



TIC@MALMESBURY

**Week Commencing Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2025**

## **+Malmesbury+ What's On Guide**

**FROM YOUR LOCAL TOURIST INFORMATION CENTRE**

Town Hall, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ Tel: 01666 822143

Email: [tic@malmesbury.gov.uk](mailto:tic@malmesbury.gov.uk)

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

### ***The John Bowen Gallery***

*Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October to Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> October*

### ***Little Somerford Art Group Exhibition 2025***



### **Movies at Malmesbury**

**The Naked Gun – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2pm (15)**

**Royal Ballet & Opera: Tosca – Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October 6.45pm & Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

**Materialists – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October 8pm & Friday 10<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

**Freakier Friday – Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 8pm & Monday 13<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

**The Roses – Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2pm & Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 8pm**

**La Sonnambula: Metropolitan Opera New York – Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 6.45 & Friday 24<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

**National Theatre Live: Mrs Warren's Profession – Monday 27<sup>th</sup> October 7pm & Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

**Downton Abbey: the Grand Finale – Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2pm & 8pm, Friday 7<sup>th</sup> 2pm & 8pm (PG)**

**The Royal Ballet: La Fille Mai Gardee - Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November 7.15pm & Monday 10<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

**Exhibition on Screen: Caravaggio - Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> November 7.30pm & Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> 2pm**

**One Battle After Another – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2pm & Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December 8pm (15)**

**The Dead of Winter – Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2pm & Friday 21<sup>st</sup> 8pm (15)**

**\* More to be added next week \***

**Tickets are available online, at the Tourist Information Centre, or on the door before each screening  
(subject to availability)**

### **EXPLORE MALMESBURY**

**Your companion to your visit to Malmesbury**



Welcome to Explore Malmesbury: [www.exploremalmesbury.com](http://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](http://www.exploremalmesbury.com) or visit the Tourist Information Centre in the Town Hall.

**PLEASE CHECK EACH EVENT FOR UP-TO-DATE INFORMATION**

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**SAVE THE DATE Malmesbury Christmas Late Night Shopping**

Friday 5th December 6 to 8pm - Malmesbury Town Centre

Shops open late. Indoor & outdoor markets. Santa's Grotto. Choirs & music. Best shop window competition.

FREE parking in the

Visit: [www.malmesbury.gov.uk](http://www.malmesbury.gov.uk)

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**Malmesbury Community Wardrobe Winter Opening 2025**

From 14<sup>th</sup> October Tuesdays 9 to 11.30am & First Saturday of the month from 1<sup>st</sup> November 9 to 10.30am – Riverside Community Centre, Gloucester Road, Malmesbury

Have you visited the Community Wardrobe? Good quality, preloved clothes **FREE TO EVERYONE**

**Donations of clothing for men & women please:**

**Drop off points: Gloucester Road Coop, Tourist Information Centre- Malmesbury Town Hall**

All items must be in good condition, clean and bagged

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**Caerbladon Exhibition – ‘The Story Keeper’ Jill Carter**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September to Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> October – 10am to 4.30pm – Caerbladon, 24 High Street, Malmesbury

Exhibition launch Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September 5pm

More information at: [caerbladon.co.uk](http://caerbladon.co.uk)

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**The Barn Theatre – ‘Haywire’ By Tim Stimpson**

Monday 1<sup>st</sup> September to Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October

A not-so-everyday story of how The Archers was born!

[BARNTHEATRE.ORG.UK](http://BARNTHEATRE.ORG.UK) Telephone 01285 648255

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**GBO Oldtimer Big Band - From Bad Hersfeld – Your Twin Town**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 7pm – Malmesbury Abbey

Swing & more from Bad Hersfeld

Tickets £10 Adults & £5 under 16s

From Malmesbury Tourist Information Centre or Online: [www.malmesburytwinning.co.uk](http://www.malmesburytwinning.co.uk)

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**Protect Our Countryside Exhibition**

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October, Fosse Farm, Brokenborough, SN16 0QZ

Local exhibition as part of Stop Lime Down fundraiser

[www.stoplimedown.com/art-exhibition](http://www.stoplimedown.com/art-exhibition)

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**Malmesbury Community Day**

Saturday 4th October 11am to 4pm - Upstairs Malmesbury Town Hall and the Rausing Building

Find out about what's on, volunteering and the work of some of our local cultural, sport, history and nature groups.

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**Malmesbury U3a Meetings & Open Day**

Monthly meetings take place on the 4th Thursday of the month 10 am to 12noon (No monthly meetings in July or August) – Malmesbury Town Hall

Non-members welcome. 50p donation.

Check our website for an up –to-date list of groups and other information: [www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk](http://www.malmesburyu3a.org.uk)

For more information e-mail: [membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk](mailto:membership@malmesburyu3a.org.uk)

**Saturday 4th October 9.30 am to 12.30pm – U3a Open Morning – The Old School Room Malmesbury Town Hall.**

Find out in person about our various interest groups, meet the group leaders as well as other new and existing members. Just come along on the day. We look forward to seeing you there.

**Thursday 23rd October - Horatio Nelson: Picturing Britain's Greatest Admiral - Dr James Taylor FRSA**

Discover the extraordinary life and loves of Vice-Admiral Lord Horatio Nelson (1758-1805) through period paintings, drawings, and prints. Nelson was a charismatic and complex character who met his death on deck of HMS Victory 21st October 1805 aged 47. Dr James Taylor is a former specialist in Victorian paintings at Phillips Fine Art Auctioneers, an author, curator and exhibition organiser at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich  
**Thursday 27th November - Water pollution and threats towards the River Avon, Bristol** - Dr Richard Skeffington

The Sherston and Tetbury branches of the River Avon meet in Malmesbury. They are favourite places for walks and looking at nature. However, observations by local people and official data show that the quality of the river is not as good as should be and there are factors which may worsen its condition. This talk will look at the issues impacting the river and what we can do to improve things.

Richard Skeffington is an environmental scientist with a wide range of experience in both industry and the academic world.

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### **Strings Incognito - Vivaldi's Four Seasons Supporting Cancer Research UK**

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm – Malmesbury Abbey

Strings Incognito and Soloist: Sara Stagg with Music inspired by nature from Newbold, Grieg, Beach, Gershwin and more.

All proceeds to Cancer Research UK  
[www.strings-incognito.org.uk](http://www.strings-incognito.org.uk)

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### **Harvest Services**

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am, 11.00am, 3.30pm, and 6.00pm - Malmesbury Abbey

Dick Gray from the Malmesbury and District Foodbank will be joining us at services this coming Sunday at the Abbey to tell us about the Foodbank in our area, and we would like to ask you to bring contributions to the Foodbank. It is a good opportunity to enable the Foodbank to restock for the Autumn / Winter months ahead.

Stock items needed: Savory snacks, UHT milk, UHT fruit juice, tinned tomatoes /beans /soup/vegetables/fruit/pasta sauces/spaghetti / cold meat/ hot meat/ custard, cereal, chocolate & sweets, washing detergent, shampoo, deodorant, shaving gel, razors (**LONG LIFE FOOD PRODUCTS ONLY**)

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October 9.30am -Brokenborough

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October 11.00am - Rodbourne

Thank you and we look forward to seeing you there!

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### **North Wilts Bowls Club, Chippenham Open Day**

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October – 10am to 3pm – North Wilts Bowls Club, Westcroft, Chippenham, SN14 0LZ

Come along & have a go. All ages welcome, appropriate footwear and bowls will be provided.

Refreshments available & licensed bar from 12 noon.

Tel: 01249 445966 or Email:[clubmanagere@nwbowls.co.uk](mailto:clubmanagere@nwbowls.co.uk)

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### **Malmesbury WI Meetings**

7.30 to 9 pm - The Assembly Room, Malmesbury Town Hall.

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October – **Talk & demo by artist Rupert Aker** – Join us for an evening where Rupert gives us a talk whilst demonstrating how he paints.

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November – **The Warden & freeman** -A talk on the history of the Warden & Freeman of Malmesbury and who they are today

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December – **Malmesbury WI Christmas Party Time** – Come & join us for an evening of fun and games.

All women over 18 welcome

Visitors £5

Email: [malmesburywi@gmail.com](mailto:malmesburywi@gmail.com) for more information

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### **Malmesbury Abbey Music Society -Love, Legends & Lullabies with Papagena**

Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 7pm – Malmesbury Abbey (doors open 6.30pm)

The international all female *a capella* vocal group pioneering music for women's voices. Papagena explores the wealth of music from medieval times to the present day written specifically for women's voices

Tickets: online (no booking fee) at [malmesburyabbeymusic.com](http://malmesburyabbeymusic.com) or Caerbladon, 24 High Street, Malmesbury

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**'Archaeology of Sizewell C Development Site - An Introduction to the Archaeology' Presented by John Boothroyd and Rhiannon Gardiner, Oxford Cotswold Archaeology**

Wednesday 8th October 2025, 7pm Free webinar

To book, visit [www.tinyurl.com/sizewellcarchaeology](http://www.tinyurl.com/sizewellcarchaeology) [www.tinyurl.com/SZCcoinhoard](http://www.tinyurl.com/SZCcoinhoard)

This is the first in a series of webinars to take place over this autumn and winter to present the initial results from the extensive archaeological excavations associated with the construction of the third generation of nuclear power station at Sizewell in Suffolk. This has provided unparalleled opportunities to examine the Suffolk coastal landscape which has been at the forefront of numerous continental migrations over the millennia. Excavations are also providing a rare chance to look at the agricultural estate associated with the first Leiston Abbey (1183-1363), vast tracts of which have been uncovered in the course of the excavations.

Find out more on our website: [www.oxfordcotswoldarchaeology.org.uk/project/sizewell](http://www.oxfordcotswoldarchaeology.org.uk/project/sizewell)

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**Malmesbury Walkers Lea to Malmesbury and Back**

Friday 10th October 9.50am - Meet at The Rose and Crown, Lea

Distance 3.5 miles. A local walk to refresh our minds of the beautiful countryside on our doorstep. No major obstacles, 1 or 2 stiles

Coffee stop (bring your own refreshments).

Dogs welcome (on leads where necessary).

Everyone welcome

For further details phone Steve on 0772 556 9981

All walkers walk at their own risk.

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**Malmesbury & District Twinning Association French Supper**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October, 7-9.30pm (doors open at 6.30pm) - Town Hall Malmesbury

Tickets £20, available from Tourist Information Centre, Town Hall or [malmesburytwinning@gmail.com](mailto:malmesburytwinning@gmail.com)

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**Tetbury Police Museum & Courthouse – Shadow Stories**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm – The Old Court House, 63 Long Street, Tetbury, Gloucestershire, GL8 8AA

Strange Magic & spooky stories with award winning Mystery Entertainer Nick Brunger

Tickets £13 – Adults only

[Shadowstories.eventbrite.co.uk](http://Shadowstories.eventbrite.co.uk)

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**Friday Night is Disco, Pizza & Stay & Play – Down on the Farm**

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> October 3.30 to 7pm – Stay & Play, Down on the Farm, Moor Lane, Charlton, SN16 9DR

Mini pizza £3 Sold throughout the evening, children's Disco from 5.30pm – Free

Bar open

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**Celebrating 50 Years of Music-Making in Malmesbury Abbey John Hughes Organist & Choirmaster**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm – Malmesbury Abbey

Come and join the party! Admission free: Donations to the Abbey Choir fund welcome

Refreshments: Wine & soft drinks available at the interval

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**Malmesbury Stands With Ukraine Halloween Quiz Night**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 8pm – The King's Arms Hotel, High Street, Malmesbury

We are continuing to raise money for an ambulance to purchase and kit out to drive to Cherkasy Hospital in Ukraine, so your support is much appreciated. Our next fundraiser is the always entertaining Never Mind The Somerfords Halloween Quiz Night on - but with a difference - we have six allocated teams so you have to join one of those teams;

it's fine to book with friends but others might join your team. A highly entertaining evening with invited guest making a star appearance. Chips served at half time, Ukrainian cake dessert, a raffle and bribe pots, so don't forget those £1 coins. Tickets £10 per person from the bar at The Kings Arms Hotel in the High Street (Cash only please) or online using the Eventbrite Link below:

<https://ukrainequizmalmesbury.eventbrite.co.uk>

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**Westport Sound – A Festival of Experimental New Music**

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October – The Three Cups, The Triangle, Westport, Malmesbury

137 (Larry Stabbins, Adrian Utley, Jim Barr and Seb Rochford) / Argia (Tara Cunningham/Caius Williams/Theo Guttenplan) / Bryn Wyrd / Dominic Lash & Heather Roche / Kathy Hinde / Last Dream of the Morning (Mark Sanders, John Edwards and John Butcher) / Milkweed / Pat Thomas / Shifa (Mark Sanders, Rachel Musson and Pat Thomas) / The New Eves / Theo May's New Odd Unit / Yeah You

For tickets go to : <https://www.three-cups.co.uk/>

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**Sherston Apple Day 2025 – Sustainable Sherston**

Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October 10am to 3pm- Sherston Village Hall and Field

Activities with the Friends of Sherston School, apple pressing demonstrations, refreshments, Luckington Farm BBQ, fresh local apple juice from 2025's pressing.

Meet local food producers supplying sustainable quality products.

Please bring your surplus apples to the Village Hall for juicing from 21<sup>st</sup> September

**Entry Free**

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**Hymns We Love at Malmesbury Abbey**

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, & 28<sup>th</sup> October and 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> November

You are warmly invited to join and celebrate with us some of our most treasured hymns.

More information from : [office@malmesburyabbey.com](mailto:office@malmesburyabbey.com)

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**Malmesbury Repair Cafe**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 10 am - No new items after 11.15 am - Malmesbury Library, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury.

**If you want to bring something along please try to arrive early**

We fix things for **FREE!** Come along and challenge our wonderful volunteers to repair your household items and fabrics. If spare parts are needed then we will ask you to pay for them, but we will always consult with you before incurring costs. What can we fix? What have you got? Lamps, bread-makers, mixers, vacuum cleaners, hedge trimmers, torn clothing, toys, ceramics and so on. If you are not sure about bringing something along simply post a question or email us at [malmesburyrepaircafe@gmail.com](mailto:malmesburyrepaircafe@gmail.com)

**The Repair Cafe runs on the Third Saturday of every month EXCEPT December**

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**Malmesbury Concert Band Performances**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 10:30am and 12:00 - Market Cross, Malmesbury, Wilts

More details at <http://www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk/EngagementDetails.php?EventKey=397>

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Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> November 1 to 4pm - Malmesbury Abbey, Malmesbury, Wilts

More details at <http://www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk/EngagementDetails.php?EventKey=399>

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Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> November 7.30 to 9.30pm- Town Hall, Cross Hayes, Malmesbury, Wilts, SN16 9BZ

More details at <http://www.malmesburyconcertband.org.uk/EngagementDetails.php?EventKey=400>

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**Malmesbury Textile Group Workshop - Leather Bound Books with Kate Lennon**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 10.30am to 2.30pm – Little Somerford Hall, Mill Lane, SN15 5JW

STITCHALONG with the opportunity to watch a short demonstration, starting at 10.30 am, on techniques on how to prepare fabric for printing, handy hints about materials and printing from an ink jet printer. An information sheet will be made available to take away to experiment further.

The hall is made available from 10am – 4pm for everyone to work on their own stitch projects, catch up with friends or to share ideas and techniques. Refreshments are provided but if staying for the whole day then a packed lunch should be brought. Free to Members £5 to Non-Members

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**The Village Singers – From Fields to Fjords**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 7.30pm – St Andrew's Church, Chippenham

Join The Village Singers on their musical journey from England's green & pleasant land to the Norwegian fjords, featuring Ola Gjeilo's Mass with string orchestra, led by Richard Couldridge. Musical director: Jen Bamford  
Tickets £15 in advance £17 on the door under 18s £12 Under 12 Free. Available from: [www.villagesingers.co.uk](http://www.villagesingers.co.uk)

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**Wessex Week 2025**

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> to Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> October 7 to 9pm - **Coinage and the Making of England** - Malmesbury Town Hall Town Hall, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ

A talk by Bradley Hopper This talk will put Anglo Saxon money front and centre as it considers what coins can tell us about the political unification of England in the reign of Æthelstan and the centuries before - **Tickets £10**

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October 10:30 am 12 Noon - **Guided Walk: The Visible Influence of King Alfred the Great on Malmesbury** - Malmesbury Town Hall Town Hall, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ



How and where we can still see the signs of Malmesbury's place as a West Saxon border town on the front line of Alfred's Viking challenge? Join guide Campbell Ritchie on an entertaining walk across Malmesbury's town centre that will peel back over 1200 years of history. **Tickets £3.50 – £7**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 7 to 9 pm - **Roman Settlement and After in the Malmesbury area: New evidence from excavations by Cotswold Archaeology** -- Malmesbury Town Hall Town Hall, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ  
A talk by Liam Wilson Looking at the evidence from recent excavations by Cotswold Archaeology around Malmesbury to understand better it's place and context within a developing Roman landscape and possible influences on a post-Roman one. **Tickets £10**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 6 to 9 pm - **Malmesbury and Alfred the Great (Supper and Talk** -Garden Room: Old Bell Hotel Abbey Row, Malmesbury

Supper at The Old Bell followed by a talk by Tony McAleavy Malmesbury is closely associated with Athelstan but it had strong links also with Athelstan's illustrious grandfather, King Alfred the Great. Tony will explore the impact of Alfred on the town which he established as one of his strategically important fortified 'burhs'

**Tickets £40**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October 7.30 to 9 pm - **Malmesbury and Alfred the Great (Talk only)**

**Tickets £10**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 3pm - **Lull: the monk from Malmesbury who converted Germany**- Rausing Building Oxford Street, Malmesbury

A talk by Tony McAleavy Lull is one of the most remarkable individuals produced by Malmesbury Abbey. He was a member of the religious community in the 720s and early 730s a few years after the death of Aldhelm. He went on pilgrimage to Rome where he joined forces with another Englishman, St Boniface. **Tickets £10.00**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 7 to 9pm - **Church going around Wessex** - Malmesbury Town Hall Town Hall, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ

Join stonemason and church conservator Andrew Ziminski as he discusses the history and architecture of Britain's churches, including Malmesbury Abbey. In this talk, Ziminski will examine the history of churches across the British Isles and Ireland, with a special focus on the churches Wiltshire and Gloucestershire and the often overlooked.

**Tickets £10.00**

**Tickets available from; <https://wessex-week.org/> and The Tourist Information Centre, Malmesbury Town Hall**

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### **Playtime – Play -Along Theatre Adventures**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 10am – St Mary's Hall, The Triangle, Malmesbury

There'll be silliness, play-acting, games and music... Expect to play, watch and laugh.

1 hour session for ages 2 to 6 years and their grown-ups. Younger and older siblings welcome.

For more information contact [thelastbaguette@gmail.com](mailto:thelastbaguette@gmail.com)

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### **St Aldhelm's Parish Hall Fund & The Lions Club of Chippenham Present -A Night at the Races**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October 7pm- Malmesbury Town Hall, Malmesbury, SN16 9BZ

Have a flutter for fun and for funds. Call

Tickets £10 to include hot supper. Call Gabrielle : 01666 838391 or Val: 01666 822267

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### **Bath City Abseil for Dorothy House Hospice**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October – Bath College's Macauley Building, Bath

Fundraise to the top embrace the drop (soft descent)

Sign up at <https://www.dorothyhouse.org.uk/>

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### **Athelstan Museum History Club – Interactive Workshops for Children**

Venue - The Rausing Building

Come and join us – open to 6 to 10 year olds -All children must be accompanied by an adult

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 10.30am to 12.30pm – **Roman Relics**

Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November 10.30am to 12.30pm - **Christmas Traditions**

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### **The Big Malmesbury Craft Fair**

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 29<sup>th</sup> November – Malmesbury Town Hall

11am to 3pm

Artisan market with new traders and regular favorites'

Facebook; thebigmalmesburycraftfair

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**Malmesbury Fireworks & Bonfire!**

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November gates open 5.45pm, bonfire lit 6pm, Fireworks 7pm – St Aldhelm's Mead (The park behind the Lower High Street)

Come along and join in the fun!!

Adults £10 ,Under 16s £6, Family Ticket £25 (2 adults & up to 3 under 16s), Under5s FREE– Card payments preferred please

Buy tickets now from the Town Hall and save 10% early bird discount (No refunds)

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**MAMS Concert – Americans in Paris with David Gordon**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November 6.30pm – Malmesbury Abbey

This programme celebrates some of the many musicians who were attracted to Paris to learn with the exceptional French composer, conductor & musicologist Nadia Boulanger. With music by Gershwin, Bernstein, Piazzolla and others, improvisations on request and beautiful new compositions.

Tickets online (no booking fee) at: <https://www.malmesburyabbeymusic.com/> or from Caerbladon, 24 High Street, Malmesbury

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**Tetbury Goods Shed**

**For information on all events and to buy tickets visit**

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