STOGURSEY NEWS



Photo taken by the French coach driver

"Au Revoir" as the French visitors set off for home after a twinning weekend.

May 2025

Deadline for **JUNE 2025** contributions: 10.00am Thursday 15th May 2025

EDITORIAL

Welcome to our May edition.

The Twinning Association had a very successful weekend with their French friends, as you can see from the cover picture. You may want to take part in next year's return visit to Lonlay L'Abbaye to celebrate the 40th anniversary of the twinning. The celebrations will be something spectacular if previous times are anything to go by!

Stogursey Community Network also provides opportunities for you to volunteer and involve yourself and family with some lovely people and things to do.

The Quiz Night on May 16th might be something to consider, it is always good fun and is all in a good cause.

If you are keen to increase your plant and flower displays, then the plant sale on the gravel will be worth visiting. Further to the plant sale, the talk by Catherine Crouch, 'New Tricks For Old Gardeners', on 20th May in Holford Village Hall, is an event not to be missed!

The display of work by the school children and information about our village during WW2 taking place in the Victory Hall, during the weekend of 10th and 11th May, will be of interest to many of you of all ages.

Finally, we are pleased to see that Speed Indicator Devices are to be installed in the parish as a means of discouraging speeders.

Editorial Team

Stogursey-Online.uk

This is the parish website. It hosts pages for events, societies, community links and Parish Council news .

You can post local upcoming events on the parish website www.stogursey-online.uk

Stogursey News is posted every month on the website - useful if the delivery of your paper copy is delayed.

Stogursey News

This is an independent voluntary initiative. It is printed free of charge as a contribution to the community by Hinkley Point B (EdF).

The News offers extra pages monthly for the use of Hinkley Point C (EdF) to keep local residents well-informed.

Guidelines

for contributing to Stogursey News

- * Prepare your contribution as a straightforward text document (no boxes, tables or pdfs please)
- * Attach it to an email.
- * Send it to: stogurseyparishnews@gmail.com

A few more points to remember:

- Please submit by the deadline date published at the top of this page.
- Please keep within a 500-word limit.
- Stogursey News Team reserves the right to edit contributions for length, and for space available.
- Your contribution will be published in our standardised font style, font size and colour. (We do not print colour posters).
- Send your contribution for each and every month that you would like it published.
- If you include an illustration, it must be copyright free. (Stogursey News will not be liable for costs resulting from prosecution if this condition is ignored.)

We look forward to receiving your contributions, **Thank you**

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Regular Events			
Monday	*60+ Rehabilitation Fitness Class (weekly) *Spinal Mobility, Balance & Strength Class (weekly) Health Walks - Level One (weekly) Contact: https://www.sasp.co.uk/sedgemoor	Victory Hall Victory Hall Steart Marshes Car Park	9.30am - 10.40am 11.00am - 12 noon 2.00pm
Tuesday	*Core Stability - Pilates-based (weekly) Tai Chi Shibashi for over-50s (weekly) (Contact AgeUK 01823 345 624) Stogursey Lunches (weekly, except 1st Tues of month) Bingo (weekly) Parish Council Meeting (second Tuesday of month) Meditation (first & third Tuesday of month) Short Mat Bowls (weekly) Contact: Ron 01278 732688 Quantock Tennis Club (first Tuesday of month)	Victory Hall Victory Hall Jubilee Rooms St Audries Centre Victory Hall St Andrew's Church, Lilstock Victory Hall Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	9.00am - 10.00am 10.30am Doors Open 12 noon Eyes Down 2.00pm 7.00pm 7.15pm 7.30pm - 9.00pm 6.00pm - 10.00pm
Wednesday	Forget-Me-Not Café (alternate Wednesdays) Ukulele Sessions (alternate Wednesdays) Sea Shanty Singers (alternate Wednesdays)	Jubilee Rooms Greyhound Inn Greyhound Inn	10.30am - 12 noon 7.30pm - 9.30pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Thursday	Health Walks - Level Two (weekly) Contact - https://www.sasp.co.uk/health-walks Mobile Library visit (once every four weeks) Youth Club (weekly) Stogursey Arts Photographic Society- SAPS (second Thursday of month) Film Night (monthly)	Steart Marshes Car Park Shurton & Stogursey Youth Club Jubilee Rooms Jubilee Rooms	as per schedule 6.30pm - 8.30pm 7.00pm doors open 7.00pm
Friday	Toddler & Baby Group (term-time only) Friday Social Café (weekly) Quantock Tennis Club (weekly) Contact John Nicholson 01278 732711 / JFJnicholson@talktalk.net	Victory Hall Jubilee Rooms Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	9.30am - 11.30am 10.00am - 12 noon 10.00am - 12 noon
Saturday			
Sunday	Quantock Tennis Club (weekly)	Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.00am - 12 noon

^{*} Contact siancocks@btinternet.com / 01278 652411

MAY 2025	Event	Venue	Time
Thursday 1	Mobile Library	as per schedule	as per schedule
Wednesday 7	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Wednesday 7	Strummers of Stogursey - Ukulele session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm
Saturday 10	Street Party	Victory Hall	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Saturday 10	An evening with 'Rockin Ronnie'	Victory Hall	8.00pm - 11.00pm
Sunday 11	Tea Dance	Victory Hall	2.00pm - 4.00pm
Tuesday 13	Parish Council Meeting	Victory Hall	7.00pm
Friday 16	Charity Quiz Night	Victory Hall	Doors Open 7.00pm
Saturday 17	Plant Sale	The Gravel	9.30am - 1.00pm
Wednesday 21	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Wednesday 21	Strummers of Stogursey - Ukulele session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm
Saturday 24	First Aid at Work Course	Victory Hall	9.00am - 4.00pm
Saturday 24	"Chilled Saturday Night"	Burton Springs	5.00pm - 9.00pm
Sunday 25	Burton Fete	Burton Springs	9.00am - 10.00pm
Sunday 25	Sunday Roast	Victory Hall	12 noon - 2.00pm

MAY SUNDAY SERVICE ROTA for Quantock Gate Parishes

CHURCH	4 th May	11 th May	18 th May	25 th May
	Easter 3	Easter 4	Easter 5	Easter 6
Cannington St Mary	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion	8.00am Holy Communion 9.30am Family Service	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion
Combwich St Peter*	4.00pm Family Service	4.00pm Prayer & Praise	4.00pm Holy Communion	4.00pm Café Church
Fiddington St Martin	9.00am Holy Communion	9.00am Holy Communion	9.00am Holy Communion	9.00am Family Service
Stockland St Mary Magdalene		11.15am Family Service		11.15am Holy Communion
Stogursey St Andrew	10.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Holy Communion	10.30am Café Church at Jubilee Rooms
	Gold/White	Gold/White	Gold/White	Gold/White

^{*} Please note new service times at Combwich Church

Regular Weekday Services

Tuesdays	6.00pm	Holy Communion	Cannington, St Mary the Virgin Church
Thursdays	9.00am	Prayer Meeting	Combwich, St Peter's Church
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Fridays 9.00am Holy Communion Cannington, St Mary the Virgin Church

Babes and Tots Play Group

Tuesdays (termtime) 9.00-11.30am Cannington Village Hall

Coffee Mornings

Thursdays 10.00am Coffee Club, Cannington Church

Fridays 10.30am Social Café, Jubilee Rooms, Stogursey

Bellringing

Tuesdays 7.30pm Cannington Church

Wednesdays 7.00pm Stogursey Church (1st Wed) / Fiddington Church (2nd-5th Wed)

Fridays 7.00pm Combwich Church (1st and 3rd Fri)

Do be in touch if you would like to marry in one of the churches, or to arrange a baptism, or if there is anything else we can help with.

Revd Alison Waters, Rector & Revd Jan Church, Associate Priest 01278 652953 / cannington.benefice@gmail.com

Easter Fete and Craft Fair on April 5th in the Jubilee Rooms

This was a very successful event, greatly enjoyed by all those who attended. There were a variety of stalls, a fabulous cake and savoury stall, as well as a café where people could enjoy refreshments.

A big thank you on behalf of the Jubilee Rooms Committee goes to all those who donated the fabulous cakes. Likewise our thanks go to all the stall holders, and to Teresa and Ian who ran the café. A big thank you goes to Helen Cuttell who ran the cake stall and organised the volunteer bakers.

The Jubilee Rooms rely on events like this as they are run on donations to maintain the rooms.

A similar table top event will be held in November, the date will be confirmed in due course. Watch out for it! It will be free entry.

Anyone interested in hiring the rooms for birthday parties, wakes, baby showers etc. please contact Rosemarie Barrett on 07507 374234 or email rosechalk@icloud.com.



Stogursey Community Network (SCN)



A little late, we would like you all to join us in celebrating 5 YEARS of SCN!



We started the network with a few volunteers at the start of the first Lockdown in **March 2020**, mainly to help isolated people and to try to provide support as needed.

And we've carried on since then, gathering more wonderful volunteers along the way and developing our current range of services to the community.

Not sure what we do?
Read about us elsewhere in this Newsletter.

Have you thought of joining us?
We can always do with more Cooks, helpers (in a range of roles) with the Lunches, and Drivers.

Feel free to contact us for an informal chat any time.
Telephone 01278 732149 or
stogurseycommunitynetwork@gmail.com.

STOGURSEY FORGET-ME-NOT CAFÉ

Jubilee Rooms, Castle Street, Stogursey



FORTNIGHTLY ON WEDNESDAYS 10.30am – 12.00 noon

Café Dates:

Wednesday 7th May Wednesday 21st May Wednesday 4th June Wednesday 18th June Wednesday 2nd July Wednesday 16th July Wednesday 30th July

FORGET-ME-NOT CAFÉS provide support, companionship and a warm welcome to those who are recognising issues with their memory, as well as their family, friends or carers.

There are a variety of activities, some involving existing local groups, such as music, singing, arts, crafts, poetry, bingo, quizzes, or just a quiet chat over a coffee.

We are a voluntary group, financed by donations and fundraising events.

The Café runs fortnightly, planned so that the café is open the alternate week to Watchet Forget-me-Not Café.

Many friendships have been made over the years. Please come along and see what we do, you will receive a warm welcome.

**FORGET-ME-NOT NEWS

We will be at **BurtonFete** running our annual fundraising Tombola on **Sunday 25**th **May** from 10am. Donations of prizes would be very welcome, thank you. We hope to see you at Burton Springs Fishing and Holidays, Burton, TA5 1QB. It's a great day out for all the family, stalls, music, food, bar, dog show and lots more... see your Stogursey News for more details.

VOLUNTEERING

We have a lovely group of friendly volunteers, but we always need extra help at the Forget-me-Not Café: chatting to people, making teas and coffees or washing up. Why not pop in one Wednesday for a cuppa and say hello and see if you'd like to volunteer.

All are welcome from the neighbouring villages.

For more information please contact:

Helen: 01278 733451 cuttellhelen@gmail.com Rose: 07507 374234 rosechalk@icloud.com





VICTORY HALL LOTTERY WINNERS

March Draw 2025

1st Prize	£25.00	Chris Ford	No. 69
2 nd Prize	£15.00	Pauline Webber	No. 10
3 rd Prize	£10.00	Vic Simpson	No. 85

Strummers of Stogursey

Dear Newcomers to Stogursey - Welcome to our Community - You will find lots of things to like about living in this lovely village. One of these good things is our Ukulele Group, **Strummers of Stogursey**, meeting every second Wednesday at The Greyhound Pub in Lime Street. Our next session is 7th May, 7.30 pm - 9pm. We would love to see you. We have spare ukes to borrow and very friendly strummers on hand to help you if you'd like to have a go. Or come and sing, or just come and listen, you'll be made very welcome.

For further info - rose.palmer280@gmail.com. or ianelenor@gmail.com

Stogursey Victory Hall invites you to ...

A Street Party at Victory Hall Saturday 10th May

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Entertainment will be provided.

Could each family provide a plate of food to share please.

An evening with Rockin Ronnie,

a professional vocalist

Saturday 10th May

8.00pm - 11.00pm

Rock out to hits from 1950's to today!

Tickets £10 available from Allan at the Spar

Bar opens at 7pm.

A Tea Dance

Sunday 11th May-

2.00pm - 4.00pm

Music by Steve Saddington,

followed by our own Land Girls.

Simply enjoy the music, company or have a dance or two. Enjoy a cream tea or a slice of cake or two.

Purchase a cake from cake stall, have a go at the raffle, browse at some stalls of interest.

Free for all ages.

A display of work

by Stogursey School children

Plus information about our village and surrounding area during the WWII, as well as memorabilia.

We hope everyone enjoys the weekend!

Quiz Night

Friday 16th May

in support of the National Kidney Federation

Stogursey Victory Hall

Doors open 7.00pm - Quiz starts 7.30pm

BAR OPEN!

Teams of 4 - £10 Teams of 6 - £12 Any additional team player - £2.50 each

The NFK is the largest kidney patient-led charity, dedicated to supporting kidney patients and their families. For over 45 years, it has provided essential national patient support services and advocated for better renal care and treatment.



HELPLINE 0800 196 0936 Registered Charity Numbers 1106735 SC049431 National Kidney Federation, The Point, Coach Road, Shireoaks, Worksops, Nottinghamshire S81 8BW

Plant Sale Saturday 17th May

9.30am - 1.00pm

Stogursey Twinning Association will be holding a fund raising plant sale on the Gravel with a large selection of annual, herbaceous, perennial and vegetable plants on offer, as well as some hanging baskets and planters, just in time for planting out at the end of May.

There will also be a good selection of pre-loved gardening books to buy.

This event is open to everyone, and we very much hope that it will be well attended! In the event of the weather being too wet or windy we will hold the sale in the Jubilee Rooms.

Thank you to everyone who has contributed plastic pots and seed travs!

If anyone would like to donate plants of any description, ornamental pots, or gardening books, please contact Debbie at ecologieuk@gmail.com.

First Aid Course Saturday 24th May

Stogursey Victory Hall

9.00am - 4.00pm

All day - cost £30, to include lunch, tea and coffee. Two forms of ID are needed.

To book a place, please ring Heather Ranson on 07968 799312. (Essential for catering reasons!)



BurtonFete

Sunday 25th May

9.00am - 10.00pm

A fun-filled family day for all. BurtonFete is a Village Fete with craft stalls, local food trucks, a bar, dog show, live music, kids games and much more. Now in our 5th year and helping to raise money for local charities.

£1.50 entry. FREE for under 12yrs

Local Craft Traders - 10.00am - 3.30pm:
The Ukulele Club - 11am
The West Somerset Brass Band - 12 noon - 2.30pm
Dog Show - 4.30pm - 6.00pm
MJ Vocalist local Bridgwater based musician 6.30pm - 8.30pm

Saturday 24th May 4.00pm - 9.00pm

Come on down to Burton Springs for a chilled Saturday night. Exmoor Pizza Pod will be making hand-stretched fired pizzas (vegetarian/vegan available), local Yellow Door Cottage will be hosting their bar serving ales, cider, lager. A giant firepit and a local autistic artist, Andy Doran from Fiddington, will help to soothe the evening along.

Entry is by donation

Sunday Roast Sunday 25th May

Stogursey Victory Hall
Available from 12 noon to 2.00pm
Please contact Denise Oliver to book 01278 733594 /
07453 381844

Stogursey Organ Concert with organist, Martin Stacey

Friday 30th May in St Andrew's Church 7.00 pm

Entry Fee £15 per person inclusive of refreshments

Payment at the door - either cash or card facility available

Pledge Auction Friday 6th June at the Victory Hall 7.00pm - 11.00pm

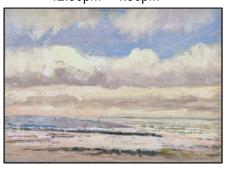
New Next Month!

We are looking to start a Singing for Enjoyment group at the Victory Hall.

Details are being finalised - so watch out for more information.

ART SALE

Holford Village Hall **Saturday 7th June** 12.30pm – 4.30pm



Works by local artist Lt. Col John Luttrell Aldridge

This exhibition will showcase a selection of framed and unframed watercolours, pastels and oils capturing local scenes and the surrounding landscapes of Somerset, all for sale by the late John Aldridge.

A great gift for friends and family or simply a treat for you and your home.



Holford Gardeners Group

present 2 events:

ANNUAL PLANT SALE

Affordable plants, Vegetables, Perennials & Annuals plus Garden sundries.

Saturday 10th May

10am -12 noon Holford Village Hall

A TALK BY CATHERINE CROUCH "New Tricks For Old Gardeners"

Tuesday May 20th 7.30pm Holford Village Hall

Raffle
All Welcomed
Members £1.00 Visitors £2.00

Points from the Parish Council Meetings of 8th April 2024

ANNUAL ASSEMBLY MEETING

At this well attended meeting the Clerk presented the Council's accounts for the year 2024-2025 and the Chairman gave a report of the work of the Parish Council and highlighting:

- Car park at Paddons Farm the land transfer from Strongvox to the Parish Council has been ongoing for 9 months and was still in the hands of the solicitors.
- Defibrillators there were now 4 defibrillators within the parish;
- Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) were about to be ordered:
- A bollard had been installed on High Street to attempt to deter vehicles from mounting the pavement.
- The Council's aims for 2025-2026 were:
 - To install a new electricity connection point on The Gravel
 - To complete the land transfer for the Paddons Farm Car Park, obtain planning permission and complete the necessary works and get the car park operational
 - To get the SIDs up and running

We heard about the work of the William Paulett Charity in maintaining the Stogursey Almshouses. We also received a report from the Youth Club highlighting the events and activities that they had undertaken over the past year.

Concerns were raised by members of the public over speeding, and it was hoped that the introduction of the SIDs would help alleviate this, and would also provide reliable data on the speeds and number of vehicles using the roads.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The Parish Council awarded grants of £600 to the Village Hall Committee towards its VE Day celebrations, and £400 towards the repair of the broken bell clapper in Stogursey Church which would hopefully mean that the bells would soon be heard again.

Members considered the three quotations for SIDs and agreed to purchase two devices. These have now been ordered and delivered so hopefully will be up and running shortly.

It was noted that there were 3 councillor vacancies and it was agreed that these would be advertised in due course.

Allotments

It was agreed that the allotment rents would remain unaltered, and that the Parish Council would shortly be reviewing their use. If anyone is interested in an allotment or raised bed could they please express their interest with the Parish Clerk (details below).

Highways issues

County Highways had confirmed that they would be inspecting the Operation Harold route with a view to relining the road markings and improving the signage. Hopefully, they would also be looking at the state of the road surface.

Following concerns being raised over parking on the corners of junctions on Castle Street and High Street obstructing vehicular access to St Andrew Road, it was agreed that yellow lining on two corners be requested.

It was reported that Castle Street's Victorian-style lamp had to be removed as it was leaning dangerously, and upon inspection was found to totally rusted and sadly unrepairable.

Next Meeting

The Parish's Council's next meeting will take place on **Tuesday 13th May** at 7pm at the Victory Hall.

The Clerk can be contacted by email at: clerk@stogurseyparishcouncil.org.uk

Steve Taylor, Clerk to Stogursey Parish Council



Meetings 3rd Thursday of each month

7.30pm at Nether Stowey Church Centre
The aim of the club is to offer gardeners from around the
Quantock area, whatever their enthusiasm, a chance to
get together with other gardeners in the locality to their
joint advantage and mutual interest. We enjoy a guest
speaker, raffle, plant table (season dependent) and
refreshments. Members free (annual membership £25),
guests £5, to include tea/coffee & home made cake!
All welcome.

Sunday 11th May Coach trip to **RHS Malvern Spring Show**

Thursday 15th May

The Newt in Somerset: History & recent developments A talk by Arthur Cole

Saturday 17th May

Plant Sale - Thomas Poole Library, Nether Stowey

Thursday 22nd May

Car visit to Wick Gardens, Langport

Wednesday 18th June

Car visit to Lydeard House, Bishops Lydeard, TA4 3AU

Thursday 19th June

Somerset's Glorious Gardens A talk by Abigail Willis

For more information about our vibrant club, contact secretary Kate Houghton 07940 836139 or email: stoweygardeners@yahoo.com Website - https://sites.google.com/site/stowey-gardeners

News from the Quantock Medical Centre

We would like to thank the family of Phylis Hill for their kind donation, following Phylis's Funeral, to the 'Friends of Quantock Medical Centre' equipment fund. Phylis will be greatly missed by so many friends and family in the village as such a kind-hearted lady. £577 was raised and this will support the ongoing maintenance and consumable costs for the Village Defibrillator held at the Quantock Medical Centre, and will fund additional high-back armed chairs for elderly and frail patients in our waiting room. We really do appreciate these donations as they allow us to fund additional equipment and items for patients including Blood Pressure Monitors to loan out to patients.

We are in the process of updating and renovating clinic rooms at the Practice to meet Health and Safety and Hygiene requirements. Our next phase will be new flooring in a couple of treatment rooms and the patient toilet to smarten things up a bit, so please bear with us during this disruption.

We have a great Patient Participation Group linked to the Practice where we get together and meet every few months to discuss anything from changes in the NHS to what's happening locally with our Practices, and any concerns from patients or ideas on how to improve things.

If you are interested in coming along, our meetings are on Wednesdays at 10.15am at the Tom Poole Library Nether Stowey on: 4th June, 3rd September & 3rd December. Alternatively, if you would like to get in touch please feel free to email me helen.stacey2@nhs.net or pop into the Medical Centre for a chat.

Helen Stacey - Practice Manager

Solution to Crossword No 59 - April 2025

ACROSS:

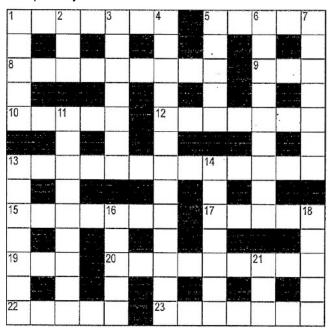
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DOWN:

1.Roast, 2.UTC, 3.Atelier, 4.Boysenberries, 5.Heels, 6.Dickinson, 7.Anaheim, 11.Alepidote, 13.Custard, 14.Oilseed, 16.Powys, 18.Molar, 21.Arc

Crossword No 60

Compiled by Helen Cuttell



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Give a loud piercing cry (7)
- 5. Large brightly coloured parrot native to South America(5)
- 8. Cried out suddenly in surprise (9)
- 9. A son of Poseidon (3)
- 10. Small, brightly coloured tropical freshwater fish (5)
- 12. Ethnic group native to Brittany (7)
- 13. Black & white wading bird with an orange red bill (6,8)
- 15. Mountain in the Lake District (7)
- 17. A fine, smooth cotton thread (5)
- 19. Card game (3)
- 20. Trained fighter in Ancient Rome (9)
- 22. Middle Eastern country with many ancient monuments (5)
- 23. To elevate a person's rank (7)

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Ancient grain recognised for its health benefits (5)
- 2. Legendary bird of great size and strength (3)
- 3. Asian dish with immature soybeans in their pods (7)
- 4. Large marine mammal (8,5)
- 5. Small fly that swarms and feeds on blood (5)
- 6. California lilac (9)
- 7. Town in Berkshire with a royal residence (7)
- 11. Formal written or spoken statement in a court of law (9)
- 13. Not discovered or known about (7)
- 14. Capital of Estonia (7)
- 16. Finger, thumb, or toe (5)
- 18. Large nest of an eagle or bird of prey (5)
- 21. Tally of items ordered in a bar or restaurant (3)



Stogursey Lunches MENUS*

Tuesday 6 May 2025

No lunches today

Tuesday 13 May 2025

(book by Fri 9 May - phone 01278 733451)

Ham, new potatoes, Russian salad & coleslaw, accompanied by a cheese muffin

OR

Vegetable fritter, new potatoes, Russian salad & coleslaw, accompanied by a cheese muffin

Chocolate cheesecake

Tuesday 20 May 2025

(book by Fri 16 April - phone 01278 733451)

Roast cod with bacon, basil and tomatoes, served with baby potatoes and vegetables

OR

Roasted vegetable and halloumi cheese kebabs, served with baby potatoes and vegetables

* * * * * Banana loaf

Tuesday 27 May 2025

(book by Fri 23 May - phone 01278 733451)

Sausage and egg pie, served with chopped green salad and tomato salad

OR

Spanish tortilla (potato and egg) casserole, served with chopped green salad and tomato salad

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Individual strawberry cheesecake

*MENUS MAY BE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



Stogursey Community Network (SCN) MAY 2025

How to contact us: stogurseycommunitynetork@gmail.com or Tel: 01278 732149

To book Medical Transport or Stogursey Lunches, please use the dedicated numbers given below.

STOGURSEY LUNCHES - Tel: 01278 733451 Doors open 12.00, we serve from 12.30pm.

Everyone is welcome to enjoy our wonderful home-cooked meals. Come along with friends or make new friends at the Lunches! **Children are very welcome and meals are FREE for under-12 year olds** (children to be accompanied by a responsible adult). A vegetarian option is always available, and we can cater for special diets/ preferences on request at time of booking. But don't forget to book your meals in advance!

Where: Jubilee Rooms, Castle Street, Stogursey

When: Tuesdays (except the first Tuesday of the month)

Cost: Payment is by anonymous cash donation. Please pay what you can afford to help cover our costs. But if you can afford a bit more, you can help others.

Advance booking please (in order to avoid waste and to cater to your needs).

Tel: 01278 733451 by 5pm on the preceding Friday to book your meal(s). See our Menus on this page, outside the Jubilee Rooms, and on the Bus stop noticeboard.

MEDICAL TRANSPORT - Tel: 07485 350560

For residents in the Stogursey parish, our DBS-checked volunteer drivers can take you to a **medical appointment**, if you are unable to get there any other way. Payment by cash donation. *Please note that we are all volunteers and sometimes we may not be able to fulfil your request, although we always do our very best.*

We require 48 hrs notice for all requests please.

Medical Transport Tel only: 07485 350560 (please leave a clear message).

PRESCRIPTION DELIVERY

In addition, SCN volunteers collect **prescriptions** from the two local Health Centres and deliver these to the **SPAR/POST OFFICE** for collection. If your Surgery has designated you a housebound or home delivery patient, we will deliver to you at home. (Please Note: This is only for those patients who are unable to collect from the Surgery or the SPAR/PO.)

FOOD BANK / PANTRY ~ DONATIONS AND DELIVERIES

The SCN is an official outpost of the Quantock Food Bank and Mobile Pantry. We are always grateful for donations to the Foodbank collection box in the Spar/Post Office. If you, or someone you know, needs food assistance please contact us or the **Village Agent** (for a Foodbank referral) and/or **Home Start** (for families with young children). Phone numbers on the 'Contacts and Parish Information' page in this magazine. The Mobile Pantry comes to the village weekly (Tuesday afternoons) for Pantry clients.



May 2025

Hinkley Point C Site Tour - A Few Spaces Left!

We have had a fantastic response to the invitation for the Hinkley Point C site tour on Tuesday 6th May 2025 - thank you to everyone who has already reserved a spot!

There are still a few seats available before the coach is full, so if you would like to come along, please RSVP by midday on Friday 2 May 2025. Pick-up times and locations:

- 13:45 Cannington Park & Ride
- 14:00 Stogursey Victory Hall

Drop-off times:

- 15:00 Stogursey Victory Hall
- 15:15 Cannington Park & Ride

To book your place, please contact Sacha Hawthorne:

sacha.hawthorne@edf-energy.com

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Monthly Dashboard

Following feedback from the community, we're introducing a new monthly dashboard to keep you informed about key topics. Please note that the data reflects the latest information from external sources and may be subject to change.

TOPIC	UPDATE	REASON
Expected noise levels		N/A
Expected Light levels	Normal	N/A
Planned use of local diversion route (*HAROLD)		N/A
Planned use of HPC emergency access route for site vehicles		N/A
Planned Somerset Council related roadworks		Upcoming roadworks in June
Planned Hinkley Point C related roadworks		N/A
Planned number of large movements on C182		Components required for the mechanical and eletrical phase

Find out more about the upcoming roadworks on Somerset council website. Contact us to sign up for the Hinkley Point C email and text notification for updates on transport moving along the C182. *Hinkley Alternative Routes Operating Local Diversions





May 2025

Progress on the Polar Crane at Hinkley Point C

Unit 2's Polar Crane will sit at the top of the Reactor Building where it will turn full circle to lift key pieces of equipment into place, like the reactor core and steam generators, it will also help with refuelling and maintenance when the station is up and running. Building on the learning from Unit 1, the crane for Unit 2 is being pre-assembled in a large building on the construction site. The pre-fabrication indoors and away from the elements is making the process smoother and faster.



Over 200,000 individual parts are being tracked through a new logistics system to support the assembly. Some extra testing is also being completed on the ground to help speed up later stages of the project, including the Dome Lift and commissioning.

So far, major steps have been completed:

- All four bogies—which allow the crane to rotate—are in place
- Stairs, platforms, handrails, and support beams have been installed
- Work has begun on the crane's runway inside Unit 2

Simon Stacey, Project Manager for the Equipment Programme, said:

Building the Polar Crane is a big task. Using what we learned from Unit 1 is helping us go faster on Unit 2. There's been great work across the teams, and we're on track to install the crane in

Community Clean-Up in Bridgwater



Teams from Hinkley Point C, Balfour Beatty and Kier BAM took part in a joint litter pick in Bridgwater as part of the Great British Spring Clean campaign.

The group divided into three teams and collected litter from public areas including the Bridgwater Canal, Colley Lane, and Broadway.

Together, they gathered approximately 20 bags of rubbish, helping to tidy up well-used parts of the town and contributing to a cleaner local environment.

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arrial Hinkley Point C Visitor Centre

Between January and March, the Visits team welcomed 1,695 visitors and 147 visits to the construction site. If you would like to join a Hinkley Point C bus tour, please contact Sacha Hawthorne: 🛂 sacha.hawthorne@edf-energy.com 📞 0333 009 7070

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Contacts and Parish Information

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Clerk: Steven Taylor:

clerk@stogurseyparishcouncil.org.uk

<u>Meetings</u>: held monthly in the Victory Hall, Stogursey 7.15pm - 7.30pm Public Forum for parishioners to ask questions;

7.30pm Councillors' meeting starts - parishioners

welcome to attend and listen.

Somerset Council: Watchet & Stogursey Division Councillors: Hugh Davies, Rosemary Woods

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Stogursey Parish Council

Chris Ford and Sue Goss

Dates of Main Site Forum Meetings:

Thursday 19 June, 6.00pm Victory Hall, Stogursey

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