

STOGURSEY NEWS



Well Dressing

Look inside to read how it was made.

October 2021

Deadline for **NOVEMBER** contributions:

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Editorial

Welcome to this month's edition of Stogursey News. We have much to celebrate as a village, not least the success of the Arts Festival last month. In these pages you can read about the variety of activities – the Brass Band concert, the Flower Show, 'Morris Travellers' dancing on the Gravel, film night and decorated hat competition to mention a selection. One of the highlights was the stunning Well Dressing pictured on the front cover – read about its creation on page 9. We are lucky to have so many talented people here in the village.

It's always good to see lots of photos of our happy children too, some enjoying success with the front door flower show or joining in at the Summer Happiness Holiday Club.

The Twinning Association continues to thrive. Read about their recent successful social activities and how you can get involved. Fingers crossed (or should we say, "doigts croisés"?) that an exchange can actually happen next year!

September has been a lovely month, but now autumn is well under way, and indeed one article looks towards November. Would you like to help selling poppies?

With best wishes from us all on the 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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- * Attach it to an email.
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- * Write or type your contribution.
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- Submit your contribution by the deadline date.
- Keep within the 500-word limit.
- Provide your contact details so that we can get in touch if we need to edit.
(*Stogursey News Team reserves the right to edit contributions for length and layout.*)
- Send your contribution each and every month you would like it published.
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Regular Events			
Monday	Health Walks (weekly) Contact Ralph 07969777325 Short Mat Bowls (weekly) Contact: Ron 732688	Stear Marshes Car Park Victory Hall	2.00pm 7.30pm - 9.00pm
Tuesday	Tai Chi Shibashi for over-50s. (Contact AgeUK 01823 345 624) Stogursey Lunches (weekly) WI (second Tuesday of month - from October) Parish Council Meeting (second Tuesday of month) Quantock Tennis Club (first Tuesday of month)	Victory Hall Church Rooms Victory Hall Victory Hall Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.30 am Doors Open 12noon 2.30pm 7.15 pm 6.00pm - 10.00pm
Wednesday	Baby & Toddler Stay and Play (weekly) Forget-Me-Not Café (alternate Wednesdays) Bingo Club	Victory Hall Church Rooms Youth Club	11.00am - 12noon 10.30am - 12 noon 7.00 pm - 9.00 pm
Thursday	Mobile Library visit (once every four-weeks) Ukelele Sessions (second Thursday of month)	Shurton & Stogursey Victory Hall	as per schedule 8.00pm - 10.00pm
Friday	Coffee Shop (weekly) Quantock Tennis Club (weekly) Contact John Nicholson 732711 or jfnicholson@talktalk.net	Church Rooms Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.30am - 12 noon 10.00am - 12 noon
Saturday			
Sunday	Quantock Tennis Club (weekly)	Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.00am - 12 noon

DIARY 2021

Date	What	Where	When
2 nd October	Stogursey Community Network (SCN) AGM	Church Rooms	
12 th October	Parish Council Meeting	Victory Hall	7.00 pm
13 th October	Forget-me-Not Café	Church Rooms	10.30 - 12 noon
14 th October	Ukelele Session	Victory Hall	7.30 pm
14 th October	Film Night (Soap Factory Cinema)	Church Rooms	Doors Open 7.00 pm
21 st October	Mobile Library visit	as per schedule	as per schedule
23 rd October	Cheese & Wine Social	Church Rooms	7.30 pm - 9.00 pm
27 th October	Forget-me-Not Café	Church Rooms	10.30 - 12 noon
10 th December	Fun Christmas Quiz	Church Rooms	7.00 pm

Celebration of Life Service

for **Margaret Patricia Brown**

(23.06.1924 - 27.07.2021)

at St Andrew's Church, Stogursey
on Monday 25th October at 12 noon
and afterwards at The Victory Hall.

Please join the family in celebrating a life well lived and in sharing memories of our dear, sweet Mum.

Please don't feel you need to wear black, this is after all, a celebration of Mum's life with her friends of Stogursey that she loved so much.

For everyone's protection from Covid19, the family would appreciate it if you could wear a mask inside please.

Hilary Brookes

INVITATIONS AND THANKS FROM STOGURSEY TWINNING ASSOCIATION

All members - or lapsed members - and those who may be interested in joining Stogursey Twinning Association are cordially invited to a **Cheese and Wine Social Event** in the Church Rooms, Castle Street, Stogursey on **Saturday 23rd October from 7.30 to 9.30 pm**. Wine, soft drinks, bread and crackers will be available to accompany a wide selection of cheeses.

We also look forward to hosting a fun **Christmas Quiz on Friday 10th December** from 7.00pm in the Church Rooms. Teams of up to four are invited to participate. A light supper will be available and the chance to win a Christmas Hamper plus other small prizes.

Although we were obliged to hold our annual summer Cream Tea event indoors this year due to a very wet blustery morning and rain threatening all afternoon we had a lovely time, yet again enjoying delicious scones made on the premises and a wide range of homemade cakes (including pistachio macaroons and a no-flour chocolate cake!) We also held a raffle with generous locally donated prizes, and we thank all those who supported us with baking, making, donating or sampling - a great effort all round THANK YOU!

More recently members, their friends and families, enjoyed a beautiful sunny Sunday lunch BBQ at Fishers in Shurton and we are grateful for all the support and efforts of the small team, especially our hosts, who made it such a success. It has been so uplifting getting together safely and socially, resuming some of our pre-pandemic activities.

More details in our November edition or contact Caroline Hawkes, Stogursey Twinning Association Secretary, 01278 733162 carolinemayhawkes@gmail.com

Poppy Appeal 2021

For 100 years the Royal British Legion has been helping serving and ex-serving personnel and their families.



Last year there was no street collection due to the Covid pandemic. This year there will be street collections.

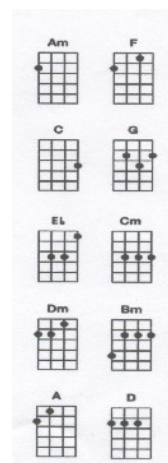
Could you help with the collection? You can collect just in your street or village at a time to suit you. Spend as little or as much time as you want over a two week period. Even one hour will make a difference. All materials will be delivered to you and collected again after the collection.

If you would like to help and make a difference please call me.

Richard Cuttell
Poppy Appeal Organiser
Tel: 01278 734818

Ukelele Session

Last month we had our second session which was well attended. The players have a wide range of experience and ability and we believe that everyone was able to take part. There were also strong vocal contributions from the patrons of Mat's Bar.



This month we plan to start half-an-hour earlier and run a workshop for beginners and for those wishing to improve their techniques.

Next session: Thurs 14 October
7.30pm workshop
8.00pm session

Ian ianelenor@gmail.com
Rose rose.palmer280@btinternet.com

VICTORY HALL LOTTERY WINNERS

August 2021 Draw

1st prize	£25.00	Allan Oliver	No 82
2nd prize	£15.00	Barbara Jones	No 74
3rd prize	£10.00	Polly Cross	No 173



Lady Drive

Whilst out for a walk with my grandchildren around Burton, I was appalled to see the amount of dog poo left on the Lady Drive path, past Honibere Wood to Lilstock.

When we got home Megan painted this picture. I thought it was really good so we fixed it to the gate post at the entrance to the path.

Hopefully dog owners/walkers will take note!

Mike Laver, Burton

A great night out in Stogursey!

The Victory Hall resounded to the sound of excellent brass band music as the Burnham and Highbridge Brass Band gave an enthusiastically received concert on Friday 10th September.

The first half was in the traditional style, with marches, folk tunes and light classical music

The excellent Dave Larkin then provided a change of style with his guitar, singing a great selection of numbers. What a voice he has!

After the interval the audience were transported to a German 'Bierkeller'. Mat's bar had kept us well supplied with drinks during the evening, so everyone enthusiastically joined in, with plenty of cheering, swaying, clapping and thigh-slapping.

A few more tunes by Dave and then came the finale, a rousing 'Last Night of the Proms' complete, of course, with audience participation.

A great night out, enjoyed by band and audience alike, providing a great opening night to our Festival.

The band after the concert



Hello to all you cinema goers



What a great start to the winter season, wonderful to see you after such a long time. Let's hope we are beginning to get back to normal and enjoy meeting friends and neighbours in a safe and friendly environment.

A very big thank you to everyone who came to the first showing and let's look forward to this month's film which follows a woman in her sixties who, after losing everything in the Great Recession, embarks on a journey through the American West, living in a van as a modern day nomad. Worth doing? Let's find out.

So come and join us on:
Thursday 14th October 2021
The Soap Factory Cinema, Church Rooms, Castle Street, Stogursey.

Doors open 7pm for a 7.30pm showing. Tickets £6 available from Stogursey Post Office or on the door.

Refreshments and snacks available to purchase on arrival and at the interval, and not forgetting the raffle with a chance to win two tickets for the following month's film.

That's all folks,
Look forward to seeing you there.

The Soap Factory Team

Shurton Flower Planters

Our thanks go to Barbara Oates who has cared for the two planters in Shurton for many years, and kept them looking wonderful. But Barbara has decided that the time has come for her to hang up her volunteer's trowel and gardening gloves.

Would you be interested in looking after these planters? If so, please contact Richard Wand, the Clerk to the Parish Council.

HOLFORD GARDENERS' GROUP

Holford and District Village Hall October 19th 7.30pm

'Climate Change Garden'

A talk by Sally Morgan

Members £1.00 Visitors £3.50

All Welcome

Stogursey Flower

Show

The outdoor Stogursey Flower Show was the joyful and fun event that I had hoped it would be.



There were some spectacular front gardens and hanging baskets, all beautifully cared for by some green-fingered gardeners. Thank you Allan for your help with judging the gardens. The front door decorations were fantastic, very creative and imaginative, but the winner had the real 'wow' factor and was created by the youngest entrants to the competition.

The event started with our very own dance troupe, the Morris Travellers, which set the tone for a happy event. A decorated hat parade was judged by Ian who was sporting one of Peggy's many memorable chapeaus!

It was lovely to see so many people come to the Church Rooms to socialise over coffee and cake whilst watching the

fascinating Spinning Demonstration then leaving with some 'new' books and seeds.

I would like to thank everyone who helped to make the event such a success; I really appreciated all your support and the delicious donated cakes. Also thank you very much to Sue, Lynn and Debbie for their Demonstration and to the marvellous Morris Travellers.

Best Front Garden- Ann Vowles
Best Hanging Baskets - Gloria Touchin
Best Front Door decoration- Emily, Sophie, Esme, Ben and Jenny Nicholson
Best Decorated Hat- Caroline Hawkes

Hopefully next year we will return to the usual Flower Show in the Victory Hall but, until then, keep gardening and creating.

Fiona Johnson



Stogursey Community Network (SCN)

Annual General Meeting

Friday 2nd October

Stogursey Church Rooms

All current members, and anyone who is interested in joining the SCN or has benefited from the SCN's work over the past 18 months, are cordially invited to our first Annual General Meeting.

We plan to deal with the official business (report on our activities since March 2020, re-election of the Management Committee*, presentation of Accounts) swiftly and then host a social evening, probably with some entertainment. This will be a chance to chat to others and discover how you could help too, even in a very small way. All ideas and offers greatly appreciated.

Please would all participants bring along a **small contribution to the Buffet** for us to share together. Drinks will be provided.

IMPORTANT

Due to the need to keep numbers reasonable in these times, we request that all attendees book in advance so that we can monitor the number of people. Please email sukey.elstob@btinternet.com or phone 01278 732149 to book.

Thank you. We are looking forward to seeing you on 1st October!

*Please note that only current members may vote in Elections.



MACULAR SOCIETY EXMOOR SUPPORT GROUP, DULVERTON

We had the most marvellous day recently! As we still have no permanent venue for our meetings, we decided to have outings instead, like the visit to the tearooms in Winsford in July. A pub lunch was requested. As some kind people had organised a sponsored dinner in their pub and had donated the proceeds to us, we decided to pay them a visit, say 'thank you' in person and have lunch at Hazel and Steven's most delightful Exeter Inn in Chittlehamholt in Devon. The journey was hair-raising in parts, as the lanes leading to it were even narrower than ours on Exmoor. Not only did we have a marvellous lunch and desserts, but we also learnt that Hazel's Mum has Macular Degeneration, which is the reason why this lovely couple organise fundraising events for our cause. We had such a good time, made friends for life and promised that we would stay in touch.

Special 'thank yous' also go to two wonderful ladies: Jan Ross who had a battle to find a willing driver for our Community Coach; and Sarah Buchanan, who stepped up and never doubted that she would find Chittlehamholt in the wilds of Devon. The driving was superb and your patience remarkable, Sarah!

Our meeting in October will be on Thursday, 28th; venue and speaker to be determined; members will be informed closer to the time. If you are not a member and would like to join us, please ring Marion and Royce on 01398 371 450. Until then, stay well!

Stogursey Arts Trust

"If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."

African proverb

In the first few years of its revival, the Festival established itself quickly as an Arts event on the cultural calendar of West Somerset. Those of us who were part of this reinvention had no idea that it would be so well-thought of so quickly. Every year following, we came up with new ideas and the Festival went from strength to strength. In March 2020 we started to meet to discuss the sustainability of this annual event, only to be stopped in our tracks by the pandemic. Literally the morning after we met in the Church Rooms to discuss our strategy for going forward, we had other more important things to be concerned with. Yet despite the frustrations and anxieties that followed, individually we kept the conversation going.

None of us are any younger, but many of those who continue to run events, manage village resources or organise activities are in the demographic that could be described as 'the Last of the Summer Wine'. There is still an energy here, but we recognise there is a dilemma, one that has been rehearsed in the past with the disappearance in time of events and activities such as Stogursey's pantomime and the village coach trips. More currently, the temporary closure of the very popular Soap Factory Cinema, due to Covid, prompted many to ask 'will it start up again?' As for the Festival, the distancing restrictions required us to promote a DIY response to the display of work that has continued into this year.

In recognition of the importance of keeping events alive in around the parish, the various organisations that are still going strong, came together last month to see if we could find some common ground to support one another and encourage new interest and volunteers.

The good news is that 14 of our local community groups turned up, some with longstanding track records for recruiting new generations of interest, spanning over several decades. In comparison, the 'revived' Festival is still in its infancy and learning from others. We are three years off the decade milestone, but seeing the strength in working with other village groups over the years, such as the flower 'artists', the music gala, the school, the Church and the fantastic number of creative residents in the village, gives us hope and food for thought in what happens next. This year we saw some of our local musicians organise stand-alone events of real quality. In other areas within our community new offers of expertise

have enabled quality concerts to be performed in the church and we also saw a new take on the Well dressing, resulting in a beautifully crafted piece by our flower artists. All this alongside the DIY Outside Gallery and the highly successful, reinvented Flower Show.

It is clear that for us 'to go far' or just keep going further, with more of us working together we may just be able to sustain the activities that people enjoy as part of village life. We also have some new suggestions from the 'post it' ideas gathered from the joint village coffee event last month. These have been grouped below for you to consider:

- A community events calendar annually, with monthly additions
- arts events notice board
- Festival outreach opportunities
- swapping drama productions with nearby villages
- Visiting performances
- Theatre, music & comedy nights in the Victory Hall
- Dance group
- make-up event
- knitting circle
- life drawing
- jewellery workshop
- pottery evening
- photography group
- History Society
- Toddler group
- Well-being meditation evening
- Community herb garden
- wild flower meadow
- phone box gallery and micro-garden
- Wine, gin & beer tasting events

And if you are interested in any of these let us know, but more importantly, if we get enough interest, we are looking for new volunteers to help make them happen. Do get in touch (call us on 01278734550).

At the time of writing, we have still more to see from the Festival and it looks like turning out to be a great success. So thanks in advance to all who have contributed this year. More on this next month and if you can't wait to catch up on anything you have missed, if you have access to a computer, do take a look at the pictures posted on the Stogursey Arts Festival Facebook page.

Mike Bradshaw for Stogursey Arts



Stogursey Forget-Me-Not Café

is held in the Church Rooms, Castle Street,
Stogursey TA5 1TB

every other Wednesday from 10.30 – 12.00

Helen and Rose are looking forward to welcoming you for
a cuppa and a chat.

Autumn/Winter Dates:

Wednesday October 13th
Wednesday October 27th
Wednesday November 10th
Wednesday November 24th
Wednesday December 8th
Wednesday December 22nd
Wednesday January 5th



Alfred with his friend the Lamb!

Forget-Me-Not Cafés provide support, companionship
and a warm welcome to those who are recognising
issues with their memory, as well as their carers, family
and friends. There are a variety of activities including
music, singing, arts and crafts, quizzes, or just a chat.

*Volunteers and Guests can be reassured that everything
is being done to stay Covid-secure.*

Please contact:

Helen: 01278 734818 – cuttellhelen@gmail.com

Rose: 07507 374234

Sponsored Jail Break

*continuing Donna's story, as first reported in a 1987
edition of Stogursey News*

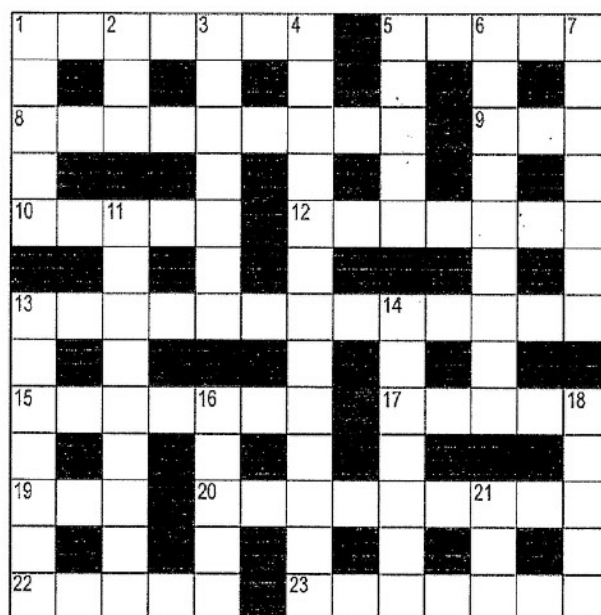
... After about 2½ hours of travelling, we had
our second set back when the digger broke
down. We managed to contact Transform who
sent out a man and supplied us with another
digger. We were then able to complete our
escape to Bridgwater Police Station, where
some of the other Youth Club members were
waiting for our arrival at 4.00 pm. We had our
passport signed by the officer in charge and the
escape was over.

The team were the winners of this category and
will be resented with the trophy at a Disco at
Rowbart and Lyngford Boys Club on 19th
November.

Donna Cross

Quick Crossword No 17

compiled by Helen Cuttall



CLUES ACROSS

1. Subject studying ancient Greek (7)
5. British Academy of Film & Television Arts (5)
8. Someone from our planet (9)
9. Youth Olympic Games (3)
10. Doctor who stands in for another Doctor (5)
12. Severe or strict in manner (7)
13. Scottish breed of cattle (8,5)
15. A painting on two hinged wooden panels (7)
17. Group of eight musicians (5)
19. Make a choice (3)
20. Small Australian marsupial (9)
22. Book to keep a daily record of events (5)
23. Hard wood used to make furniture (7)

CLUES DOWN

1. Large wicker basket for holding fish (5)
2. Scottish seaside town with a racecourse (3)
3. Made plans in a devious way (7)
4. Global warming from manmade emissions resulting
in shifts in weather patterns (7,6)
5. Not genuine or true (5)
6. Class in boxing (9)
7. Ancient port on the Mediterranean (7)
11. Beautiful queen of Egypt (9)
13. Robot with human appearance (7)
14. Tree houseleek (7)
16. Small Australian crayfish (5)
18. Carried something heavy or awkward (5)
21. Brand of stock cube (3)

Points from the Parish Council Meeting 14th September 2021

Paddons Farm

Strongvox were represented at the Public Forum and several posed questions on the state of the drains on the estate which were promised to be CCTV inspected and the results shared. The building of the remaining 27 houses should commence by the end of the year the meeting was told, but that disruption would be kept to a minimum and the old compound reinstated, which would also house contractors' vehicles. The other parcel of land would be transferred to the Parish Council and all work is intended to be completed well within two years.

Housing Needs Survey

It is hoped that a questionnaire will be distributed around the whole parish by Somerset West and Taunton Council to gauge the needs within the parish. I am sure there will be more on this topic as the matter progresses. If necessary, please do not hesitate to ask for assistance.

Community Safety Officer

Nicola Hale, the newly appointed Community Safety Officer for SDC and HPC introduced herself and outlined her role to the Parish Council. She hopes to be able to assist in resolving any Community Safety issues being experienced by members of the parishes around Hinkley Point.

Highways issues

Many will have noticed that many of the worn out white and yellow lines are being replaced following concerns raised with SCC Highways by the Parish Council, hopefully more will be addressed as the weeks pass. One issue which has been highlighted since the yellow box

junction was renewed on the High Street, in Stogursey, is the need for all drivers to appreciate the needs of other road users. The yellow box has been repainted, it's not new; it is there to help motor vehicles access Lime Street safely, please keep it clear. The Police have said that they will pay attention to the area and deal with individuals as and when required.

The Community Speedwatch team are working with the Parish Council to hopefully obtain some speed indicator devices for use across the parish. These will help educate drivers about their speed and provide evidence for targeted Police action, if the speeds recorded are too high for the road they are deployed on at the time. It is hoped that SCC Highways will support our request and work with us to help reduce the likelihood of speed-related incidents on our rural, narrow roads.

Defibrillator replacement

The Parish Council have agreed to replace, after four years of availability, the defibrillator currently situated on The Gravel between Stogursey Motors and The Corner Shop. The other two units, in Shurton and Stolford, were newly installed in the last year, hopefully none will ever be needed, but if they are please do not hesitate to use any one of them.

The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday 12th October 2021 at 19:00

The next Parish Council meeting will be held in the Victory Hall, Stogursey. Please contact the Clerk for any information ahead of the meeting.

My phone number is 01278 652534 or you can e-mail me at stogurseyppccclerk@gmail.com

Well Dressing at St Andrews Well, Stogursey

In many parts of the country there is a tradition of dressing local springs and wells as a way of giving thanks for a supply of fresh clean water.

This year a group decided to try and construct one of the traditional display boards most often seen in Derbyshire, to display at St Andrews Well, with a European-style flower arrangement on the approach to the well.

The well dressing is made from live plant material pressed into a base of damp clay set into a purpose-built frame. The frame was set with screws to help hold the clay, and soaked in water for 24 hours. The clay was dug locally and trampled and cleaned to make it malleable. It's a very messy process! Once prepared, the clay is put into the frame and smoothed down.

The picture of a tree, fields and stream, was drawn full-sized on paper and the outlines pricked through onto the clay. The outlines are marked with coffee beans. Then

over a couple of days, a team of people came with plant material and built up the picture bit by bit.

The dressing doesn't last very long as the clay dries out in a few days.

Jenny Nicholson and Liz Moorsom had the idea and got the project going. John Nicholson made the frame; Rosemary Nock, Wendy Ball and Hilary Burland provided materials and worked on the picture. Chris Moorsom made the coffee to sustain everybody. Lisa Dunwood and Jo Logan made the displays on the approach to the well.



Stogursey C of E Primary and Pre-School



****FIRST WEEK BACK****

It has been so lovely to see everyone back and finally having the school back to normal. It's been a delight to see children enjoying their learning and playing so well together. Also, our children have been excellent ambassadors welcoming our many new children to our community, showing them around and helping them to settle in. This is Stogursey at its finest!



****THE GOLDEN TABLE****

Congratulations to all our winners who accumulated the most golden tickets at lunch last week and ended up having a delightful lunch with Mr Tucker at the Golden Table. It has a golden tablecloth, cutlery all laid out and flowers in the middle. A fine-dining experience for the winners. A fun time was had by all!



Summer Happiness Holiday Club

During the Summer Holidays we provided our Happiness Holiday Club which ran for four weeks at Kilve Court.



All the children had
a great time.





£1.50!

Nearby schools charge between £3 and £4.50 so this is a real bargain!

Breakfast Happiness club

Book now through the school office



Thank you to
all the staff who
made the
holiday happen.



It has been a busy year but a year
where we came together and
supported each other. We look
forward to the year ahead welcoming
lots of new little people to Little
Acorns Preschool.

Sarah and Lianne x

For more information or a prospectus please contact Sarah at preschool316@educ.somerset.gov.uk
or telephone Stogursey Schools Office on 01278 732 389.



This month, the phone number for booking a lunch varies from week-to-week. The number to ring is given for each week's menu choice. Ring by 5pm. Thank you.

OCTOBER MENU

Tuesday 5th October

(book by Friday 1st October: phone 01278 734818)

Chicken Breast with tomato & cheese topping,
and vegetables, **or**
Stuffed Peppers with roasted veg, pine nuts, rice
and garlic bread.

Sticky Toffee pudding with custard or cream

Tuesday 12th October

(book by Friday 8th October: phone 01278 733052)

Pork Sausages, **or**
Vegetarian sausages
served with mash, onion gravy and vegetables.

Danish Apple dessert with cream

Tuesday 19th October

(book by Friday 15th October: phone 01278 733052)

Cottage Pie **or** Homity Pie
served with vegetables

Fudgy Banana Brownies

Tuesday 26th October

(book by Friday 22nd October: phone 01278 733052)

Chicken in cream mushroom sauce, **or**
Cauliflower Cheese
served with potatoes and vegetables

Lemon Sponge pudding

QUANTOCK QUILTERS

(including Textiles)

We meet 2nd & 4th Monday each month

10am – 1pm

Nether Stowey Church Centre

Come & join us

Beginners welcomed

No experience necessary



Solution to Crossword No 16 September 2021

CLUES ACROSS

1. Belgium, 5. Budge, 8. Junkyards, 9. NEA, 10. Ural,
12. Lametta, 13. John Constable, 15. Bravado,
17. Upend, 19. Liz, 20. Acropolis, 22. Eerie, 23. Earthly

CLUES DOWN

1. Bijou, 2. Len, 3. Idyllic, 4. Marilyn Monroe, 5. Besom,
6. Dunstable, 7. Edamame, 11. Schnauzer, 13. Jubilee,
14. Thumper, 16. Adage, 18. Dusty, 21. Lah

EAST QUANTOXHEAD VILLAGE MARKET

OCTOBER 16TH 10am - 12 midday

East Quantoxhead Hall

Market Café/Bric-a-brac/ Bread/Books /DVDs/
Court House Produce

October 2021 – Village Agent News



We are delighted to be back in venues, meeting people face-to-face in our Talking Cafés once again!

There are 11 venues open across the county where you can book a slot to meet your local Village Agent, and have a chat about anything that's worrying you; whether that's advice on healthcare or bills, or if you are caring for another. If you are feeling lonely or isolated, a Village Agent can support you to find groups or activities that you would enjoy, and so much more!

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We are open at the following venues, to make your appointment, just call 01823 331 222:

Minehead:

The Beach Hotel, Every Monday*, 10am – 12pm

Williton:

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**No Talking Cafés on Bank Holidays*

We know many people have enjoyed our online Talking Café Facebook live sessions during lockdown, and we are still continuing these, as it's a great way to share information to many people in Somerset, but due to reopening at so many venues, we have reduced the online sessions to weekly: Wednesdays at 1pm on www.facebook.com/talkingcafesomerset.

You can still watch any previous Talking Café sessions here: www.somersetagents.org/talking-cafes/ covering every subject you can imagine, from dementia support to hearing loss and mental health. So many fantastic informative films you can watch anytime, most are around 30 minutes long.

Unpaid Carers Website Relaunch!

We are delighted to announce we have revamped our website for unpaid Carers in Somerset –

www.somersetcarers.org – which now includes the Carers' Hub – an online place where you can easily search for exactly the right support and advice for yourself or the person you care for, with training videos, links to Somerset-based agencies, respite options and more.

We'd love to know what you think of it, and hope you find it really useful in your day-to-day lives. If there is something missing, or you would like your service listed, please email carers@somersetccc.org.uk with your feedback.


For free confidential help and advice please call me Izzy Silvester on 07931 018045 izzy@somersetccc.org.uk





**Stogursey Community Network
(SCN)
October Update**


The weekly **Stogursey Lunches** in the Church Rooms on Tuesdays, open to all, are proving extremely popular. Do come along! Payment is by donation. The menus are in this edition of Stogursey News and on the **Stogursey Lunches** Facebook page. Please note that **Booking is essential!**


NOTE – we are currently looking for new volunteers to help at our Stogursey Lunches from time to time. Training provided for cooks, and Front of House volunteers are also needed. Please call us* if you would like to get involved.

 **Food Bank Deliveries** – the SCN continues to act as an official outpost of the Quantock Food Bank. We can collect and deliver food bags to families and individuals who have been referred by the appropriate Agencies, including our Village Agents. If you need some food assistance, either contact the Village Agent (for Foodbank referral), Home Start (families) or **us** for something from the **Stogursey Larder...**

 **Stogursey Larder – We hate Waste! Don't you?**
So we have set up the **Stogursey Larder** which has a good supply of packaged food from the Fareshare charity ready to go to anyone who could use it.

 The **Stogursey Larder** is also there for donations of food, fresh produce or those tins and packets (**in date please**) that you have in your cupboard but will never eat. Don't let anything go to waste! Someone else could use your surplus! Contact us* if you, or someone you know, could use a delivery of supermarket-standard food and / or some fresh produce, or if you would like to donate.

 Collecting your **medical prescription** and delivering it to you at home if you are unable to get to the Surgery or the Spar/PO to collect it.

 Driving you to a **medical appointment**, including doctor, dentist, optician, physiotherapy etc if you are unable to get there any other way. This will continue to be under Covid-safe conditions in a volunteer's car, if either the driver or the passenger prefers this. Please see SCN Medical Transport information below.

***How to contact us:**

- **Medical transport only:** 07485 350560
- *All other requests: 01278 732149 or message us via Facebook: StogurseyCN Facebook.

We are always grateful for more volunteers; there are plenty of opportunities to help in our community, in lots of different ways. Do get in touch if you have a few hours to spare and would like to discuss how you could help in your community. Thank you.

All information is treated in accordance with standard Data Confidentiality Policy

Vicki's Update

A crucial element of the power station is taking shape ready to support the world's largest turbine generator - the Arabelle turbine.

Last week the blue 16-metre-high Turbine Generator (TG) columns were topped with newly installed 'spring-boxes' ready for the turbine hall 'table' to be constructed. These springs work in a similar way to shock absorbers on a car, dampening the vibrations from the turbine so that it does not carry down the columns into the raft below.



This month spring-boxes have been installed at the top of the columns of the turbine hall ready for the 'table' to be constructed

The turbine is the engine of the power station, taking steam from the Reactor Building and converting it into electricity. The rotating turbine shaft is directly connected to a generator rotor which generates 1.6 gigawatts of electricity. The two reactors at HPC will supply enough low carbon electricity for 6 million homes.

The next stage of the works will involve raising the decking to the underside of the table, just above the springs. 532 tonnes of steel reinforcement will form the beams across the top of the columns whilst 1,200 embedded plates will be fitted with pinpoint accuracy.

To finish the table, a 2,500m³ continuous concrete pour will take place to create the 70m by 20m platform.

Good to be back

Some of you may have noticed the change of name for these updates. My name is Vicki Dingwall and I will be covering Immy's role in the Community Relations team while she is on her 12-month secondment. While I move into Community Relations for the next 12-months- I've not come from very far away. I've been working on the project at HPC since 2009 in a variety of Community and Communications based roles where I have met and spoken with many of you before. I look forward to picking up Community focussed work again and speaking with you in the coming months while continuing to provide you updates and information from HPC.

Kind regards- Vicki

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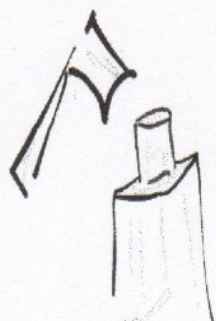
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Meetings: held monthly in the Victory Hall, Stogursey
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from 7.30 pm Councillors' meeting - parishioners may attend and listen.

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