

Grand Auction in aid of
The Revitalisation of Christchurch Henton
Tuesday 9th July 2024
at Cedars Hall, Wells
Auctioneer: Alan Willcox

1. Drive for four people, two in a Bullnose Morris and two in a Flatnose Morris, with lunch of a Queen's Feast each at the Queen of Cups in Glastonbury
2. Gravalax making course with Ida Kraft for four people with a light lunch
3. Invitation for two people to a Livery Dinner at the Worshipful Company of Grocers in London, as guests of the Paget family
4. Tea for four people with a guided tour of The Grocers' Hall in London given by The Clerk of the Company, together with four return Coach tickets to London from Wells
5. A half case of Babylonstoren Rosé
6. Dinner Party for eight at the host's home cooked by Rosie Inge and friends
7. The Bishop of Bath & Wells himself and the Bishop's Palace have offered a Bishop's Palace Experience Day to include entry to the Palace for up to two adults and two children, the opportunity to feed the swans if they are around (!) plus £25.00 to spend at the Bishop's Table for a Cream Tea
8. Church Pews
9. A Day with the Owner of two young jump racehorses and a point-to-pointer (amateur racing) in the 2024-2025 season, for two people. Have the thrill of race-day, watching 'your' horse with bated breath as it runs in 'your' Colours, with lunch or a 5* picnic. Meet the trainer and jockey before and after the race – hopefully in the Winners' Enclosure! – followed by a glass of fizz and tea. (Conditions apply: date decided by trainer, going, etcetera!)
10. Twini-Mini Experience driving a 1965 Mini Cooper S, at the Mendip Classic Car Rally
11. Underwater Hockey Experience
12. Brand new, unused light-weight G-Tech50 grass trimmer and edger with 75 spare blades
13. Joint membership for two adults and two children to the Royal Bath & West Society, giving entry to all the Society Shows during 2025
14. Two hospitality tickets in the Director's Guest Lounge (including lunch) to a home fixture with premium seating at Southampton Football Club. On 26th May, the Saints beat Leeds to win promotion to the Premier League.
15. Wood-turning day course at Bodden Cross near Doulting
16. A week's stay in the two-bedroomed Coach House in Henton with glorious views across the Somerset Levels to the Mendip Hills

17. Stay for up to ten people for five nights at the magnificent 18th century moated Louis XV Château de Missery in Burgundy (www.chateaudemissery.com), with 14th century medieval towers and a wonderful Potager (kitchen garden), a Black Tie dinner, and a visit to Guedelon where artisans are building an authentic Medieval Chateau using home-made Medieval tools, plus wine tour and tasting and cookery demonstration
18. Year-long membership to Heligan Gardens and a garden tour for two people, plus three nights' accommodation in The Reading Room, Mawnan Smith, Cornwall
19. Beavers, otters, kingfishers and woodpeckers will keep you company on the Tiny Boat, a beautiful narrow boat on the seven-acre lake in 42 Acres near Frome. Stay overnight for two people in this self-catering treasure
20. Two nights' accommodation in glorious Shropshire countryside in The Shell Cottage near Cleobury Mortimer. The owners are Superhosts on AirBNB
21. Signed Lashings Cricket Bat
22. Cabin-sized "Drunk Elephant" suitcase full of skincare (worth over £500)
23. Brand new Tanner Krolle handbag (worth £1450)
24. Brand new Mulberry Alexa handbag (worth £1400)
25. An opportunity for two to visit the Ringing Chamber of Wells Cathedral (rarely open to the public), on a Sunday morning to see the ancient and sophisticated art of Change Ringing on the heaviest set of ten bells in the world. There would also be the opportunity to view the Bell Chamber too. Health warning – you will need to be able to climb 106 stairs.
26. Wookey Farm Experience: a half day either learning to make cheese or soap, or animal care including milking the goats - whatever the winner's preference.
27. A tour of Doulting Quarry, outside Shepton Mallet with the owner, Colin Keevil. The stone was laid down 200 million years ago and coral beds were crushed and incorporated in the stone, making it glitter in the sunshine. It was worked 2000 years ago by the Romans, and used to build Wells Cathedral and Glastonbury Abbey
28. Church Pews

External Bids; email rosie.inge@gmail.com with your telephone number and email address, with your highest bid and it will join the fray!!