

Village Shop News Update

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Shop opening hours: Monday 8 am – 1 pm Tuesday to Friday 8 am – 6 pm Saturday 8.30 am – 3 pm Sunday 9 am – 12 noon

Post Office opening hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 am - 1 pm

Phew! No wonder ice-creams and chilled drinks and wine are selling so well. The Raspberry Magnums in particular have been a big hit so do try one if you haven't already. We have a new line in drinks from Firefly to quench your thirst on hot summer days and they come in a range of exotic flavours including peach and green tea, lemon, lime and ginger and Grapefruit and passion fruit. We also stock Shaken Udder (!) milkshakes in 'Vanillalicious' and 'Chocolush' flavours.

Wine sales have been going through the roof and we can hardly keep up with the demand for the delicious star-buy Lealtanza white Rioja. We are now on first name terms with the wine delivery man. Many people who enjoy red wine find the heavy cabernet sauvignons and shirazes which slip down so well in the winter months, are not so well suited to hot weather. What one needs is a light, fragrant red without those intense flavours and powerful tannins – and we have just the thing. Digby has managed to pick up a few cases of the perfect summer red – a delightful light-bodied Macon rouge which is made from pinot noir blended with the Beaujolais grape – gamay. This is a lovely fragrant wine which will benefit from half an hour (no longer) in the fridge before serving. At just £6.95 a bottle it's an absolute steal. For those favouring something more manly – the powerful Taus Selection Jumilla and award-winning Filus Malbec both make great partners to barbecue fare. And if you not a fan of astringent dry whites you might like to try the delicious off-dry Chateau de Peyrel 'Rosette' with its honeyed mandarin and mirabelle plum flavours.

For the first time the shop will be selling fresh meats for home cooking. These will be top quality products from Cotswold Foods and will include marinated chicken breasts with chorizo and asparagus, and roast top-side with fresh peppercorns.

More greetings cards have been added to our range and we probably now stock the best selection of quality cards in the area.

Following on from a very well attended AGM held at the Manor, the Management Committee members for 2017 – 2018 will be:

Neil Johnston Michael Mullavey Alison Lewis Jane Lockwood Chairman Management Secretary Volunteer liaison Joy Grice Jeanette Smith Helen Jackson Jon Sadler Jo Horne Clive Nicholls Facilities Manager and Volunteers Shop Supervisor Committee member Committee member Committee member Repairs and Maintenance

On a sad note, our excellent shop supervisor Jeanette will shortly be heading off to Australia to help look after her son and family who are expecting a baby in few months' time. Tracey will continue to take charge of front of house duties and we hope to soon recruit a second supervisor to fill Jeanette's shoes. We thank Jeanette for her excellent work in the shop and we shall all miss her calm efficiency and smiling face. We all hope that we shall see her again when she gets back next year.

Alison and Digby