# Ride and Stride 2020

## On Saturday 12th September 2020 Andy Hamilton and Richard Bartlam will once again be cycling on behalf of St Cyr's for the Gloucestershire Historic Churches Trust.

They will be cycling to as many churches as they can within about 6 hours and expect to visit up to 30 churches or more. Please reward them for their efforts!

If you would like to join them or participate with your own tour of local churches on foot, on bike, in a car or on horse, please let Andy or Richard know.

A fundraising web page at **https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/andyhamiltonrands2020** is available, or please complete the sponsorship form at the back of St Cyr's, including the Gift Aid details if they are applicable.

Thank you for your support and generosity.

This Charity provides valuable funds and expertise to maintain all our amazing Churches in the county of Gloucestershire.

For the latest update

# The BIG book sale!

## The Big Book Sale – Saturday 22nd August 10am-3pm

And it is big! We have been overwhelmed by the wonderful donations of books and DVDs from people in the village and are looking forward to seeing you at the sale on Saturday 22nd August from 10am-3pm.

As the weather is so changeable at the moment, the sale will take place in Church Farm House Barnyard opposite the church. All books are now in quarantine; there will be a strict one way system which we hope will ensure that you all feel safe; books will be charged at £2 each or 3 books for £5; DVDs are £1 each – unfortunately we are not able to offer change due to current restrictions but we are happy to take donations! Remember all the money raised will go towards the renovations at St Cyr's.

Please come along and browse and buy – there is something for everyone – for bird lovers, gardeners, walkers, and cooks plus biographies, autobiographies and novels old and new.  It's also a lovely opportunity to catch up with friends from the village. We look forward to seeing you there.

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# The Current Welcome Pack

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# COVID Mobile Testing at Rugby Club

## COVID Testing

The Stinchcombe Rugby Club have had a request via Glos Police to offer their park for the locating of a Covid mobile testing unit.

## What does it involve

This will involve them being on site during day time hours for probably 3 days at a time every 4 weeks or so. Those attending for testing will remain in their cars and the process will take place entirely outside in the car park area.

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# Help Stroud District Become Carbon Neutral

# Carbon Neural Commitment

To help meet the Stroud District Council Carbon Neutral Commitment by 2030, SDC has been working with Transition Stroud. Transition Stroud support community-based Climate Action Networks right across the District.  These Networks are working on local projects to reduce carbon emissions. From tree planting to transport, energy efficiency to renewables and waste reduction.

A Carbon Neutral Mapping Team from the District's Climate Action Networks are currently working on an online map of existing community-based low carbon projects and would be very grateful for your help.

# A short survey

Please fill in a **short survey** to understand people's interest in community-based projects that help lower carbon emissions in our local area.

They are asking as many people as possible to complete the 2 minute survey – using this website link.

Some members of the PC have already completed it. Is very quick and easy. Obviously, the higher number of responses the better able they will be to move forward.

All responses are anonymous.  Please complete the survey by **Monday 31 August**.

The Draft Stroud District Climate Strategy and master plan will be published in September. Also a timetable of consultation and engagement events to allow interested groups and individuals to give their views. This will help shape the final document.

## Latest posts

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# American Deaths

| AmERICAN DeATHS | Totals |
|---|---|
| Vietnam 1955-1975 | 153,303 |
| Gulf War 1990-1991 | 849 |
| War in Afghanistan | 2216 |
| Iraq War | 4497 |
| **TOTAL** | **160,865** |
| Source | wikipedia |

American Deaths in Last 4 Wars

# Flu (influenza) season October 2019 – April 2020

| CDC estimate | CDC ESTIMATE | % of Population |
|---|---|---|
| flu *illness* | 18,000,000 – 26,000,000 | 0.05 – 0.07 |
| flu *deaths* | 24,000 – 62,000 Fatal in 1/1000 | 0.000068 – 0.00017 |
| Source | C.D.C. | American population taken as 331M |

Flu Season Cases in USA 2020

# COVID-19

| COVID-19 Currently | John Hopkins | % of population |
|---|---|---|
| Covid-19 *cases* | 6,702,464 – 20M (BBC) | 0.020 – (20,225 per M) (UK rate is 5,425 per M) |
| Covid-19 *deaths* | 198,399 | 0.00059 – (518 per M) (UK rate is 609 per M) |
| Source | Worldometer | American population taken as 331M<br>UK population taken at 68M |

Current Data USA COVID Cases and Deaths at 13/09/2020
I thought that this would bring home the fact that COVID-19 is NOT "like the flu" as Trump tweeted. For a start it's summertime and it's still rampant with an extra 60K cases everyday in the USA and shows no sign of slowing down so the 20M + (official) cases could still be hit by the end of the year. Also already, more American citizens have died in the USA than all of the Wars since Vietnam.

Americans love to quote the 1st Amendment…"*Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the* ***free*** *exercise thereof; or abridging the* ***freedom of speech****, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances.*" **Where does it say anything about NOT wearing a mask to protect other citizens?**

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# Pyke Quarry – Wednesday

# Openings

## Open on Wednesday!

The Household Recycling Centre at Pyke Quarry will be temporarily opened on Wednesdays from 19th August to make more booking slots available.

To limit the number of people on-site pre-booking was introduced earlier this year at all five of the county's Household Recycling Centres (HRCs) to enable social distancing, with measures in place to help keep visitors and staff safe.

## Booking

The booking system has a limited number of timed slots available each day and visitors can book up to 21 days in advance. Bookings can be made online at www.gloucestershirerecycles.com

Car Booking Form Here

Waiting times for a visit to Hempsted, Wingmoor Farm, Oak Quarry and Fosse Cross HRCs are currently less than a week, with next day availability on occasions at some sites. However, due to its popularity, the delay before a visit can be made to Pyke Quarry, Horsley is significantly longer.

To help reduce this wait, Pyke Quarry HRC will be opening on its normal Wednesday closure day from 19th August, as a temporary measure, until further notice.

Visitors to all sites are reminded that vehicles should only have drivers wherever possible. Site staff must socially

distance and are unable to help with unloading so one passenger is permitted to assist. Crucially, anyone with covid-19 symptoms and those in self-isolating households MUST NOT visit.

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