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Lifeboat Rescued

A group of locals have recently taken over and begun a significant renovation project of the Lifeboat Inn in Shirehampton High Street.

Admiral Taverns had the lease of the Lifeboat on the market for six months, but with no interest being shown, there was a very real risk of the premises being turned into flats which would have meant another piece of our local history lost forever, along with The Rising Sun, the Snooker Hall, the Swimming Baths, the Bingo Hall, Robin Cousin's Sport Centre etc.

To avoid this, a group of nine locals, who all have history with the place, have banded together,

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Above: Work in progress on The Lifeboat Inn.
Right: The New Lifeboat Crew!!!

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PUBLIC INFORMATION FOR JULY

Current Covid Information

Bristol's current rate of infection as of 14 June was 41 COVID-19 cases per 100,000 population. We are seeing a sustained increase in cases. The increase in infection rate is a cause for concern, not alarm. We encourage you to take up the offer of regular rapid testing which is open to everyone in Bristol. Please also book your vaccination when you are eligible to do so.

If you're meeting with friends or heading to the pub this weekend, please remember to follow the COVID guidance in place. Meet outside rather than inside where possible, and please be kind and patient to hospitality staff who are doing their utmost to keep customers safe.

Vaccine Cohorts Opening Up

People aged 21 and over are now eligible for the COVID-19 vaccine.

One dose of the vaccine helps to protect you against the virus, but you need to have both doses before you are fully protected. The second dose gives stronger protection from severe illness.

If you are eligible, there are two ways to get a COVID-19 vaccine:

- use the online service to book appointments at a vaccination centre or a pharmacy (www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination/)
- wait to be contacted by your GP surgery and book your appointments with them

There is slightly less capacity for first dose appointments at the moment because the focus is on bringing forward second dose appointments.

If you can't find a suitable appointment using the online service, please keep trying because new appointments are added daily.

#GetTested4Bristol

There are still many conveniently located sites in Bristol to get a test if you have symptoms.

Victoria Rooms, Netham Park and Hengrove Leisure Park sites are open until 1.30pm each day. They become community collect sites for regular lateral flow (rapid) testing at 2.30pm. **Brislington Park and Ride and Temple Street** testing sites are open for symptomatic testing all day. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you should self-isolate and **book an appointment to get tested at www.gov.uk/get-coronavirus-test** As many as one in three people with COVID-19 do not display symptoms, and lateral flow (rapid) tests help identify people who are positive and highly infectious.

It's really easy to pick up tests from across:

- GOV.UK (www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests)
- Some local pharmacies
- Any of our collection sites (www.bristol.gov.uk/coronavirus/guide-to-rapid-testing)
- Bristol Rapid Testing Centre - our friendly staff can also show you how to take your tests safely and properly.

Remember to Register Your Rapid Test Result

Regular rapid testing is available to everybody in Bristol without symptoms of COVID-19.

If you are opting to take your rapid tests at home, please **remember to register your test result within 24 hours on the GOV.UK website or by calling 119.**

If your rapid test result is positive, you need to:

- Self-isolate immediately
- Book a follow-up PCR test (which is analysed in a laboratory) **on the GOV.UK website or by calling 119.**

Support is available to you if you need to self-isolate. You may be eligible for an **NHS Test and Trace Support Payment** (www.bristol.gov.uk/benefits-financial-help/covid-19-financial-help/test-and-trace-payment-support). If you need help to get food or do other essential tasks, please call the **We Are Bristol helpline on 0800 694 0184.**

Countries Added to Red and Amber Travel Lists as of 8 June

RED LIST: Afghanistan, Bahrain, Costa Rica, Egypt, Sri Lanka, Sudan, Trinidad and Tobago.

If you return to Bristol from any of these countries you must quarantine in a government-approved hotel. You must take a COVID-19 test on or before day two and on or after day eight of your quarantine.

AMBER LIST: Portugal was moved to the amber list June 8th. If you are returning from Portugal, you must self-isolate at home for 10 days even if you feel well. You must take a COVID-19 test on or before day two and on or after day eight of your quarantine.

If you are self-isolating you may only leave your home to take a COVID-19 test. You may not have family or friends over. If you need support during this time, please contact the **We Are Bristol helpline on 0800 694 0184.**



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The *Shire* Community Pages

Twenty-Five Year Old Club at Risk of Closure - Help Us Celebrate, Not Close!

Lawrence Weston and Shirehampton Out of School Activities Club risks closure and needs your help!

The pandemic has impacted many people in many ways, including our local after school and holiday play scheme.

Lawrence Weston and Shirehampton Out of School Activities Club (LWOOSA and SOOSA) is a mainstay of our community, but it is now at risk of closure. The club, which is based at Shirehampton Primary School and The Rock Centre, has been looking after local children for over two decades. In fact, it celebrates its **25th anniversary this year** and would so love to carry on serving the community for another 25!

Providing critical after school care for the children of **Shirehampton, Lawrence Weston and Avonmouth**, it is the only club of its kind in the BS11 area, providing much-needed support for local families.

As a small, independent charity, the club relies heavily on donations and grants so that it can continue to provide these services. However, due to the pandemic and reduced capacity, the club is currently running at a loss of around £2,000 a month and could be forced to close within the year.

Should this sad situation become a reality, the families of Shirehampton, Lawrence Weston and Avonmouth would have no other options for childcare. Ensuring this club stays open really is crucial for so many families in BS11.



The club has set up a Crowd Funding page in the hope of raising more money www.crowdfunder.co.uk/lawrence-weston-shire-out-of-school-activities Please do donate if you can spare any money at all.

Rita Rich, project manager, said: “We want affordable childcare to be a right not a fight!! Our track record of affordable, quality childcare in a safe, nurturing and fun environment is at the heart of everything we deliver. We want to continue to support local families for many more years. If Lawrence Weston and Shirehampton out of school

activities was to close it would have a detrimental impact on the local community as a whole.”

For more information about the club's after school and holiday play schemes, please go to www.lwoosa.co.uk Holiday play schemes are running over the summer holidays – 8.30am to 5.30pm - with a huge list of fun activities to keep the kids entertained.

Follow on Facebook at LWOOSA and SOOSA for updates.

Shire Treasurer Resigns

Regrettably, **Brigid Dowsett**, our Shire Treasurer, has had to stand down due to ill health. We at Shire are very pleased that she is recovering well and wish to thank her for her contribution to the paper.

The Shire Committee

SHIRE NEWSPAPER AGM

Shire Newspaper will hold its Annual General Meeting on Monday 9th August 2021 at 5:00 pm.

We will be meeting in the Cotswold Community Centre, Dursley Road, BS11 9XH. Members of the Public are welcome.

SHIREHAMPTON PUBLIC HALL AGM

This will be held on Wednesday 7th July at 7pm in the Public Hall

All Welcome!!

DELIVERERS WANTED

After our appeal in June's issue regarding Meadow Grove and Portbury Walk, we were lucky to get a new recruit to deliver to Meadow Grove. Thank-you for volunteering!

At the time of writing, we still need a person willing to give 30 minutes of their time once a month to keep the residents of Portbury walk and road up to date with all our local articles, news and info! Please get in touch with the distribution officer on the number on page 2 of Shire, if that person is you!

Bobbie Perkins.



We enjoy spreading community news especially at this time and we love to hear from all our readers of both the online and printed versions. Please, send in your letters and stories to editor@shire.org.uk. If requested, we will not print the name of a letter written to the Editor, but we cannot accept an anonymous letter. *Many thanks.*

CELLULOID MEMORIES

Dear Editor,

Many years ago, probably early 1970's, I went along to a local history talk, maybe in the St Mary's Church Hall, that was hosted by the late Ralph Hack. It was all very interesting, but the two things that stuck in my memory for ever was the screening of two films. The first was a very poor quality film of St Mary's Church burning down in 1928 taken, if I remember rightly, by a local chemist in the High Street. The second was a film in colour, using German colour film, taken during WW2 and showing American troops parading through Shirehampton High St. I have often wondered what happened to those films and if anybody else remembers seeing them. I am not sure if they belonged to Ralph or not, and wonder what happened to his immense collection of local history artefacts after he died.

Would anyone in Shirehampton know? Can we track the films down?

Nic T

DISGUSTING ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

Dear Editor,

I live in close proximity of the new playground area being built in St Mary's Park and see the development of the playground every day. This week it seems to have been left to the elements and it's a perfect opportunity for local youth to trash it down. Police were called yesterday (not by me) and seems that nothing was done, police even let the teenagers to stay in the fenced play area and not asked them to leave. So after an hour once police had left they had done even more damage. Me, my husband and our 3 year old were in the park playing ball and teenagers just kept on going - spitting, littering, throwing stuff right in front of our eyes and not even caring that we are watching. They took a sign off the shipping container and smashed it. My 3 year old who could not wait for the playground to be finished says he is scared of the teenagers and does not want to go outside to play. He is also scared of their scooters zooming

around. This is so incredibly sad. I took pictures of playground. It is absolutely shocking.

I am not sure what else can be done to stop these kids behaving like that? It's just outrageous.

Regards,

Ruta



AIR TRAINING CORP 2283 SQDN NEWS

Dear Editor,

I have today been given an April copy of the Shire. In it there is a letter from Keith Fitzgerald of Gawler Australia enquiring about the Air Training Corp 2283 Sqdn that my father Flt.Lt. William Beckett ran for many years. Unfortunately, after my father gave up command the Unit did not survive and was closed many years ago. Also, on a sad note my father passed away on 4th March 2021, just 19 days short

of his 98th birthday. He was dressed in uniform for his funeral, and his cap and the RAF ensign was draped over his coffin.

I myself joined the RN.

Regards

Alan Beckett Lt.(SCC) RNR



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purchased the lease, and are investing thousands into the project. The plan is to run the Lifeboat as a not for profit, multifunctional community pub, offering teas, coffees, cakes and snacks in the days, somewhere where you could take your laptop and work for an hour or two, but in the evenings, becoming a traditional pub, with outdoor seating, sports, live music on weekends, and basically somewhere you'd like to spend an evening with your partner or friends.

It was clear the old place was in dire need of a face-lift and the decision was made to completely start again, even as far as reconfiguring the layout which has been in place for as long as anyone can remember! A lot of hard work has been put in over the last few weeks, which anyone passing by would have glimpsed through the open doors. Firstly, the bar area was returned to a 'blank canvas' but then the skills of builders, plumbers, electricians, carpenters, tilers, decorators, floorers, plasterers, glaziers etc were required. There was an appeal to the local community on Facebook and the response has been overwhelming. This has really struck a chord with people of Shirehampton,



and the local community has responded in fantastic fashion. The team have been inundated with offers of help. The target is to hold a grand reopening event around the end of June or early July when hopefully all covid restrictions will have been lifted.

Local people will know that the Lifeboat has had its issues in the past, but with the help and goodwill of the community, and A LOT of hard work from the new leaseholders, the hope is that Shirehampton will be left with an establishment we can all use and be proud of.

Bristol Older Peoples Forum News

As society starts to open up, most things look a lot brighter and more positive than they did at the start of the year. It is hoped that BOPF will soon be able to at least start planning physical rather than virtual meetings of the Open Forum. Despite all the constraints, there has been a huge amount going on involving BOPF Trustees and members.

There have been some successful **Challenging Ageism Workshops**. The two hour Zoom Workshops enable participants to explore their own thoughts and experiences and look at ways of building new approaches to tackling ageism as an inequality. We have had really good numbers attending, and very positive feedback from participants.

Also, monthly **Meet-up Mornings** have been introduced to enable older people to make new social connections through Zoom video link. This exciting project has been set up to let BOPF members meet up and have a chat or discussion with new and old friends on a regular basis. The content for each of the sessions will be decided by everyone that comes along, and we want it to be informal, relaxed and interesting. Please come and join us!

Our Meet-up Mornings are taking place throughout 2021, approximately every three weeks on a **Thursday between 10.30am – 12 noon**. Here are the dates for the next few months: **8 July, 29 July and 19 August**.

Our first Meet-up Morning took place in March and was facilitated by **Pat Gregory**, one of our Trustees, with almost 40 registrations. We talked about our holiday memories, including staying at Butlin's in the 1960s and lots more. We go with the flow!!

As a BOPF Member you will automatically receive an invitation to attend the Meet-up Mornings, which will include the Zoom link. If you are not already a member, you can join us by completing our online Membership Application form at: www.bopf.org.uk/about/become-a-member.

You will also find information on our website: www.bopf.org.uk/our-work/bopf-meet-up-mornings



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Personal Fitness 5:15-6:15pm
Pilates 6.30-7.30pm

THURSDAY

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SATURDAY (2nd of each month)

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Shirehampton Public Hall Update

Garden

Thanks to all those generous people who have donated plants and their time to the Hall garden this month. These include **Gill, Val, Liz, Eileen, Younghe, Miles, Lindsey, Edith and Bob**. We are holding a weeding and tidying morning on **Saturday 3rd July** (weather permitting) 10am - midday. If you are able to join us, please contact **Gail Amphlett on 0117 982 1879**.

If anyone is clearing a garden shed, we are looking for garden tools that can be left at the Hall for volunteers to use

Building

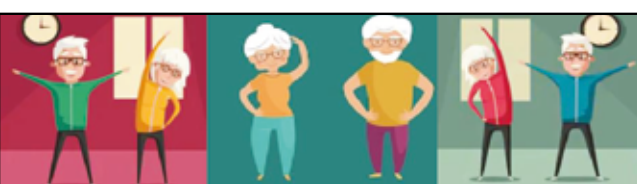
One of the small rooms in the Public Hall is being refurbished and we are looking for volunteers willing to wield a paint brush on **Saturday 17th July** (if COVID restrictions allow). If you can spare an hour or two, please contact **Gail Amphlett on 0117 982 1879**.

AGM

The Public Hall AGM will be held on **7th July 2021 at 7pm**. Come along and hear a talk by **Judy Helm** on the history of the Hall.

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The Arts in Shirehampton

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As usual we will have our theme for the week this year, the theme being **Robots**. So if you would like to put a Robot into our round the village hunt or in the Hall hunt please get in touch.

We will have applications forms available soon, hopefully this year we will have the application forms online so you can fill them in and return directly to us. Application forms will also be in Shire.

There will be more information in up-and-coming future Shire's.

If you would more information about the exhibition, then please contact; Ed or Gail Amphlett on 07776170053 or email gail.amphlett@hotmail.com

Tandem Arts: Relax and Reset

Learn something new with like-minded crafters! Shibori is the word for a Japanese dyeing technique which involves a range of methods to produce intriguing patterns on natural fabrics such as silk, cotton and linen. The finished pieces of fabric can be used for all kinds of soft furnishings, accessories (from hair ties to pouches), you can even upcycle an old garment!

It is a slow, easy and relaxing activity which we can do in small groups in a shady spot in the lovely garden at the Shirehampton Public Hall, or else indoors, in the Portway room.. You won't need any previous experience and will be guided to make

a few sample pieces to start with so to build up confidence. You can view a 3-minute clip showing in more detail how Shibori is done using this link: www.youtube.com/watch?v=NsRTVXX1a4o



These are all day drop in sessions on Mondays from 10am, and afternoon drop ins on Tuesdays from 2pm. Additional sessions throughout the week can be arranged, simply contact Annelies on 07913 539487 to discuss your needs. The cost remains the same at £10 per 2 hr session, all materials included.

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Edward Colston Statue Exhibition and Survey

The statue of Edward Colston was pulled down on 7 June 2020 during a Black Lives Matter protest in Bristol.

One year on, the statue now forms part of a new display at **M Shed** to start a city-wide conversation about its future. The statue is on display alongside a selection of placards from the protest as well as a timeline of key events leading up to **7 June 2020**.

As part of your visit, you will have the chance to complete a survey. We want to hear your thoughts on what happened that day and what you think should happen next. This is an opportunity to have your say on how we move forward together.

The Colston statue display is a partnership between M Shed and the **We Are Bristol History Commission**. Your feedback will help the History Commission make a recommendation on the future of the Colston statue.

Can't visit us in person? We've created an online version of the display for people who can't visit M Shed. You can also complete the survey online.

See the online version of the display and complete the survey at www.bristolmuseums.org.uk/m-shed/whats-on/the-colston-statue-what-next/



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Every year Portishead Coastguard are called out to investigate sightings of red distress flares, and subsequently find they have been fired from land and did not indicate a genuine emergency. While the team is thankful that there is no vessel in distress, it must be emphasised that red or orange distress flares are intended to be used only in the case of a maritime emergency when immediate assistance is required. Because of their nature and what they mean, it is highly illegal to fire any red flare on land or in a harbour. The misuse of flares can incur severe penalties.

Most recently the team was called to deal with some time-expired flares that had been found abandoned on a beach. Flares have a serviceable life of only three years from the date of manufacture, yet the abandoned flares had expired six years previously! It obviously follows that a time-expired flare may not function as originally intended. That might be just that it fails to fire at all, but it might also be that it could leak some very nasty chemicals, or it could misfire and propel white-hot phosphorus in an unexpected direction. The dangers are pretty obvious.

For boat owners, the issue of disposing of time-expired pyrotechnic flares can be a difficult one. In the first instance, owners with out-of-date flares should try to return them to the place they bought them or where they are buying replacements. Many chandleries offer this service. Now there is also a fresh option in the Bristol area. LGS at Avonmouth will take your time expired pyrotechnics and dispose of them for a small charge. With this service so close by, there really is no excuse for flares just being abandoned, dumped in normal rubbish or left outside coastguard, RNLI, police or fire service premises, all of which are against the law and dangerous.

Aside from issues of illegal firings and illegal disposal, it's also important to remember that

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News from Darren Jones MP

Darren is back after a small break due to the local elections with a busy summer ahead working on transport, jobs, the environment and housing in Shire and across Bristol North West. As the restrictions start to lift, you'll start to see him out and about again in person, including on the Saturday street stall outside of the Co-op. There will continue to be online events though, as these have allowed lot of residents to take part at the same time.

The Iron Bridge, which has been closed for far too long, was a key feature of the recent local election campaign. Hats off to those residents who have put so much energy into getting on the agenda of every candidate. Darren's main priority at this stage is getting the council to submit the planning permission it needs to secure to start work. It was promised this would be done and, now that the elections have happened, it has been escalated to the mayor's office. The expectation is that this will now be done shortly.

Local transport is still a big concern for residents. Some good news is that the **Portway Park and Ride** has secured some investment following an agreement with the owners of the new **Bristol Arena** to fund local transport upgrades and will ensure that works are done in a way which also supports the local environment.

Darren thanks everyone that took part in the **Safer School Journey survey** last month. There were over 550 submissions from parents and guardians across Bristol North West, including many with children at Shirehampton and Nova Primary Schools. The survey confirms that many parents worry about dangerous and difficult roads near schools, improper parking and a lack of crossing points. Feedback in Shirehampton shows that **Springfield Avenue, St Mary's Road and the high-street** are problem areas that need addressing. Darren will be sharing this feedback to school headteachers and with **Bristol City Council** to lobby for improvements. If you'd still like to submit evidence to the survey, you can do so at: www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/w2school.

Darren has also been really pleased to see investment in our high street in Shire. The team at **Ruby Jean's**,

who are expanding their small coffee shop into a full-scale restaurant in the old Natwest building are doing great work as are the volunteers reviving the **Lifeboat** into a community pub. Darren believes that high streets are the vibrant heart of our local communities and wants to pay tribute to the **Shirehampton Community Action Forum** for their engagement with residents in pulling together a plan for Shire.

As ever, do get in touch with Darren if you need any help or have a question. During the pandemic, the MP's office has seen a significant increase in requests for assistance, which have taken them longer than normal to respond to. Due to this the team have a new website which should make it easier for everyone to get answers to any questions and to ask for help. You can check this out at www.darren-jones.co.uk. Otherwise take a look at Darren's Facebook page at www.fb.com/darrenjonesmp or get in touch directly by 'phone on 0117 959 6545 or by email on darren.jones.mp@parliament

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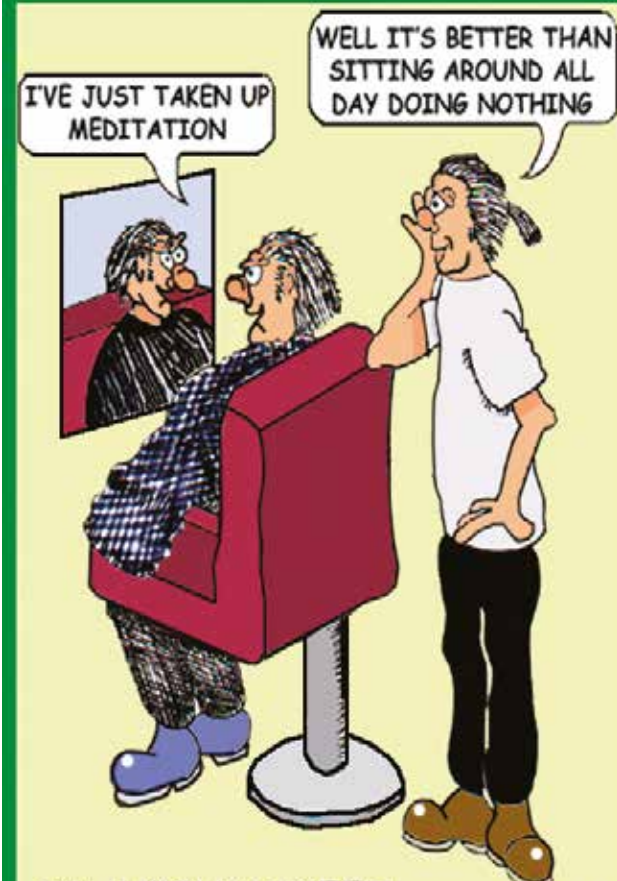
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Divert.co.uk spokesperson, Mark Hall, said: "It might sound like a joke, but this is deadly serious - dog poo is a blight on our streets and owners must be held accountable one way or another. Dogs in the UK produce 900 tonnes of poo every day and we don't want that to start finding its way to our streets, parks, and footpaths. We all love our furry friends, and they bring a lot of joy into owners' lives, but it should not mean someone else has to deal with the tell-tale piles of poo that seem to follow behind. It's not only the disgusting - and annoying - aspect of this poo-explosion that have driven Divert.co.uk to call for nappies on dogs. Dog faeces contains a dangerous bacteria called toxocariasis which can cause blindness.

Divert.co.uk's proposal is that much like some dog owners do when their female dog is in season, owners are required to put a nappy on their dog when walking in public spaces. A drastic move, but not the first legal requirement put in place to stop dog owners fouling up our streets. A law passed in 1982, The Control of Dogs Ordinance, states it's an offence to fail to clean up a dog's faeces while in public - and no excuses, such as not having poo bags or not knowing the law, will wash when trying to challenge a prosecution or fine.

We don't want to get to a point where dogs are seen as a public nuisance - they're man's best friend, but not when they're messing up pavements, getting stuck in pram wheels or all over your shoes.



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In April our lambs were born. 6 were born over a period of 2 weeks. The lambs are black because the ewes are Jacobs sheep, who will always produce black lambs if they are not mated with a Jacobs ram. In May our goat kids were born, and we were lucky enough to have 7, as April had triplets. They are coming along well, and you can see them in the main paddock now. We have recently hatched some chicks from our eggs. They will stay indoors until they are big enough to join the main flock outside.

The farm is following current Government guidelines on Covid-19. We ask that everyone wash their hands on arrival and observe social distancing with other visitors, staff and volunteers. Please check in using the NHS Track and Trace App. Please do not come to the farm if you feel unwell or are experiencing other symptoms of Covid-19.



Farm Tots

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Gardening Group

Fridays 11-12.30pm

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Farm Hands

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Our rooms are also available to hire again too (subject to any current number restrictions). If you would like to hire a room for a meeting or children's party, or for further information about anything else please contact Helen on 01179381128 or office@lwfarm.org.uk.

Churches in the Shirehampton Area

St Mary's News

Hi everyone, Revd Helen here, standing in for one of our vergers, Chris Eynon, who usually writes this article. I do hope you are having a good summer and are looking forward to a break sometime over the summer months.

St Mary's church family has been enjoying being back together in person in recent months and experiencing the joys of seeing one another in person rather than via a computer screen. Coffee mornings, which reopened towards the end of May, have been going well, and it's been so good to see folk returning after such a long time apart. Whilst we are not quite back to 'normal service' as usual, we are moving in the right direction.

Some personal news now, and after four and a half years in my role as Parish Priest of St Mary's, I am sad to say that my time in Shirehampton is drawing to a close. I have been offered a post at the **theological**

college, Trinity College, just up the road in Stoke Bishop. I will take up this new role as pastoral and formation tutor in September, ready for the new academic year, and so, **my last day in post at St Mary's will be Saturday 31st July**. I'll be taking a wedding that day, so it will be good to finish my time here with an occasion of celebration and joy (I'll be popping back in September to honour a wedding commitment too).

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank you all for the times we've shared together over the past few years. It's been great to have witnessed the community spirit within this village, and the way that



you each look out for one another. I am not sure yet who my successor will be, but I do hope that they, and their family, find themselves welcomed into their new role as they begin a new chapter with St Mary's.

May you know God's blessing as you journey on together.

Revd Helen Johnson

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Greetings from Shirehampton Baptist

I am glad to report that the Cotswold Services have restarted. We will be continuing the prayer course that we started before the last two Lock Downs, and our meeting will take the form of a video followed by discussion and refreshments. We will be looking at the Lord's Prayer which many of you will be familiar with. Jesus gave us a pattern or model, teaching us how to pray. If ever there was a prayer that summarised our faith it is this. We meet on the second Sunday of the month at the Cotswold Community Hall, Dursly Road and the next one will be July 11th at 4:45pm. We are a group of people from several local churches, but you do not need to belong to a church or have a faith as we welcome all.

Also, in July we will be distributing the God Newspaper to nearly every home in the village. It contains a variety of articles which proves that Christianity is not dead and relevant for our present age.

Our Sunday services will remain on Zoom at 11 am but there will be a service at the church building on Saturday 3rd July.

Our church building is open every Thursday from 10 am to 12pm for private prayer or you may ask our folk who will be there to pray for yourself or situation.

We have lived through eighteen months of national uncertainty. However, as individuals we face risks every day. One could say becoming a Christian is a



risk yet those who have made this step of faith have found some amazing certainties.

We in Shire Baptist pray for our village and are glad to be of help,

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Hello from Shire Methodist

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In June, we met face-to-face (with face-masks and social distancing) in our church building for Morning Worship, for the first time in a long time. Please contact us to check the arrangements if you are planning to attend in July.

Who knows what July will bring? Perhaps we might even be able to sing hymns again in our church building. We all miss singing: many Methodists consider that Methodism was born in song and Methodists are known to be enthusiastic in their hymn singing. The founders of the Methodist Church, John and Charles Wesley, realised the power of singing to strengthen faith when they were travelling across the Atlantic to Georgia in January 1736. There was a terrible storm at sea, but a group of German Moravian Christians inspired the brothers with their confidence in God. They preached and sang hymns together and the Wesley brothers realised their own faith was much weaker. Charles Wesley was inspired to write 6000 hymns in his lifetime. Probably the most famous is the Christmas carol "Hark the Herald Angels Sing", which some people think Charles wrote at his home here in Bristol.

We have continued to work on trying to become an Eco Church in our mission to look after God's creation. We have been delighted to see different species of bees, important pollinators, making use of the viburnum and alkanet. In past years we might have considered pulling up all of the alkanet, which many people would call a weed. Taking time, to notice it is providing a café facility for bees has helped us realise we need to take care of these wildflowers along with those that we have planted. We have also introduced a little Bug Hotel and plan to add a bee drinking station. If you have any ideas for making our garden more wildlife friendly, please let us know! Some old photos of the church show there used to be a large, lush front garden between the High Street and the church building. Perhaps you remember those days. The concrete was probably added to make life easier for the Church



members. Do you remember this happening?

Many additional support services appear to be lessening as the restrictions ease. However, all the churches in Shirehampton continue to hold our community in prayer and will do our best to respond to any concerns and needs. Please don't hesitate to contact us on the numbers below:

St Mary's Church 0117 9077026

Shire Methodist 0117 924 8407

Shire Baptist 07743 683684

St Bernard's Roman Catholic 0117 982 3380

May God's peace be with you all during July.

Everyone at Shire Methodist



CLIMATE NEWS FOR JULY: G7 Summit in Cornwall

G7 Environment and Climate ministers met in May to prepare for the G7 summit which took place in Cornwall in June. The G7 or Group of Seven are Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, the United Kingdom and the United States. The Climate and Environment Ministers' Communiqué in May said:

We reaffirm our strong and steadfast commitment to strengthening implementation of the **Paris Agreement** [on Climate Change] and to unleashing its full potential. To this end we will make ambitious and accelerated efforts to reduce emissions to keep a limit of 1.5°C temperature rise within reach, strengthen adaptation to the impacts of climate change, scale-up finance, ... support, protect, restore and sustainably manage nature, and enhance inclusive and gender-responsive action. We affirm our commitment to work with these objectives in mind towards a successful **COP26 in Glasgow** and beyond.

All **G7 Climate ministers** have signed up to the global '**30x30**' initiative to conserve or protect at least 30% of the world's land and of the world's oceans by 2030. They have agreed to phase out government funding for international fossil fuel projects, starting by ending new finance for coal power by the end of 2021. They have committed £1.4 billion to helping poor countries transition away from coal power and they are increasing support for solar and wind energy.

It is good news that the G7 have made these commitments. But, as **Prince Charles** pointed out in the speech he made at the Eden Project, climate

change and species destruction are two aspects of the same environmental degradation. That is why the **IPCC (International Panel on Climate Change)** demands that governments clearly say **HOW** they are going to reduce carbon emissions and **WHAT** measures they are taking to protect and restore natural habitats. As Prince Charles said, business and government must **ACT** together and act **NOW** to reduce dependence on fossil fuels. It will be up to us ordinary people everywhere to hold leaders to account and insist these commitments are fully honoured.

The Climate Emergency Group is planning a morning event in the **Public Hall for Saturday 4th August** to learn more about the COP 26 Climate Conference in Glasgow in November. We'll say more about COP 26 next month.



SOUTH WEST TOP OF RENEWABLE ENERGY LIST

Following World Environment Day on 5th June, data from the Department of Business, Energy & Industrial Strategy has been analysed to reveal which regions in the UK produce the most renewable energy.

As countries across the world begin to announce climate emergencies, generating energy in a renewable manner has never been more poignant. There are 871,608 renewable energy site sources

across the UK, with the South West holding the most renewable energy sites at 123,802. This means that the region has 53.3 renewable energy sites for every 1,000 households in the South West.



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Nature Notes

This healthy looking chap was photographed in my daughters back garden recently. There seems to have been a good supply of food available to all the local wildlife this year, with tons of seeds in the fields for the birds and after the long spell of rain a few weeks ago, the worms and molluscs have been able to surface too. (I thought I'd throw in a technical term there just to look like I know what a worm is!!).



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I have watched the smaller birds hunting for aphids (technical term again), on our rose bushes, and welcomed this years starling chicks! In just a couple of weeks they progressed from frantic flapping of their wings to attract the parents attention for food, to learning the joys of having a very energetic bath in the water feature!

They are so bright. I just love them.

Along the riverbank the young herons have taken to the skies, but not before they debuted on Springwatch! When 'herons in Bristol' was mentioned I was all ears, and it was indeed OUR herons! How cool!

I like to think the mention of them in our very popular paper may have caught the eye of the Natural History Unit!

I must admit that I am slightly concerned at the absence of my goldfinches at present. I keep checking the feeder, and apart from the odd one or two, they haven't been around. I did spot one baby a couple of weeks ago, but not the family gathering as we usually see by now. Fingers crossed it's just because they have good supplies in Nature right now, and I will have more news on them next month.

In the meantime, happy nature watching all.

Bobbie Perkins

Tynings Field Community Group Rescue Hens

On a warm rainy June day, members Vicky and Ed drove 45 mins south to Pear Tree Farm on Yarley Hill. Here were 300 hens rescued from death on a commercial farm where they had been cooped up for over a year.

We took on 6 as we do every year to integrate with our existing flock. The hens were in quite a poor condition but are settling in now they have more space and natural daylight. We are happy to be part of the rehoming project because every year hens

suffer unnatural conditions to provide eggs for consumers.

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A Flagship Field



Bristol Mayor Marvin Rees visited the Daisy Field here in Shirehampton for World Bee Day in May. He toured the Field along with Stephen Judd, Chair of Friends of Lamplighters Marsh and Becky Belfin, BCC Conservation Officer.

“Formerly Portway Tip, the Daisy Field is now awash with wildflowers and a haven for bees, butterflies and other pollinators.” The Mayor said “The Daisy Field is an example of what we can do to protect land in Bristol for Nature, to support the recovery of nature. Projects like this show how serious Bristol is about preserving and extending our natural green environment for the future.” Bristol’s One City Plan Strategic Development Goals commit Bristol to retuning or preserving 30% of land in the City to natural green space by 2030. The Daisy Field shows the results of the City taking nature seriously. You can see a video of Marvin in the Field with Stephen and Becky on his Facebook page under the title Lamplighters Marsh.

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Veg Growers at Tynings Field

A little bit of digging can make a huge difference. People visiting the land sparing a few hours a week coming and going and cultivating it. A share of the orchard eggs and be part of a commune of growers. Tynings Field Community Group are here with everyone digging, raking, and sowing our plots all different shapes and sizes which the individual person can take on.

We have a young person, **Charlotte**, here currently doing their **Duke of Edinburgh Award** with us. We see new team members now and an interesting international group of people growing here from UK, Wales, Cornwall, Peru, Poland, Hungary, Italy, and Estonia to name a few. We have over 13 members. Mainly growing the things they like to eat.

We are enlisting help from **Alfa Christian** organisation to help build new raised beds to accommodate more growing space for more growers.

We are always looking out for volunteers to come and help with mowing, strimming, planting flowers or making hanging baskets, hedge cutting and general maintenance on hours to suit.



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Meet some of the team who grow and work here. **Vick and Ed, Irina, Anita and family, Wendy, Emily, Paul and Csaba** our beekeepers.



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Can you help? Would you like to spend a few hours working out here? If so, get in touch!

VEG BED PROJECT

We were very happy to see the latest project in the field by Lee and Chris from local Charity Alfa Christian Community as today a new raised bed for salad and low root veg has been carefully made from old decking planks to extend our growing space. We love the work they do. Alfa is there to support daily living activities for people who have a learning disability.



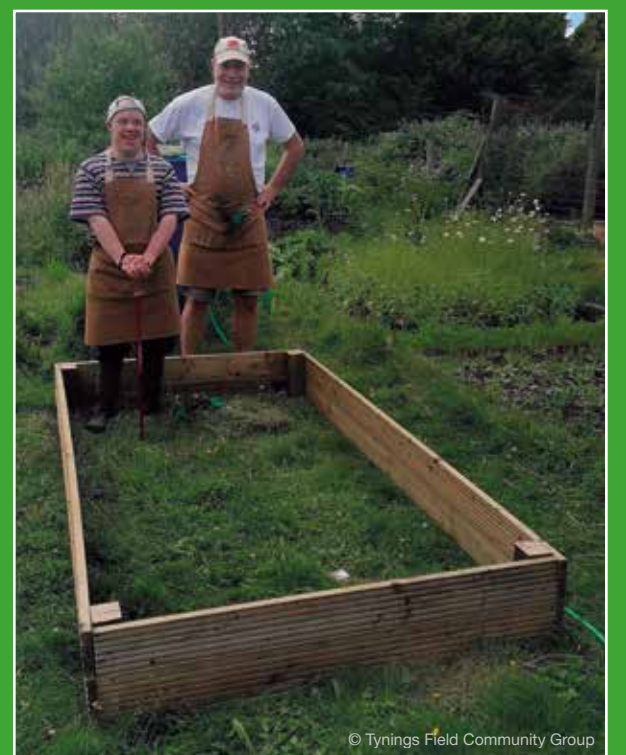
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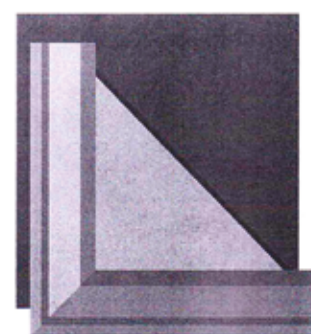
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SPORT IN SHIREHAMPTON



City and Port of Bristol Bowling Club

With the season now well underway, competitions at county and national levels have started and bowlers from the City and Port of Bristol club have already taken part.

David Hinksman had an unexpected passage into round two of the **GBA Four Wood Singles** when his first-round opponent **John Smallwood of Olveston** withdrew. This led to a visit to **Redland Green to play Kevin French on May 14th** and hope of advancing to round three. But it was not to be. Kevin took greater advantage of opportunities to maximise scores on winning ends and reached the required twenty-one shots to David's seven to claim his place in round three.

Next up was the **City and County Pairs on June 1st** and David Hinksman was involved again this time with **Ken Davies** as his partner. A home draw did offer some potential advantage but the visiting pair - **Gareth Hall and Chris Price of GB Britton** - were excellent bowlers who lead throughout the

game and won by twenty-seven shots to seven with nineteen of the twenty-one ends played.

The club still has entries in county competitions and is hoping for better outcomes in the games that remain. It should be said that entering competitions at county level and beyond is important in that it shows the club to be involved and supports those who arrange the competitions for all clubs in the county.

Club history was made at **Keynsham Bowling Club on Thursday 27th May** when three lady bowlers played for the men's league team in the **Bristol and District Men's League**. **Ray Cook, Lin Burand and Dee Crawley** were the first ladies to be included in the men's team following a decision at the 2019 League AGM allowing up to three ladies to play in **Division Four** only and in doing so make it possible for more teams to compete. Not only did they play, but they were also on the winning side. Although winning only one of the three rinks played City and Port came out in front because the one winning rink did



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Left above: Ray Cook was one of three ladies who made club history by playing in the men's league team at Keynsham on May 27th.

Left below: Dee Crawley.

Above: Bowling on the all weather green at Wrington.



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Chris Price and Gareth Hall of GB Britton who were winners over David Hinksman and Ken Davies in the first round of the City and County Pairs on June 1st.

so by sufficient margin to bring about an overall aggregate win.

This was the first game the men's league team had played having postponed the previous two. It was unfortunate that the game that followed Keynsham was cancelled because the opponents **Willmott Park B** withdrew from the league.

The **Ladies League team** also called off early games in the league programme and made their first appearance of the season at **Greenbank on Friday May 28th**. Unfortunately, it was not a winning start but **Captain Gill Hinksman** was pleased to have played the game and in the performance overall following a lack of games played in previous weeks.

Since it became possible to welcome clubs to the green and to visit other greens - albeit with restricted numbers - games have been played and enjoyed both on Wednesdays and at weekends. One game worthy of note is the one played on the all-weather green at **Wrington** - always a challenge playing on a surface similar to that found indoors - not easy for bowlers used to playing on grass but the surroundings are pleasant, the company good and this year the sun shone - what more could bowlers ask for!!

For more information about the club and its activities please call David Hinksman on 0117 9082713.

Shire Sailing Club Remembers Old Friends And Welcomes New Members

Long standing members of Shirehampton Sailing Club were sad to hear that Roger Phipson, who was a stalwart member during the closing decades of the last century, has passed away. Roger's daughter, Linda, said the sailing club was his second home during those years. A reminder of what went on in Roger's day came to light when Linda came across some old photos. In his time the club had inventive ways of launching members dinghies. A photo taken in around 1980, it shows Roger (the hat is the clue) driving the club's dumper truck which is being used to take a GP14 dinghy to the slip.



Ready to launch - circa 1980

The news about **Roger** reminded members of another stalwart member, **Tony Bristow**. Tony's funeral took place during the first COVID lockdown last year. Due to the restrictions in place at the time only a few club members were able to attend. Tony was a **GP14** sailor (at one time he owned two) and he was a regular at the club almost every Saturday morning clearing the slip. Though Tony retired from sailing around 12 years ago he continued to help with the particularly important job of clearing the slip into his late eighties. Tony was a character at the club and no doubt around Shire village where he lived.

It is through the work of members like Roger and Tony that small clubs like Shire Sailing survive.

The weather has been good to us during May and early June, so members have managed to get on the water in all three club disciplines of sailing, paddling, and rowing. We have also been pleased to welcome two more new members to the club during the last month, a sailor with a GP14 (some dinghies designed in the 1940s are still popular) and a paddler who will be doing some canoeing.

Club events for the rest of June and July will include some longer distance sailing. These trips involve leaving Shire in the early morning sailing down the **Bristol Channel** on a falling tide towards **Clevedon** and maybe one of the holm islands. When the tide turns, we can return making it to Shire in the evening. We need long light evenings, low tide times in the early afternoon and good weather to do these trips as they last 10 hours. We call these trips **Downalong Sails** as we sail down-along the Somerset coast.

Club activities in the next month:

SUN 4TH JULY - BBQ WITH VISITORS FROM PORTISHEAD SAILING CLUB

13.00 - Come and see the fun as we bring the dinghies ashore at around 15.00

SUN 11TH JULY - DOWNALONG SAILS

8.30

SUN 18TH JULY - THE PILL RACE

12.00 - A race from Portishead to Pill and back

Rowing dates with the Bristol Gig Club are being arranged and we will be publishing these dates as soon as we have them.

If you'd like join the club to sail, paddle or row, please contact us at info@shiresc.co.uk.

You are also welcome to contact the club if you'd like to launch a small powered craft for a cruise or fishing trip, or if you're looking for somewhere to keep your boat (provided it's no longer than 17ft) as we currently have spaces in our boat compound.



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Where's it to? Shirehampton High Street

Our Where's it to? campaign looks to raise the profile of the independent traders on Bristol's high streets as they emerge from national lockdown.

We are encouraging people to 'shop local' to help build stronger, resilient, independent, businesses that are supported by their own communities.

We also hope to help rebuild and strengthen the city's reputation as a visitor, shopping and leisure destination.

The week of June 21st, featured Shirehampton High Street., Keep an eye out for the latest updates across Bristol City Council social channels and dedicated campaign website.



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To catch up on the five high streets featured so far and find independent businesses you can support, visit the Where's it to? website: www.wheresittobristol.com/ or Shirehampton's page: www.wheresittobristol.com/shirehampton-high-street

Big Toy Rehoming

The 'Big Toy Rehoming' campaign has returned, with an aim to rehome toys that are no longer played with via the Salvation Army. Following its huge success after being launched in 2019, The Big Toy Rehoming campaign has successfully found a new home for over 40,000 toys – the equivalent to over 20 tonnes of waste.

Families are urged to bring any suitable toys which are no longer played with to any of the 171 The Entertainer stores and these toys will then be passed onto The Salvation Army.

The initiative aims to reduce the number of toys that could find their way into landfill by giving toys no longer played with a new lease of life, whilst aiming to support the 4.1m underprivileged children living in poverty across the country via The Salvation Army. It provides a great opportunity to de-clutter the toy box, making more space in the home whilst

considering the environment and those living in less fortunate situations.

The Big Toy Rehoming Campaign will run from 5 June to celebrate World Environment Day, in all The Entertainer stores across the UK, including those in the Galleries and Cabot Circus. Those looking to donate their toys to The Entertainer don't need to worry about including packaging, however all toys must have a CE label or marking for safety reasons. To find out more, please visit www.thetoystore.com/bigtoyrehoming

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