

ALVESTON VILLAGE DESPATCH

A few words from Tim...

And so, into autumn we go... let's hope there's still some sunshine ahead as the days really shorten.

Though he has written a separate piece, I wanted to start by really thanking Geoff and the team for organising what was a hugely successful Village Fête last month.

I hope that you agree that the new and flexible lighting system in the Malt House is a great improvement all round and several areas have been redecorated too... thanks Jane for

making all this happen. Encouragingly, our spruced-up Malt House is seeing a real uptake in bookings and, as our #1 income generator, this is great news. The grand Open Day is set for Saturday 12th October 10:30am–12:30pm for coffee with our new MP Manuela Perteghella and Kate Rolfe with The Stratford Herald in attendance. Please come along as the more the merrier.

Some good news is that WCC will be going ahead this financial year with the safety improvements to the Wellesbourne Road but, despite the

support of Kate Rolfe, financial pressures are resulting in a lack of general village maintenance by SDC.

We're really trying to take action to improve the parking of the various building contractors operating around our village but it's a tough one.

Sadly, we haven't heard anything from Stonegate regarding the future of our pub.

Here's to the upcoming Wine Tasting Event on Friday 4th October and the world-famous Quiz Night on Friday 29th November. ► **Tim Hayter**



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<https://alvestonvillage.co.uk>

Alveston Fête 2024

The vagaries of the British weather; last year the Fête was held in September and it was the hottest day of the year, it gets moved forward by two weeks into August and it was probably the coolest day of the summer! At least it didn't rain (much).

Notwithstanding the weather, the Fête managed to raise a **WHOPPING £2,500... WOW!**

From this magnificent bounty, the major charity this year, the Warwickshire and Nottinghamshire Air Ambulance will receive £2,000, the Dog's Trust £150, with the remaining funds going to the AVA.

The Fête Committee would like to thank all those people involved to make the day the success, for both raising the funds and making a great day out for the Village. Particular thanks goes out to the sponsors, the stall holders, those who donated raffle prizes and all the volunteers who set up the Fête and took it down after.

Thank you also for everyone that attended, and keeping the 'Tug of War' crown with it's rightful owners... **ALVESTON VILLAGE.** ►

Save the Date

Saturday 1st February 2025

A touring theatre company will be performing a play called "Into The Breach" described as "Dad's Army Meets the Vicar of Dibley". More details to follow in next newsletter! ►



QUIZ TIME

Join our Quiz Master, Tony Scott, at The Malt House on Friday 29th November to test your knowledge and have a bit of fun!

7pm for 7.30pm prompt start

Teams of 4

£15 per head to include a fish & chip supper

Cash Bar

To book your place contact:

jane@janedodge.co.uk
or call: 07710 602036



Malt House Open Morning

Come along on Saturday 12th October from 10.30am to have a look at our newly spruced up village hall and enjoy coffee and home made cakes!

The AVA applied to Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) for a Grant from the Platinum Jubilee Fund, managed by DEFRA, to help with the cost of the project and were delighted to be awarded £2,280 – a huge contribution which covered the cost of the VAT.

We are happy to promote receipt of the grant and delighted that our MP, Manuela Perteghella and our local Councillor, Kate Rolfe, will be there together with The Herald to take some photos and do a piece to promote the fantastic facilities we have.

We look forward to seeing you there and if you're able to bake a cake please let **Jane Dodge** know on **07710 602036**, jane@janedodge.co.uk ►

River Avon Water testing in Alveston

About 25 people attended a meeting in town where author Rick Thompson talked about his book "A River Avon Year".

One of our Alveston citizen scientists, Dr Mary Manandhar gave an absolutely excellent presentation with an overview of the SafeAvon project and our testing in Alveston. Follow the link below to see the presentation:

<https://www.stratfordclimate.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/River-Avon-Year-Presentation-26-July2024.pdf>

This was really well received, not least by our new MP Manuela Perteghella who invited us to write to her; and we are now meeting with her on 4th October to discuss how she may best use her new position as an MP to influence the improvement of water quality.

Find out more about the Safe Avon project here: <https://safeavon.org.uk/> ►



Mary gives a presentation of the SafeAvon project and testing in Alveston.



St James and St Peter's Big Green Quiz

Friday October 4th 7.30pm
St Peter's Mission,
Manor Road
Bar and Raffle*
Teams of up to 6 people

Admission including
Ploughman's supper – £10

To book email:
sarahcoton@btinternet.com
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*Raffle to support local charity
'Just Small Change'



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Halloween Calling...

Look out for Amy's decoration of the phone box again this year, it's sure to be spook-tacular! ►

We're sure children will be trick or treating in the village on the 31st so if you'd like a spooky visit please make sure that you have some Halloween decorations outside! ►

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