QUARTERLY ISSUE #11 AUTUMN 2024 EDITION
Batheaston Times

Your go-to guide for all the village news & events



* Batheaston Art Trail
* The Scarecrow Trail
* Batheaston Bonfire Night
* Winter Gift & Craft Fair

Working together to create more events & support for families, kids, teenagers & elderly people in our village.

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As Autumn comes, there are plenty more events coming up

In this edition it's all about the wonderful community activities that are taking place across the village this Autumn.

ear Residents of Batheaston, I hope you have all had an enjoyable Summer. It's been excellent to see so many fellow residents out and about enjoying the array of open spaces we are lucky enough to have within and around our beautiful village.

If you missed out on this Summer's events, fear not! As Autumn comes, there are plenty more events coming up. If you want to get out and meet other like-minded individuals Batheaston Times is the first place to look. This edition has so much information about forthcoming local events, and provides many contact links.

Here in the village there are many activities to choose from. Do make a special note of our Art Trail weekend, 28th – 29th September. Looking further ahead, the Scouts Fireworks are coming up on 2nd November, and St John's will again be hosting a Christmas Tree Festival between 29th November – 1st December.

I am always profoundly impressed by the amazing generosity and commitment so many local people show throughout the year, giving up precious time to volunteer and help others. If you yourself feel you want to be part of that goodwill and generosity, please take time to read through all the volunteering opportunities contained within this edition of Batheaston Times. On that note, I would like to finish by thanking everyone responsible for making this July's Batheaston Summer Festival such a fabulous success. Especial thanks should go to Parish Council members who gave up so much of their personal time to ensure that it all ran smoothly.

I wish you all the best and look forward to seeing you out and about in the Village.

Cllr Kevin Guy Chair of Batheaston Leadership Board

And thanks to our printers...





WE'RE BACK!

BATHEASTON'S ANNUAL ART TRAIL WEEKEND

Sat 28th & Sun 29th Sept

Multiple artists and designers are once again coming together to launch our village's Art Trail weekend. It consists of a walking route around the village with stops at the studios of local artists. St. John the Baptist Church and the Batheaston New Village Hall provide further exhibition spaces.

NEW EVENT!

GAME ON! BATHEASTON SCARECROW **TRAIL 2024** Saturday 28th September -

Saturday 12th October Batheaston Village

Maps will be on sale from Mon 23rd Sept at Robbie's Plaice and from 10am-2pm on Sat 28th Sept from the FoBS team at Batheaston Primary School.

Got to page 14 for more details.

NEW EVENT!

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Autumn events calend

BATHEASTON PRIMARY SCHOOL WINTER FAIR 30th November 2-5pm

Batheaston School

Batheaston Primary School Winter Fair takes place on 30th November, 2-5pm. More information to follow!

NEW EVENT!

SCOUT BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS NIGHT Batheaston Village Saturday November 2nd

As before, we are running a "pay what you can afford" ticket price scheme.

A great view of the fireworks and a fantastic family evening out while supporting the scouts only fundraising event of the year.

NEW EVENT!

NATIONAL TRUST

29th September: Late summer scything session workshop.

17th November: How to lay a hedge.

Please note that these events are free but with limited spaces. For more information and to book a place, please go to www. nationaltrust.org.uk/ bathampton-meadows or ring us on 0344 249 1895

KUNG FU BATH

Every Wednesday Youth Club 5-11 years - 6-6.45pm Scout Hut 12 upwards - 7-8.30pm The Bath Kung Fu Academy is pleased to offer professional step by step instruction for men, women and children of all ages. We guide you from complete beginner to advanced practitioner and pride ourselves on being fun and friendly. www.kungfubath.com/

TERM TIME ONLY

YOUTH CLUB

For 11-18 year olds Tue & Thurs 6.30-9.00pm **Batheaston Youth Club**

£1.00 entry Food & tuck shop available. 14+ years invited on Thursdays. 11-14 year olds currently attend both nights.

Art Trail Workshops - Saturday 28th & Sunday 29th September

Winter Gift and Craft Fair -Saturday 23rd November

NEW EVENT!

SUMPTUOUS SUPPERS (& LUNCHES) Around 19th October.

Raising Money to Redecorate St John's

Tickets at £25 per person cover a 3-course meal with wine.

For tickets or further information including a list of the menus, please contact Keith and Julia Masdin (01225 858042) keithmasdin@btinternet. com)

TERM TIME ONLY

BATHEASTON ALL SORTS TODDLER GROUP

Batheaston New Village Hall Every Tuesday 9.30-11am

We have a wide variety of fun and educational toys, a weekly craft activity, snack time, story time and music time. There is tea and fresh coffee for grown ups and home-made cake. The cost of the session is £2 per family/childminder. www.facebook.com/ groups/170815826444823



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Beavers (ages 6-8) 6 - 7.15pm 23rdbathscouts.org/ beavers/

Scouts (ages 10.5-14) 7.30 - 9pm 23rdbathscouts.org/ scouts/

Activities include cooking, building, problem solving, hiking, camping and adventures.

TERM TIME ONLY

SEN (SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS) PARENT / CARERS CAFE

Fridays 10.30-12.30 term time only. Upstairs room, Batheaston New Village Hall

If you are a parent or a carer join us for a chance to talk with other parent carers in a happy friendly place with coffee, tea and cake too. Anyone involved in any way caring for a young person with SEND, regardless of a diagnosis, is always very welcome.

roxyrussell1985@gmail.com

TERM TIME ONLY

SOLSBURY SINGS COMMUNITY CHOIR New Village Hall Every Monday 7.30-8.45 pm

Juniors (School Year 1-6):

Seniors (School Year 6+):

Offering a month of free

martial arts for children in

School Year 1 and above.

We develop self-control

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www.tigermartialarts.club

6:00-6:45pm

6:45-7:30pm

A friendly mixed choir for all abilities Contact Cathy cathy@solsburysings.co.uk

HAVE AN EVENT IDEA? hello@batheastontimes.co.uk

Wednesdays 5.30-6.30pm Rhymes Field

Please contact Richard Turner (mobile 07793 270762) for more information. All abilities welcome, aimed at over 50's, £3 per session.

CREATIVE ROOTS -Mikes Meadow, Northend, Batheaston, BA17EP Family mornings the last Saturday of each month.

www.bookwhen.com/ creativeroots

Activities include nature crafts, den building, bushcraft, sewing, simple campfire cooking, singing and storytelling



Grow Batheaston

Working together from the ground up





B atheaston Art Trail, Weekend of 27th- 28th September We are looking forward to our everpopular annual Art Trail. We have had great success over the last three years, with many people attending from within and from outside the village. They have greatly appreciated our community's talented artists. New This Year: we will be running creative workshops in the Youth Club and the New Village Hall.

Batheaston Art Trail Curry and Quiz Night Fundraiser

This event in June at BNVH was enjoyed by a full house, and our thanks go to the organising team for arranging a great curry meal and quiz night. Insert beaver banner image

Beavers Around Batheaston Events

Also in June, more than 120 people came to our Beavers Around Batheaston event and enjoyed stimulating talks, film and artwork at BNVH. Many thanks go to the presenters Bevis Watts, Emma Fennell Hodson, Emily Bowen, Dr Eva Perrin and Aleks Domanski. Further thanks go to willow artist Julie Starks and insect collage artist Marian Hill for their engagement in May with Batheaston Primary School. Pupils were able to learn about beavers and their habitat and produced artwork to reflect this.

Batheaston Tree Trail Group

This group has been busy identifying suitable trees for inclusion in a trail, and is producing walking routes so people can make a circuit of these special trees. Do contact GB if you are interested in joining the tree trail group: hello@ growbatheaston.co.uk

GB WhatsApp Groups

If you want to learn or exchange information about wildlife, what you are growing or the Forest Garden then why not contact GB and join the appropriate WhatsApp group?

KEY FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

- Junior Football Saturdays, 9-11am Rhymes Pavilion field
- Walking Football Wednesdays, 5.30 and 6.30pm, Rhymes Pavilion field
- Batheaston Art Trail Saturday and Sunday 28th & 29th September
- Christmas Fayre Saturday 7th December, BNVH

If you are interested in becoming a Trustee or a volunteer, please do get in touch. Email: hello@growbatheaston.co.uk Website: www.growbatheaston.co.uk

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CONTACT US JOIN A CLUB OR VOLUNTEER!

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Batheaston Church School

Living life in all its fullness

t's that exciting time of year again when we welcome lots of prospective new families through the gate.

They are in the process of making the important decision about which primary school they want to send their child to in September 2025.

Batheaston is a wonderful, vibrant school nestling in the heart of our village.

We are surrounded by beautiful historic buildings, and open countryside is near at hand. We pride ourselves on being a warm, friendly and happy place where children thrive on the belief that their dreams and aspirations can be achieved. We love to develop children's curiosity and place much emphasis on listening and responding to our children's voice.

Our school is extremely lucky to have extensive outdoor space and we use this creatively, taking our learning outdoors to explore the natural world. We endeavour to adapt our curriculum so that every child, regardless of additional learning needs and disabilities, is able to become the best version of themselves and to fulfil their dreams.

We absolutely love showing off our school to new parents and this year is no exception. Eager to get started, we have already arranged four dates when families can book a place on our guided tours. These tours are led either the Head or the Deputy Head, who is also the Reception class teacher.

We have purposely made the date of one of our tours a Saturday, as we understand how difficult it can be for both parents to visit during the working week. Should you be unable to make any of the listed dates, we are more than happy to organise a different date/ time which will be convenient for both you and the school.

We look forward to welcoming you soon to Batheaston Church School.

Batheaston Youth Club

Batheaston Youth Club (BYC) is a place for young people to enjoy, learn and to plan activities together for the future in a supportive, purpose-built environment



t's all go at Batheaston Youth Club. We're developing our Youth Service. So, it's all hands-on deck to encourage young people from Batheaston, Bathford and Bathampton to enjoy the Club. We have new sofas, new games and equipment, newly painted walls, new curtains and new smiles all round. Repair to the roof is a major project and is being tackled in September. Thanks go to Batheaston Neighbourhood Group and to the National Lottery Awards For All Scheme for a 20K grant.

Thanks also go to the following:

- Bath Rotary Club for new sofas.
- Ward Councillors for board games and equipment.
- Batheaston Parish Council & St John the Baptist Church for assistance with running costs & promotion.
- Good Gym Charity Volunteers for painting and decorating.
- Leigh for sofa removal and Richard Hayes for quick sofa delivery.

Diary Dates

We'll be doing more exciting trips and activities in the future, following two successful visits with 15 young residents to Jamie's Farm in Box. **Club Open Day -** Sunday 8th September 12.00pm-5.00pm. All welcome to have a look around the Club, play table tennis and pool, and enjoy crafts and games.

GET

01225 859 324

Batheaston Art Trail – Saturday 28th Sunday 29th September 11.30am-5.00pm. We'll have workshops in the Youth Club over the weekend.

Weekday Club Sessions – 6.30pm-9.00pm Tuesday and Thursdays for 11-14 year olds. For now, 14-18 year olds are also encouraged to attend on Thursdays to express their interest in setting up separate age group sessions.

Winter Gift & Craft Fair – Saturday 23rd November – Santa will be coming.

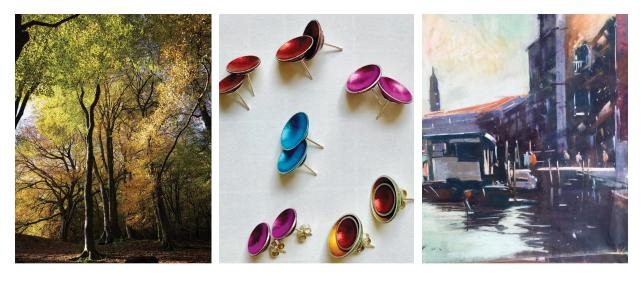
Club Enquiries

Follow our news on Facebook and Instagram. Julie Russell - Senior Youth Leader – mobile 07905 905970

The Club can be hired for parties, courses and events. It offers kitchen, activity hall and lounge, pool table, table tennis tables and board games. **Club Bookings:** 01225 859324 **Club Address:** BYC, School Lane, Batheaston BA1 7EP







BATHEASTON ARTIRAL OPENING TIMES: 11.30AM - 5.30PM 28TH & 29TH SEPTEMBER 2024

For more art trail information, please visit www.growbatheaston.co.uk



WITH SPECIAL THANKS TO: THE ART TRAIL STEERING TEAM, ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CHURCH, WARD COUNCILLOR; KEVIN GUY, BATHEASTON NEW VILLAGE HALL, AND ALL OUR FABULOUS ARTISTS.



Cover artists from top row first: Austen O'Hanlon, Annie Beardsley, Steve Hall, Clare Day, Joanne Rutter, Georgia Cox.



Batheaston & Bathford Scouts*

Scouting for young people in Batheaston and Bathford is provided by 23rd Bath (Avonvale) Scout Group

ur locally held 3-day spring camp included Beavers (aged 6-8), Cubs (aged 8-10), Scouts (aged 10-14) and Young Leaders (aged 14 – 18). At the busiest point of the week-end we had 107 people (including 16 Adult Volunteers) on site from just our group!

Summer camp is the main event in our camping calendar and we've just returned from a sunny week pitching our tents right next to the River Wye. 14 Scouts and 2 Young Leaders enjoyed a whole week under canvas. And 14 Cubs joined us for 4 days. During that week on camp the scouts cooked all their meals on open fires and took part in climbing, canoeing, hiking, swimming, archery and axe throwing. Each evening the patrols took part in our own version of Taskmaster, which culminated on the last night in a 13-station challenge final. **Volunteering is a large part of scouting,** both for the Adults and Scouts. 15 Scouts helped out all day at Batheaston Fete this year and we will be assisting with the Art Trail in September.

Batheaston Bonfire Night on the 2nd November is always a mammoth effort. All Adult Volunteers and Scouts will come together again this year to organise this everpopular event.

Coming up soon, Scouts will be taking part in the District shooting and archery competition, they'll be hiking in the Brecon Beacons and completing their annual Survival Camp.

If all this sounds fun, then please come and join us – Adult Helpers and Young People are always welcome. More information is on our website at www.23rdbathscouts.org

Penny's Pantry & Community Café

Penny's Pantry (PP) is a not-for-profit organisation, run by local volunteers to expand affordable food choice and social activity for local residents



very picture tells a story - The Rhymes Pavilion has had a face lift! It's not quite finished, as it's a complicated project - but the transformation is amazing. So why not consider booking the Rhymes for your family party or for another special event? You can find all booking details are on the Parish Council website. Do contact Rachel on: bookings@ batheaston.org.uk.

Though the Rhymes has not yet featured in Homes and Gardens, Penny's Pantry team is delighted that it can now invite folk to meet up in a fresh, newly painted room! We open on Wednesdays 10am – noon, serving coffees, teas and cakes. All ages are most welcome, and there is sloped access for buggies and wheelchairs. Come and join us, have a laugh, and catch up with all the local news. Penny's Pantry team also welcomes you to our village monthly lunches at the New Village Hall. You can meet up with friends, enjoy a hearty meal and still not burn a great big hole in your pocket. Lunches are happening on 20th September, 18th October, 15th November and 13th December. Book at the Rhymes on Wednesday mornings or telephone 684649. Tell us if you have difficulties with transport. See you there!

- Penny's Pantry team is very grateful to the Parish Council for covering the cost of painting materials.
- We also want to say a warm thank-you to Good Gym members and other local volunteers who have come over several week-ends and worked really hard to redecorate and get the Rhymes back into working order. We need more local volunteers to help!

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Batheaston Twinning Association

The BTA is designed to encourage friendship and increase understanding between the residents of Batheaston & Oudon in the Loire Valley in France

A group of us visited set out for Oudon in late May. For the first time we shared the coach travel via Portsmouth/Caen with another twinning association, that from Hemyock, on the Somerset/Devon border. Hemyock is twinned with a village near Oudon, and fortunately they had planned to travel on the same weekend.

Coach travel is so much more relaxing that driving! The coach was very comfortable and our driver was experienced and friendly. We explored the wonderful Roman and Medieval town of Le Mans on our way down to the Loire Valley. The only sign of the famous "24 Hours" of Le Mans motor racing was a parade of classic sports cars we saw as we left our ferry. We had our usual enjoyable time with our French counterparts in village of Oudon. We enjoyed a weekend of gastronomy and oenophilia (love of wine), interspersed with music and Breton dancing. The dancing is harder than it looks! And, of course, we renewed our friendship with our French partners.

2025 will be the twentieth anniversary of Oudon's first visit here. The Oudonais will be visiting us in July. We intend to celebrate! And all will be welcome.

Peter Davenport

Chair, Batheaston Twinning Association

SAT 28TH SEPT-SAT 12TH OCT

Complete the trail, choose your favourite scarecrow and hand back your form by Tues 15th Oct to be in with a chance of winning a prize!

PRIZES FOR MOST CORRECTLY **GUESSED SCARECROWS:**

> 1st - £75 2nd - £50 3rd - £25



PLUS..... Favourite scarecrow - £50



TRAIL MAPS £4

Maps will be on sale from Mon

23rd Sept at Robbie's Plaice

and from 10am-2pm on Sat

28th Sept from the FoBS team

at Batheaston Primary School

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Scan to register your scarecrow for this years OF BA trail by 10th September



Or email friendsofbatheaston@gmail.com

Brought to you by Friends of Batheaston School For more information please email friendsofbatheaston@gmail.com All proceeds from this event will go towards our wonderful school and to fund some improvements and updates to our playground



Join in the Family Fun with Batheaston's Scarecrow Trail 2024!

on't miss out on this creative and entertaining event that promises to bring joy and community spirit to Batheaston.

This year's theme for our Scarecrow Trail is Game On - Scarecrows should represent a board/computer game, a character from a game or a piece from a game.

If you would like to enter an entry, here are some important points of information:

- Register your scarecrow by 10th September by scanning the QR code or by emailing friendsofbatheaston@ gmail.com
- Scarecrows need to on display from Saturday 28th September – Saturday 12th October (this coincides with Grow Batheaston's Art Trail)
- Scarecrow Trail maps cost £4 and will be on sale from Monday 23rd

September at Robbie's Plaice and the FoBS team will be selling them 10am-2pm at Batheaston Primary School on Saturday 28th September.

- Winners will be announced via Friends of Batheaston School social media on Friday 18th October. Prizes will be awarded for:
- Scarecrows most often correctly recognised (1st, 2nd & 3rd prizes)
- Best Scarecrow (voted for by trail goers)

Good luck - we can't wait to see this year's entries!

Batheaston Primary School Winter Fair takes place on 30th November, 2-5pm. More information to follow!

These events are brought to you by Friends of Batheaston School (FoBS) and proceeds will go towards funding improvements and updates to our playground!

National Trust

National Trust

GET IN TOUCH email: bathskyline@ nationaltrust.org.uk

Making space for people and nature at National Trust's first green corridor, Bathampton Meadows

et's first look back at the summer. Butterfly numbers were low after a wet spring, but started to pick up in the later warm, sunny weather. Trees were in full leaf, with swifts, swallows, and house and sand martins enjoying the Meadows. I watched birds of prey chasing the tractor to find voles and mice in the cut grass.

We had a first day of scything on the Meadows for probably a hundred years. Mostly we cut the hay by machine, but this year we dusted off our scythes. The traditional skill of scything is still useful when creating wildflower meadows and for topping ever-encroaching lines of thistles. Scything is so quiet, and with practice and technique you can find quite a relaxing rhythm. One of our volunteers was remembering scything as a child on his father's farm.

Our team has been attending local fairs and fetes, which are great opportunities for meeting people face-to-face, as are our drop-in sessions. We love to hear how important the Meadows are to so many of you. We have also been busy cutting back pathways to keep them accessible, and surveying our wildflower seed test patches to see what flowers are thriving here or struggling. We will continue to shape the Meadows for everyone to enjoy, and will share our upcoming plans with you.

Now, as autumn comes, we will be holding some heritage skills events.

29th September: You may have enjoyed reading about our summer scything. We are now holding a late summer scything session workshop, where you can learn the traditional way to cut a hay meadow.

17th November: This workshop will cover another heritage skill as we show how to lay a hedge. We restarted hedge laying on the Meadows in 2022, and our hedges have been flourishing ever since.

Please note that these events are free but with limited spaces. For more information and to book a place, please go to www.nationaltrust.org.uk/ bathampton-meadows or ring us on 0344 249 1895

By Sarah Dann, National Trust Ranger



Online bookings only: <u>www.bathcityyouthfc.com/batheaston</u> Click the link > Sign up player > Download free Spond app > Schedule sessions

Grow Batheaston Junior Football is back at the Rhymes Football Pitch, now in collaboration with **Bath City Youth FC** who'll be managing the coaches and a new booking system for the sessions. Every Saturday at the Batheaston Pitch we'll be running football training for primary school age boys and girls, 4 - 10 years old, 9.30 - 11.30.

Main objectives are for the kids to have fun, get some exercise, develop football skills plus

learn about teamwork and respect. Along with kids from Batheaston, we also invite children from all the surrounding villages, as we're fully inclusive. We'll have qualified coaches managed by **Bath City FC** to hold training sessions, where we'll naturally form groups as they progress according to skill, age and commitment.

Sessions will be £5 for the 2 hour session. www.bathcityyouthfc.com/batheaston

BATHEASTON FOOTBALL PITCH - EVERY SATURDAY, 9.30am - 11.30am

The Rhymes Pavilion, Coalpit Rd, Batheaston, Bath BA17NW

New Village Hall

Your community space

We are available for private events such as wedding receptions, life celebrations, baby showers and children's parties. We are also available for commercial bookings including exercise classes, singing, art and much more.

Please follow us on facebook and instagram for regular updates. Ali Rogers, Bookings Manager, booking@ batheastonhall.org, 07968 697451

Latest Updates: September sees schools starting back, as do our regular term-time classes. Below is our timetable, with a few new offerings and a few changes.

We are delighted to welcome to BNVH the Rainbow Care Group, an award-winning dementia day care service running each Monday and Wednesday. For more info and to book a taster session visit https://therainbowcaregroup.com/ dementia-day-care-bath/

New NCT group sessions Tuesdays from 10th September www.nct.org.uk

New Aerobics/HIIT class Tuesday evenings from 3rd September 7-8pm £6 per class drop in or £50 for 10 classes. **Batheaston Art Trail, weekend of 28th - 29th September.** Once again the hall will be hosting a selection of our talented local artists.

Friday 18th October OKTOBERFEST, hosted by Batheaston's Pop Up Pub crew. This fundraiser costs £12 including 2 alcoholic drinks and food. There will be a distinctly German twist to the evening and a marvellous selection of German and worldwide beers, wines and spirits! Not to mention a quiz to test your knowledge of beer, bratwurst and Bavaria! To book email villagepopuppub1@gmail.com A toast.....Prost!

Other Public Events September - November

Book Club - first Tuesday of Every Month 7-8.15pm juliaj@ hotmail.co.uk. September's book is Patricia Highsmith's "The talented Mr Ripley", October's is "The Country of Others" by Leila Slimani and November's book is TBC.

Baby Hub - first Thursday of every month 2-3.30pm Craft and Chat Nights - 7- 9pm 10th September, 8th October www.cosycraft.club/workshops **Community lunches** monthly Fridays 20th September, 18th October and 15th November from 12.30pm. To book, contact Sarah Sheppard on 01225 684649 or call in on Wednesday mornings at Penny's Pantry, Rhymes Pavilion.

Linocut Basics Workshop - Saturday 7th September 9.30-12.30 robgrieveart@yahoo.com

Beetle Drive family friendly event- Saturday 14th September 6-8pm

Evening of Mediumship and Sound Healing - Fri 20th September 6-9pm

Ceroc Workshop - Sunday 22nd September & Saturday 19th October https://www.ceroc.com/24/131/ceroc-bathbatheaston-new-village-hall?id=1065

Batheaston Art Trail - Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th September 11.30 - 5.30 each day

BANES 'Local Voices for People and Planet' - event runs from 3pm Tuesday 8th October

Silver Disco - Saturday 12th October https://www. hotflushdisco.co.uk

Solsbury Hill Ensemble Community Concert- Sunday 13th October from 10.30am - family friendly event

Pop-up Pub night - (raising money for improvements/ additions to BNVH) Friday 18th October 6-9pm villagepopuppub1@gmail.com

Community Ceilidh and Curry - the whole family is welcome - Saturday 2nd November 6.30-10pm www.jamiecolston.com/ community-dancing]www.jamiecolston.com/communitydancing

Padlocks: Finally, a word in response to some recent criticism about the padlocks on the gates leading to the field. The field is owned by the Church and is available for use in connection with lettings of the Village Hall, Youth Club, Scouts and is also used by Batheaston School for sports and other activities. We also need to ensure its exclusive use, often on weekends, to hirers of the hall.

In order for the field to be safe for all such activities we cannot allow unrestricted use by members of the public because this often involves dog walking, and sometimes fouling of the field. We have also experienced damage to property.







SUMPTUOUS SUPPERS (& LUNCHES)

Raising Money to Redecorate St John's

You and your friends are invited to a sumptuous meal in the days around 19th October (actual date/time to be decided by your host).

All our hosts will be offering their own menus. Your menu choice determines your meal's mystery location. Tickets at £25 per person cover a 3-course meal with wine.

For tickets or further information including a list of the menus, please contact Keith and Julia Masdin 01225 858042 / <u>keithmasdin@btinternet.com</u>

St John's with St Catherine's

Autumn events and church services in Batheaston and at St Catherine's

ear Friends, At Batheaston school leavers' service in July we sang *One More Step.* You may remember the lines: "Give me courage when the world is rough, Keep me loving though the world is tough." With everything that's going on just now in the world, and in this country, it feels like we need God's company more than ever... and so with him we step forward in hope...

And there's lots to look forward to in the months ahead...

SEPT 22nd 3.30pm JAM at St John's -Afternoon fun/story/activities and prayers for young stars

SEPT 28/29th ART TRAIL: St John's Café offers coffees, snack lunches and teas and hosts some of the artists

Oct 6th HARVEST FESTIVAL: 10am at St John's + 12 noon HARVEST LUNCH (book this lunch through church or at Penny's Pantry, Wednesdays) Oct 6th HARVEST FESTIVAL: 3pm at St Catherine's

Oct 18th- 25th SUMPTUOUS SUPPERS (& LUNCHES)! Please see separate advert.

Oct 27th 12noon JAM SPECIAL Make and Eat! at B.N.V.H.

Oct 27th 3pm ALL SOULS SERVICE OF THANKSGIVING at St John's for departed loved ones, followed by tea and cake.

Nov 10th REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

service 10am at St John's, gather at 10.50am for the Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL AT ST JOHN'S - Advance Notice - Fri 29th November- Sunday 1st December.

Please do get in touch if you would like any more information about events, or indeed about church and the Christian faith. With every blessing, Lauretta Autumn 2024

Can you help support your community?

Here are some of the clubs, organisations and groups we have in the village who would love to hear from you about volunteering, joining and helping out



Grow Batheaston Contact: hello@growbatheaston.co.uk

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- **Batheaston Youth Club** Contact: 07905 905970 or 07773252870
- FoBS Contact: friendsofbatheaston@gmail.com
- **Penny's Pantry** Contact: bernina@uwclub.net or Katy@wern.org.uk
- **Batheaston Parish Council** Contact: clerk@batheaston-pc.gov.uk
- St John's with St Catherine's Contact: revlauretta@outlook.com

Wern Contact: katy@wern.org.uk

National Trust Contact: bathskyline@nationaltrust.org.uk

Batheaston Parish Council

Batheaston Parish Council provides recreation and other facilities, maintains some of the local environment, and represents the community



s we reflect on a busy summer and now head into autumn, two key items come to mind - the return of the Summer Party and the vitally important Rhymes Survey!

So, firstly, we would like to thank everyone who helped to make July's Riverside Party such an enjoyable and successful day. It takes a village to bring a village together and we are so grateful to everyone who supported the event; through assisting in the planning, donating stalls and prizes, or by joining us on the day, bringing the party spirit with them! If anyone has ideas for how we can build on this year's success, please do get in touch!

Now to the crucial matter of the Rhymes

Survey. As you may know, we are determined that the future of the Rhymes Pavilion should be shaped by YOU. Ensuring this important community asset meets the needs of the village both now and for future generations is at the heart of our mission as a Parish Council. Your ideas and feedback are the most important part of this process.

Your vision for Rhymes Pavilion

Fill in our community survey online, or pick up a printed copy from Batheaston Medical Centre, Maurden's or Premier.*

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We want to ensure that any redevelopment of the Rhymes reflects the vision and wishes of the village. Additionally, for the Parish Council to be successful in their applications for funding, we need to show that the community has put forward their ideas and that these have been embedded in the heart of our plan. So, it is vital that you tell us what you want.

 Please fill in the Survey using the QR code. It's quick and easy to do. Alternatively paper copies can be collected from Batheaston Medical Centre, Maurden's and Premier.

As always, we welcome everyone to our Parish Council meetings. So, if you would like the opportunity to be more involved in the local community then please come along and find out more about what we do.





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Village Agents: part of the Community Wellbeing Hub



f you need help or support, there are plenty of organisations out there. But finding out how and where to access them can be difficult. This is where your Village Agent can help. As part of the B&NES Community Wellbeing Hub we have a direct line of contact to around thirty partners, who offer a range of services to improve your health and wellbeing.

The Hub acts as a central point of contact

and provides a triage (sorting) service to direct you to the best solution. Our range of partners covers most needs, including:

- · Financial and money matters
- Keeping active and healthy
- Achieving a healthy weight
- Accessing food
- Mental health and wellbeing support
- Lifestyles services e.g. stopping smoking
- Social prescribing
- Housing advice
- Home from Hospital services
- Employment, skills and training
- · Wellbeing courses and volunteering
- Supporting carers, family members & others

As part of the Hub, Village Agents are put in touch with people in our community who need our support. Being a partner has also helped us work more collaboratively with other organisations, such as Age UK, Clean Slate, the Stoke Association and Alzheimer's Society, to name a few.

The Hub also has a presence in the Atrium of the R.U.H. (on the left as you go through the main doors). Some of the Village Agent team can often be found there, representing the Hub, so you can be sure to find a friendly face! They can give you more information about the partners that make up the Hub and can guide you through the process of making contact.

You can contact the Community Wellbeing Hub directly on 0300 247 0050 and speak to one of their friendly Triage Team.

Alternatively, your own Village Agent can help you through the process and make contact with the Hub on your behalf.









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Batheaston Village Lunch Dates 2024

Fri 14 June

Fri 19 July Fri 16 August Fri 20 September

Fri 18 October Fri 15 November Fri 13th December

Minimum donation: £5.00pp incl.

Welcome Drink Main Course & Dessert Coffee/Tea

** Please book in advance**

via Sarah at bernina@uwclub.net or the Wednesday coffee morning team at the Rhymes Pavilion

Please let us know if you have allergies, access or transport needs too



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We need your help!

Our local school, church, youth club, scouts group, charitable organisations and clubs really need your help for our community to grow

> If you'd like to get involved, please get in touch: <u>hello@batheastontimes.co.uk</u>

For a Brilliant and Resilient Future. Let's Grow Batheaston Together.



