

Community News

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- Please contact us if you see or hear of anything that will be of help to other residents - email pacdg@icloud.com
- and if you need assistance in any way, email us and we'll pass on your message to people who can help.

...from Tessa. FOUND hearing aids. Somebody might be quite distressed - a pair of hearing aids were found in the gutter outside Spar on Saturday afternoon. If they're yours, please contact Spar.

...from Sarah & Ann. Marcus Field's last journey 19th June 1.45pm - Broad Street, Presteigne. For people local to our area, Marcus's funeral will be on Friday 19th June at Presteigne Cemetery. Unfortunately because of the pandemic numbers at the graveside are limited. If you want to help Scarlett, Osian and Jemima with his last journey please be standing along Broad Street at 1.45pm. The more Presteigne Colts strips the better! Clapping would be good too - let's make it fun. Please share this post and generally spread the word. I've put a link to the charity for research into the type of cancer Marcus suffered from below. We don't need flowers, but if you'd like to donate please feel free. Go to <https://sarcoma.org.uk/donate>

SCAM ALERT

...from Jill. Beware an online Scam involving Radley handbags. I ordered handbags from Radley London in a sale online but none arrived - £60 was charged to an account in Chechnia. Radley are aware of this fraud but are unable to help so if you want to purchase a handbag go to the Radley official site where they will offer you a list of around 100 fraud sites - so take care folks !

...from CAB Citizens Advice. Today is the launch of our annual Scams Awareness campaign. It's never been more important to stop, report and talk about scams. We'll be sharing content across our social media channels over the next 2 weeks to help you Be #ScamAware. Help us stop scammers in their tracks—find out how to get involved on our website citizensadvice.org.uk/sa20/

UPDATE FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES AND THE HIGH STREET

(things keep changing so, best first check information on websites or Facebook pages)

...from the Salty Dog. Dear Lovely Salty Dog Customers, We are closing the kitchen next week for some essential repairs (plus the 'old man' needs a break). But we will be taking Ready Meal orders for the week beginning 22nd June. We will carry on with the order and collect/delivery for as long as you need to be shielding /self-isolating or just don't feel comfortable hanging around us too long. But due to changes in the rota, e-mails will only be answered between 4pm and 6pm every afternoon. Please bear this in mind when ordering. We would like to take this opportunity to Thank You All so very much for your support (and cakes). Opening Times Monday to Saturday, 9am until 4pm. Love from The Salty Dog Team x

...from the Food Bank. Dear Supporter of Knighton & East Radnor Food Bank, Please see the attached list of food and other essentials we currently are **short** of:

Tinned Cold Meat, Tinned meatballs/hotdogs/stewing steak, Tinned Fruit- not peaches please, Tinned Custard, Tinned Rice Pudding, Tinned Evaporated Milk, Cereals – child friendly!, Jam/Chocolate Spread/Peanut Butter, Children's snacks or treats for lunch boxes, Fruit squash, Toiletries for men & women, Deodorant, Shaving Razors/Shaving Foam, Anti- Bacterial Hand soap/wipes, Washing up Liquid/Washing Detergent.

We are always grateful for food donations, but if for the next few months, you could please avoid giving soup of any description (I have only counted the tomato soup so far & we have over 200 tins between Knighton & Presteigne FB!). Also, please, please, no more tins of baked beans (we have hundreds!), mushy peas (in huge tins, eek!), spaghetti hoops (would anyone like 6 catering- size tins, please?) or Longlife milk (too many to get though!). Also, a gentle reminder that we never give our friends out of date items, so please do check the use by date. Otherwise we have the problem of disposing of them. The food, not the friends! Finally, thank you for your help and support during the Covid19 emergency and for working with myself and my volunteers, in providing a "lockdown" version of Food Bank! We hope to revert to our usual opening arrangements at the end of this month and will be asking everyone who comes into the food bank to wear a mask and to use the hand sanitizer provided. That way we will keep us all safe and well. With grateful thanks, Best wishes to you, Helen

...from Amanda's Bread. We have a full range of cakes, vegan breads and pasties, and preserves available this week. Email for full list and prices to asimpsonatkins1@gmail.com on Monday 15th June or asap for delivery to Presteigne area on Saturday 20th June, thank you.

...from Mark at The Real Wine Co. Make Friday a Wine Try Day. Join our online tasting. If you've already ordered, thanks, see you on Friday! If you haven't:

1. Watch our [sneak peak video here](#)
2. Then order your 12 mixed bottle Spring Tasting case [here](#)
3. Meet us (and the winemakers from around the world) online for our Friday night LIVE tasting where we'll be opening three wines from the case week by week and drinking them (virtually) together!

We will be recording the Tastings, so if you miss a week you can watch it on Catch-Up. Our first three-wine Friday Try-Day will start at **7.00pm on Friday 19th June**, then every Friday thereafter so, if you'd like to join us you'll need to order your tasting case by **Wednesday 17th June** to ensure it arrives in time. Check out the "**Refer a Friend**" link on the website for a £5 coupon for anyone new to The Real Wine Company when they buy, plus a £5 Thank You to you for the introduction. [Refer a Friend here](#). Make the most of our **free delivery** by entering '**freeshipping**' at checkout. For every case ordered we'll be making a £5 charitable donation to [Captain Tom's NHS Campaign](#). We look forward to sharing some really lovely, summery wines with you soon. Mark, The Real Wine Co

...from Rose Cottage. List of sandwiches below - if you have already ordered please have a look and message me on Facebook. Still taking orders for Father's Day with limited spaces left, £10.00 a head minimum of 2 people. Scone with homemade jam and clotted cream. Chocolate and raspberry box. Bakewell slice. Strawberry meringue. Summer fruit cheesecake. Coffee and walnut cake. Lemon drizzle cake. All homemade + a round of sandwiches on white or brown bread choose two fillings per person from the following:

Chicken and bacon mayo, Tuna and lettuce, Smoked salmon, cream cheese and cucumber , Ham, Cheese, Brie and cranberry, Roast beef, Egg and cress. All can be with salad if required.

THINGS TO DO WHILE STAYING IN & DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

...from KDRSG. You are invited to join our online auction to raise funds for the Knighton and District Refugee Support Group on Saturday 20th June from 7.30 to 9 pm via Zoom. Local people have made some amazing offers - from hampers and craft items, lessons and guides, right through to gourmet meals and holidays (for when Lockdown ends!) - and even if you do not live in our area you may find some of them very appealing or wish to use them when you do visit Knighton. To see the brochure of offers and for details of how the auction will take place, please contact Angie - reforest@gn.apc.org or [01547-520929](tel:01547-520929). If you cannot attend the

Zoom auction you can send in your best offer and if it turns out to be the highest bid you will be informed after the auction finishes. Deadline to contact Angie to register for the auction and also to send in advance email bids is Thursday evening,

...from National Theatre at Home. On Thursday 18th June, you can watch *The Madness of George III*, the acclaimed Nottingham Playhouse production of Alan Bennett's award-winning drama, with Mark Gatiss. Click here to Watch on Youtube until 7pm on 18 June.

...from Liv. Hello friends, I'm excited to say that I am starting online Voice Yoga sessions online (via Zoom) from Tuesday 16th 5.30pm GST+1. I would appreciate it soooooo much if you would share with anyone you think would be interested. You can book via the site www.voiceyoga.co.uk or DM me on Facebook! Voice Yoga uses the Voice to help you connect to your true self. No yoga or singing experience is necessary! For more info about what happens in a session take a look at www.voiceyoga.co.uk

...from Swansea Jazz. Highlights from 5 years ago this weekend! #Swansea #International #Jazz Festival June 2015. We had some great times!! Keep an eye out on www.swanseajazz.co.uk for when the music will eventually return !! https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ENYkscxPkYY&list=PLw_qXHmwCMEX4hbnyQ_q7AAzo2YhQbVAh&index=4

...from Powys Libraries. While in Lockdown it's important for parents and carers to read with their children. We have many online books that can be downloaded onto phones, desktops and e-readers. Go to www.powys.gov.uk/libraries to see what we can offer you.

...from Presteigne Carnival. See our Facebook page. Wonderful posters from 2 years ago, courtesy of Presteigne Primary School pupils - a great reminder for our poster competition!! We've had a few beautiful entries, but still plenty of time to get your entries in! Open to any age, any medium, A4 size, to be displayed at next year's carnival, and also on FB once judged with results. Closing date 11th July, 2020!

...from the Dept of Education. Parents, carers and teachers of pupils studying geography - the Royal Geographical Society (with IBG) have made resources available for home learning <https://www.rgs.org/schools/teaching-resources/>

OTHER INFORMATION

...from Little Peoples Playgroup. Please get ready to complete your form if you wish to return to LPPG on 29th June. We are currently working with all concerned to offer 30 hour funded sessions for all who need them. Any questions, please message us on our Facebook page. thanks

Parents who were accessing the additional childcare hours as part of the Childcare Offer for Wales prior to the 31st of March will shortly be receiving an email from the team in Ceredigion. You will be asked to confirm whether you wish to continue receiving the offer and if so, details about how you wish to proceed with the funded childcare hours incase of any amendments. No funding will be in place if a completed form is not returned. Please keep an eye on your emails OVER THE NEXT WEEK. We would like to reassure you that you do not need to contact Ceredigion until you receive the email. Thank you for your patience.

...from Presteigne Freegle. What to do with an old filing cabinet now you've recycled all your old paperwork? See our Facebook for some fun ideas! They make great planters and can be jazzed up for other storage purposes around the house. If you can't be bothered upcycling old stuff then be sure to give away unwanted things so someone else can reuse or repurpose it. Go here to do that: <https://www.ilovefreegle.org>. Freegle is free to join, free to use and everything listed is free to collect....give it a go, you'll be surprised what can find a new home and how easy it is to avoid the bin and the tip!

...from Recycle Now. Glass is a great recyclable material. If you're in Herefordshire, put the lids back on your bottles and jars before recycling, it means they'll also get sorted and

collected without being lost in the recycling process. If you're in Powys, put the plastic or metal tops separately in your red recycling box.

...from Powys Library Service. Latest news: Order-and-collect library books service launches across Powys. Powys Library Service is trialling a new order-and-collect service to enable people to get fresh reading materials safely during the coronavirus pandemic. From 22 June, residents will be able to ask for a new collection of books via the Powys County Council website (<https://crowd.in/Q88Q1Y>), or by contacting the library service on 01597 827460 or library@powys.gov.uk. Library staff will then put together selections based on the reading interests given, and these will be ready for collection from 29th June. The normal "request" facility for specific titles on the library catalogue will not be available, to eliminate the need to transport requested books all around Powys, thereby reducing the risk of spreading the virus. The six sites which will be used for preparing collections of books will be Machynlleth, Llanfyllin, Newtown, Llandrindod, Brecon and Ystradgynlais. Readers who live sufficiently close to those sites will be able to collect a bag of books from the library door by appointment only, following social distancing and hygiene measures.

For all other readers, the library service will be working closely with local members, PAVO, partners and local volunteer groups to try and ensure that books are delivered safely to the doorstep, with strict hygiene procedures and social distancing measures also in place, similar to grocery or prescription deliveries. (Ed. WATCH THIS SPACE FOR PRESTEIGNE).

Anyone who wishes to volunteer to help to deliver library books to your local area is urged to register as a volunteer with PAVO <https://crowd.in/qxlHqs>. Community response support groups that would like to help to deliver this service across Powys are urged to contact the library service on library@powys.gov.uk or 01597 827460 to discuss further.

...from the Welsh Government. If you have coronavirus symptoms but can't get to a test centre, you can book a test through the post. It will be sent to your house in the post and picked up by a courier once you've completed it. <https://gov.wales/apply-coronavirus-test>.

...from Shropshire CC. Clun Bridge, which carries the A488 over the River Clun, will be closed from Thursday 18 June 2020 to Friday 3 July 2020 to enable the repairs to be undertaken to the parapet and cutwater to the upstream left side of the bridge. Works will also include general repointing to the inside faces of the parapets and repairs to the kerb build-out at the bridge. Due to the nature of the repair works, a full road closure and signed diversion route will be in place for the duration of the works. When the bridge is closed a signed diversion will be in place, diverting traffic via the B4368, B4385, A4113 and A488.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

...from Alex Gooch Artisan Baker. I'm looking for a full time baker. You will be involved in the production of sourdoughs, yeasted breads and viennoiserie among other things. Experience as a baker would be preferred or indeed experience in catering failing that. Pay will reflect the level of experience. Email your cv to info@alexgoochbaker.com or ring me on 07786513986 for a chat. This job is starting straight away.

...from Lloyd Engineering. We are looking for full time fabricator-welder; CNC and manual machinist; and fitter/spray painter to join our friendly team in well-equipped workshops. We have a spacious factory layout and have implemented social distancing and safe working practices to take account of Covid-19. Lloyd Engineering design and manufacture innovative screening buckets that are exported all over the world. We are a small but expanding company. Due to our location between Presteigne/Pembridge/Shobdon/Kington, a car is essential. Working hours are 07.30am to 5.00pm but overtime will be available and expected during busy periods. Salary will be based on experience. Send your CV to matt@lloydengineering.co.uk

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If you have any questions on what's happening - or not happening - in our community, do let us know and we'll do our best to provide an answer, or at least point you in the right direction - simply email pacdg@icloud.com.