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Editorial

Saturday 7th September looks like being the day when we begin to transition from summer into autumn.

The annual Flower & Produce Show takes place on that day, along with the last match of the season for Birlingham Cricket Club. The Swan Inn will be closing for the start of staff holidays on the same day. It is also the copy date for the Autumn edition of the *Birlingham Bystander*, which covers events from the spring and summer.

So it is time to gather together your exhibits for the Show and enjoy one final day of summer activities at the Cricket Ground – then write to the *Bystander* to tell us what you've been up to this summer!



Only ten days to the Flower & Produce Show on Saturday 7th September. Sift through your photos, finish your artwork and fingers crossed for everything growing in the garden.

The full schedule can be viewed at:
https://online.fliphtml5.com/xcxcl/djoe/

Swan Inn Holiday Closure

Saturday 7th – Thursday 19th September

by Zoe Haines

We are closed for staff holidays from Saturday 7th to Thursday 19th September.

We will reopen at lunchtime on Friday 20th September.



Birlingham Skittles Team

by Bruce Hayward

We are looking for new members for the Birlingham Skittles Team. We play once a week in Pershore between September and April. It is a very casual evening, and you certainly don't have to have played before.

The alley is booked for a practice/social evening on Wednesday 28th August.

If you would like to know more, please contact me.

Cuppa & Chat

Wednesday 4th September

by Sue Hermon



Our next Cuppa & Chat will be held on Wednesday 4th September from 3.00pm to 4.30pm in Birlingham Village Hall. The cost is £3 per person and everyone is most welcome to come along for tea or coffee plus a cake or two and a chance to win our free Mystery Entry Prize!

For more information, or to request transport, please contact me on 01386 750096 or email sue.hermon@me.com.

St James' Church

Churchwarden: Adrianne Woodward
(Tel. 01386 750936)



The annual **Harvest Festival service** is being held at St James' on Sunday 15th September at 10.30am and is being led by Revd Alma Organ. All are welcome to attend and stay for refreshments after the service.

Donations of fresh and dried goods and tins would be much appreciated and can be left just inside the church during the previous week. Those attending the service can bring their donations along with them.

As is our custom, all of the Harvest goods are then given to The Maggs Centre, Worcester – a charity that helps the homeless.

Pershore Scottish Dancing Society

by Katie Parsons

Is anyone interested in joining the local Scottish Country Dancing group?

The new term starts next Wednesday, 4th September – details opposite.

Pershore Scottish Dancing Society

Invites you to join our fun weekly classes at Abbey School, Pershore.

Wednesday 7pm to 8.30pm

No experience necessary but equally suitable for experienced dancers.

We are led by an experienced teacher – no swords are involved! It's reels and sets, just like a Barn Dance / Ceilidh each week. Great fun and a perfect way to exercise body & mind.

E mail pershorescds@gmail.com if you would like to join us

Further details online at www.pershorescottish.org.uk

Trip to Ukraine

by Chris Hermon

I am off to Ukraine on Saturday 31st August to deliver a 4 by 4 vehicle.

If anyone would like to donate towards the travel costs, here is link to the fundraising page:

https://donorbox.org/chrisukraine

Rake and Cake

Saturday 31st August

by Sue Hayward

Free Coffee and Cake at St James' Church

A reminder that Saturday 31st August 10.00–12.00am is the annual 'Rake and Cake' morning in the Churchyard.

It will involve raking up the newly strimmed grass and other general gardening jobs. We would love you to join us! Bring any tools that you think you may need, e.g. rakes, secateurs or shears.

Quiz Evening

Saturday 2nd November

by Peter Luff

There will be a Quiz Evening in the Village Hall on Saturday 2nd November.

The event is a joint fundraiser for the Village Hall and the Friends of St James'.

Further details nearer the time, but please put the date in your diary.





Waiting for the Pilates class . . . or perhaps I'll head for the Swan, 20th August

(Photo: Julia Luff)

Letters to the Editors

We welcome brief letters to the Editors on any subject relating to Birlingham. The Editors reserve the right to shorten letters and we cannot guarantee that all letters will be printed.

Please send letters to:

news@birlingham.org

Planning Applications

The following planning application has been received by Wychavon District Council:

Merriview, Upper End: Undertake tree works, as detailed on application form and in any accompanying information (Case No. W/24/01593/TPOA). Awaiting decision by Wychavon District Council. Full details can be viewed on the Wychavon DC website at:

https://plan.wychavon.gov.uk/Planning/Display/W/24/01593/TPOA

Personal Ads

Babysitting. If anyone requires any babysitting within the village please contact me. Details below.

Georgina Cook (age 17)
Telephone 01386 751421

Personal adverts should consist of one paragraph of text, maximum 100 words, and will be included in a single issue of Birlingham News. Please note that advertisement text will be published exactly as received. Personal ads should be sent to news@birlingham.org no later than the Monday before publication. Birlingham News is published on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month.

Autumn *Bystander*

The copy date for the Autumn edition of the *Birlingham Bystander* is Saturday 7th September. If you have any articles, photographs or other content that you would like included in the *Bystander*, please contact a member of the Editorial Team or email bystander@birlingham.org.

The *Bystander* will be published in October.



Six cygnets on Sherpool Lake, 27th July

(Photo: Jayne Mackenzie)

Dates for your diary

August

Wed 28	Birlingham Skittles Team practice/social evening, Pershore
Sat 31	Rake and Cake in the Churchyard, 10.00-12.00am
Sat 31	Birlingham CC 1st XI vs Pershore CC 3rd XI, 12.30pm

September

Wed 4	Cuppa & Chat, 3.00–4.30pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Sat 7	Birlingham CC 1st XI vs Worcester CC 3rd XI, 12.30pm
Sat 7	Flower & Produce Show, 2.00pm, Cricket Ground
Sat 7	Copy date for Birlingham Bystander Autumn edition
Sat 7 – Thu 19	Swan Inn Holiday Closure
Sun 15	Harvest Festival, St James' Church, 10.30am
Wed 18	Birlingham Parish Council, 7.00pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Thu 19	Birlingham IW – details to be confirmed

October

Wed 2	Cuppa & Chat, 3.00–4.30pm, Birlingham Village Hall
Fri 18	Musical Evening, St James' Church – details to follow

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The copy date for the next edition is Monday 9th September (for publication on Wednesday 11th September). We regret that we cannot guarantee to include any items submitted after that date.

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