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WINSTER VILLAGE MAGAZINE

Secret Gardens
of
Winster

*2026 - What a Result! - see
page 7 for more*



*At the Café in the Church
2.30 pm
Everybody Welcome*

*September 6th -
The Talented 'Winster Teens'
perform*

SEPTEMBER 2026

50P NON-RESIDENTS

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The table tennis activity
restarts at 10.00 am on

Friday 4th of September

The Friday morning
group would

welcome anyone

who'd like to give

Wiff-Waff a go (a nod

to the late, lovely

Gerry Harpham to

whom it was always

Wiff-Waff)



**Note the new
Mobile Library Time
10:10 to 10:40**

**Mobile Library
Friday
10:10 to 10:40 am**

opposite
village
shop

28 August
25 September

To Calow by Bus

Stagecoach offers a concession for anyone travelling by bus to a morning appointment at Calow. If you present your appointment letter, or show your appointment in the NHS app, drivers will allow you to use a bus pass without the usual "not before 09:30" restriction.

Sadly, Andrews does not offer the same arrangement. That said, you can still leave Winster at 08:08 and arrive at Calow before 10:00 for just £3.

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Wednesday Café

This will restart by popular request in September – first session 10.30 to 12.30 on September 2nd.

All are welcome. A suggested donation for unlimited coffee/tea/biscuits of £2 would be appreciated to ensure it can continue to run.

Last season we were able to contribute £90 to the food bank.

Hope to see you there. Lots to catch up on.

September 25th at 7:30 pm in the Burton Institute.

Usual rules apply - form your own team or join a table to make up the numbers.

£4 per person plus £1 per raffle ticket.

Proceeds go to a worthy cause - feel free to nominate a local charity or Winster community group.

Bring your own refreshments

Claire Pring and Martin Brassington asking the questions



Regular Village Activities and Mobile Library

Stay and Play , Primary School, Friday's—term time only 9:30-11:30, for parents and carers of infants and young children. Free. Refreshments provided. Contact: Kerry McClay 07760161785	
Senior Club , Table Tennis Jubilee Roon, Fridays, 10am - 12noon back 4th September	
Luncheon Club , Burton Institute, Mondays, 10:45 - 13:45	
Yoga , Burton Institute, Tuesdays 6.15-7.45pm, Sheila Clapham 07842145005	
Chair Based Exercise -every Thursday 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. Burton Institute - please note change of start and end times - effective immediately	
Morris Dancers Practice , Burton Institute, Tuesdays 8pm - Summer Break starts end of April. Returning start of October	
Shorter walks of 4-6 miles , first & third Tuesday of each month, easy pace. Meet at the Old Bowling Green at 9.45am. Bring own drink & snack. Usually ending with pub or café lunch. Contact: Anthea Rawlence: a.j.rawlence@btinternet.com 07860140435 or 01629 650480	
Longer walks of approx. 8 miles , second Tuesday of each month, meeting at the Old Bowling Green at 9.45am. Bring own drink, snack & packed lunch. Contact: Steve Edgar: steve.edgar1@btinternet.com or 07977148748 or Katharine Edgar: katharine.edgar@btinternet.com or 07875655243	
Winster Wednesday Cafe - Jubilee Room, Wednesdays, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm Starts again September 2nd	
Parish Council Meeting - First Monday of the month, 7pm, Burton Institute	
Post Office Closed - Every Tuesday and Thursday	
The Cafe in the Church -Opening 2nd May until September	
Pickleball - <u>Current schedule- weather permitting - equipment available to borrow</u>	
Mondays 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm Mixed abilities	Thursdays, 10:00 am to 11: 30 am Relaxed abilities
Thursdays, 5:45 pm to 7:15 pm, Wicked	Saturdays, 10:30 am to 12:30 pm Mixed abilities
Barre Fitness Classes at the Burton Institute. Wednesdays 9.15am, 10.30am & 5.45pm. Various classes to suit your ability. Contact Samantha on 07852299927	
Winster Sunday Sing, Say & Play! The Red Lion, Birchover. Every 1st Sunday evening 7:30 pm start. Come and have a sing – all welcome – great for your health!	
Community E-Bike Rides - Free to Winster residents with an e-bike. 2026 Dates in the diary- 25th June, 30th July - Meet 10am at the Bank Top Cafe. Contact Andrew Talbot on 07525 464003 for more info	

Village Organisations & Contacts

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The Heathcote Charity - Applications for Grants 2026

The Heathcote Charity's Aims and Objects include: To assist in the furthering of the education of the children and young adults and the relief of the sick and poor of the parish of Winster. The Governors would in particular welcome requests for financial assistance from local residents.

To apply for a grant please contact the secretary for an application form; these will be available from 15h August 2026.

Any application from or on behalf of individuals will be treated in the strictest

confidence. All applications from village organisations should include a copy of the latest accounts and a recent statement of assets or accumulated funds.

The secretary must receive the completed application forms and any other relevant documentation by 12th September 2026

Secretary. Jackie Long
Jackie.winster@gmail.com

Or C/O Sandra Purslow
Homelea
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St. John's Winster, St. Mary's S. Darley, St. Helen's Darley Dale Services

Sept 6th

10am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

11am Holy Communion at St. Helen's

2pm Open Door St. Helen's

Sept 13th

8am Holy Communion at St. Helen's

11am All Age Community Service at St. Helen's

4:15pm Informal service at St. John's

Sept 20th

10am Holy Communion at St. Mary's

11am Holy Communion at St. Helen's

Sept 27th

10am Morning Worship at St. Mary's

11am New Beginnings at St. Helen's

4pm Holy Communion at St. John's



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Who Can Apply?

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- Existing small community groups - we also welcome applications from more formal groups, with constitutions, bank accounts, already doing great things - you can apply too.

Your idea doesn't have to be big - just something that helps people connect and feel less lonely. To find out more visit our web site,

Community Kickstart Grant - Bring Your Idea to Life!

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Or contact us by email **enquiries@ddcvs.org.uk**
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If you've ever thought "I'd love to do something, but I don't know where to start" - this is your chance. Let's make it happen together!

Dear Reader

I have this page to fill; sometimes I have more content than I can accommodate so I'm not complaining.

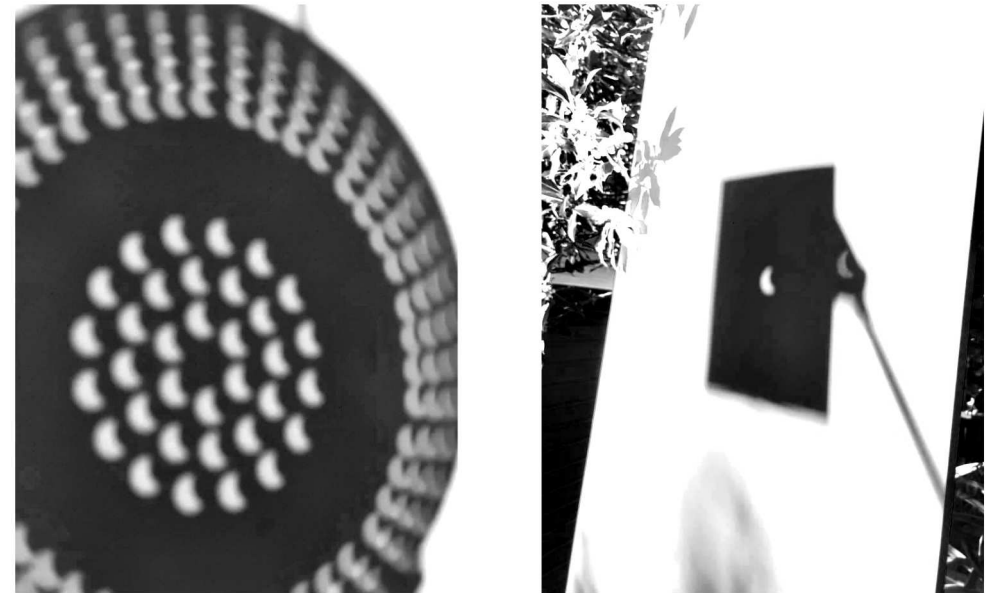
I write this as a new grandparent - our daughter, Jess, having given birth to a son, Freddie, on August 12th.

What an auspicious day that was as it also coincided with the partial eclipse of sun. As one, the nation rushed to buy eclipse glasses. For those who didn't join the stampede for the glasses, what were the choices while trying to heed the warnings about not staring directly at the sun?

At the Witty household we gave both suggested methods a try - the good old kitchen colander or a piece of card with a hole in the middle -

A comical sight - a large white board propped up against the fence and each of the methods tested - and a lot of 'up a bit, down a bit, closer, no to the right!'

Ladies and Gentlemen - I give you our version of the 2026 Partial Eclipse of the Sun



Best wishes, Helen

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Secret
Gardens
of
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Once again Winster has put on an amazing Secret Gardens weekend.

This year we were blessed with two days of perfect weather, which brought 1520 visitors, almost equally split across the two days. Whilst these numbers are well short of our very best, it is clear that people had a wonderful afternoon, and indulged in many of the delicious refreshments and varied entertainment offers available.

A special thanks to all the garden openers, who despite the challenges of the heatwaves prior to the weekend, shared their stunning gardens with everyone. Winster certainly has so many hidden, delightful gardens, and all were much praised by visitors.

Secret Gardens is a team effort and its success is down to everyone who helped in any way before, during or after the weekend. We should all be very proud.

Although the accounts are not yet fully finalised, it looks as if we will have cleared a profit of around £14,000. This is an amazing result - a lot more than our previous record of £11,000! These funds will be distributed to support the Burton Institute and other village organisations and projects - watch out for details of the grant application process in the Village Magazine in the Autumn.

I am sure that many will have found their work for Secret Gardens an extra effort in the heat, but it is really so rewarding and enjoyable to bring so much pleasure to our visitors, and at the same time to raise so much money to support great initiatives and ideas in our community.

On behalf of the Secret Gardens Committee, Thank you Winster!

Gill Geddes

Winster History Group

Monday 28 September

The Pentrich Revolution

How the Western World Gained Its Freedoms

Driven by hunger and poverty, 300 labourers marched from South Wingfield in 1817 demanding parliamentary reform. Sylvia Mason of the Pentrich and South Wingfield Revolution Group tells their tragic story and how their legacy helped win the freedoms we enjoy today.



Membership

After 20 years, we are putting the subscription up in September – note the new price of £10 for 2026-2027. Please renew at the next meeting. Non-members will be invited to contribute at the door. To join our email list, contact christina@forarthistory.org.uk

Monday 19 October

AGM and Party

Join us for our annual AGM, followed by refreshments in the Jubilee Room.

Monday 30 November

Making an Impression

Early 20th-Century Derbyshire Printmakers

A chance discovery of 1920s woodcuts by Elton-born artist Elsie Garrett Rice took V&A curator and Winster resident Zorian Clayton down a rabbit hole of Derbyshire printmakers. He will explore remarkable but little-known artists who hail from this part of the world and their contribution to early 20th-century printmaking.

All talks start at 7.30pm in the Burton Institute.

Winster Spring Blooms Initiative....

Let's make the green spaces in Winster burst into colour next spring!

September 21st to 28th is Bulb Donation Week.



During this week you can donate your own spare spring bulbs, give money towards the purchase of bulbs or buy bulbs from Winster Village shop to add to the pot.

Bulb donation points will be set up around the village and we hope that everyone will take part.

Our lovely team of volunteers will plant them out during October and November.....and let nature do the rest. A tally of bulb numbers bought or donated will be posted on the East Bank notice board every day that week.

We are aiming for 1000 bulbs **come on Winster we can do this.**

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