



SOUTHWICK SHOW

"FEATURING OUR FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW"

OPENED BY THE TOWN CRYER

Bank Holiday Monday 28th August

1pm-5pm

**JOIN US FOR A FUN FILLED
AFTERNOON**

- * STALLS * DOG SHOW * DOG AGILITY**
- * MODEL PLANES * ICE CREAM * RAFFLE * TOMBOLA**
- * FAIR RIDES * BOUNCY CASTLE & SLIDE * ANIMALS**
- * BBQ * BAR * CAKES & REFRESHMENTS**
- * INTERACTIVE GAMES * FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW**
- * LIVE ENTERTAINMENT * DANCE PERFORMANCES**
- * GREEK FOOD * THE ROCK CHOIR * FACE PAINTING**

Car Park Donation £2 (Parking Is Limited)

Please Walk To The Show If Possible

Southwick Village Hall & Playing Field

Frome Rd, Southwick, Trowbridge, Wilts BA14 9QN



SOUTHWICK VILLAGE NEWS

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A walk in the Park!

Summer delights at Southwick Country Park Nature Reserve

See inside for full story

– Southwick Parish Council –

The Council has eleven elected members and meets on the third Tuesday of each month in the Village Hall. For Parish Council meeting minutes, please visit the Southwick Community website www.southwickwilts.co.uk or read them on the Parish Council notice boards (located at the entrance to the village hall and the bus shelter at Teeside).

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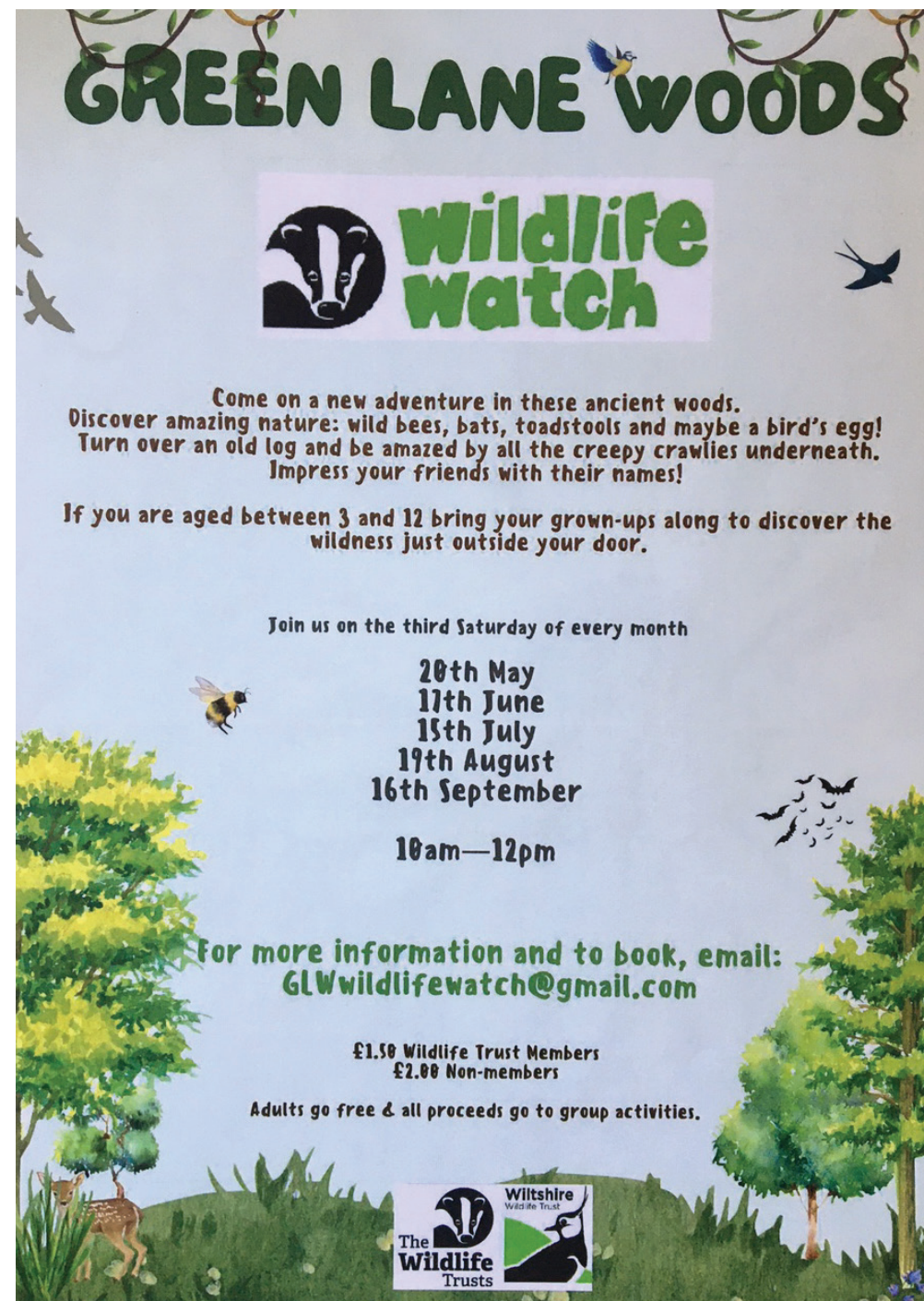
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GREEN LANE WOODS

Wildlife Watch

Come on a new adventure in these ancient woods.
Discover amazing nature: wild bees, bats, toadstools and maybe a bird's egg!
Turn over an old log and be amazed by all the creepy crawlies underneath.
Impress your friends with their names!

If you are aged between 3 and 12 bring your grown-ups along to discover the wildness just outside your door.

Join us on the third Saturday of every month

20th May
17th June
15th July
19th August
16th September

10am—12pm

For more information and to book, email:
GLWwildlifewatch@gmail.com

£1.50 Wildlife Trust Members
£2.00 Non-members

Adults go free & all proceeds go to group activities.

The Wildlife Trusts Wiltshire Wildlife Trust



The Southwick Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) was made by Wiltshire Council in October 2021. This followed a successful referendum where the majority of voters agreed that Wiltshire Council should use the Neighbourhood Plan to help it decide planning applications in the neighbourhood area.

The work to prepare the made NDP began in 2017. Since then, there have been changes to the national and local policy context, and therefore some of the evidence base is becoming increasingly dated.

Southwick Parish Council have decided to undertake a review of the NDP to ensure that it remains effective and continues to meet the objectives and ambitions of the Parish.

The review will also ensure that the NDP will remain in conformity with the emerging Wiltshire Local Plan Review, which is currently being prepared by Wiltshire Council, particularly when referring to the ability of Southwick to meet the future housing requirements in the extended plan period to 2038.

Members of the public, along with members of the Parish Council, were invited to

become part of a Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group. Response for Steering Group volunteers has been very strong, and Steering Group meetings have been taking place.

A firm of professional consultants have also been appointed to support the Steering Group in delivering the Neighbourhood Plan Review.

However, all has not gone to plan. The Government scheme which provides grant funding to qualifying bodies, has been subject to significant delays and as a result the completion of Southwick's Neighbourhood Plan Review is currently running behind schedule.

But, with the support of our consultants, the Steering Group can now make better progress with delivering the Neighbourhood Plan Review.

So please keep an eye for further details of upcoming Neighbourhood Plan events, Public Consultation's and more progress updates going forward, during the Autumn weeks and months to come.

John Eaton,
Chair – Southwick Parish Council

Southwick W.I. meet in the Village Hall on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7.30pm. Visitors always welcome.

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INSPIRING WOMEN

At our A.G.M in March we thanked our outgoing President Lydia Ritchens and Treasurer Pat Prebble for their time and commitment over many years.

We now welcome our new President Barbara Vincent and Treasurer Shirley Penny in these roles, together with the Committee team.

Forthcoming Meeting:
September 20th 2023

Police Service talk on working with Police dogs

For further details call Barbara Vincent – 01225 763347.

You can also follow us on Facebook - Southwick WI (Trowbridge)

Anne Aland W.I Member

FREE INTRODUCTORY ADVICE SERVICE SOUTHWICK (FIASS)

FIASS offers free benefit, debt and CV advice along with help preparing and responding to official letters. With Benefit advice we are able and qualified to check you are receiving your entitlement and also fill out lengthy forms on line.

If you have a debt problem, qualified debt counsellors are able to offer initial advice that will, hopefully, lead to a debt free future.

We can offer help with CV writing and interview techniques including writing formal letters.

We are supported by the Wiltshire Area Board, Southwick Residents Association, Southwick Baptist Church and the Southwick Primary School. Our team has years of experience to offer and we are passionate about what we can offer you. We can be contacted through our e-mail at fiass.ba14@gmail.com

A walk in the Park



Brown Argus

Ian Bushell

Just some thoughts and pictures on a pleasant Sunday afternoon walk in the reserve.

It was a bit breezy and with some threatening clouds but warm. I walked along Lambrok Meadow and spotted a few Small Whites and a couple of battered Meadow Browns; not an auspicious start but so different when I got to one of my favourite butterfly spots – the Old Dog Pond.

Here about a dozen pairs of Common

Blues were feeding on the Ragwort flowers along with a couple of Small Coppers, Gatekeepers and some Small Whites.

A Comma passed through the area and to my great surprise I saw and



Small White



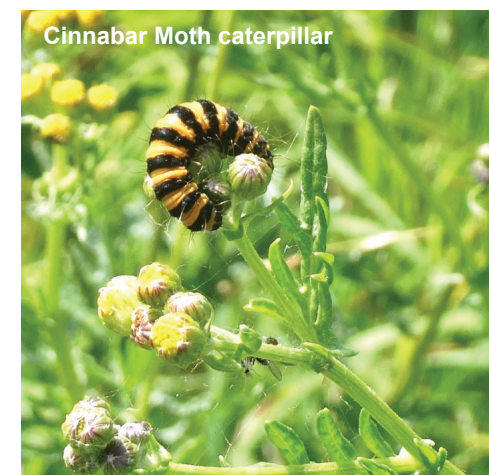
Comma

photographed a Cinnabar caterpillar on the flower head of a Ragwort.

Despite extensive searching, it was the only one I found. There were a couple of dragonflies swooping about and feeding but they refused to settle and be photographed and identified.

I meet up with Clive and Dillon and we had a leisurely walk round to Puddle Corner, along the bottom of Sleeper field, into Sheep field and then on to Fiveways.

On the edge of the copse in the set-aside at the top of Kestrel field there was an odd butterfly feeding on the Ragwort, luckily it stayed static and once home looking at the pictures realised it was a female Brimstone – I was really pleased. In the long grass lots of chirruping and we got pictures of Roesel's Bush-crickets, the long winged versions.



Cinnabar Moth caterpillar



Brimstone

It has been a funny year for butterflies within the reserve, they seem to be coming in waves. Prior to the hay cut, Meadow Browns dominated then Ringlets multiplied.

Always in attendance were Speckled Woods and of late Large and Small Whites. Since then we have had Skippers, Marbled Whites, Red Admirals and Peacocks interspersed with Gatekeepers and Small Coppers.



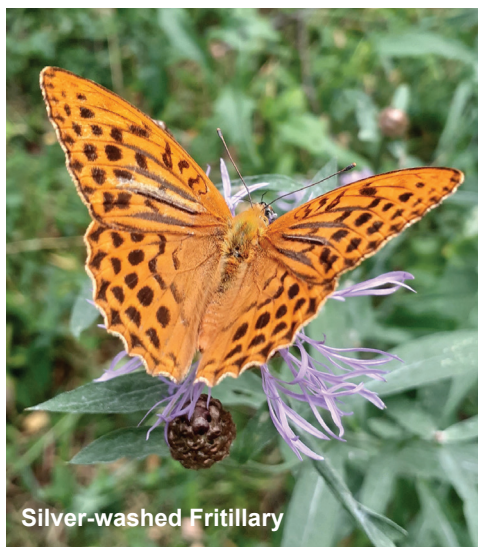
Roesel's Bush-cricket



Small Copper



Gatekeeper



Silver-washed Fritillary

Odd individuals have been the Silver-washed Fritillary, Painted Lady and a Five Spot Burnet Moth.

Still plenty of time this year and if the weather improves, there could well be some interesting sightings.

DROP IN CAFE

at Southwick Baptist Church



A chance to enjoy a **FREE** Cuppa & Cake

1st & 3rd Tuesday afternoons 2pm – 4pm

Everybody welcome (0-99 years!)

We look forward to seeing you

Allow us a few moments to fill in the background to this. Around three to four years ago a team from within Southwick Baptist Church had set up and started FIAS (Free Introductory Advice Service Southwick), a free service available to all offering debt advice, benefits advice and assistance with CV writing and form filling. This service is still available at www.southwickbaptistchurch.org.uk

Shortly after that we began kicking the idea of starting a drop-in cafe for the people of the village. Then along came the pandemic, numerous lockdowns, and a prolonged period of social distancing and church closure which put the brakes on any thoughts of this.

This year, 2023, as we have now come to terms with 'living with Covid', we have been excited

to revisit the idea and we are pleased to say we held our first drop-in cafe on Tuesday 1st November 2022. So we are off and running!

The purpose of the drop-in cafe is simple. To reach out to the community and open the doors of the church for the benefit of the local people, providing the opportunity for drawing village folk to meet together in a friendly environment where there will be a welcome for everyone whether a church-goer or not.

Everyone is welcome to come along, and stay as long as you like. We will provide free tea/ coffee (or squash) and cake and/or biscuits – so why not pop along for a cuppa and a chat.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Bob & Cathy (at SBC)

www.southwickbaptistchurch.org.uk



The **Beat the Street** game is coming to Southwick, North Bradley, and Trowbridge Town from 4th October to 1st November.

Beat the Street encourages people to get outside and to get active and is open to anyone of any age who would like to take part. The game works by turning towns and villages into a real-life game and residents

will soon start to see special sensors called Beat Boxes appearing on lampposts around the area.

Prior to the game, primary school pupils from participating schools will be provided with cards while parents and teachers will also receive a card from the school so they can accompany children.

The wider community can pick up a free contactless card from a distribution point listed on the website www.beatthestreet.me. Alternatively, players aged 13+ can choose to participate via a mobile app, which can be downloaded via Google Play or iOS App Store.

Players join a school or community team to join, or you can set up your own with a minimum of players.

Players then walk, cycle or wheel between the number of 38 Beat Boxes which are spaced half a mile apart, hovering the cards as they go to collect points, the further players travel, the more points they score and win prizes.

Week 1 - Go Play

This week is about getting people used with the rules of the game and encourage them to register. We encourage the people to find the beat boxes in their area and tapping them to score point and win prizes.

Week 2 – Go Explore

We encourage player to discover the local history and culture, explore their local heritage and visit iconic places. We will have random boxes giving double or triple points.

Week 3 – Go Travel

Double points on the commute this week between certain hours of the day, cycle, running, skateboards, walking, roller skates.

Week 4 – Go Wild

We encourage players to discover nature during this week (we will have mobile boxes in parks and green places giving double points).

More details to follow, so keep an eye on the Parish Council website and on the SRA Facebook page for future updates.



Doctors & NHS

NHS Direct (Day & Night advice line)	111
Trowbridge Health Centre	01225 435757
Lovemead Group (Roundstone)	01225 759850
Trowbridge Community Hospital	01225 711300
A&G Minibuses (Hospital Rover)	01985 212213

Chemists & Pharmacies

Boots - Trowbridge Health Centre	01225 710119
Boots - Roundstone Surgery	01225 775543
Boots - The Gateway (till midnight)	01225 752068
Superdrug - The Shires	01225 753104
Tesco Extra - County Way (till midnight)	01225 753104
Cohen's - 68 Brook Road, Trowbridge	01225 572604

Dentists

Coleman & Starkey Timbrell Street	01225 753198
Mortimer Dental Practice Mortimer Street	01225 765116
BUPA Dental Care Stallard Street	01225 777170
Dental Care, The Halve	01225 430545
My Dentist, Meadow Court, Staverton	01225 351333

Opticians

Boots Opticians & Hearing Centre	01225 719055
Carter & Harding, Fore Street	01225 752143
Haine & Smith, The Shires	01225 776871
Specsavers, The Shires	01225 775434
RD White, Roundstone Street	01225 753172

Organisations

Wiltshire Council Customer Services	0300 456 0100
Wiltshire Council Planning Matters	0300 456 0100
Wiltshire Council Highways & Street Lighting	0300 456 0105
Wiltshire Council Dog Warden	0300 456 0107
Wiltshire Council Trading Standards	0845 404 0506
Trowbridge Town Council	01225 765072
Police & Fire Emergency	999
Police (non-emergency)	101
Fire Service (non-emergency)	01225 756530
Fire & Rescue Safety Checks	01380 723601
Selwood Housing	01225 715715
Crimestoppers	0800 555111
Citizen's Advice Bureau	03454 040506
Good Neighbour Co-ordinator	01380 722475
Trowbridge Community Area Link	07969 347042

Schools & Colleges

Southwick CE Primary Hollis Way	01225 763325
Busy Bees Pre-school, Hollis Way	01225 753262
St. John's Primary Wingfield Road	01225 752006
Clarendon College Frome Road	01225 762686
St. Augustine's College Wingfield Road	01225 7350001
John of Gaunt Wingfield Road	01225 762637
St. Lawrence Ashley Road, Bradford on Avon ...	01225 309500
Wiltshire College College Road	01225 766241