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+Malmesbury+ What's On Guide

FROM YOUR **LOCAL** TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE

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Open Mon – Thurs 9am -4.50pm, Fri 9am -4.20pm, Saturdays and Bank Holidays 10am -3.50pm

THE JOHN BOWEN GALLERY

30th April to 27th May

An exhibition showcasing the work of Cotswold artist

Wendy Thompson

28th May to 17th June

What happens when spray paint, street art and carpentry collide?

The Stencil Shed!

Luke Hollingworth



Movies at Malmesbury

The Royal Ballet: Swan Lake (2019)- Thursday 19th May 7pm

Fantastic Beasts: The Secrets of Dumbledore –Monday 23rd May 8pm, Friday 27th 2pm & 5.30pm

Exhibition on Screen: Pissarro- The Father of Impressionism – Tuesday 24th May 7.30pm & Tuesday 31st May 2pm

Operation Mincemeat – Monday 6th June 2pm & Friday 17th 8pm

Sonic the Hedgehog 2 - Monday 6th June 5.30pm & Friday 17th 5.30pm

Downton Abbey: A New Era - Monday 20th June 2pm & 8pm & Friday 24th 2pm & 8pm

All tickets must be bought in advance from the Town Hall or online (booking fee applies)

<https://cinema.malmesbury.gov.uk/>

Please wear face covering.

EXPLORE MALMESBURY

Your companion to your visit to Malmesbury



Welcome to Explore Malmesbury: www.exploremalmesbury.com. Explore Malmesbury tells the stories of Malmesbury at the places they happened. Follow a themed trail, enjoy an Explore tour, follow a quiz or make up your own guided journey. There are new discoveries around every corner. www.exploremalmesbury.com or visit the Tourist Information Centre in the Town Hall.

PLEASE CHECK EACH EVENT FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION

The Malmesbury Area Neighbourhood Plan- Review Consultation

Saturday 14th May 10am to 2 pm -Malmesbury Town Hall, Old School Room

Monday 16th May 6 to 8pm - Corston Reading Room

Tuesday 17th May 6 to 8 pm - Brokenborough, St. John The Baptist Church

Please make sure to have your say!

Brokenborough & St. Paul Malmesbury Without Parish Councils and Malmesbury Town Council

Malmesbury Jubilee Celebration – Events organized by Malmesbury Town Council

Beacon Lighting & Tree Dedication

Thursday 2nd June from 8.15 pm with beacon lit at 9.45pm – Cuckingstool Mead

Featuring Malmesbury Town Band. Pay bar available.

Jubilee Picnic in Cloister Gardens

Sunday 5th June 12.30 to 3.30pm- Cloister Gardens behind Malmesbury Abbey

Bring your own picnic – Children’s entertainment will be provided, plus children’s fancy dress parade and competition.

Wiltshire Climate Alliance – Youth Climate Conference

Tuesday 24th May 6pm – Under 25’s on Zoom , over 25’s can view live on Facebook

Make your voice heard our planet needs us!

Thomas Hobbes of Malmesbury Society – Hobbes & The Restoration Culture Scene- Prof.

Alan Marshall

Thursday 26th May 7pm – Malmesbury Town Hall

A lecture exploring how Hobbes’ ideas were used, abused and distorted in the Restoration drama and poetry of the era, as well as how they appeared in the general court culture and factions of the reign of Charles II

Tickets £5 on the door or Eventbrite: hobbes.eventbrite.com

Guided Walks Around Malmesbury

Thursday 14th April and every Thursday until September– 2.30pm – Malmesbury Town Hall, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ

Visitors to Malmesbury, and residents who would like to know a bit more about Malmesbury’s rich history, will be able to join a local volunteer expert and enjoy a Guided Walk around Malmesbury town centre. The 1 mile walks start at Malmesbury Town Hall and last about 90 minutes.

Malmesbury – the ‘Queen of Hilltop Towns’ – has so many stories to tell. Walkers will find saints, kings, flying monks, battles, rogues, heroes and heroines, and tigers, around every corner

Special themed walks:

Thursday 26th May 2.30pm- St Aldhelm’s Day – Who was he and what did he do for Malmesbury?

Saturday 11th June 2.30pm – Royal Connections (Celebrating the Queen’s Platinum Jubilee)

Saturday 25th June 2.30pm – The Malmesbury Witch Trial

Thursday 11th August 7pm – Malmesbury Pub Crawl – A history of Malmesbury pubs and breweries.

Saturday 17th September 2.30pm – Women of Malmesbury

Tickets £6 from the Tourist Information Centre in the Town Hall, tel 01666 822143 or Eventbrite – Numbers are limited on each walk so please book in advance. All the funds raised will go to support local good causes.

Caerbladon Exhibition – These Four Walls

Saturday 7th to 28th May. Caerbladon, Market Cross Malmesbury

Open Monday to Saturday 9.30am to 4.30pm

These Four Walls, is a collaborative project between Malmesbury-born photographer Leonora Saunders and historian Helen McCarthy, who is Professor of Modern and Contemporary British History at University of Cambridge. The exhibition features a series of photographic portraits tracing 200 years of women working from home, from the seamstress or lacemaker in the 1840s, to woman outworker during the Second World War, the Avon Calling saleswoman in the 1960s to the contemporary 'Mumpreneur' running her own business from home.

Alongside the photographs, we will also be displaying beautiful hand printed textiles by Wiltshire-based designer Aly Storey who works from her home studio in Pewsey.

Abbey House Manor – Garden Open Day

Saturday 14th May- 10am to 4pm

Tickets in advance £5 (plus booking fee) from www.abbeyhousemanor.com. or £7 on the day subject to availability.

All proceeds to Malmesbury groups and charities via Malmesbury Carnival

Malmesbury Film Society – BAIT

Sunday 15th May 7.30pm – St. Mary's Hall, The Triangle, Malmesbury

Tickets £5 on the door (cash or contactless), £20 for the season to Dec 2022

<http://www.malmesburyfilmsociety.org.uk/>

Roman Day – Athelstan Museum

Saturday 21st May – Athelstan Museum, Malmesbury Town Hall

Family Fun – Play Roman games, try Roman food and beer, learn about Romans in Britain, metal detect your own treasure and learn about the Roman Malmesbury Coin Hoard

FREE event

St Aldhelm's Day Events 2022

Saturday 21st May to Sunday 29th May – **Saxon Malmesbury – Self Guided Trail**

Enjoy the free pop up self guided trail about Saxon Malmesbury. Find information boards at 17 locations around town. Pick up the trail guide at the Town & Tourist Information Centre in the Town Hall. With QR links to exciting virtual recreation content on Explore Malmesbury.

Thursday 26th May 2.30pm – **Who was St Aldhelm and what did he do for Malmesbury?**

Join former mayor Campbell Ritchie for a Guided Walk (You may be surprised – he is the greatest Malmesburian!) Tickets £6:00 at the Town Hall and on Eventbrite. The Walk starts at the Town Hall and will cover 1 mile.

Artist Talk – These Four Walls- Leonora Saunders in conversation with Helen McCarthy

Saturday 21st May 5-6pm at Caerbladon, Market Cross Malmesbury

More information and to book (free) <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/artist-talk-leonora-saunders-with-helen-mccarthy-tickets-338296222107>

Little Somerford Art Group – Coffee and Cake Morning

Tuesday 24th May 10 to 11.30am – Little Somerford Village Hall SN15 5JW

If you would like somewhere to paint or draw please come along and meet our friendly group.

£ 3.50 per session including coffee and cake.

For more information contact: Chris Juson chris@analog.co.uk or Basia Martin martinbasia@gmail.com

Malmesbury Carnival 22 Needs You!

Wednesday 25th May 7.30 to 8.30pm – Malmesbury Town Hall

Join us to find out more.

Malmesbury & District Garden Club – Plant Sale

Saturday 28th May from 8am – Market Cross, Malmesbury

Quality plants grown by local gardeners. Cards or cash accepted.

Music in Minchinhampton Holy Trinity Church – Music in Country Churches Concerts

Friday 27th May – **Thomas Hardy: Wessex Love Songs**

Saturday 28th May - **'Music from the Cotswolds'** with the English Chamber Orchestra

Full details & tickets : musicincountrychurches.org.uk

Renew Malmesbury Courses for April to June

Courses can be booked by calling into our shop - Renew Malmesbury, 24 High Street, Malmesbury, SN16 9AU, Tel: 01666 829596, Website: www.renewmalmesbury.com

For further help please email admin@renewmalmesbury.com

Courses Delivered by professional and experienced tutors suitable for 16+

Art Class with Jill Buckley- Every Tuesday in term time starting Tues 5th April 10am - 11:30am - weekly

Develop your skills using a variety of media. £6.50 per session

Writing Memories with Emily Wills - 19th, 26th May 7:30pm - 9pm - age 16+

Fun writing exercises guaranteed to capture memories on paper in a relaxed informal group.

£50 www.emilywills.co.uk

Festival Tops with Bridget Griffiths and Nicola Goodwill -Sun 22nd May 10am-12.30pm

Learn creative sewing techniques whilst upcycling beautiful sari fabrics to take home a stunning summer festival top. £35 (includes materials) @bridgetgriffiths

Draw Malmesbury with Jill Buckley- Thurs 26th May 10am - 12 noon -

Meet local artist Jill who will guide you around historic Malmesbury to draw iconic views. £18

Recycling Yarn with Jill Buckley -4 weeks Fri 10th, 17th, 24th June and 1st July 10am - 11.30am-

Use your own or charity shop reclaimed yarn to produce new creations. £6.50 per session

Eco Printing with Caroline Nixon -Wed 15th June 9:30am - 4pm

Learn the exciting technique of eco printing to print a beautiful scarf using real leaves.

£90 to include all materials. www.handmadetextilesbycaroline.co.uk @handmadecaroline

Decorative Darning with Lizzie David of Little Moths -Thurs 23rd June 10:30am -1pm

Bring something woven or knitted to mend with a gorgeous innovative and eye-catching decorative darn.£30 @littlemothdesigns

Taster Free Form Patchwork with Jennie Cracknell 3 weeks - Tues 28th June 10am - 1pm -

Only restriction is your imagination to create a patchwork for creative sewers who love to "sew but not think" exploring colours and patterns. £45 to include materials

www.facebook.com/buttonsondresses

Scrappy Cushions with Chloe Lamb -Thurs 30th June 10:30am - 12:30pm

Make an easy cushion cover using scraps of beautiful fabric for a sleek tie top design.

£25 @stitchbabs

CHILDREN'S COURSES

Messy Toddler Art with Jennie Cracknell Weekly Every Thursday in term-time starting Thurs 28th

April A regular weekly session -10:00am - 11am or 11:30am - 12:30pm £8 per session Child must be accompanied by grown-up. Prepare to be creative and messy facebook.com/buttonsondresses

Four crafts with Isaac Owen Drop-in session - between 12:30pm and 4pm Tues 31st May

Choose one to four of these exciting crafts: sword making, magic wand, design a T-shirt, friendship bracelet £7.50 per craft (tiered discounts for multiple crafts)

Arts and Crafts with Jill Buckley Thurs 2nd June 10am - 11:30am (guide age 6-11)

Choose from a range of fun activities £8

Fan Making with Caroline Allington Fri 3rd June Drop-in session 10am - 11:30am and 2pm - 3:30pm

All ages though under 6 will need an adult £5

Learn about this ancient traditional craft with the former curator of The Fan Museum in Greenwich and produce your own masterpiece.

Malmesbury WI - Programme of Events April to July 2022

Looking to make new friends and having fun at the same time? If so, then why not come along to Malmesbury WI. New members and visitors welcome.

When – The second Wednesday of each month, Where – Malmesbury Town Hall, Time – 7.30 to 9pm

Contact: Malmesburywi@gmail.com for more information

Wednesday 8th June – A vocal workshop with PSG Choir.

Wednesday 13th July – Mosaic Making with Sue, all materials provided.

Free Play-in-a-Week theatre workshop May half term - The Last Baguette theatre company

Monday 30th May - Friday 3rd June 10am - 4pm - At Riverside Community Centre, Malmesbury

Come along for this exciting, fun & relaxed week exploring acting & theatre for ages 11 - 18.

Create your own characters & devise your own story, leading to a short performance on Friday. Learn about theatre in a supportive environment & make new friends. Bring along your creativity and ideas!

Participation is free but booking is required - just email to reserve a place

Email thelastbaguette@gmail.com to book or call 07597601589 to find out more

Supported by Malmesbury Local Youth Network, the Dyson Foundation, The Joyce Fletcher Charitable Trust & Arts Council England

Playtime Theatre Sessions for pre-schoolers and their grown-ups

13th June – 10am in The Old School Room, Malmesbury Town Hall

Join Sidney & Tristan from the Last Baguette for a fun, relaxed, participatory theatre session.

£3 for family of up to 4 – Book at malmesbury-live-arts.org.uk/playtime or cash on the door.

For more information contact thelastbaguette@gmail.com

Malmesbury & District u3a –Events

Retired? Semi-retired? Looking for new interests? Why not join us? Many of our interest groups are now meeting once again.

We have over 450 members and 40 different interest groups including history, gardening, dancing, languages, walking, book groups etc. Check our website for an up –to-date list of groups and other information: www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk.

For more information e-mail membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk

Monthly meetings take place on the 4th Thursday of the month (10.00- 12.00) at Malmesbury Town Hall and/or Zoom, depending upon the Covid situation. Non -members welcome. 50p donation.

Our May and June meetings are as follows:

Thursday 26th May **Alfred Williams and the Folk Songs of the Upper Thames - Martin Graebe**

Alfred Williams was born in South Marston, Wilts, in 1877. He wrote poetry and about the people and the area in which he lived, in publications such as A Wiltshire Village, and Round About the Upper Thames.

When ill-health forced him to leave his job on the railway, Alfred began cycling around the Cotswolds and Upper Thames to compile an anthology of the songs of local people.

In this presentation Martin Graebe will talk about Alfred Williams' life and work with particular reference to his folk songs. The talk will be illustrated with photographs and performances of some of the songs discovered by Williams.

Thursday June 23rd - **A Ride Round England: one man, one horse, 2,700 miles and 30 cathedrals - William Reddaway**

This talk is about a long ride William embarked on as a retirement project between 10 May and 8 December 2013. He travelled on a form of transport for which all the infrastructure has long disappeared, which is interesting.

Athelstan Museum Rausing Building Events

Venue for all events -Athelstan Museum Rausing Building

Teatime Talks:

Wednesday 18th May 2.30pm - **Janet Casselden: Women of Malmesbury** -Janet Casselden continues our series of teatime talks with a celebration of the women of Malmesbury.

Wednesday 15th June 2.30pm – **Michael Lewis : Patagonia A Welsh Journey** - Mike Lewis gives a talk about the Welsh migration to Patagonia.

Wednesday 20th July 2.30pm – **Bill Reed : Malmesbury Voices** - Bill presents a selection of stories from the Museum's award-winning collection of spoken memories.

Tea will be served from 2:30 and the talks will start at 3pm

Tickets £5, to include refreshments, from Athelstan Museum & athelstanmuseum.org.uk

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Wednesday 8th June 7pm - **Bob Weir, Jazz UK**

Bob will talk about the origins and development of jazz music in Britain with recorded musical examples.

He will discuss the early influence on home-grown talent from American visitors including the Original Dixieland Jazz Band (1919/20). Louis Armstrong (1932) and Fats Waller (1938). Postwar expatriate arrivals from the Caribbean and South Africa also made significant impacts.

UK jazz has mostly followed American styles although the Trad and Skiffle crazes and some more recent occasional fusions with British folk music could be regarded as indigenous genres.

Bob Weir is a veteran jazz journalist and researcher, a columnist and reviewer for Jazz Journal magazine for 34 years and the author of a dozen discographical books on leading jazz figures.

Wednesday 29th June 7pm - **Prof Michael Livingston, Athelstan's Triumph: Brunanburgh 937**

In this talk, Prof Michael Livingston, discusses the importance of the fight and the man who won it.

Athelstan has risen from the ranks of relatively little-known royals to be counted today among the most important kings in English history. Many of his remarkable achievements set a new course for England and the English, but none looms larger upon the historical record than his victory over an alliance of Scots,

Britons, and Vikings at the battle of Brunanburh in 937.

Professor Michael Livingston is a historian, author of multiple academic works, including Never Greater Slaughter: Brunanburh and the Birth of England (Osprey, 2021), and co-star of Discovery Channel show

“Contact”. He is a full professor at The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, and at present serves as the Secretary-General for the United States Commission on Military History.

Tickets £10, from Athelstan Museum & athelstanmuseum.org.uk

Malmesbury History Society

Join **Malmesbury History Society bi-monthly meetings** for a varied programme of presentations and other events. Meetings are held in the Rausing Building (Moravian Church), Malmesbury at 7.30 pm unless otherwise advised. Everyone is welcome to join us for a meeting before deciding whether or not to join as a member. The area we cover is Malmesbury and the villages of *Malmesbury Hundred*.

For all enquiries email us at malmesburyhistorysociety@gmail.com

Thursday 21st July - Anne Goodyer Recording Britain At the outbreak of WW II a scheme was set up to employ artists on the home front and Christina Staff **The Mystery Medieval Stone Chair in Holy Rood Church, Rodbourne**

Register now for Malmesbury Carnival Scarecrow Trail

Register your pledge to build a scarecrow on the theme of ‘Nursery Rhymes or Children’s Characters’ for the Carnival Scarecrow Trail 30th July to 30th August.

Deadline for registering 15th July

Email scarecrows@malmesburycarnival.co.uk or go to www.malmesburycarnival.co.uk

Stanton Fete & Novelty Dog Show

Saturday 25th June 12 to 4pm- In the gardens of Stanton Manor Hotel, SN14 6DQ by kind invitation of the owner, Tudor Hopkins.

Within these beautiful gardens you will find all the elements of a Traditional Village Fete - stalls, a Kiddy Korner, refreshments and activities in the arena with dancing and gymnastics displays including one from The Wilde Bunch -and to top off a perfect day - The Cliff Gater Jazz and Blues Band.

Our Novelty Dog Show - Programme of dog events will be on the Village website when it becomes available. Just, bring your dog along and enter on the day.

All proceeds will be in aid of Julia’s House and Teach Us Too (the charity associated with Jonathan Bryan), the Primary School and the Parish Hall.

For more information Google the Stanton Village Website <https://stantonstquintin.com/social-committee/> or our Facebook page.

Tetbury Goods Shed –Events

For information on events and to buy tickets visit

<https://shed-arts.co.uk/>

National Garden Scheme 2022 Wiltshire

See full details on all the gardens that are open on the NGS website.

www.ngs.org.uk

Please check the website before leaving for your garden visit with The National Garden Scheme.

Malmesbury Witch Trial 350

Malmesbury Witch Trial 350 is a community commemoration of the 350th anniversary of the Malmesbury Witch Trial of 1672. Led by Malmesbury Town Team, participating community groups include Malmesbury History Society, Athelstan Museum, Athelstan Players, Malmesbury Film Society, Malmesbury Live Arts, Malmesbury Civic Trust, Malmesbury WI, and Malmesbury Town Council plus a large number of volunteers, with active involvement of students from the film and humanity faculties at Bath Spa University and the Centre of Enterprise, Design and Innovation at the University of Winchester.

Programme

June to August Exhibition at Athelstan Museum: The Malmesbury Witch Trial 1672

Monday 6 June Opening of the Malmesbury Witch Trial: Virtual Trail

www.exploremalmesbury.com

Thursday 16 June **Rev Oliver Ross: ‘Witchcraft, oracles and magic....’** Talk. 7.30pm at Malmesbury Town Hall Includes premiere of the documentary: ‘Malmesbury Witch Trial 1672’ £8

Sunday 19 June Film Showing: **‘The Crucible’** (PG13) (Malmesbury Film Soc)

7.30pm at St Mary’s Hall £5

Thursday 23 June **Professor Ronald Hutton: 'Witch hunting past and present'**

Talk. 7.30pm at Malmesbury Town Hall £10

Saturday 25 June **Campbell Ritchie: The Malmesbury Witch Trial Story Guided Walk** 2.30pm.

Start at Malmesbury Town Hall £6

Thursday 7 July **Dr Helen Cornish – Joan Wytte: Forgotten witch of Bodmin or the bones of a good story?**

Talk. 7.30pm at Malmesbury Town Hall £8

Wednesday 13 July **Sam Entwistle – '17th Century Women Healers: Practitioners, Power and Plants'**

Talk. 7.30pm at The Old Bell Hotel £8

Sat 16 & Sun 17 July **Live Weekend: Activities, experiences and street theatre across Malmesbury town centre**

Saturday 16 July **Tony McAleavy – 'The Malmesbury Witch Trial Story 1672'**

Talk and Book Launch. 7.30pm at Malmesbury Town Hall. (Ticketing details to follow)

Friday 14 October **Scratchworks Theatre Company: 'Hags'** Malmesbury Live Arts

Play 7.00pm at Malmesbury Town Hall (Ticketing details to follow)

Follow us on facebook #Malmesbury Witch Trial 350

Tickets on sale at Malmesbury Town Hall and Eventbrite

Summer Sundays Open Days 2022 at Sevington Victorian School

Sunday 12th June, 17th July, 14th August 2 to 5pm- At Sevington Victorian School, Sevington, SN14 7LD
Sevington School is a beautifully preserved Victorian village school. Enjoy a tour, home made teas and children's activities available.

Adults £2, Children £1, Families £5

Email: enquiries@sevingtonvictorianschool.co.uk

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