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Ringwood to start its own Repair Café

What do you do with a broken toaster? Or with a bike when the wheel runs out of true? Or with a jumper full of moth holes? Bin it? No way!

Greening Ringwood is organising Ringwood's first Repair Café event on Saturday 27th April at the town's Greyfriars Community Centre.

Starting at 10am (until 12noon), a number of volunteer repair experts will be available to help make all possible repairs (one item per customer) free of charge. Tools and materials will also be on hand.

People visiting the Repair Café are encouraged to bring along broken items from home. Toasters, lamps, hair dryers, clothes, bikes, toys, crockery... anything that is broken is welcome. And can more than likely be repaired. The Repair Café specialists almost always have the know-how.

By promoting repairs, Greening Ringwood aims to help reduce mountains of waste. This is absolutely necessary, according to Lindsay Andrews, Greening Ringwood's Co-ordinator. "We throw away piles of stuff in the UK. Even things which have practically nothing wrong with them, and yet could easily be used again after a simple repair. Unfortunately, many people have forgotten that they (continue p.4)

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Springing into Action

The bluebells are out, the clocks have sprung forward and the sun is starting to finally show itself! Here at the Ringwood and Fordingbridge News we have continued to plough on with the changes we had hinted at before.

So far, you may have noticed our updated logo, expertly done by Martin and Matt of Digitize. They are a new, local company specialising in providing cost-effective professional marketing. It was a pleasure working with the guys on this project and important for us to make sure it was supported by a local brand.

As well as the new logo, we have introduced new dedicated pages, including a jobs page, kindly sponsored by Aspire Jobs. We are developing a sports page and would like to invite all local sports clubs to provide news and updates relating to their clubs. This is a great opportunity for clubs to connect with the local community, build support and showcase young talent.

We have also been supported by the Body Consultancy, who have kindly sponsored our Health and Wellbeing page. Here you



can find hints and tips on how to care for yourself.

Some of the exciting developments coming in May include a Letters page, as well as a puzzles page.

The Ringwood and Fordingbridge News has always been a community paper. With the help of local businesses we are able to continue to provide you with updates and information about what is happening in our community. We are looking to work with local companies to increase their exposure not only through the newspaper itself, but also through the facebook page, which has over 7,000 followers. If you would like to sponsor a page or find out more about featuring in the paper please do get in touch.

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NEWS

Let It Bee: NFDC plans to relax grass cutting in May

New Forest District Council (NFDC) has announced plans to let the grass grow longer this spring.

In May and parts of June, grass will be left to grow, rather than being mowed, on some verges and larger patches of land in the district.

NFDC's 'Let It Bee' approach to grass cutting will increase the number of plant species, nectar sources for pollinators, and habitats for wildlife.

The council took part in 'No Mow May' last year; a campaign to encourage people to not mow their lawns in the month of May and to mow less during the summer.

NFDC is now calling their 2024 approach 'Let It Bee' to highlight the importance of bees as pollinators and letting grass grow for wildlife.

Cllr Geoffrey Blunden, portfolio holder for environment and sustainability, said:

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"We have listened to feedback from last year and are working closely with Hampshire County Council to make sure grass will be cut where it is important for safety and visibility."

"We'll be continuing to review sites that might work for wildflower planting and use information gained from our trial sites at Fawley Fields and Appletree Court to help with this."

"We'd like to encourage residents to consider having their own wild areas in their gardens. You can reduce grass cutting at the bottom of your hedge to encourage more species to grow naturally or pick up wildflower mixes from your local seed retailer for your garden or window boxes."

Residents can find out more about NFDC's 'Let It Bee' grass maintenance programme at <https://newforest.gov.uk/LetItBee>



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CAN have things repaired. Repair Café wants to change all that."

Repair Café is also intended to put town-folk in touch with each other in a new way. And to discover that a lot of know-how and practical skills can already be found in the local community.

Lindsay Andrews: "If you repair a bike, a CD player or a pair of trousers together with a previously unfamiliar neighbour, you look at that person in a different light the next time you run into them on the street. Jointly making repairs can lead to pleasant contacts in the neighbourhood."

Lindsay points out that repairs can save money and resources, and can help minimise CO2 emissions.

"But above all, Ringwood Repair Café just wants to show how much fun repairing things can be, and how easy it often is."

If you plan to come along on the 27th, we'd appreciate a quick email (ringwoodrepaircafeuk@gmail.com) to let us know in advance in to repair so that we can ensure that we have the right tools to hand!



Ringwood Royal British Legion wins award

At this year's Hampshire Royal British Legion Conference, the Ringwood and District Branch was presented with the Rose Bowl Award.

This is an annual award made to the Branch which contributes the greatest per capita sum per member, to the Hampshire County Welfare Fund. This is used to support serving and veteran members of the armed forces and their families in times of need.

The Picture shows Jane Mansi, Branch Member, receiving the award on behalf of the Branch, from the Royal British Legion County Chairman.

The Ringwood & District Branch meets at 7.30pm on the fourth Monday in June, September and October at the Ringwood 22 Club (the Conservative Club) All are Welcome

Membership is open to everyone. If you have an interest in the objectives of the Legion and want to help and support for those who have served and their families, come and join us. We welcome men and women of all ages, whether they have served in the Armed Forces or not.

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Northfield Dental Practice are celebrating their 10th Anniversary under the ownership of Viola Spoz and Robin Tirrell!

The practice has been at the current address now for over 30 years and the pair took over from David Smit on a bright April day in 2014.

From the beginning Viola and Robin enjoyed great help from Gill Luscombe and Julie Cudlipp, who smoothly transformed the business in line with the new vision. Over the years Gill has remained in her role as the "treasure" of the practice. Many patients attending their appointments love having a friendly chat with this charming receptionist.

The last 10 years has not always been smooth sailing with the pandemic in 2020, during this time they would not have survived without the help of their dedicated staff.

Viola and Robin want to express their gratitude to their wonderful support team Gill, Jade, Bex, Francesca and Lauren.

Jade Metcalfe joined the practice in the early days, first as a Dental nurse, now an experienced, much sought-after dental hygienist. Bex Palumbo nurse, receptionist and trainee practice manager leads the nursing staff with kindness and dedication. There is never a bad day being around the always positive Francesca who is about to complete her dental nurse training - best of luck! And the team wouldn't be complete without Lauren, who they can rely on to "stay calm in a storm".

The practice now offers implants delivered by Franco Romero and the associate dentist Juliana Schvietzer Da Silva has won the hearts of new and existing patients alike.

What was once a single chair is now a two-surgery practice with a dedicated decontamination room. Despite the growth Northfield has remained a calm, friendly, family orientated dental practice looking forward to maintaining oral health into the future.



NEWS

Ringwood & Fordingbridge Footpath Society Celebrate 50th Anniversary



2024 is the 50th anniversary of The Ringwood and Fordingbridge Footpath Society (RFFS). RFFS was formed in 1974 to protect the interests of users of public paths by ensuring (a) their reasonable maintenance and freedom from obstruction and (b) their adequate signposting and waymarking. It aims to urge local authorities to discharge their responsibilities with regard to public paths and seeks to foster and maintain friendly cooperation between path users, landowners, local authorities and the community generally. We participate with Councils in surveying, improving and maintaining local paths and devising healthy walks and many other circular walking routes which are published in leaflet form. The Society's area is made up of thirteen parishes and covers about 160 square kilometres of greatly varied countryside ranging from quiet water meadows to high wind-blown common, from the edge of the New Forest to the borders of Cranborne Chase. A variety of flora and fauna including deer may be seen and within the New Forest, grazing ponies, cattle, donkeys, sheep and pigs may be met. Although we are essentially a footpath protection organisation, we believe that the best way of maintaining the network in good order is to make good and regular use of it. The Society provides a comprehensive programme of guided walks and social events throughout the year that are published in "Way-mark", the quarterly magazine that is available on our website, www.rffs.org.uk. We also have a Facebook page to keep up with society walks & updates.



Newcomers to the area, prospective new members and visitors are very welcome to join us for walks in these delightfully varied parts of Hampshire, Dorset and Wiltshire. Many of our walks take place on the rights of way in our 13 parishes in an area of wonderfully contrasting scenery, from the New Forest to the rolling chalk downlands. We also venture to other areas such as the coastline of Dorset and the rural landscapes of southern Wiltshire, Dorset and Hampshire.





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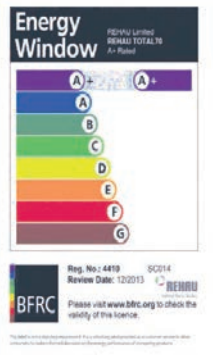
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Augustus John Talk, Brilliant Destiny

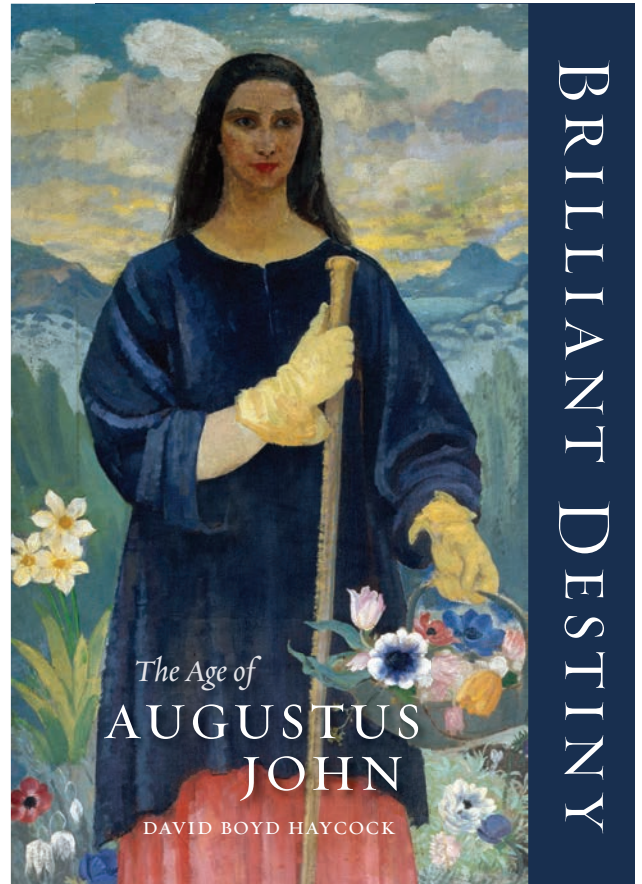
Augustus John, one of Fordingbridge’s most notorious past residents will be the subject of a talk organised by Fordingbridge Museum on Friday 26th April. His unconventional and bohemian lifestyle dismayed some locals when he lived in Fordingbridge from 1927 to 1961. The talk, entitled “Brilliant Destiny”, looks at John’s early life up until 1914.

Fordingbridge Museum Manager Jane Ireland said, “We are fortunate to have been successful in getting Dr David Boyd Haycock to deliver this talk. He is a freelance art historian and curator and writer who is a Visiting Research Fellow at Oxford Brookes University. He has just published a book on the early life of Augustus John which will be available at the talk.”

The talk will cover the life of John up until the start of the Great War when he was one of the most important British artists of the time. The novelist Virginia Woolf called the period, “the age of Augustus John”, whilst the author and painter Wyndham Lewis called the ten years up to 1914, “the Augustan Decade”.

The lecture will cover John’s rapid rise to fame from his birth in South Wales in 1878 to becoming the man almost every young British art student wished to emulate. It will also examine the personalities who influenced him and his relationship with his sister, the artist Gwen John, who also has Fordingbridge connections.

The talk is at Avonway Community Centre in Fordingbridge. It starts at 7.30 and tickets are £10 to include light refreshments. They are available from Fordingbridge Bookshop, Fordingbridge Museum or www.ticketsource.co.uk



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Fordingbridge Twinning Association, annual AGM, 11/04/2024

Last Thursday, 11th April, saw the annual AGM of Fordingbridge Twinning Association.

New members were welcomed to their first FTA AGM. They were particularly encouraged to see how many events are planned for the coming year, including a Boules evening on 20th June, a visit to our twin town of Vimoutiers over the weekend of 19th/20th October, a 60s new-look (watch this space) musical soiree with live music on 26th October, and our famous/infamous Murder Mystery evening (always a sell-out), next 22nd February. Earlier this year, at the annual murder mystery event, David Hales did an Excellent job at

overseeing the event and being a “super-Inspector McClue”!

The annual “Foire de la Pomme” in Vimoutiers, which is the centre of the French apple industry in France, including Cider, Calvados Brandy and Camembert cheese, even, will, as always be a well-run, yet relaxed affair, whereby the English visitors always get well looked after. We look forward to that. Additionally, Fordingbridge Twinning will be well-represented at the Fordingbridge event on 29th July,

The committee was re-elected, with a new treasurer (seen on the left of the picture, Paul Hammond, who replaces Keith Bennett after 12 years of service). Keith was congratulated and thanked for all his efforts over the past 12 years.

It was intended to invite our French partner town (Vimoutiers) over here in the Summer for the Fordingbridge Event and Duck Race, planned to take place on Saturday 20th July. However, the French will be busy planning and implementing the Olympic games, and our partnered town, Vimoutiers, will be particularly impacted by the equestrian Olympics, which will be taking place in Normandy. So, maybe next year, perhaps?

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NEWS

Funding available to improve the energy efficiency of New Forest homes

New Forest residents can apply for funding to improve the energy efficiency of their homes.

Residents who live in homes with a mains gas supply could be eligible for funding up to £10,000, and those without a mains gas supply could receive up to £25,000.

People who live in the district qualify for funding if their homes have an energy performance certificate (EPC) rating of E, F, or G, and they have a total household income of £36,000 or less or they receive a means-tested benefit.

Residents can find out the EPC rating of their home by visiting <https://www.gov.uk/find-energy-certificate>.

The funding is available through the Warmer Homes programme, which can be used to install energy efficient measures such as insulation, solar PV panels, and air source heat pumps. This is as well as high heat retention storage heaters in properties that do not have a mains gas supply.

CLlr Steve Davies, Portfolio Holder for Housing and Homelessness, said: "The Warmer Homes funding programme is a great opportunity

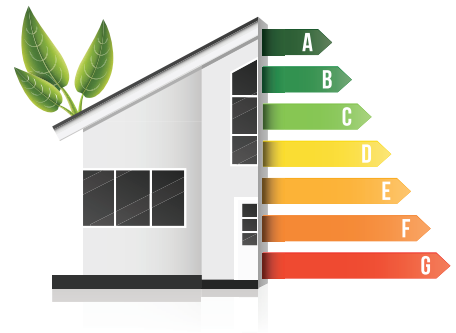


for eligible residents to improve the energy efficiency of their homes. The installation of these measures, which includes solar panels, insulation, air source heat pumps, and more, will help to reduce the cost of our residents' energy bills, and ensures that we are working towards achieving both our and the government's climate aim of becoming net zero carbon by 2050."

Funding is available first come first serve until March 2025 and is subject to eligibility and the EPC rating of each home.

Funding from the Warmer Homes programme is available to owner-occupiers and private rental tenants. Landlords of private rental tenants can apply but will be required to make a financial contribution.

Residents can find out more and apply online at www.warmerhomes.org.uk/programme



Two Bridges AGM

Last Thursday 4th April, saw the annual meeting and AGM of Two Bridges, the care group that takes elderly and infirm people to Drs, dentists and hospital.



Karl Jung, the Chairman, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them all for their hard work throughout the year. Karl had decided to stand down, and Simon Carmichael was elected to become the new chairman. Derek Ayling, Vice-Chairman, is seen in the attached picture, thanking Karl for all his work

over the previous five years, and presenting him with a hamper. Karl's report emphasized the amount of work that this volunteer group had achieved this year. It had handled nearly 1000 jobs, and there had been 125 jobs stopped through hospital cancellations. Interestingly, over 14,000 miles had been covered during the last year, by Two Bridges drivers. Talking of which, Two Bridges is always on the lookout for new drivers and coordinators. At this AGM, the brand new Two Bridges logo was launched, along with the new telephone number, (07391 804222), which will be less expensive for the clients to use, and easier. Both the new logo and the new telephone number are depicted in the attached photograph.

Two Bridges will have stands at the Frogham Fayre on Saturday 29th June, Fordingbridge on Saturday 20th July and Damerham on Saturday 27th July.

The Chairman thanked everyone who had attended and thanked the WI for putting on the excellent lunch.

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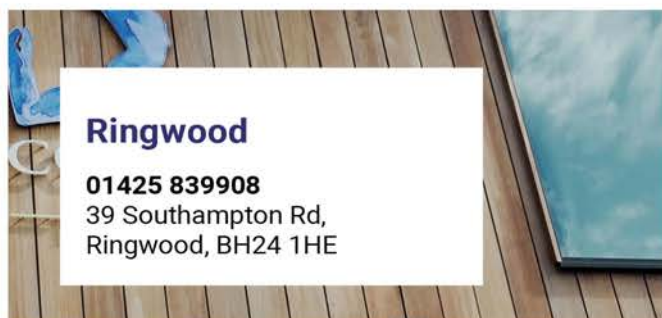
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NEWS

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With over 60 members Ringwood & District Ex-Table is one of the largest 41 Clubs in the country and they will be enjoying a special year to celebrate 60 years since they were formed. A gala dinner will be held for members, other local Ex-Tablers and friends at the Cumberland Hotel, Bournemouth on Tuesday evening 21st May 2024.

The Club would be particularly pleased to welcome any Ex-Tablers who have lapsed their membership or moved to this area and not joined a Club. The 41 Club National President will be attending and the keynote speaker is Scott Charlton, comedian and sports commentator, pictured below.



Ringwood is also fortunate to have a revived Round Table with over thirty members, one of the fastest growing in the country, and they will join the celebration to which other Round Tablers are also invited.

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SPORTS NEWS

Festival of Touch Rugby - What bad weather....

The Ellingham and Ringwood Rugby Club overcame the dreadful Easter weather to hold another successful festival of touch rugby and real ale on Good Friday.

Everything was going to plan on Wednesday night when the club's players put the marquees up, but by Thursday afternoon they'd all blown down. Things were looking bleak, but the organisers stayed calm and alternative plans were put in place. Replacement marquees were erected in the car park and a completely different set up was put in place.



All 24 touch rugby teams turned up on time on the day with extra wet and warm weather gear and the great Ringwood public still turned up to watch the colourful spectacle and enjoy the real ale festival.

To their great credit, the organisers and club members turned what could have been a disaster into another triumph.

After the event, the club's chairman Ian Marshall, who is in his first year in post, said "I don't want many more weekends like that, but I'm so impressed at the way the whole club pulled together to make sure the day was still a success". He added, "The profit from this event each year is critical to the club's financial viability and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of our sponsors, volunteers, club members and the whole Ringwood community for all of their incredible support".



None of this would happen without our Volunteers..



The picture shows Friends Stay United, from the Trojans club in Southampton, who retained their touch rugby title for the second season on the trot. This year, they won the Andrew Galloway Memorial Trophy, which was named in memory of Ellingham member Andrew Galloway, who died suddenly a few weeks ago and who had refereed at every previous Good Friday event over the the last 20 years.

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The report also pinpoints communication as a major pain point, with 41% of respondents citing it as the most frustrating aspect of recruitment. Furthermore, delays in scheduling interviews led 49% of candidates to abandon the process, highlighting the critical need for efficiency.

In today's competitive landscape, the importance of personalisation and a seamless experience cannot be overstated. As the report suggests, prioritising the human touch whilst embracing technology is key to success in

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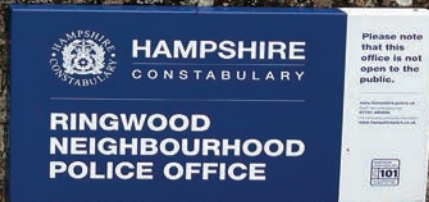


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The Royal Maundy

In a tradition which goes back to the 13th Century, Queen Camilla presented Royal Maundy Money to 75 women and 75 men in Worcester Cathedral on Maundy Thursday (28th March 2024).



The service takes its name from the Latin word meaning commandment and its opening words are 'Jesus said, I give you a new commandment'

The number of recipients is related to the years of the Sovereigns life, King Charles being 75 there were 75 men and 75 women honoured. They are chosen from the Diocese of England, Scotland, Ireland and Wales drawing together members of Christian congregations

from every part of the United Kingdom.

Each recipient received two leather purses, one red, containing £5.50 – a newly minted silver £5 coin and of 50p piece, and one white containing 75p in newly minted 1,2,3 and 4 pence coins – the total corresponding to the age of the King.

Amongst those nominated by the Bishop of Winchester to receive the Royal Maundy were Stella Roberts and Michael Minton.

Stella, who lives in Ringwood, said 'she was highly honoured to be

recommended to receive The Royal Maundy for her work with The Mothers' Union and though their projects with the community at large in the Diocese and beyond'.

The Pictures show Queen Camilla presenting the two purses to Stella, with the words 'Thank you for all you do' and Stella holding the purses she was given.



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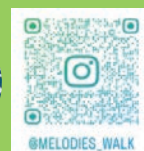
We can't wait to see you to raise awareness and money for such an important charity!

Register from 9am to set off at 10am - £10 entrance fee which includes bacon butties and a light dinner at the Alice Lisle - 100% proceedings go to MacMillan Caring Locally!

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You can also find us on Facebook @Melodieswalk

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NEWS

Fordingbridge Conservation Group at Bishop's Pond

Come along and support your local Conservation site!

Bishop's Pond Conservation Site is at the corner of Normandy Way and Cottage Mews, Fordingbridge, SP6 1RJ. Our next work parties, on **Mondays, Saturdays and Sundays, all from 2.00 to 4.00 pm** (weather permitting!) are scheduled for:

May: Saturday 18th, Sunday 26th

June: Monday 3rd, Saturday 15th, Sunday 23rd

July: Monday 1st, Saturday 13th, Sunday 21st.

On Saturday 18th May, we hope to welcome visitors to see the beautiful display of bluebells in the woodland area and on the banks surrounding the pond. However, the bluebells are early this year, so check our website nearer the day, and watch out for posters locally in case the date is brought forward!



Visitors are welcome to come and explore the conservation site on any of our working party sessions to find out more about its flora and fauna, its history and our plans for its future management. Volunteer help is always welcome; just bring gardening gloves and secateurs if you have them! Children are welcome to help if accompanied by an adult.

Visit our website- www.fordingbridgeconservation.uk which has a gallery of current photos, and our Facebook page: **Fordingbridge Conservation Group** for more information.



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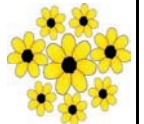
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A Service will be held at the Church of the Holy Ascension Hyde on the 19th April 2024 at 1pm, where she will be remembered with great love.

SAQUI
Anthea

We lost our fun-loving mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Anthea Saqui on 11th March at the age of 90. Anthea moved to Ringwood with her late husband in 1998 and when Dorrien sadly died, she moved into the centre of Ringwood in 2005 where she thoroughly enjoyed getting to know her neighbours and becoming involved with activities at Grey Friars and U3A where she made many true friends. She was born in High Wycombe at the height of the furniture industry and moved to the West Country in the early 1960s where her two daughters were brought up and live there with the family to date. Anthea was a very beautiful, stylish lady who had many interests and talents. Her careers comprised of estate management, retail focusing of health and nutrition, interior design all of which she was very successful at. She also leaves behind her stepfamily with whom she had a very close bond. Family and friends recently celebrated her life with a glass or two!

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We have some exciting developments coming throughout 2024, below is a taster of whats to come.

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we already drop at more locations and this will continue to grow throughout the year.

WHATS ON



BRINGING QUALITY ENTERTAINMENT TO RINGWOOD

View all upcoming events and book tickets on our website
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It seems fitting to share our new partnership with Ringwood & Fordingbridge News soon after World Theatre Day, when we celebrated all that The Barn has achieved for the people of Ringwood and further afield since opening in September 2022. Our aim was to bring an intimate, professional events venue to Ringwood that offered live events at affordable prices, without the need to travel to larger towns.

From captivating performances by students at Ringwood School, a succession of live comedy, shows from TV's Ben Fogle and Susie Dent, to fantastic live music from the likes of The Illegal Eagles and Merrill Osmond, we hope to continue to provide something for everyone. Our incredible team of volunteers work so hard behind the scenes preparing and looking after you during your visit. We are proud to share all of our upcoming events with our wonderful town and thank you again for the support you have shown us so far. We hope to see you soon!

Sam Coombes
 General Manager

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20 JUL SIMON AND GARFUNKEL
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30 AUG PSYCHIC SALLY
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GREYFRIARS
 community centre

What's on at Greyfriars !

We are very excited that in April and May we have several events coming up!

20th April is the next Ringwood & Fordingbridge Labour Women's Group Meeting at Greyfriars. It is a community-driven initiative where like-minded local women come together to enhance the lives of everyone in the community. They meet at Greyfriars on the third Saturday of the month at 10:45 to share refreshments and ideas, inspiring actions to address local people's concerns. All are welcome.

27th April is the launch of Ringwood's Repair Café, meeting thereafter on the second Saturday of the month. Repair Cafés are free meeting places and they're all about repairing things (together). On clothes, furniture, small electrical appliances, bicycles, crockery, appliances, toys, etc. Visitors bring their broken items from home. Together with volunteer specialists they start making their repairs in the Repair Café. It's an ongoing learning process. If you have nothing to repair, you can enjoy a cup of tea or coffee or maybe you can lend a hand with someone else's repair job. There are over 2,500 Repair Cafés worldwide, and from Saturday 27th April Ringwood will add to that number! Check out the Greening Ringwood website for more information.

27th April is our Murder Mystery evening with Burley Players. "School Reunions Can Be Murder," our thrilling Murder Mystery Fundraiser is almost sold out. Step back in time with a school-themed evening packed with nostalgia, suspense, and a dash of mischief. Expect a blast from the past as we serve up a delicious school dinner and don't forget to dust off your old school uniform for added authenticity! Get your tickets now from the Greyfriars office for a night you won't soon forget.

3rd May is our fundraising concert with the Flamin' Ukes. Come and join us for a night of fun, great music, and a chance to join with the songs in if you want to! Tickets are just £10 and all proceeds go to Greyfriars. A bar will be available but bring your own nibbles!

10th May 10-12pm "Things that you might not know about the New Forest talk by Alastair Duncan"

17th May 10-12pm More things that you might not know about the New Forest talk by Alastair Duncan"

Tickets just £8 and coffee is available of course!

Don't forget if you would like to join Greyfriars, membership is just £9 at the moment as we are halfway through our year! By joining us you are supporting your local community centre and will make a difference to the ongoing service we can provide to our community.

SPRING CONCERT

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Shining a light on energy-efficient homes



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£495,000

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