

## SCC Communities Team

This edition of our newsletter includes news of brand new sessions and holiday activities - look out for boxing clubs, sports days, art projects and volunteering opportunities for anyone who wants to get involved and build positive experiences for all.

We have been delighted to welcome our new Activities Leader, Jon Hurn-Ryan, working on sports and youth sessions and offer a huge thanks to Sharon Read, Community Development Officer, move on to Pastures new at the end of March. We look forward to the next few months building on the great work done so far and working with our community to get new ideas off the ground.

*Sarah Gregson - Communities Manager*

## Easter Craft at The Community Café

Salisbury Baptist Church,

Tuesday 4 April 10am-12.30pm

Following on from the successful introduction of craft and games weeks at the Community Café, we'll be running a special craft week for Easter on Tuesday 4 April.

Come and join us for a cuppa, chat and some crafting!



## Boxing Club at the Friary Friary Community Centre

Sign ups for the Friary boxing club are now open! The club will be working with Bernie from Rising Sun Boxing and will officially launch on Saturday 1 April from 9am - 10.30am.

Equipment will be provided but please wear appropriate sports clothing.

To sign up, please email us [BHC@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:BHC@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk) and we'll get back to you with more details.



We just wanted to share some images from some of the amazing creative work that has gone on down at the Friary Community Centre this year.  
Thanks to all our groups for being ready to try new things!

## Skittles at Harlequins Bemerton Heath Harlequins Social Club Wednesday 12 April 7.30pm - 9.30pm

Come and join us for the popular Skittles nights at Harlequins.  
No Booking required.  
Only £1 to play.



For more information contact Jane - 01722 417100  
[bhc@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bhc@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk)



## Easter Crafting in Bemerton Bemerton Heath Centre Monday 3 April 11am - 1pm

Join us for Easter crafting fun and some hot cross buns at the Bemerton Heath Centre!

Followed by the Bemerton Sports Roadshow on the Pinewood Way Green space for Children ages 7 - 14..

For more information contact Jane - 01722 417100  
[bhc@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bhc@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk)

## Lunches at The Community Cafe Salisbury Baptist Church, Brown Street

Our community café that currently runs at Salisbury Baptist Church on Tuesdays will soon include lunches as part of its offer. You'll be able to book on for a lunch for only £4.50. Booking beforehand is mandatory, to book talk to Sheri at the Community Cafe.



For more information about the Café call the Communities time on 01722 417100

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## Turning Point Project - Getting to grips with Public Art



Over the last 4 months, local artist, Sue Martin, has been working with groups across the city to explore what public art can be and what it could be for Salisbury. You may have seen groups wandering the streets and our pop up project stand at the Arts Scene market on Sunday 5th March.

All the groups have been working creatively with maps and sketchbooks, to tell the council, what the art they can imagine should say about where we live and are helping us to create a report to share with the city.

We wanted to share this poem, by Eve, written response to a well-known Salisbury sculpture.

Turning Point  
Meeting place  
Spire reflection  
You are in a good place  
Compass shadows  
Follow your day  
Even the sun  
Blesses this one





# NEW THIS EASTER - Salisbury City Sports Day 2023 !



Wednesday 12 April  
10am - 4.30pm  
Hudsons Field

For children of all abilities

This Easter, be part of our first Sports Day and compete and play in a variety of different sports and activities!

Teams, created on the day, by our qualified sports activity leaders, will compete in football, ultimate Frisbee, tchoukball and athletics to be crowned champions. A great way to enjoy Hudson's Field, a bit of friendly competition and have some fun..

- Who Can Play? - Children from school years 4 to 9 ( the competition will be split into a primary and secondary categories).
- What will it Cost? £5 - includes a packed lunch.
- How do I book? - go to: <https://form.jotform.com/230393005119346> or find the link on our facebook page 'Salisbury City Council Communities' Only 40 spaces, so please book now to avoid disappointment!

Join the  friendly bunch and help us turn this.....




...into this....



..for this



Contact: Mark Brandon on [hello@thef3project.org](mailto:hello@thef3project.org) or via our website [www.thef3project.org.uk](http://www.thef3project.org.uk).

No experience required, just enthusiasm.




**LGBTQ+**

**YOUTH GROUP**



1st THURSDAY IN THE MONTH  
NEXT ON THURSDAY 6th APRIL 2023  
50p subs if you can

AGES 11 to under 16  
4.30pm - 6.00pm

AGES 16 +  
6.30pm 8.00pm

Designed by you - facilitated by professionals for your safety and peace of mind

Our Place is a

**Safe Space**

for everyone

**The Friary Community Centre**

**Carmelite Way**

## Volunteer with Salisbury City Council Communities Team

Making more things happen, with more people, to improve wellbeing in Salisbury.

*Could you give an hour or two a week to help us bring people together to learn, socialise, get active and get the support they need?*

### **Your Salisbury Pantry**

**Volunteer Drivers** - for supermarket food pick ups around the city.

**Shop Assistants (Weds Eve)** - Joining our experienced team to extend our opening hours on a Wednesday from 3.30 - 6.30pm

**Community Ambassadors** - Help us to spread the word about our work and increase our food donations

### **Friary Community Centre**

**Community Centre Volunteer** - To open our community centre for hirers and lend a hand for some regular community groups.

**Friary Hangout Volunteer** - Help us to keep our well established youth group for 11 to 16 year olds open every week. Tuesday evenings from 4 - 6pm

### **Sports Volunteers**

Gain experience in supporting community and youth sports sessions with opportunities to gain experience and coaching qualifications, or simply help us to get more people active in Salisbury.

**For more information or to express an interest please get in touch.**

**[bhc@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk](mailto:bhc@salisburycitycouncil.gov.uk) or call 01722 417100**

### **Partner Organisation Opportunities**

**F3 Project** - this independent, volunteer run, growing project is working to grow food for Your Salisbury Pantry this year - if you want to help and have green fingers contact [hello@thef3project.org.uk](mailto:hello@thef3project.org.uk)

Our communities team work with many organisations across the city on different projects. We'd recommended signing up for their newsletters to see more of their work.

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**Silver Salisbury** is a programme of events to celebrate international older people's day, on 1st of October each year. It's full of things that older people are involved in, contribute to and enjoy. There are activities to support people in maintaining their independence and opportunities for those who'd like to be getting out and about more but don't know where to start. Silver Salisbury is a chance to try different things, join new groups and make new friends.

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**Safer and Supportive Salisbury (SaSS)** is a group of individual volunteers and representatives of local community groups and charities. We are also supported by representatives of the County, City and other public service providers. The group's aim is to make the city of Salisbury a safe, supportive and inclusive community for everyone who lives or works in the city and for all visitors to Salisbury and surrounding areas. Sign up for the newsletter at <https://safersalisbury.org.uk/>

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### **Housing Matters**

All Wiltshire Council Housing tenants and leaseholders who we hold an email address for will receive the monthly housing newsletter "Better Homes, Better Lives". This will have the latest updates from your housing service and include competitions, advice and good news stories as well as information about how you can get more involved with your housing service. You can download these at <https://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/housing-matters>

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**Helen Dowse** is Salisbury Carers Champion. To see updates from Helen follow her on twitter @dowse\_helen or drop into the Bemerton Heath Centre to pick up her latest printed flyer.