

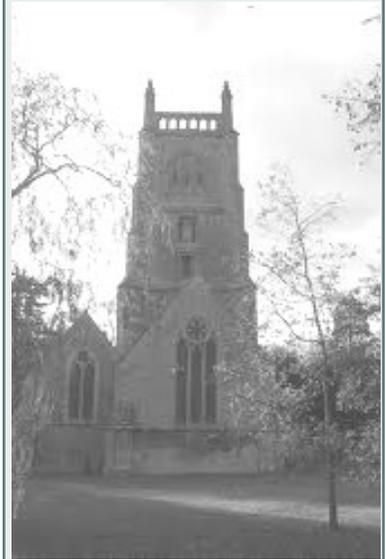
Kempsford

(with Whelford,
Dunfield and Dudgrove)

Parish News

Watch out for hedgehogs on Bonfire Night!

While most awareness campaigns focus on Bonfire Night, hedgehogs are at risk throughout the autumn as gardeners and allotment-holders start fires to dispose of garden waste.



October
2014

Village Organisations & Useful Contacts

Church Choir	Mrs Cathy Stanford		713033
Church Bells	Iris Lewis		810770
Kempsford School	Mr Richard Mendum	(Head Teacher)	810367
Chairman of School Governors	Mr Andrew Doherty		711552
Chairman of School Friends	Mrs Philippa Griffin		810754
Farmors School	Mr Matthew Evans (Head)		712302
Kempsford Village Hall	Mr Pete Wolfenden		810477
Kempsford Village Hall—Booking	Mrs Mollie Price	villagehallbookings@kempsford.net	810534
Kempsford Preschool	Amy Allen	staff@kempsfordpreschool.co.uk	811000
Kempsford Angling Club	Mr J Hussey		810446
Whelford Village Hall—Booking	Mrs Sue Griffin		712979
Dance Classes at Kempsford V.Hall	Ms Gillian Shearing		01793 875934
Kempsford Brownies	Donna Kent	www.girlguiding.org.net/get_involved	
Cricket	Richard Caswell		810270
Church Office			712611
Royal British Legion	Mr A Hill		810035
Soldiers, Sailors & Airman's Acc.(SSAFA)	Mr & Mrs A Hill		810035
Scottish & Southern Electricity			0800 072 7282
Thames Water			0845 9200 800
Non-emergency Police Contact			101
Thursday Club	Mrs P Crew/Mrs B Ockwell		810338/713261
NHS Direct			111
Environment Agency	Floodline—0845 9881188	General Enquiries -	03708 506 506
Bulk Refuse	(phone to book)		01285 623000
Highway Matters & Street Light Faults			08000 514 514
Kempsford Hand Bell Team (Beaubells)	Iris Lewis		01285 810770
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(see Parish Council page for Councillors)		Council.net	
Newsletter items	Mrs Teresa Griffin	As above	713691
Kempsford Website		www.kempsford.net	
Kempsford Parish Council Website		www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net	

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October 2014

Dear Friends,

October is a long dark month that culminates in the celebration of the Feast of All Hallows (All Saints) on 1st November. However it is All Hallows Eve (Better known as Halloween) that has caught the imagination as the dark end point of October. Yet this focus on darkness and evil seems a bit odd when you consider that All Hallows is a celebration of lives of the saints (a word in Christian understanding which covers All believers) As someone once put it, 'saints are like stained glass windows (Where you often find images of saints) the light comes in through them' Saints are people who let the light in. 2nd November celebrates All Souls, in other words all life, all living creatures, and particularly the recently departed!

Of course it is the recollection of death and a remembrance of judgement that can stir up images of graveyards and wickedness, but even there, it seems a strange and sad perversion. A graveyard, whilst certainly a place of loss, and the grief that accompanies loss, is also a place that pays tribute to, and celebrates the lives of those who have gone before us. Around Saint Mary's there are over a 1,000 years' worth of villagers who have gone before us. We are the 'next link in the chain of life. In the Churchyard we are surrounded by friends and family (and as Bill Bryson points out, quite a lot of them, which is why the ground around an old church is always raised!)

So this Halloween we celebrate life and light

On **Friday 31st October at 6:30pm** there will be an **All Souls Service** where we remember our beloved departed with a simple Eucharist, and where names of the recently departed are read out and remembered.

On **Sunday 2nd November** we have **two 'Light Parties'** in the Church. From **2:30-3:30** there is one for children aged 0-7 with their families, and from **5:30-6:30pm** there is one for children aged 8-14 with games, barbecue and fireworks

And please don't forget our **Harvest Evensong at St Anne's, Whelford on at 6:00pm Sunday October 19th**

And our **Family craft Afternoon and tea at St Mary's at 4:30pm on Sunday 5th October**

With every blessing

Tim



Services for October 2014

Tuesday 30 th September	6:00pm 7:30pm	Fish and chips for Youth Group in the Church Prayer and supper at The Parsonage
Sunday 5 th October <i>Trinity 16</i>	9:00am 10:00am 4:30pm	Holy Communion at Whelford Holy Communion Family Craft Afternoon
Sunday 12 th October <i>Trinity 17</i>	10:00am	Holy Communion (Revd Curwen Rawlinson)
Sunday 19 th October <i>Trinity 18</i>	9:00am 10:00am 6:00pm	Holy Communion at Whelford Holy Communion Harvest Evensong
Tuesday 21 st October	7:30pm	Meeting for Youth Group Leaders in the Church
Sunday 26 th October <i>Last Sunday of Trinity (Bible Sunday)</i>	10:00am	Family Service (Pete Robinson and Adrian Lines)
Friday 31 st October	6:30pm	All Souls Service to commemorate the lives of the Faithful Departed
Sunday 2 nd November <i>All Saints</i>	2:30pm- 3:30pm 5:30pm- 6:30pm	Light Party for children aged 0-7 (and their families) Light Party for children aged 8-14

Sunday 9th November: 12:30pm: Baptism of Grace Whitlam

Sunday 30th November: Baptism of Iris Dodgson at Whelford

Saturday 18th April 2015: Wedding of Staycee Hicks at Whelford

Saturday 19th September 2015: Wedding of Lee Pearce and Sophie Cornish

Saturday 1st August 2015: Wedding of Jonathan Minns and Emma Knipe at Whelford

Jenny Tudor would like to thank everyone who donated to the Church Fete Cake stall. The sum raised has not yet been finalised but expected to be in excess of £170.

Kempsford Junior Football Club

.....Is absolutely free and takes place on the school field from 6:00pm til 7:30pm every Thursday, and is open to anyone aged 8-14.

However, there will be no club on Thursday 30th October.

Instead there will be a Halloween/Light Party at the Church on Sunday 2nd November from 5:30pm to 6:30pm where there will be a barbecue, seasonal games, a darts tournament and fireworks

After Half Term the club will move into the Village Hall for team building games and competitions including table tennis, snooker and darts



For more details text Chris on 07834 737825

Kempsford Village Hall



Village Hall Café

Thursday 9th October 2014

12 noon - 2 pm

On offer Fresh Coffee, Homemade Soup and Bread, Speciality Teas and Homemade Cakes. What could be better?

All welcome!

VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE We still need more committee members, and we are currently without a chair. Anyone who would like to do something really positive for the village please get in touch, we would be very pleased to hear from you. You can contact Pete Wolfenden on 810477, Dawn Penman on 810419, or any committee member.

Post Office in the Village Hall

We have been advised that the Post Office in Highworth, which currently runs our outreach service in the Village Hall, will be closing possibly in the New Year, and will reopen in a different location under new management. Apparently this should not affect our outreach provision. We will keep you updated when we hear more.

Forthcoming Event

THE CARRIVICK SISTERS

Friday 14th November 2014, doors open 7 p.m.,

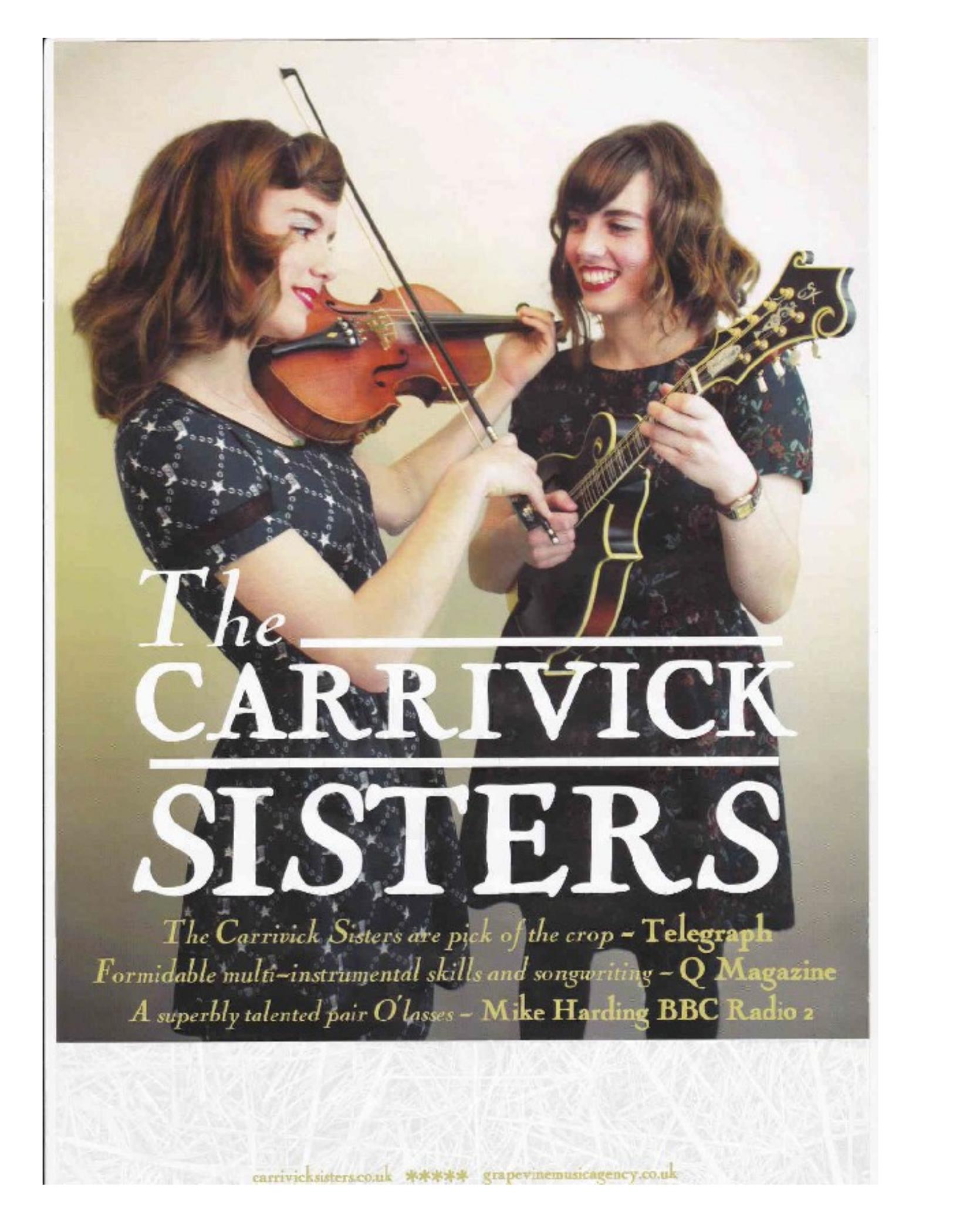
Performance 8 p.m.

Cost £8, Bar available

A bluegrass and folk act with songs accompanied by various instruments.

“ superbly talented pair o’ lasses” – Mike Harding, BBC2

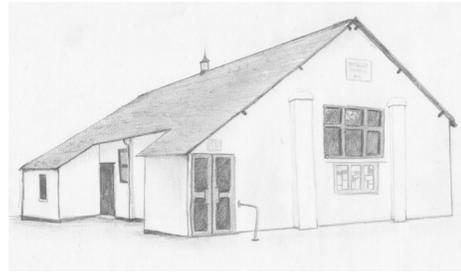
“Carrivick Sisters are pick of the crop” – The Telegraph

A photograph of two young women, the Carrivick Sisters, performing. The woman on the left is playing a violin, and the woman on the right is playing a mandolin. They are both wearing dark, patterned dresses and smiling. The background is a plain, light-colored wall.

The CARRIVICK SISTERS

The Carrivick Sisters are pick of the crop - Telegraph
Formidable multi-instrumental skills and songwriting - Q Magazine
A superbly talented pair O'lasses - Mike Harding BBC Radio 2

Kempsford Village Hall



Regular bookings

	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
AM	10:00—11:00 Pilates Rona Bennett			Café 2nd Thurs in month 11:30—14:00	
PM		Dance Classes 15:30—17:00 Ms Gillian Shearing	15:30—17:30 Private Dance Classes Ms Gillian Shearing	12:15—14:15 Post Office	
Eve	18:00—19:00 Zumba Donna	18:00—19:30 Brownies Donna Kent		19:00—21:00 Youth Group	
		19:45—21:45 Parish Council Meeting (once a month, usually 3rd Tues in month)			

Contact details: Rona Bennett—01865 820754, Donna — 07891660089, Gillian Shearing —01793875934

Brownies—Donna Kent, www.girlguiding.org.net/get_involved

For Bookings, contact Mollie Price on 01285 810534 or villagehallbookings@kempsford.net

Kempsford Village Hall Committee Members

Pete Wolfenden (Vice Chair)	Tel: 01285 810477	Jacky Stagg (Treasurer)	Tel: 01285 239287
Dawn Penman (Secretary)	Tel: 01285 810419	Meike Doherty	Tel: 01285 711552
Joy Cross	Tel: 01285 810439	Mrs Trudy Lines	Tel: 01285 711019

New members always welcome

KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk: Teresa Griffin, Winterwood, Whelford, Fairford, Glos. GL7 4EB

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www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net

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Ms Alison Ward	alisonward@kempsfordparishcouncil.net	01285 810273
Mrs Sue Griffin	suegriffin@kempsfordparishcouncil.net	01285 712979
Mr Eric Hiscock	erichiscock@kempsfordparishcouncil.net	01285 810031
Mr Mark Strange	markstrange@kempsfordparishcouncil.net	01285 810635

Parish Council and other Meeting dates

Tuesday 21st October 2014	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall
Tuesday 18th November 2014	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

Cotswold District Council Planning

Planning Decisions Made:

14/02750/FUL	Erection of first floor rear extension at 5 & 6 Maidencroft Cottages, High Street, Kempsford	<i>Application Permit</i>
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For further information, please visit www.cotswold.gov.uk

Gloucestershire County Council Planning

Planning Applications lodged:

14/0090/COMPLI	Compliance with condition 21, restoration, drainage and aftercare relating to planning permission 13/0068/CWMAJM planning consent dated 05/02/2014. Kempsford Quarry, Washpool Lane, Kempsford	<i>Pending Consideration</i>
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For further information, please visit www.gloucestershire.gov.uk

Parish Council News

Email circulation of important information

Sometimes the Parish Council receive notice of important information such as road closures and RAF Fairford operations between newsletter publications. If you would like to be included on our email circulation list for these types of notices, please email the Clerk. Email addresses will not be used for any other purpose or passed on to third parties.

Dog Waste Bins

A new dog waste bin has been installed by the Manor Farm Quarry entrance at Washpool Lane. Please do not use the orange general waste bin for dog waste.

We have received complaints of dog fouling on the small grass area at the end of Holford Crescent, despite a dog waste bin in situ there!

Footpath Petition

Thank you to everyone who supported the petition to try and get footpath BLE44 at Bowmoor Lake reopened. 764 signatures were obtained, and the petition was presented at the Gloucestershire County Council meeting on the 10th September by Ray Theodoulou, our County Councillor. The County Council have notified us that a formal response will be sent within 28 days so look out for an update in next months newsletter.

Church Fete Scribble Board Comments

Thank you to all who shared their views on what they like and dislike about Kempsford Parish. The feedback is very useful and will help to update the Parish Plan.

A number of comments referred to the lack of a village shop. Volunteers have previously investigate the viability of a shop in Kempsford, but at that time there was not enough support to take the idea forward.

Milk and More currently provide a home delivery service within the Parish on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. In addition to milk and dairy products, they offer a wide range of essentials including bread, pet food and even garden compost. To find out more please visit www.milkandmore.co.uk or telephone 0345 606 3606.

Support for small and medium businesses and entrepreneurs from Fastershire

Fastershire is supporting businesses, rural communities, farms, schools and female entrepreneurs. Find out more about what is available.

Fastershire is delivering faster broadband across Herefordshire and Gloucestershire, with over 30,000 homes and businesses now with access to fibre broadband connections.

But Fastershire isn't limited to the rollout of a new fibre optic network across the two counties. We want to support small and medium sized businesses, rural communities, farms, schools and female entrepreneurs to make the most of the opportunities offered by the internet.

Visit www.fastershire.com to find out more about the following initiatives:

- Superfast Business for Gloucestershire – expert advice for local businesses
- Faster Women – workshops and training for start-ups and existing businesses run by women

To find out if you can get faster broadband, use the line checker at www.fastershire.com



Disposal of church hall contents

A Cheltenham church hall has a variety of items to sell or give away to interested community groups

The items include furniture, kitchen equipment, religious books and specialist items such as a Dudley safe. Although many items are free to a good home a donation is suggested for some of the more valuable items such as the safe and electronics.

The books are mostly quite old and some will need re-binding.

All items must be collected from the hall in Cheltenham.town centre. The hall needs to be cleared as soon as possible so if you are interested don't delay.

Email **Maz** for a full list of the items available: mbarchus@hotmail.com

New Telecare options

Gloucestershire Telecare is offering residents greater choice and flexibility over their care options than ever before, and we need you to help spread the word.



Telecare can help older people and people with physical disabilities, memory problems, learning disabilities and mental health conditions stay safe and independent at home.

They do this by providing equipment that helps detect potential emergencies in the home, such as falls, wandering, medication mismanagement, fire, flooding and carbon monoxide and gas leaks. This provides great reassurance and peace of mind to families and carers.

Now Telecare have a new **self-help website** that will help more people find and choose personal Telecare equipment which can delay the need for domiciliary home or residential care.

The new site also gives free, professional, independent advice on the types of Telecare equipment that could help people manage tasks at home more easily and independently. Advisors look at what people need extra support with and build a fully personalised Telecare solution for what is needed in their own home.

For the first time the website offers the opportunity for people to purchase Telecare equipment privately, meaning the service is now available for everyone whether they are eligible for social services support or not.

The website also offers the option to send information to Gloucestershire Telecare to see whether someone is eligible for a free Telecare service.

More about Telecare

- Telecare equipment can be programmed to call a 24 hour monitoring centre, where trained operators can help call for help if needed.
- Stand alone equipment is also available, including things like personal memo reminders, which can help people manage day to day tasks in their own homes.
- Telecare is discreet, simple to use and can be adapted to meet people's personal needs.

Visit www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/telecare to find out what options are available to help keep people safe and independent at home for longer.

As you know, I am the Village Agent covering your area and my role is to provide information, support and practical help for the over 50s in the community. And in that capacity I wished to remind you all about Healthwatch, your local independent champion for health and social care.

Healthwatch Gloucestershire needs your views!

For the past 18 months Healthwatch has been out and about in Gloucestershire asking local people to share their health and social care experiences good and bad. The more of these we can hear about, the better commissioners and providers of services can understand what patients actually need and want. The three areas we are now focused on are hospital discharge, patient transport services and podiatry and for each we have set up a task group. We would like to hear from people with experiences relating to any of the topic areas below.

Hospital Discharge

We are keen to hear from people who have been, or know someone who has been discharged from hospital to home, residential/nursing care or sheltered accommodation in the past 12 months. The group is focusing on a number of issues, including provision of services following discharge (e.g. community physiotherapy) experiences of frail older people, those with learning disabilities and mental health problems, including dementia.

Please call us (Free Phone 0800 652 5193) or email Sophie Ayre at sophie.ayre@healthwatchgloucestershire.co.uk

Podiatry and Foot care

The Podiatry Task Group was set up to review services and create a better understanding of the difference between Podiatry and basic foot care. Other issues include difficulties in making an appointment, diabetes related foot care and paying for private chiropody.

If you have an experience to share, please call us or email Nic Moorey at nic.moorey@healthwatchgloucestershire.co.uk

Non-Emergency Patient Transport Services

Healthwatch has received a number of comments relating to Non-Emergency Patient Transport Services (PTS). Issues include delays in pick up and return, eligibility, wrong types of vehicle being sent and non-arrival of transport. A contract for Non-Essential Patient Transport Services (NEPTS) was awarded to Arriva Transport Solutions (ATSL) on 1st December 2013. Healthwatch would like to hear from anyone who has had an experience of this service, good or bad.

Please call us (Free Phone 0800 652 5193) or email Pamela Dewick at pamela.dewick@healthwatchgloucestershire.co.uk or visit Healthwatch website on www.healthwatchgloucestershire.co.uk

Meanwhile, if you have any queries or concerns where you feel I might be of assistance, please do get in touch with me, Sue Black, on 07810 630167.



Kempsford Pre-School

Registered charity No. 1023770

Welcome back to Pre-School! We hope you have all had an enjoyable break over the summer holidays.

This term

This term's topics are Summer Holidays and Under the Sea. We are very much looking forward to hearing about what the children have been up to over the holidays so we would really appreciate any photos or souvenirs that the children could spend some time talking about at Circle Time or to be used for displays.

Our focus story is 'Cinderella' so to reflect this we have created a princess castle in our role play area. This will provide the children with the opportunity to re-enact parts of the story further encouraging their appreciation of books and stories.

French Lessons

Ruth Gray will be carrying out French lessons in the new term with our Rising 5 children. They will be learning simple words and phrases as a way of introducing other languages and cultures.

We look forward to seeing you all in the new term!

The Pre-School Team

Kempsford Church of England Primary School

"Quality Education founded on Christian Values"

Kempsford, Gloucestershire, GL7 4EY
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The start of their School careers

Kempsford School welcomed 13 Reception class children this year, all of them boys. They have settled in well and are enjoying lessons with Mrs Heavisides and Mrs McLaughlin.



Alexander Heycock, Callum Handley, Callum Jeffrey, Eirian Demetrious, Freddie Kennison, Henry Luce, Jake Hooper, Joshua Hook, Oliver Burt, Nathan Kent, Oliver Condon, Oakley Hogan, Toby Kelsey-Cross.

A couple of comments from their first few weeks at school...

'I like my classroom. There are lots of toys to play with and I like the aeroplanes'

'I like going in the garden. I like it when we sit down and watch a story'

The school are supporting Macmillan Cancer Support with a Coffee Morning to be held in the School Hall on Saturday 27th September, from 10am to 12pm. We would love you all to join us, and donations of cakes would be gratefully accepted.



**Cotswold
Conservatives**

Kempsford and Whelford Branch

Email: KandWCB@btinternet.com

Kempsford Conservative Branch October Coffee Morning

at 10.30am on Wednesday 15th October at The Coopers, High Street Kempford

Our October event is a Coffee Morning kindly hosted by Susie Gidley-Wheeler. This event is planned as an informal gathering over coffee and cake with the focus on a Bring and Buy in support of the Kempford Youth Group. Come to:

- Support the “Bring and Buy” in aid of the local Youth Group;
- Support the Branch;
- Find out more; then,

join us. In order to get a rough idea of numbers, please email us – or just “turn up”.

What's on at

Whelford Social Club

A small, friendly club, welcomes new members and guests

Sat 4th October —Live Music

Sat 18th October—Quiz Night 8.45pm

Sat 1st November —Live Music

Sat 29th November—Live Music

Plus regular Bingo on Wednesdays and Sundays

Opening Hours:

Wed, Fri & Sat: 8pm—12pm, Sun: 12—6pm & 8-11pm

The League of Friends of Fairford Hospital
Active in the local community
Serving Fairford, Lechlade and the surrounding villages.

With the help and commitment of our volunteers the League's fund raising events in the summer were all very successful raising nearly £3,000 through the:

- Meysey Hampton fete and open gardens on the 7/8 June raising £700.
- Jazz Swing Band Picnic on 12 July raising £1250. Our thanks go to Earl St Aldwyns for letting us use the gardens at Mill House Coln St Aldwyns which provided a lovely setting for this enjoyable evening.
- Eastleach House Open Gardens on the 16 July raising £921. Our thanks go to Stephanie Richards for opening her magnificent gardens in support of the League.

Our next three fund raising events are:

- **6 November 7.30pm– Curry night at Khushi's Indian Restaurant, Lechlade.** A buffet meal will be provided at a cost of £12.50/head (excluding drinks) with 50% being donated to the League. A maximum of 70 people can be accommodated so purchase your tickets early to avoid disappointment. Tickets can be obtained from:

Ruth Berridge – 01367 252706 David Chapman – 01367 850454 Graham Hewitt – 01285 851022

- **15 November – Combined Charities Market at Lechlade.** The League will be selling their own Christmas Cards and raffle tickets at the Market.
- **22 November – The League's Christmas Bazaar at Fairford Community Centre 10.00 till 12.00 noon.** Christmas cards, raffle tickets, cake sales, book and bottle stalls, plants, refreshments, etc. will be available. Offers of donations and help would be welcome.

Please refer to our website www.friendsoffairord.org.uk for further information.

We are totally dependent upon volunteers to enable us to deliver our services to the local community and we need additional volunteers to help us with this. If you think you can help with:

- **The charity shop in Lechlade** and can spare 3 hours a week why not contact John our shop manager for a chat. Drop into the shop or call him on 07717 755243.
- **The Voluntary Car Service which** continues to provide a valuable service to the local community for patients from Lechlade and Fairford GP Surgeries. Additional volunteer drivers are needed to help with this service which takes patients to the Lechlade and Fairford GP Surgeries and local hospitals for outpatient appointments. If you are interested in becoming involved please contact our Administrator Julie in the first instance on 01793 725091.

Graham Hewitt
Chairman
01285 851022

RAF Fairford Update

RAF Fairford is home to the USAF 420th Air Base Squadron, which is part of the 501st Combat Support Wing based at RAF Alconbury in Cambridgeshire. The base is maintained in a ready, "warm status" by a civilian workforce who are responsible for all daily tasks and contingency preparations.

There are no aircraft permanently stationed at RAF Fairford, and the main mission of the base is to be ready to receive a deployment of aircraft and personnel with 48 hours' notice, both for real-world scenarios and for training exercises.

The base has been busy over the last few months, with a major training event for bomber aircraft in June, the Royal International Air Tattoo in July, and an emergency services exercise in September. And nobody could have missed the excitement when President Obama transited through RAF Fairford on Air Force One, on his way to and from the NATO Summit in Wales, in early September!

The base should be back to routine operations over the winter, and we are not, at this time, expecting any major exercises or activity over the next few months.

If you have any queries about activities at RAF Fairford, please contact the Community Relations Adviser, Jenny Collyer, on 01285 714822 / 07764 166079 or e-mail jennifer.collyer.2.gb@us.af.mil

GLOUCESTERSHIRE ARCHIVES AND LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY AT LECHLADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Saturday 4th October, 10.00am–1.00pm at Lechlade Community Library

Would you like to know more about Lechlade's past? Would you like to find out more about your own family history? Bring along your old photographs and memorabilia and come and talk to members of Lechlade History Society and Gloucestershire Archives. Find out how the library and Gloucestershire Archives can help you with your own local and family history research. There will also be a display on Lechlade in the early 20th century with photographs, maps and historical data. Free entry. No booking required. For further information please contact Marian Winckles 01367 252851, Linda Kent 01367 253175 or Lechlade Community Library 01367 252631.

LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY

Monday 20th October, 7.00 for 7.15pm in the Memorial Hall. Please note early start time.

AGM followed by a talk on Road Travel and Transport in Georgian Gloucestershire – Inns and Traffic of the Coaching Era. Dr Nicholas Herbert, former editor of the Victoria County History of Gloucestershire, explores the role of the coaching inn and the development of stagecoach services, the mail coach system and the network of goods carriers. Guests welcome £4. Contact Alan Garnell 01367 253087 or visit www.lechladehistory.co.uk.

Volunteer Driver Appeal

Fairford Dial-a-Ride offers a door to door service for people in the area and surrounding villages to assist them in remaining independent.

We are in **desperate need** of volunteer drivers for both 'ad hock' and for regular commitments such as weekly to Cirencester, monthly to Witney, Cheltenham, Swindon and a variety of destinations.

We offer full training, support and occasional social events.

Please contact Jill of Clive
on 713852 to discuss further.

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by
Monday 20th October 2014 please



Gloucestershire
COUNTY COUNCIL

AUTUMN
SWITCH

Worried about rising energy costs?

Join the

big community switch

and you could save ££££s on
your energy bills.



Register online at:

www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/bigcommunityswitch

Or phone:

01452 42 57 57

Please note line open Monday to Friday, 8:30am - 5:00pm

Registration closes on Monday 13th October

Lechlade Community Library



New Flower tubs

Lechlade Library are delighted to have joined forces with the Town Council to improve the look of the Market Place one of the many projects for the Town identified in the Neighbourhood Plan. Two of the old tubs in the Market Place have been replaced by new oak tubs outside the library which will be looked after by the library volunteers. "We are delighted to be helping the Town Council in this way and have already received lots of lovely comments from visitors and local residents on how pretty the tubs look" Sue Coakley, Chair of Lechlade Library. (see photo).

Ancestry Workshop 4th October 10 am -1 pm

On 4th October the Gloucestershire County Archive team, together with the Lechlade History Society, will be running an Ancestry Workshop at the Library from 10 am till 1 pm. Anyone who is interested in learning more about their ancestry or the history of the town is very welcome to come along. This is a free event and there is no need to book. (The library will be open as usual during the workshop).

Footfall up 25%

Visitors to the library, as well as our many new and existing customers, have generated a foot-fall over 25% higher this summer than it was last year. The new signage above the door and the extended Visitor information including a new leaflet promoting the town, walks guides and a wealth of local knowledge have all made the Visitor Information Centre a great success. Visits were arranged for volunteers to both Filkins Woollen Weavers and Kelmscott Manor to improve our knowledge of local attractions. Future visits to Buscot House and the Cotswold Wildlife Park are planned.

Improved facilities for volunteers

We are improving the facilities for our volunteers by installing tea and coffee making facilities on the ground floor of the library. The replacement of the old floor standing boiler by the County with a modern wall mounted boiler has freed up space to install a small kitchen counter and sink in the back lobby. This will mean that volunteers can have a quick cuppa without having to carry hot drinks down the steep library stairs.

Library AGM 22nd October 7.30 pm

The AGM of Lechlade Library Ltd who run the Community Library will be at 7.30 pm on 22nd October. All volunteers and Friends of the library will receive an invitation to the AGM.

Job Club Tuesdays 2 – 4 pm

The Job Club has moved to Tuesday afternoons from 2 to 4 pm. This popular club provides help and support for those seeking employment including job search and CV writing support.

Story time Wednesdays at 11 am

Children's activities continue on Wednesdays at 11 am with stories, rhymes and song.

Books, books, books

New books are added to stock weekly and we still have access to all of the Counties books which can be reserved and delivered to Lechlade Library for collection free of charge.

DVDs and audio books are also available for a small charge.

FROM THE MANOR

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Every second Sunday of the month, 2-4:30pm, we will be having cream teas in the drawing-room, sometimes with a little light music by local talent, and weather permitting, croquet on the lawn, cost £7.50. There will be plants for sale when possible. Children are welcome and will be given activities and quizzes. The proceeds will be given to the National Gardens' Scheme which supports a variety of charities. Come and enjoy an elegant afternoon tea at the Manor.

We can still offer a vegetable plot for a very keen and very tidy garden lover. Please contact us.

Mass in Time of
War
Joseph Haydn

With songs
to the battle

Pilgrimage
Mass
John Read

Selection of War
Songs

St Mary's Church
Fairford
7:30pm
Saturday 15
November

Tickets £10 or £5 for
under 18s

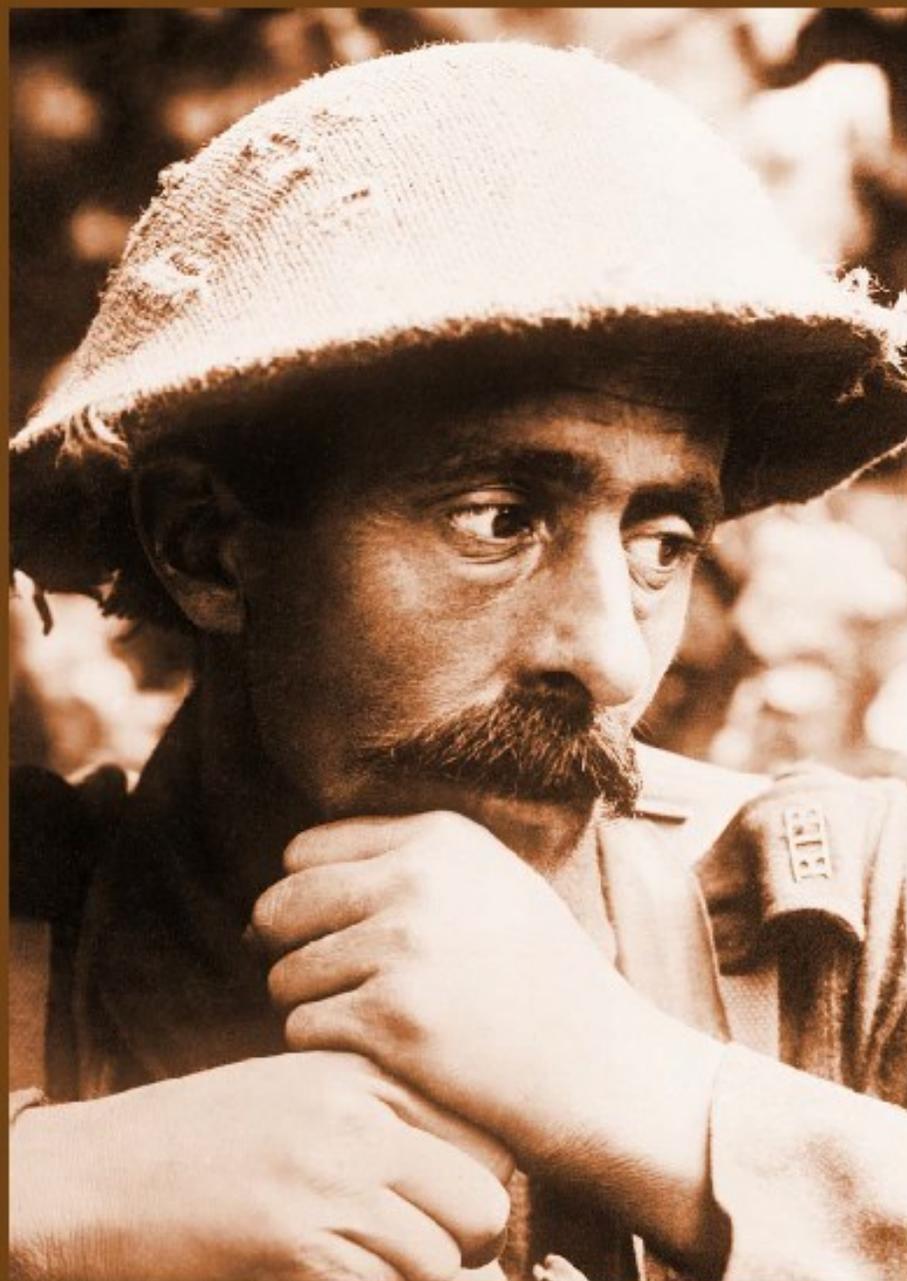
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www.fairford.org/choralsociety

Booking starts 6 October



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**FAIRFORD
AND DISTRICT
CHORAL SOCIETY**

President Adrian Partington

Fairford Dial-a-Ride Timetable October / November 2014

Cirencester every Thursday departing Fairford 08.30am (1) & 09.30 (2) returning 11.15am & 12.15 cost £3.40

	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Depart Fairford AM</u>	<u>Return PM</u>	<u>COST £</u>
<u>October</u>				
Wednesday 1 st	Blunsdon Market	10.00	12.15	4.50
Friday 3 rd	Witney	09.00	1.00	6.00
Tuesday 7 th	Swindon Orbital	10.00	2.00	8.00
Tuesday 14 th	Banbury	09.00	2.00	10.20
Wednesday 15 th	Fairford Market - Villages	09.00	11.15	variable
Thursday 23 rd	Carterton (**replaces Cirencester 1)	09.00	12.00	4.50
Monday 27 th	Central Swindon	09.00	12.30	5.00
Friday 31 st	Cheltenham	09.00	1.00	7.50
Friday 31 st	Lechlade Garden Centre	10.00	12.30	3.00
<u>November</u>				
Tuesday 4 th	Swindon Orbital	10.00	2.00	5.00
Wednesday 5 th	Blunsdon Market	10.00	12.15	4.50
Friday 7 th	Witney	09.00	1.00	6.00
Tuesday 11 th	Oxford	09.00	1.30	8.20
Wednesday 19 th	Fairford Market – Villages	09.00	11.15	variable
Thursday 20 th	Carterton (**replaces Cirencester 1)	09.00	12.00	4.50
Monday 24 th	Central Swindon	09.00	12.30	5.00
Friday 28 th	Cheltenham	09.00	1.00	7.50
Friday 28 th	Lechlade Garden Centre	10.00	12.30	3.00

All Departure Times are from Fairford Fire Station

All departure times are approximate and at the drivers discretion. To book a seat or for more information call on 01285 713852 Jill/Clive

Or call in at the office 1st floor of the Community Centre Monday through to Friday 08.30 – 12.00