

Limpley Stoke news

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It's fête time again!

FRESHFORD & LIMPLEY STOKE FÊTE gets underway at 1pm on **SATURDAY, JUNE 8** at **Freshford Memorial Hall field**. Entrance: £2 adults/£1 children (under-5s free). Proceeds towards the maintenance of Freshford Memorial Hall. This year's main attraction is a giant artwork being assembled by community groups from across the district.

Bouncy castle, raffle, bar, barbecue, fun and games, dog show, stalls and refreshments, to live music by The Terry Hill Band. **Evening cinema, 5pm: Spiderman** (see *What's On*, page 4).

- Organiser Martin Whitbread: fete@freshfordvillagehall.co.uk



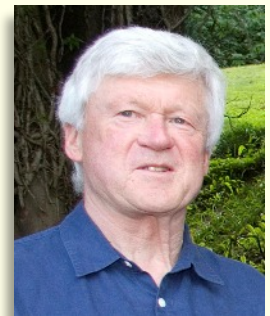
Stall donations request

Organisers would welcome tombola donations: anything in glass bottles (wine, cordials, vinegars, oils) or jars (pickles, jams, chutneys) and **within sell by/use by dates**; tins of biscuits, boxes of chocolates. Please leave donations in marked box at Galleries Shop, Freshford School or pre-school by **Thursday, June 6**. Books, toys and labelled plant donations should be taken to the Memorial Hall field from 10am on the morning of the fête or left in the marked boxes at the school or pre-school.

Chairman stands down

Peter Wyatt is stepping down as chairman of Limpley Stoke Parish Council. Peter joined the Council in June 2011, becoming vice-chairman in 2012 and taking over as chairman in 2015.

One of Peter's first tasks was the completion of work on the King George V play park shelter project, which came about following a survey completed by more than 100 children and parents on park improvements.



As chairman, Peter played a significant role in bringing about the joint Limpley Stoke and Freshford Neighbourhood Plan, the first cross-border plan in the country. The process to bring it to fruition, which had begun in 2012, required considerable commitment from many members of the community, with residents voting in favour of the Plan in a referendum held in the two villages in 2015.

Taking over as chairman is Anthony Gennard (see page 2).

D-Day service to honour local soldier

A special service at the village war memorial at 11am on **Thursday, June 6** – the 75th anniversary of D-Day – will commemorate Royal Engineer Corporal John Pike from Limpley Stoke, who was killed on the first day of the invasion.

Corporal Pike is the only local serviceman to be commemorated on the village war memorial and St Mary's Church roll-of-honour board as having perished in the Second World War.

Limpley Stoke war memorial and (below) plaque commemorating Corporal Pike



New chairman takes the helm

Anthony Gennard has been voted in as new chairman of Limpley Stoke Parish Council. He joined the Parish Council last June and had been serving as vice-chairman.



Anthony moved to the village with his wife Joanne and two children in 2016, following a 24-year career in the Royal Navy, and is now employed as a management consultant in the defence and security environment.

Since joining the Parish Council, his efforts have been focused on achieving the re-listing of the Hop Pole as an Asset of Community Value; the creation of a new Limpley Stoke website; and management of the play park.

Over the next 12 months, Anthony is keen to re-focus efforts around our Neighbourhood Plan. Driven by a sense of community, he says we want to make our village a safer place to walk by tackling speeding. He believes that creating more opportunities for community engagement, from Film Club to Village Hall suppers, is central to success and that we must also make the most of our communications, keeping people informed through our monthly *Limpley Stoke News* and our new village website. "I'm looking forward to getting to know as many people as possible and helping to keep Limpley Stoke a great place to live", he added.

Francis Firmstone was elected vice-chairman.

Summer reading

Outgoing, enthusiastic volunteers are needed to support children taking part in this year's Summer Reading Challenge at Bradford on Avon Library.

The Summer Reading Challenge runs from July 13 to September 7, and volunteers are asked to commit to a minimum of 16 hours over the summer.

Parent/guardian permission is required for volunteers aged under 18 (minimum age 14). Contact Bradford on Avon Library for more information: 01225 863280 / email libraryenquiries@wiltshire.gov.uk.

Stone mine extra date

SATURDAY, JULY 20 is the date for another visit to Stoke Hill Mine in Midford Lane (*see Limpley Stoke News May 2019 for details*).

To register for a place on the tour, contact Bryony Kohn on 01225 723749 / email

bryony.kohn@gmail.com.

Numbers are limited to a maximum of 20 able-bodied adults.

Green bin subs

Garden waste subscriptions are due for renewal this month. To avoid interruption to the service, call 0300 456 0103 or sign up using your unique reference number at www.wiltshire.gov.uk/garden-waste.

Game helps air ambulance

A new mobile game created for Wiltshire Air Ambulance will help the county's life-saving charity attract support in a fun way.

Developers at Bradford on Avon-based OJO Solutions have donated £15,000 worth of studio time to build the app which launched last month.

Competitors playing the game, called Helifun, need to keep their helicopter up in the air as long as possible, avoiding obstacles along the way, which brings the work of paramedics, pilots and fund-raising staff to life. The longer you fly the more points you earn.

Helifun is available to play on the Wiltshire Air Ambulance website (<https://www.wiltshireairambulance.co.uk/helifun>) and to download as a free app from the Apple Store or Google Play Store.

It costs £3.75 million per year to keep the air ambulance flying and saving lives. It is operational 365 days a year and able to reach incidents anywhere in the county within minutes.



WASTE COLLECTIONS

Domestic waste/ black box:

Monday, June 3
Monday, June 17



Green bin:

Wednesday, June 5
Wednesday, June 19



Plastic / cardboard:

Monday, June 10
Monday, June 24



Useful numbers

Transport Link 07714 16 92 16
Power supply emergency 105
Police (non-emergency) 101
Bradford on Avon Police:
Andrew MacLachlan
0752 897 2236
andrew.maclachlan@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk

Wiltshire Unitary Councillor:
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MyWiltshire app: potholes, road issues, blocked drains, grit bins
www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywiltshire-online-reporting or
phone 0300 456 0105



Mobile library monthly visit:
Thursday, June 13
10.00-10.25am
Uplands Close, Midford Lane

Website: www.limpleystoke.org

 [@limpleystokeparish](https://www.facebook.com/limpleystokeparish)
 [@LimpleyFolk](https://twitter.com/LimpleyFolk)

Staying safe

Dorset & Wiltshire Fire Service has a dedicated adviser covering the Bradford on Avon area who can visit people in their own homes to advise on home safety and well-being.

The visit is free of charge and usually lasts about an hour, covering topics such as what to do if there is a fire; making an escape plan; keeping children out of harm; and using electricity safely.

If you live alone, have a young family, or are over 65, phone 0800 038 2323 or visit www.dwfire.org.uk/news/new-name-new-contact-details-same-service/. If you know someone with mobility or sight and hearing impairments, why not suggest a 'Safe and Well' visit.

Charity raffle

Limpley Stoke-based charity, The Children of Sikkim, is running an online raffle of two 4-day passes to the WOMAD festival at the end of July.

Tickets at £2 each can be bought through this link, which includes all the details: <https://the-children-of-sikkim.zaffo.com/#/ticket-select>, or email duncanfinlayson33@gmail.com. The raffle closes at midnight on **Friday, June 7**, so hurry! The winner can nominate the names to go on the tickets, which are worth £450.

The Children of Sikkim is a UK-registered charity which supports the education of disadvantaged children in India from primary school through to college or university.

What's On

Secret gardens open

BRADFORD on AVON. Green-fingered gardeners will be throwing open their gates to visitors on **Sunday, June 30**, from 2pm to 6pm to support local charities and good causes selected by the owners.

An interesting variety of gardens, with some hidden treasures spread throughout the town. Refreshments and plant sales at some gardens.

Tickets (adults £6/under-14s free) available from Friday before the event or 11am on the day from 'Made in Bradford', Lamb Yard (opposite Co-op) or at the gardens on the day.

Parking available at station or St Margaret's Hall car park.

secretgardensboa.wix.com/bona



West Littleton

Sunday, June 9, 2.30pm

Freshford Horticultural Society-organised outing to one of the first villages in the UK to launch the 'open garden' concept over 30 years ago. West Littleton's gardens range from traditional country cottage and woodland gardens through to formal landscaped gardens and sweeping lawns.

Teas and homemade cakes.

Plant sale. Choral evensong at St James Church.

Everyone welcome. Entry £5.00.

Email Freshfordsteph@gmail.com to book a place. Pay at the gate.

West Littleton is just off the A46 in the Stroud direction.

(Sat Nav: SN14 8JE)



Pen Selwood, Somerset

Wed, June 26, 2.00pm

Freshford Horticultural Society-organised trip to Forest Lodge, a three-acre mature garden with views towards Blackmore Vale. Loosely-based on Arts and Crafts gardens created by Lutyens and Jekyll, especially Hestercombe in Somerset. Garden sculptures, wild flower area, large lake, and forest bordering Stourhead Estate. Refreshments provided.

Everyone welcome. Entry £8.50.

Email Freshfordsteph@gmail.com and please pay when booking (refundable up to 2 weeks before outing).

Pen Selwood is four miles west of Mere (Sat Nav: BA9 8LL)

Film Club

Saturday, June 8, 5pm
Freshford Memorial Hall

Straight after village fête

Spiderman: Into the Spiderverse (PG). Hot dogs/veggie hot dogs/bar.

Farm Open Day

Sunday, June 9, 10.30am-4pm

Discover the world of farming at LEAF (*Linking Environment and Farming*) Open Farm Sunday, Peipards Farm, A36 Warminster Road, Freshford, BA2 7UN.

Rural skills demonstrations; meet the animals; tractor rides.

www.farmsunday.org

Hall Estate tours

The Alex Moulton Charitable Trust has organised some tours of Bradford on Avon's Hall Estate, the magnificent Jacobean house and grounds belonging to the Moulton family, who bought the estate in 1848 and brought vulcanised rubber to Europe. Hear about the life and achievements of its last resident, Dr Alex Moulton, pioneering engineer and creator of the Moulton bicycle.

Dates available in June: 12, 19, 25, 26 and 29, all starting at 2pm.

See website for ticket prices:

<https://moultontrust.org/>

Games Club

There's a new Games Club running fortnightly on Saturday afternoons at Bradford on Avon Library, where you can drop in and play some **free** fun games – or take your own. Everyone welcome. Next events are on **June 8, June 22, July 6 and July 20** at 1.30pm.