

Fairford & Lechlade Events: MAY 2019

VARIOUS DAYS

Friday 3rd to Saturday 4th May: **TROUT THEATRE**: two one-act plays

Monday 6th to Friday 19th May: **SWINDON SPRING FESTIVAL**: see www.swindonspringfestival.co.uk for details

Friday 24th & Saturday 25th May: **MUSIC IN COUNTRY CHURCHES CONCERTS**: 6.30pm Friday Choir of Tenebrae & 7.30pm Saturday the English Chamber Orchestra in St Mary's, Fairford. Box office: 01485 535071

SATURDAY 25TH May to Sunday 2ND June: **LEMUR WEEK**: at Cotswold Wildlife Park

Friday 7th to Sunday 9th June: **25th FAIRFORD FESTIVAL**: 8pm TGI Festival Friday at Fairford Cricket Club, Saturday 9.30am to 7pm various events, Sunday from 9.45am various running events, dog show & craft events. Details at www.fairfordfestival.org.uk.

Friday 7th to Sunday 9th June: **LANGFORD ARTS FESTIVAL**: 7.30pm Friday preview & reception in St Mathews Church, 11am to 5pm Saturday & Sunday in Village Hall. Details at www.fairfordfestival.org.uk Jo Edwards: 07767 204627, joanna.edwards5@btinternet.com

Friday 5th July to Sunday 7th July: **MINETY MUSIC FESTIVAL**: Kinch's Fields, Hornbury Hill, Minety SN16 9QH. Details at www.minetyfestival.co.uk

Thursday 1st to Saturday 31st August: **RHINO MONTH**: at Cotswold Waster Park. Daily talk at 2pm near the Rhino Paddock

BALLROOM & LATIN AMERICAN DANCING: Learn to dance with friendly, experienced teachers whose aim is to make dancing fun. New beginner classes in Burford (Warwick Hall) on Tuesday evenings at 7pm & in Lechlade Memorial Hall on Wednesday evenings at 8pm. Private lessons also available. For more details of these classes & our other classes, contact Simon Paul 01367 253633 or go to Thameschoolofdancing.co.uk

CORINIUM MUSEUM, CIRENCESTER: Various exhibitions & workshops for adult & children. Details at: www.coriniummuseum.org

CIRENCESTER SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY SOCIETY: visits to various places including factories, power stations, wildlife reserves & museums, always with special attraction for people interested in science & technology. Details at www.cirensience.org.uk

FAIRFORD ART SOCIETY: Thursday 2nd May, 7.30 Farmor room Fairford Community Centre Critique Evening. Coffee Raffle visitors welcome £3.00

Get together sessions Subject 'Over the Garden Wall' Tuesdays 7th & 14th, Thursdays 16th & 23rd 1.30pm Visitors welcome £3.00 per session

Advance notice Annual Exhibition June 5th, 6th 7th & 8th in St. Mary's Church Fairford, www.fairfordartsociety.weebly.com

GREY WOLF KARATE CLUB: all abilities welcome, from age 8+, first three sessions free, then adults £25 per month or £6 per session, under 16s £15 per month or £4 per session.

Saturdays: Meysey Hampton Memorial Hall 8am - 9am advanced, 9am - 10am all abilities

Mondays: The Pavilion, Lechlade 7pm - 8.30pm all abilities

Wednesdays: Down Ampney Memorial Hall 6.15 - 7.15pm all, 7.15 - 8.15pm advanced.

Contact Sensei Joe Ryan 3rd Dan: 07753 165831

SATURDAYS

Saturday 8th May: **FAIRFORD FESTIVAL OF FICTION**: 9.30am to 7pm in its own tent in the grounds of Fairford Cricket Club, with Fairford Festival

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Saturday 11th May: **WORLD BINTURONG DAY:** 11.30am & 3.30pm at Cotswold Wildlife Park, supporting ABConservation. Binturong enclosure is near the Reptile House

Saturday 11th May: **BRING & BUY SALE:** 1pm to 3pm in the Lechlade pavilion. In aid of Dementia Adventure. Drop off goods 10am – midday

Saturday 11th May: **FAIRFIELD CLASSIC CAR RALLY:** at Cotswold Wildlife Park, with the Fairfield Classic Car Club

Saturday 11th May: **QUENINGTON FETE:** 2pm to 5 pm in Old Rectory, Church Road, Quenington, Fairford, GL7 5BN. Adults £2, children free. Dog show, usual stalls face painting, rides, refreshments, BBQ, beer tent & duck race

Saturday 11th May: **AFTERNOON TEA PARTY:** at The Cotswold Home, Bradwell Village, Burford. Classic afternoon tea in a beautiful setting with lovely gardens, greeted with a glass of Prosecco, then sit sandwiches & cakes paired with a choice of tea & coffee. Supporting the charity Turn2us, which fights UK poverty. More at www.turn2us.org.uk/TeaParty or call 020 8834 9271

Saturday 11th May: **SUMMER CONCERT:** 7.30pm at St Mary's Church, Fairford. Fairford & District Choral Society perform Mozart's Requiem, K626 & Schubert's Mass No 2 in G Major, D167. Tickets £15 & from Fairford Opticians

Saturday 18th May: **ONE DAY SALE OF ORIGINAL PAINTINGS, PRINTS & CARDS:** 9am until 1pm at The Council Rooms, Gilberts Lane, Highworth. Meet the artists: John Sirrelle (animal paintings), Bob Marchant (various subjects) & Barbara Lepojevic (mainly still life), refreshments available

Saturday 18th May: **50:50 TABLE TOP SALE:** 1pm to 5pm in the Morris Memorial Hall Kelmscott, GL7 3HG. Sellers book a table, you keep 50% & the Memorial Hall, a registered charity, has 50%. Buyers, just turn up on the day! More on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/MorrisMemorialHall/> or call 01367 253103/ 01367 252403

Saturday 18th May: **'CHEESE & WINE' EVENING:** 7:30pm at The New Memorial Hall, Lechlade. Tickets £10 (to include the first drink) from The Post Office or Steve Jones: 01367 253025. Supporting the HelpMadina Charity

Saturday 8 June: **A CELEBRATION OF 750 YEARS AT ST MARY'S CHURCH, MEYSEY HAMPTON:** Displays, flower festival, history, art, books, teas & produce. Children's activities. Contact 01285 851526 or 01285 851737. Proceeds to Church fabric fund

Saturday 8th June: **CASTLE EATON VILLAGE FETE:** 1pm in the Red Lion Garden. Stalls include cakes & teas, garden plants, raffle, Duck Race & The Highworth Silver Band. Come along with friends & family & have a good afternoon out

Saturday 15th June: **AMPNEY CRUCIS SUMMER FETE:** 1pm to 3.30pm. Cake stall, brass band, fun dog show, fortune teller, plate smashing, Pimms tent, BBQ, duck race, beer tent, the tool shed, spin the wheel & grand raffle. Supporting Ampney Crucis C of E School & the Church of the Holy Rood

Saturdays: **STORIES ON DEMAND:** every week in Lechlade Library, from 10am-1pm volunteers will read stories to children of all ages – just drop in with your children & stay as long as you like

Saturdays: **BEANS COFFEE SHOP:** Saturdays, 10am-12 noon at Lechlade Baptist Church. Chat, make friends & eat great cake! Everyone welcome

New: Saturdays: **KELMSCOTT MANOR:** (April to August) visit the house & gardens 11am-5pm. Last admission 4pm. Tel: 01367 252486, www.kelmscottmanor.org.uk

Saturdays: **BUSCOT CONCERT:** 7.30pm at Buscot Park Theatre, from 6pm for picnics. Info & bookings at www.buscotconcerts.co.uk

Saturday 1st June: Mark Viner, piano

Saturday 23rd June: Tom Poster, piano

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1st Saturdays: **BOOKS, BICKIES & BEVERAGES:** 10am–12 noon in Poulton Village Hall. Come along for a chat over a coffee & homemade biscuit & buy a second-hand book for resale

2nd Saturdays: **PALMER HALL DANCE CLUB FOR MODERN SEQUENCE DANCING:** 7.30–11pm in the Palmer Hall, Fairford. Also Thursdays, 8–10pm (except for the Thursday before the 2nd Saturday of the month). Contact: pcorinium@tiscali.co.uk or visit www.fairfordsequence.org.uk

3rd Saturdays: **COMBINED ARMED FORCES & VETERANS BREAKFAST CLUBS:** 9.30am in Beefeater Restaurant, Kings meadow, Cricklade Road, Cirencester GL7 1NR. Contact Ray Taylor: 07746 043666, Jim Warnock: 07523 582945, Taff Hughes: 01793 734122, or email: cafvinc@gmail.com

SUNDAYS

Sunday 5th May: **CLARE MCCALDIN, LYRIC MEZZO-SOPRANO & PAUL TURNER, PIANIST:** 7.30pm in Wyvern Theatre, Swindon. More at www.swindonrecitalseries.org

Sunday 19th May: **OPEN GARDEN:** 2pm to 5pm at The Old Rectory, Quenington GL7 5BN. On the banks of the mill race & River Coln, this richly varied riverside garden is completely organic & around five acres. £5 entry. Toilets, Dogs allowed on leads, Limited Wheelchair access, Plant stalls, Delicious teas by Friends of St James' Church, Colesbourne. More at www.redcross.org.uk/opengardens

Sunday 26th May: **OPEN DAY:** 2pm to 6pm at Fairford Bowling Club. Try your hand with free tuition. More at www.Fairfordbowlingclub.co.uk

Sunday 9th June: **MGs AT THE PARK:** at Cotswold Wildlife Park. All classic & modern MGs welcome. Details at www.oxfordshiremgoc.co.uk

1st & 3rd Sundays (April to October): **FARINGDON FOLLY:** 11am-5pm Climb the 100ft Tower & spend time finding the sculptures in the woodland. Info: www.faringdonfolly.org.uk

2nd Sundays (except January & August): **MESSY CHURCH:** 4–6pm in St Mary's Church, Fairford. Crafts, games, celebration & a cooked meal for families. Please let us know of any dietary requirements for the meal, otherwise just turn up on the day. For further details, Sarah: 01285 712074 or stmaryslmt@gmail.com

3rd Sunday: **LECHLADE COMMUNITY CINEMA:** 7.30pm in Lechlade Memorial. Enjoy the film, on the big 5m wide screen with an all-round sound & an inductive loop system. Doors open at 7.00pm for refreshments. Tickets cost £3.50 which includes a voluntary donation of 50p to Lechlade Village Hall & Recreation CIO. Reserve a seat: 01367 253633

Sunday 19th May: A Star is Born (Cert 15) starring Bradley Cooper & Lady Gaga

Sunday 16th June. The Favourite (Cert 15)

Last Sundays (note some months have 5 Sundays): **SUNDAY FUNDAY:** 2-4pm in various locations. South Cotswolds Parent Carers Support Group of parents in the Lechlade & Fairford area who all have a child or young person with a disability. Contact Karen Robinson: 07762 882328 or Elizabeth Uttley: elizabeth.uttley@gmail.com

MONDAYS

Monday 6th May: **Visitors from Fairford, Manitoba, Canada:** Meeting in Fairford Community Centre as part of a European tour. More details to follow

Monday 6th May (Bank Holiday): **LECHLADE DUCK RACE:** Riverside Park, Lechlade. Organised by volunteers from RAF Brize Norton, the fun family fundraiser returns. Proceeds will be shared between the event's four chosen charities, the Royal Air Force Association, the Cotswold Water Park Trust, the Lechlade Memorial Hall & Lechlade Little Learners. More at www.lechladeduckrace.com

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Monday 13th May: **GLOS ASSISTANTS DROP IN:** 9.30-11.30am at New Brewery Arts Café, Cirencester. Learn about working as a personal assistant or getting support with your health & care needs. Contact Stephanie: glad@inclusion-glos.org. Visit www.glosassistants.org.uk

Monday 27th May: **EASTLEACH FROLICS:** from 11.30am at Eastleach Playing Field. 12pm kids football, 12.30 kids & adults touch rugby, 1pm adults football, 2pm children's races, then 5pm at Victoria Inn fun & games down the river in the Frolics Regatta (bring your boat made of recycled materials). Finally, tug of war

Mondays (Term time only): **TODDLER READING TIME:** 10.30am – 11am at Fairford Library. Stories & singing

Mondays: **JOB CLUB:** every week from 10am-12 noon in Lechlade Library. Support for those seeking employment including job search, CV writing & interview skills

Mondays: **QUENINGTON BABY & TODDLER GROUP:** 10–11.30am in Quenington Village Hall (term-time only). Meet other local parents/carers & toddlers & have some fun at the same time! £1.50 per family includes drink & snack for children, tea or coffee & biscuits for adults

Mondays: **FAIRFORD MONDAY WALKING GROUP:** Mondays except Bank Holidays, 10.30am, outside the Community Centre. We are a small friendly group that never walks more than two miles & has tea or coffee & a chat afterwards, cost 50p. Contact Kay Hobbs: 01285 713203

Mondays: **FAIRFORD BRIDGE CLUB:** Class for improvers, 2-4pm in Fairford Community Centre. Contact Margaret Bishop: 01285 238834

Mondays: **1st FAIRFORD BEAVERS:** 4:45-6pm at the Fairford Scout Hut, Horcott Road (term time). For boys & girls, aged 6-8 years. Email: fairfordbeavers@gmail.com

Mondays: **1st FAIRFORD CUBS:** 6:30–8pm at the Fairford Scout Hut, Horcott Road (term time). For boys & girls aged 8–10½. All welcome. Angie Wright: 01285 851685

Mondays: **SWINDON MALE VOICE CHOIR:** rehearsals 7.30pm during school terms at New Century Club, Gorse Hill, Swindon SN2 8BU. Information: www.swindonmalevoicechoir.co.uk

1st Mondays: **LECHLADE BAPTIST CHURCH HOBBIES & HANDICRAFTS:** 2-4pm in the church. Free

2nd Mondays: **LECHLADE PHOTOGRAPHERS:** 7.30pm at Riverside Pub. Visit Facebook 'Lechlade photographers'. Contact Mike Read: 01367 252023

2nd & 4th Mondays: **LECHLADE LADIES MORRIS SIDE:** 7.30pm-9.30pm Kencot Village Hall. Instructor-led Morris dancing. Contact Jay Matthews: 01367 860869, jaymathews124@mac.com

3rd Mondays: **LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY:** 7.15pm for 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. Guest welcome £4. Contact Marian Winckles: 01367 252851, www.lechladehistory.co.uk

Monday 13th May: Beer, Sausages & Marmalade : Oxford food & drink in the 19th Century by Liz Woolley

Alternate Mondays: **HA'PENNY BRIDGE SINGERS:** We are a small group of female close harmony singers with a repertoire of unique arrangements of 20th century classics. We meet alternate Monday evenings in the Lechlade area & are currently looking for new members. We have great fun & really enjoy our music, so if you'd like to learn more, please get in touch with Peter: 01367 253200

TUESDAYS

Tuesdays: **LECHLADE ART SOCIETY:** Demonstrations in The Pavilion 2-4pm. Refreshments. Non-members £4. New members welcome & most demos are followed by a 'sign up' workshop by the artist. Details: Janice Mitchell: 17mitchell.janice@gmail.com, www.lechladeartsociety.co.uk. Check the LAS website for any last-minute changes. Large free carpark

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Tuesday 14th May: Creative Framing with Chris Smith

Tuesday 18th June: Ceramics with Julie Fowler

Tuesdays: **LITTLE LAMBS BABY & TODDLER GROUP**: 10-11.30am (term-time) at Fairford Community Centre. Friendly group – all welcome. Arts & crafts, singing, stories & baby corner. First visit is free, £1.50 per family each visit after, with refreshments for adults & children included. Contact Julie: 07710 604143, littlelambsfairford@hotmail.co.uk. **Having a party?** Children's tables & chairs available for hire for £10. All proceeds to Little Lambs. Contact as above

Tuesdays: **YOGA FOR ALL**: 10-11.30am in the Fairford Community Centre. Contact Becky Barry: 07816 289034, sparkle1000@hotmail.com

Tuesdays: **LECHLADE TUESDAY CLUB**: (in term time) 10.30am–3pm. Contact Hazel: 07796 211270

Tuesdays: **BROWNIES**: 6–7.30pm (term time) in Kempsford Village Hall. Lots of fun activities & crafts for girls aged 7–10. Contact: 01285 810730

Tuesdays: **ADVENTURE PLUS ADVENTURE CLUB** (for ages 8 & over): 6-7.30pm term time only at Windmill Farm, Clanfield OX18 2SN. Archery, climbing, fencing, circus skills & more. First session free, then £5. Email: ta@adventureplus.org.uk, www.adventureplus.org.uk/adventureclub

Tuesdays: **TS RALEIGH**: 7-9pm at Fairford Fire Station. For girls & boys aged 8-18 years. Contact Jaime Hughes: 07780 827987, colin-Jaime.hughes@hotmail.co.uk

Tuesdays: **FAIRFORD BRIDGE CLUB**: 7 for 7.15pm in Fairford Community Centre. Bridge players required, newcomers & visitors welcome. Contact Phil Hardy: 01285 850563

Tuesdays: **CORINIUM BADMINTON CLUB**: 8–10pm at Cotswold Leisure, Cirencester. Need men & ladies for Swindon Division 2 & 3, Men's & Mixed teams. Contact Trevor Dukes: 01285 659785

Tuesdays: **ROYAL ANTEDILUVIAN ORDER OF BUFFALOES – Grand Lodge of England**: Tuesdays – VWH Pelican Lodge No 8849 meets at Welford Club. Members past, present & future welcome. Contact Andrew Bartlett: 01285 750746

1st Tuesdays: **FAIRFORD & DISTRICT UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE (U3A)**: 2.30pm in the Palmer Hall. Membership secretary, Sue Jonson: 01285 713756, membershipsec@fairfordu3a.org.uk

Tuesday 7th May: 1.30pm: Introduction to your U3A including various interest groups

2.30pm: 'One man, one horse, 2700 miles, & 30 Cathedrals visited' with William Reddaway, about his ride around England

Tuesday 4th June: 'Desai Memorial School Nairobi' with Mike Welsh about a charity serving a tough, poor slum community in East Africa, twinned with Goddard Park Primary School, Park North, Swindon

1st Tuesdays (except August): **KNIT & NATTER GROUP**: a free group for people of all ages & all abilities, who want to do some knitting or crocheting & have a chat with old & new friends. From 2.30–4.30pm in Fairford Library. Tea & coffee. Children welcome. Just turn up or phone Ann: 01285 712560

1st Tuesdays: **LECHLADE WI**: 7pm in the Memorial Hall. Contact Carolyn: 01367 252461 & Twitter @LechladeWI

Tuesday 7th May: Garden for Chelsea Flower Show with Roger Turner

Tuesday 4th June: Nostalgia – Rogers & Hammerstein story with Malcolm Lewis

2nd Tuesdays: **OXFORDSHIRE GRANDPARENTS SUPPORT GROUP**: 10.30am in Faringdon. For grandparents estranged from their grandchildren. Contact Diana Dunk: 01367 244636, oxfordshiregsg@gmail.com

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2nd Tuesdays: **POULTON WI**: 2pm at Poulton Village Hall. Visitors welcome. Information from Elinor Davies: 01285 851218

Tuesday 14th May: Entertaining poetry with Peter Wynton

2nd Tuesdays: **TATT** (Tunes at the Trout): 8pm in the Creel Bar, Trout Inn, Lechlade. Join us for good fun & relaxing folk music sessions. You need to play an instrument & read a bit of music. Or come & just listen! Free admission. Contact Ian Andrews: pesthous@btinternet.com

WEDNESDAYS

Wednesday 8th May: **HIKE FOR HOME-START COTSWOLDS**: 9.30am 10km walk through the beautiful Coln Valley, starting & ending at Cripps Barn. Book your place at www.home-start-cotswolds.org.uk. Walk & refreshments £15; Walk & two-course lunch £30

Wednesday 15th May: **Defibrillator Training Session**: At 7.30pm in the Barker Room of Fairford Community Centre.

Wednesdays 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th June, 3rd & 10th July: **COLESHILL CRITTERS**: 11am to 2pm at Coleshill. The National Trusts new outdoor toddler and preschool group for ages 18 months to 4 years. Whatever the weather, learn & have fun in the great outdoors. £30 for 6 sessions. Book: 01793 762209, www.nationaltrust.org.uk/the-buscot-and-coleshill-estates

Various Wednesdays (phone ahead): **CIRENCESTER BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT FLOWER ARRANGING GROUP**: Join our friendly & supportive group to learn or improve flower arranging skills. Being Busy Together with Ronan's Trust: 07757 710 616 ronanstrust.org@gmail.com

Wednesdays: **FAIRFORD OUTDOOR MARKET**: 9am-2pm. A wide variety of products for sale. For stall rental, contact Fairford Town Council: 01285 712344

Wednesdays: **FAIRFORD COUNTRY MARKET**: 8.30-11.30am in Fairford Community Centre. Home-baked goods, preserves & chutneys, vegetables, plants & craft items on sale. Refreshments available. Contact 01285 810168

Wednesdays: **SOUTHROP COMMUNITY SHOP & POST OFFICE**: 8.30-11.30am at Southrop Village Hall. Groceries & local produce

Wednesdays: **BABY BOUNCE & RHYME TIME**: 10.30-11am in Fairford Library. Sing along, wiggle & jiggle, for babies up to 2 years & their grown ups

Wednesdays: **STORY TIME**: every week at 11am in Lechlade Library. Songs, rhymes & stories for children of all ages & their grown ups

NEW: Wednesdays: **KELMSCOTT MANOR**: (April to August) visit the house & gardens 11am-5pm. Last admission 4pm. Tel: 01367 252486, www.kelmscottmanor.org.uk

Wednesdays: **FAIRFORD RAINBOWS**: (in term time) 4.15-5.15pm in the Farmor Room of Fairford Community Centre. Contact Louise Vass: (01285 711626)

Wednesdays: **FAIRFORD BROWNIES**: (in term time) 5-6.30pm at Farmor's School, Fairford. Contact Annette Stannard: 01285 712529

Wednesdays: **ADVENTURE PLUS CANOE CLUB**: 6.45pm at Windmill Farm, High Street, Clanfield OX18 2SN. Kitting up, then drive to Thames. All levels welcome, equipment supplied, first week free. Contact: 01993 703308, canoe.club@adventureplus.org.uk

Wednesdays: **ROYAL ANTEDILUVIAN ORDER OF BUFFALOES – Grand Lodge of England**: Thames Lodge No 9233 & St Aldwyn Lodge No 6723 meet at Southrop Village Hall. Members past, present & future welcome. Contact Andrew Bartlett: 01285 750746

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Wednesdays: **FAIRFORD & DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY:** Rehearsals 7.30-9.30 pm in Fairford United Church, GL7 4BW. Jan-May & Sept-Dec. Contact Jane Read: 01285 713681

Wednesdays: **FAIRFORD U3A SCOTTISH REELS:** 7.45pm at Poulton Village Hall. We meet monthly on the 3rd Wednesday, September to April. We are a friendly informal group & we welcome all standards including beginners. For details, please contact Richard or Carol Thompson: 01285 712123, richard@Richard&Carol.net

Wednesdays: **CIRENCESTER SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE CLUB:** 8pm at the Bingham Hall, King Street, Cirencester. Contact Maurice: 01666 860481, mm.jhampton@btinternet.com

Wednesdays (fortnightly): **LECHLADE & DISTRICT PROBUS CLUB:** 10.30am at the New Inn, Lechlade. Probus welcomes retired or semi-retired men for chat & then a talk. Info from John Deacon: 01367 259159, johnjdeacon2002@yahoo.co.uk

1st Wednesdays: **FAIRFORD FIRECRACKERS WI:** At 7pm in the Palmer Hall. Visitors welcome. Contact Jean Moulden: 01285 713308

1st Wednesdays: **ROYAL AERONAUTICAL SOCIETY:** Swindon Branch. Details from Colin Irvin: 07740 136609, DAS@aerosociety.com or visit www.aerosociety.com. £20 membership, 15-18 free accompanied by an adult (also free). Generally, 1st Wednesdays 7.30-8.30pm at The Defence Academy, Shrivenham

Wednesday 1st May: The annual Visit. Please note the date may change

MAY ONLY: Wednesday 1st & 15th May: **LITTLE LIGHTS PRAM SERVICE & TODDLER PLAY:** 9.15am to 10.45am in St Lawrence Church Lechlade. For pre-school children & their parents or carers. New babies very welcome. No charge. Just turn up! Kathy Newton: 07508 563905

2nd Wednesdays: **MOTHERS' UNION:** 'Christian Concern for Families Worldwide'. Lechlade with Fairford branch: 2pm in the Lechlade Baptist Church with speakers or discussions

2nd Wednesdays: **LECHLADE GARDENING CLUB:** 7.30pm in the new Memorial Hall. Membership is £5 per annum, which gives you a 10% discount on plants at Burford Garden Centre & 50% off Suttons seeds. Entry to a meeting is £2 for members & £3 for visitors who are always welcomed. www.lechladegardeningclub.org.uk. Contact: 01367 253309 or 01367 252286

Wednesday 8th May: Visit to Dorney Court (Tudor Manor House) & Savill Gardens, Windsor. £30 including fees. 8.30am pick-up in Lechlade & return 6.15pm. Audrey Barnes: 01367 252242

2nd & 4th Wednesdays: **LECHLADE VOICES** (no experience necessary): 7-8pm in Lechlade Baptist Church. Come & join us. It's good fun. £2. Contact moira@take2-music.co.uk or Jay Matthews: 01367 860869, jaymathews124@mac.com

3rd Wednesday: **U3A FIVE RHYTHMS DANCE:** 10am in Palmer Hall, Fairford

3rd Wednesdays: **PALMER HALL CINEMA:** At 7.30pm. Doors open at 7pm. Details: 01285 713087, www.thepalmerhall.org. Entry £3.50 in to include tea/coffee. Wine available at £3 per glass.

Wednesday 15th May: 'The Shack'. After suffering a family tragedy, Mack Phillips spirals into a deep depression, but then receives a mysterious letter urging him to an abandoned shack in the Oregon wilderness

3rd Wednesdays: **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION FAIRFORD BRANCH:** 7.30pm at The Bull Hotel. New & old members will be made most welcome. Contact Evelyn Webb-Carter: 01285 713315, evelynwc@hotmail.com

4th Wednesday: **THE ARTS SOCIETY CORINIUM:** 6.45 for 7.30pm at Coxwell Room at the Baptist Church, Chesterton Lane, Cirencester GL7 1YE

THURSDAYS

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Thursday 2nd May: **Council elections:** Cotswold District & Town Council elections to take place between 7am-10pm in Fairford Community Centre & the New Memorial Hall, Lechlade

Thursday 2nd May: **COSTA RICA EVENING:** 7.30pm in Lechlade Baptist Church. See how kids from a culture of drugs, gangs, murders & underage pregnancies experience the Good News of God's love through the Educación Plus camps programme

Thursday 13th June: **FRIENDS OF FAIRFORD & LECHLADE COMMUNITIES AGM:** at Fairford Hospital. Enquiries to Christine Barker: 07767 408409

Thursdays: **LECHLADE COUNTRY MARKET:** Thursdays, 9am–10.30am in the Church Cottage. Everything home-made. Contact Gill Grant: 01793 740620

Thursdays: **ATTACHMENT PARENTING FAIRFORD:** 1:30pm-3:30pm. We are a friendly group for parents/carers, meeting weekly to support each other on the journey through parenthood. All ages welcome. Please email APUKFairford@gmail.com; join our Facebook group for more information: www.facebook.com/groups/APUKFairford/

Thursdays: **PILATES CLASS FOR BEGINNERS:** 6.10pm at Southrop Village Hall, GL7 3PB. Volunteer-run. £8 in the pot towards hall hire & qualified instructor. Class is free when there is an excess! Enquiries: 07773 080125, kate@approvedpilates.co.uk

Thursdays: **LECHLADE BRIDGE CLUB:** 6.45pm in The Pavilion, Lechlade. Contact John Elsey: 01367 252983

Thursdays: **LECHLADE SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING:** 7.30-9.30pm in New Memorial Hall Oak Street Lechlade GL7 3AY. New members welcome. September to end of May every year. Details Margaret: 01367 252581

Thursdays: **PALMER HALL DANCE CLUB FOR MODERN SEQUENCE DANCING:** Thursdays, 8–10.30pm in the Palmer Hall, Fairford except for the Thursday before the 2nd Saturday. On the 2nd Saturday of each month, meetings are 7.30–11pm. Contact: 01285 712232 or 01285 657917, visit www.fairfordsequence.org.uk

1st Thursdays: **MINI PRAISE:** 1.45pm at St Mary's Church, Fairford for pre-schoolers & their carers. A lovely free session with stories, songs, crafts & snacks

1st & 3rd Thursdays: **KENCOT & DISTRICT UKULELE GROUP:** 7.30pm-9pm in Kencot Village Hall. Contact Jay Matthews: 01367 860869, jaymathews124@mac.com

2nd Thursdays: **KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL MONTHLY CAFE:** 12 noon-2pm. Home-made Soup & Rolls, Speciality teas & home-made cakes. Enjoy a break in a relaxed environment. All welcome

2nd Thursdays: **MINI FIXERS CLUB:** 7.30pm at The Trout Inn, Lechlade. Restoration, Preservation & Maintenance (RPM) of this much loved, iconic motor car. Contact Rob: 07973 578884, www.minifixers.co.uk

2nd Thursdays: **FAIRFORD GARDENERS CLUB:** 7.30pm in the Farmor's Room, Fairford Community Centre. Contact Marion Lloyd: 01285850280 or Chairman Geoff Denis: 01285712195

Thursday 9th May: 'Dig for victory' with Fiona Warin

Thursday 13th June: 'Making the most of your greenhouse' with Nick Morgan

2nd & 4th Thursdays: **LECHLADE & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB:** 8pm at The New Inn, Lechlade. Enquires to David Brown: 01367 252645

3rd Thursdays: **LIBRARY CLUB:** 11am-12 noon in Fairford Library. Are you unable to get to the library, but would like to come to borrow books & have a cuppa & a chat at the same time? Or do you know of someone who is unable to get out & about & would like this service? Transport with disabled facilities is provided. If so, please contact: 01285 712599

Fairford & Lechlade Events: **MAY 2019**

3rd Thursday, eight meetings a year: **FAIRFORD HISTORY SOCIETY**: 7.30pm in the Farmor Room at Fairford Community Centre. New members & visitors (£3) welcome. Contact Alison Hobson: 01285 711768, or Geoff Hawkes: 01285 712053, enquiry@fairfordhistory.org.uk

Thursday 16th May: Graham Pitchfork will talk about 'More Men Behind the Medals.'

Thursday 20th June: AGM followed by Mervyn Cully on Memories of the Keble family

3rd Thursdays: **MEYSEY HAMPTON WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**: 7.30pm in the New Memorial Hall. New members welcome. Contact Marion 01285 850280

3rd Thursdays: **THE COTSWOLD OIL ENGINE & PRESERVATION SOCIETY**: 7.45pm for 8pm (except June-August when we attend events where we show our restored machinery) at Quenington Village Hall, GL7 5BS. Contact Doug Newton: 01285 713688, www.cotswoldoilengine.co.uk

FRIDAYS

Friday 31st May: **FRIDAY FLUTES**: 12noon in St Mary's Church, Fairford. Solos & duets with piano from Bach to Gershwin - & beyond! Clemency Rubinstein & Chloe Carter - flute. Rachel Emmerson - piano. Refreshments. No charge, m donations welcome

Friday 28th June: **OPEN GARDEN/CHEESE & WINE EVENING**: at Langford Downs Farm, Lechlade, GL7 3QL by kind permission of Gavin & Caroline MacEchern. Supporting Friends of Fairford & Lechlade Communities. Enquiries to Christine Barker: 07767 408409

Fridays: **THE PROBUS CLUB OF CIRENCESTER**: Meets for coffee, a chat & a talk. 'The retired man's oasis of calm'. Details: www.cirencesterprobus.org

Fridays: **LECHLADE JOLLYTOTS**: 10-11.30am in the Pavilion. Mums, dads, grandparents & carers come along to our fun & informal sessions. From bumps to pre-school, £1 per family the (first session is free). Tea/coffee for adults. Juice for children. Contact Steph Williams: 07500 908245

Fridays: **FAIRFORD TINY TOTS BABY & TODDLER GROUP** meets during term time at the United Church Hall, Milton Street, Fairford. 10-11.30am. Baby & toddler activities, toys, crafts, painting, playdough, singing. Refreshments. Come & chat & make new friends. £1 per family, first visit free! Contact Victoria Campbell: 07796 303089, tinytotsfairford@hotmail.com

Fridays: **INITIAL FREE JUNIOR COACHING**: 3.45pm at Fairford Tennis Club. LTA qualified coach. Watch our Facebook page. Info: fairfordtennischaimman@gmail.com

Fridays: **CIRENCESTER (Brass) BAND**: The Band Room, Bingham House, Dyer Street, Cirencester. 7pm Training Band for beginners & 8pm for Main Band. Free loan of instruments & tuition. Ian Hartnell: 01285 656662

Fridays: **1st LECHLADE SCOUTS**: 7-9pm at Lechlade Pavilion. For boys & girls aged 10-14 years. Call Simon Black: 01367 252876

Fridays: **1st FAIRFORD SCOUTS**: Fridays 7.30-9.30pm at the Scout Hut in Fairford. Boys & girls 10-14 welcome. Call Geoff McKay: 01285 713981

3rd Fridays: **FAIRFORD YOUNG AT HEART MEMORY CLUB**: 10.30am-2.30pm in the community lounge at Beaumont Place, East End, Fairford GL7 4BH. This is a free friendly club for anyone with memory difficulties & their friends, families & carers. Lunch £3.50 booked in advance & carer respite service available. Details from Lorna Stevens: 07971 929258, lornastevens@sky.com

3rd Fridays: **THE CONTACT GROUP**: 12.30-2.30pm at the United Church, Milton Street, Fairford. Meet friends old & new over tea/coffee & light refreshments

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2nd & LAST Fridays (be careful of months with 5 Fridays!): **RIVERFOLK ACOUSTIC**: 8pm in the Creel bar at the Trout Inn, Lechlade. All players & listeners welcome. £2. Contact Jay Matthews: 01367 860869, jaymathews124@mac.com

4th Fridays: **HIGHWORTH COMMUNITY CINEMA**: 7.45pm in St Michael's Hall, Lechlade Road, SN6 7HQ from September to April (except December). Details: www.highworthfilms.org.uk

4th Fridays: **EMBRACE** meetings at 8pm. Contact: embracefairford@gmail.com. Embrace is a support group for anyone who has experienced any family planning difficulties such as infertility, miscarriage & neo-natal death