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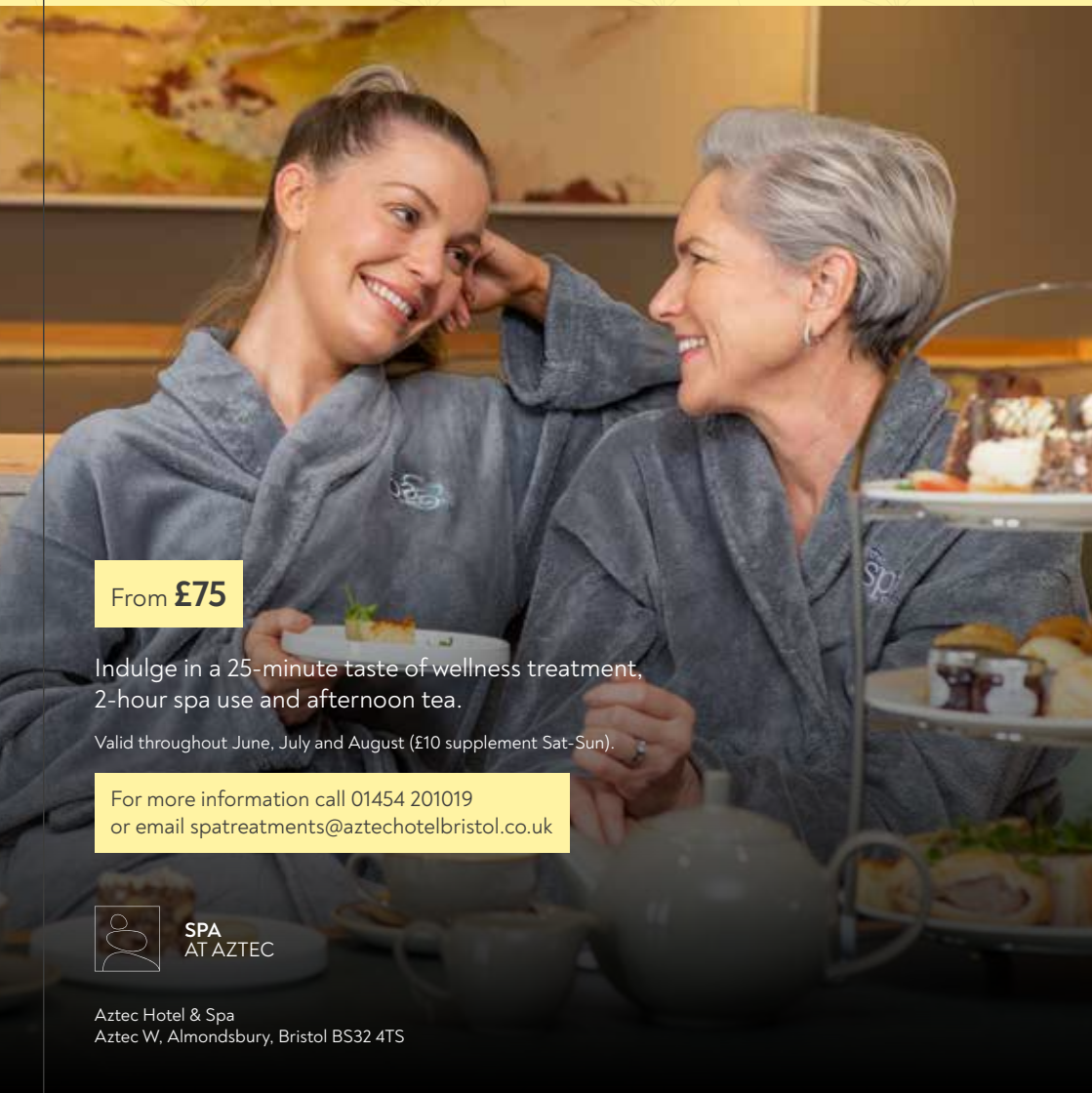
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Both the Stoke Gifford Fete & Dog Show and the Bradley Stoke Community Festival are taking place over the Jubilee weekend. Further details inside.

The Queen is not the only one celebrating 70 years this year - as Little Stoke Scouts are also 70. You can read about this lively scouting group, as well as updates from the Old School Rooms Scouts in Stoke Gifford and Girl Guiding and the Toy Library!

We are amongst local sporting Champions as we include coverage of 3 of our local teams who have each won their respective championships this season. Congratulations to Little Stoke FC, Bradley Stoke Town FC and Bradley Stoke Ladies FC.

That is all I have room to write about but there is so much more inside - I hope you enjoy the read!

Jaci x

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Old School Rooms Scouts get stuck in to cleaning up community spaces supported by Tesco

The scouts in Stoke Gifford's OSR Troop signed up for South Gloucestershire Big Clean and spent a day walking around Stoke Gifford paying particular attention to the 3 parks.

Equipped with pickers, hoops, gloves and bags the volunteers made their way to the park next to the Trust Hall sweeping through and collecting a lot of small rubbish. All bagged up and left at the car park entrance for the council parks warden to collect.

Then through the village to the shopping area on Ratcliffe drive where they cleared litter before heading onward to Meade Park. The scouts had lots of comments from residents out walking and spending time with families. The scouts collected more litter here and deposited the sealed bags of rubbish near the small car park bin area before walking across the main road into 40 Acres. There was lots more rubbish here blown into the bushes, collected and returned to the Old School Rooms and put in the centre's bins.

The troop regularly get involved with the local community groups or work alone on environmental projects and so have applied for funding with Tesco.

The community fundraising blue token scheme has accepted their project to buy more equipment for tidying community areas such as shovels, brushes, builders gloves and protective glasses/goggles plus rubble sacks and maybe the occasional skip. Please help support them at all our local Tesco stores where voting takes place until 30th June. Pass on details to friends and family to ask the store assistants for tokens at the tills whilst out shopping.

We have some lovely areas in Stoke Gifford but as everywhere there are lanes and hedgerows that need a spruce up. The scout troop are willing and able to tackle these and a bonus is it counts towards a scouting challenge award!



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Seating	Outdoor seating with parasols to give you shade as you look out over the village green. Indoor adaptable table arrangements in a light and airy centrally-heated Victorian schoolroom.	A
Drinks	Good selection of hot and cold drinks. Quality Fairtrade teas and coffees at competitive prices. Trained staff and volunteers will create drinks exactly to your requirements.	A+
Cakes	An ever-changing selection of delicious temptations many of which are made 'in-house'. It is rumoured, but unsubstantiated, that on a Tuesday all cakes are calorie free!	A+
Snacks	Bacon baps served 'til 11am with toasted tea cakes served all day.	A+
Lunches	Changing winter and summer menus that include children's platters, sandwiches, toasties, paninis, jacket potatoes, salads, wraps, ploughman's and daily freshly-made soups - all created on the premises and cooked to order.	A+
Opening Hours	Monday to Friday : 10am - 4pm Lunches served : 12noon - 2pm	A
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Stalls are still available. Please see the website stokegiffordtrust.org.uk to request a stall and instructions for the day.

There will be disabled parking only. Please leave your car at home.

There is no entry fee but we will be collecting donations towards the cost of the fete.

Dog Show area - from 1pm-4pm (see below)

Main display area

- 2.15 Loz Because with Marky Jay – Fun circus, puppetry and stories
- 2.45 Stoke Gifford School of Dance – inter active dance session
- 3.15 Stoke Gifford Taekwondo – display
- 3.45 Loz Because with Marky Jay – Fun circus, puppetry and stories

Refreshment area

- 2.00 Brass band
- 2.45 Stoke Singers Community Choir
- 3.15 Brass Band
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Youth Groups

Update from Jess Ford, Parish Youth Worker

With covid restrictions easing the churches of Christ the King and Holy Trinity are having great fun opening their doors to the children and families of Bradley Stoke!

I thought it was time for an update on what's going on for our young people!

Our session **Trailblazers** on a Wednesday from 6-7pm at Christ the King is going from strength to strength, we have had great fun with our primary school aged children playing games, doing obstacle courses and learning a bit more about the bible! Biscuit decorating and paper aeroplane competitions have kept us all entertained and the group is well attended, but there's always room for more!

4Mation Youth Group for secondary aged children follows on from Trailblazers on a Wednesday at 7.15 till 8.30pm! The youth have enjoyed pool, table tennis, Wii time, games and spending time together! They often burn off a bit of energy with hockey or football and end the evening with a team game that everyone gets involved with!

A group of us have just attended Geek Factory and spent a few days playing all sorts of computer games and learning more about Jesus and ourselves. We have a Wake Over planned to raise funds for the British Legion and also have plans to start taking some of the young people to The Mix, a Christian youth event once a month at Woodies. Plus, come and ask us about our plans to go to Spree SW, a massive youth camp in June, this should be a really exciting event for all of us that go! It would be great to see your young people at this group!

First Steps toddler group on a Thursday at 10am is flourishing at Christ the King, craft, snack, story, singing and plenty of play all included! **Trinity Tots** on a Monday morning at Holy Trinity would love to see anyone with pre school aged children!

We have a **coffee morning** on Fridays at Christ the King for anyone who fancies a bacon bap, cake and refreshments. Join us any Friday from 9am till 11am.

If you have a child or young person and want to talk to us about the groups available please do contact me, Jess, on **07930 267 089** or ring Dave in the church office on **0117 931 2304** for more details.



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Guiding in the Stokes and the Stoke Gifford Toy Library

Since opening in September 2018, the Toy Library has been stocked with a wide selection of toys, games and books available for loan. The reaction from residents has been fantastic, with lots of interactions on Facebook and ever changing stock as new donations arrive each day. I'd like to thank everyone who has used or donated to the Toy Library and everyone who has helped keep it looking good and functioning – it's truly a community resource and a focal point for the younger members of the village.

The Toy Library changes its decoration every month, with particular highlights being our Poppies and Santa hat donated by the Stoke Gifford Yarn Bombers. The local Girl Guide groups have had so much fun making the decorations which are themed and seasonal.

This year we have made birds for the big bird watch in January, Chinese New Year of the Tiger decorations, Red Nose Day faces and Easter decorations.

Away from the Toy Library, the girls have been working hard on the Guiding programme and interest badges. The 2nd Stoke Gifford Rainbows are learning all about Bee's hence the May Toy Library decorations in honour of World Bee Day and have enjoyed a visit from a local Bee Keeper, planted some bee gardens and played lots of bee themed games.

We are looking forward to taking part in Jubilee Day celebrations, helping at the St Michaels School Summer Fair and are also planning a sleepover at AirHop.

Units across the Division are always looking for volunteers to help us deliver our exciting programme. Volunteering is scientifically proven to improve health and wellbeing – and although I'm biased, I think volunteering at Rainbows is one of the best ways to improve your skills and experiences whilst having lots of fun.

Having been a Brownie and Guide I knew the sorts of things that girls in Guiding get up to – having fun, building life skills, and creating friendships that last long after their time in a unit. I joined the 2nd Stoke Gifford Rainbows as Assistant Leader Daffodil and have since taken over the unit. It has a long waiting list and to enable as many girls as possible to benefit from the Guiding experience I need more volunteers.

If you are unable to commit to being at a unit we have lots of other volunteer opportunities from being a unit treasurer to helping run and organise events and days out – if you'd like to find out more please contact fromevalleydivision@girlguidingbsg.org.uk or to get involved you can register on



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The Brightwell's 2022 Annual Charity Easter Egg Hunt Raises over £2,000 for the centre!

The Brightwell is a local charity within the Stokes and is a centre dedicated to supporting people living with neurological conditions such as Multiple Sclerosis, Fibromyalgia, Stroke, Chronic Fatigue, and Cerebral Palsy. The centre offers a range of therapies to support, promote and aid in physical & mental wellbeing & recovery, and under 1% of the Centre's funding is statutory, therefore the centre relies on donations from the public, organisations, community groups & support through fundraising activities to continue their vital work. The community hosted the Easter egg posters in their windows and created some wonderful displays for families to find along the way and really enjoyed their involvement;

"It was fun, the boys loved to see when people came to look for the letter!" – Kirsty

"Really enjoyed our experience of decorating our front garden for the Easter trail was lovely to watch all the families come into the street looking for the letter! We loved doing the trails as a family ourselves as well" – Host and participant, Beau

Libby Jordan from the fundraising team has said;

"This event has been fantastic to create and we have thoroughly enjoyed making a fun & memorable way for families to enjoy some quality time together through the Easter holidays. We have made so many wonderful connections with businesses in the area and spoken to people in the community who didn't know about the centre."

Families were able to buy a trail pack for £5 which included 5 trails around the Bradley Stoke area searching for hidden letters displayed on decorated Easter eggs & bonus bunnies hosted by the community. Each trail made up an anagram to decipher and each spelled out a hidden word or phrase; participants loved working out the words and were particularly flummoxed by 'Hot Cross Bun'.

Throughout the trails, there were also goodies to pick up from Domino's pizza, The Hollow Tree Pub and Mrs B's Coffee Shop which made the trails that bit more exciting!

Upon completing the trails, families were able to bring their completed answer sheets to The Brightwell, see the centre, receive an Easter egg for their children, and enjoy a fun photo opportunity. The Brightwell has had some wonderful feedback

regarding the event;

"My children and I have really enjoyed the Easter egg hunt that The Brightwell Centre organised. We found paths we never knew existed and walked/scooted much further than we would have. The displays were brilliant and picking up our prizes at the end made it even better. Hope you do it again next year!" – Claire

The fundraising team wishes to thank all the participants, sponsors, and hosts of the lettered Easter egg posters, who have all made this event possible.

Keep an eye out for more fun-draising activities from The Brightwell on their website or social media!



The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal in Bristol and South Gloucestershire needs your help

The Poppy Appeal in Bristol and South Gloucestershire locally normally raises over half a million pounds per year, but we need more people to volunteer to help organise collections at local venues, such as local supermarkets.

We have vacancies for a Poppy Appeal Organiser at Bradley Stoke which normally raises £14,000 and ASDA Patchway which normally raises £19,000 and would love your help to ensure that we continue to raise the money. We also have a vacancy at ASDA Abbey Wood, (beside the MoD).

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Friday 03 June - 10.30 -14.00.

The Picnic in the Park starts at 10.30 a.m. until 14.00 at the Jubilee Centre. Van Buren will again present a magic show followed by juggling and entertainment alongside a bouncy castle and hosted by BS Radio providing music and entertainment. Refreshments will be served during the morning with Face Painting also available.

Saturday 04 June 11.30 a.m. - 18.00.

Portable Skate Half Pipe offers a mix of pro rider displays & 'have a go' sessions throughout the festival plus street art "paint a board" sessions for local children and young people supported by the Town Council's Youth Work team. Also, session displays by the BS Leisure Centre team.

Music is provided by the excellent local bands; Our Way, Limited Edition, Long Shots, Beacon Rise, Uncle Buck & Mosaic plus performers from the B/S Community School.

Local dance groups will perform in between the bands and include; Danceworks, Arabella Belly dancers, Baby Ballet, Burlesque Chair Dance Group, Chinese Dancing and Ghana Community Dance Group along with other local clubs and associations.

Fun rides for the children include trampolines, giant slides, football games, giant inflatables, Wipe Out, Wrecking Ball inflatable, Rodeo Bull in the Community Zone, a Helter Skelter and the popular young children's Go-Karts. A tall Climbing Wall will be alongside the local BS Scouts stalls which features longbow archery and other fun activities.

An Arts & Crafts exhibition will feature a range of different arts & crafts alongside sideshows and community stalls offering a wide range of local products, services and novelties.

Bradley Stoke FC's Youth section will showcase the new under 7's mixed teams as well as the new girls U8 and existing U10 teams starting at 12.00 noon on the top field soccer pitches.

Sunday 05 June from 09.30

A 10K multi terrain race organised by the Sole Sisters starts at 09.30 a.m. and finishes at the Jubilee Centre. 600+ Competitors are expected. The BS Bowls club will provide roll up demos throughout the afternoon at Baileys Court.

The Youth Work team will be hosting its annual Skatepark Festival competition along with the additional Skate Half Pipe, pro demos and circus skills. Action takes place between 12 noon and 5.00pm.



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It is all go at 1st Little Stoke Scout, Cub and Beaver Groups

Spring saw 1st Little Stoke literally bounce into action with the District run 'Bounce Back' Event

This was staged at Airhop Cribbs Causeway, and involved several hours of bouncing, games, films, pizza, hot chocolate and the exciting opportunity to spend the night at Airhop and receive a special Airhop badge for their camp blankets. Each section sent over 15 children to this exciting event which, due to Covid, was for many of the Cubs and Beavers the first time they had the opportunity to experience Beaver, Cub sleepovers. All three sections thoroughly enjoyed this exciting opportunity, and were very grateful to their section leaders for allowing them the opportunity.

As a Group, 1st Little Stoke Celebrated 70years at the start of February. To celebrate this exciting event a celebratory gathering is planned at the hut in July.

To mark this mile stone the group ran an exciting competition to design a special 70 years badge. Over 50 entries were received, which meant the community had an extremely hard job selecting the winners!

The winning 3 entries all received an Amazon gift card, with the first and second placed entries being made into a uniform badge and a blanket badge. First place (top middle) was by a Scout, Ollie, who has now moved on to Explorers and second place was a Scout, Erin (green design right).

Beavers

The Beaver colony has been extremely busy this term. They learnt all about the Islamic celebration of 'Eid Mubarak'



as part of their world faith badge and were extremely privileged to try some wonderful traditional food, made by one of the Beaver parents.

The Beavers really have been busy as they recently took part in a 5 mile hike, up and down hills and through the woods as part of the Jamboree On The Trail. It was a lovely district event which saw almost 100 Beavers showing great Scouting spirit and all attending, including Parents, received a blanket badge.

Beaver Leader Gemma was also presented with her 3rd Woodbadge and her 10 years service award. As a group we are proud of the dedicated service she has provided and continues to provide allowing so many children to enjoy and develop a love of Scouting.



Cubs

The Cub pack have been making the most of the wonderful weather and have been learning to cook outdoors on an open fire. They have made 'Smoores' and 'Dampier Snakes' which is a combination of homemade bread and jam, cooked on an open fire. The leaders were really impressed with the teamwork and safety awareness shown by all the Cubs.



Scouts

The Scout Section have started this term trying to make up for all the time lost due to Covid. They have taken to the water and lent their hand to Sailing, organised by section assistant Pete at the Bristol Docks. The eldest scouts really enjoyed working as a team to learn to sail the boats. Amazingly no one fell in, despite one scout climbing aboard the sail boat in the middle of the water, as traffic had made her late arriving. However we are all sure she really enjoyed the speed boat ride to the sail boat. The Scouts have also undertaken a Shooting lesson in Bath, where they learned to load and clean the guns, and how to fire them safely.

Mid-June saw the Scouts undertake their first night under canvas in 2 years. 16 Scouts and 4 leaders set up camp at Woodhouse for the night. While there they enjoyed the low ropes course, a variety of wide games, shooting, archery and the assault course. The assault course was a firm favourite for many as it involves being submerged in water to scramble under poles then, while wet, clamber up several other obstacles. Several children enjoyed the dirty muddy water so much they repeated it several times!

All the Scouts and leaders had a wonderful time enjoying the delights Scouting has to offer, forging new friendships and taking part in new experiences.

All three sections are currently desperate for numbers, as the popularity of the group increases more adult support is needed. Assisting at any of the groups is an extremely exciting and rewarding experience, and full



training is available. For more information please see the website below or contact Group Scout Leader Tony Edmonds, contact details below.

1st Little Stoke also now have an exciting website, recently updated by Beaver leader Gemma.

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If you would like any more information on getting involved with 1st Little Stoke Scout Group, please contact Group Scout Leader Tony Edmonds on 07957880503 or email tonyedmonds108@yahoo.com



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Nick Howell of AMD Solicitors discusses how our commercial litigation team can help



We encourage our clients to make an early offer to settle. An early offer can help you minimise the costs involved with progressing your claim. Making the offer a 'Part 36 offer' puts further pressure on your opponent to settle, as the cost consequences can be significant.

What is a Part 36 offer?

Part 36 is a provision of the Civil Procedure Rules that is aimed to encourage parties to settle their claims and to penalise parties that do not accept an offer that they do not beat at trial.

Offers can be made by both parties, and will be deemed either a claimant's offer or a defendant's offer.

Requirements of a Part 36 offer:

- The offer must be in writing;
- It must be clear that it is pursuant to Part 36;
- It must specify a period of not less than 21 days (which is known as 'the relevant period') within which the offer can be accepted;
- It must also state that the defendant will be liable for the claimant's costs if accepted;
- It must state whether it applies to whole or part of the claim;
- It must state whether it takes into account any counterclaim.

What happens if the offer is accepted?

If the offer is accepted, the claim is stayed. The defendant will have to pay the sum within the offer and the claimant's legal costs. The legal costs will be assessed (by a court) if they cannot be agreed between the parties.

What happens if the offer is rejected?

If the offer is rejected, and the matter proceeds to trial, the judge will not be aware of the offers until after the claim has been decided. Once the claim has been decided the judge will then consider the costs. If the judgment is equal to or better than the offer, the judge will penalise the person that has rejected this offer.

Example: at the hearing, the judge awards the claimant a sum of £35,000.00.

Scenario 1: the claimant made a part 36 offer of £30,000.00. As the claimant has done better than their offer, the defendant will be penalised with the following cost consequences:

- Interest on the judgment at 10% above base rate from the date on which the relevant period expired;
- Costs on the 'indemnity basis' from the date that the relevant period expired. This means that the court would only deduct any costs it considered unreasonable (whereas on the 'standard basis' would also deduct any costs it considered disproportionate);
- Interest on those costs at 10% above base rate;
- An additional sum of 10% of the amount awarded (up to a maximum of £50,000) and 5% of any amounts awarded above £500,000 (up to a maximum total of £75,000).

Scenario 2: the defendant made a part 36 offer of £40,000.00. As the defendant has done better than their offer, the claimant will be penalised with the cost consequences below:

- Costs on the 'indemnity basis';
- Interest on those costs at 10% above base rate.

If you need advice on anything in this article or any other commercial litigation enquiries then please contact Nick on 0117 9621205 or by email on info@amdsolicitors.com AMD have offices at Henleaze, Clifton and Shirehampton.

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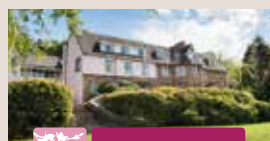
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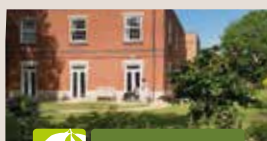
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As well as our monthly meeting we also have a monthly Meet and Chat, a Book Club, and Ladies who lunch.

Willow Brook TG has been back meeting in the Jubilee Centre since September 2021 and have enjoyed a craft evening making a book angel; a talk from Jenny Bowen on Christmas in Africa; and our Christmas Lunch and Party (which we really missed last year).

Our 2022 programme continues as follows:

- 14 June Party night to celebrate Queen's Platinum Jubilee;
- 12 July A talk on spices by Barts Ingredients;
- 9 Aug Pilates with Helen Abbot;
- 13 Sept A talk on Our Heritage in Song by Robin Burton;
- 11 Oct Bristol Nordic Walkers;
- 8 Nov Christmas Craft Night;
- 12 Dec Christmas Party.

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What Is The Difference Between Life Coaching, Counselling & Psychotherapy?

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70 Years of Service!! The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 1952-2022

This year's celebration of Queen Elizabeth II's 70-year reign is one of the UK's major historic events. 70 years on the throne is just an incredible accomplishment. At 96, Her Majesty is the world's oldest monarch, the previous holder of this title being His Majesty King Abdullah Bin Abdulaziz Al Saud of Saudi Arabia who died in 2015 at the age of 90 (although he was only king for 10 years!).

On 21st April 1926 during the reign of her grandfather King George V, the eldest daughter of the Duke and Duchess of York (later King George VI and Queen Elizabeth) was born in Mayfair and named Princess Elizabeth Alexandra Mary. For the first 10 years of her life, although 3rd in line to the throne, she was never expected to become Queen. Her father was the second son of King George V and, as such, the first son Edward was the natural heir and any children he may go on to have would precede Elizabeth in this respect. When her grandfather died in 1936 Edward ascended to the throne for just short of a year before abdicating to marry Mrs Simpson, causing 'constitutional crisis', and leaving his brother to take on the responsibility becoming George VI thus changing the course of Princess Elizabeth's life.

Princess Elizabeth was 13 years old when WWII started. In 1940 her home in Buckingham Palace was bombed and the 14-year-old Elizabeth made her first radio broadcast during the BBC's Children's Hour, addressing other children who had been evacuated from the cities. She stated: **"We are trying to do all we can to help our gallant sailors, soldiers, and airmen, and we are trying, too, to bear our own share of the danger and sadness**



HRH Princess Elizabeth
in the Auxiliary Territorial
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"I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong."

Pledge from the then Princess Elizabeth made on her 21st birthday in 1947

of war. We know, every one of us, that in the end all will be well." By the time the war ended, she had become a Junior Commander at the ATS (Auxiliary Territorial Service) and was training to become a mechanic.

As a member of the ATS, she was also the first female of the Royal family to be an active-duty member of the British Armed Forces. On VE Day, 8th May 1945, dressed in that ATS uniform, Princess Elizabeth and her sister Princess Margaret mingled incognito with the celebrating crowds in the streets of London. In 1985, speaking to the BBC about that night, she said, **"I think it was one of the most memorable nights of my life."** Today, Queen Elizabeth is the last surviving head of state to have served during the Second World War.

Princess Elizabeth went on her first overseas tour in 1947, accompanying her parents through southern Africa. During the tour, in a broadcast to the British Commonwealth on her 21st birthday, she made the following pledge: **"I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service and the service of our great imperial family to which we all belong."** I certainly think she has lived up to this promise.

Two years after the end of WWII, and six years before she would become queen, Princess Elizabeth was betrothed and married to her distant cousin — Lieutenant Philip

Mountbatten of the Royal Navy. They were married in 1947. He was formerly Prince Philip of Greece and Denmark and, just before they were to be married, was titled Duke of Edinburgh, Earl of Merioneth and Baron Greenwich by Princess Elizabeth's

father. In 1952 on the death of her father, she became Queen Elizabeth II, the official coronation taking place in 1953. At this point, she had already given birth to two of her four children — Prince Charles (b1948) and Princess Anne (b1950). Ten years later in 1960 Prince Andrew would be born, and Prince Edward in 1964. To date their four children have given the Queen eight grandchildren, and twelve great-grandchildren. Sadly, Prince Philip passed in April 2021, after some 74 years of marriage and just two months before what would have been his 100th birthday. As Queen's consort from her accession as queen on 6 February 1952 until his death in 2021, he is the longest-serving consort in history.

Queen Elizabeth II has lived through many changes in the world around her, especially in terms of technology. She saw the world go from radio and black and white televisions to smartphones and royal social media pages. But, all in all, she has been said to be quite a progressive and embracing monarch as the world changed around her. The Queen's 1957 Christmas Broadcast was an historic event as (on the 25th anniversary of the first Christmas radio broadcast by her grandfather) it was the first to be televised. She was also early to email, sending off her first one in 1976, and then in 2012 she recorded her Christmas message in 3D. The best way to analyse her approach to change is her own words. **"Change is a constant,"** said the monarch as she addressed Parliament during her Golden Jubilee in 2002, **"managing it has become an expanding discipline. The way we embrace it defines our future."**

God Bless You Ma'am. We thank you for your service.



Elizabeth II and Prince Philip
after the Coronation

The Coronation Day 1953

A poem by Marlene Elizabeth Anne Ash, then aged 15

A young girl of slender frame
this Queen Elizabeth of our reign
From her shoulders, slim and slight
Hangs a dress of Royal White

Diamonds are in her ears
Looking like faultless tears
While on her head a golden crown
Gleams as before the alter she kneels down

On her head King Edward's Crown
On her body a sateen gown
On her shoulders a long red train
This young girl has now begun her reign

Philip as always by her side
During her coronation ride
People shout all the while
And she rewards them with a smile

From the balcony she gives her speech
All the people in England it will reach.
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To the new Queen - A Toast - A Toast!

Queen's Jubilee Beacon Lighting Ceremony

Bradley Stoke Town Council and Councillors invite local residents to celebrate the lighting of the beacon together on Jubilee Green.

The event will be part of a country-wide celebration in which 1,500 beacons will be lit in recognition of the Queen's service, bringing communities across the globe together to pay tribute.

Thursday, June 2, 2022
9:15pm - 10:15pm (Beacon lighting at 9.45pm)
Jubilee Green, Savages Wood Rd, BS32 8HL

Attendance is free and we would advise getting there in plenty of time as accurate lighting times need to be adhered to.

Please also be aware that this is a standing event. Please park at The Willow Brook Centre and walk across.

Help raise some much-needed dough for Marie Curie

The end-of-life charity Marie Curie is calling on people across the South West to throw a Blooming Great Tea Party in June and July to help fund vital care and support for those living with a terminal illness, and their families.

The charity's fundraising appeal is a piece of cake – simply set a date to host a tea party and invite family, friends, or colleagues to tuck into a delectable treat and catch-up over a cuppa.

Every penny raised from a Blooming Great Tea Party will go towards ensuring more people have access to the care and support they need at the end of life.

Marie Curie is dependent on public donations so that it can continue caring for people at the end of life in their own homes across the South West. Donations also support the Marie Curie Information and Support services, including a telephone line which provides a listening ear to anyone dealing with any aspect of death, dying and bereavement.

Natalie Garland, Marie Curie South West Head of Fundraising, said: "Hosting a Blooming Great Tea Party is easy and great fun. Whether you want to bake up a storm at home or pop to the shops for



some tasty treats, invite friends, family, neighbours, or colleagues, you'll be helping support people in your local area living with a terminal illness. Make the most of the extra-long bank holiday weekend in June too – a perfect occasion to raise a cuppa and some money for a blooming great cause. Just don't forget to price your slice!"

To find out more about Marie Curie's Blooming Great Tea Party, including top tips for planning your party, recipes and downloadable materials, visit mariecurie.org.uk/teaparty

If you are struggling with grief and need someone to talk to or need information and support about any aspect of terminal illness, call the free and confidential Marie Curie Support Line on 0800 090 2309 or visit mariecurie.org.uk/support

Little Stoke FC are Les James Cup Winners 2021-22

Report by Jon Palmer, Image courtesy Neil Brown (Bristol Soccerworld)

Little Stoke retained the Les James League Cup with a deserved 2-0 win over Ruardean Hill Rangers in the final at Stonehouse Town.

They lifted the silverware in 2018/19 with a penalty shoot-out triumph over AEK Boco after a goalless draw and the competition has not been completed for the past two seasons due to Covid. Their victory this time around was rather more straightforward than three years ago, with a goal in each half from Jack Burgess and Jaidon Holver enough to see off the challenge of Ruardean.

Rangers, who finished five places below their opponents in the final Gloucestershire County League standings, were close to opening the scoring after eight minutes. Steve Clark's long-range drive hit the right post after a poor clearance from goalkeeper Connolly Jarrett was almost punished. But Jarrett was not seriously troubled for the rest of the match as Little Stoke looked the more threatening of the sides in front of a healthy Oldends Lane crowd.

Luke Meacham headed wide from a good position before Jude Scott and Alex Hill both saw shots fly the wrong side of the post as pressure began to mount on Aaron Underwood's goal. The deadlock was broken two minutes before half-time when a corner was nodded down into the path of defender Burgess, who applied an expert finish low into the net from 10 yards.

Steve Clark, who has 33 goals to his name this season, nearly broke through on goal early in the second half for Ruardean, but Burgess made an excellent challenge in the 64th minute. And Holver added the second eight minutes later with a deft flick past Underwood from six yards after a dangerous ball in from the left. A corner from Steve Clark, which clipped the top of the bar, was the closest Rangers were to reducing the deficit.

Little Stoke were well-organised at the back and restricted them to very few chances, allowing them to celebrate their second Les James Cup success. After the previous two incomplete seasons with the covid pandemic it is just really nice to be able to complete a full season once again.



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After the first full season back after covid, it has taken until the final game for Bradley Stoke Town 1st to be crowned league champions. Bradley Stoke ran out 5-0 winners over Mendip Broadwalk Reserves to win the league in what has been a close battle with St Nicks Res.

The final Game played on Saturday 30th April turned into a must win game started well with a goal from Callum Somerville inside the first 25 seconds which settled the nerves for Bradley Stoke Town. Bradley Stoke went on to win 5-0 with goals from Chris Hillyer, Charlie Wills and Steve Johnstone.

The first full season after covid has been tough but very successful with some good wins against some really strong teams. It's also the first time in the Club's history that we complete the whole season with 5 Saturday teams!

Reserves George Haskins's Team managed 5th place in the Bristol & District Division 1. This has again been a very tough division, The Reserves finished off the season with a 5-2 victory over Brimsham Green.

A Team Chris Evans's team finished mid-table over a month ago due to the lack of teams in Division 2. It has been a testing season for the A team who were unfortunate not to finish a couple of places higher.

B Team Andy Turner has taken the B team over this season, and has finished 3rd on 62 points. It has been an outstanding season for the B team who were pipped to runners up by Made for Ever.

The B team will be moving up a division to division 3 next season. Unfortunately Andy is stepping down as the B team manager and will be supporting the 1st team in next season's push for promotion.

C Team Kieran Jones completes the C team's first full season in the Bristol & Suburban Div 4, finishing 8th. It has been a great season for the C team who are going from strength to strength. Kieran will continue to build the team for next



season who will be looking to contend in the top half of the table.

Veterans Long Standing Veterans manager Phil Ashton has stepped down and we are now on the lookout for new players and a manager to take on the Veterans team. We wish Phil all the best for the future and thank you for running the vets.

NEW TEAM - Bradley Stoke Town will be competing in the Bristol Sunday Premier League next season and are looking for new players to join the club to complete. Games will be played at Winterbourne academy on their newly built 3G facility.

MANAGERS WANTED - We are also looking for a new manager to manage the B team who have been promoted into the Bristol & District division 3 & the Sunday Veterans team

ADDITIONAL PLAYERS WELCOME

Bradley Stoke Town are also on the look out for new players to join across all teams, Saturday, Sunday and the Veterans team. To get in touch please visit the website www.bstfc.co.uk or please e-mail bstfc2005@gmail.com

As always, the club would like to thank Bradley Stoke Matters for their ongoing support & sponsorship.



The club depends on sponsorship and the ongoing support from the Committee.

The club heavily depends on people giving up their time to ensure the local football team is running smoothly. Over the years we have increased the size by 3 football teams. This has only been possible due to the dedication of the management committee working endlessly.

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Bradley Stoke Cricket Club

Senior Section

The 2022 season presents an exciting prospect for the club off the back of a hugely successful 2021 season which saw 2 promotions and a cup win. There was also lots of progression off the pitch culminating in being award Clubmark by the ECB. ECB Clubmark is an accreditation scheme for cricket clubs that show that a club is sustainable, well run and provides the right environment for its members.

Last season, the 1st team secured promotion to The West of England Premier League(WEPL)for the first time in the club's history and the team are now preparing for a tough, but exciting season ahead with games against clubs such as Bath CC and Bristol CC to look forward to, so any support that can be offered is greatly appreciated!

Our 2nd, 3rd and 4th teams still compete within the Bristol and District Cricket Leagues and are all hoping to be promoted come the end of the season after strong showings last year, especially for the 4th XI who were also promoted last season and so look to test themselves at a higher level. We have once again seen strong membership numbers which has enabled the emergence of a 5th XI being fielded on occasion and the club has made the step to formally appoint a 5th team captain this season as we seek more friendlies for the 5th XI to ensure members are well catered for with regards to playing opportunities.



In addition to the strong Men's membership, our Ladies section also continues to thrive. This season our Ladies team will also be competing within a 35 over league alongside their previous hard and softball commitments. As part of the 35 over league, we have been allocated two current Gloucestershire Ladies players, which is an exciting prospect. The team play their 35 over friendly games on Sunday afternoons with home fixtures being held at the club's home ground in Baileys Court, the team would welcome any support this season!

Youth section

After seven weeks of indoor training at Orchard School leading up to Easter, it's great to be back outdoors and at the time of writing the early season weather has been kind to all youth outdoor training sessions and matches.

Our 90-strong main youth section membership is catered for by eight teams across five age groups; 1 x Under 9s, 2 x Under 11s, 2 x Under 13s, 2 x Under 15s and 1 x Under 17s. All teams started their campaigns in early May, albeit Under 17s are slightly later due to GSCE Commitments. Matches are hardball 20 overs a side,

other than Under 9s who play softball games of 8 or 16 overs a side. Matches are usually on weekday evenings, though occasionally are on Sunday mornings.

Our All Stars (yrs,Reception, 1 and 2), and Dynamos (girls in years 3 to 6) eight week programme (though we are committing to ten weeks, weather permitting) started on Saturday 7 May, and it was great to see so many youngsters having fun and creating a nice atmosphere. Around a further 50 youngsters have signed up to these two programmes.

We look ahead to a busy season of league, cup and friendly matches, pray for good weather and count our blessings that we are able to enjoy this great game in such an uncertain world.

As ever we remain hugely grateful to our team of 20+ coaches and activators, all of whom give up their time free of charge to provide opportunities to, and help develop, our local young people into decent cricketers and human beings. With the decline of cricket in state schools, the club provides a relatively inexpensive outlet to those who have caught the 'cricket bug' who otherwise may miss the opportunity to try it out.

The Youth section also appreciates the support of parents/carers, our groundsman, committee, and senior members, many of whom pop in during the week to cheer on the next generation and create that 'one club' vibe.

Also a mention to the Town Council, who provide financial support to allow us to maintain and develop our offering/facilities for our youngsters, and have to endure (as our landlords) the administrative burden of cancelled/rearranged/ additional bookings due to the great British weather, cup runs or friendlies.

If you fancy some air and free entertainment in the spring and summer evenings/weekends, why not pop down to Baileys Court and see our youth and adult teams in action at home (usually from 6pm until around 8.30pm midweek and midday until around 7.30pm on weekends). There are many capable and committed players among our ranks of which we are proud. Our bar is usually open with a range of beverages (see price list below) and snacks.

Fixtures (and contact details for enquiries) can be found at www.bradleystokecc.play-cricket.com/home.

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CIDER				Bombay Sapphire Dry Gin	40%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	Cawston Press	£ 1.00
Thatchers Gold	4.8%	500ml	£ 2.50	Gordon's Premium Pink	38%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	J20	£ 1.50
Thatchers Haze	4.5%	500ml	£ 3.00	Gordon's Sicilian Lemon	37.5%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	Tonic Water	£ 0.50
Thatchers Lemon	4.0%	440ml	£ 2.50	Gordon's Med Orange	37%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	Ginger Ale / Ginger Beer	£ 1.00
Thatchers Blood Orange	4.0%	500ml	£ 3.00	Archers	18%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	J20	£ 1.50
Rattler Original	6.0%	500ml	£ 3.00	Absolute Vodka	40%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	Fruit Shoot	£ 0.80
Inch's Cider	4.5%	440ml	£ 2.50	Jack Daniels Bourbon	40%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00		
Guest Cider	ASK	ASK	ASK	Whisky	ASK	£ 2.00	£ 3.00		
ALE				Southern Comfort	35%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	NO OR LOW ALCOHOL	
Sharp's Doombar	4.3%	500ml	£ 3.00	Three Barrels Brandy	38%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	Bitter Shandy (0.5% ABV)	£ 1.00
Guest Ales	ASK	ASK	ASK	Tequila	38%	£ 2.00	£ 3.00	Thatchers Zero (0.05% ABV)	£ 3.00
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SGS College and Olveston United Football Club Score with New Partnership

SGS College and their Academy of Sport takes great pleasure in formally announcing its new partnership with Olveston United Football club.

Since their formation in 2019, Olveston United Ladies have enjoyed unprecedented success, winning back-to-back promotions, with the result that for the 2021/22 season they find themselves competing in the Gloucestershire County Women's League Division 1 and fighting for the title and promotion to Step 6 of the Women's Football Pyramid within their grasp.

The newly renamed Team "SGS Olveston United Women" will be based at the SGS College WISE Stoke Gifford Stadium as part of a new link to enhance female playing opportunities in the region.

SGS Sport was awarded 'Outstanding' status in their most recent Ofsted inspection and, with first class facilities that have been used in the past by championship football team Bristol City and former Women's Super League representatives Bristol City Women's Football Club, those involved with the team can be assured of benefiting from everything needed to prosper in the Southwest Regional League.

The Women's Football Academy was one of the first academies to offer full-time football training combined with academic qualifications for females in the UK and has long been an established presence at SGS College – for further details visit Women's Football (sgscol.ac.uk)

With a focus on progressing through the Women's Football pyramid and providing additional playing opportunities for SGS Female Football Academy members, the new partnership aims to provide a pathway into the regional leagues and beyond.



After 20 league matches in Division 3 of the Gloucestershire County Womens Football League, Bradley Stoke Ladies FC have finished in first place and won the title for the 2021/22 season.



Bradley Stoke Ladies FC Clinch Title On the Last Day

The Final Game: BSLFC-v- Southmead

Whilst the nerves were racking up for the ladies the whole team was up for the match and ready to go out and battle for 90 minutes for the win. A draw or loss would have been no good as new league leaders Whitchurch were 2 points ahead - it had to be a win! Manager Martin Lee gave the ladies a great team talk before the match to ease the pressure.

Bradley Stoke started the game strongly and after 11 minutes captain Natalie Lewis put a corner into a dangerous area in the box, with centre-back Alex Thomson ready to volley the ball into the back of the net, 1-0 to Bradley Stoke. Top goal scorer Hollie Shone threatened the opposition goal many times but could not find a way in. Southmead had chances and pressurised Bradley Stoke's goal throughout the match, with goalkeeper Abbie Pickett making a few vital saves.

The second half nerves kicked in whilst Bradley Stoke defended their 1-0 lead with every player giving 100% for the final 45 minutes. After what felt like an eternity, referee Mo Santali finally blew the whistle, meaning Bradley Stoke had secured the 3 points and crowned champions! The celebrations began immediately after, albeit with some dodgy champagne!

Season Stats: The stats for the season make great reading with Played 20 matches, Lost 3, Drew 1 and Won 16. Goals scored 80 (Highest in all the Divisions), Conceded just 16 (2nd best in all the Divisions), Goal Difference of 64 (Best in all the Divisions).

Out of the top 10 goal scorers in Division 3, four of those players were from BSLFC. Hollie Shone (26), Chloe Brown (17), Emily Jacklin (14) and Natalie Lewis (10). Hollie was also 3rd highest goal scorer from all the Divisions.

The philosophy of the manager at BSLFC is to take 16 players to each match and then roll the substitutes on after 22.5 mins of each half so we give many players a chance to play per match. Mind you it is manic rolling 5 players on and off the pitch at one time. But it worked !!!!

The player's age range at the club is 17 to 39 years old with 35 players registered to play for us. This highlights the growth in female football over the years and shows there is a high demand for female football in the area. We welcome new players every year as players go off to University, move out of the area, move on with their careers or want to spend more time with their family. We link with the girls section of BSYFC and already have some young players from the U16 squad training with us so they can experience adult football.

We always try to have fun and friendship at the club. After every match we have Player of the Match Award, Donkey of the Day Award, Guess the number of sweets in the jar and the famous free raffle. This helps the ladies and coaching staff to bond together after each match. None of us know where the manager comes up with these weird and wonderful ideas !!!!

Thanks to all the supporters who came and watched our matches throughout the season and the big turn out to our final match was great and helped us to get across the finishing line.

Also a big thanks to our sponsors:

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Interested in Bradley Stoke Ladies FC? Then view the website at www.bradleystokeladiesfc.co.uk and come and join your local FA Charter Standard Community Club.



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Events at Winterbourne Medieval Barn

Tea and Tours – Normally on the first Thursday afternoon of each month, the June Tea and Tour will instead be on Thursday 9th June at 2pm (rather than on the Jubilee holiday). Booking is advised.

Medieval Fayre – Sunday 12th June, 11am–4pm – The Big Event for June! Historical re-enactment group *The Company of Chivalry* vividly portrays life in a medieval military camp during the 100 Years War. A varied programme throughout the day includes demonstrations, talks, live music, and themed activities for children. Enjoy variety of artisan craft stalls and displays, and a wide selection of food including hog roast, pizza, pastries, cheeses, cakes and ice creams. The Barn bar, cafe, and the Three Engineers Brewery will be open all day. A perfect family day out. Entry £5 adult, £1 child. Pre-book online to avoid queues on the gate. Free parking at Stoke Gifford P&R or Winterbourne Academy with a FREE shuttle bus to and from the Barn all day.

Pottery Taster workshop – Saturday 16th July, 1pm – Join Brenda from *The Pottery Shed* to create your own masterpiece in a relaxed atmosphere with professional guidance. In a 3 hour session you will hand build a round bowl, then add a glaze to the outside and 'Sgraffito' into the glaze a pattern of your choice. Booking essential.

Family Theatre: Rapunzel – Sunday 17th July, 2pm – A heart-warming story about one girl's longing to break free from her imposed lockdown and explore the world outside. "Delightfully daft" (The Stage), this adaptation brings the classic fairytale to life with slapstick, physical humour, puppetry, wicked witches, lovable trolls, and miles of golden hair! Recommended for ages 5+. Advanced booking essential.

Summer Barn Dance – Saturday 30th July, 7pm – Gloucestershire band *Sargent's Mess* and expert caller Rob return with rousing tunes and lots of fun. So get your dancing feet on and enjoy a midsummer evening down at the Barn. Bar is open all evening from 6pm so you can flop down with a drink if you get too hot! Tickets £10 (£7 under 16s). Book online via Barn website. Free parking on site.

Family Crafts – Monday 1st August, 9.30am or 11am – Get creative at the Barn this summer. Choose a 9.30am or an 11am start time. Aimed at families with children aged about 7–11 but all ages are welcome to come along. Tickets are £7.50 per family – book online.

Shakespeare's A Midsummer Night's Dream – Tuesday 2nd August, 7pm – The Festival Players present Shakespeare's popular comedy in the magnificent Medieval Barn. This is professional touring theatre at its best. Advanced booking essential. Details on the website.

Volunteering at the Barn – Volunteers help out at events, or can be involved on a more regular basis with maintenance, gardening, admin or technical jobs. You can give as much or as little time as you would like, share your skills and experience, meet new friends, and perhaps learn new skills. For more information contact the Trust by email contact@winterbournebarn.org.uk or phone 0117 403 1536 (office manned part time).

www.winterbournebarn.org.uk

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Castell Roc 2022

WELL FOLKS !!!
After the last 2 years, it looks as if Castell Roc - Chepstow's Friendly Festival inside the absolutely stunning grounds of Chepstow Castle - is actually able to take place once again in August 2022 !!



We have some amazing shows lined up, something for all the family, whatever your taste in music!

Since the latest government announcement, tickets have started flying out, so please don't be one of the people who leave it until the last minute and calls into the shop begging me to find them a ticket as if they are sold out no can do. Sorry !! So ... grab your tickets while you can !!

We have 13 amazing shows lined up for you:

THURSDAY 11th - 'Those Damn Crows', 'Mason Hill', 'Florence Black', 'Tribeless' and 'James and the Cold Gun' - five band star studded rock line up

FRIDAY 12th - 'The Craig Charles Funk & Soul Show' - the legendary actor, host & DJ is back!

SATURDAY 13th - 'The Bohemians' & 'Fleetwood Bac' - 2 of the most authentic tributes on one night!

SUNDAY 14th - 'George Hinchcliffe's - Ukulele Orchestra of Great Britain' - who is to blame for the worldwide phenomena of ukulele orchestras and ukulelemania? THESE GUYS !!!

THURSDAY 18th - 'Tankus the Henge', 'Bare Jams' & '3 Daft Monkeys' - unforgettable song writing and spectacular live performances. You are in for a treat!!

FRIDAY 19th - Rock Legends - a tribute to 3 of the best, performed by - 'U2UK', 'Cloneplay' & 'Stereosonics'.

SATURDAY 20th - 'King King', the best Blues band in the world, with support from the amazing 'Cats In Space' & 'Rainbreakers',

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SUNDAY 21st - 'The Barricade Boys' - these guys are amazing, having all starred in the West End show - Les Misérables and now on their way to Chepstow Castle as part of their world tour !

THURSDAY 25th - The incredible singer songwriter- Newton Faulkner !

FRIDAY 26th - Monsters Of Rock - featuring the incredible 'UK Guns n Roses' (who have now disbanded but are coming together for one last show) plus 'Whitesnake UK' and 'Hells Bells'. What a night this will be!!

SATURDAY 27th - An Amazing 'Twist up Night' featuring 'Si Cranstoun Band' - King of Swing meets 'The Navarones' legends of Ska. 'FABULOUS,- a night not to be missed'!!

SUNDAY 28th - 'Whitney Queen of the Night' the ultimate West End show !!

MONDAY 29th - 'The Shires' - the brilliant country duo return to Castell Roc once again !

And there you have it guys ...

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****Just to confirm any tickets bought for shows in 2020 or 2021 are valid for 2022 dates.**



Local Clubs and Groups in and around Bradley Stoke, Little Stoke and Stoke Gifford

BABY AND TODDLER GROUPS

Beehive Baby and Toddler Group, The Old School Rooms, Stoke Gifford. Thursdays 10-11.30, term time only. Church office 0117 9692486.

Busy Bees Toddler Group Bradley Stoke Evangelical Church Tuesdays from 10 till 11.30 during school term time phone 0117 931 4716

First Steps Toddler Group - Christ the King Church, Bradley Stoke Thursdays 10.00 am-11.30 am term times. Phone 0117 9312304

Little Hedgehogs (0-5's) - Wednesday mornings, 10am-12noon school term time only. Edge Church Bristol, 1160 Park Avenue, Almondsbury, Bristol, BS32 4TF. 01454 837990.

Trinity Tots - Mondays 9:30 - 11:30 during term time. Contact Holy Trinity Church Office on 01454 620975

LOCAL CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

1st Bradley Stoke Scouts - Beavers, Cubs, Scouts and our marching band meet at Brook Way Activity Centre and Holy Trinity school. Please have a look on our website for further information for both young people and adult volunteers at www.bradley-stoke-scouts.org.uk/join

1st Little Stoke Scouts - 1st Little Stoke Scout Group, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts. To enquire about your child joining or to volunteer call Tony Edmonds (Group Scout Leader) 07957880503, or email tonyedmonds108@yahoo.com

Bradley Stoke Book Club 'Bookaholics' meet at Soho Coffee in Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre on the 2nd Wed of each month at 7:30pm. Geoff Stobbart 07714 101354 geoffrey.stobbart@btinternet.com.

Bradley Stoke Community Singers - Tuesdays term time only at Bradley Stoke Community School 7.15-8.30pm. Free and open to all info@bscsingers.co.uk or call 07743 333837 / 07599 252176

Bradley Stoke Lions meet every 2nd Monday in the Willowbrook Centre, 1st floor conference room at 7.30 pm Ailsa Young, 07737 106836 ambyoung29@yahoo.com

Bradley Stoke Radio - The Activity Centre Brook Way, Bradley Stoke, Bristol BS32 9DS, 01454 616055 bradleystokeradio.org.uk

Bradley Stoke Rotary Club Meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at the Doubletree Hilton hotel in Bradley Stoke. Contact Secretary Karen on 07540 458119

Bradley Stoke Sew and So's - New members welcome! Patchwork and Quilting Group, 3rd Monday in the month 1.30-3.30pm at the Jubilee Centre, bradleystokesewandsos.weebly.com

Gifted drama group Saturday 10-11.30am. Term time at Holy Trinity church. Ages 8-12 years. Contact Hayley Thomas via church office 01454 620975

Girl Guides, Brownies & Rainbows - admingirlguidingbsg.org.uk, girlguidingbsg.org.uk

Goldies - a light hearted weekly fun sing along session for those who enjoy the songs from the 50s, 60s and 70s. We're not a choir but a group of local people who enjoy getting together and having fun. We meet every Tuesday 2-3pm The Old School Rooms, Stoke Gifford. £2 per session. All welcome.

Little Stoke Ladies Club - meets the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays 7.30pm at the Community Hall, Little Stoke Lane. Julie 0117 931 5007

Severnside Ramblers - 'Friday Ambles' start in the Aldi car park on alternate Fridays at 10am. Weekend & evening walks -start in the Aztec West blue zone car park. Check site for details.www.severnside-ramblers.org.uk

Silverwinds Flute Choir - meet once a month on a Thursday evening 19:00 - 21:00 at Christ the King Church. For more details please visit www.silverwindsflutechoir.co.uk or email silverwinds@michellekrawiec.co.uk.

Stokes Phoenix Club - meets 1st Tuesday of the month, 10am-12noon at Little Stoke Community Hall, Little Stoke Lane. Contact Rosemary Davis 01454 614474

Stokes Singers - Thursdays in term time at Coniston Community Centre, Coniston Road, Patchway 7.30-9.30pm. We are a mixed choir and do not hold auditions. Contact Gillian on 0779 0909 726 for further details.

Willowbrook Townswomen's Guild - Jubilee Centre – 7:30 – 9:30pm the 2nd Tuesday of every month. Ros Gallear - rosalindg@tiscali.co.uk

Winterbourne Wind Band- Thursdays 7.30-9.30pm at Greenfield Centre, Park Avenue, Winterbourne BS36 1NJ. Brass, woodwind, percussion, bass players wanted. Loan Instruments available. Contact Dan 01172 395210.

Women's Institute (WI) - Bradley Stoke: Jubilee Centre 2nd Wednesday of the month at 2pm contact Janet 07845 744351.

Women's Institute (WI) - Stoke Gifford WI meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm at Trust Hall, North Road, Stoke Gifford BS34 8PF contact Sue Grimsted 0117 9793409

Woodcraft Folk - children's 6+ activity group Wednesdays 6-7pm Jenny on 0117 9093969

Young At Heart Club meets at the Christ the King Church, Bradley Stoke every 2nd and 4th Thursday of the month from 2pm - 4pm. Aimed at people over the age of 50 who would like to make new friends, enjoy games, speakers, outings..

SPORTS CLUBS

Almondsbury and Bradley Stoke Tennis Club - Opportunities for all levels, inc pay and play lessons for all on Saturday mornings, no booking needed. almondsburytennis.org.uk

Aretians Rugby Club for Cubs, Juniors and Seniors Station Road, Little Stoke www.aretiansrfc.co.uk

Black and Blues Netball - Non-League Social Netball Wednesdays 7.30-9pm BSCS, contact: blackandblues_netball@outlook.com.

Bradley Stoke Bowls Club - Baileys Court Activity Centre www.bradleystokebowls.com.

On these pages we have tried to collate many of the non-profit making groups, clubs and organisations that regularly meet across the Five Stokes area, along with Church and School information. If your details have changed, please let us know at

community@mattersmagazines.co.uk and we will update it +for you!

Bradley Stoke Cricket Club - throughout the cricket season, we run 6 adult teams and five youth teams. All contacts are on our website at bradleystokecc.play-cricket.com

Bradley Stoke Jiu Jitsu Club - Chris Harris, maru.jiujitsu@gmail.com We train at Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre Tues & Fri evenings, classes for children and adults

Bradley Stoke Junior Netball Club - The Jubilee Centre. Every Wednesday U12's 4.30pm-5.30pm, U14 and U16's 5.30pm–7.00pm. Please email bsncjuniors@yahoo.co.uk

Bradley Stoke Judo - Various days and times, Bradley Stoke Leisure Centre, www.bradleystokejudoclub.com

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Bradley Stoke Town Football Club - FA Charter Standard Community Club, Adult training, Tuesdays at Patchway Sports Centre. For more info visit www.bstfc.co.uk or contact bstfc2005@gmail.com

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Old School Rooms Scouts take part in the Bristol Monopoly Run Competition

Eight members of the 1st Stoke Gifford OSR Scout troop joined 35 other teams of Scouts and Guides from all over South Gloucestershire, North Somerset and Bristol Counties to take part in the Bristol Monopoly Run Competition.

Teams of 4-6 scouts or guides armed with a monopoly board of places to visit around the local area from Ashton Gate to Cribbs Causeway and Westbury-on-Trym to Parkway train station.

The weather was fabulous and the teams could visit any place on the board in any order with bonus points for getting to a place between certain times and higher points for travelling further a field using a day rider ticket on First Buses.

There were scouts all over the place and lots of inquisitive members of the public and business owners asking what was happening. They commented what a great idea and fantastic for the young people's confidence and knowledge of the City.

The teams had 6 hours to visit as many places as they could and then get to the finish line at 26 Northcote Scout HQ in Westbury on Trym. Every minute they were late points were deducted from each team's final score.

The teams from Stoke Gifford started from the Baden Powell Boathouse in Redcliffe and used the first bus to travel out to The Mall at Cribbs Causeway, the Clifton Suspension Bridge and even Ashton Gate stadium as well as walking a long way around the centre of Bristol unsupervised directly but with a team of volunteer leaders driving minibuses, meaning water stations and admin at the start and finish. These activities which give the young people #skills for life, couldn't happen without all the volunteers and support from parents.

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