

# CONTENTS

February 2023



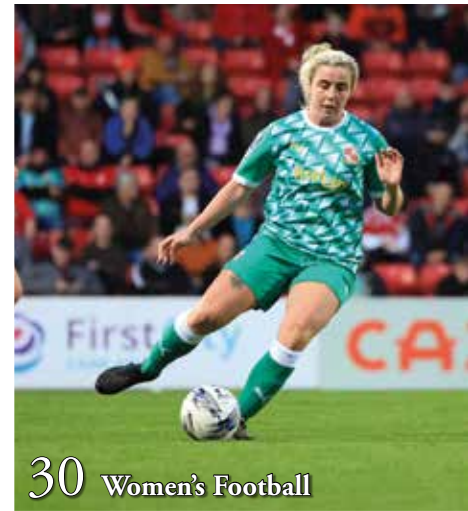
16 Bryony Cox



20 Sir Christopher Wren



24 East Knoyle walk



30 Women's Football



34 Sustainable living



40 Retirement & Care



65 Weddings



68 Recipe

## Staff

Editor-in-Chief/Publisher: Mark Allen

Editor: Georgie Green

01722 717025

editor-wl@markallengroup.com

Publishing Director: Jane Kennedy

01722 717018

jane.kennedy@markallengroup.com

Circulation Director: Sally Boettcher

sally.boettcher@markallengroup.com

Subscription Manager: Bethany Foy

Page Design: Mary Holmes

Advert Design: Dan Bevan

Production Manager: Carolyn Allen

Production Director: Richard Hamshere

Managing Director: Paul Geoghegan

Chief Executive Officer: Ben Allen

## Contributors

Grant Berry, Margaret Brecknell,  
Sophie Butcher, Simon Heptinstall,  
Gary Lawrence, Mary-Vere Parr

## MA Music Leisure & Travel

Part of

## Mark Allen

www.markallengroup.com

Wiltshire Life is published by  
MA Music Leisure & Travel Ltd,  
Unit A Buildings 1-5,  
Dinton Business Park, Catherine Ford Rd,  
Dinton, Salisbury, Wiltshire SP3 5HZ  
www.wiltshirelife.co.uk



When you have finished with  
this magazine please recycle it.

ISSN: 1358-0582  
Printed by:  
Pensord Press Ltd,  
Blackwood, NP12 2YA

## FEATURES

### My Wiltshire: Melissa Barnett

10

The curator at Chippenham Museum sings the praises of the town's rich history

### In conversation with Becky Perry

12

The warm and compassionate undertaker helping people in time of trauma

### Art: Bryony Cox

16

The Devizes artist bringing creativity to the heart of the county

### History: Sir Christopher Wren

20

The 300th anniversary of the death of the world renowned architect

### Seasonal walk: East Knoyle

24

Take a walk through Wren's village and discover its history every step of the way

### Issues that matter: The Dogs Trust

26

The Salisbury team highlight the crisis faced by canines at the centre and beyond

### Women's football

30

Gary Lawrence looks at the rapid growth of girls' football across the county

### Sustainable business: bide

34

Amelia Gammon the Pewsey eco-entrepreneur creating planet friendly products

### RETIREMENT LIVING AND CARE GUIDE

40

A guide to future planning, taking up new skills, and health and wellbeing

### Wedding advertorial

65

Details of beautiful venues and bespoke businesses and services in the county

### Wiltshire Life Awards

71

Book your tickets now to celebrate the best of the county

## REGULARS

Moonraker	4
Around the County	6
Calendar	8
Food and drink	68
The gardening year	72
Recommended reads	74

## SUBSCRIPTIONS

### UK Personal rates (print)

Quarterly Direct Debit	£15.50
Annual Direct Debit	£61.00
Annual Credit Card	£64.00
2yr Annual Credit Card	£108.80
3yr Annual Credit Card	£144.00

Subscribe online:  
www.magsubscriptions.com  
Subscribe by phone:  
+44 (0) 1722 716997

© MA Music Leisure & Travel Ltd, 2023. All rights reserved. No part of *Wiltshire Life* may be reproduced, stored in a retrieval system, or transmitted in any form or by any means electronic, mechanical, photocopying, recording, or otherwise without prior written permission of the Publishing Director.

The views expressed do not necessarily represent those of the editor or *Wiltshire Life*. Advertisements in the journal do not imply endorsement of the products or services advertised.

Please read our privacy policy, by visiting <http://privacypolicy.markallengroup.com>. This will explain how we process, use & safeguard your data

Cover: Tower Mill - East Knoyle  
Image: Adobe Stock