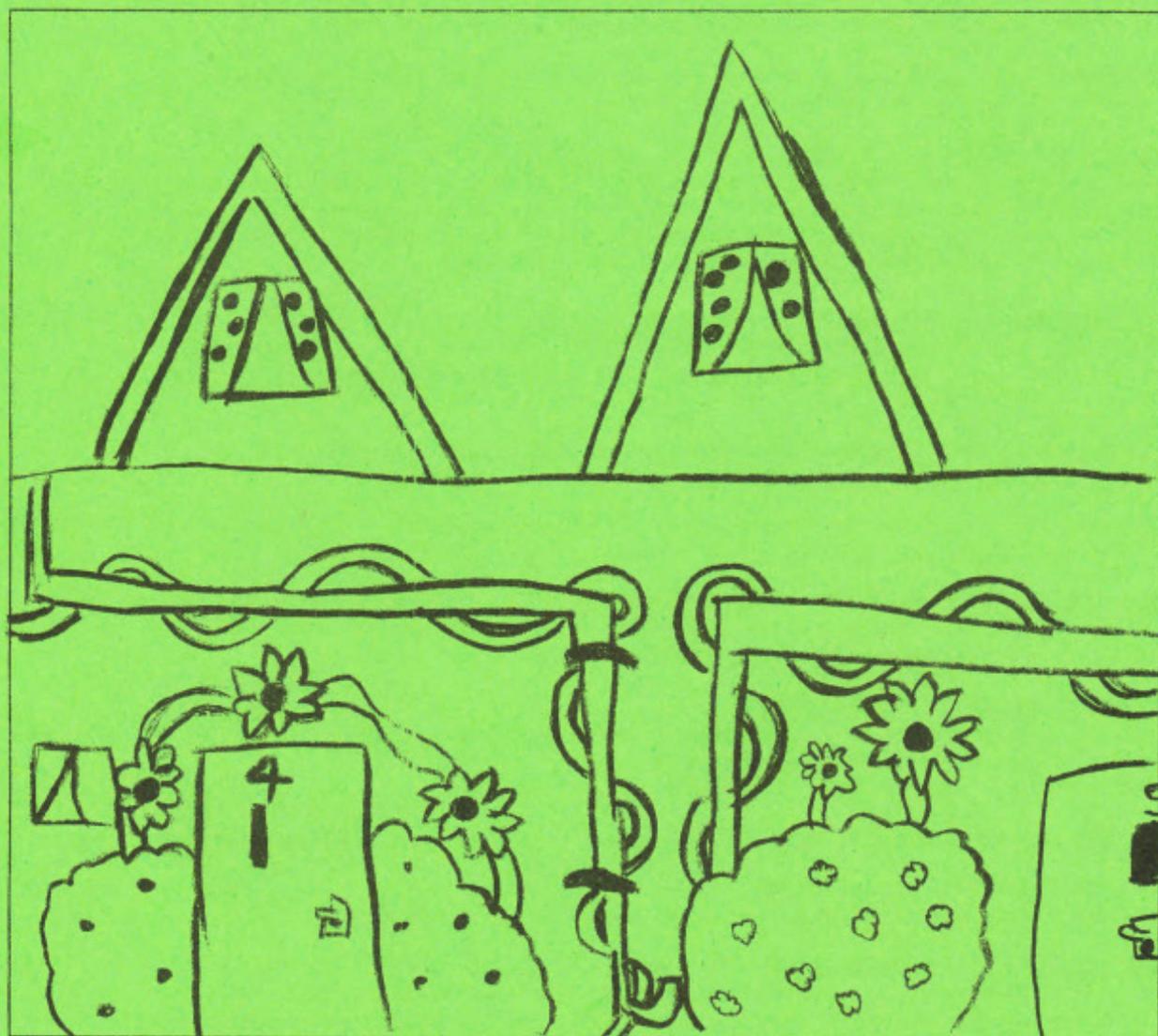


VILLAGE LIFE

OF BIBURY, ARLINGTON, ABLINGTON,
BARNESLEY AND WINSON



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DATES FOR THE DIARY

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Thursday	3 rd	Coln Crafters - Bibury Village Hall	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Wednesday	9 th	Bibury Gardening Club – speaker Rosy Hardy	7:15pm
Tuesday	15 th	Quiet Service - Arlington Baptist Church	3.00pm
Wednesday	16 th	Wednesday Club - Bibury Village Hall	2.00pm- 4.00pm
Wednesday	23 rd	Chin Wag - Arlington Baptist Church	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Saturday	26 th	Yard Sale - Arlington Baptist Church	11.00am - 4.00pm
Sunday	27 th	Bibury and Winson with Barnsley Annual Parochial Council Meeting at St. Mary's Bibury	After 11.00am Service

OCTOBER

Monday	5 th	Bibury Village Hall committee meeting	7:00pm
Wednesday	14 th	Bibury Garden Club – speaker Helen Picton from 'Old Court Nursery	

FROM THE PANEL

The Dates for the diary show that at the time of writing some clubs and social activities are slowly making a return to normality. This is reflected in our producing the first paper copy for distribution to every household in our villages since the lockdown in March. Since then we have done our best to maintain a circulation – partly by email copies , partly by leaving some paper copies at various shops and bus shelters for people to pick up a copy. We were saddened that not everyone had access to a copy and some were not even aware that we had produced a copy each month during lockdown. But we tried to maintain a presence in the community and we were grateful to the Trout Farm, Post Office and individuals who ensured that some of the most vulnerable had access to a copy.

If you are enjoying the first paper copy arriving once more on your doorstep for several months, we shall be pleased and grateful to our many distributors who ensure that it arrived promptly on your doormat! - And we are back to our normal colours to celebrate our return to normality!

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BIBURY, BARNLSLEY AND WINSON CHURCHES

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Dear Friends,

To say that the last few weeks have been a bit odd would, of course be a slight understatement. But to have buried both my father and my father in law; performed the wedding of my son and his lovely wife, before a congregation of eight; and held my first grandchild in my arms, all in the space of sixteen weeks, has inevitably unleashed a fair mixture of emotion!

Like everyone we have learnt to cope, and whilst it would be platitudinous to say that our Christian faith has helped us, it obviously has, but that, I think, needs unpacking as an observation. What it

does not mean is escape to a cosy blanket of denial or otherworldliness. Rather it is embracing the Christmas message of Emmanuel. God with us. Here. Now. In the nitty gritty of ordinary life.

Richard Rohr, an American Jesuit priest, has drawn up five truths that he regards as central to being able to live life fully and effectively, regardless of circumstance (he drew them up whilst working among prisoners in New Mexico serving life prison sentences) You don't have to be a Christian to accept these truths but all five are rooted in Christian understanding.

- 1) **Life is tough:** A theme famously explored by American psychologist Scott Peck in *The Road less Travelled* his argument is that if you believe that life should be fun and fair you are in for a serious disappointment. This leads to either despair or denial. So, get real. Life is a mix of dross and gold. As Rudyard Kipling reflects in his perceptive, but desperately dated poem, *If*, Triumph and Disaster are both imposters. God never promised health and wealth in spite of the destructive, greedy lies peddled by the Prosperity Gospel.
- 2) **You are not as important as you think you are:** There over two and half billion people in India and China who have never heard of me! Moreover, history is littered by mighty monarchs and stunning artists who we know nothing of today. Furthermore, there are so many great artists and saints, died ignored, and in penury, deemed hopeless failures. So, the applause of mankind is valueless. But to this, the Christian would want to add, but you are, in fact, infinitely valuable. But your value lies in the absolute assurance that God loves you. God's love gives you value.
- 3) **Your greatest fulfilment will come through acts of selflessness and service:** Again, simply an observable fact. Whilst there may be exceptions, for most humans, giving and sharing, enjoying friendship caring for others, be they human or animals brings immeasurable joy that can not be bought. Which begs the question, why do we spend so much time on things that do not bring joy, when bringing joy is available to all. Even Kerry Mucklowe found some joy in 'random acts of kindness'
- 4) **You are not in control:** This perhaps needs the caveat, that whilst we are not in control of events, we are in control (to a certain extent) of how we respond to them. As the old proverb goes, *you can't stop the birds flying over your head, but you don't need to let them build a nest in your hair.* For the Christian, the fact that we are not in control is made far easier to carry, by the belief that we know the One who is in control, and that God is loving. That, of course raises a challenge too. How does a loving God allow suffering, being the obvious one. But for my money, I would rather wrestle with that conundrum, than fall into the despairing view that all is hopeless, worthless, and valueless. The desperation of the final words in Kenneth Williams's diary '*Oh, what's the bloody point?*' written shortly before he took an overdose say it all.
- 5) **You are going to die:** Simply true. Memento Mori. Remember that thou art mortal as slaves whispered in the ear of Roman generals during their triumphs. At the end of the day, Bishop, King, Knight, Rook, Queen, and pawn all get swept back into the same box. The knowledge that we will die should shape how we live. And clearly our views on what happens next (if anything) will play a big part.

I share these five observations not as some sort of knockdown argument but as a starting point for facing reality. They have certainly helped me, which doesn't make them true, but might make them worth reflecting upon.

**May God bless you and keep you
With every blessing Tim**

PS Services at Bibury, Barnsley and Winson now take place every week. Please see service schedule Face coverings required.

PPS Thank you to all those who made the Art and Flower Festival such a source of joy and inspiration.

Particular thanks to Jill Skarda and Wendy Challinor. We are surrounded by such talented people!

PPPS Thank you to Kick Off Stroud for running this Summer's Children's Activity Club at the Football Club.

Thank you too, to all of the teenagers who came to help. We will be publicising further activities for children and young people very soon or go to the Ignite Facebook page

PPPPS Harvest Festivals at all three churches on Sunday 4th October

PPPPPS Bibury and Winson with Barnsley Annual Parochial Council Meeting will take place after the 11:00am service at Bibury at St Mary's on Sunday 27th September. All are welcome and refreshments will be served

Service Schedule	September 2020		
	Bibury	Barnsley	Winson
Sunday 6th	11.00am Common Worship Holy Communion <i>Modern language Holy Communion</i>	10:00am Common Worship Holy Communion <i>Modern language Holy Communion</i>	9.00am BCP Holy Communion <i>Traditional language Holy Communion</i>
Sunday 13th	11.00am Common Worship Holy Communion <i>Modern language Holy Communion</i>	10:00am BCP Holy Communion <i>Traditional language Holy Communion</i>	9.00am BCP Holy Communion <i>Traditional language Holy Communion</i>
Sunday 20th	11.00am Common Worship Holy Communion and Baptism of Ava Waters <i>Modern language Holy Communion</i>	10:00am Common Worship Holy Communion <i>Modern language Holy Communion</i>	9.00am BCP Holy Communion <i>Traditional language Holy Communion</i>
Sunday 27th	11.00am Common Worship Holy Communion <i>Followed by APCM and Refreshments</i> <i>Modern language Holy Communion</i>	10:00am BCP Holy Communion <i>Traditional language Holy Communion</i>	9.00am BCP Holy Communion <i>Traditional language Holy Communion</i>
Sunday 4th October	11.00am Common Worship Holy Communion and Harvest Festival <i>Modern language Holy Communion</i>	6:00pm Harvest Reflections and music <i>Followed by drinks and nibbles at Church Farm Barn</i>	9:45am BCP Holy Communion and Harvest Festival <i>Traditional language Holy Communion</i>
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THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH.

This quote and a photograph of Maya Angelou , was included as part of the vicar's letter. Sadly we cannot easily reproduce the photo and white text on black but decided that the sentiments were definitely worth including in this issue.

You may not control all the events that happen to you, but you can decide not to be reduced by them. Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud. Do not complain. Make every effort to change the things you do not like. If you cannot change, change the way you have been thinking. You might find a new solution.

Maya Angelou

ARLINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Last month life in our villages returned a little like something familiar, some good familiar, as with the summer Flower Festival at St Marys and a local Wedding here at ABC, although some familiars not so favourable for residents, tourists returning en masse, all be it without the dreaded coaches as yet !

On the whole I have heard more people here say the lockdown was peaceful and restful, without disrespect to the key workers whom we all applaud, most people in our community enjoyed the quiet.....the sense of calm.

Many comments from working families have been "we don't want to return to how it was before lockdown".

Weaving through traffic looking for a faster moving lane, tapping our fingers on the worktop while waiting for the microwave to heat a ready meal! Filling our diaries to be busy morning, afternoon and all evening.

In the Bible the word "wait" occurs time and time again when talking about our relationship with God. Psalm 37:7 Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him"

What we fail to understand is while we are waiting, God is working, the sign on Gods waiting room reads "Be still and know that I am God" to wait is to rest and not fret. Trust him and wait, slow down and enjoy the peace, strength and calm God brings into your life, make decisions based on a better quality of life for the future. So here are your choices; keep stressing out, or draw the strength and strategy you need from God by spending time with him. See the Quiet service times below.

Services For September

Every Sunday 10.30am here at ABC **Lively Worship** Prayer and Fellowship together with a Talk on the Big Screen via the Internet from Cirencester Baptist Church Series on the book of Romans Everyone welcome refreshments after the service. See <https://www.arlingtonbaptist.org.uk/> for more info.

Quiet service Tuesday 15th Sept. 3pm Scripture, Communion and Prayer in the chapel All welcome

WHATS ON @ ABC

Fundraising for the Community Kitchen this month will be;

A YARD SALE at the Baptist Church

on Saturday 26th September from 11am- 4pm £1 entry

If you have donations for this of good quality goods from household, garage or garden please bring to the Baptist Church on Saturday 19th 12-1pm or on any Sunday morning between 10-11.30 am or before 10am on the sale day, and leave in the porch or email info@arlingtonbaptist.org.uk and we will collect at a time to suit you.

The plan is to have a one way system around the schoolrooms, chapel and grounds and payment at the end, cash only, (face masks are needed by law unless you have exemption as we go to print and will be on sale at the entrance)

More info on facebook @abcbibury

Waitrose is supporting the **Community Kitchen Project** during October with their Community matters scheme please look out for this in store and if you get chance, thank the staff for their support for our community.

This month we hope to have the quotes back for the project from the builders and will then publish plans and total needed. We are planning a special event to launch the appeal.

In August we held a social “**Chin wag in the Chapel**” and will repeat on **Wednesday 23rd September from 2.30-4pm**, we are inviting local residents who maybe living in isolation and would enjoy an afternoon of social distanced company in the chapel building with a cup of tea. Please email or call 07974785437 if you or someone you know who would enjoy this, so that we can invite them too.

THE OLD MAN OF THE PIKE

Well here we are again after our summer break, still in a lockdown situation when we thought it would be over with. Who would have thought that it would last as long as it has and the effect it would have on everybody, it has made everyday life very much changed from what we were doing at the beginning of the year. I am finding it very hard to trying to keep in contact with everybody from all the groups and Clubs that I am involved with and top of that with friends and relations. It MUST end sometime but when? As I write this the Panel have not decided how this issue is going to be produced but it is hoped that we will meet together with social distancing and produce a full printed issue. I am sorry for all our readers who have not had a copy for so long and welcome back and the panel hope that we can carry on to the best of our capabilities. In the meanwhile I must thank the people who have done all the hard work in keeping “Village Life” in print since the beginning of lockdown, no mean task, thank you.

Now getting back to the normal topics of this article over the months, I am missing all the shows and exhibitions that have not taken place. It has been a far lack luster time devoid of the conversations with participants from these events. Must not let the brain relax too much and try and stimulate it somehow. I am afraid I have resorted to the old gogglebox and been watching too many Youtube programmes but learning many, many things about the world around us. It is a pity that my life has passed the age when I could implement the knowledge that I have picked up, ah well we can but dream. I hope that this hot weather has not been too much to cope with and you have managed to keep cool enough and able to sleep reasonably well, it is not long till winter and let us hope that we do not have a real hard one. The berries on the trees and bushes are looking too plentiful if the old adage is anything to go by.

Hears looking forward more relaxing of lockdown but do not relax your efforts to rid us of the dreaded Corvid 19. Good luck.

BIBURY CRICKET CLUB

Recreational cricket re started in July with certain conditions requested by the ECB: namely, no use of changing rooms, sanitising of the ball and players every six overs, running lanes for the batsmen and most sadly , no cricket teas !.

The CDCA reorganised the league into a regional competition for this shortened season, with no promotion or relegation. The first league match of the season at Lady Hill versus North Cerney was lost to a torrential downpour just on the 1.30 pm start. Bibury ran out easy winners of the next two contests, also at Lady Hill. We closed on 326 versus Cricklade, Ali Carman 68, Richard Wills 60 Not Out Charlie Robinson 32 and skipper JR on 27. Cricklade were all out 101 with Richard Wills taking 3 for 2 .

The following week saw Cirencester make 227 for 5, young Harry Brownless (once of this parish) making a stylish 35 not out. Bibury knocked these off for the loss of five wickets, Charlie Robinson 52 not out, Ali 48, Jamie Cowell with 40 and Ed Richardson top scoring with an entertaining cameo of 53, finishing the match with a towering six.

This win took Bibury to the top of the standings after week three.

Avening and Cherington were the next visitors, down on numbers and struggling to 53 for 3 before the rain came down preventing a probable win for Bibury.

The day after, the Sunday IX took to the field for the first time suffering a close defeat to Cowley in an exciting match .

We still need more players so if you are interested in a knock occasionally, please get in touch.

Leslie Smith 07867 467433

VJ75 REMEMBRANCE AT BARNSELEY – SATURDAY 15TH AUGUST 2020

On a damp Saturday morning, a small group of twenty Barnsley residents gathered by the war memorial and stood together at 11am for the two minute silence.

To avoid the traffic noise, we then made our way up to the church as together we wanted to share our memories of our families involvement in the war in the Far East. It is often called the Forgotten War and the 14th Army, the Forgotten Army, as understandably the emphasis in Europe has usually been concentrated on the victory over the Nazis. It was a surprise to us how many people in the village had stories to tell of their relatives, and indeed their own personal experiences.

One person spoke of his own internment with his mother and two brothers for three years and eight months in the Stanley Internment Camp in Hong Kong. His father, a member of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps (HKVDC), and a POW in Hong Kong, was sent on a 'Hell Ship' to Japan to work as slave labour. After the two atomic bombs, which thankfully triggered the Japanese surrender, the family were re-united with the help of the International Red Cross in Manila, before being repatriated to the UK.

Another spoke of her father's experiences in Burma as a Captain in the Royal Army Service Corps (RASC) organising supplies whilst isolated behind enemy lines. It is impossible to overemphasise the horror of the appalling conditions, disease, lack of food and potential ambush by the Japanese at any time. Severe bouts of malaria was but one of the long lasting legacies suffered by all those troops who had been involved in the Burma Campaign.

Someone else spoke of their father working as a medical officer, firstly in India and later treating survivors of the famous Changi prisoner of war camp.

Another, from an Army family, spoke of experiences which ranged from the Battle of the Somme, WW1, to assisting in India during and after WW2.

One of our residents could remember VJ day itself, being a lad of fifteen on the Gower Peninsular. Troops about to embark for Singapore learnt that the surrender had occurred and they would not be needed. As he stated 'The Gower pubs were drunk dry that night!'

Many people are unaware that the British troops in India and the Far East were not able to return to the UK until well into 1946, when the war in Europe was something to forget. They were even told not to talk about their experiences as it was time to move on. Many, if not most, suffered lasting effects both physical and mental. Their war was not something easy to forget. And we must make sure we never do.

Peter & Elaine Maunder

BIBURY FLOWER AND ART FESTIVAL

The Art and Flower Festival went ahead on the weekend of the 14-16th August. The church looked lovely with some stunning flower arrangements and some impressive art and Crafts for Sale. In spite of the poor weather we were visited by well over a hundred small groups and individuals each day. They came from all over the country and all were happy to give their contact details, wear masks and kept their social distance. Several paintings and lots of craft items and cards were sold.

All in all, a very successful event in spite of its low key nature and restrictions imposed by Covid, Jill and I are very grateful to all those who took part – arranging flowers, creating the art and crafts, baking and donating cakes for sale and especially those who gave up their time to steward the event. We could not have held the event without your help and that of the Bibury PCC.. In the end we made just over £850.00 for the Church

Thank you all.

Wendy C & Jill S

BIBURY VILLAGE HALL

The Hall has been closed since the lockdown started and during the time we have been working out how to safely open the Hall as the restrictions are eased. We have purchased and installed several hand sanitizing stations and have written some additional conditions for hiring the hall . We have had some provisional bookings for September when it should be possible to hold events without using the heating, as we are advised that the air to air heating system we have should not be used in a closed environment.

So keep an eye out for the posters and if attending come prepared with your masks or face coverings, wear warm clothes and follow the procedures in place!

Sadly the Rural Cinema scheme has not restarted yet – so we shall have to wait until there is further developments on that. But things are slowly getting back to some sort of normality but it will take a while before we will be able to hold all our usual events. The committee are saddened that we cannot hold the Village Harvest Supper – our traditional way of thanking the village for its support for the Hall.

COLN CRAFTERS

We held one meeting in the Hall in July and we are hoping to hold another in September. But we have to alter the day from the second Thursday to the first – so hopefully we shall be meeting on **Thursday 3rd September from 2- 4 pm**. Please come prepared to wear a mask/face covering and bring your own flask of coffee or tea as we shall not have access to the kitchen. As we cannot have heating on in the hall come warmly dressed we will be delighted to see all our members for an afternoon of crafting and socially distance chat!

COVER SKETCH

In the July and August issue we asked for drawing from all ages on the theme of ‘this wonderful world of ... Sadly we had only one entry from the village from Isla Rose Angel who did this lovely drawing of ‘This wonderful world of nature’s beauty. Her picture was displayed at the Flower and Art Festival and was soon joined by others done by various visitors to the festival – so hopefully we shall be able to publish more examples latter – but Isla certainly deserves to be the first!

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A COUPLE OF THANK YOUS!

Many of our residents have been the recipients of help from neighbours and new friends and we have had a couple of thankyou's from grateful villagers

From Debbie Stringer

I would like to say a big thank you to everyone who gave me support during Cyril's 7 weeks in hospital, to Pete who mowed the lawn to everyone who phoned and sent messages and for all offers of shopping and lifts anywhere. My friends and neighbours are wonderful!

From Ian and Lilian Muir

We would like to thank all those who either offered or provided help to us during lockdown and the period of Ian's ill health. Particular thanks are due to the people at the Post Office and Trout Farm and to the owners of Rosemary Cottage who so willingly undertook our shopping and helped in many ways. Your willingness to help was much appreciated.

HEAVENS ABOVE

September 2nd heralds a sacred time as we have a full moon in Pisces and with the autumn equinox soon upon us – it has a positive balance for us. Jupiter is also bringing up optimism as it comes racing into the mix. Mars is going into retrograde which doesn't happen often but when it does it is so positive. The sun, moon and Saturn's energies all come together on the 17th giving great rewards to many – so pay attention!

THE WEDNESDAY CLUB

After a break during lockdown when we cancelled all our planned speakers until September, we are hopeful that our planned speaker for Wednesday 16th September Clare Walsh from Tetbury will be able to come to talk to us about Indian Block Printing. Clare has travelled widely in India and has studied many of the different techniques. Clare will bring some of blocks and fabrics she has acquired during her travels as well as some of the block printed items she produces using traditional techniques so we should be in for treat!

To adhere to the Village Hall Covid rules please come wearing a mask or face covering, wearing warm clothing (as we cannot have the heating on) and please bring your own refreshments as we cannot use the kitchen. We are limiting the number to 25 including the speaker to ensure that we can keep to the social distancing rules so please let either Wendy (740021) or Victoria (740289) know if you are intending to attend or if you want further information. It will be good to have a chance to meet others we have not seen for a while and it will be a chance to learn something new and have a chat whilst keeping our social distance

So put the date **Wednesday 16th September, Bibury Village Hall 2 – 4pm** – into your diary and keep your fingers crossed that we shall be able to meet for the first time for months!

BARNESLEY WOLD S.S.S.I.

Barnesley Wold Site of Special Scientific Interest is now open for Public Access. The access route is way marked and the public are asked to adhere to this route and to follow the Country Code. People visiting the site do so at their own risk and dogs are not permitted on the site to avoid disturbance to wildlife. Any queries should be referred to CWB Baillie-Hamilton. on 07976 287744 or email: cbh@shiptondowns.co.uk

BIBURY GARDEN CLUB

It's been an interesting year for the garden club. We finally emerged from lockdown to celebrate our annual summer BBQ, only to find that the Cotswolds seemed to be entering monsoon season. We all got very wet but we all enjoyed ourselves immensely. One of the highlights of the evening was Tim Hastie-Smith's Labrador, Taba, who decided that he wasn't quite wet enough and jumped in the pond. Many thanks to Val Smith for hosting the party, keeping calm and smiling in the face of torrential rain, and providing wonderful food.

We're hoping to return to a sort of normal on **Wednesday 9 September, at 7.15pm** in the village hall, when Rosy Hardy of Hardy's Cottage Garden Plants will be coming to speak to us. Rosy has confirmed she's happy to come, and she's going to be talking about late summer perennials.

Those of you who came to her last talk will know that she has won so many gold medals at Chelsea, she could probably hang them out to frighten the pigeons off her peas. She's a great speaker, and even better, she usually brings a vanload of plants with her for members to buy.

In October, we are welcoming another successful nurserywoman. Helen Picton is the third generation of her family to run Old Court Nurseries in Colwall, near Malvern, which has specialised in Michaelmas daisies since 1906.

If you can't make the talk, do try to visit the nursery at some point over the next six weeks – the asters are spectacular.

Obviously, we will be adhering to social distancing measures in the village hall. Please let me know if you are coming or not, as I want to make up a list of attendees for track and trace purposes.

You can email me at v.summerley@hotmail.com. If you would like to join the garden club, please contact Jenny Lawrenson (e.lawrenson171@btinternet.com)

Victoria Summerley

GET REAL

What destination will I choose
As I head through the door.
Exotic sounding places
With Sun, sea sand and more
Caribbean dreams is tempting
Hawaiian delight looks bliss
Paradise bay another
Has long been on my list
Palm tree breeze looks good to me
And not beyond my reach
I can see the gentle sway
As I float beside a beach

Decision made I go to pau
And can't contain my laugh
With Covid rules there's not boat
or plane to catch.
Just pour bubbles in my bath

BIBURY AFC

The new football season for Bibury has been given the green light to start on Saturday 12th of September with a home game against Winchcombe Town kick off 3pm this is followed by two away games

19/9 Lydney Town Reserves

26/9 Stonehouse Town Reserves

ROUND AND ABOUT

Since we last published Village Life we have heard of several people who have had operations including Cyril Stinger from the Pike and Wendy Fraser Williams from Barnsley amongst others Carol Ridgway the Village Stores recently had a heart attack from which she is recovering well. We hope they and all the others will continue to make good progress now that they are home. Various people from Aldsworth road have been noticed to have some bumps and bruise and we know have several others who have had minor falls – perhaps due to extra time out of doors in the earlier fine weather. We wish all a speedy recovery.

Sadly we have couple of deaths to report. The first was of Mr. Ned Townsend of Quarry Bungalows who has died recently . Ned was originally from Chedworth and his wife Gloria died a couple of years ago. Ned was often seen walking his small dog. We send our condolences to his nephew Bradley and family.

The second death to report was of long time resident, James Miles of the Square in Bibury. James in his youth played for many years for Bibury Football Club James and wife Jean were always a common sight at all village events and James was in charge of the roses in the churchyard for many years. His love of gardening was well known and he would open his garden for the Village Open Gardens until ill health and age made his participation impossible. We send our sympathies to their children Sarah, Steve and Shaun and their families.

On a happier note Cyril and Debbie Stringer have had a busy 2 months. Cyril add open heart surgery. Son Darren and wife Heather presented them with a new granddaughter Darcie and their eldest grandson Owen married Louise Rose at Arlington Baptist Chapel. All are doing well and all deserve some heartfelt congratulations. Congratulations too to Lorraine and Jason on the birth of their first granddaughter Harley, daughter to Sam and Kayliegh and first great grandchild for Debbie and Cyril.

Congratulations too to Rod and Jenny A'bear who celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary in June. Congratulations too to Betty Lambert on the birth of her great granddaughter.

We have had several new residents move into the village recently but sadly we do not have all their details. We welcome Daryna Kutner and his family to Riverside Cottage in Bibury where the Rebetts used to live. Clare and family have moved into Barnsley Hill Barn and Jasmine Cottage on the Green has new residents. We welcome them all and hope that they will be happy with us and will enjoy living in our beautiful village.

And a reminder : We will not be asking for payments for Postal Copies & Trade Directory adverts until January 2021

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YARD SALE



SAT. SEPTEMBER 26TH
11AM-4PM
£1 entrance fee
IN AND AROUND

ARLINGTON BAPTIST CHURCH

Facemasks must be worn, Distancing will be in place

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