MAY 2025



VE Day at Victory Park

A great turnout for our afternoon celebrating VE Day 80 on the 8th of May, we welcomed 34 visitors, plus our helpful volunteers. A short ceremony was held at the Peace Garden with readings from Chair Adrian Cross, Vice Chair Clive White and Councillors. It was then on to the Pavilion for Tea, Scones, Welsh cakes and Victoria Sponge.

David, a veteran from Cam (pictured in uniform below) made a speech towards the end showing his gratitude towards the Councils efforts again this year.

Councillor Yvonne Tester provided an impressive set of vintage crockery which made the day perfectly - the cake, scones and went down very well with nothing left by the end of the afternoon!

A lovely event to remember this day with plenty of stories to share - thank you to all involved.





Elm Road Play Area



We are very happy to announce the contract to refurbish the play area has been won by Wicksteed, a specialist play company known for its exciting designs, play value of its equipment, quality of work and for continuing to manufacture all its play items in Britain.

The project should be finished by early June.

We hope you love the design as much as we do – please note that we are hoping to relocate the existing basket swing close to the MUGA.

We know this has been a long time coming, so we thank you again for your patience.

Pavilion in the Park, Cainscross (Office open 9am-3pm Mon-Thurs and 9am-12pm Fri) www.cainscross-pc.gov.uk MONDAYS 9.30-11AM (EXCEPT FOR FIRST MONDAY OF THE MONTH)



CAINSCROSS BABY & TODDLER GROUP



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VICTORY PARK PAVILION, STROUD GL5 4ST W3W: FLUFFED.COLLIDE. HEADLIGHT.

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PLAY GLOUCESTERSHIRE'S PLAY RANGERS

Victory Park, Cainscross, GL5 4JE Thursday 29th May 2025 10am - 4pm

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With thanks to Cainscross Town Council for funding this session

Cainscross Town Council Cashes Green & Ebley

Our Play Ranger activities take place outdoors in all weathers and are open access. This means there is no registration, children are free to come & go as they please.

Our activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by an adult.

We believe all children have the right to play. Please talk to us if your child needs additional support to enjoy Play Rangers. We welcome disabled children & their families.

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The Azalea Day club is an activity based club for people who have care needs. A friendly and sociable environment where people feel safe and supported.

Call to find your nearest venue: 01452 302542 info@crossroadscareglos.org.uk crossroadscareglos.org.uk @cossroad.can Goucesturbliv Every Monday 10am to 3pm Randwick Scout Hall Cashes Green Road

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Play

Things you need to know about Play Gloucestershire

Play Gloucestershire - a registered charity - is the leading provider of free, outdoor, active play in the county. Our Activities are aimed at school aged children. Under 8's are welcome and should be accompanied by a parent or carer. We love it when the whole household joins us at our sessions.

Our Play Ranger activities are open access. This means there is no registration – children can leave the site at any time. Our Play Rangers will not stop them and may not know that they have left.

We encourage children to take responsibilities for their own actions. We think this is good for them. They will be encouraged to resolve disagreements amongst themselves. We will intervene if absolutely necessary.

Play Gloucestershire believe that children need and want to take risks when they play. Our Play Rangers aim to respond to these needs by offering children stimulating, challenging environments for exploring and developing their abilities. In doing this, we aim to manage the level of risk so that children are not exposed to unacceptable risks. Our experience tells us that whilst children play outdoors they are likely to have accidents. If this causes concern please come along and speak to us about it.

All our activities are outdoors and include den building, fires, arts and crafts, sports and a range of playful games. We encourage children to play freely and choose what they do. They do not have to do anything if they don't want to. Children will get wet, hot, cold, smelly and dirty and need to wear appropriate clothing and footwear. Better to wear old play clothes than ruin your best!

Our Play Rangers will provide drinking water at all sessions. We promote healthy eating and sometimes will provide free fruit.

We believe all children have the right to play. Please talk to us if your child needs additional mobility or other support to enjoy Play Rangers.

For further information: Visit us at www.playgloucestershire.org.uk Email info@playgloucestershire.org.uk Phone 01452 505548 Play Gloucestershire is a registered charity (1126562)

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For more information contact Cainscross Town Council- 01453 756036

🍨 Marvellous May Quiz! 🍨

1. What traditional event is often celebrated on the 1st of May in the UK? a) Pancake Day, b) May Day, c) Bonfire Night, d) Harvest Festival

2. Which flower is traditionally associated with the month of May? a) Rose, b) Daffodil, c) Lily of the Valley, d) Sunflower

3. What dance is commonly performed around a maypole? a) Jive, b) Tango, c) Morris Dance, d) Ribbon Dance

4. Which famous ship set sail from England in May 1620? a) Titanic, b) Endeavour, c) Mayflower, d) Victory

5. Which royal event is most likely to be celebrated in May in the UK? a) Coronation Day, b) Queen's Birthday, c) Trooping the Colour, d) Royal Garden Party

6. The saying "Ne'er cast a clout till May be out" means what?a) Don't take your coat off until the end of May, b) Never plant seeds in May, c) Wait to go on holiday until May, d) Always wear flowers in May

7. In the UK, which public holiday typically falls on the first Monday in May? a) Spring Bank Holiday, b) Early May Bank Holiday, c) Summer Bank Holiday, d) New Year's Day

 8. Which bird, known for its arrival in late April or early May, is mentioned in poetry as a sign of spring?

 a) Swallow, b) Owl, c) Robin, d) Magpie

9. Which famous playwright was born (and also died!) in late April, but is often celebrated with festivals in May?

a) Oscar Wilde, b) William Shakespeare, c) Charles Dickens, d) Jane Austen

10. What is the birthstone for May? a) Ruby, b) Emerald, c) Sapphire, d) Opal



COMMUNITY CAFE - LAST WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 12.30PM ONWARDS

AFTERNOON QUIZ - EVERY 3RD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH @ 1.30PM ONWARDS

FREE YOGA - EVERY 1ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH (EXCEPT BANK HOLIDAY) @ 9.30-10.30AM

BOOK SWAP - EVERY TUESDAY @ 9AM-12PM

MINDSONG, SING 2 REMEMBER - EVERY FIRST AND THIRD TUESDAY @ 10.30-12PM

TODDLER AND BABY MORNING - EVERY MONDAY (APART FROM 1ST MONDAY OF THE MONTH) @ 9.30-11AM

PARKINSONS UK GROUP - EVERY 2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH @ 1.30-3PM

> KNIT AND NATTER - EVERY MONDAY @ 1.30-3PM (STARTING 18TH MARCH)

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO LEAD THE COMMUNITY CAFE -PLEASE CONTACT US ON 01453756036 OR EMAIL EMILY -ASSISTANTCLERK@CAINSCROSS-PC.GOV.UK



Do you love to sing? Are you looking for a fun and welcoming musical community?

All voices and experience levels are welcome!

Join the Cainscross Community Choir

MONDAYS FROM 7.15PM-9PM AT CAINSCROSS CHURCH HALL, GL5 4JE

Pavilion Pups

The council staff at Pavilion in the Park are all enthusiastic dog botherers, so it makes our day when our four (sometimes three) legged visitors come into the pavilion to ask for a fuss, a cuddle and a treat or to use our water bowl. We are always happy to paws whatever we're doing to oblige! See what we did there? ©

So, when we were offering rewards to encourage our human community to pledge to our Crowdfunder campaign to renew the bike track at Victory Park, our Project Officer had an idea. She thought that some of these regular visitors might like to persuade their humans to make a pledge if – as a reward – they would become a Pavilion Pup.

So here they are - our fabulous Pavilion Pups!

Many thanks to them and their humans for helping us get the track built. We think you're pawsome!



Introducing...



Mollie is a ¾ Spaniel Cocker-poo. She's almost four and one of the most enthusiastic visitors to the Pavilion. She loves the fuss she gets from staff and the treats that come with that. Always on the lookout for food, she reminds her human of his son!

Mollie loves other dogs but likes to wind them up by stealing their balls and running off with them. She was the smallest of her four siblings and the size of her human's hand when they first met. Now, he simply could not do without her!

Margot is a typical Boxer - loyal, playful and excitable. A much-loved member of the Forgione family for all of her eight years, she became a mum to two precious pups in 2021. Margot has now settled into her wise (but still playful) years.

Margo

Whether it's keeping watch at the window, making people laugh with her funny antics, giving her best cuddles, walking for miles with her dad, snoring loudly in her bed, or asking to get up on the furniture for a sleep, she really does bring love and happiness to everyone who knows her.

Emelee -

Emelee is a loyal best friend to Linda. They spend their time walking – Victory Park and Randwick Woods are favourites. She's very clever and understands a wide vocabulary of words. So, when Linda says they're off to the woods, Emelee knows to go and wait by the car.

They visit the pavilion office regularly. But if Linda talks for too long, Emelee insists they get back to their walk with a little bark or two!

Her favourite thing is to chase squirrels. But as soon as one gets close or slows down, Emelee loses interest. She's all about the chase. She spends her down time at home sitting on Linda's lap and enjoying cuddles – but don't touch her ears, or she'll tell you off with a yelp!



Tryfan

Tryfan is an eight-year-old German Shorthaired Pointer. He was adopted from his human's niece when she started a family and no longer had time for his insatiable need for exercise and attention.

During his daily walks in Victory Park he likes to help the rangers with their litter picking, and crushes every empty plastic bottle he can find. But he expects to be rewarded with treats and fuss. He is available to sign autographs by appointment.



Tasha is a Yorkshire Terrier. Her humans have had the pleasure of her company for 12 years and they adore her. She is a friendly little dog and loves most everything apart from going to the groomers but she's still nice to them. Tasha visits the park most days and when she gets near the pavilion, she's in here like a flash! She'll usually accept a treat, but she's more interested in getting fussed over by the office staff. That makes her very happy.

Indie

Indie is an 11 ½ year old Border Collie who came from a farm. A very self-contained dog, she is happy with her own company and doesn't really need other dogs or humans, apart from her family. She loves to be outside and going for walks at least three times a day. She is calm, well behaved and sweet natured.







Pippy is a five-year-old Yorkshire Terrier who comes to Victory Park with his human every day. They like to wander, to chat with all the other pups and their humans and often call into the pavilion to say hello. Most of all, they like to sit on their favourite bench and enjoy the views up to Selsley while they contemplate the world together.





Snoopy

Snoopy is a super loving Romanian rescue with the attitude of a Hollywood diva, the vocal range of Beyonce and the appetite of a cheese-loving raccoon. He's got character (not to be confused with disobedience) and believes that anything he deigns to do (walks, tricks, basic obedience) should be compensated for in dairy products.

He does not like to share! If his humans pet another pup, he'll insert himself between them faster than you can say "good boy". But when he's not busy doing something he shouldn't, he's the best cuddle buddy around!

Quiz Answers

1. May Day 2. Lily of the Valley, 3. Ribbon Dance, 4. Mayflower, 5. Royal Garden Party, 6. Don't take your coat off until the end of May, 7. Early May Bank Holiday, 8. Swallow, 9. William Shakespeare, 10. Emerald