ELKSTONE NEWSLETTER

The days are getting shorter, but the colours are still really beautiful around the village. Local gardens such as Cerney House and Painswick Rococo Gardens are a delight – any garden reviews for next month will be received gratefully. We welcome new residents into the Village and hope you will soon feel very settled and at home.

The newsletter will continue to be delivered to you all, until the end of the year. There will be some changes next year, and hopefully we can tell you more next month.

Past Elkstone Newsletters and more information are on our village website www.elkstonevillage.com The Village Hall is available to book for parties and events.

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Deadline for the next newsletter - 20 October 2023

Features

- 1 October 11am Harvest Service, Elkstone church
- 14 October Pudding Evening with the WI in Winstone
- Details of the new proprietors at the Old Rectory, Colesbourne
- Missing Link Road Closures

Regular Village Hall Activities			
Indoor Bowls	Every Tuesday	7.30pm	Ronnie Bury – 870493 or Martyn Wylie – 870441
Art Club	Every Thursday	9am - 1pm	Penny Casewell - 03330 119663

Slow Flow Yoga Class	Every Monday 10.15 - 11.15am	Emma Lowther - 07967 215569
Now held in The Meadow	£10.00 per class	
Room. Elkstone Studios		

Other dates for your dia	ary	
Waste & Recycling	Recycling boxes, recycling bags, refuse and garden waste	Tuesday 3 October
		Tuesday 14 October
	Food Caddy	Every Tuesday in October

Elkstone Parish Church Services

Harvest Festival Sunday 1 October at 11am

Sunday 8 October 10am Morning Worship

Sunday 15 October 11am Holy Communion

Saturday 22 October 11.00am Service at Rendcomb Church

Harvest Service

Sunday 1 October. 11am
St John the Evangelist Church, Elkstone
Everyone is welcome.

If you would like to donate any non-perishable items which will be taken to Cirencester Food Bank, please leave donations in the Church. Or bring your donations on the Sunday, to be taken up to the Altar during the service and later taken to the Cirencester Food Bank. All the collection from the Sunday Service and the Donations from the Harvest Supper will be given to the Great Western Air Ambulance Charity. Please donate here:



https://greatwesternairambulance.enthuse.com/cf/elkstone

Parish Council Meeting

The recent meeting was attended by Councillors Joe Harris and Julia Judd. They wish to encourage all of us to report all potholes via the www.gloucestershire.gov.uk website. Regular reportings will help keep the roads in better repair.

Lindy Price

An invitation has been offered to village residents from Lindy Price's family to attend her Memorial Service at Deerhurst Church. This will be on Saturday 14 October at 2.30pm.

Dear Lindy died in June 2020 and her funeral was very small as we were under Covid-19 restrictions at the time. She is buried in the churchyard in Deerhurst where she was born and grew up.

Please RSVP to Richard Austen rjcausten@hotmail.com

Invitation from Winstone and District WI

Pudding Evening open to everyone, ladies and gents.

Please contact Barbara



November Road Closures for the Missing Link

On 10 November, the A417 Missing Link project will start to create a new site entrance off the A436 near the Air Balloon roundabout. This work will provide easy access for site vehicles and heavy goods vehicles making deliveries to our new site offices and compound. Over one weekend a small section of the A436 and the top of Leckhampton Hill will be closed.

Between 9pm on Friday 10 November and 5am Monday 13 November.

Crickley Hill widening October - November 2023

On Monday 16 October, the A417 Missing Link project will start widening a small section of Crickley Hill. The A417 will be closed in both directions whilst work is taking place.

The A417 will be closed overnight between 8pm and 6am on:

Monday 16 October - Friday 20 October

Monday 23 October - Friday 27 October

Monday 30 October - Thursday 2 November

Monday 6 November - Thursday 9 November

Monday 13 November - Friday 17 November

Monday 20 November - Friday 24 November

Monday 27 November - Wednesday 29 November

A diversion route will be in place via the A46, A40, A435, A436 and has been agreed with Gloucestershire County Council. Sign-up for weekly updates about upcoming work, including overnight closures and diversions by emailing A417MissingLink@nationalhighways.co.uk www.nationalhighways.co.uk/a417missinglink

The Old Rectory Restaurant in Colesbourne

Welcome to the new proprietors - Jason and Michelle

'Michelle and I have returned to the UK from 15 years in New Zealand and after a long search found the area we wanted to settle into. We refurbished The Old Rectory Restaurant in Colesbourne in July and incorporated Michelle's sculptures into the gardens which has proved to be a draw for new customers as well as old. We are dedicated to sourcing local beers, cider and produce.

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We are very fortunate to have secured the services of talented Chef Dan Richards. His menus will evolve through each season with gamekeepers and fishmongers alert to his intentions. Friday, Saturday evenings and Sunday Roasts are proving really popular and booking is advised.

We would certainly love to see some more locals here in the cosy Library or Parlour dining rooms. We are open 12-4 Sun, Mon, Tues, Thurs. 12-9pm Fri & Sat. Closed Weds. Menus are on our website along with contact details to book 01242 870120'

https://oldrectoryrestaurant.co.uk/

Citizens Advice Stroud and Cotswold Districts

Would you like to help people in your local community who are struggling?

Citizens Advice Stroud and Cotswold Districts needs volunteers now more than ever to help make a difference to local people.

We are appealing for new volunteers from all backgrounds who are looking for a volunteering role that is both challenging and rewarding. We are looking for people who can give 8-10 hours per week, and are currently recruiting for the following roles:

- * Administration/Triage Assistants.
- * Volunteer Advisers.

Information sessions for volunteer advisers will take place on 18 October 2023 (2-3.30pm) in Stroud and on 8 November 2023 (1–2.30 pm) in Circnester. Our next training programme will start on 24 January 2024.

To find out more about these roles or register your interest for a volunteer adviser information session please contact our Learning and Development Officer at training@ca-scd.org.uk. You can also find further information on our website www.citizensadvice-stroudandcotswold.org.uk.

News from the trust October 2023

Recent industrial action has introduced many operational challenges, but staff have worked incredibly effectively to maintain safe care. The trust continues in a positive trajectory in respect of long-standing performance concerns in urgent and emergency care including a significant reduction in the number of patients cared for in areas not designated for overnight care, Regrettably, however due to high numbers of staff on leave and many staff, experiencing significant fatigue it has been unable to maintain the same levels of routine planned care as previously. Despite all the challenges several teams have been shortlisted for national awards including the Health Service Journal Race Equality Award for the work done in partnership with Gloucestershire Health and Care Trust, sponsored by our hospital charity. The "Community Wellbeing: Reaching Out Together" project works with local communities that experience high levels of health inequalities to overcome barriers in accessing health services. The GloStars Team who have been shortlisted for two separate awards for their work supporting newly qualified nurses, have been shortlisted for the RCN Workforce Initiative of the Year and the Nursing Times Awards in the Staff Wellbeing Initiative category. The Home Enteral Feeding Team have also been shortlisted in the HSJ Sustainability Awards for their project to eliminate single use plastics from their service. Following the Lucy Letby trial, everyone's thoughts first and foremost, are with the families who have been directly affected. The trust CEO visited the maternity unit a few days after extent of what had happened at Chester came into the public domain to try to understand the impact this may have had on our staff on them and families using our services. The team, and the parents, already have access to a dedicated psychologist in response to the Ockenden review and reflections in the leadership team on further action needed continue as the NHS and Trust response evolves. Anne Davies (Public Elected Governor) anne.davies11@nhs.ne