



SHOP NEWS

Printed on
recycled
paper

June 2016

CAFÉ RE-LAUNCH PARTY!

On **Saturday 6th August** we are holding a triple celebration:

- We are finally offering weekend lunches
- The café will have a radically new menu
- Galleries Shop and Café is seven years old.

We will extend the opening hours for both café and shop **until 3pm on Saturdays and Sundays from Saturday 16th July**. This will enable us to offer weekend lunches – catering for demand not only from locals, but also from the many walkers, cyclists and visitors who come to Freshford. We are able to do this thanks to a new member of the café staff, Jane, who joins us on 4th July and brings with her great experience and many new ideas. And remember that we are fully licensed – so you can enjoy a glass of wine with your lunch!



We have taken this opportunity to think again about the food offering in our Café and are taking a radically new approach. The emphasis will be on **fresh, local, seasonal dishes - with a great selection of salads and a range of tarts** made on the premises or in the village. We will continue to offer our great range of cakes and of course freshly ground coffee and a range of specialty teas.

We plan to take two weekends to adjust to the new opening arrangements and increased workload before celebrating this new development with a communal barbecue on the shop terrace – see Dates for details.

We plan to take two weekends to adjust to the new opening arrangements and increased workload before celebrating this new development with a communal barbecue on the shop terrace – see Dates for details.

FLOWERS AND PLANTS

We hope you are enjoying our new range of flowers and plants which make perfect gifts. They are looking particularly good at this time of year!

If **you** have any spare plants (or vegetables or fruit, for that matter) we are always grateful to receive them at the shop to sell. Donations from people's gardens are very popular - and we can't get more local than that.



TENNIS SUPPLIES



The shop stocks high-quality Slazenger Wimbledon **tennis balls** – at **£5.95** for a tube of four. We also administer the **light tokens** for playing on the Freshford Tennis Club courts after dark.

You can even recycle your used tennis balls at the shop - dog walkers are always keen to have them.

VERY LOCAL CHARCOAL

With summer finally here, please remember that we have a very local charcoal producer - **Karen and Adam of the Heartwood Project in Stoke Wood**, just across the A36. They also run occasional courses in charcoal making and greenwood work as well as exploration days for children and young people. See their interesting [website](#).



KNIFE SHARPENING SERVICE



Robin Bailey of [Sharp Knives](#) is based in Farnborough but has agreed to spend the morning of **Saturday 16th July** in our car park, ready to see to all your sharpening needs. He will sharpen not only your knives, but your dull scissors and your garden tools. Not saws, however. Check his website for his very reasonable fees and all the many

services he offers. Don't miss this opportunity!

ART ON OUR WALLS: EMMA ROSE

The spectacular paintings up in June and July are by **Emma Rose**, an award winning artist/colourist who lives in Wellow. Emma's pictures are semi-abstract and impressionistic, with an emphasis on colour and texture. Using Indian Inks and acrylics, she produces vibrant and arresting work whose style is distinctive and original.



Her paintings are available as originals, limited edition prints and unique canvas prints. See [website](#).



From 23rd July **Janet Coles** will take over, with her colourful acrylic paintings and prints. This will be her second "show" at the Galleries. Some of her large attractive greeting cards are always available at the shop. See more of her work [here](#).

ART FOR ALZHEIMER'S

We have been collecting CD-case size original artworks for the Art for Alzheimer's sale - which will happen at the shop on **Friday 24th June**, in the café, between 7 pm and 8:30 pm. Do come along to see a wonderful collection of pictures - **all at just £10!** First come first serve ...

More contributions of original artworks welcome!



GALLERIES SUPPER CLUBS



Supper clubs are on a roll with the next one being **Marilyn Grosvenor's** three-course **June in Somerset** meal on Wednesday **22nd June at 7:30**. Marilyn was the chef at the popular Mes Amis café in Beckington until recently and is now branching out on her own with private catering. See more about Marilyn's Food [here](#).

We are planning another delicious North Indian meal by **Taj Manu-Scott** on **Saturday 16th July** and hope to follow up **Vito's** successful May Tasting Menu with a special **Puglia Evening** later on. We will keep you posted.

MAKE SURE WE HAVE IT WHEN YOU COME

Order ahead! We can bake that particular loaf of **bread** or those chocolate **croissants** for you if you ring ahead. This is particularly important on **Sunday mornings** when the demand for croissants is at its peak. If we know what's wanted we can start baking at 7:30 am – we need to be there early anyway to sort out the huge pile of Sunday newspapers we receive.



NEW AT THE SHOP: ORGANIC DARJEELING TEA



Following a well received tea tasting in the shop, we now stock organic Darjeeling teas supplied by Deepali Gaskell of [Heritage Teas UK](#) who lives in Bath. Deepali sources them from organic gardens on the higher slopes of the tea growing region of Darjeeling. Her **First Flush Organic Darjeeling** has won the Gold award 2016 from Taste of the West, and her Second Flush the Silver. Brand name: *Deepali's Terroir*.



The attractive tins also make lovely gifts.

MAKE THE MOST OF THE HALL THIS SUMMER

Freshford Memorial Hall has introduced a new **school holiday daytime walk-up rate of £5 an hour** for hiring the Hall for family sports such as badminton or table tennis. Check [online](#) when the hall is available – and borrow the key from the Galleries Shop, paying your £5 in cash.



A basic set of four badminton rackets with shuttlecocks, or two table tennis rackets, balls and net is also available to borrow from the Galleries on payment of a **£10 returnable deposit**. The maximum walk-up hire period is two hours.

Other family activities/sports are also allowed in the Hall, but care should be taken to use soft balls only, and to avoid marking/scratching the floor or walls in any way. All advance bookings in the school holidays will continue to be charged at the normal hourly rate. Please do take advantage of the Hall – it makes a great place to entertain children or grandchildren on a rainy day in the school holidays!



UNSUNG HERO: HEATHER RIDEOUT



Our shop has been open for almost seven years – and for every single month of that period, our **volunteer accountant Heather** has spent many hours ploughing through supplier invoices, bank statements, reports from our EPOS system, Reverse Credit listings, credit card purchases etc etc and made sense of it all, producing informative accounts that tell us exactly how we are doing and making sure we are in the tax man's good books. **THANK YOU HEATHER!**

Heather and husband Gez have also been great shop and café customers – as well as main contributors to **FLEWEG** - the Freshford and Limpley Stoke Environment Working Group - with their recently created pond which houses a wonderful diversity of wildlife.

SOME DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wed 22nd June 7:30	Galleries Supper Club: Marilyn's June in Somerset –themed menu. £25, BYO. Booking essential.
Saturday 25th June from 6pm	Friends of Freshford Village Midsummer Picnic , The Tynning, to celebrate the Queen's 90 th birthday. Bring your own food and drink - enjoy a summer evening with friends
Friday 1st July 7:30 pm	Concert of local folk and blues performers in aid of Medical Aid for Palestinians at Freshford Village Hall . Bar. Tickets £8 in advance from the shop, £10 at the door.
Saturday 16th July 9-12:30	Sharpening service available at the Galleries Shop & Café. Bring your knives, scissors, garden tools etc. Cash only.
Saturday 16th July	Start of weekend lunches!
Saturday 16th July 7.30pm	Galleries Supper Club: Taj Manku-Scott's North Indian meal £30, BYO. Booking essential.
Sat 6th August 1 pm	Café re-launch party - and celebration of the Galleries' seventh birthday: Barbecue on the café terrace – tickets £5
Wednesday 13th July 12:30 and every 2 nd Wed/month	Lunch for the one-time Inn Crowd at Galleries , for retired folk. Meal with dessert and coffee £7.50. Booking required.
Sun Wed & Fri 5-8 pm	Vito's pizzas sold from Freshford Village Hall car park.
Sun 9th October 11-2	Early warning: Apple Day at the Galleries Shop & Café

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: Monday-Friday 8-6, Saturday 8.30-12.30, Sunday 9-12.30

Café: Monday-Friday 9-4, Saturday 9-12.30, Sunday 9-12.30

But see front page!

Post Office: Tuesdays and Fridays 9-1