

STOGURSEY NEWS



Restoring the fingerposts in the Parish
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August 2019

Deadline for **SEPTEMBER** contributions:
10.00 am Thursday 15th August

Editorial

Whatever your plans are for this holiday month of August we feel sure you will find things to interest you in this edition of 'Stogursey News'.

Last month's editorial mentioned what a useful resource the magazine was for sharing information about important village issues, and once again there are articles to ensure we can keep abreast of new developments (for instance the update on the Glebe Field development in the Points from the Parish Council Meeting).

This month the diversity of the projects being undertaken by volunteers is impressive. There is information about the Stogursey Fingerposts Restoration Project and updates on the Forget-Me-Not Café and the Arts Festival.

There is a lot to celebrate also as the School ends its year. The production of 'The Tempest' sounds quite an awe-inspiring feat.

Finally, the article about the Plastic Tree on the Blue Lias makes a walk to Shurton Bars a tempting proposition for a walk one day.

So enjoy the Summer and enjoy August's 'Stogursey News'.

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

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- Submit your contribution by the deadline date.
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Regular Events

Monday	Stogursey Surgery (Quantock Health Centre) Health Walking Group Short Mat Bowls	St Audries Centre Steart Marshes car park Victory Hall	from 11.00 am 2.00pm 7.30 - 9.30 pm
Tuesday	Tai Chi Health Walking Group Bingo Afternoon Parish Council Meeting (2 nd Tuesdays) Poetry Reading (monthly - ring Phil 733377) Quantock Musical Theatre Company	Victory Hall Quantock Medical Centre St Audries Centre Victory Hall Church Rooms Youth Club	10.30 am - 11.30 am 11.00 am 2.00 pm 7.15 pm 7.30 pm 7.30 pm
Wednesday	Singing Group (Nether Stowey) Community Employment Advice Hub (fortnightly) Forget-Me-Not Café (fortnightly) Movement to Music (Age Concern) Stogursey Craft Club (1 st Weds) Contact Cathy 734707 Tennis Club Stogursey Craft Club (3 rd Wednesdays) Women's Institute Meeting (2 nd Wednesdays)	Stable Loft Church Centre Greyhound Inn Church Rooms Victory Hall Church Rooms Multi-sport Court, V Hall Church Rooms St Audries Centre	10.00 am 9.30 am - 12.00 noon 10.30 am - 12 noon 11.30 am - 12.30 pm 2.00 pm - 5.00 pm 6.30 pm 7.00 - 9.00 pm 7.30 pm
Thursday	Stogursey Surgery (Cannington Health Centre) Bingo Evening Apple Blossom Sangha (contact Ralph 732690)	Church Rooms Victory Hall Shurton	from 3.00 pm 7.30 - 9.30 pm 7.30 pm
Friday	Stogursey Surgery (Quantock Health Centre) Coffee Shop EdF Monthly Drop-In Messi Club (1 st Fridays) St Andrew's Church Junior Youth Club (contact Nicky Morgan) Line Dancing No Line Dancing in August	St Audries Centre Church Rooms see details below Church Rooms Church Rooms Victory Hall	from 11.00 am 10.00 am - 12 noon venue specific 4.15 - 6.00 pm 6.00 - 7.30 pm 7.30 - 9.30 pm
Saturday Sunday	Football - Men (for details contact Steve Dixon Football - Boys. 01278 733850)	September - April September - April	2.00 - 3.00 pm

Diary 2019

August

7 th August	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
14 th August	Parish Council meeting	Youth Club	7.00 pm
17 th August	Cream Teas	Stoke House, High St	3.00 - 5.00 pm
21 st August	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
29 th August	Film Night: "Green Book"	Church Rooms	Doors open 7.00 pm
31 st August	Flag-hoisting Event - for Merchant Navy Day	The Gravel	3.00 pm

September

4 th Sept	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
18 th Sept	Forget-me-not Café	Church Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
21 st Sept	Safari Supper	meet Church Rooms	6.00 pm
27 th Sept	Organ Concert	St Andrew's Church	evening
28 th Sept	Dew Barf Music Night	Holford Village Hall	Doors open 7.00 pm

SERVICES IN THE QUANTOCK COAST BENEFICE : AUGUST 2019				
CHURCH	4 th August Trinity 7	11 th August Trinity 8	18 th August Trinity 9	25 th August Trinity 10
EAST QH	9.30am Eucharist PC	No Sunday@3	8.00am Eucharist (BCP) NM	-
FIDDINGTON	9.00am Eucharist AFT	9.00am Eucharist NM	9.00am Eucharist (BCP) AFT	-
HOLFORD	6.30pm Evensong DB	9.30am Eucharist (CW) SC	11.00am Family Service NM	10.00am Benefice Eucharist NM/AFT
KILVE	11.00am Eucharist AFT	11.00am Family Service DB	9.30am Eucharist SC	-
STOGURSEY	10.30am Morning Praise SC	10.30am Family Eucharist NM	10.30am Eucharist TS	-
STRINGSTON	11.00am Family Service NM	-	11.00am Eucharist AFT	-
WEST QH	9.30am Eucharist NM	9.30am Eucharist TS	9.30am Family Service NM	-
Liturgical colour & Readings	Green	Green	Green	Green
1 st Reading	Ecclesiastes 1: 2,12-14, 2: 18 -23	Genesis 15 :1 - 6	Jeremiah 23 :23-29	Isaiah 58 : 9b - 14
2 nd Reading	Colossians 3 : 1 - 11	Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16	Hebrews 11: 29 - 12:2	Hebrews 12 : 18 -29
Gospel	Luke 12 : 13 -21	Luke 12 :32 -40	Luke 12 : 49 -56	Luke 13 : 10 -17

MIDWEEK COMMUNIONS				
Date	Time	Venue	Presiding	Readings
August No Mid Week	Service			

NM Revd Nicky Morgan DB Revd Dawn Brimson AFT Revd Dr Andrew Tatham TS Revd Tony Smith
 SC Revd Stephen Campbell + GC Right Revd George Cassidy PC Revd Preb Pam Cuff

Race Night

A race night was held on Saturday 29th June at the Greyhound Inn to support 'Lydia's Legacy & Baby Willow'. We lost Lydia at birth so we set up Lydia's Legacy to raise enough money for a specialised machine for the Rowan Suite at Musgrove Maternity Unit.

On the night we raised a fantastic £2,201. £1,100 went to Lydia's Legacy which now stands at £6,115. This should be enough for a first machine. The other £1,100 will go to supporting baby Willow who needs our help as she suffered a shortage of oxygen at birth and needs a lot of special care.

We want to say a big thank you to all who turned up on the night and took part in the four Totes worth £100 each. The winners were: Kevin Kunc, Nigel (contractor), Sherree Treymayne & Ian Williams. A special thanks to Amanda & Stanley of Yellow Door Cottage Shurton for their generous donation and sponsorship of the last race! Last, but not least, thanks to Tony & Liz for a fantastic job well done! We could not do it without you.

C M Palmer

Jill Dillamore receives the award on behalf of Stogursey Well Employment Hub



Since The Stogursey Well Employment Hub opened in 2017, it has already proved very successful in making changes to people's lives. "The Well" is a venue for the whole community to receive help with a wide range of issues and provides access to employment and training opportunities for those who may not have a computer or transport.

The volunteers all have a strong desire to help others, using their own general life experiences to motivate people. Positive feedback from visitors who have found work as a result of the advice given, clearly shows that the Employment Hub is an invaluable asset for members of the community seeking employment and makes "The Well" volunteers worthy of this award.

Stogursey-Online (The Parish website)

You may have noticed that the Stogursey Parish website has undergone a makeover and now has a brand new look.

The website is run by volunteers with limited time and resources and is still in the process of development, but will, we hope, become much more useful with lots more links to valuable and worthwhile information. New material, new articles and much more is being added all the time.

If you are holding an event you would like to be highlighted, or you have any suggestions on information which you would like to see included on the website, please get in touch with the Parish Clerk at stogurseyppclerk@gmail.com

STA Barbecue at Fishers, Shurton on Saturday 13th July

A slightly overcast afternoon turned brilliantly sunny just as the STA Barbecue afternoon kicked off! We all had a wonderful time in Ian and Teresa's beautiful garden. The food was delicious, freshly cooked on the two BBQs by our volunteer chefs, accompanied by a variety of homemade salads also prepared by member volunteers, followed by ice cream and a gorgeous fruit compote. A feast!

About 50 people, including some children, enjoyed the event. As ever, it was a brilliant local social activity which also raised some funds for the Twinning Association. Many thanks to all the helpers, most especially our hosts Teresa Miller and Ian Elenor.

Our next event will be the Cream Tea, with a range of delicious homemade cakes and, of course, scones. This will take place in the garden of Stoke House, on Stogursey High Street on August 17th. We hope to see many of you there for what promises to be another wonderful Twinning event!

Don't forget you only have to be a member of the Twinning Association if you want to go on the trips or host someone from France. Everyone is welcome to enjoy the Twinning events, starting with the Cream Tea, and then the Safari Supper on September 21st (see diary dates).

To join the Association or to reserve tickets please contact Karen Henson: tel 01278 732727 or email k.henson@btinternet.com



Hi cinema goers and . . . music fans!

Just want to let you know about a forthcoming event on offer to you this September before I go into our film for August.

We are planning an evening at the newly transformed Holford Village Hall to raise much needed funds for The Soap Factory Cinema and Stogursey Arts Trust.

This music event is one not to be missed. We would like to introduce you to DEW BARF: Cornish for Two Beards. Dew Barf play a wide variety of music, spanning over one hundred years, equalling the combined age of the duo. They have known each other for 30 years and lurked at the back of various stages in that time and decided to have a go at being up front-men. The result is pretty hairy! From Bluegrass 90's, Heavy Rock from the 70's, and Blues from the 60's, the set sees acoustic and electric guitars and both voices. Dew Barf are a thrill to watch and seem to thoroughly enjoy what they do. They have a unique style with no fakery. Do expect some banter with yourselves though, as these guys know how to work a crowd. If that isn't enough to convince you, then go into Google or U-tube and see for yourselves. So get those feet tapping for a great night and make a date in your diary for Saturday 28th September in Holford Village Hall, TA5 1SD. Doors open 7pm for 7.30pm-ish start.

Refreshments available including wine and local ale. Tickets £6 from Stogursey Post Office or £7 on the door.

Look forward to seeing you there! Any further information will be in the September issue of Stogursey News.

Now on to The Soap Factory Cinema update:-

What a film 'Sometimes always never' was - that good that most people didn't want a comfort break. Just goes to show that you cannot always judge a film by its title. Which could also be said for our film for August, 'Green Book'. A working-class Italian-American bouncer becomes the driver of an African-American classical pianist on a tour of venues through the 1960's American South. A touching film, thought-provoking and funny!

So, sit back and enjoy a relaxing evening at The Soap Factory Cinema, Church Rooms, Castle St, Stogursey on Thursday 29th August. Doors open at 7pm film starts at 7.30pm.

Refreshments available to purchase on arrival and at the interval. Tickets £6 available at Stogursey Post Office. And not forgetting about the raffle with a chance to win tickets for the following month's film.

In next month's issue of Stogursey News we will give you the Autumn list available from September-December, with another 4 films for your viewing pleasure.

That's all for now folks!

The Soap Factory Team

STOGURSEY FORGET-ME-NOT CAFÉ

SUMMER DATES: *There is no break for summer holidays, there will be a cafe all through the summer.*



We recently had a visit from a beautiful lamb from Yellow Door Cottage in Shurton and we were able to bottle-feed him, he really made himself at home. Thank you to Amanda Stanley for allowing him to visit.

- ◆ Wednesday 7th August - Coffee, Chat, & Homemade Cake, Singing and Games
- ◆ Wednesday 21st August – 🎵 Music Bingo 🎵
- ◆ Wednesday 4th September – Coffee, Homemade Cake and chat
- ◆ Wednesday 18th September – Coffee, games and Homemade Cake

A BIG THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO CONTINUES TO SUPPORT THE CAFÉ.

Thank you also to all our wonderful helpers; we couldn't do this without you. More helpers are always welcome. Bob Page will be joining us again soon for light hearted recital and poetry.

There'll be a warm welcome to anyone who'd like to come from Stogursey and any of the surrounding villages.

Stogursey Forget-Me-Not Café is held in the Church Rooms, Castle Street, every other Wednesday from 10.30 – 12.00

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See our photos on INSTAGRAM

NOTES FROM IZZY SILVESTER

Do you want to save some money so you can borrow in the future?

For a washing machine, decorating your home, for a car or Christmas presents?

Come and join the Somerset Credit Union at the Talking Café in Williton – last Tuesday of every month 10 am - 12 noon. Starting Aug 27th!

You just have to save regularly (eg £5-10 a month) for the first few months, and then you can apply for a loan.

No dodgy loan sharks or high rates of interest!

The Somerset Credit union only charge you 1.5% a month. Credit Unions are all over the world supporting people to save to buy the things they need. It costs £1 to join and you can get help to fill in forms. You just need to have proof of your identity and name and address.

Under 16s can join for free and can save so they can buy the stuff they need, or so they can go on school trips that mum can't afford.

Save with the credit union and you can help yourself by helping others!

You can contact the Credit Union on 01823 336425 or just come in and meet the local West Somerset volunteers on the last Tuesday of every month.

Be your own boss - use your skills - change lives

Lots of people in our community struggle to get the help they need to lead the lives they want. A growing number of small independent care or support services (also called micro-providers) are setting up in West Somerset to offer more choice to people looking for support with basic tasks like shopping, cooking, cleaning, gardening, home maintenance and personal care.

If you like the idea of working for yourself, want to make a real difference and have an idea for a service or support in West Somerset there is help available.

The Community Council in partnership with Somerset County Council have helped over 300 people in the last four years to set up and offer a local supports.

We can:

- Offer advice and practical information on everything from regulation and training and sources of funding, or direct you to other organisations who can help.
- Help to connect you with people who need services.
- Listen to your ideas and give you friendly advice and feedback.

This could be suitable for you if you are a mum and need to work around your children or someone who has retired and loves working with people and the community!

Want to know more? Come along to Williton Talking Café on 17th September at 10.00-12 noon in Williton Pavilion or get in touch with Vince Tillman Enterprise Agent on 07931017907 or by email at vince@somersetccc.org.uk

Please phone me Izzy Silvester your Village Agent on 07931 018045, leave me your name and number and I will ring you back. Or e mail me on izzy@somersetccc.org.uk .I do only work part-time so it may take a day or two for me to return your call. Thank you



EXMOOR SUPPORT GROUP

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 22nd August 2019, 2pm at the Exmoor Medical Centre in Dulverton.

This month's guest speaker will be Sandra Wilson, who will tell us all about the work of the Medical Centre's Patient Group which she chairs. There will be an opportunity to put your questions to Sandra at the end of her talk.

For lifts please ring Royce and Marion on 01398 371 450.

Rest, Relax and Restore

A six session, fortnightly course, to learn different ways to achieve restorative rest and relaxation.

We will explore and practise different approaches at each session including Mindfulness and Visualisation.

The first session:
Thursday 12th September
10am until 11.30am
at St Audries Centre

Booking **essential** as numbers are limited

£30 all inclusive by 1st September

Please book directly with
Denise Stoneham
01278 732127

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Alfie, George, Kitty, Steph, Peter, Freya and Will

"We went to Kilve court for an end of year trip. I was on a tree rope-swing, I fell off and Will fell on me and then George went down as well. We were like dominoes going down. We went to Birmingham for our end of Year 6 trip. It felt like we went back in time to the 1920s. As we were looking in the houses, we learned some really interesting facts. For instance, they would only go in their front rooms for special occasions like birthdays and Christmas. I will miss this school because of the unique teachers."

Kitty

"My favourite memory was when I met all my friends and when I had my new and lovely teacher Miss Day and also Mrs Payne. The first friend I ever made was Stephanie, she was the one who showed me round. I will miss all my friends and teachers. I will miss Miss Atwell the most because I haven't had her that long and I will miss her lovely smiles. Goodbye my friends and teachers."

Freya

"My memory is when I was really shy, and I didn't speak or even eat in front of people. Now look at me! I grew out of being shy because of Jimi and he made me more confident. I learned a lot from being in *The Tempest*, like being loud enough for everyone to hear. I felt amazing when I did my rap. I will miss Stogursey School and all the friends I have made. See you later!"

George

Our year sixes share their stories of their time at Stogursey School and we wish them well as they move to secondary school.

"I remember a time when George didn't speak or eat and look at him now! I never see him not eating. When we went to the museum in Birmingham, he thought he was so funny sneaking up on us in the dark. I didn't think so! I was petrified! It was scary being in *The Tempest*. I had stage fright. Singing was the worst, because I can't sing. Ciao Stogursey School and friends, you have been great but it's time to move on and go to Haygrove."

Will

"When I started here, Kendra was my best friend straight away. I used to start maths at the same time as everyone else, but I always finished really quickly! For our year six trip we went to the Black Country museum, we went into a mine and Alfie kept terrifying us. In *The Tempest* we learned not to rush when you're on stage. You have to wait, and we really enjoyed it. I have always enjoyed Stogursey School. I will miss the teachers, my friends and the teaching assistants."

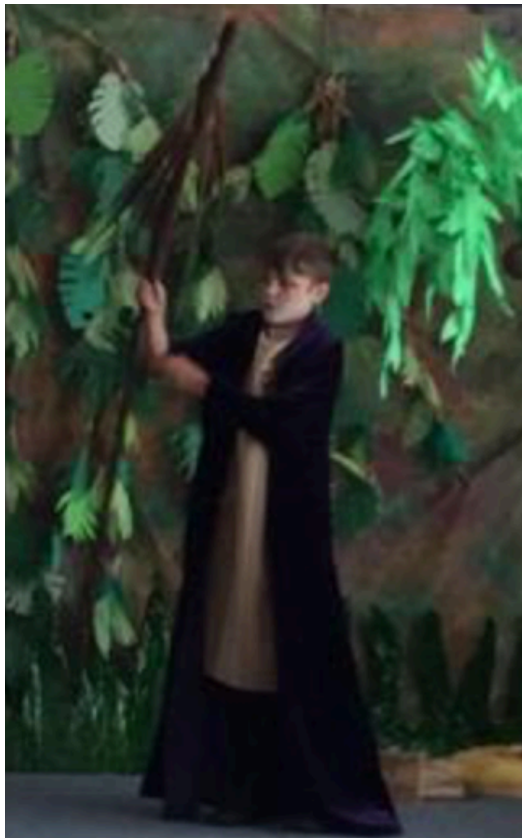
Steph

"I remember Mrs Barnes showing me round in Reception Class, so I knew where everything was. On our year six trip Mrs Stark was scared in the cave because it was dark. Alfie scared us all. At Kilve court we were on the climbing wall and George got up to the bell in seconds. Doing *The Tempest* was great. I learned to be patient, waiting to go on - you can't rush. Alfie nearly tripped me off the stage because his cloak was so long. The solo I sang worried me because it was scary with everyone watching me."

Peter

"I remember when Roman was acting like a monkey and ran straight into school and wouldn't stop laughing. I will miss all my friends!"

Alfie



The Tempest

The school worked extremely hard to put together a showing of Shakespeare's 'The Tempest' at the end of term. The main actors were in Woodpecker class, but all members of our school had a crucial role to play in it making it a massive success.

Special mentions go to Kitty who played the confused and conflicted Sebastian, George for his rapping version of the evil Antonio, and Peter who was very spritely as Ariel. Recognition was given to Alfie who was on and off the stage a lot playing the wronged wizard Prospero. Will deserves a special mention for his version of the bullied character Caliban, who just wanted to be left alone on his island making odd noises! Steph and Kristofer managed to carry out the very tricky love story dynamic of Miranda and Ferdinand really well with their 'goosepimples'.

Great feedback was offered by the audience including comments about the sets and costumes which staff, FOSS and children helped to produce, but the most laughs in this comedy play were generated by the tomfoolery of Stephano and Trinculo played very ably by Junior and Thomas.

"The acting was the best we've seen. The children really interacted on the stage with each other."



Although this is the last one for the current Year Sixes, we look forward to seeing what comes next from our Stogursey Acting Troupe! Well done to everyone!

Stogursey Arts Trust

“In preparing for battle I have always found that plans are useless, but planning is indispensable”

Dwight D.Eisenhower

The Festival team are now planning the Arts Festival 2019, which will take place on the 24th to the 27th of October.

In past months we have introduced various ideas to encourage you in creative thinking.

One artist, as far away as Australia has produced a series of sculptures in response to the quote about useless machines and these will be on exhibition in October. Chris Elenor has also made a piece about plastic waste pollution and he would like you to interact with his sculpture in his absence. The sculpture is located at Shurton Bars, on the beach by the Hinkley Jetty and you interact by adding your own found plastic waste from the beach, to enhance and enable the sculpture to 'grow'.

In response to 'lighting up Stogursey', several people asked us to pick a later date for the Festival in the Autumn, taking advantage of more hours of darkness, offered by the longer evenings. We hope that displays this year will be even more imaginative and that we will see yet more households taking part.

We said we would like to support a move towards having more Festival events at different times of the year. Lynne and Steve O'Driscoll have responded and have booked a band (Dew Barf) at Holford Village Hall, for September 28th to test the popularity of this idea and raise additional funds. Please support this initiative and come along.

With no suitable venue available in the village for the Music Gala this year, Ian Elenor and Phil Griggs have come up with the idea to run an 'open-mic night', which will be publicised nearer the time. Do contact them if you wish to contribute so we can include you in our planning.

'Our Right to a View' (Festival 'interactive' artwork) has come to the attention of the local Arts press. We will be publishing an article on this and the motivation behind why we are using Art as our voice to make our views public, regarding the potentially destructive planning applications that have been proposed for our village. There will be an open meeting to aid planning of the proposed 'artwork' on August 12th at 7pm in the Church Rooms, where we will be giving examples on how everyone can contribute and be involved in expressing their views.

We anticipate more media interest as this project moves forward, so please come along and find out what you can do, say or add to the process, as the project needs everyone who has a view to participate for it to realise its collective impact.

We want the Festival this year to be a celebration of our community, our landscape(s) and in particular what it means to us today.

For details look on our website: where you will find details of all our events along with our latest news and updates.

Key contacts: Tim Kaye on 734550
and Ian Elenor on 733052.

Mike Bradshaw for Stogursey Arts

Plastic Tree on the Blue Lias

An Installation for the Stogursey Arts Festival

I grew up in Stogursey, at Zoggs down Castle St. Many of you would know my mother Peggy-the-Hat, my extended family and their divers dogs. In our childhood in the early 1960's, Mum would take us to the beach at Shurton Bars. By the late afternoon we would be a tired patchwork of mud and sunburn returning home with bits of fossils and driftwood in interesting shapes. When older we would cycle down of a long summer evening and sizzle sausages on a makeshift grill taking care not to overheat and explode the Blue Lias limestone surrounding the blue flames of the driftwood fire. After gaining licences for two and then four-wheeled motor vehicles, the beach visits took on a more romantic aspect courting the beautiful pianist from over the hills in Taunton.

I left Stogursey and England in the early 1970's for a life in Australia, returning only irregularly until more recently when Mum was ageing and my father was no longer around. As the saying goes, you can take the boy out of Somerset but it is hard to take Somerset out of the boy.

Beach combing in the flotsam and jetsam along the storm tide lines on the shingle ridges and fossil hunting amongst the rounding Blue Lias boulders has helped bring the bifurcated parts of my life together.

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This summer, Paula and I have been fortunate to walk beaches in the Elafati Islands off the Dalmatian coast, the Oasi Di Vendicari nature reserve in Sicily, and the National Park encompassing the five villages of the Cinque Terra in Northern Italy. In all these wild and beautiful places bright plastics in various shapes, grades and sizes have marred the storm tideline and piled up on the beaches the Irish call *cladach eadalacch*, meaning a good beach for flotsam and jetsam. I have collected a miniscule amount of this material and have been trying to make some artistic and political sense of this modern plague.

Walking Shurton Bars some 60 years on with my nephew Joe and Monty the dog, I am struck by the massive amounts of tortured black plastic fence netting tangled in the bladderwrack and strewn along the length of the shingle ridges. It has a strange and disturbing twisted beauty. What was its (intended) use? Where has it come from? Some of it has been pulled up to the field and cliff edge to be anchored down with rocks by environmental beachcombers but much is still scattered along the shingle ridges.

So in a storm piled stack of driftwoods by the cliff close to the new Hinkley Point jetty and on the 200 million year old Blue Lias pavement, I collected and twisted the black plastic. With Joe's youthful strength we raised the branches of the Shurton Bars plastic tree. Returning subsequently, I find the winds have already changed its shape, moving the branches and flattening the profile.



Chris Elenor

Stogursey Parish Fingerposts Restoration Project

The volunteer Restoration Project Team (Rebecca Calvert, Mike Laver, Richard Cuttall, Deborah Woodford, Nial Woodford and Geoffrey Hart) have started the restoration on the 16 fingerposts in the parish.



The team conducted a survey of all the fingerposts gathering a wealth of information outlining the current status and the work required. The information was put together into a comprehensive booklet by Deborah & Neil Woodford.

More volunteers are welcome.



Points from the Parish Council Meeting – 10 July 2019

The Glebe Field - Parish Council Planning Meeting

The planning application was eventually validated by the Planning department at the District Council and the Parish Council were able to schedule their proposed planning meeting to discuss the plans before formulating a response for Mon 22 July 2019 at 6.30pm (the meeting will have been held by the time this publication is printed). As previously promulgated, residents were invited to attend and to register their wish to speak.

Stogursey Parish Fingerposts Restoration Project

You will have seen changes to some of the Fingerposts in the parish – this is thanks to a team of volunteers who have given up their time to survey all 16 posts in the parish, and have started to clean and paint them. Their restoration will provide an improvement to the environment, which I am sure is appreciated by the local community. If anyone else is interested in becoming involved in the project please contact the Parish Clerk to be added to the list of volunteers. Somerset County Council are expected to hold another training workshop in September. Please see separate article with photos.

Merchant Navy Day – 3 September 2019

The Parish Council plan to recognise Merchant Navy Day by holding a flag hoisting event on Sat 31 Aug 2019. Please see separate article for full details. If you would like to get involved with the Flag Raising Ceremony, please contact the Parish Clerk.

Somerset County Council Chairman's Award

The Chairman of Somerset County Council, Cllr Nigel Taylor, has recognised the work of dozens of community stalwarts at an annual award ceremony on Thu 4 Jul 2019. Every year the Chairman presents awards to people who have made an outstanding contribution to their community. Stogursey Parish Council congratulates the Stogursey Well Employment Hub who they nominated for the Chairman's Award this year. Members of the Employment Hub team attended the ceremony and received a certificate and a shield which will be displayed in the Greyhound where the fortnightly sessions are held.

THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST 2019

Demolition work on the Victory Hall is expected to be imminent, therefore the next Parish Council meeting will be held on Wednesday 14 August in the Youth Club.

Parish Council meetings will be held on the 2nd Wednesday of the month during the rebuild in the Youth Club unless otherwise notified. Please keep a look out on parish notice boards and the parish website for confirmation of the details.

I look forward to hearing from you on any issues you wish to discuss. My phone number is 01278 653824 or you can e-mail me at stogurseyccclerk@gmail.com

Gillian Orchard, Clerk to the Parish Council



Since 2000, Merchant Navy Day on 3rd September has honoured the brave men and women who kept our 'island nation' afloat during both World Wars, and celebrated our dependence on modern day merchant seafarers who are responsible for 95% of the UK's imports, including half the food we eat, plenty of the fuel we burn and virtually all the products and goods we take for granted!

The Merchant Navy of Great Britain has played a significant role in British history. It suffered severe losses from German U-boat attacks during World War I and II. Around 32,000 merchant seafarers were killed during two wars, but along with the Royal Navy, the convoys successfully imported enough supplies to allow an Allied victory.

For the fifth year running, Seafarers UK is campaigning for the Red Ensign - the UK Merchant Navy's official flag - to be flown on 3rd September on civic buildings and landmark flagpoles across the UK. Parish, Community, Town, City, District and Borough Councils have been invited to take part, along with higher-tier local authorities and governments.

Stogursey Parish Council is planning a local flag-hoisting event at 3pm on Saturday 31 August 2019 and the Red Ensign will be flown for a week. All residents are invited to attend.

All residents, in particular serving and former seafarers, who would like to become involved in organising the event are requested to contact the Parish Clerk.

STOGURSEY PARISH COUNCIL: May 2019

Cllr Chris Morgan



Chairman

Allotments;
Victory Hall;
Neighbourhood Plan

Quantock Vale Ward Councillor

Cllr Sue Goss



Vice Chair

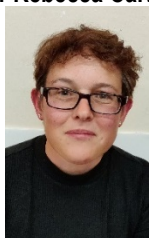
Hinkley Point A & B Site Stakeholders Group
Transport Forum, Community Forum,
Quantock Area Panel;
Main Site Neighbourhood Forum,
West Somerset Flood Group

Cllr Judy Bastick



Stogursey Parish Councillor
Parish Enhancement Group

Cllr Rebecca Calvert



Stogursey Parish Councillor
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Cllr Chris Ford



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Stogursey Twinning Association

Cllr Susan Jones



Stogursey Parish Councillor
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Church Liaison;
Stear Forum

Cllr Steve O'Driscoll



Stogursey Parish Councillor
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Cllr Jenny Ody



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Stogursey Employment Hub

Cllr Helga Staddon



Stogursey Parish Councillor
Stogursey Charities
Burgage Road
Play Area

Gillian Orchard



Stogursey Parish Council Clerk
Proper Officer
Responsible Financial Officer
Stogursey Parish Stagecoach

Hugh Davies



Somerset County Councillor
(Watchet & Stogursey)

Councillors attend meetings (SSG, Transport, MSN, Community Forum, Quantock Panel), and represent the Parish Council, highlighting parish concerns and issues, reporting back to the Parish Council when necessary.
Some responsibilities are Parish Council led (Allotments, Parish Enhancement; Community (emergency planning), flood planning, BRPA) and representatives are asked to become proactive in ensuring their area of responsibility is maintained.

Hinkley Point C Look ahead

August 2019

We continually monitor the light, noise and dust emissions from Hinkley Point C Site to ensure that our construction works have a minimal impact. However, you may still see and hear some aspects of the work. This is a summary of some of our current works:

Location		Description of works
1	Saren's Crane	Erection of the SGC-250, the largest land-based crane in the world, will continue throughout August.
2	Northern Plaza	Tarmac works at the Northern Plaza are ongoing to provide the main entry and exit point for personnel at Hinkley Point C.
3	Unit 1	We recently completed J0 on the nuclear island, the largest concrete pour in the UK to date, which marks the start of above-ground construction at Hinkley Point C. Preparation for the launch of the Tunnel Boring Machines is ongoing.
4	Unit 2	Excavation is almost complete in Unit 2, with reinforcement and concrete works having commenced.
5	HAI	The temporary Sewage Treatment Works, also known as HAI, will be commissioned soon, meaning fewer tanker lorry movements along the C-182 and local road networks.
6	Materials Stockpiles	Stockpiling and processing of material is ongoing, in preparation for the receipt of tunnel arisings.
	Bristol Channel	An Aquatech Survey, to identify magnetic anomalies, will be carried out from July into the beginning of August. During this time you may see a vessel around the offshore heads.
	Combwich Wharf Jetty	Preparation works for the renovation of the wharf are continuing. The programme of training exercises continue as the Jetty prepares to go operational.

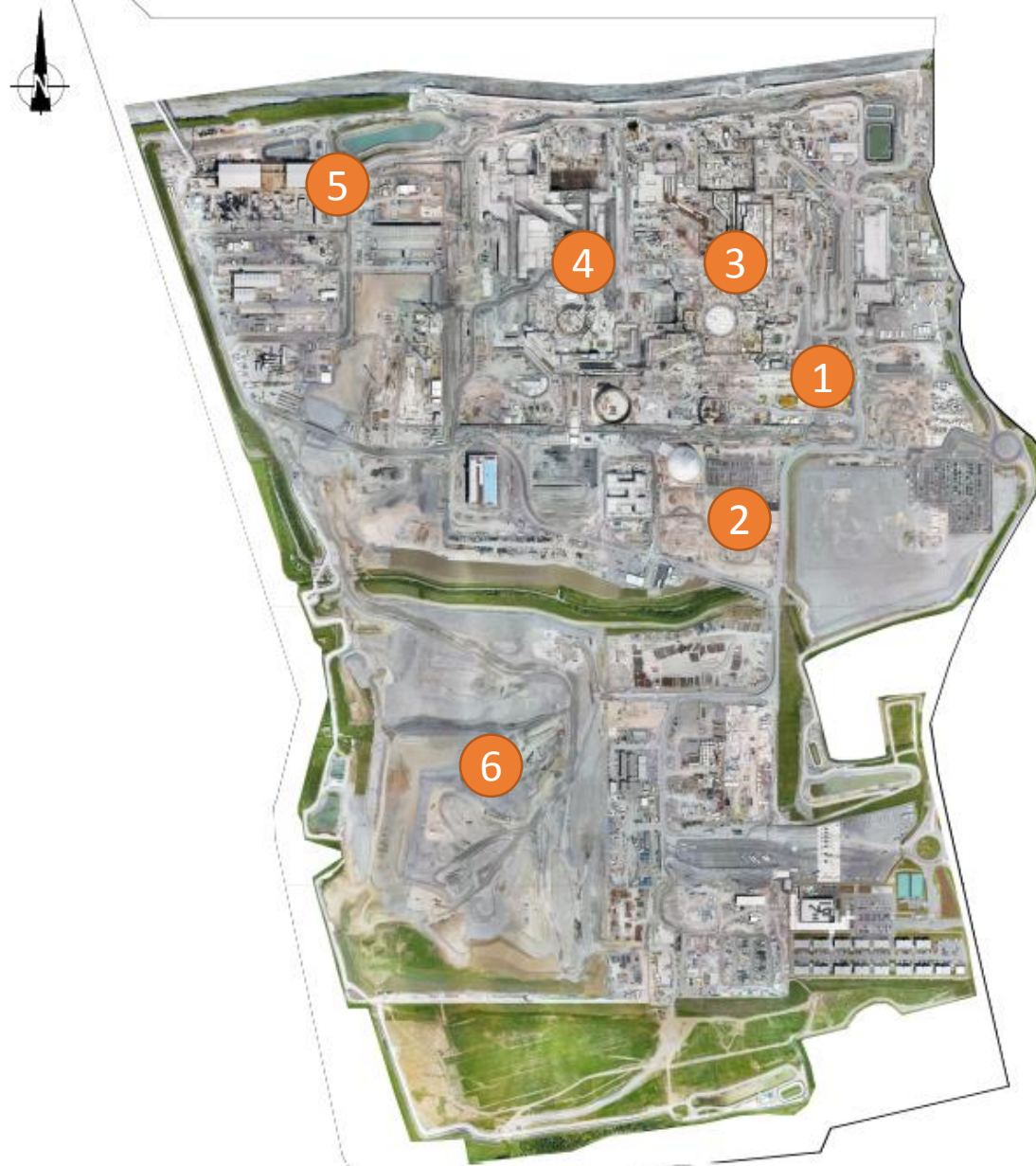
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