plan trips to Germany.

There will be a WI taster session with all three WI's during Saltford Festival week on Tuesday 11th June from 10-12 in Saltford Hall. Do come along and meet us and enjoy our coffee morning with stalls. You will receive a warm welcome

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KEYNSHAM & DISTRICT TALKING NEWSPAPER

HELP SUPPORT BLIND AND PARTIALLY SIGHTED PEOPLE IN KEYNSHAM & DISTRICT



In 2023 we held a tea party in Keynsham to celebrate the 40th Anniversary of Keynsham & District Talking Newspaper. However, this year we are struggling with a lack of volunteers to act as technicians in our studio during recording sessions, and with a lack of news editors to select items from local papers.

New volunteer, Simon Bright, says, "One Thursday night recently I went and sat alongside Catherine (one of the long-serving technicians) and found it looked a very do-able job with a modest amount of instruction - especially for the likes of us with some computer skills."

As well as being a new volunteer for KTN, you may hear Simon in another volunteer capacity, as he produces his own radio programme "The Lighter Show" for KTCRfm.

Will you join Simon in volunteering for one session per month (2 hours) as a technician or news editor to help keep KTN as a weekly service to nearly 100 households in the area?

We record each edition in two halves, with an afternoon session to produce a 30-minute magazine type programme, combined with an evening recording session for a 30-minute local news section.

KTN is also actively recruiting new volunteers and committee members with skills in fundraising, marketing, and new media.

If you're interested in becoming involved as a volunteer or would like to receive this free service for you or a loved one, do call on 0117 299 3021 or visit our website: https://www.ktn.org.uk

KEYNSHAM & SALTFORD DEMENTIA ACTION ALLIANCE

We have run 5 Music for the Mind sessions this year. On the 5th Thursday in February we arranged to have another boccia session. Again it was very well attended and 30 of our members took part and



everybody thoroughly enjoyed playing and watching the game.

Our music and boccia sessions are free of charge for all our members. We therefore need to fund raise to pay for everything that we provide. We were nominated by the Keynsham Good Afternoon Choir to be their Charity of the Year for 2024. The choir arranged a concert in St John's Church on Thursday 21st March. It turned out to be a fantastic evening. The audience was entertained by the Good Afternoon Choir as well as two choirs from Wellsway School and a local ukulele band, the Grassy Knoll. There was a good lively audience who joined in the singing. Our group were asked to organise a raffle and there were some wonderful prizes on offer. The raffle raised £374.80 all of which will all go towards the running of our music sessions.

We have a big event coming up on Friday 5th

July. We have been invited to put on a Music for the Mind session as part of the Keynsham Music Festival. This will run from 2 to 4pm in the big tent in Keynsham Park.

For the rest of the year our music sessions will continue on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month in St Dunstan's Church Hall from 10.30am until 12.15.

We would like to thank our fantastic volunteers who contribute so much time to local people living with dementia and their carers

For more information visit our website at www. keynshamdaa.co.uk or e-mail ksdaa22@gmail. com

SALTFORD EVENING WI

Olive, a longstanding member, who has been a



stalwart in the WI, having been President and committee member during countless years, gave a talk on her time working in the British Embassy in Finland in 1961. What an interesting story it was - in her early twenties, working in Helsinki in the Political Department of the Embassy where once a week a Queen's messenger came to take back papers to London. Olive was given £120 clothes allowance because you needed plenty because it was so cold. She holidayed in Lapland and enjoyed cross country ski-ing. Olive has fond memories of Finland especially with a school she got involved with carrying out some administrative work. She said the children, parents and teachers were so friendly. We learnt quite a bit of the history of Finland which Olive called "land of 1,000 lakes".

I can't help smiling thinking about our March meeting. We welcomed Steve Price from Clevedon, who on his previous visit regaled us with the hazards and battles he faces swimming the channel and other epic swims. This time he talked about the History of the Banjo which was so interesting. Along with his musical friend Pete, on the guitar, with quite of selection of various banjos, which he said was just a few of the many he owns, entertained us. He said whenever and wherever he starts playing people smile (and we did) He has released 2 albums, which he said we can listen to on Alexa! (I have) he sang some of his own compositions and old classics such as 'Way down upon the Swanee River" and "Islands in the Sun" with us joining in of course! Thankyou WI for a brilliant evening.

Just time to mention the Easter Bonnet competition with members voting with 'money in the pot' for our charity.

SALTFORD TENNIS CLUB

Saltford LTC are saddened by the loss of honorary member Martin Smallwood, a highly respected

member of the tennis community. Sadly Martin finally lost his brave battle with cancer earlier in the year.

Martin was a great supporter of the club and instrumental in changing the tennis club to one that is open and acces-



sible by removing the playing in standard and introducing a low cost entry level membership to attract new members and grow the club. He was Chair of the club for many years and led the pivotal project to install floodlights on all courts, which has enabled the club to be an all year round club with evening play.

He was a natural athlete with a good sense of humour and was always ready to help and encourage others and to make newcomers feel welcome. Without doubt his greatest attribute was his investment in young people, his initiatives provided them with affordable membership and more court time.

He provided coaching and free open play sessions for children after school. Martin would be the first person to admit that he could not have achieved all he did at the tennis club without the help, hard work and support of his wife and soul mate Mo, who shared the same visions.

One of the clubs long standing members, John Sweet who knew Martin for almost 40 years said "Martin was an inspirational force who helped transform our tennis club into what it is today. Very inclusive, supportive and especially encouraging of our younger members. I have very fond memories of our regular post club night drinks. Always thoughtful and enthusiastic, Martin has left his indelible mark upon our tennis club. It is with great fondness that we will remember Martin. He will be greatly missed".

SALTFORD ENVIRONMENT GROUP

DON'T BLIGHT THE LAND THAT FEEDS YOU!

In February and March, SEG issued response guidance on the BaNES Local Plan Options Consultation for residents via our website and delivered a printed version to each Saltford household. This was on the two proposed Saltford development options that, if adopted, would add 1,300 houses and a new school in our Green Belt.

In early March SEG's Executive Committee submitted its online response to the BaNES Council Local Plan Options Consultation. Within its detailed response SEG said:-

"On behalf of the strongly expressed wishes of the local community and the 560+ members we represent, Saltford Environment Group implores B&NES Council to comply with the spirit and intent of national planning and environmental policies [as described in SEG's response] by protecting the Green Belt in Bath and NE Somerset, and in particular around Saltford that is gradually becoming the last remaining green open space on the Bath Road A4 corridor between Bristol and Bath." SEG also supported the Parish Council's request for a protective landscape designation for Saltford south of the A4.

A copy of SEG's comprehensive response is on our website's news page. The consultation by BaNES closed on 16th April.

The next stage in the timetable for the new Local Plan will be the publication of the draft Local Plan by early 2025, followed by its Public Examination by a Government Planning Inspector and then adoption of the new plan at the end of 2025.

SEG shall be watching closely to see if BaNES decides to put forward plans for new housing developments in Saltford's Green Belt into the draft despite strong consultation responses to the contrary from SEG, Saltford Parish Council and many residents. Our website will keep residents updated on this important issue.

www.saltfordenvironmentgroup.org.uk

BATH GUILD OF EMBROIDERERS

Our January meeting was a real treat from one of our own members Brenda. I was asked if someone could teach the group Brazilian Embroidery and Brenda said that she had a lot of experience. There were examples of her work and books to look at. She also provided us all with printed sheets of designs and 'How to' guides of many of the stitches. You use specific threads with a high sheen for this work and Brenda brought plenty of them for us all to have a go. It was a bit of a struggle to get out so early in the year, but the hall was warm and good company too.

March brings back a popular tutor in Liz Tapper who is Royal School of Needlework trained.

Mountmellick is an Irish embroidery usually white on white.

April sees the return of Anne Griffiths who brought her stumpwork insects to show us last year and there were many requests for her to come back. False eyelashes for legs and painted false nails for wings. Not botanically correct but amazingly lifelike.

There is a change of tutor for May as we had a cancellation, so Annette Bolton is back with us for Casalguidi which originates from Italy.

2024 in brief: March – Mountmellick, April – Contemporary Stumpwork Insects, May – Casalguidi Italian Embroidery, June – E-Textiles Lantern, July – Free Motion Embroidery Landscapes, September

Blackwork and Goldwork, October – Tambour
 Beadwork, November- Stitched Stories, December
 Finding Eliza Carr.

If you are interested in joining us either as a visitor or 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 FAIRTRADE GROUP

The Saltford Festival is back and it's "FAIRTRADE FRIENDLY"



The SCA festival committee have worked hard to put a programme together that showcases Saltford in all its glory, with lots of events to suit every

age and taste.

As a Fairtrade Village we are asking everyone who is organising an event, that includes refreshments, to choose Fairtrade products wherever possible. To this end we will be distributing a number of 'packs' to local groups that include Fairtrade tea, coffee and sugar — if you would like a pack and you are providing refreshments at a festival event then please let us know by emailing saltfordfairtrade@hotmail.co.uk.

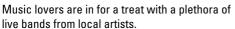
We will also be contributing a hamper containing Fairtrade goodies for the raffle that will be held as part of the festival. Saltford has Fairtrade Village status, and a key goal of our group is to encourage as many local organisations, businesses, clubs, and venues as well as individuals to use or sell Fairtrade products.

Many of our things we take for granted are now seriously being threatened by climate change and Fairtrade farmers are being helped by the premium they receive to farm in a more sustainable way, tackle climate change and to grow more resilient crops. Farmers around the world are being pushed into poverty because of crop failure - let us all enjoy the Saltford Festival knowing that in a small way we are helping to support Fairtrade farmers.

Follow the link to find out more about Fairtrade and our group. https://www.saltfordenvironmentgroup. org.uk/fairtrade.html Please come and meet us at our stall on the opening morning of the festival, we always enjoy hearing from you. We are a small, friendly group and are always keen to welcome new members.

SALTFORD SPORTS CLUB

We have many exciting events lined up at the Saltford Sports Club to keep you all entertained. We have a lineup that promises something for everyone



Sports enthusiasts can look forward to the launch of a new pétanque league, adding this exciting fully inclusive sport to the club's repertoire. The club continues to host live screenings of sporting events, transforming the venue into a hub of excitement and the place to get behind your team.

Families are always welcome and we try to encourage younger members with children's discos, seasonal parties, and an amazing outdoor space for families to make lasting memories in a safe and fun environment.

We are hosting several festivals over the summer - The Jack Bolton Festival on the 8/6/24 and our Music Festival on the 25/8/24.

We pride ourselves on supporting local charities and welcome the wonderful MENCAP children to use our facilities as part of their Super Saturday programme.

With such an array of activities on offer, where everyone is welcome, including your 4 legged friends, the local sports club is poised to become the go-to destination for entertainment. Please see our social media for upcoming events or pop into the club where events are displayed on one of our tv many screens.

We look forward to welcoming you soon!

SALTFORD WOMBLES

Thank you to all our Wombles and Wombats who joined the Keep Britain Tidy Spring Clean and the Great Avon River pick/ car park and village pick on Saturday 16 March. We had over 20 volunteers from Saltford (collecting over a bag of litter each) who joined another 171 volunteers from across BANES who together collected 258 bags of litter all the way from Brislington to Staverton (nr Bradford on Avon).

A huge effort and a very positive impact on our beautiful river and river bank.

Thank you. The river and village are looking great in readiness for Spring and the better weather.

Our next Group picks are a little different to the usual :

Sunday 2nd June to help the village look its best for the Saltford Festival.

Sunday 30th June.

Once again thank you to all our stalwart litter pickers/ bag changers of every age and frequency. You do the village proud.

If you would like to know more about Saltford Wombles, please contact lan at Saltfordwombles@gmail.com

HAPPY SPRING PICKINGS

SALTFORD & KEYNSHAM FLOWER CLUB

Meets every fourth Tuesday of the month in Saltford Main Hall at 14:00 come along and pay on the

door, Visitors welcome, £8 for a demonstration & f7 for a Practice.

Tuesday 28th May 2024 'Along the lines of Ikebana'

Join us for an afternoon to learn how to create a modern Ikebana style Flower Arrangement.



Visitors are welcome and can pay on the door (£7).

Bring a low container with a Kenzan/frog and 3 long stems and a few flowers. Come with friends and make it an enjoyable afternoon. It starts at 2pm & finishes by 4pm. For more details ring Val on 07931103387.

A vase with flowers and sticks

Description automatically generated Tuesday 25th June 2024 – Flower Demonstration 'On the Spot' by Flizabeth Witcomb

A demonstration with a difference! Come and see how Elizabeth produces some amazing designs on the spot using a selection of containers and flowers she hasn't seen beforehand.



of plants & useful items and do

buy plenty of raffle tickets to stand a chance of winning a super arrangement. Starts at 2pm.

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

SALTFORD WALKERS

Despite the wet conditions this year has brought. we have managed some great walks around Swineford (5.5 miles), Shipham (5 miles) and Lansdown, (10 miles) which was in the fog, but had promised great views from Thirteen of us took part in this walk, passing through Upton Cheyney and North Stoke.

We had a great social, with a talk on life in Finland in the 1960's. We have another social planned for October.

We have plenty more walks planned - our usual three Saturday walks per month, as well as social events and a coach trip to the South Coast in September.. Our three groups cater to a variety of walkers, with Strollers covering 2-3 miles, Amblers 4-6 miles, and Long Walkers 8-10 miles. They

all begin in the morning, and the Strollers and Amblers walks are frequently followed by a lunch together. For our long walks, we bring a packed lunch and eat at a convenient location along the route.

We always welcome new member, so if you think you might be interested in joining us on one of our walks, or becoming a member, you can find information about all the walks on our website. You can also contact us to learn more about participating. We look forward to hearing from you. www.saltfordwalkers.org.uk

SALTFORD AFTERNOON WI

The clocks have now gone forward and the spring flowers are out or almost blooming. Our Daffodils, Camellias, Rhododendrons, Azaleas, and Tulips have burst into flower - as have the Dandelions Daisies and Celandines! - All of which are excellent pollinators for, our friends, the bees. I'm keeping my fingers crossed for no frost, wind or rain for the next few weeks so that I can really enjoy the lovely colours and also the longer days.



Our 13th Anniversary Lunch was held at Saltford Golf Club in March. Nine of the members present were original members of the group. The sun shone, the food was delicious and fun guizzes. games and a raffle took place before, during and after our meal.

In April our speaker was Peter Brown, from Broadleaze Nursery, who provided us with excellent advice on how to plant up hanging baskets and containers ready for summer. Future planned speakers include Gordon Young on Bristol's Blue Plagues, the author Jane Turner, and Peaches Golding, the Lord Lieutenanant of Bristol.

We are also looking forward to a trip to Lacock. Future trips being planned for the group include a visit to a garden in Newton St Loe as well as visits to Salisbury and St Fagans.

Our Book Clubs and Craft Group are flourishing and we will also be participating with the other two WI groups for a Joint Coffee Morning as part of the Saltford Festival on Tuesday, 11th June.

New Members are always welcome. This group meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 2.00pm in Saltford Hall. We are proud to be part of a fellowship of more than 180,000 women.

If you are interested in joining our friendly and thriving group, please contact Jan Marsh: email: janm171@yahoo.co.uk

SALTFORD SCHOOL

As a Church of England school we use the time in RE lessons and collective worship to help children explore and better understand people's varied experiences of human life. We aim for it to be meaningful and relevant for all children, for those with a faith background and for those with no faith.

We are proud of our strong links with St Mary's Church in Saltford and the access that our children therefore have to the church itself and its wider work. We believe that these opportunities help the children become more rounded individuals.

Before Easter, children visited St Mary's Church to participate in a service about Palm Sunday – they sang beautifully and listened to readings and prayers. In addition to thinking about 'a change they would like to see in the world' through the writing and reading of their own prayers, we expect that these visits will have enhanced the children's cultural understanding of their wider community.

We mark the major Christian celebrations with special services at school. These include Harvest, Christmas and Easter. At the Christmas service, for example, we sing carols and make a Christingle. The Rector at St. Mary's attends these services and provides a story/prayer/blessing for the children.

The Open the Book team are volunteers from St Mary's who perform an Assembly weekly with the children. It is based upon a Bible story linked to one of the school's core values and provides an opportunity for our children to help act out the Bible story.

For Ascension Day in May, the juniors, staff and helpers make a pilgrimage to the top of Kelston Hill for a Bible reading, singing of hymns, a picnic lunch and playtime. This occasion encourages children to mix with their friends, staff and other adults, and to enjoy the local scenery.

KEYNSHAM & SALTFORD LOCAL HISTORY SOC.

Last month we concluded another successful season of our monthly talks, though to prevent overcrowding we had to restrict access just to members. Topics included the Newport medieval ship, the Merchant Venturers, building the Great Western Railway locally, and a local murder story a very varied and enjoyable programme.

Our committee is now preparing for the summer and we hope to be able to offer a programme of monthly Sunday afternoon walks. These will be open to everyone and free of charge. Details will be in the local press and on our website. It would be good to include a history walk around Saltford, so if any reader would be interested in leading one, we would be pleased to hear from you.

As we move into spring, which so far seems to mean the rain is becoming a little warmer, you may be looking forward to doing some local walks yourself. The Society still has copies of our book "Brass Tracks", published last year and priced at £10.00. 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.

To buy a copy or to find out more about the society visit our website at www.keysalthist.org.uk or ring Richard Dyson on 0117 9864453 after 20th May.

KEYNSHAM & DISTRICT DIAL A RIDE

21 YEARS OF DIAL-A-RIDE

Keynsham & District Dial-a-Ride (KaDDaR) have just celebrated 21 years of transport to the residents of Keynsham, Saltford and surrounding villages

The Organisation was formed in 2003, is a registered Charity and Company Limited by Guarantee

KaDDaR vehicles are accessible and can also carry *wheelchair/ scooter *(these must be assessed before being transported).

The Door to Door Service operates from 8am to 6pm Monday – Friday (except Bank Holidays).

It's a membership scheme and you must book transport at least 24 hours in advance, this service enables members to attend: Medical appointments, Shopping, Lunch Clubs, Social events, visit/meet Family or Friends.

Being a member of the above entitles you to book day trips and these include; Dunelm (Brislington), High Littleton Fish n' Chips, Bath, Wells, Cheddar as well as many other venues – there are also Monthly Sunday Pub Lunch trips.

Areas covered are Keynsham/ Saltford villages on selected days Corston, Newton St Loe, Marksbury, Farmborough, Timsbury, Publow, Compton Dando, Woollard, Pensford and sections of Whitchurch & Stockwood.

Transport to Hospitals include: South Bristol,, Royal United, St. Martins, Bath, Paulton, Sulis (Peasedown) NHS Emersons Green, Spa Medica.

Group Hire entitles Groups/ Organisations to hire a vehicle to take their members to various destinations.

Volunteer Drivers are required to enable us to continue supplying the service that our Members require.and expect like they have over the last 21 years

As a volunteer driver you can decide which day/s and hours are suitable to you.

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KEYNSHAM BOWLING CLUB

As this is being read the bowlers at Keynsham will have already played in some friendly and competitive fixtures in the 2024 season. At the pre season Annual Subscription Day members to paid their annual playing fee for the forthcoming season, plus entry fees for the appropriate in-house club competitions. They also received the very professional fixture books that are prepared each year by our Fixture Secretary Tony Hunter. Whilst there was a good sign up of members we are always looking for new players, particularly younger ones, and anyone is welcome to come

along on a Monday evening and try their hand at a rollup, once the season has started. So if you are interested please just turn up at the green in Keynsham Park where you will be given a warm welcome.

At the start of each season our two captains – ladies and gents – decide what charity the club will support during the season. Lynne Pearce and Steve Coles have chosen Sense, a charity that assists people who are deafblind or who have complex disabilities that effect communication. The fund has received a great



boost from the beginning as one of our members, Julie Matthews, raised several hundreds of pounds by running the Weymouth Half Marathon. Our photograph shows Julie, looking remarkably relaxed at the end of her run, on the seafront at Weymouth with the sea in the background.

SALTFORD GOLF CLUB

The sun was shining on the 7th March when Saltford Golf Club Ladies Section held their annual coffee morning. Over 200 attended the popular event.

The event was a fantastic success with over £4,500 being raised for the Lady Captain June Boulton's charity, Cardiac Risk in the Young (CRY). This will be used towards funding the next heart screening event at Wellsway School for young local people.



A special mention to the Ladies of Saltford Golf Club and friends and a big thank you for the generosity of local companies who donated prizes for the coffee morning - Eveleighs Estate Agents, Davies & Way Estate Agents, Laviano's Restaurant Keynsham, Golden Moments Saltford, Haywards at the Grasmere, Perfect Fit Lingerie, Pure Beauty, Sue Hall Haines, Avon Valley Country Park, Clarksons Funeral Directors and Gregory's Estate Agents.

This combined help and support is what makes this such a special and successful event.

SALTFORD4NATURE



The clocks have gone forward, and we are now finally enjoying more hours of daylight than darkness. The plants in the two flowerbeds in front of Saltford House all seem to be thriving with the extra light and, after some considerable effort, removing heaps of stones, we are delighted to have the second, smaller bed planted up with a colour scheme which we hope will be bright and sunny throughout summer into autumn: a combination of warm yellows and oranges, contrasted with mauves, whites and blues

Our aim is to attempt to source the borders with plants that provide visual interest and pollen over the majority of the year, and in order to support this we have recently begun a small Plants4Nature 'stall' on the wall in the High Street to help with funding as Saltford4Nature volunteers currently provide almost everything from their own gardens or pockets.

Please look out for our Plants4Nature. When available, these will be on display on the wall at number 8 High Street and will be accompanied by an information sheet about the plants offered and their benefits to nature. The plants are individually marked with suggested prices, which also covers the costs of seeds, pots and compost. All donations should be posted through the letter box at number 8. We are also grateful to receive any plants which you have surplus and think may be suitable for the beds. For example, some primroses were kindly donated over the Easter weekend by a neighbour in the High Street; these beautiful pale-yellow spring flowers were immediately transplanted into the small bed outside Saltford House for passers-by to view and pollinators to visit. If you think you would like to get involved or simply to know more about Saltford4Nature. please contact us at saltford4nature@gmail.com.

SALTFORD WHIST

Another good month of friendly battles across the card table now a regular 16 to 24 players each week, catching up with all the news halfway over a coffee/tea break.

New players always welcome.

Call me, Malcolm 01225 872555 for more information

1ST SALTFORD SCOUT GROUP

1ST SALTFORD SCOUTS GO GREEN



1st Saltford Scouts have recently completed a significant upgrade project to their building premises to make it more green and environmentally friendly. The project included three components, firstly the installation of internal roof insulation on the large ceiling of the main hall to reduce heat loss. Secondly, the installation of a solar thermal air collector to provide a base level of solar heating, and thirdly the upgrade all strip lighting to LED tubes.

The project would not have been possible without the support of a Green Business Grant that was kindly provided by the West of England Combined Authority, which funded 40% of the project.

The key benefit targeted by the project is a greatly reduced energy consumption, which is not only good for the environment, but should also provide a reduction in future energy bills through the reduction of heating and lighting costs. Furthermore, the project will provide a warmer facility during the colder months and much improved lighting for the younger members of the Saltford community between the ages of 6-18 years to undertake their scouting activities.

"We really appreciate the grant funding that we have been provided from the West of England Combined Authority, which has enabled this exciting project to be realised. The lasting environmental and financial benefits resulting from the project will be seen for many years to come and we are

very appreciative." said Matt Young, Lead Support Volunteer. A true win win for the environment and a local youth charity organisation!

Green Business Grants and Carbon Surveys are still available for small/medium businesses and registered charities to apply for. Email lowcarbon-business@westofengland-ca.gov.uk or call 0117 332 1520 for more information.

If you would like to experience fun volunteering don't hesitate to get in touch with Tina Curtis 07720 353701.

PARKINSON'S UK BATH & DISTRICT BRANCH

Coffee morning on the final Tuesday of the month, 28 May and 25 June, at The Talbot Inn, Bath Road, Keynsham, Bristol, BS31 1NP, 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 / https://localsupport.parkinsons.org.uk/provider/bath-and-district-branch

KEYNSHAM FOODBANK DISTRIBUTION CENTRES

One of the Keynsham Foodbank collection boxes for donations of food is in the lobby of Saltford Hall. Other local collection points are in the Keynsham Tesco and Waitrose supermarkets and St.Mary's Church Hall lobby. The most wanted items are given at the donation points and details of the Foodbank are given on the website (keynsham.foodbank.org.uk).

One of the Foodbank Distribution Centres is in St.Mary's Church Hall every Friday from 10.15 a.m to 11.45 a.m. Vouchers for emergency food are issued to clients for the number of people in the client's family by local care professionals (e.g BANES Welfare, other social support workers, housing officers, doctors, and church ministers). There is also a local Foodbank number 07512-591734 and in a food emergency a Foodbank Distribution Centre can issue youchers for food.

If you know someone locally in need of food and other support please encourage them to see a

professional for help. Thank you for your continuing support.

Norman Osborne (Volunteer Manager, Saltford Foodbank Distribution Centre)

BRISTOL EMPIRE DRAGONS

WE ARE RECRUITING!

This is a great sport for anyone from 12 to 80, if you would like to have a go you are welcome to join us at any one of our training sessions.

We are a very inclusive team who paddle for fun and competitively at National competitions throughout the year. Our training sessions are on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 6pm and Sunday mornings at 9am.

Our venue is at Saltford Rowing Centre (Not the Marina) Bath Road, Saltford, Bristol BS31 3JS

One of our current goals for recruitment is to increase our Junior membership (12-18) who would also get the opportunity to compete with the GB U18 or U24 team at International competitions. We are fortunate enough to have the GB coach for these teams working with us anyway so there is a great chance to develop at a high level.

The other is to ultimately form a Breast Cancer Survivors team similar to https://pinkchampagne.org.uk/ who are an amazing group of paddlers. Participation in this sport has aided their recovery and they absolutely love it.

Check out our website, especially the new award winning video created for us by students from Bath Spa University 'Dragon the Movie' https://www.bristolempiredragons.com/. It is a fantastic short film that really highlights the great benefits and amount of fun that can be had by this sport.

Please get in touch if you would like to have free trial session – Tina Curtis 07720 353701 or email tinaclistcurtis@googlemail.com.

SALTFORD SANTA DASH

A festive date for your diaries, our next Saltford Santa Dash is being held on Sunday 1st December 2024



As always we cannot hold this event without the support from local businesses! We are reaching out to local businesses in Saltford and the surrounding areas to become sponsors and be part of this heartwarming fun packed day.

By sponsoring the event, businesses not only contribute to a great cause but also gain exposure and recognition within the community.

Whether it's through financial contributions, in-kind donations, or volunteer support, every bit helps make the Santa Dash such a success. So, if your business is looking for an opportunity to give back and be part of something truly amazing, join us in making this year's charity Santa Dash the best one yet!

Contact us today to learn more about sponsorship opportunities and how you can get involved.

Thank you - love from the Santa dash team
Email: saltfordsantadash@gmail.com

SALTFORD HOUSE SKITTLES LEAGUE

We are now in the final stages of the Saltford n house skittles league season. After completing the Front Pin First League and Team Knockout Cup, the final challenge for the ten teams comes in the form of the All In Skittles League. With around half the matches completed It's a close call at the moment, but as we speak the Willbies, Challengers and Trotters are all in contention for first place, although other teams still have time to catch up as we have a few games left when all could change. Again, it has been a great competition this season and in June we shall hold the end of season do at Saltford Sports Club. The 2024/25 season will start again September time.

We are always on the lookout for new players and they are always welcome. We are a friendly group so If you feel you would like to join us, or if you want further information, please call Kitty on 07976 891305.

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OTHER NEWS

KEYS - LOST & FOUND

ONE BIGTHANKYOU to the very kind lady that found and returned my keys. I was so relieved to get them back. In this world where all we seem to hear is bad news, it's good to know there are still kind people out there. A very grateful Lynda Coles

RODNEY ROAD RESURFACING

Rodney Road, pictured, has been resurfaced by B&NES Council at a cost of £65,000. The section of the A4 from the Uplands Road junction to The Globe roundabout was also to be resurfaced this summer. This has been postponed until at least next year because of the ongoing works by Wales and West Utilities in the area. The company is replacing metal gas pipes with plastic ones which are safer and more durable.



The B&NES budget for 2024/2025 included £20,000

for the future closure of the short stretch of Manor Road (lane) immediately south of Montague Road to motor traffic.

B&NES Council supports the "Saltford Jobs Fairs" organised by the Saltford Community Association and the Saltford Business Network. The most recent was held in April.

Thank you to everyone who took part in the consultation on the "options" for the next B&NES Local Plan (2022-2042). The draft Plan is expected to be produced by the end of 2024 or early 2025. This draft plan will be submitted for "examination" by an independent planning inspector who will conduct public hearings. Adoption of the final version of the Plan by the full Council will be in December 2025.

Clir Duncan Hounsell

CIIr Alison Streatfeild-James

SALTFORD COMMUNITY POST OFFICE & LIBRARY UPDATE

THE FOLLOWING UPDATE WAS PROVIDED AT THE SCA ANNUAL MEETING IN MARCH 2024, WHICH WE THOUGHT RESIDENTS MIGHT BE INTERESTED IN.

I'm delighted to say that the Hub goes from strength to strength. The continued success and financial well being is simply down to strong customer support which takes a number of forms.

Firstly residents using the Post Office. All our income from the PO is derived from transactions. If no one used it then our income would be zero. I'm delighted to say that in the last financial year, our transaction income from the PO increased by 23% over the previous year to £20,000. We are also in no way involved in the much talked about Horizon scandal as this pre-dates our opening of the Hub in 2018!

Secondly residents using the Community Library. Again I'm delighted to report that

the number of registered users continues to increase with a record 171 signing up in the last year. In total there are currently 665 registered with us. In the year to the end of February 2024 we issued 10612 books which was an increase of 21% on the previous year.

Thirdly residents using the Shop is really important in terms of income generation to cover our running costs. In the last financial year this generated a profit of just over f8500.

Fourthly in terms of customer support, we are very grateful for the small band of residents who donate to support the Hub on a monthly basis and those who make occasional one-off donations.

Lastly we are grateful for the support of all our volunteers plus Dawn and of course Trish and Bob in Post Office.

In summary everything is looking good at the moment and is far exceeding our expectations and hopes.

In terms of future plans, we are actively exploring the installation of solar panels as the whole building is lit and heated by electric. However something we will need to do first is negotiate an extension to our lease from BANES, which now has just over 4 years to run. We may also need to redo the roof before adding solar panels.

CHARITY PRESENTATIONS BY SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEAS

At our February meeting for Sunday Afternoon Teas, cheques for £100 each, one for Keynsham and Saltford Dial A Ride and one for Saltford Community Association, were presented to Martin Coles in his role as Trustee for both organisations. There is no

charge to attend the Sunday Afternoon Teas but donations are made and any remaining money at the end of the year, after buying small gifts for everyone at Easter and Christmas, is donated to a charity or charities decided by the people that attend.

We are already well on our way to raising more money this year after a Raffle, held by one of our regular attendees, was made in March and raised £25.



Along with wonderful cakes, all made and donated by our band of volunteers, there is an opportunity to play Scrabble or Rummikubs or just have a cuppa or two and chat with old and new friends.

So, if you are on your own on the first Sunday of the Month, why not join us in the Avon Room at Saltford Hall between 2 - 4pm. You would be very welcome.

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SALTFORD COMMUNITY COFFEE CLUB

This has now been running each month at Saltford Hall since September 2021. Entry is entirely free to anyone living in Saltford who is retired.

Since we started, we have held 30 events, with an average attendance of 45 guests. The highest number of guests in attendance was in April 2023 when we had 59 people come along for the fun.

We have 110 people listed on the register who may attend, with approximately 10 who live outside the village.

Our average number of volunteers helping each month is 18, including 6-7 bakers each time. At a conservative estimate of 2 hours/volunteer - that's well over 1000 hours of generous volunteering for our lovely retired residents! Our talented bakers have made over 4000 portions of delicious cakes and nearly 1000 sausage rolls!

We have had a whole range of guest speakers including the High Sheriff, Avon Fire & Rescue and Fraud Prevention.

Challenges for the coming year will be (a) arranging a coach trip and (b) setting up a befriending scheme with Age UK B&NES, but the main task is to continue running the Coffee Club, maintaining its delightful convivial atmosphere for everyone concerned.

Fiona

Saltford Community Coffee Club for retired residents of Saltford Come and meet old and new friends for a warming cup of tea or coffee and delicious cake on the following Tuesdays 21 MAY & 18 JUNE 2024 2.00 - 4.00PM SALTFORD HALL These events are free but donations will be welcome To reserve your place, let us know dietary requirements and if you need any help with transport, please call Fiona on 01225 632216 and leave a message for Coffee Club or email Fiona.bell@saltfordcommunity.org



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Saltford Village Festival 7th - 16th June 2024

The Saltford 10 day Festival planning is nearly complete. For the first time ever it will start on Friday evening and will be crammed packed with over 60 events, with something guaranteed to appeal to everyone.

In this edition of SCAN we are starting to advertise tickets for a Murder Mystery (2 nights), a Quiz, a Virtual tour of Bath, a Race Night, a Jazz

Evening, a Cheese & Wine Evening and Avon Fire & Rescue Brass Band 70th Anniversary Concert. We are also encouraging those who like to take photographs to submit their entries and we would like to hear from anyone who would like to open up their garden on the first Saturday of the Festival or have a scarecrow. Also included is an advert for the school summer fair.

Some of the other events to look forward to are:

- Open Morning for Affiliated Organisation
- · Saltford Brass Mill open
- Open Gardens at Eastover Farm & Manor Gardens with afternoon tea
- · Series of lunchtime talks
- · Free taster sessions from various organisations
- · Indoor games afternoon and tea

- · WI Coffee Morning
- Parish Walk
- · Repair Café & Heritage Display
- Festival Craft Fair (tables still available)
- · Family Fun Day at Saltford Sports Club
- Three Towers Walk

Full details of all events will appear on our website www.saltfordfestival.org.uk and on our Facebook page (www.facebook.com/SaltfordFestival). Nearer the time a Festival Brochure will be put through all Saltford letterboxes detailing all the events.



Saltford Festival 7 – 16 June 2024



"CIRCUS"

Scarecrow Trail

We would like people to make and display a scarecrow during the Festival

Entry forms with further details available at Saltford Community PO/Library and via our website.

To be included on the map, entry forms need to be in by 2 June 2024

www.saltfordfestival.org.uk





Village Crier Saturday 8th June Saltford Hall

10am - 1.00pm

Come and meet 30 local organisations

The Festival will be opened by

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SALTFORD FESTIVAL



QUIZ

Saltford Hall

Monday 10 June

Starting at 7.30pm

Teams of 4, 5 or 6 50/50 split of profits between SCA and Saltford Tennis Club

Ticket sales must be purchased in advance at www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevents.

Tickets will be available in blocks of 4, 5 or 6 tickets depending on your team size.



SALTFORD FESTIVAL



Virtual Tour of Bath

An illustrated tour around the City of Bath from the comfort of your seat, with a break for tea and cake.

Tuesday 11 June 2.00pm - 4.30pm Saltford Hall

Tickets £4 to include tea and cake from www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevents and from the PO/Library Hub



JAZZ SALTFORD FESTIVAL



Featuring Hannah Wedlock

The Blue Noted

Saltford Hall

Saltford Hall Thursday 13 June 7.30pm

£15 including a curry from www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevent

Tickets from www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevents and from the PO/Library Hub

Saltford Festival Wine & Cheese Evening with a Buffet

Stalls selling pre-loved clothes and fashion accessories

Saltford Hall

Friday 14 June at 7.30 pm £9 to include a glass of wine and a buffet

Tickets online via www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevents or from the Saltford Post Office/Library Hub



Tickets online via www.tickettailor.com/events/scaevents or from the Saltford Post Office/Library Hub





Saltford Festival 2024

The village through your eyes



Photography competition and exhibition

The SCA invites local residents to participate in a photography exhibition for the 2024 Saltford Village Festival. Photographs must be taken in Saltford and entry is free. Prizes will be awarded for the best entries and there will be a separate category for young photographers (14 years or younger). Multiple entries are allowed and can be in landscape or portrait format. As many entries as possible will be displayed during the Festival and suitable landscape format pictures will also be considered for the 2025 Saltford Calendar.

Please send enquiries and entries (in JPEG format) to photos@saltfordcommunity.org by Monday May 20th.



Saltford Community Association



Would you like some company for

SUNDAY AFTERNOON



Sundays can be the worst day of the week if you are on your own. So if you would like some company and a good old chat, why not come along to the Avon Room at Saltford Hall and share a 'cuppa and cake' on:

1ST SUNDAY IN EACH MONTH

2PM TO 4PM
For more information ring Julia Chandler on 0117 9837825





Swim Teachers needed!

Barracuda Swimming is looking for part-time swim teachers to work with us as we expand our swim school

If you are a qualified swimming teacher (Level 1 or 2) please do get in touch, we offer excellent rates of pay.

Alternatively, for those new to teaching swimming, we will support you from absolute beginner to a Level 2 qualified swimming teacher, financial assistance for training is available. Currently our teachers range from 16-60+, an interest in swimming and working with children is what we're looking for.

We are a successful family run business with a happy team that we are now looking to grow. We run lessons in Bath and Saltford and we would love to hear from you.

For more details, please contact Barracuda Swimming at:

barracudaswimming.bath@gmail.com



THE SALTFORD VILLAGE CHOIR



7.30^{pm} Saturday 1st June at Saltford Hall Tickets £10 to include light refreshments, from 01225 873224 or any choir member. Bar and raffle also available.



Memory Lane Dementia Day Centre

Based in Kingswood, Bristol, our Memory Lane Day Centre North physical and mentally etimolating activities in our brand-new purpose-built day centre.

We invite those living with Dementia to our day centre to connect with others fiving in the community and share a sanse of belonging. Farry a spot of gardening in our sensory gorden? Or pohips aftercomites with a sing-slong? Whatever your needs, we will be able to support and sustain our service user's wellbeing through a widerings of activities.

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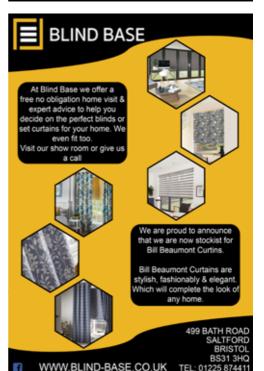












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Saltford Business Network continues to works hard to support local businesses in changing times. We will seek to continue our on-line seminars, as well as the steady stream of information through social media, our website and email, and we provide opportunities to share experiences in informal settings. The Network maintains links with local government, business organisations and academic institutions in the region.

Our membership continues to grow in number and diversity. More new members will always be welcome and the membership fee is reduced again in 2024. 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. We were very pleased to hear that a new member had already picked up some business through that route. Members are welcome to contribute to our series of informative on-line discussions.

SBN worked with SCA to deliver another Jobs Fair at Saltford Hall in April and another will be held arranged later this year. We met in a Saltford pub in March for an informal networking session. Then there was a Business Breakfast at Newton Farm in April. Our very brief on-line AGM with a Cyber Security update from iTeams Ltd is on 23 May. Do join us for more events as 2024 takes shape.

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Please go to www.saltfordparishcouncil.gov.uk/news to view articles, several are added each month. Or type key word(s) into the 'search' box in the top-right corner.

Recent 'News' articles on SPC's website include:

- SPC 'strongly objects' to B&NES Council's Local Plan Options Consultation proposals for 1.300 residences at West Saltford and South Saltford
- WECA A4 Bath to Bristol Consultation: 'Key Findings' published but Public Engagement Report delayed until May 2024
- > SPC's Saltford Festival Parish Walk: 'Saltford South of the A4' 7pm Wed 12 June 2024
- Grange Road re-opens: Wales and West Utilites thank residents for patience
- B&NES Council acts following SPC concerns about Local Plan Options Consultation process
- > 'The Saltford Area of Great Landscape Value' SPC's definition of Saltford's landscape
- > Protecting Saltford's green belt: SPC Cllrs meet with MP
- > Double yellow lines proposed at Manor Road and Justice Avenue Have your say
- Request for Manor Road 'lane' to close to vehicular traffic moves a step closer £20k budgeted by B&NES
- > SPC & SCA say a 'Big Thank You' to Saltford's volunteers
- > Resurfacing works at Rodney Road and Harcourt Close
- ➤ New household DIY waste limits at recycling centres: B&NES introduce new policies

Due to the success of SPC's 'News' page, SPC has now retired its e-newsletter. SPC will use its mailing list to flag important information on occasion in the future.

SPC signposts to 'News' articles from its social media posts, recent Facebook posts can be also viewed on SPC's website. Plus we share lots of images! Here are just a few since our last SCAN page:



SPC Clirs at Big Thank You (above); Churchyard check (right); and phonebox asset checking (next right).







Some SPC Cllrs & staff with recent former SPC Cllrs at a social earlier this year











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The media tell us that church-going is on the decline, which is undoubtedly true.

Whenever I ask anyone why they don't go to church, I hear two things.

"It's boring, you do the same thing each week," and I suppose that's true, a bit like going to a football or cricket match, or to the pub. The same every time. Hmmm.

I can hear your howls of protest from here! Yes. The 'format' of every match is the same, but what happens within it is different every time.....and in any case, fans don't go to sit and be entertained. They go to share and get into the spirit of it, to be *part* of it.

It'd be a sad soul who went without this intention, or going just to find fault with what happens.

I don't need to make the comparison, do I? The players in church are more than the vicar, preacher and lesson-readers. Some of them are invisible!

The other reason folk give me is that it's irrelevant to them and in any case church-goers act as if they are better than others and want everyone to be like them.

With the first part of that, I think I might agree. Much of what the *media* tell us Christians think is important, is in fact, irrelevant to many church-goers.

Regarding the second part, I'd want to say that if you've found a church-goer who thinks they **are** a good example for others to aspire to, you've probably found a hypocrite. But if you find one who bemoans their poor example, then I'll show you a real Christian!

Church-goers are people who know their shortcomings and go, in part, to encourage and be encouraged by others who feel the same.

The idea is to be reminded (and come away knowing) just how much God loves us....and maybe loving God more in response.

Every Blessing, Ken Plant

You are welcome to join us in one of our three churches in May & June

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	5 th May	12 th May	19 th May	26 th May
Saltford	9.30am Morning Worship	9.30am CONNECT (Informal Service)	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion
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Saltford	9.30am Morning Worship	10am In Praise of Gardens	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Holy Communion
Corston	11.15am Holy Communion	~	11.15am Family Service	~	~
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1st MONDAY OF THE MONTH - FOOD FOR THOUGHT



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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 fresh 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

Just what is wrong with people?

The news outlets are full of bad news. Knife attacks in Bristol, famine in Sudan because warring factions will not allow food supplies to reach the people. Terrorists killing 130 people in a concert hall in Moscow and Jewish settlers wanting to drive people out of Gaza so they can build luxury homes along the sea front.

If you had read all this in a book you might be tempted to think that this is just fiction, not real life. So, what is wrong with our world?

This is nothing new to our world, the only difference is that we can get the news of these events almost instantaneous and from every part of the globe.

It has always been like this right from the beginning of the existence of men and women. It is called sin!

Now this is a word that people do not like and often people try to explain it away, "it's a mental illness", "it is because of pollution," "it is a lack of moral leadership"," we need better role models to show us how to live". None of this is the answer.

People are just prone to doing bad things at some time in their lives. The Bible, God's book, tells us that we all sin. [Romans chapter 3 verse 23]. However, the Bible also has the answer to our sin problem and He is Jesus. The Bible tells us "The wages of sin is death" [and death happens to all of us because we are sinners], "But the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord" [Romans chapter 6 verse 23].

If you want to know more, why not come along to one of our meetings.

Upcoming Events



Soft Play ~ Friday 1th June 10:00 - 13:00

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Come to Me, all *you* who labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.

Matthew 11:28-29

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