Safari Supper

Unqualified Success

The Stinchcombe Safari Supper was held last night and Storm Dennis held off just enough for the night to be a unconditional and unqualified success!

Despite being held on Saint Valentine’s Night, who we all know is the patron Saint of Epilepsy. Around 90 people crowded into the aisles of Saint Cyrs for starters and puds with the mains being served by hosts scattered throughout the village.

My wife served a recipe that was used for the W.I. Safari Supper in Wanborough, (near Swindon) some 30 / 35 years ago! I guess if it was good enough then it was good enough now!

The Chairman of The Friends of St Cys, Russell Legg, gave a good welcome speech explaining the main reason for the evening event as being part of the fundraising for the “Open 4 All” project for the church to provide disabled access, toilet and kitchen towards which the friends have already promised £10,000 towards.

I must say, that the last night event showed just what “Village Event” can be like with everyone mixing and talking and enjoying themselves and those that did not come or support at all this or other “Village Event” do miss out on why we live in a small community.



Friends of St Cyr AGM

The 14th Annual General Meeting of the Friends of St Cyr will take place on **Wednesday 19th January 2020 at 7.30 pm in the Church**. All are welcome. This is a chance for you to meet the committee and hear about our progress and plans for the coming year for the maintenance and improvement of our beautiful Church.

Any nominations for the committee should be sent in writing with a proposer, a seconder and the permission of the nominee, to reach the secretary by Wednesday 5th February 2020 If you would like a copy of last year's minutes please contact me preferably by e-mail at jillandruss@talktalk.net .

If you cannot do this call me on 01453 542159 and I will post or deliver a copy to you. Obviously we can keep our costs down if we contact as many people as possible by e-mail!

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible
Jill Holloway (Secretary)

The Witches of Malmesbury

STINCHCOMBE HISTORY SOCIETY

In 1672, the north Wiltshire town of Malmesbury was swept by witchcraft hysteria. Leading families were convinced that their children were under attack from an organised coven of witches. Fourteen people were arrested as members of the coven.

Visiting speaker Tony McAleavy has researched this little-known episode using sources that survive from the time. He will tell the story of the witches of Malmesbury and what happened when some of the accused were sent for trial in Salisbury.

The Witches of Malmesbury by Tony McAleavy

7.30 pm Friday 21st February 2020 at Stinchcombe Village Hall

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Colesbourne Snowdrops

Colesboune Park



Snowdrops in Colesbourne Park

If you want to have a pleasant walk in the snowdrops this year try Colesbourne Park. On the old Cirencester to Cheltenham road near Severn Springs. About 35 mins away by car. Only open Saturday and Sunday afternoons until from 1.00pm until 4.30pm until 1st March it’s one of the best snowdrop gardens around. Wait for a week or so and they will be at their peak, and arrive early…… https://www.colesbournegardens.org.uk/

Pictures from 2020



A Sea of Snowdrops!



Some of the 350 types in the collection



The “Blue Lake”



Hang Low



The Way Home