

## FROM THE VICAR

This month's magazine is the fullest that I've known in my time here – a splendid sign of the vibrant life in our villages. (Apologies to contributors if we've omitted or shortened your piece!) In church terms part of the reason for that is our growing link with St Lawrence's in Lechlade, whose clergy now manage the churches in Eastleach and Southrop. Two of the activities they offer are:

... a '**Life Explored**' course on at 7.45 pm on Thursdays, starting on the 24th. This is an informal and relaxed seven-week course for "anyone who wants to find contentment and happiness in life". It's "run by ordinary Christian people local to you and is completely free. You don't need to know anything about the Bible, and you won't be asked to pray or sing. You can ask any questions you like, or you can just sit and listen. Each week uses two stunning short films shot all over the globe." For more details or to register contact Jonathan Clark on 01367 252950 or [revjgc@gmail.com](mailto:revjgc@gmail.com)

.. and secondly, **Men Aloud Out** – a get-together at 8.00 pm on the first Thursday of every month at the Trout Inn near Lechlade (the next meeting is on April 5th). It's "a time for local men to meet and discuss a variety of topics and generally just hang out together. You don't have to be a churchgoer to come along; it suits everyone." For more information contact Chris on 01367 252845.

Here in CHEQS, April sees the second in our year-long series of studies in John's gospel, **Lost in Translation**, where we look at the depths of meaning in some key Greek words. This month we're looking at the story of the Resurrection and afterwards in chapters 20 & 21: 3.00 pm on Monday 23rd at Coln Vicarage.

There's so much else happening besides – church-based and in the wider community. Read on to find out!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "John Partington". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long horizontal stroke underneath the name.

## FROM THE REGISTERS

Our love & prayers are with the families & friends of **Muriel Bullimore**, whose funeral we conducted at Quenington recently.



# QUENINGTON FÊTE

## Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> May

2 - 5 pm

### The Old Rectory, Quenington

(opposite the church)

stalls, tea & home-made cake, sideshows, fun dog show, BBQ, beer tent, fun fair, forge, duck races, ice-cream van, and much more!

**Entry £1**

**Children free**

**To donate items, please contact:**

Bottle tombola: Val Trafford 750504

Cakes: Barbara Cullum 750563

Books: John Partington 750332

Toys/games: Margaret Stranks 750402

Plants: to Old Rectory few days prior to Fête

Fun dog show: see other publicity



[margaret.stranks@gmail.com](mailto:margaret.stranks@gmail.com)

## **ROGATION WALK**

On May 6th Coln & Quenington churches are holding a walk, with a short service at either end, to celebrate this traditional time of asking God's blessing on our fields & gardens. We start with a short time of worship in Quenington church at 9.30 am, and then make our way by a scenic route to an 11.00 am service in Coln, followed by a picnic in the Vicarage garden. Come and join us for all or any part of this!

## **HATHEROP CASTLE SCHOOL**

I find that this time of the year always puts a spring (excuse the pun!) in my step as we tentatively emerge out of Winter and enter Spring. The days get longer, the temperatures improve (although at the time of writing we are surrounded by snow thanks to the 'Beast from the East!') and we have Spring and Summer to look forward to. Change is all around us in our environment; the flowers and trees are starting to blossom, the wildlife waking up and starting to venture out and about in our grounds and the children are happier when going outside, as it is no longer bitterly cold. Change often brings a sense of optimism but also can foster a sense of apprehension; however, we cannot avoid it and so we should embrace it. Just as we embrace and look forward to the change of seasons I believe we should adopt a similar mentality in our everyday lives.

Hatherop Castle School is also enjoying a period of change as we introduce new initiatives, welcome new staff, pupils and families to the school. These changes have brought a sense of optimism and energy to our community and if I am honest, a little apprehension too. This apprehension is perfectly normal and focuses the mind on ensuring the changes made are for the right reasons. Working in a school is a privilege and I feel we owe it to our pupils to always be reviewing our curriculum, teaching methods and the activities we offer.

As we embark on the start of the best term (my opinion) in the school year there is much to look forward to. Our Prep 5 to 8 children will all spend a week under canvas during the term in different locations from Dorset to Snowdon, as part of our Outdoor Learning Programme. Our Upper School will be rehearsing and performing their drama production in our theatre. Our sports teams will be playing cricket and rounders matches with swimming and athletics events squeezed into the sports programme. In June, we welcome all the Year 6 children from the Wishford School's family to Hatherop for a weekend of camping, STEAM events and fun. In addition to all this we keep the children working hard and our Prep 8's will be preparing and taking their Common Entrance exams to their Senior Schools in June. It will be a busy, but hugely rewarding term.

Nigel Reed, Headmaster

## **KEBLE SERVICE at ST PETER'S SOUTHROP**

This year we shall welcome the choristers and Director of Music from Keble College, Oxford to lead Evensong on Wednesday 2 May at 6.30 pm. The address will be given by the Bishop of Southwark, Christopher Chessun, and we shall also welcome to the service our Team Rector John Swanton. If you are able to join us, we look forward to seeing you.

## **CHQ ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING**

This takes place at 6.45 pm on Thursday 19th in Nigel & Angie's barn. Come and join us for the usual elections etc, and an opportunity to hear about, and discuss, the life of our three churches. Refreshments included!

## **QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB**

February Winners: 1<sup>st</sup> No 1 R Bennett 2<sup>nd</sup> No 5 V Trafford 3<sup>rd</sup> No 33 G Horton

*New members are always welcome. Numbers cost £12 for the year (pro rata if joining half way through the year) and all profits go towards the Village Hall funds. Contact David Bostock on 01285 750456 for more information.*

## **QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING**

The next coffee morning will be held on Saturday 14th, 10.30 am – 12 noon. We will have the normal delicious cakes and raffle. Anyone wishing to contribute cakes, please bring them along – costs will be reimbursed! Contact Janet Goddard, [01285 750323](tel:01285750323), [queningtonvillagehall@gmail.com](mailto:queningtonvillagehall@gmail.com) for more information.

## **CHARITY CLOTHES-SWAP**

Saturday 28th, 10.00 am - 12 noon at Coln Vicarage: clothes-swapping party in aid of MIND. £5 entry, coffee & raffle. Clothes can be dropped off at the Vicarage the week before –good-quality items including bags & shoes, but no leggings. Up to six items per person. Each attender can take up to six items away. Personal stylist Liz will be on hand to advise you, if you wish, about your choice. Any left-over clothes will be given to charity unless reclaimed on the day.

## **QUENINGTON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

7.30 pm on Thursday 26th in Quenington Village Hall: Come along to find out what happens in your village; the Parish Council and local groups will report on their activities during the last twelve months. It is also your opportunity to ask questions or put forward thoughts/suggestions to the Parish Council.

## **LEAGUE OF FRIENDS OF FAIRFORD HOSPITAL**

Recently sixty people enjoyed a Curry Night at Khushi's Indian Restaurant, Lechlade. raising £595 for the League. Thanks go to Muj and his team at Khushi's who served some wonderful food and provided a great service.

The League's house-to-house fund raising event will take place from April 9th to 22nd. Our thanks to all our existing volunteers, co-ordinators, and collectors. With the new housing in Fairford and Lechlade we urgently need more volunteer collectors to deliver and collect the envelopes in your local area. We also need more Volunteer Drivers, particularly in the Lechlade area and surrounding villages. We do over 750 drives a year helping people get to their medical appointments at their GP surgery or hospital. Running costs for the trips are paid.

If you can help, please contact Christine Barker on 07767 408409 or fairford.lof@hotmail.co.uk. Your continued support is very much appreciated

## **BIG FARM WEEK – Channel 5**

The TV cameras have been filming with Tom Lander at Home Farm, Quenington, for a Channel 5 programme going out all week for an hour each evening in April, probably from Monday 9th. It is presented by Emmerdale actor Kelvin Fletcher and will cover all aspects of farming.

## **LECHLADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY - OPENING HOURS**

Mon 10 - 4, Tue 10 - 1, Wed 10 - 1, Thu 10 - 1, Fri 1 - 5, Sat 10 - 1. Telephone 01367 252631; [www.lechladelibrary.co.uk](http://www.lechladelibrary.co.uk)

## **EASTLEACH ROGATION SUNDAY 24th JUNE**

What better way to start the day than by coming to our village church and finishing up at village pub at opening time?

The word "Rogation" comes from the Latin verb *rogare* meaning "to ask", and every year on this Sunday we gather as a rural community to ask for God's blessing on our crops, our animals and our gardens, something which villages have been doing for very many years.

We start inside the church with a short, very informal service in which the words and cheerful hymns all have a rural theme. Then outside, where all the prayers are read by people who live in the village. First by the willow tree; then Keble Bridge to bless the water; next by a garden and finally outside The Vic where the prayer is followed by a rousing rendition of the harvest hymn "We Plough the Fields and Scatter" and a Blessing. Then inside the Vic!

We hope that you will join us in celebrating our life in this wonderful place – even if it's just for the last part! And please make a note of our very special Village Service on June 23<sup>rd</sup> which is followed by refreshments in the churchyard. More details in the June magazine.

## **SOUTHROP PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Having successfully bid for £10,000 of lottery funding, there is now much excitement at the prospect of the forthcoming improvements to our playground. By the time you read this, new activity play equipment, consisting of a trim trail, climbing poles, a stage with chalkboards behind, a mini mud kitchen, den-making posts and an area of artificial grass, will be ready for use. We are very grateful to the PTA who have contributed some additional funds for the project. This will vastly extend the range of activities available to the children at break times and contribute to their physical fitness and wellbeing.

The school diary has been very busy since the beginning of the year. The nature quiz team won in the first round of the competition run by the Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust and now go through to the next round. The Juniors had the opportunity to develop their STEM skills (Science Technology Engineering Mathematics) with a Knex challenge and one pair are going forward to compete in the county final this month. Years 5 and 6 are also competing in the annual Mock Trial, with Southrop acting as the prosecution this year. This activity allows great opportunities to develop the children's speaking and listening skills and their powers of persuasive argument.

Despite the weather we have also been competing in sporting fixtures. The pupils enjoyed the netball tournament at Farmor's School and competed in the swimming gala. We were pleased with how many children chose to compete in the district cross country competitions. Special congratulations to Dexter in Year 5 who came first in both the district competitions, went through to the county finals and has now qualified for the National finals!

Finally, this term our school has been paid a visit by both the SIAMs inspector (Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools) and the OFSTED inspector. We are delighted to have been judged 'good' in both cases.

## **RARE PLANTS FAIR AT QUENINGTON OLD RECTORY**

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> from 11.00 am to 4.00 pm

Time once more to refresh the borders and take advice from the 20 expert plantsmen gathered in the garden at Quenington Old Rectory. A proportion of the entry goes to support the superb work of The Cobalt Trust, based in Cheltenham.

Delicious light lunches and teas provided by the volunteers of the Cobalt Trust

Admission £5.00 No dogs please. [info@rareplantfair.co.uk](mailto:info@rareplantfair.co.uk)

## MUSIC AT QUENINGTON OLD RECTORY

A Fund raising concert on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September. 3.00 pm with refreshments  
Tickets £20. A rare opportunity to hear three prize winning young musicians.

**Frederic Bager** (piano) the only pianist to have won the Beethoven Prize at both the Royal Academy and Royal College of Music.

**George Cooke** (cello) broadcast as composer and performer for BBC Radio 3, BBC Radio 4, and Belgian Radio 1.

**Jaymee Coonjobeeharry** (flute) recently made his debut for London Philharmonic Orchestra. His video of Flight of the Bumblebee for Classic FM has gained 135,000 views!

*For details on the concert and the Book Festival contact Lucy Abel Smith [lucyabelsmith@gmail.com](mailto:lucyabelsmith@gmail.com) [www.transylvanianbookfestival](http://www.transylvanianbookfestival)*

**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> April 2018**

**SOUTHROP VILLAGE HALL**

**Doors Open 7.00 pm**

**First Race 7.30 pm**

# RACE NIGHT



- **Eight Races; Full Screen Projection**
- **CASH BAR; PLOUGHMAN'S SUPPER**
- **"On Course" Prize Pot for all races**
- **Entry £7.50 to include supper**

**FOR TICKETS PLEASE CONTACT: CAROLINE SIMMONS**

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**In aid of SVH 2025 Village Hall Refurbishment Project**

## SERVICES IN APRIL

### Sunday 1 *Easter Day*

8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hatherop	<i>JP</i>
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Southrop	<i>RL</i>
9.30 am	Family Communion	Quenington	<i>JP</i>
11.00 am	Festival Communion	Coln	<i>JP</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Eastleach	<i>JE &amp; RL</i>

### Sunday 8

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Quenington	<i>MB</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Eastleach	<i>RL</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Southrop	<i>RS</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Coln	<i>JK</i>

### Sunday 15

8.30 am	Holy Communion	Hatherop	<i>JP</i>
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Southrop	<i>DB</i>
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Coln	<i>JP</i>
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Eastleach	<i>JC</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Quenington	<i>RF</i>

### Sunday 22

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Quenington	<i>MS &amp; JP</i>
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Eastleach	<i>JE</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Southrop	<i>JE</i>
6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Coln	<i>HPW</i>

### Sunday 29

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Southrop	<i>RL</i>
?.?0 am	Holy Communion *	Coln	<i>JP &amp; RS</i>
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Eastleach	<i>GL</i>

*\* united service for the three-church parish*



## THY KINGDOM COME

This year, as last, we're encouraged by the archbishop to use the time between Ascension and Pentecost (ten days in May) as a time of special prayer and reflection; of openness to God's work in the world.

Weekday plans include: Thu 10 – 2.00 pm prayer walk led by Patti Price; Fri 11 – 2.00 pm Ron Lloyd: discussion & prayer at Jane Kidd's; Sat 12 – 9.00 pm Compline; Mon 14 – 3.00 pm 'Lost in Translation' session; Tue 15 – 12 noon Midday Prayer; Wed 16 11.00 am coffee, video & prayer at Jane Kidd's; Thu 17 – 10.00 am Holy Communion with prayer for healing; Fri 18 – 12 noon Midday Prayer; Sat 19 – 9.00 pm Compline.

Final confirmation, and details of venues, next month ... but book the dates now!

*On the first Sunday of May there will be a Rogation Walk and worship in Coln and Quenington (see elsewhere in this magazine). Other services will be at the usual times: 8.30 am Holy Communion at Hatherop (RS); 9.30 am Holy Communion at Southrop (AK); 11.00 am Morning Prayer at Eastleach (PP)*

## KEY TO WORSHIP LEADERS

AC – Andrew Cinnamond; HPW – Hugh Poole-Warren; JE – John Exelby; JC – Jonathan Clark; JK – Jane Kidd; JP – John Partington; MB – Margaret Bettis; MS – Mike Stranks; PP – Patti Price; RF – Rosemary Franklin; RL – Ron Lloyd; RS – Roger Scoones

## READINGS, PSALMS, HYMNS & COLOURS

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| <b>1</b> ( <i>Easter Day</i> ) Psalm 118. 14-24; Hymns 75, 77, 73<br>Isaiah 25. 6-9; Mark 16. 1-8       | <i>white</i> |
| <b>8</b> ( <i>Easter 2</i> ) Psalm 133; Hymns 83, 82, 78<br>Acts 4. 32-35; John 20. 19-31               | <i>white</i> |
| <b>15</b> ( <i>Easter 3</i> ) Psalm 4; Hymns 145, 501, 402 (tune 139)<br>Acts 3. 12-19; Luke 24. 36b-48 | <i>white</i> |
| <b>22</b> ( <i>Easter 4</i> ) Psalm 23; Hymns 110, 122, 428<br>1 John 3. 16-24; John 10. 11-18          | <i>white</i> |
| <b>29</b> ( <i>Easter 5</i> ) Psalm 22. 24-30; Hymns 199, 84, 131<br>Acts 8. 26-40; John 15. 1-8        | <i>white</i> |
| <b>6</b> ( <i>Easter 6</i> ) Psalm 98; Hymns 104, 156, 105<br>Acts 10. 44-48; John 15. 9-17             | <i>white</i> |

## **COLN CINEMA**

Invites you to a showing “*The Death of Stalin*” At Vicarage Cottage Barn  
On Friday 27<sup>th</sup>. at 7.30 pm. (doors open 7.00 pm.)

The internal political landscape of 1950's Soviet Russia takes on darkly comic form in this film by writer/director Armando Iannucci. In the days following Stalin's collapse, his core team of ministers tussle for control; some want positive change in the Soviet Union, others have more sinister motives. Their one common trait? They're all just desperately trying to remain alive. Combining palace intrigue with rapid-fire farce, this audacious comedy is a biting funny takedown of bureaucratic dysfunction. 107 mins.

## **LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY**

Monday 23rd at 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm in the Pavilion: The Great Severn Estuary Flood 1607. Rose Hewlett will describe this great natural disaster which affected communities along the Bristol Channel and the Severn Estuary and consider its possible causes. Guests very welcome £4. Contact Marian Winckles 01367 252851 or visit [www.lechlahistory.co.uk](http://www.lechlahistory.co.uk)

## **VISIT TO READING ABBEY**

Thursday 28 June. Reading Abbey was established by Henry I in 1125 and he was buried there in 1136. The church was also intended as a pilgrimage church and was given a hand of St James (!) by the founder. However, it fell foul of Henry VIII and subsequently failed to survive the Civil War. Some of it is now under Reading gaol – forever linked with Oscar Wilde. The vast ruins still give a sense of magnificence and have now been consolidated. The interesting museum contains the only copy of the Bayeux Tapestry, made with great attention to detail in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. There are also important links with Quenington church. A minibus will be arranged and we have been given permission to park by the church of St James, Pugin's first essay in medieval architecture. He reset several of the remains of the Abbey in the building. Further details of this fascinating day out will follow next month.

## **TO ALL DOG OWNERS**

“Cotswold District Council is receiving complaints regarding irresponsible dog owners allowing their dogs to foul in our villages. The Council can issue fixed penalty fines of £75 or proceed via the courts who can fine up to £1000 for this anti-social offence. Locals are angry, and pretty soon a name will be given to us and we are obliged to proceed against these people. The council will give anonymity to witnesses, and we always prosecute and inform the local press. Please keep dogs on leads in public places and always walk with dogs in front of you so you can see if they leave anything behind! Do not get caught, fined and embarrassed: be responsible.”

## **COLN VILLAGE FETE**

The famous Coln St Aldwyns Children's Fete & Produce Show is now confirmed for Saturday 1 September, and once again, by kind permission of Earl St Aldwyn, will be held in the beautiful grounds of the Mill House, beginning with a BBQ lunch at 12.30 pm and running until 5.00 pm with children's games and entertainment, live music, stalls, afternoon teas, and a Pimm's bar. One exciting innovation is that the produce show is being renamed the CHEQS Produce Show to better reflect what it's always been, a showcase for the talents of people from the five villages. [By the way, you'll soon be able to purchase a seed potato and pot at Coln Stores if you fancy competing for the Walter Raleigh Cup.]

Once again, our twin aims are to make it a fabulous fun day out for families and to raise lots of money for local children's charities. Last year's fete raised a record £7,620 which we spent on interactive white boards for Hatherop Primary; sound and lighting equipment for Southrop Primary; music therapy for Paternoster School; some sessions for local children to learn about farming at Scrubditch Farm; two new quad bikes for Noah's Ark; Christmas family parties for our local Home Start and the James Hopkins Trust; £1,000 to Cirencester's Cotswold Counselling to fund one-to-one therapy sessions for children; and £750 to Coln Parish Council to renew the play surface under the climbing frame!

Stay up to date with fete news on our website - [www.colnfunday.com](http://www.colnfunday.com) and if you want to help email us at [colnfunday@gmail.com](mailto:colnfunday@gmail.com).

## **SOUTHROP 2018 LITTERPICK - NEW DATE**

Saturday 7th and Sunday 8th. If you can offer a few hours help to collect the litter from the Parish verges please come to Southrop Village Green at 10am on either (or both!) days. You will be equipped with bags, gloves and a picking stick, and allotted a short stretch of grass verge to clear. Bags may simply be left by the roadside to be collected. Thank you!

## **FOODBANK**

Cirencester & Fairford Foodbank is looking for new volunteer trustees to join our Board. We are a local independent charity but operate under the auspices of the Trussell Trust, a charity founded on Christian principles which works with people of all faiths and none. If this opportunity appeals to you, please contact Dr. Mandy Fry phone 07968 104619 or e-mail [mandyfry@doctors.org.uk](mailto:mandyfry@doctors.org.uk) to discuss what is involved as soon as possible.

## **PADDOCKS TO RENT – COLN ST ALDWYNS**

Two paddocks available for horses – approximately two acres each – contact Alistair Cameron on 07970 767020.

## **EASTLEACH – (i) ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

All are welcome at this yearly event in the Village Hall at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 11th, to hear from the Chairman of the Parish Council and also an update on our news and finances. This year's Guest Speaker will be Michael Birnie, Ernest Cook's Property Director. Michael is still relatively new to our area and comes with a fascinating background. He will share with us some of Ernest Cook's visions for Eastleach and how the area is to be maintained and cared for. He will also provide an insightful look at the inner workings of the Trust and how it interacts as a Charity and Landlord. Pete McHugh, Chairman

## **EASTLEACH – (ii) ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING**

Wednesday 25th, 6.00pm in the Village Hall. All villagers, churchgoers or not, are warmly invited to this important meeting where matters concerning our Church's worship and upkeep will be discussed and reviewed.

## **COLN ST ALDWYNS – BIG BAND PICNIC, 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY**

The Big Band Picnic returns again this year to the garden of the Mill House, raising funds in support of Fairford Hospital League of Friends. It's always a great evening of music and dancing to the tunes of Glenn Miller, Count Basie, and others, with the opportunity to eat and drink in beautiful surroundings on the banks of the River Coln. So don't forget to put the date in your diary

## **100k COTSWOLD WAY CHALLENGE .. & GARAGE SALE**

Raising money for the World Wildlife Fund, Bethany and Joseph Powell of Coln St Aldwyns, are taking part in the Challenge over the weekend of 30<sup>th</sup> June / 1<sup>st</sup> July. They will start the walk in Bath (along with 2,000 others) and follow the Cotswold Way to Wotton-under-Edge where they will stay overnight under canvas. An early 6.00 am start on the Sunday will see them continue the challenge, hopefully finishing in Cheltenham later that day. They have always been interested in wildlife and supported animal charities in the past, and this time hope to raise money to help the plight of the elephants and Amur leopards. They have set up a justgiving page, '[www.justgiving.com/fundraising/bjpowell](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/bjpowell)': your support would be very much appreciated.

Bethany & Joseph are also holding a garage sale at the School House (next to the church) in Coln St Aldwyns on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>, 2.00 - 4.00 pm. There will be lots of toys and games (some new) for sale, along with CDs, DVDs, ornaments, books etc. Bethany will also be selling homemade cards and Joseph homemade animal figures. They hope you can come along and support them.

## SOUTHROP EVENTS

On 19 & 20 May we have our Open Gardens Weekend which will include Southrop Manor, Fyfield Manor and many village gardens. This is for the Village Hall refurbishment fund. June 9<sup>th</sup> will be Southrop Village Fete. Please put the dates in your diary and support where and when you can. For more information and tickets please contact Margaret Davey 01367 850347

## QUENINGTON CAR BOOT SALES DATES

April 15, May 6, June 3, July 1, July 29, August 26, September 23, October 7

## RIVER ROOM SESSIONS FOR MINDSONG

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> & Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> – Please come and enjoy a wide range of informal music sessions performed by a host of talented musicians at The Upper Mill, Coln St Aldwyns. There will be 25 seats available for each session so reserve seats directly with me, Kate Hicks Beach (pay on the day) [katehb@btinternet.com](mailto:katehb@btinternet.com) or telephone 01285 750482 so I can do it on a first-come first-served basis. Tickets are £5 a session or £30 for a pass for the whole festival, (*but you still need to let me know which sessions you'll be coming to as space is limited*). Sessions will last around 45 minutes. Refreshments – there will be a pop-up café in our kitchen serving coffees, teas, homemade cakes and soups all day, and beer, wine and soft drinks in the evening.

<b>Friday 13<sup>th</sup> April</b>		
5.00pm	The Four Seasons Quartet	Langsamer Satz by Webern and the American Quartet op. 96 by Dvorak
7.00pm	Jonathan Phillips	A programme of Chopin
8.15pm	Tom Pitt	J S Bach's Partita in D minor Cotswold-born Vaughan Williams's 'Romance and Pastorale'
<b>Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> April</b>		
4.00pm	Come and Sing	Les Miserables Medley (scores provided in advance)
5.30pm	Lisa Bayliss Mezzo-soprano	Puccini, Piaf and popular hits from the shows
6.30pm	Tani Phillips and Kate Hicks Beach	Should I stay or should I go? A concert of duets from around Europe
7.45pm	Charlotte Brennand ~ piano Louise Fuller ~ violin With Kate Hicks Beach ~ mezzo	Brahms Violin Sonata No 1 in G Major, Op 78 "Regensong" or Rain Sonata and songs by Mahler
9.00pm	Barry and Jean Kilgariff	It's a lock in – a drink and the infectious mix of hit songs of the 60s and 70s from fabulous duo Barry and Jean

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<p><b>COMPLEMENTARY THERAPISTS</b>  <b>Karen Benbow</b> – Reflexology &amp; The Bowen Technique in Southrop &amp; Fairford. Contact Karen for a discussion or to book a treatment. <i>www.karenbenbow.co.uk</i>  <b>Sally Peachey Reiki</b> – Relaxing massage, Reiki or Crystal Therapy treatments: excellent for stress relief, boosting energy levels and helping recover from illness and injuries.</p>	<p><b>01367 850874</b>  <b>07786 971041</b>  <b>07905 236916</b></p>
<p><b>COMPUTER SERVICES</b>  <b>Computer Solutions</b> – Iain Atkins – Personal service for all your IT issues</p>	<p><b>01285 750277</b></p>
<p><b>DENTAL SURGEON</b>  <b>Dr Oliver Guy BDS (GDC reg79562)</b> – Family dental care, cosmetic and laser-assisted dentistry. Teeth whitening, implant restorations and clear braces. Market Place Dental Practice, Cirencester</p>	<p><b>01285 652200</b></p>
<p><b>DOMESTIC SERVICE</b>  <b>Strong's Oil-fired Boiler and AGA Services</b>, maintenance and repair</p>	<p><b>01285 750344</b></p>
<p><b>DRY STONE WALLING</b>  <b>Another Brick In The Wall</b> – Qualified dry stone wallers, mortared walls, archways, paving and slabbing. Ben &amp; Peter Bicknell – <i>peter.bicknell@tiscali.co.uk</i>  <b>Mike Harris</b> – dry stone walling</p>	<p><b>01285 711267</b>  <b>07910 244519</b>  <b>01285 750525</b>  <b>07810 888070</b></p>
<p><b>FIREWOOD – Will's Logs</b> - Local sustainably-sourced firewood and kindling for sale. Seasoned hardwood <i>eg</i> oak, thorn, ash delivered in 1 cubic metre bags. Free local delivery</p>	<p><b>07771 867767</b></p>
<p><b>FLOORING</b>  <b>Graham Ford Flooring</b> – Carpets and vinyl supplied, own carpets fitted and cleaned</p>	<p><b>01285 657439</b></p>
<p><b>GARDEN SERVICES</b>  <b>Keith Ford</b> – ponds, pruning &amp; hedge cutting, sheds re-felted, walls wired for climbers.  <b>The Garden &amp; Plant Company</b> –Design &amp; Landscaping. <i>info@gardenandplantco.com</i>  <b>AJ Arborists</b> – tree surgery &amp; Arboricultural Consultancy – Alasdair Jeffrey <i>www.ajarborists.co.uk</i></p>	<p><b>01285 750406</b>  <b>01285 712663</b>  <b>01285 750874</b></p>
<p><b>GENERAL STORES</b>  <b>Coln Stores &amp; Post Office.</b> Mon-Fri 7.00 am - 6.00 pm; Sat 8.00 am - 4.30 pm (2.00 pm in winter); Sunday 9.00 am - 4.00 pm (1.00 pm in winter).</p>	<p><b>01285 750294</b></p>
<p><b>GROUNDWORKS - SN Complete Groundworks</b> – Drainage, Driveways, Fencing, Patios etc.</p>	<p><b>01367 850717</b>  <b>07738 937697</b></p>
<p><b>HOME DECORATING</b>  <b>A. Tilling</b> – Interior and Exterior  <b>D J Morley</b> Fairford</p>	<p><b>01285 810624</b>  <b>01285 713802</b></p>

<b>M Byfield</b> – Interior and Exterior decorator <i>interiorworx@btinternet.com; 07876 558400</i>	<b>01367 850768</b>
<b>HOME HELP – YVONNE LEWIS</b> Jobs in and around the home, pets to vet, help on internet, taking and collecting deliveries	<b>07922 103532</b>
<b>IRONING – IRONED OUT GLOS</b> – Local ironing service, collection and delivery <i>www.facebook.com/ironedoutglos</i>	<b>07718 624228</b>
<b>LAND &amp; ESTATE AGENTS – Moore Allen &amp; Innocent</b> – Property Consultants & Managers, Land and Estate Agents, Auctioneers and Chartered Surveyors	<b>01285 651831</b> <b>01367 252541</b>
<b>MOLE CONTROL</b> Traditional Molecatcher: no mole, no fee. Qualified and fully insured with references.	<b>01285 770968</b> <b>07766 132934</b>
<b>OVEN CLEANING</b> <b>Cotswold Oven Valeting Ltd</b> – professional cleaning of all ovens (incl. AGAs), hobs, extractors and microwaves	<b>01367 850522</b>
<b>PERSONAL TRAINER</b> Personal Training Available 7 Days A Week – Lose weight, tone up, get fitter, improve your health and fitness. <i>www.falconhealthandfitness.co.uk</i>	<b>01285 656986</b> <b>07794 614962</b>
<b>PICTURE FRAMING</b> <b>ALS Picture Framing</b> , Cirencester – established 1987	<b>01285 659416</b>
<b>PLATES-A-PLENTY</b> - Crockery, cutlery, glassware and linen hire	<b>07974 785437</b>
<b>PUBLIC HOUSES AND RESTAURANTS</b> <b>The New Inn, Coln St. Aldwyns</b> , Charlotte Close <b>The Keepers Arms, Quenington</b> , Jon, Verity and Michelle <b>The Swan at Southrop</b> , Lydia Sheehan	<b>01285 750651</b> <b>01285 750349</b> <b>01367 850205</b>
<b>SOLICITORS Wilmot &amp; Co</b> , 38 Castle Street, Cirencester	<b>01285 650551</b>
<b>SPORTS AND REMEDIAL MASSAGE - Rachael Rodia ITEC dip, MFHT</b> - Relieve muscular aches and pains, prevent injury and alleviate symptoms from poor posture <i>www.rachaelrodiamassage.co.uk, rachael.rodia@yahoo.co.uk</i>	<b>07769 656932</b>
<b>TAXIS</b> <b>BYWAYS</b> – Taxis & Private Hire Services. Local & long distance bookings welcome with vehicles to suit most occasions.	<b>Free phone</b> <b>0800 999 2288</b> <b>01451 844 384</b>
<b>TV PROBLEMS??</b> Call Aardvark Aerials & Satellite. TV aerials, Satellite, new TV points. Fully insured. <i>www.aardvarkaerials.co.uk</i>	<b>01285 800041</b>
<b>TENNIS AND FOOTBALL COACH Matt Townsend</b> - LTA Licensed coach, Schools, Clubs and private lessons for adults and children of all ages	<b>07850 043056</b>
<b>WINDOWS</b> <b>Paradise Windows</b> - UPVC Windows and doors, 10 yr guarantee <b>Coln Valley Glazing</b> – Steve Winney, Quenington. Replacement of misted or broken glass units	<b>01367 850188</b> <b>01285 750553</b> <b>0776 5780772</b>
<b>YOGA / EXERCISE</b> 1) Contact Anne Sutherland – <i>ann@yogaspring.co.uk</i> for classes at Oxleaze, Langford and Coln Rogers. For more info <i>www.yogaspring.co.uk</i> 2) Tai Chi – phone Heather	<b>01608 643059</b> <b>01285 750751</b>

## CHEQS DIARY

Apr 5	8.00 pm	Men Aloud Out – Trout Inn, Lechlade
Apr 7-8	10.00 am	Southrop Litterpick
Apr 8	11.00 am	Rare Plants Fair at Quenington Old Rectory
Apr 9-22		House to House collection for League of Friends
Apr 11	7.30 pm	Eastleach Annual Parish Meeting
Apr 13-14		River Room Sessions for Mindsong
Apr 14	2.00 pm	Garage Sale – School House, Coln St Aldwyns
Apr 14	10.30 am	Quenington Village Hall Coffee Morning
Apr 15		Quenington Car Boot Sale
Apr 19	6.45 pm	CHQ Annual Church Meeting – Nigel & Angie’s Barn
Apr 21		Fairford and District Choral Society Concert
Apr 21	7.00 pm	Southrop Race Night
Apr 23	3.00 pm	‘Lost in Translation’ at Coln Vicarage
	7.15 pm	Lechlade History Society
Apr 24	7.45 pm	Life Explored Course at St Lawrence Lechlade
Apr 25	6.00 pm	St Andrews, Eastleach Annual Parochial Church Meeting
Apr 27	7.00 pm	Coln Cinema – The Death of Stalin
Apr 28		Quenington Annual Parish Meeting
Apr 28	10.00 am	Charity Clothes Swap
May 2	6.30 pm	Keble Service at St Peter’s Southrop
May 6		Quenington Car Boot Sale
May 10	7.00 am	Ascension Day service in Coln
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May 12	2.00 pm	Quenington Fete
May 14	3.00 pm	‘Lost in Translation’ at Coln Vicarage
May 19-20		Open Gardens Weekend – Southrop and Fyfield
Jun 3		Quenington Car Boot Sale
Jun 9		Southrop Village Fete
Jun 24	4.00 pm	Coln Village Service (followed by tea)
Jun 24	11.00 am	Eastleach Rogation Service
Jun 25	3.00 pm	‘Lost in Translation’ at Coln Vicarage
Jun 28		Visit to Reading Abbey
Jul 1		Quenington Car Boot Sale
Jul 7		Big Band Picnic