

# The Bridge



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## **From the Editor**

This 38<sup>th</sup> issue of **The Bridge** promises to be a bumper edition so I will say no more and leave extra space for more interesting items.

## **1st Elmore Brownies**

At the start of last term, the Brownies went to the Sherborne Theatre to watch Disney's 'Wish' along with other Brownies from our District. We have also completed our Baking and Collecting Badges. In March we had a sleepover at Elmore Village Hall which everyone enjoyed. The theme for the sleepover was 'Harry Potter'. A visit to the local Incinerator, which was very interesting, was at the end of term.

This term after the Easter break we have started our 'Grow Your Own' Badge where the girls planted a sunflower seed to grow at home. We also have a competition to see who can grow the tallest sunflower. We have started work on our Know Myself Skills Builder and did some Be Well Unit Meeting Activities.

## **1st Elmore Guides**

Last term we worked on our Vlogging badge where we welcomed a local vlogger to our unit to find out more about what vlogging entails and also thought about how to be safe online. We also were lucky with the weather and enjoyed a campfire evening where we made our own campfire and enjoyed some s'mores. Also last term we had a movie night with popcorn and a board games evening where we played Twister, Jenga and many other games. To finish the term we did some Easter baking; we made some chocolate Easter nests. Recently we had our indoor residential at Elmore Village Hall. Our theme for this year was Harry Potter. We were put into the different houses and had a go at taskmaster activities with Ravenclaw

winning. We also had a go at making potions with food dyes and doing a hike around Elmore where we got to hold a Little Owl - thank you to Ben Long for allowing us to have this opportunity. At the end of the hike we enjoyed a well earned Wholly Gelato ice cream.

This term we have been working on our Network Skills Builder badge within the Know Myself Theme. We have also started our Gloucestershire Wilding Badge by making bird boxes with the assistance of Steve Wells from Homemade Hutches specialising in woodwork. We hope to donate these boxes to Elmore Court to help them with their rewilding project. We finish this half term with a walk along the Severn Way.

*If your daughter is interested in joining Brownies (7-10 years), Guides (10-14 years) or if you would like to volunteer as a Young Leader/ DofE Helper (14-18 years) or Adult Leader (18+) please contact Catherine or Jenny on [1stelmore@gmail.com](mailto:1stelmore@gmail.com).*

## **Village Players**

Village Players 2024 spring production of According to Rumour was a great success, thank you to everyone who came along. We will be taking a short break then starting preparations for our 2024 Panto with script readings and then rehearsals! If you would like to get involved on or off stage then please email [villageplayers@outlook.com](mailto:villageplayers@outlook.com).

The panto is 28<sup>th</sup> Nov to 1<sup>st</sup> Dec and 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> Dec so why not put the date in your diary for what promises to be a great family experience!

## **According to Rumour**

Village Players spring production was the farce 'According to Rumour' by Robert Scott. The action opens on the-morning-after-the-night-before with a hung over Carter (played by Jake Gibson) waking up on his sofa among the debris of a party. Soon his friend Roger (played by Freddie Taylor) emerges from behind the sofa in a similar condition and Kitty Kat (played by Shauna Neumann) comes

into the room in her night clothes. Apparently none of them can remember much about the events of the night just passed. In clearing up the mess prior to the expected arrival of Carter's mother, Harriet (played by Sarah Younger) and his sister Emma (played by Sophie Gibson), Carter finds a bag in the fridge containing £50,000. Where did this come from? We soon realise that Kitty Kat and her recently arrived fiancée, Logan, a 'bent copper', (played by Jack Houston) know just which bank the money was stolen from. When Harriett and Emma arrive they bring a pair of Eastern European dogsbodies, Maxine and Martine, with poor English language skills (both played by Joanne Fisher) who add greatly to the farce and confusion.

Roger admits to Carter that he is in love with Emma and later comes back with flowers and a slushy card to give to her. The card is later found by Emma who assumes Freddie is gay and in love with Carter. When she comes across Carter and Roger wrestling (over the money) on the sofa she thinks her suspicions are justified. Later still, Harriet finds the card and assumes Roger has a 'thing' for her and relishes the idea of a 'toy boy'. Are you keeping up? The plot gets 'thicker' still with the arrival of Ashley (played by Ashley Rowles), their postman, who spots the loot and tries to blackmail Carter to get a cut of the money but all he gets is concussion and a trip to hospital.

You've got the picture, I guess.

Farce is notoriously difficult to do, needing split second delivery, timing and slick entries and exits. Village Players made a good fist of this and got plenty of laughs from the audience for their pains. I saw the show on the first night and despite a few prompts and no doubt first night nerves, the action rattled along. What happened in the end? I'm not sure, but I think Harriett and her 'toy boy' Roger got at least some of the money and went off into the sunset together. At the last moment Kitty Kat and Carter are also revealed to be an item. Kitty Kat proved to be the key character and made a convincing manipulator backed by a strong and experienced cast. A thoroughly enjoyable evening

As always the property department, set builders and technical wallahs added to the success of the production

## **News from St John the Baptist Elmore**

**Regular services** at Elmore Church are, 9.30am Holy Communion 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays each month (with choir), 4pm Evensong 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays. There is no service at Elmore on a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday.

On Sunday 16 June at 3pm we are hosting a Confirmation service, conducted by the Bishop of Tewkesbury. We have 8 adult candidates, which shows that contrary to what you might read in the press, people are still very much interested in the Christian faith and how it can shape their lives, and through them, bless the world around. This is the faith Elmore Church has proclaimed and lived for centuries, and is the reason for its existence.

On Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June (7.30pm) there's a concert at Longney, given by our Church choir to mark the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the death of Sue Catcheside, who was its founder. All welcome, free entry.

In August we have our annual Chamber music Festival, beginning on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> and ending with a choral Evensong on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.

Looking further on in the year, Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 6 October (9.30am) with the Harvest Supper the following Saturday evening (12<sup>th</sup>) in the village hall.

And looking down the road, please rejoice with the folk at Longney church who have installed a toilet and upgraded kitchenette in the back of the Church. The pews have been removed from that area so it is available for a wide range of community activities.

Do be in touch if I can help you in any way. God bless you  
Rev Richard Martin 01452 720015 vicar@hardwicke-elmore-longney.church

For the latest news please see our weekly newsletter posted on our website Elmore: St John the Baptist - A Church Near You

## **Elmore Chamber Music Festival**

St John the Baptist Church, Elmore

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> – Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> August 2024

This year's line up features performances by the Elmore Quartet, double bassist Toby Hughes, pianists Filip Michalak and Victor Lim. A favourite will be hearing Mozart's piano Concerto no. 12 in A

Major and you don't need to get on a train to go to London because it's here in Elmore. There will be a festival bar for refreshments and this year we will be hosting a Jazz evening featuring Scottie Thompson (piano), Matt Hollick (bass) and Fin Genockey (drums) For further details please phone 01452 725605 or visit [www.elmorechambermusicfestival.co.uk](http://www.elmorechambermusicfestival.co.uk)

## **Elmore WI.**

We have had some interesting talks so far this year including the work of the Young Carers association and growing up in Northern Ireland during the troubles.

We have had a Block Printing workshop where we all made a variety of aprons.

May 9<sup>th</sup> We had a visit from Godsells Cheese from Leonard Stanley with lots of delicious samples.

June 11<sup>th</sup> is our Members Night to be arranged

July 9<sup>th</sup> is a talk from one of our members, Julie Bircher from Longney, who is going to talk about her cut flower business.

May 18<sup>th</sup> was our annual coffee morning where as usual we had plants, cakes, tombola and bric a brac for sale. Thank to all who came along and gave their support.

All are welcome at our meetings on 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday monthly.

## **The Revd Thomas Woodhouse**

You might remember Thomas: he was Vicar here from 1998 to 2005. If so, you might be interested to know that he is now The Reverend Canon Thomas Woodhouse. He left us to become Vicar of Wootton Bassett, later Royal Wootton Bassett; this was perhaps a sign of things to come! After Royal Wootton Bassett he was appointed Team Rector of Dorchester and the Winterbournes in Dorset, and a Canon of Salisbury Cathedral.

In 2019 he took up his current appointment as Chaplain of the King's Chapel of the Savoy and Chaplain of the Duchy of Lancaster, Chaplain of the Royal Victorian Order, Canon of the Chapels Royal and a Deputy Priest-in-Ordinary HM The King.

The King's Chapel is one of London's four Chapels Royal, a Royal Peculiar (\* see below – Ed.). It is open to the public from Sunday to Thursday each week, with services on Sunday at 1100 and Wednesday at 1230. There are the usual round of baptism, wedding and funeral services, as well as more bespoke services for the Royal Victorian Order and other organisations associated with the chapel. The chapel has a strong musical tradition, and the choir is made up of six professional adult singers and up to 21 choristers: the worship in the chapel has a cathedral quality in an intimate setting.

Thomas has occasional royal duties to perform, and he regularly visits farm tenants across the Duchy of Lancaster's rural surveys, often drawing on knowledge imparted to him while he was Vicar in Hardwicke, Elmore and Longney. Thomas oversees the link between the Duchy and the 42 Duchy Church Livings; he supports clergy, and he is involved in their appointments.

His wife, Kate, is a psychotherapist and Head of Staff Support at St George's Hospital, Tooting. Their four daughters, three of whom were born and baptised in the benefice, are well and busy. Charlotte is married to Edward, and they live in St Albans; Charlotte works for an educational charity and Edward is Senior Youth Pastor at the St Albans Vineyard Church. Beatrice works at Buckingham Palace for the Privy Purse. Anne is a primary school teacher in Windsor and Alice is on a gap year and plans to read English, probably in London.

*\* a Royal Peculiar is under the direct jurisdiction of the King or, in the case of the King's Chapel of the Savoy, the King in Right of His Duchy of Lancaster. Ed*

## **The Malvern Hills**

From anywhere on the edge of the Cotswolds in Gloucestershire and Worcestershire the Malvern Hills dominate the view. As you travel up and down the M5 they are your constant companion to left or right. It is said that if you can't see The Malverns it is raining and if you can see them clearly it's about to rain. Like a lot of these old sayings there is a grain of truth in this. Obviously if it's raining the view is obscured, but if you can see them clearly the weather fronts have passed giving crystal clear visibility but the very real chance of

heavy showers which follow a cold front. It is also said that if you stand on the top of Worcester Beacon, at 1390 feet the highest point of The Malverns, and look due East there is nowhere higher until the Ural Mountains in warmongering Russia. How true this is I'm not sure.

Geologically The Malverns are extremely ancient being a Pre-Cambrian 'inlier'. Let me explain this. Around here are Chosen Hill, Robinswood Hill, Cam Long Down and Doverow Hill, which are all bits of the Cotswold Hills separated from the main range by erosion or landslip. They are 'outliers', technically areas of younger rock surrounded by older rock but The Malverns are the opposite - an 'inlier' - an area of older rock surrounded by younger rocks. They are bits of really hard, ancient Pre-Cambrian rock poking up through much younger and softer rocks.

Most people, thanks to Hollywood and the Dorset coast, have heard of the Jurassic so we'll start there and work back. The rocks around Elmore, and the Cotswolds themselves, are Jurassic in age and date from about 180 to 135 million years ago (mya). This is a long time (!) but we can go back a long time before that.

Jurassic	180 to 135 mya
Triassic	225 to 180 mya
Permian	270 to 225 mya
Carboniferous	350 to 270 mya
Devonian	400 to 350 mya
Silurian	440 to 400 mya
Ordovician	500 to 440 mya
Cambrian	600 to 500 mya
Pre-Cambrian	4500 to 600 mya

So I think you will get that The Malverns, being Pre Cambrian, are 'well old' and they sit there surrounded by the much younger and softer Triassic rocks. You may be wondering why the Pre-Cambrian lasted for 3900 million years whereas the other systems lasted a maximum of 100 million years. The answer to this is that these geological systems were worked out by Victorian Geologists based on the gradual evolution of their characteristic fossils. To the Victorians the Pre-Cambrian seemed to contain no fossils so, unable

to sub-divide it, they lumped together everything before the Cambrian as the Pre-Cambrian. With modern kit and methods we can discover fossils in some of the Pre-Cambrian and can therefore subdivide it to a certain extent. However, the other problem is that there isn't much Pre-Cambrian about; rock that old has been buried, battered and bent by Earth movements, weathered away and eroded by rivers, the sea, glaciers and ice sheets. So The Malverns are a precious survival.

What were things like back then? Very different from now is the easy answer. For a start there were a lot more days in the year. It may surprise you to know that this can be worked out by studying fossil corals, an extremely ancient life form. Modern corals build a little bit of their shells each day. Cambrian corals were no different and it's possible to count these small additions (similar to counting tree rings) to work out that the Cambrian year had more than 500 days. Presumably the Pre-Cambrian year had even more. The Earth's spin has slowed down since, giving us 365.25 days in a year now. But it is still slowing down hence the need to adjust our atomic clocks by a 'leap second' every now and then.

Another big difference was the amount of oxygen in the air. Oxygen is produced by plants during photosynthesis. The primitive Earth had no oxygen until green plants evolved and began making it. An important knock on effect is with little O<sup>2</sup> in the air there was less O<sup>3</sup> (ozone) at high altitude. Ozone protects the Earth from killing solar radiation and so with less ozone, life could only survive in the oceans – there were no land animals or plants in any numbers until the Silurian. Once oxygen began to accumulate it also combined with iron in rocks to form iron oxides (rust) and Geologists have discovered what they call BIF (banded iron formations) in ancient rocks coloured red with iron oxide and marking the build up of oxygen in the ancient atmosphere.

The rocks of The Malverns are largely metamorphic (rocks which have been altered from their original form by great pressure and heat), the dominant rock being gneiss (pronounced 'nice') – the same rock type is also found in the Outer Hebrides. The original rocks before alteration were probably igneous (formed from molten rock)



and in fact some lavas have been found in the Malverns. These ancient rocks have cracks or fissures in them but are virtually insoluble, so rainwater percolates down through the fissures and is purified, but picks up very few dissolved minerals before it comes out round the base of the hills at springs. Malvern water is famous the world over as some of the purest available and has been bottled and enjoyed for many years. It is said that Malvern water was a favourite of Elizabeth 1<sup>st</sup>.

I trust you will look at The Malverns now with an even greater sense of appreciation

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## **From the Parish Council**

There have been changes at the Parish Council. Nick Meek and Jane Hill have retired and we welcome two new Councillors, Tony Leach and Edward Watts. As Nick Meek was chair of the Council, Matt Brandon has taken over the Chair. Vince Meredith has become Vice Chair. It is a legal requirement that the Chair publishes an Annual Report so here is Nick Meek's final report.

## **The Chair's Annual Report**

On reflection, I would say that with regards to changes or major events within the Village, it's been a fairly quiet year, which in some ways is good. It's been 'business as usual' with respect to activities carried out by the Parish Council. The only new additions to the village that we have been responsible for are the Please Drive Carefully signs that adorn a number of household wheelie bins and the litter bin in the layby at the Stonebench end of the village. I hasten to add, before you comment on its slant, that it was installed by the Highways Authority.

The only other matter to mention is with regards to Planning issues. There have been two separate long running planning matters that we have been involved with along Haywicks Lane (main road from Hardwicke to Elmore). Both sites were being used for purposes that they didn't have planning permission for, so eventually SDC applied enforcement notices on them. This has resulted in a new planning application being submitted for the small holding as you leave the

village on the left along Haywicks Lane and the tenants leaving the wooden 'Common Room' between Hollow Farm and Taylors Yard. The Parish Council are keen to ensure that planning rules are applied equally to all applications/developments within the village and that the canal continues to be a physical boundary for major new development.

The Parish finances are in good health. In April 2023 our bank balance stood at £6142.90 and our regular expenditure on insurance, memberships, Defibrillator maintenance, printing of The Bridge and the Clerk's salary, have continued throughout the year. The total expenditure for the year was £3005.29, balanced off by a total income of £3713.35, which led to a closing balance in March 2024 of £6850.66.

Your Parish Council decided that the Parish Precept should remain unchanged again for the last financial year and is currently £2,472. Our internal audit was conducted successfully and we continue to follow the financial transparency guidelines by publishing any expenditure over £100 on our Parish website. We review the financial situation at every Parish Council meeting by producing the financial statement for scrutiny by Councillors.

Finally, I would like to ask newcomers to the village and longer standing residents who may have changed their email address, to let the Parish Council know your details (contact details can be found in The Bridge). These will be added to our data base and stored securely, only to be used by the council to contact you with regards to important village issues.

Nick Meek

### **A Message From the New Chair**

Firstly a huge thank you to Nick Meek whose strong ties to the local community and the history of Elmore will be sorely missed on the Council - I say that living as I do in his Grandfathers and Uncle's old house. Nick welcomed me superbly to the local area when I moved in 2020. He supported the council diligently over 10 years, serving the last 3½ as Chair. Jane Hill has served on the Council for 7 years and has made a valuable contribution to our community and as the only woman on the Council will be greatly missed. I welcome the two new councillors, Ed Watts and Tony Leach who have kindly

volunteered and we've welcomed them onto the council where they will be getting stuck into their new roles over the next few months. As always the Parish councillors details are on the back page should you need to contact us or have any questions. Matt Brandon

## **Elmore Villagers Whatsapp Group**

This was set up in May last year as an informal means of communicating across the entire village. In the last year, the medium has shared real-time information on the frequent Stonebench flooding and seen discussions on lost pets, recommendations for tradespeople, for sale and wanted, the continuing problems with fly-tipping, and countless other community topics. At time of writing, there are a total of 43 members on the group, so only about a third of residents with mobile phones. If you are a mobile phone and Whatsapp user and would like to join the group, please let me know and I would be delighted to add you to the group.

Thank you.

Hamish Pitt - 07817 656236

Matt Brandon, whose contact details are on the back page can also add you to the group or you can go to

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/KcUlGjNqbFC37k2bXVk6uN>

## **An Important Message for all Elmore Women from the Editor**

The Parish Council now comprises 5 men – there are no women to put the female point of view. Are you happy with this? I happen to know that one of the existing Councillors is looking to drop out as soon as a willing volunteer can be found. If you think you may be willing to serve and redress this unfortunate situation please contact the Clerk, Dorie Jones, whose details are on the back page

## **Island Book Club Reviews**

**KING OF KINGS** by **Wilbur Smith**. This is another fast-paced, swashbuckling adventure by the master storyteller, Wilbur Smith, with Imogen Robertson. Set in Egypt and Abyssinia in the 1880s, and combining the Ballantine and Courtney dynasties, this is the sixth

book of the series - don't worry, you don't need to have read the previous five books to enjoy this one!

**RED NOTICE by Bill Browder.** Red Notice is effectively an autobiography by Bill Browder – and is a true-life political thriller, dating back to the 1990s. Following the Cold War and hopes of better relations between the West and Russia, Browder was keen to do business there, particularly because of a certain twist in his family's background. He became very successful in the financial markets of Eastern Europe. He became a billionaire, running the largest Russian investment fund. During his time in Russia, his dear friend and colleague, Sergei Magnitsky, a Russian lawyer, uncovered a massive tax fraud by the government. They both tried hard to fight for justice but with inevitable consequences. This profoundly shocking and engaging story is a real eye-opener, at the same time horrifying and honest. It reveals, unadorned, the culture of corruption in Putin's Russia today. It is all the more poignant because of the present, ongoing, dreadful situation in Ukraine, and also the horrifying recent death of Alexei Navalny.

*In November 2005, Browder was refused entry to Russia because of his efforts to gain justice for his friend, deported to the UK and declared a threat to Russian National Security. Although he wrote this book in 2016, to this day his life is under threat and he continues to be an enemy of Putin. The book is his attempt to safeguard his life and that of his family.*

## **Village Hall News**

I'm pleased to announce that after several problems with the suspended ceiling in the committee room, specialist contractors have removed the 50+ year old ceiling and replaced it with a modern, insulated and safer ceiling with built-in led lighting. The room is much improved and with the recent new curtains, is now fully updated. The safety and comfort of our users are now further improved.

The dance school for younger children, is now fully up and running well after a trial period. For more information contact Chloe (floditydanceschool@gmail.com )

Yoga. After trial sessions on Saturday mornings, Blanka has suspended sessions until September, when she will restart classes. For more information contact her (bluemoonyoga@hotmail.com )

Best wishes to them both

EVH Committee are pleased to welcome our friend and neighbour Anne Phipps as a full member. We look forward to working with her. Demand for space in our Hall is steadily increasing, early bookings (or enquiries) are advisable. I look forward to hearing from you.

Many thanks to all users and supporters of the Hall.

John (Hardisty) Chair

01452 721798 or [pikelett@hotmail.com](mailto:pikelett@hotmail.com)

## **Longfield Hospice Update**

In case you didn't know, Longfield is a local hospice covering Gloucestershire with a range of free services. It has been supporting adults with a life limiting condition, their family and loved ones for over 35 years. If you think you could benefit from our help and care, why not visit [longfield.org.uk](http://longfield.org.uk) to find out more?

Did you know Longfield is a charity and that 85% of our funding comes from donations? So, if you would like to get involved and help us please contact the fundraising team to find out more on 01453 886868.

### **Walk for Longfield 2024**

Celebrate the summer solstice by walking 5km or 10km on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June 5,30pm to 9pm at Minchinhampton.

Sign up at [www.longfield.org.uk/walk-for-longfield](http://www.longfield.org.uk/walk-for-longfield)

### **Run the Rainbow 2024 –**

Enjoy our summer colourful favourite on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2024 at Frampton Court. Sign up at [www.longfield.org.uk/run-the-rainbow](http://www.longfield.org.uk/run-the-rainbow)

## **ROTARY in the SEVERN VALE**

Our twice monthly breakfast meetings continue.

March breakfast saw us joined by Frank & Sheila King from Nailsworth Club as well as Ian Williams, Head Teacher of Lakefield School. Ian thanked the club for sponsoring the cost of the school's annual visit to the Bloodhound Project, Berkeley, which led to exciting possibilities in other areas in the curriculum. It was much appreciated by the children. Various model cars and written comments from the pupils about their visit were passed around, reinforcing the opinion that this was a good use of our funds.

Our speaker was Nigel Coyle, ex Army RSM. He gave an interesting and at amusing talk about his years in the army. Starting off at 17 with five years in the French Foreign Legion and having trained as a parachutist he saw action in Zaire and Lebanon as a UN peacekeeper. He returned home in 1981 and joined 3 Para in the British Army and fought for Mount Longdon in the Falklands where 17 of his fellow soldiers were killed. Home again, he became a PT instructor and later a weapons instructor, seeing duty in Northern Ireland. He served at Spandau Prison guarding Rudolf Hess, and also in Bosnia. A very engaging presentation that was well received.

Our next meeting was our last at The Whitminster Inn for the time being. Our President, Nick Ellwood, took the opportunity to present a cheque for £605 to Sandra Ashenford of Farms for City Children. The speaker was Katerina Pippi, Customer Relations Manager and Dementia Friends Ambassador from Scarlet House Care Home. She gave an interesting presentation about Dementia, explaining this was an umbrella name for almost 100 types of the disease affecting perhaps 10% of over 65s in a variety of ways. Coping strategies were discussed to help the sufferer and carer in their changing world. Most important is to give them time and patience.

Our next breakfast meeting was held at The Thatch Inn. The speaker was Chris Mitford-Slade, Director for the Cotswolds Canals Project: 'The Missing Mile'. Chris explained how costs had escalated to unattainable levels, necessitating a rethink in the scale of delivery leading to more volunteer led projects. The first section to be tackled is from Bonds Mill to Pyke Bridge then, following a redesign to

reduce costs, tunnelling under the M5. This alone is envisaged to cost around £3m. Chris handled a stream of questions - some of which didn't pull any punches - questions he admitted he had asked himself, but thankfully had found positive answers. A good and confident speaker who promised to return to keep us updated on progress.

Along with our breakfasts we continue to enjoy both social and fundraising events. A very successful fundraising Thai Supper was held by one of our members, Colin Ellis, in celebration the Thai New Year. We've also enjoyed social events – namely Boules and Skittle evenings and most enjoyable meal at The Frocester George with partners and a retired Judge as a very entertaining after dinner speaker.

For information on events and breakfast meetings, please visit [www.severnvalerotary.org.uk](http://www.severnvalerotary.org.uk) or contact [keith.rog@hotmail.com](mailto:keith.rog@hotmail.com)

## **Thanks**

to Chris Camm, John Field, Dorie Jones and Val Overton who continue to distribute **The Bridge** to your doors and have done so since the first edition in 2014

## ***ASummer Concert by The Severnside Singers***

***in St Peter's Church, Framilode***

***Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> July***

***7pm***

***We will be singing a wide range of music,  
as well as some sing-along favourites for you to enjoy!***

***Adults £10***

***Children under 18 free***

***To include a glass of wine or soft drink and nibbles***

***Tickets available from Pam Greenfield 01452 740126,***

***The Green Shop (cash only please)***

***or on the door***

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## **Parish Council Meeting Dates 2024**

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December

All the above are held in the Village Hall, 7pm

## **Copy Dates for The Bridge 2024**

Friday August 2<sup>nd</sup>

& Friday October 11th

Please send any copy to the editor on or before the above dates. Regular contributors will be warned of each of the dates 2 to 3 weeks in advance. Hardcopy should be sent to Rose Cottage, Elmore, GL2 3NS and electronic copy to [rosecottage1818@gmail.com](mailto:rosecottage1818@gmail.com)

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