STONESTHROW DIRECTORY



QUEEN'S BATON RELAY COMING TO YOU! P.26-27

WHY PICKING UP AFTER YOUR DOG MATTERS P.22

USEFUL LOCAL TELEPHONE NUMBERS / ARTICLES / HOROSCOPES

WHAT'S ON / LOCAL RESTAURANTS & TAKEAWAYS



BALSALL COMMON MERIDEN HAMPTON IN ARDEN MILLISONS WOOD

JUNE / JULY 2022

JAMIESON CHRISTIE

WEALTH MANAGEMENT









INVESTMENTS, PENSIONS, TAX PLANNING



ESTATE and IHT PLANNING, EDUCATIONAL FEES, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS



External Cleaning
Specialists

We provide patio, decking, path and driveway cleaning, as well as roof, gutter, fascia and soffit cleaning in Solihull, Balsall Common, Kenilworth, Hampton in Arden, Meriden and the surrounding areas.

You'll see the difference for yourself when you work with Solclean to clean the exterior of your home or business.



0121 369 0070 07546 264164

enquiries@solclean.co.uk









A NOTE FROM THE EDITOR

Hello and welcome to our June/July edition of the Stonesthrow Directory. June 2022 is a big month for the UK, since we finally get to celebrate Her Majesty the Queen's Platinum Jubilee over an extended Bank Holiday weekend. There are plenty of official events planned for our region as well as countless street and garden parties to attend. Let's hope the weather holds up!

Then July follows with another much anticipated event, the Commonwealth Games. See p.26-27 for the schedule of events taking place in and around our beloved villages. Come along to the drop-in centres for more information on how you can take part. This is going to be one unforgettable Summer!

Not forgetting of course Father's Day on 19th June, a time to let that very important person in your life know how much he means to you. Many of our local businesses, attractions and restaurants have special Father's Day offers so take a look through this month's adverts and please try to support local businesses wherever possible.

There many other events and meetings taking place locally and if you'd like to take part - see our What's On section (p. 24-25).

We have something exciting for our readers this month: give our Social Media pages a 'Like' and a 'Follow' for a chance to win £20 Gift Voucher to spend at Oakes Farm Shop (see p. 31).

We have articles written exclusively for us by local councils and residents (see p. 22, 26) and many great offers and discounts offered by our

Advertisers. Please remember to mention Stonesthrow Directories when calling, so we can continue to bring you even more exclusive offers!

Here are some dates for your calendar:

19th of June - Father's Day; 21st of June - Summer Solstice; 1st of August - Summer Bank Holiday. Have a great couple of months and whatever you do - keep yourself and your loved ones safe.

Yours, Stonesthrow Publications
01926 8000 84 / 075 III 222 45
INFO@STONESTHROWPUBLICATIONS (O.UK.



CONTENTS

IN THIS ISSUE



















FORESTS FOR ALL

We gratefully acknowledge the support of businesses and organisations, whose adverts or information appear in Stonesthrow Publications Ltd. Whilst every effort is taken to ensure the accuracy, we can not accept responsibility for loss, damage or omission caused by error in the printing of an advert or an article. Nor can we accept responsibility for claims made by advertisers/contributors, or services, provided by the advertisers. It is the responsibility of the advertiser to make sure, that the information they provide is correct and up to date at the time of the publication. No part of this directory can be reproduced, copied or stored without the prior written permission of the Stonesthrow Publications Ltd. The use of this magazine for direct marketing or carnvassing is strictly prohibited. Distribution are and day may vary at the discretion of the publishers. All artwork, pictures and text are accepted on the basis, that permission for their use in the publication has been obtained by the advertiser or contributor. Stonesthrow Publications Ltd can not accept responsibility for alterations or changes of details after the publication date. **Stonesthrow Publications Ltd**





WINDOWS • DOORS • CONSERVATORIES • BI-FOLD DOORS • ROOFLINE



 Manufacturers & Installers of PVCu Windows, Doors and Conservatories

- ◆ A variety of Colours available
- ◆Warmer Roof Tiled Conservatories
- ◆Lantern Roofs & Rubber Roofs
- ◆Garage Doors
- Aluminium & Timber Windows also available
- ◆Trade Frames (supply only) available



Visit our Showroom: NOW OPEN

Monday - Sunday 10am - 4pm

at Stratford Garden Centre

Clifford Chambers, Nr Stratford upon Avon CV37 8LW

Call **01926 422200**

or visit www.priorproducts.co.uk

0%
FINANCE
AVAILABLE
Subject to conditions

35%
OFF
LIMITED TIME



RAY'S

PRIDE IN EVERY DETAIL

SINCE 1985

W: www.raypundsackbuilds.org

w:rpundsack@live.com

T: 01926 810 772

BUILDING AND LANDSCAPES LTD M: 07449 581 930











The difference is clear. Over 30 years of serving our customers has taught us that value is not just about price, it's also about gaining valued relationships. Working with our clients starts with detailed planning and a fair price, but equally working together to surpass expectation. Additionally, our clients have the advantage of a wealth of experience and skill that bridge all construction trades.

FROM EXTENSIONS TO BATHROOMS OR KITCHENS TO LANDSCAPING:
WE DO IT ALL!

2 YEAR
GUARANTEE
ON ALL
PROJECTS WE
UNDERTAKE

We look forward to hearing from you for a free consultation and quotation.

COMPANY REGISTERED IN ENGLAND & WALES NO: 11983174 VAT REGISTRATION NUMBER: 373525587

IS YOUR SOFA LOOKING TIRED & SHABBY? CANNOT AFFORD TO BUY BRAND NEW?

Complete upholstery & re-upholstery services for traditional & contemporary pieces in fabric & leather

SPECIALIST LEATHER REPAIR:

Professional cleaning & stain removal Scuffs, cat scratches, burns Colour loss restored Panel replacement Aniline restoration Large range of fabric & leather

UPHOLSTERY:

New seat cushions New springs / webbings Frame repairs Free inspection All work guaranteed



Mark Miller

Leather Cleaning & Repair
Undertake Commercial & Domestic Upholstery

01455 612730 / 07949 606949

www.leathercleaningandrepair.co.ul



Misty Double Glazing?

Hi, my name is Dave Millidge, let me introduce my company where I repair windows and replace misted up double glazed units.

The area that I cover is Coventry and Warwickshire. You may have seen me around in your street or even have family and friends who I have worked for in the past ten years, with over 6,000 satisfied customers during that period. I started Misty to Clear to give customers the best value repairs in the current climate.

The Misty to Clear website allows total transparency of the customer experience. You can log into the website and view work that I have carried out. You can also leave feedback on social media. Therefore, I give a 5 year guarantee on all new double glazed units fitted by Misty to Clear.

This is a genuine guarantee which does not come as an extra to my price.

I started Misty to Clear mindful that the cost of repairs is probably key to most people's budget when using tradesmen to do work on their behalf in their homes.

I offer a lower cost service to both old and new customers as I operate directly for the customer with no additional hidden charges or insurance costs to you the customer.

So, my company name is Misty to Clear where I can offer steamed up window glass replacement and fix broken handles, hinges, seals, window locks and door locks.



Don't replace the Frames ...just the Panes!

Misted/Failed Double Glazed
Units Replaced
Broken or Damaged Windows?
Faulty Hinges, Handles or Locks?
Want the latest energy
saving glass?
Family run business with
5 year guarantee
on new double glazed units

MISTAY Window Repair Service

OVER 25 YEARS EXPERIENCE

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED

Call Dave Millidge

07704613430

web: www.mtcwarwick.co.uk email: dave@mtcwarwick.co.uk

> Misty To Clear Warwick Limited





LUXURY INDEPENDENT/ ASSISTED LIVING MAKE YOUR MOVE TODAY

Our Spring/Summer '£35,000 reduction' incentive is available for anyone who places a deposit on any apartment within 30 days of accepting this unique offer.

Only 5 incentive offers available so find out more today!

Enjoy peace of mind at Eastcote Park Village

To find out how we can make your move to Eastcote Park easy please call our team on 01564 757477 or email eastcote.enquiries@cinnamoncc.com



Ground & First Floor Apartments
 Private Lifts for all First Floor Apartments
 Piano Bar, Restaurant and Private Dining
 Fitness Studio
 Hair & Beauty Salon
 Emergency Call System to 24-hour On-Site Team
 Boutique Care Home

Eastcote Park Village & Care Home Knowle Road, Eastcote, Solihull B92 0JA

• BeastcotePark

• Terms and conditions apply

• Terms and conditions apply



For your FREE quotation please contact **React Roofing today!**

- NEW ROOF SPECIALISTS
- FASCIAS, SOFFITS & GUTTERING
- FLAT ROOF SPECIALISTS
- GRP FIBRE GLASS ROOFING
- LEAD WORK
- CHIMNEY REPAIRS & BUILDS

T: 01564 336 894 GUARANTEED
M: 07922 230 477

www.reactroofingservices.co.uk Based in Solihull

Email: reactroofingservices@gmail.com

Please mention Stonesthrow Directory when calling

EVERY MONDAY & TUESDAY

BOOKING RECOMMENDED









ANY STARTER, ANY MAIN DISH*, ANY NAAN OR RICE & COFFEE/TEA

£12.90

*(FISH & KING PRAWNS £3.00 EXTRA PER DISH) ** (PLAIN COFFEE)

CUSTOMER SERVICE: WE AIM TO PROVIDE 100% CUSTOMER SATISFACTION, SHOULD YOU EXPERIENCE DIFFICULTIES OVER SERVICE OR FOOD PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO INFORM US.



T: 01676 533 308 WWW.CAFETAMARINDS.CO.UK 376 Kenilworth Road, Balsall Common, Coventry, CV7 7ER Open 7 Days a Week: 5.00pm - 11.00pm

Dimension



Groundworks & Driveways

Driveways • Patios • Groundworks

Whether you want to transform the front of your property with the addition of a new driveway, your garden is lacking a patio area, you can feel confident in your choice of contractor when you choose to work with Dimension Groundworks & Driveways

Reliable & Professional Service Competitive Prices









Call now for a FREE no obligation quote on

0121 733 1463 · 07799 428557

info@dimensiondriveways.co.uk www.dimensiondriveways.co.uk

4200 Waterside Centre, Solihuli Parkway, Birmingham Business Park, Birmingham B37 7YN





Or find us online: www.eagleelectrics.com



For booking information contact admissions@bkhs.org.uk



Local ☑ Reliable ☑ Trusted ☑



CROWN Driveways & Patios Limited time offer: Winter Discounts

- ☑ Driveways

- □ Resin Drives
- ☑ Drainage



www.crowndriveways.co.uk











M Plumbing & Heating

Excellent professional service. Arrived on time and was very polite and professional. Everything was left immaculately clean and tidy and the price was very reasonable.

Would 100% recommend.

BOILER SERVICE BOILER INSTALLATIONS BOILER REPAIR PLUMBING

HEATING POWERFLUSHING LANDLORD GAS SAFETY **CERTIFICATIONS**

Contact Us Today for a FREE, No Obligation Quotation:

07817 927067



jnmcmanus@hotmail.co.uk | www.jmplumbingheating.co.uk

Wow! Only £4999 full fitted bathroom renovation





Come on in now, receive a lovely warm welcoming drink and see your next luxury installment at City Bathrooms & Kitchens. Tell us your thoughts and we'll do the hard work. Job done!

Our newly refurbished showrooms are the City's largest collection of displays for every room in the house.

- · Beautiful layout
- Highly sought after brands
 Expert designers with over 30 years experience.
- Three amazing floors with 300 exciting displays.

City Bathrooms Kitchens & Bedrooms Est over 30 years

158 Longford Road, Coventry. CV6 6DR (off M6) FREE CAR PARK - FREE ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING Tel: 02476 365877 www.city-bathrooms.com

OPEN 7 DAYS A WEEK Mon - Sat 9.00 am - 5.00 pm Sun 10.00 am - 4.00 pm City Bathrooms Kitchens & Bedrooms Est over 30 years

Lady Katherine Housing & Care



Rated by the Care Quality Commission as:

GOOD

RESIDENTIAL CARE SHELTERED HOUSING RESPITE CARE

(now taking Summer Respite bookings)

If you would like to pay us a visit or discuss our current availability, contact:

Chris Mundell

on

01564 772415 / 07593 552136

Temple Balsall, Knowle, Solihull, B93 OAN



Company No. 7890553

www·leveson·org·uk

Registered Charity 1146710

ARE YOUR WINDOWS READY FOR A MAKEOVER?

New glass in your existing windows

 Replace failed double glazing; just the pane, not the frame



 Fix faulty hinges, handles and locks

A local family-run business with 10+ years of experience



Call **0800 048 5223** for a FREE Quote Or visit **ClearlyBetterWindows.co.uk** to find out more

GUITAR TUITION WITH ANGELO BERTÉ

BA (Hons) PGCE

Experienced and qualified tutor for all levels & styles.

Theory, practical and ear training
Exams in Classical, Bass and Electric Guitar
Evening, weekend or daytime lessons
All abilities, ages and music styles
catered for.

Electric Acoustic Classical

HOME VISITS & ONLINE LESSONS OFFERED

angeloberte@hotmail.co.uk www.angeloberte.co.uk

01926 490 579 07731 640 281

Nember of the Registry of Guitar Tutors Enhanced DBS checked

Angelo Berté BA (Hons) PGCE

MATHS TUTOR

Offered by an experienced and qualified tutor.

Teach Mathematics from Key Stage 2

up to & including A-Level

- ⇒ Structured learning
- ⇒ Preparation for Entrance Exams
- ⇒ Thorough knowledge of Exam Boards
- ⇒ 100% Pass Rates
- ⇒ Mathematics for adults too: making a career / change or returning to education

HOME VISITS & ONLINE LESSONS OFFERED

For an informal discussion please contact

Angelo Berté BA (Hons) PGCE

01926 490579 07731 640281

angeloberte@hotmail.co.uk

| 15

WORKING WITH UK GOVERNMENT'S

COVID-19

GUIDELINES

C Central Drives & Landscapes





SPECIALISTS IN BLOCK PAVING, TARMACING, LANDSCAPING



- Tarmacing (red or black)
- Patios
 Brickwork
 Slabbing
- Gravel Landscaping
 Fencing
- Property Repairs •Roofing Repairs
 - Driveway Maintenance

(Pressure cleaning & sealing - weed free)



Call now for your FREE, NO OBLIGATION QUOTE

No deposits taken - No subcontractors used
Check out samples of our work on our website:
www.centraldrivewayslimited.com







0121 702 1456 • 01926 702 386 • 07748 577 687

www.centraldrivewayslimited.com

1310 Solihull Parkway, Birmingham Business Park, Solihull B37 7YB 75 Station Road, Kenilworth CV8 1JD







www.fitrite.co.uk

for a free no obligation quote 01926 312654



Because you and your home are individual FITRITE can make just the design for you. All our wardrobes are tailor-made to your requirements with an extensive range of interiors. We cannot make space that doesn't exist but we can make use of every inch that does.

Dealing with a local business you can be sure that the prices offered are the most competitive available and appropriate to your budget.



Using a hands-on approach and the latest technology our excellent team of highly qualified and experienced physiotherapists can help you to reduce pain, improve mobility and increase strength

Offers

Check our website for information on our latest offers

Home Visits Available

Call us or see our website for more information



21D Station Road, Knowle, Solihull, B93 0HL Tel: 01564 660557

Email: reception@physioandhealthmatters.com www.physioandhealthmatters.com

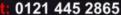


- Alarm installations
- Alarm repairs
- Alarm systems servicing
- Upgrade / modernisation of alarms

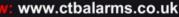


- 24/7 response
- 25+ years experience

Visonic & Honeywell approved



e: sales@ctbalarms.co.uk



Please quote Stonesthrow Directories when calling



Company reg. number: 06164927

HYDROSHEAT

boiler and central heating specialists

- BOILER INSTALLATIONS
- BOILER REPAIRS
- BOILER SERVICE
- **SMART THERMOSTAT**
- POWER FLUSHING







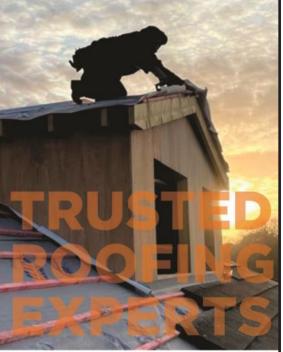
Call today for a FREE, No Obligation Quotation

024 7688 9051 07379 676 567

enquiries@hydroheatltd.co.uk www.hydroheatboilerinstallations.co.uk

Please remember to quote Stonesthrow Directory when calling





- All aspects of roofing work undertaken
- Trained & qualified tradespeople
- · Professional management team
- · Excellent customer care
- A wealth of construction experience
- · Industry accredited

10 YEAR GUARANTEE

*Insurance backed guarantee available

Contact a member of our team today on:

T: 0121 809 5502

T: 0800 433 2288

M: 07541 936 357

E: bks@ssbuildingandroofing.co.uk W: www.ssbuildingandroofing.co.uk

HomePro

FairTrades
approved tradesmen





TREE SERVICES

Tree Felling & Dismantling
Crown Reduction & Thinning
Pruning & Shaping
Hedge and Shrub Trimming
Stump Removal
Logs & Wood Chipping for Sale
Site & Garden Clearances

LANDSCAPING

Patios, Fencing & Turfing All aspects of landscaping

NPTC and City & Guilds qualified Fully Insured (5 million public liability) Friendly and reliable services





C. Stevens Roofing

The regions Premier Roofing Company

A family business with over 50 years experience

- New Roofs
- Small
- Flat Roofs
- Repairs
- Leadwork
- UPVC
- Chimneys
- **Facias**
- Re-Pointing
- Guttering

01676 535290

www.cstevensroofing.co.uk



Get in touch for more information 01926 423519 www.mha.org.uk/homewood







DOODY CALLS:

WHY PICKING UP AFTER YOUR DOG MATTERS

Having a dog, we, the 'pet parents', know the immediate joys we get from sharing our lives with such a lovable companion. But as dog owners, we also have a legal duty to clean up after them every time they potty in a public place.

As a new pet parent, when walking around it's hard not to notice piles of poop, impolitely left behind for others to see or worse, to step in to.

Similar to human waste, dog waste contains harmful bacteria and potential parasites. Because dogs eat nutrient-rich pet food to sustain their health, this pet food leads to excess nutrients such as nitrogen and phosphorus in their waste. Dog waste contains faecal coliform bacteria that can spread diseases, such as Giardia and Salmonella. It can transmit various worms which can affect us humans, especially children. Roundworms, for example, are common in dogs and can remain alive in the soil for years. Other dogs can become infected by sniffing, licking, or ingesting the stool or anything that the stool has touched, even in microscopic amounts.

You might be reading this article and thinking: But why should I pick up after my dog and people riding horses don't pick up after them? A common misconception is that dog poop is akin to wildlife waste in the natural environment, but it's not.

DID YOU KNOW that horse waste is between 70% and 80% water, which is quickly absorbed into the ground? The solids in horse poop are mainly grass and other vegetation, which break down in about six days. Plus, horses do not carry viruses and other pathogens that pose risks to humans.

WILL MY DOG GET ILL IF HE/SHE INGESTS HORSE MANURE?

Horse and cow manure is full of enzymes and partially digested protein, which can be beneficial for a dog's digestive system.

WHAT YOU (AN 'DOO' Picking up after your dog is easy if you're prepared. Always carry poop bags with you whenever you

are out and



about with your dog. Remember to always take more than you think you will need.

TIE THE BAG (LOSED AND TOSS IT IN THE TRASH Do not set your bag of dog poop down and leave it on the ground for someone else to find. It's important to dispose of the waste properly, into the bins typically doted around. Wastes from dogs should not be placed in a compost pile because the parasites, bacteria, and viruses are not readily destroyed during the composting process and can be passed on to humans.

PICK IT UP

Remember that cleaning up after your dog is not only required by most laws, but it is also your civic duty.

REMEMBER

Our mission is to make our communities safer for everyone, especially dogs and children. Dog poop doesn't magically disappear and the 'poo fairy' does not exist. As World Environment Day (5th of June) draws nearer, nudge yourself into a new habit of picking up after your pooch.

JUST THINK

If your dog potties in the house or back garden, do you leave it there or pick it up? Respect the streets as you respect your own house.

Article source: Raluca, Balsall Common resident and a proud owner of Rupert, a Dogs' Trust rescue





JASON HIGGINS TREE SERVICES Ltd

we're all your trees need

Felling & dismantling
Reducing & shaping
Crown lifting & thinning
Hedge trimming
Stump grinding
Planting

Logs & garden mulch for sale
Large & dangerous tree specialists
Fully qualified (NCH / Arb)
Full insurance (£5.000.000)
All aspects of tree surgery covered
Friendly, reliable & competitive service

For Quality Tree Care Call: Jason Higgins Tree Services Ltd 024 7627 0326

01926 856 352

Which?
Trusted trader

ason@jasonhigginstreeservices.com

S&S Building & Roofing

- NEW ROOFS
- GUTTER CLEANING
- SMALL & LARGE ROOF REPAIRS
- UPVC FASCIA & GUTTERING
 REPLACEMENT
 - BUILDING PROJECTS
- EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK



- FLAT ROOFS
- LEAD WORK



T: 0800 433 2288 / 0121 809 5502

M: 07541936357

E: bks@ssbuildingandroofng.co.uk

W: www.ssbuildingandroofng.co.uk

WHAT'S ON

Balsall Common Country Market

Date: every Saturday / Time: 10am - 11.30am / Venue: Balsall Common Village Hall, 112 Station Road Balsall Common CV7 7FF

We are more than just a place to shop — we are a place where people meet and belong. Come and have a cup of tea or coffee with us along with home-made cakes and goodies. Our range of foods includes cakes to die for, savoury meals you can pop in the freezer for later in the week and jams and marmalades in a class of their own. We have splendid flower arrangements, plants for your garden that include both the unusual and old favourites. Our fruits and vegetables are home grown and wholesome.

Coffee Together

Date: first Saturday of every month / Time: 10.30am - 12noon; Venue: The Jubilee Centre, 225 Station Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7FE Organised by Churches together in Balsall Common and Berkswell. Entry fee is £2. this includes coffee and pre-wrapped biscuit. All profits go to charity. Enquiries to Clare Laland at clmap18@gmail.com

Balsall Common Memories Cafe

Date: Every 2nd Wednesday of the month / Time: 1.30pm - 3pm / Balsall Common Village Hall, Station Road, Balsall Common CV7 7FF For those with Dementia accompanied by their 'Carer' our free afternoon sessions provide an opportunity to meet together over refreshments and enjoy a varied programme of Activities and Entertainment. For further information contact Christine 01676 532793.

Balsall Common Memories Cafe. Coffee and Chat Date: Every 4th Wednesday of the month / Time: 10.30am - 12.30pm / Venue: St Peter's Hall, Holly Lane, Balsall Common CV7 7EA NEW for '22! Our additional free sessions for those with Dementia accompanied by their 'Carer' are a time to Drop in for a Coffee, or Tea, and Biscuits and a social chat with others. Do come along and join us. For further information contact Christine on 01676 532793

Kenilworth Market

Date: every Thursday / Time: 9am - 3pm / Venue: Abbey End, Kenilworth Kenilworth market is a great opportunity to shop in a vibrant open-air setting. You will find variety and value, sold by new and experienced traders. Choose from stalls selling everything from fresh fruit and vegetables, plants, fresh baking, fish and clothing, to gifts & food specialities.

Heart of England WI

Date: every 2nd Thursday of the month / Time: 7.30pm / Venue: Balsall Common Village Hall The Heart of England Women's Institute is a thriving group, with lively members aged from mid-20s to 90s. New members are always welcome. Talks for the summer include one from enthusiastic members of The Gloucestershire Warwickshire Steam Railway on 14 July. More information is on Heart of England WI Facebook page or by phoning Lyn 01676 533675 or Kathryn 01676 534824. Email: hoewi2019@hotmail.com Looking forward to seeing you.

The Sky in a Room

Date: 25th of June - 3rd of July / Time: 2-7pm / Venue: St Mary Magdalene Church, Tanworth-in-Arden, B94 5AL

Ikon presents The Sky in a Room, a major off-site project with Icelandic artist Ragnar Kjartansson, organised in collaboration with Artes Mundi (Cardiff). The Sky in a Room involves professional singers taking turns to perform an ethereal arrangement of II Cielo in una Stanza, the famous song by Gino Paoli, originally released in 1960. Simultaneously playing the church organ, the singers repeat the piece uninterrupted for five hours a day for nine days, like a never-ending lullaby.

Cinema Organ Society - Live Concert on our 1935 Mighty Compton

Date: 3rd of July / Time: Doors open 1.30 pm. Curtain up 2.30 pm / Venue: Fentham Hall, Marsh Lane, Hampton-in-Arden, B92 0AH Our guest organist today is Alec Walters. Admission £10 on the door, including refreshments and parking. Please telephone 01564 794778 for more details. www.facebook.com/COSMidlandsCompton, or www.cinema-organs.org.uk

Cinema Organ Society - Live Concert on our 1935 Mighty Compton

Date: 7th of August / Time: Doors open 1.30 pm. Curtain up 2.30 pm / Venue: Fentham Hall, Marsh Lane, Hampton-in-Arden, B92 0AH Our guest organist today is David Lobban. Admission £10 on the door, including refreshments and parking. Please telephone 01564 794778 for more details. www.facebook.com/COSMidlandsCompton, or www.cinema-organs.org.uk

Balsall Common Fun Run

Date: 18th of September / Time: all day / Venue:

The Heart of England School, Balsall Common. Solihull CV7 7FW

Participants can choose to take part in either of the 5KM or 10KM events. Our slogan is Walk | Jog | Run | Race and we welcome people of all ages and abilities for the Mini Runs, Junior 5KM, Family 5KM and Adult 5KM & 10KM events. Enter now: www.stuweb.co.uk/events/2022/09/18/4068/

The Queens Baton Relay for the Commonwealth Games

Date: 13th of June / Time: 10 - 11.30am / Venue: Balsall Common Library

The Baton will be coming through Berkswell and Balsall Common on Tuesday, 26th July. There will be a drop-in session at Balsall Common Library on Monday, 13th June 10.00-11.30 to learn more. For more information please see:

Commonwealth Games 2022 in Solihull - Visit Solihull

Card Club

Date: every 2 weeks on Mondays / Time: 2.15 -4pm / Venue: Balsall Common Library Refreshments are provided for a small charge. For more information please ask at help Desk, call us on 01676 532 590 or visit www.solihull.gov.uk/ library-events

Knowle Male Voice Choir

Date: every Wednesday during school terms /

Time: 7.30pm / Venue: Dorridge Methodist Church, Mill Lane, Dorridge

Ask anyone who sings with a choir or sings anywhere, and they will all agree, Singing is Good for You. Practices are followed by a refreshing trip to the local pub immediately afterwards. If you are interested in joining our choir please contact us at kmvc14@gmail.com or for more information visit www.knowlemalevoicechoir.org.uk

Balsall Common Food Festival:

Date: 30th of July / Time: 12pm - 8pm / Venue: Balsall and Berkswell Hornets FC. Balsall Common.

Balsall Common Food Fest brings you a world of tantalising food and drink, all perfectly wrapped up in a festival that includes live music, craft ciders, craft beers, street food, artisan market and a great day out for the kids!

WHILE WE DO OUR BEST TO ENSURE THE ACCURACY OF OUR LISTINGS EVENTS MAY BE POSTPONED OR CANCELLED WITHOUT NOTICE. PLEASE CONFIRM WITH THE ORGANISER BFFORE MAKING ANY PLANS FOR ATTENDING EVENTS.

FOR YOUR NEWS EVENTS AND GROUP MEETINGS TO BE FEATURED FREE OF CHARGE ON OUR WHAT'S ON PAGE PLEASE EMAIL KSENIA: INFO@STONESTHROWPUBLICATIONS COUK

ASA FOR A QUOTE TODAY DOMESTIC ROOFING AND PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Local and friendly service, seven days a week



SERVICES INCLUDE:

Gutters, Fascias & Soffits Down pipes Built-up flat roofing Single ply membrane

WE ALSO OFFER:

Fencing Slabbing Lock changes Water leaks Interior decorating



Property Maintenance

T-07880 748 054

E: rwmcdermottpropertymaintenance@gmail.com

QUEEN'S BATON RELAY

26 JULY 2022

Tuesday 26th July 2022 promises to be a very special day for our area - it is the day that the Queen's Baton Relay passes through Solihull Borough on its way to the Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony. The Baton started its journey in October 2021 in Cyprus and will have travelled around the globe, visiting every country in the Commonwealth, before arriving in the UK at the start of July. Mindful of climate change, the route has been designed to cover about half the distance of the previous Baton Relay and thereby reducing the carbon footprint.

The Queen's Baton will start the day in Castle Bromwich and will spend all day in Solihull. The Baton will pass through virtually every part of our Borough including our local area. Exact timings will be confirmed nearer the date (check out Parish Council noticeboards and local Social Media pages), but expect the Baton to pass through Hampton in Arden around lunchtime, before moving on through Meriden, Berkswell and Balsall Common in the afternoon. Community events will be held at Hampton Sports & Tennis Club, Meriden Village Green and Lavender Hall Park in Balsall Common - a great way to soak up the atmosphere and enjoy a unique occasion.

Batonbearers have been chosen from the local area and reflect people who have unique, inspiring stories and have made a positive impact in their community. Their stories will be celebrated as the baton passes along the route.

Our villages are known for their community spirit and this event, soon after the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, will be another

opportunity for residents to come together in celebration. Part of my role in the Council involves championing communities across the Borough so I'm delighted that this event will give us another reason to be proud of where we live. I hope you will be able to watch this spectacle and cheer the Queen's Baton on as it makes its way to Birmingham: let's hope the sun shines!

Article is kindly provided exclusively to Stonesthrow Directories by ClIr Diane Howell, CPF Communities & Leisure Meriden Ward, Solihull MBC

diane.howell@solihull.gov.uk

Images are from Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council

QUEENS BATON RELAY COMMUNITY EVENTS North Solihull Sports Centre (Chelmsley Wood) - morning Babbs Mill Park (Kingshurst) - morning · Hampton Tennis Club (Hampton in Arden) - lunchtime Meriden Village Green - afternoon Lavender Hall Park - afternoon Shirley Park - afternoon Jubilee Gardens (Solihull Town Centre) - 6PM THE BEST PLACE TO SEE THE QUEEN'S BATON RELAY VILLAGES AND TOWNS Castle Bromwich Dorridge Chester Road Station Road **Chelmsley Wood Town Centre** Hockley Heath School Road Chelmsley Road Marston Green Dickens Heath Station Road Main Street Hampton in Arden Cheswick Green See Community Events Cheswick Way Shirley Meriden Main Road See Community Events Berkswell Solihull Warwick Road, Lavender Hall Lane High Street & Balsall Common Jubilee Gardens Station Road Community Event Knowle High Street

QUEEN'S BATON RELAY

METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL



RESTAURANTS

& TAKEAWAYS

Balsall Common, Berkswell

BENGAL BRASSERIE Indian

349-351 Kenilworth Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7DL 01676 533 883

MASALA (LUB Indian

235-239 Station Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7EG **1676 533 210**

THE BRICKMAKERS ARMS Gastropub 307 Station Road, Berkswell CV7 7EG 01676 533 890

THE WHITE HORSE British, European Kenilworth Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7DT 01676 533 207

THE GEORGE IN THE TREE Gastropub Kenilworth Rd CV7 7EX 01676 533 118

(AFE TAMARINDS Pan-Asian 376 Kenilworth Rd CV7 7ER 01676 533 308

BALSALL (OMMON FISH BAR Fish & Chips 207 Station Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7FE 01676 533 576

LA DELICIA British, European
231 Station Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7EG

ORIENTAL EXPRESS Chinese Takeaway 176 Station Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7FD 01676 535 900

(OSTA (OFFEE *Café* unit 2 Station Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7FE **01676 529 277**

MCKEES BRASSERIE British, European 273 Kenilworth Road, Balsall Common CV7 7EL 01676 533 004

OAKES FARM SHOP & CAFE Cafe
Balsall Street, Balsall Common CV7 7AQ
01676 535 537

YE OLDE SARA(ENS HEAD Gastropub Balsall Street, Balsall Common CV7 7AS 01676 533 862

DOMINO'S PIZZA Takeaway Pizza 209 Station Road, Balsall Common, CV7 7FE 01676 530 099 THE RAILWAY Gastropub 547 Station Rd, Balsall Common CV7 7EF **01676 533 284**

THE OAK ROOM AT NAILCOTE HALL HOTEL British,

European

Nailcote Lane, Berkswell

02476 466 174

BEAR INN Gastropub Spencers Lane, Berkswell CV7 7BB 01676 925 562

Meriden

THE BARN AT BERRYFIELDS FARM Cafe
The Berryfields Farm Shop, Berkswell Road,
Meriden CV7 71 B

01676 522 155

MARCO PIERRE WHITE European
The Manor Hotel at Meriden, Main Road,
Meriden CV7 7NH
01676 522 735

STRAWBERRY BANK HOTEL & RESTAURANT British
Main Rd, Meriden CV7 7NF
01676 522 117

THE BULLS HEAD Gastropub Main Rd, Meriden CV7 7NN 01676 523 798

Hampton in Arden

THE LAKE AT BARSTON Global Grill Marsh House Farm Ln, Barston B92 OLB 01675 444 890

THE WHITE LION INN Gastropub High Street, Hampton-in-Arden 01675 442 833

BEECHES BAR & GRILL Gastropub Hampton-in-Arden B92 OAH 01675 442 277

PEEL'S RESTAURANT British, European Hampton Manor, Shadow Brook Lane, Hampton in Arden B92 0EN 01675 446 080

TOBY (ARVERY British

Stonebridge Island, Coventry Rd, Meriden CV7 7HL 01675 442 326

TELEPHONE

NUMBERS

MEDICAL

NHS Advice Line & Out of Hours Dental Advice

Warwick Hospital 01926 495 321

Coventry University Hospital

02476 964 000 Solihull Hospital

0121 424 2000

Balsall Common Health

Centre

01676 935 000

POLICE & FIRE

West Midlands Police

Warwickshire Fire & Rescue

01675 62 007

Bickenhill Community Fire

Station

0121 380 7527

Solihull Fire Station

0121 380 7521

HELPLINES & HOTLINES

Samaritans

Consumer Advice

Citizens Advice Bureau

01926 457 900 RSPCA

024 7671 3717

UTILITIES

Electricity Power Loss

Severn Trent Water 0800 783 4444

Transco Gas Leak

BT Fault Line 0800 800151

National Rail Enquiries: 03457 48 49 50

TRAVEL

Chiltern Railways

08456 005165

National Rail Enquiries

West Midlands Trains

0333 311 0039 Bus Travel Line

0871 2002233

Coventry Airport

02476 301717

Birmingham Airport BHX 0871 222 0072

Leaflet Print & Distribution

PRINT

5,000 = £149.0010,000 = £260.00

A5 Double-sided Leaflet 135GSM Gloss.

DISTRIBUTION

FROM JUST £30.00 PER 1,000.

Prices are plus VAT.

Only available in conjunction with Stonesthrow Publications printing services.

01926 8000 84 | 075 111 222 45 info@stonesthrowpublications.co.uk

HOROSCOPES: JUNE / JULY

ARIES MARCH 21 - APRIL 20

It's all change for new beginnings in June as the powerful energy of expansive Jupiter links up with Mars, your ruler. The Sun is in inquisitive Gemini, suggesting that some exciting and innovative communication is about to appear on your horizon. Venus in Taurus illuminates your money sector, suggesting that this could turn out to be financially lucrative month. July continues the powerful theme of dynamic Mars and expansive Jupiter in your sign, Mars remains in Aries until the 5th. Try not to be too impatient, use this month wisely to review your energy levels, particularly where friendships are concerned. With Venus in chatty Gemini until the 18th, your communication skills remain at their best.

TAURUS APRIL 21 - MAY 21

This month gives you the opportunity to make some important changes in your financial dealings, with the Gemini Sun strong in your chart you could pick up some really good ideas about making and managing your money in a more profitable way. The Cancer new moon on the 29th offers a breakthrough in all area of communication, particularly where your family in concerned. During July your communication skills are positively highlighted as the radiant Sun and Mercury in Cancer suggest encouraging energy for intuitive and original new ways of thinking. The new moon in creative Leo on the 28th brings a new project into focus, your vitality is high and some help may arrive from unexpected quarters.

GEMINI MAY 22 - JUNE 21 June suggests that the coming together of courageous Mars and expansive Jupiter in a pivotal position in your chart offer an entirely new way of working with friends, colleagues and group led enterprises. You should be feeling energetic as these planets open up your intuition and bring you some amazing insights. The peaceful new moon in Cancer on the 29th looks encouraging. July brings a different kind of energy to the forefront, Venus is in your sign and the way you communicate comes into focus. The Sun and Mercury ask that you look at the way you value yourself and examine creative new ways of increasing your earning potential. Now is the perfect time to reach out and be

CANCER JUNE 22 - JULY 22

Your goals and ambitions are in the spotlight this month as expansive Jupiter and courageous Mars align in dynamic Aries. The full moon in optimistic Sagittarius is on the 14th, this powerful energy is also very encouraging for challenging you to embark on an exciting new journey as you are drawn to learn new things and go to places where you have never been before. July is your birthday month, the Sun shines brightly and is joined by communicative Mercury on the 5th. Love planet Venus also arrives in your sign on the 18th, illuminating all things to do with love and partnerships. The new moon in creative Leo on the 28th marks a turning point and you'll feel a strong drive to improve your life on many different levels.

LEO JULY 23 - AUGUST 23
The Strong Gemini energy plus the dynamic combination of Jupiter and Mars in Aries are pushing you to explore new and exciting horizons. Venus energy in practical Taurus should ensure a stable career month, leaving you lots of time for social activity. As a creative sign, you'll find wonderful new ways of connecting with others and bringing them joy and encouragement. July might turn out to be a rather introspective month on some levels. The sensitive Cancerian Sun and Mercury will have you reconsidering some plans that you have recently made and the chances are that you may also have to rethink a career move. The powerful new moon in your sign on the 28th offers up an opportunity to push your creative ideas

VIRGO AUGUST 24 - SEPTEMBER 22

June puts your resources and financial goals into the spotlight. Jupiter and Mars are stirring up this sector of your chart, and you'll need to use your new found confidence and positive thinking to get the very best out of any negotiations. Venus in Taurus offers practical insight, particularly around the 11th as she connects with innovative Uranus. July suggests that your career goals are high on the agenda as Venus and Mercury in Gemini ensure that your negotiation and communication skills are at their finest. A relationship that has been on hold can be reviewed and there is opportunity to advance in a positive way. The Capricorn full moon on the 13th indicates that it's time to put something firmly behind you

LIBRA SEPTEMBER 23 - OCTOBER 23

June puts the emphasis on your relationships with others, Mars and Jupiter are strong together, encouraging you to be more optimistic and courageous, particularly when fighting for high ideals and extensive goals. Venus in Taurus in your money area could suggest a positive financial breakthrough. An exciting adventure is about to begin, take each opportunity as it comes. July: The Gemini Sun and business minded Mercury occupy the highest point of your chart. emphasising your goals and the importance of planning ahead and making long lasting changes. Venus, your ruling planet, is friendly and playful in Gemini, ideal for making plans for a romantic getaway. The Capricorn full moon on the 13th brings a domestic matter to the forefront

SCORPIO OCTOBER 24 - NOVEMBER 22

June shines the spotlight on your health and wellbeing, Jupiter and Mars in fiery Aries are offering extra vitality for your daily activities. Love planet Venus remains in steady Taurus until the 23rd, an excellent position for all things to do with romance and positive relationships. The Cancer new moon on the 29th is important, be alert to a sudden swing in fortune. July: Dynamic Mars arrives in your opposite sign of Taurus on the 5th, emphasising the importance of staying focussed on the task at hand. Pluto and Mars put a strong and challenging planetary emphasis on the way you communicate the plans around your career and your future. The favourable new moon in courageous Leo on the 28th enables you to go after what you want.

SAGITTARIUS NOVEMBER 23 - DECEMBER 21

Love and romance are hot topics for you this month as dynamic Mars and expansive Jupiter light up this area of your chart. The powerful full moon in your sign on the 14th offers a breakthrough and suggests that some important questions are about to come to the surface. Intuitively you know that now is the time to discover inspirational new ways forward. July: The full moon in down to earth Capricorn on the 13th puts your finances firmly in the picture, expansive Jupiter is strong in Aries suggesting there are some excellent opportunities for you to be successful and increase your earning potential. Mars enters practical Taurus on the 5th, further indicating that this is the perfect time for you to be much clearer about where you are heading.

CAPRICORN DECEMBER 22 - JANUARY 20

This month puts your home and family life into the spotlight as the powerful energy of Mars and Jupiter in Aries suggest the possibility of radical change. You'll be feeling assertive and direct about the things that you want, but take care not to be too overbearing as although you may need to be upfront and honest, this combination can come across as impatient and pushy. July: The radiant Sun and communicative Mercury are both illuminating the relationship area of your chart, prompting you to go after what you truly desire. The love planet Venus is chatty and flirty in Gemini until the 18th and energetic Mars in practical Taurus is assisting with an important issue that comes to the forefront around the courageous Leo new moon on the 28th.

AQUARIUS JANUARY 21 - FEBRUARY 18

Communication is at its height for you this month, indicating that you will have the courage to be assertive and direct in situations where you have held back up to now. Mercury goes direct on the 3rd, suggesting new and valuable insight on a project that you have been working on. The Cancer new moon on the 29th offers a positive new dimension to your life. July: Energy packed Mars is strong in the communication area of your chart during the first week of this month, continuing to put you in a good position to demand something that you have been going after for some time. Love planet Venus in Gemini is flirtatious and playful and brings a welcome boost to your dealings with partners and loved ones. The Leo new moon on the 28th is perfect for romance.

PISCES FEBRUARY 19 - MARCH 20

June is an energetic month for you as self-motivated Mars together with expansive Jupiter power their way through fiery Aries. All things to do with how you value yourself will come to light as you gain more confidence in becoming truly authentic. The powerful Sagittarian full moon on the 14th offers a challenge. now is the perfect time to broaden horizons and connect with others. July: New encounters, love and romance are all in the spotlight for July as planetary trends suggest that a deeply rewarding time is coming your way. The Sun encourages you to enjoy the lighter side of life as some positive opportunities arrive from unexpected directions. The Leo new moon on the 28th assists your creative ambitions - new beginnings are ready for take-off.

Christine Chalklin, Inspirational Astrologer and Life Coach www.facebook.com/restyleyourlife www.restyleyourlife.co.uk christine_Chalklin@hotmail.com 07813 483549





Laying Drives & Patios since 1979



5-YEAR GUARANTEE • NO UPFRONT PAYMENT • 100% SATISFACTION

- ✓ TARMAC DRIVEWAYS
 - ✓ BLOCK PAVING
 - ✓ RESIN DRIVES
- ✓ COBBLESTONE PAVING & DRIVEWAYS
- **✓ CONCRETE IMPRINTING**
- ✓ DAMP PROOF POINTING
 - ✓ FENCING.
 - **✓** ROOFING

Please call us today for a FREE, NO OBLIGATION quotation:

enquiries@drives4u.co.uk / www.drives4u.co.uk

Please remember to mention Stonesthrow Directories when calling



We cannot make space that does not exist, but we can make use of every inch that does.





Dealing with a locally owned and managed business, you can be sure that the prices offered are the most competitive available and appropriate to your budget.

For a free no obligation auote call 01926 312654 or email sales@fitrite.co.uk

Visit our showroom 7b Jenton Road Sydenham Ind Est Leamington Spa CV31 1XS

Groundworks & **Driveways**

DRIVEWAYS PATIOS GROUNDWORKS

Reliable & Professional Service **Competitive Prices**

Call now for a FREE no obligation quote:

21 733 1463

info@dimensiondriveways.co.uk www.dimensiondriveways.co.uk





Fascia Plus

 HOME IMPROVEMENTS LTD EST. OVER 25 YEARS

A family run local business for all your Roofing needs

NEW ROOFS - REPOOFS - REPOINTING - REBEDDING - CHIMNEY RESTORATION FASCIAS, SOFFITS, GUTTERS REPLACEMENTS - CLADDING IN ALL COLOURS FLAT ROOFING - EDM RUBBER ROOFING - WARM CONSERVATORY ROOFS

WE WILL BEAT ANY GENUINE QUOTE BY 10%



NO JOB IS TOO SMALL OR TOO BIG

- 10 YEAR WARRANTY
 ON PRODUCTS & WORK
- NO PREPAYMENT NEEDED UNTIL FULLY SATISFIED
- GENUINELY LOCAL BUSINESS, NO MIDDLEMEN

WE ALSO CLEAN, SAND & SEAL DRIVEWAYS AND PATIOS

Call Steve today for a FREE, NO OBLIGATION Quote:

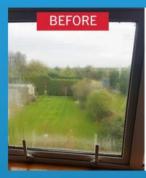
T: 01926 855 090 M: 07765 038 609

info@fasciaplus.co.uk www.fasciaplus.co.uk

Lavender Hall Farm, Lavender Hall Lane, Berkswell CV7 7BN

Please mention Stonesthrow Directory when calling

Window & Door Repairs & New Installations





GREAT SERVICE &
QUALITY WORKMANSHIP
GUARANTEED



- Broken Glazing
- Broken Hinges, Handles & Locks
- Poorly Fitting Windows & Doors
- Locks Fixed
- New Windows & Doors

(UPVC ~ Aluminium ~ Timber ~ Composite)





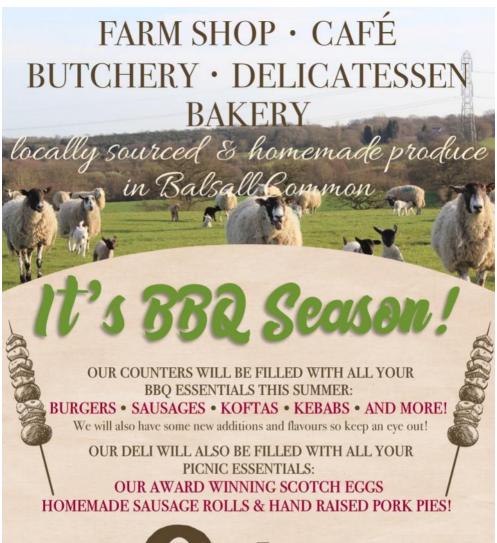


Call Paul at Homeseal today for your FREE NO OBLIGATION QUOTATION:

Tel: **024 7646 6260**

Mob: 07976 710463

www.homesealimprovementsltd.co.uk





OPENING TIMES

MONDAY - SATURDAY

9AM - 5PM

SUNDAY 10AM - 4PM

CAFÉ LAST ORDERS ONE HOUR PRIOR TO CLOSING TIMES ABOVE.

01676 535537

INFO@OAKESFARMSHOP.CO.UK WWW.OAKESFARMSHOP.CO.UK

BALSALL STREET, BALSALL COMMON CV7 7AQ



JAMIESON CHRISTIE CHARTERED FINANCIAL PLANNERS

TIME FOR A CHANGE?

transferred pension scheme benefits, plus Talk to us about a review of your previously



- Early retirement planning
- Alternatives to low interest rates
- Socially responsible investing for growth and/or income
- to learn how we can help. Contact us to have a friendly chat and Inheritance tax and estate planning

Head Office: Regent House, 430-432 Kenilworth Road, **Balsall Common CV7 7DN**

Serving our clients nationwide with offices in mail@jamiesonchristie.com / www.jamiesonchristie.com London, East Midlands and Staffordshire Telephone 01676 532210 / 03300 505040

Authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority

For now, for the future. Tailored financial planning.







