

November 2011

ANOTHER GREAT APPLE DAY

Our second apple day attracted twice as many people and produced twice as many bottles of apple juice as last year.

We spread out into the car park with the help of straw bales kindly lent by Downside Nurseries, making space for a wide variety of apple foods and drink, children's activities, and a display of apple varieties.

We had great help from Wellow who lent us an electric apple crusher – this really speeded up the work and got much more juice out of our apples. You can see our picture gallery at www.flickr.com/photos/galleriesshop/sets.



WHOSE UMBRELLA?



At our picture gallery you can also see pictures of the 35 items currently populating our **lost property box**. We are disappointed that no-one ever claims any of these items! Anything still unclaimed on 12th November will go into the jumble sale that day. There's even a **golden wedding ring** amongst the items! Plus seven umbrellas, three hats, some keys, several pairs of spectacles ... We would really like to reunite these items with their owners, so do please have a look at www.flickr.com/photos/galleriesshop/sets.

£5 REWARD VOUCHERS FOR SPENDING £500

The 140th £5 reward voucher has just gone to another **Reverse Credit** customer. Reverse Credit Accounts are still growing – and are currently helping the shop's cashflow to the tune of £6700+ per month. People find it convenient – and it's easy to join. Ask for the forms at the shop or email us for copies.

NOW ON OUR SHOP WALLS



This month and until almost Christmas, we are lucky to have paintings by our very own Freshford artist **Hedevig Blakstad** on our walls. Hedevig's large pictures are particularly effective in our space.

Hedevig is busy getting ready for another exhibition so only two of her pictures are for sale.

Hedevig has held solo Exhibitions in Norway England and Germany and participated in many group shows and art fairs over the years.



OUR CHARITIES POLICY: MND A IS IT THIS YEAR



Many of our customers want the shop to promote their favourite charity – through flyers, on the noticeboard, by giving raffle prizes, by having their coin boxes by the till. We CAN'T help them ALL – so we have decided to pick one each year

and do all we can to help that particular one. We have chosen for the first the **Motor Neurone Disease Association – MND A** – www.mndassociation.org - because so many locals are intimately involved with it.

We always have two collection boxes by the till, and we switch these around fairly. Soon it will be poppies!

But we want to give special mention to **Wherever the Need**, see www.wheretheheneed.org.uk - which is actually based in Limpley Stoke. If you are at all tempted to make a donation please do so on 5th December at <http://new.thebiggive.org.uk/charity/view/5060> where on that day only, all donations will be doubled!

RAINBOW COTTAGE CAKES

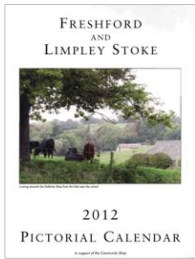
The shop now stocks delicious truly home-made cakes from **RAINBOW COTTAGE** in the Friary – made by Enid Evans, one of our valued volunteers. They now come in handy portions for two: the two varieties pictured here are Somerset Honey and Lemon Drizzle cakes.

Enid will also bake larger cakes to order – talk to her in the shop any Friday morning.



HELP WITH CHRISTMAS

Here are the ways we can help you with Christmas this year:

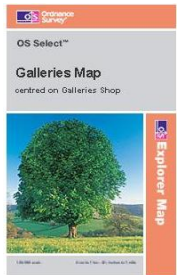


2012 edition of Bridget Baker's lovely Freshford & Limpley Stoke calendar at **£5.75**. We also have stiff envelopes for posting it

German gingerbread, spekulatius, stollen and other Christmas goodies



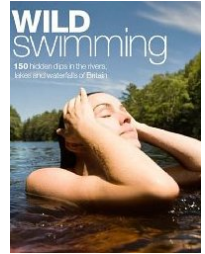
A new Galleries Shop tea towel



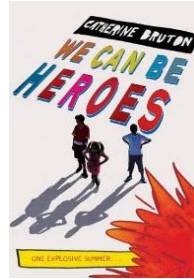
Explorer map site-centred on the shop – with our villages in the middle of the map! We can even get you a map centred on your house

More books by locals:

There are Daniel Start's signed "Wild Swimming" books with fantastic photographs



and Catherine Bruton's "We can be heroes" – a novel for teenagers about 9/11.



Authors you might meet in the shop!

We might do Christmas hampers – please enquire!



CHRISTMAS FOOD



Christmas cakes and puddings, turkeys, geese or ducks:

We can take all your Christmas orders. Look for details in the shop nearer the time.

CHRISTMAS HOURS

Closed Christmas Day
Open on Boxing Day and New Year's Day (Sunday hours)



Local Christmas cards
Charity Christmas cards
Lots of lovely gift wrap



INDEPENDENT RETAILER OF THE YEAR

Galleries Shop was voted Independent Retailer of the Year in the recent Bath Business Awards.

Here Galleries Ltd chair Jim Barker and manager Christine McKenzie receive the award – which can be seen on the wall of the shop.

GLUTEN-FREE GENIUS BREAD

Coming soon: gluten-free bread from Genius. Gluten allergy seems to be wide-spread, so we have been looking for gluten-free bread. This comes in brown and white, sliced and unsliced, and has a reasonable shelf life.



CAFE NEWS

We are into our winter menu with home-made soups paninis and quiches. The bacon butties on Friday and Saturday mornings have been popular. There are now also bagels with cream cheese.

FORTHCOMING LOCAL EVENTS:

1 st & 2 nd Nov	Lifeboat Fair in aid of RNLI – Monkton Junior School
Fri 4 th Nov 6.30 pm	Fireworks Display, Browns Field
Sat 12 th Nov 2 pm	Jumble Sale – Freshford Memorial Hall
Tue 22 nd Nov 7.30 pm	Beer Cider Wine Bread & Cheese Festival Hinton VH
Thur 24 th Nov 7.30 pm	FLISCA AGM – School Hall
Sat 26 th Nov 7.30 pm	Limpley Stoke Village Supper, LS Village Hall

GALLERIES SHOP AND CAFÉ

Freshford Lane, Freshford, Bath BA2 7UR

T 723249 - E manager@galleriesshop.co.uk W www.galleriesshop.co.uk

OPENING HOURS

Shop and café: Monday-Friday 8-6, Saturday 8.30-12.30, Sunday 9-12.30.

Post Office: Tuesdays and Fridays 9-1