

# STOGURSEY NEWS



Photo: HS

**A photo taken on the SAPS walk to the beach**  
See inside for more details

## August 2023

## Regular Events

Monday	Health Walks (weekly) Contact Ralph 07969777325 Short Mat Bowls (weekly) Contact: Ron 01278 732688	Stear Marshes Car Park Victory Hall	2.00pm 7.30pm - 9.00pm
Tuesday	Core Stability (Pilates-based) Tai Chi Shibashi for over-50s (weekly) (Contact AgeUK 01823 345 624) Stogursey Lunches (weekly) Bingo (weekly) WI (second Tuesday of month) Parish Council Meeting (second Tuesday of month) Meditation (first & third Tuesday of month) Quantock Tennis Club (first Tuesday of month)	Victory Hall Victory Hall Jubilee Rooms St Audries Centre Victory Hall Victory Hall Victory Hall Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	9.00am 10.30am Doors Open 12 noon Eyes Down 2.00pm 2.30pm 7.00pm 7.15pm 6.00pm - 10.00pm
Wednesday	Forget-Me-Not Café (alternate Wednesdays) Bingo Club Ukulele Sessions (alternate Wednesdays) Sea Shanty Singers (alternate Wednesdays)	Jubilee Rooms Youth Club Greyhound Inn Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon 7.00pm - 9.00pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm 7.30pm - 9.30pm
Thursday	Mobile Library visit (once every four-weeks) Youth Club (weekly) Stogursey Arts Photographic Society- SAPS (second Thursday of month) Film Night (monthly)	Shurton & Stogursey Youth Club Jubilee Rooms Jubilee Rooms	as per schedule 6.30pm - 8.30pm 7.00pm doors open 7.00pm
Friday	Coffee Shop (weekly) Quantock Tennis Club (weekly) Contact John Nicholson 01278 732711 or jfnicholson@talktalk.net Quiz Night (third Friday of month)	Jubilee Rooms Multi-sport court, Victory Hall Victory Hall	10.30am - 12 noon 10.00am - 12 noon doors open 7.00pm
Sunday	Quantock Tennis Club (weekly)	Multi-sport court, Victory Hall	10.00am - 12 noon

## DIARY 2023

### August

Weds 2	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Weds 2	Ukulele Session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm
Sat 5	Folk Band 'Scarecrow'	Jubilee Rooms	Doors Open 7.00pm
Tues 8	Parish Council	Victory Hall	7.00pm
Weds 16	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Weds 16	Ukulele Session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm
Thurs 17	Film Night: a late summer surprise	Jubilee Rooms	Doors Open 7.00pm
Thurs 24	Coffee & Cake Welcome	St Peter's Church, Stolford	10.00am - 12noon
Thurs 24	Mobile Library Visit	As per schedule	as per schedule
Weds 30	Forget-me-not Café	Jubilee Rooms	10.30am - 12 noon
Weds 30	Ukulele Session	Greyhound Inn	7.30pm - 9.30pm

### September

Weds 6	Defibrillator Awareness Session	St Peter's Church, Stolford	3.00pm - 4.00pm
Weds 6	Defibrillator Awareness Session	Victory Hall	6.00pm - 7.00pm

# Deadline for SEPTEMBER 2023 contributions: 10.00am Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> August 2023

## Editorial

The Editorial Team hopes that you will have received your August copy of Stogursey News in good time this month. There have been problems with the printing of the magazine causing delays to their delivery. We regret this.

The contributions from the school pupils show how varied and contemporary their experiences have been during this school year. We thank them for sharing some of them with us, school seems an exciting prospect these days.

The Pop-up food stalls at Burton Springs looks to be a new initiative well worth exploring, while the article about pubs reminds us of the contribution they can make to many people's enjoyment of life.

Stogursey News continues to share information about forthcoming events, and encouragement to take part in them or even volunteer to help out with them. The comments from some of the new volunteers for the Stogursey Lunches on Tuesdays show how much "newbies" to the village have enjoyed meeting others through joining in the teams. Extending a welcome to those who have recently moved into the village is surely one way to show the sort of care and concern for others that Rose-marie Barrett and Jennie Hayman have thankfully recently experienced.

We send good wishes to all our readers,

*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](http://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 an extra page monthly for the use of Hinkley Point C (EdF) to keep local residents well-informed.

## How to contribute to Stogursey News:

### a) by email:

- \* Prepare your contribution as a 'word' document.
- \* Attach it to an email.
- \* Send it to [stogurseynews@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stogurseynews@hotmail.co.uk)

### b) by hand:

- \* Write or type your contribution.
- \* Put it into the 'Stogursey News' box in the Post Office.

### A few points to remember:

- Submit your contribution by the deadline date.
- Please 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 for each and every month you would like it published.
- Your illustrations 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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## AUGUST SUNDAY SERVICE ROTA for Quantock Gate Parishes

CHURCH	6th August Trinity 9	13th August Blessed Virgin Mary	20th August Trinity 11	27th August Trinity 12/6Tri13
<b>Cannington</b>	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion <b>JC</b>	8.00 & 9.30am Family Service <i>Patronal</i> <b>JC</b>	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion <b>AW</b>	8.00 & 9.30am Holy Communion <b>JC</b>
<b>Combwich</b>		6.00pm Prayer and Praise <b>JC</b>	11.15am Holy Communion <b>AW</b>	
<b>Fiddington</b>	9.00am Holy Communion <b>CM</b>	9.00am Holy Communion	9.00am Holy Communion	9.00am Family Service <b>AW</b>
<b>Stockland</b>		11.15am Family Service <b>JC</b>		11.15am Holy Communion <b>JC</b>
<b>Stogursey</b>	10.30am Holy Communion <b>CM</b>	10.30am Holy Communion <b>TS</b>	10.30am Holy Communion <b>TS</b>	10.30am All Age Worship <i>New service for families and all ages. Songs, stories and refreshments.</i> <b>AW</b>
	5.00pm Evensong at Otterhampton Church <i>with cheese &amp; wine</i> <b>JC</b>			

**AW** Revd Alison Waters    **JC** Revd Jan Church    **TS** Revd Tony Smith    **CM** Canon Chris Moorsom



## Recent Losses

In the last few weeks Rose-marie Barrett and Jennie Hayman of Castle Street have lost their husband and partner.

This has been a tragic loss for both of them.

They would like to thank the community of Stogursey who immediately joined forces and made everything more bearable. There are so many that it is impossible to single anyone out. But a special Thank You goes to Revd Alison who showed great kindness and compassion to both of them, making a sad occasion more bearable.

Stogursey is so blessed to have a community that bonds together with love for each and every one.

Our sincere thanks to you all.

Jennie Hayman & Rose-marie Barrett

## Warm welcome . . .



to coffee and cake at Stolford Church,

**Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> August**

10.00am – 12.00 noon,

to meet and greet Revd Alison Waters, our new rector.

**Everyone welcome.**



## Veteran Clinics

The Royal British Legion can help with a huge range of things, from pensions and money advice to housing and PTSD support.

So, if you would like a chat, or if you think we can help please come along.

### Opening Times

Tuesday 10.00 – 13.00

Wednesday 10.00 – 13.00

Thursday 10.00 – 13.00

### Clinics held at:

RBL Touchpoint, County Court Chambers,  
Queen St. Bridgwater TA6 3DA

Or call: 07834 594344

**No appointment necessary**

## NEW VOLUNTEER COOKS AND HELPERS NEEDED FOR STOGURSEY LUNCHESES!

Due to the popularity of the lunches, we need more cooks and other helpers.

- Do you have some time to spare on the occasional Tuesday?
- Would you like to join our happy Team?

We can offer you full training on catering for larger numbers, using the up-to-date facilities and equipment, and planning meals.

Would you like to shadow an experienced cook for a day before making a decision?

If you are interested or would just like a chat, please contact us on [stogurseycommunitynetwork@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseycommunitynetwork@gmail.com) or call us on 01278 732149 / 733451

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This is what our newest Stogursey Lunch volunteers say:



*I am a newcomer to the village, and having recently retired I wanted to spend some time volunteering and finding out about the local community. I really enjoy helping with the lunches, it's great to see old friends meeting up and lovely to see how people are made to feel welcome. It's so nice to hear the chatter and see everyone enjoying the food. The menu variety is good and there never seems to be any waste! Most of all I like the fact that it has a proper community feel, anyone can come along; young, old, adults, children and that it makes use of a wonderful facility in the village.*

**Tricia**

*I really enjoy it. I know a lot of the people who lunch and I am sure they get enjoyment, interaction and comfort, not to mention a lovely home-cooked meal, just by sitting with people they now don't see as often as they used to. I certainly get great satisfaction seeing them chatting away over a super meal. The beauty of the lunches is that for those who cannot come to the Jubilee Rooms, they can request it to be delivered to their door by one of the lovely volunteers. Also, I know the volunteers actually collect one person from their home and bring them to the Jubilee Rooms to enjoy their meal with friends. The volunteers do a tremendous job and are always cheerful. A great team!*

**Karen**

*Jane and I are new to the village too, can't believe we have been here 9 months already. We decided to volunteer after the fantastic welcome we have had to the village. What I assume started in Covid times has meant friendships have not been lost and new ones have been forged. It is lovely to help at the lunches and the villagers that come along are given the opportunity to catch up with friends and enjoy a hearty meal, I have delivered too and always get a warm welcome. We love this village and the way people support each other.*

**Andy and Jane**



## Stogursey & District Victory Hall Committee

**Call for help - your Village Hall  
needs you!**

Can you spare some time to help with the day-to-day running of the Hall?

The Committee is seeking enthusiastic volunteers, from all age groups, to help to keep the Hall open for all to enjoy.

Do you have expertise in any of the following areas that you can share?

- Event Management & Marketing
- Finance
- Health & Safety
- Day-to-day maintenance
- Administration
- IT skills
- Bar & Kitchen

Interested?

Be part of the team taking the Village Hall forward.

## VICTORY HALL LOTTERY WINNERS

### June 2023 Draw

1 <sup>st</sup> Prize	£60.00	Angela Davey	No 42
2 <sup>nd</sup> Prize	£30.00	Lynda Barran	No 54
3 <sup>rd</sup> Prize	£15.00	Fiona Armstrong	No 58



## Stogursey WI News - July

Our ladies enjoyed a sunny afternoon at Dunster Castle. The ancient Somerset castle became a lavish home in the 19<sup>th</sup> century and overlooks magnificent Grade 1 parkland. After a tour of the house, we walked through the terraced gardens that are home to many sub-tropical and Mediterranean plants.

We completed our outing with a visit to Tennant's Hall café where we experienced superb scenic views over the countryside and out to sea.

Interested in becoming a member?

✉ [stogurseytylidesley@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseytylidesley@gmail.com)



## STOGURSEY ALMSHOUSES VACANCY

The William Paulett Charity has a vacancy in one of its Almshouses, a one-bedroom, single-occupancy house in Stogursey. It is expected that the Almshouse will be ready for occupancy from early October 2023.

Applications are welcome from residents in the Area of Benefit, as set out in the William Paulett Charity Scheme of Delegation. These are the parishes of Stogursey, Stringston, Kilve, East Quantoxhead and Holford, with a preference for those resident in the parish of Stogursey.

For further information including eligibility criteria and an application form, please contact Jodie Burghes, Steward to the Trustees at the William Paulett Charity:

Email: [stogurseycharities@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseycharities@gmail.com)

Tel: 01278 321 306

### Closing Date for Completed Application Forms is

**\*Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2023**

*(\*If you didn't receive your Stogursey News before this deadline date, and are interested in applying for the vacancy, please get in touch with the Steward as soon as possible.)*



We hope you have all been enjoying a wonderful summer in Stogursey!

This month we will be showing a 'late summer surprise' film for you on **Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August**. Look out around the village for updates of what this may be!

As usual, there will be a delicious selection of refreshments, all very reasonably priced. Come on your own, or with a group of friends – you are always guaranteed a warm welcome! Tickets are available in advance from the Spar Post Office or on the door.

See you all at the Jubilee Rooms from 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

*The Soap Factory Team*

## For one night only . . .

'Scarecrow', a folk based trio, will be performing in the Jubilee Rooms -

Date: Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August

Time: Doors open 7.00pm

Cost: £8

Licensed bar

Tickets available at the Post Office

## The Village Pub, What is it?

Is it a meeting place, somewhere to grab a bite to eat, an impromptu office, a community centre or simply a place to have a drink? In fact, all the above and more is true! It is a vital asset to the village community.

The village pub for centuries has been the central part of any community up and down the land. However, this established pillar of life is under threat from many angles that include the legacy of the pandemic, the cost-of-living crisis, elevated duty on alcoholic drinks and staff shortages to name but a few. CAMRA (the Campaign for Real Ale) recent statistics show that 21 pubs a week are closing, and this is bound to increase.

It is not all doom and gloom; a lot of pubs have been adapting, diversifying and targeting their loyal local customer base with various events, excellent food offerings, family and dog-friendly environments.

A large percentage of pubs are tenanted and owned by large pub companies such as Punch Taverns, Greene King or Stonegate etc. This type of pub can still offer a good experience, but the traditional 'wet' pub, a pub that does not offer any food, is slowly disappearing. As margins are dramatically reduced a lot of pub/hospitality companies are now adapting to meet these market forces.

But there is an alternative type of pub the 'free house'; these are often owned privately or by small chains. These 'free house' pubs have full control over what real ales and ciders they can sell and are not tied to any specific brewery or supplier. The village pub usually provides a quality line of local real ales, proper ciders and can offer good food championing local producers. This is the archetypal view of a village pub - a roaring fire to cosy up to in the winter or a beer garden in which to chill out with friends in the summer!

Within the parish and surrounding areas, we are blessed with many real village pubs. Support your local pub and help maintain its existence, this is essential for all these establishments to survive. So, go and visit your local and order your favorite real ale or tippie or two, cheers!

### Pub events during August

The Hood Arms, Kilve – Live music and mini beer festival with hog roast (Sunday) over August Bank Holiday weekend 26<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August 2023, Closed bank holiday Monday.

*James Cousins, a newbie to village life.*

### LATE DELIVERY OF JULY's STOGURSEY NEWS

was due to printing difficulties at Hinkley Point B.

We have received this message from HPB:

"It was hugely frustrating for us all, and we apologise for any inconvenience."

## Burton Springs Summer of Food Pop-ups

We are delighted to be hosting some fantastic local food this summer, please come over and join us.

Either sit round the lakes or take away.

Fancy Fish & Chips will be with us every Saturday

1.30pm – 4pm (not 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> Aug)

2<sup>nd</sup> Aug – Exmoor Pizza Pod 6.00pm – 9.00pm

3<sup>rd</sup> Aug – Yellow Door Cottage Meatballs and Spaghetti / Veggie - 6.30pm – 8.00pm

5<sup>th</sup> Aug – Miller and Parker Burgers and Pulled Pork 6.00pm – 9.00pm

6<sup>th</sup> Aug – Street Bean Coffee – 9.00am – 10.00am

9<sup>th</sup> Aug - Exmoor Pizza Pod 6.00pm – 9.00pm

10<sup>th</sup> Aug – Yellow Door Cottage Sausage Cassoulet / Veggie – 6.30pm – 8.00pm

12<sup>th</sup> Aug - Exmoor Pizza Pod 6.00pm – 9.00pm

13<sup>th</sup> Aug – Street Bean Coffee 9.00am – 10.00am

16<sup>th</sup> Aug – Exmoor Pizza Pod 6.00pm – 9.00pm

23<sup>rd</sup> Aug – Exmoor Pizza Pod – 6.00pm – 9.00pm

25<sup>th</sup> Aug – Yellow Door Cottage Lasagne & Salad / Veggie 6.30pm – 8.00pm

27<sup>th</sup> Aug – Street Bean Coffee – 9.00am – 10.00am

30<sup>th</sup> Aug – Exmoor Pizza Pod – 6.00pm – 9.00pm

25<sup>th</sup> Aug – Beef Rendang & Rice / Veggie – 6.30pm – 9.00pm

6<sup>th</sup> Sep – Exmoor Pizza Pod

## Solution to Quick Crossword No. 37 July 2023

ACROSS:

1. Lazarus, 5. Picts, 8. Macadamia, 9. Run, 10. Rodeo, 12. Lambada, 13. Having kittens, 15. Biryani, 17. Nancy, 19. Ali, 20. Inhabited, 22. Styly, 23. Thermal

DOWN:

1. Lemur, 2. Zac, 3. Redhorn, 4. Some Like it Hot, 5. Psalm, 6. Carrageen, 7. Sandals, 11. Diversity, 13. Hubcaps, 14. Tenable, 16. Amity, 18. Yodel, 21. Tam

## COFFEE MORNING

East Quantoxhead Village Hall

Saturday August 19<sup>th</sup>

10.00am -12 midday



## Steam Trains and Dunster Trip

Tricombe's recent school trip was truly wonderful! Children enjoyed the coach trip to Watchet where all were excited and intrigued by the boats in the Marina. From there, we caught the steam train to the medieval village of Dunster.

At the station, it was lovely to hear members of the public comment how well behaved the children were.

From Dunster station, we had a lovely walk to the beach, looking at cows and the countryside along the way. The trip concluded with a picnic lunch on the beach.

On their return to the classroom, children wrote a newspaper report about their trip. A special mention to Bea whose article in the 'Triscombe Times', 'TRISCOMBE'S TERRIFIC TRIP' earned Bea the coveted Head Teacher's Award!



## Year 6 Leavers' Trip

On Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July, the year 6 pupils spent the whole day at Woodlands Theme Park in Devon. All 19 pupils, as well as Miss Barnwell, Mrs Payne and Miss Day arrived at school early to board the bus and travel the two-and-a-bit hours to the exciting destination.

Everyone had the most amazing time, enjoying the many activities available at the park: water slide rides, tobogganing, mirror mazes, meeting animals, pirate ship swing boat ride, tower rides that drop, a massive sandpit, a GIANT outdoor play zone with really high rope bridges and a wonderful indoor soft play area with death slides, ball pits and so much more!

The children were so adventurous, and encouraged the adults to have a go! Mrs Payne and Miss Barnwell even braved the biggest tower ride. We were so proud of them!

It really was a day to remember with so many memories made.

## 'Move-Up' Morning

This was the morning when children went to meet their new class and teacher for September.

Triscombe children enjoyed welcoming the preschool children, whilst the Reception and Year 1 children enjoyed stepping up to their new roles as the older children in the class. We had a story and a circle time to get to know each other. The children drew self-portraits for a class display, and then spent some time playing and learning in the classroom. A great morning!

In Alfoxton class, the Year 3s welcomed Year 2s from Triscombe Class with kindness and support. They created some work for a display about themselves and shared what they hope to achieve in September.

The Year 4s spent the morning in Beacon Class, and although some were nervous, it was a great success. They created some artwork with Miss Day, and came back to class with big smiles, lots of good things to say, and excited about September.



## Adventurers

The pupils have been spending several afternoons at the Victory Hall rehearsing for their mammoth production, *'The Pirates of the Curry Bean'*.

The performances are taking place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> and Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Thank you to everyone for providing costumes for the children.

## FOSS Fest

A HUGE thank you for the amazing FOSS team for organising FOSS FEST, which included stalls, entertainments during the day, and an amazing show with live bands by night!



A day of family fun, featuring pony rides, face painting, old school games, inflatables, refreshments and even a Hog Roast.

The country dancing extravaganza featured our very own dancers from Stogursey School.



Children and adults alike had a brilliant time raising funds for the school. We are still awaiting the final figures on how much was raised and will let you know when we find out.

We cannot wait until next year for more FOSS Fest fun!

## Football Club – MATCH DAY!



The Year 5/6s played their first match together at Spaxton Primary School.

Team Stogursey put up a great effort finishing 5-1 to Spaxton.

The match itself was brilliant, with all team players working hard throughout the game. Special mention to Max W as goal scorer, Jacob as Captain, and Lenny and Harry S who put in a superb effort as goal keepers.

Players' foot control has come on really well, and their communication as a team was fantastic. Marking of Spaxton players was good also.

Highlights for Coach Dan were that while skills have really improved, even better was the sportsmanship demonstrated by Team Stogursey which was first class.

Well done to the team and thank you to the families who supported them, as well as Mrs Clarke at Spaxton who helped arrange the match.

Following the match, at the next training session, Coach Dan noticed that taking part in the game with Spaxton had given the children a massive confidence boost, and everyone got stuck in.

A special shout-out to Imogen, who stood out and was very much getting involved - well done!

Our younger players too, are showing lots of promise. They really are starting to understand technique and to improve, mostly working on foot control - which is coming along nicely - and communication which is pretty good too.

Our players are learning so much about the game and themselves – we are sure there will be plenty more matches to come.

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September -  
First day back to school!**

## Stogursey Arts Photographic Society

"A photograph is a fraction of a second, frozen. So, the moment you've looked at it for even four seconds, you're looking at it far more than the camera did."

*David Hockney*

This month's quote came from a brilliant exhibition at the Tate Modern, titled 'Capturing the Moment', which is on till the 28<sup>th</sup> January 2024. Information on the exhibition quoted here from the Tate's publicity says: 'The arrival of photography changed the course of painting forever. In this unique exhibition, we explore the dynamic relationship between the two mediums through some of the most iconic artworks of recent times.'

Many of you will have heard questions like: why make a painting, if you can take a photograph of what you are looking at? This is where this exhibition is both educational, as well as visually intriguing. Some of the photographs exhibited have been painted, they are 'copies' of original photographs and some even look like abstract paintings. These 'choices' by the photographers/artists add more meaning and further questions about the subject, which go beyond the immediate capture of the moment by the camera. As Hockney says above: 'you're looking at it far more'.

Following the success of last month's photographic 'exploration' of the Church, the SAPS went on a walk from Shurton Ford along the HPC perimeter fence to the beach, capturing the landscape, the flora, the geology, the weather and the objects found along the way. Seen through their photographs, each individual's 'choice' illustrates a personal interpretation of the experience, way beyond the four seconds Hockney states as suggested engagement with the image.

So, if you can't make it to see the exhibition at the Tate Modern in London, let's hope Stogursey's photographic society can bring some interesting questions about the subject matter of where we live, to its own exhibition to be held locally.

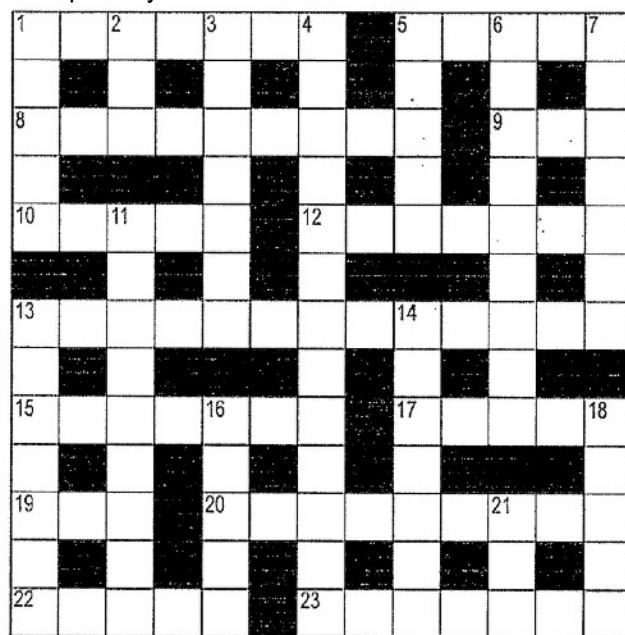
We will keep you posted on our progress over the coming months. We already have some great work to show, but there is a lot more out there that we intend to capture; to hold your interest for what we hope will be much longer than four seconds!

We meet next on **Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August**, at 7pm, site/venue to be confirmed. There is a voluntary sub of £2 to support the charity and its running costs.

*Mike Bradshaw, SAPS for Stogursey Arts Trust*

## Quick Crossword No.39

compiled by Helen Cuttall



### CLUES ACROSS

1. To parachute supplies from an aircraft (7)
5. Showing a lack of confidence (5)
8. Make something more attractive by adding decorative details (9)
9. Type of lettuce (3)
10. Set of facts or figures systematically displayed (5)
12. Gorgeous English cheese (7)
13. anniversary of 50 years of marriage (6, 7)
15. Granite islet in the North Atlantic (7)
17. A fold in cloth made by doubling material over on itself (5)
19. Estimated time of arrival (3)
20. The point on the Earth's service vertically above the focus of an earthquake (9)
22. Succulent plant with spiny edges (5)
23. Small mongoose from Southern Africa (7)

### CLUES DOWN

1. Very skilled or proficient at something (5)
2. Tease good naturedly (3)
3. Release someone from duty by taking their place (7)
4. King Charles' eldest son (6,7)
5. Freshwater lake in the Sierra Nevada (5)
6. A mixture of vegetables or fruit cut into small pieces (9)
7. Used for washing up (7)
11. Closely fitting covering for the head and neck (9)
13. Transvaal Daisy (7)
14. Use up the supply or resources of (7)
16. One of the world's best selling music artists (5)
18. Third longest river in the UK (5)
21. Test of Economic Knowledge (3)



*The SCN provides a range of services in our community.  
These include ~*

### **STOGURSEY LUNCHES**

Delicious 2-course meals, cooked and served in the **Jubilee Rooms, Stogursey on Tuesdays**. Haven't tried our delicious lunches, lovingly prepared by our Food Hygiene Level 2-certified volunteers, yet? Do come along! All ages are very welcome.

Please book in advance (see below) and you can bring guests, just be sure to book for everyone! A vegetarian option is always available, and we can cater for special diets / preferences, on request.

Payment is by a cash donation of your choice, cheques also accepted.

**Advance booking essential. ☎ Tel: 01278 733451**

**See our August menu on this page, and book ahead.**

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### **Food Bank Donations and Deliveries**

The SCN is an official outpost of the Quantock Food Bank. We can collect and deliver food bags to families and individuals, as required. We are always grateful for donations to the Foodbank collection box (outside the Rectory) and in our two village shops.

If you, or someone you know, needs food assistance contact us or the **Village Agent** (for a Foodbank referral) and/or **Home Start** (for families with young children). You will find their telephone numbers on the 'Contacts and Parish Information' page in this magazine.

SCN will be delivering summer parcels to 14 families during the summer school holidays to help out with expenses. Your support is much appreciated!

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### **MEDICAL TRANSPORT**

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In addition, SCN volunteers can collect your **prescription** and deliver it to you at home **if you are unable to get to the Surgery or the Spar/PO** to collect it. Just ask your surgery to add your name to their list.

#### **Tuesday 1 August**

*(book by Friday 28 July - phone 01278 733451)*

Greek-style vegetable and bean casserole with courgette feta dumplings, served with a bread roll

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Fruit purée and ice cream

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#### **Tuesday 8 August**

*(book by Friday 4 August - phone 01278 733451)*

Smoked salmon, potato & pea frittata (omelette)  
OR

Vegetarian stuffed peppers;  
both with side salad

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Bread & butter pudding

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#### **Tuesday 15 August**

*(book by Friday 11 August - phone 01278 733451)*

Baked potato with a choice of fillings and  
a side salad

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Fresh fruit dessert

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#### **Tuesday 22 August**

*(book by Friday 18 August - phone 01278 733451)*

Goat's cheese and onion marmalade galette,  
served with salad.

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Lemon cheesecake with raspberry coulis

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#### **Tuesday 29 August**

*(book by Friday 25 August - phone 01278 733451)*

Home-made soup & bread roll

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Home-made cake

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**How to contact SCN:** Email: [stogurseycommunitynetwork@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseycommunitynetwork@gmail.com) ; Tel: 01278 732149  
or message us via [Stogursey Community Network | Facebook](#)



## Points from the Parish Council Meeting

11th July 2023

### Parish Speed Limits

The new Somerset Council is offering Parish Councils the chance to seek 20mph limits, subject to data proving the need, and that all the costs involved are to be borne by the Parish Council, which may have an impact of the 2024/2025 Parish Council budget.

Signage of a 20mph limit alone may not be the solution, and other road furniture may be required to be installed eg speed humps, ramps, chicanes, etc.

The matter is to be discussed at the August Parish Council. If you have any views on speed reduction in the parish, the introduction of, and location of, new road furniture to reduce speeds that you may wish to share, please do so with your local parish councillor or in writing to the Clerk as soon as possible.

### Defibrillator Awareness sessions

The local Ambulance service that provides support for our parish defibrillators is to deliver awareness sessions on their use on the following dates/times/locations. We hope you can attend one or the other:

- **St Peter's Church, Stolford: 1500 - 1600**  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023**
- **Victory Hall, Stogursey: 1800 - 1900**  
**Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

### Vacancy for Parish Councillor

There is a vacancy for the role of Councillor to join the Parish Council which can be filled by co-option of an individual who is a British subject, on the electoral register of the parish, is over 18 years of age and is not disbarred from standing. Please contact the Clerk to obtain the necessary form. Any queries you may have about the role you can speak to any of the current Councillors or the Clerk.

### Industrial Action – Recycling and Refuse collections

There may be disruption to the service provided due to action being taken by the union representing the workers for the contractor. If this matter is not resolved, then there will be regular updates via social media on when collections may be made across the parish.

The action does not affect the local recycling centres.

### Date of next meeting

The Parish Council is due to meet on the evening of **Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> August 2023**. Please see the agenda and draft minutes of the last meeting on the parish website, [www.stogursey-online.uk](http://www.stogursey-online.uk) or any of the parish noticeboards, where you will also find the dates of meetings due to be held until May 2024.

If necessary, please contact the Clerk for any further information ahead of the meeting. My phone number is 01278 652534 or you can e-mail me at [stogurseyppccclerk@gmail.com](mailto:stogurseyppccclerk@gmail.com)

*Richard Wand*

Clerk to Stogursey Parish Council

## Strummers of Stogursey

We meet at the Greyhound Inn  
every second Wednesday,  
7.30pm - 9.30pm

Our dates for August are:  
2<sup>nd</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>.

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## Stacy's Update

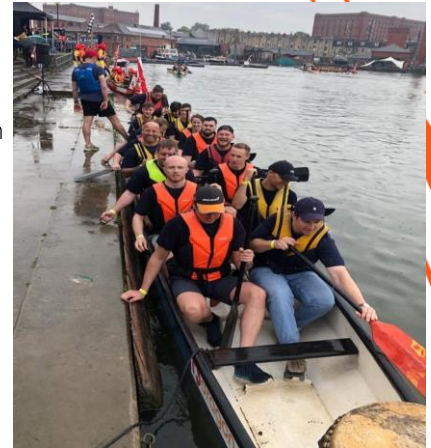
It is always heart-warming to witness how our workforce remains dedicated to making a positive impact in the community. I want to shine a spotlight on some incredible instances where Hinkley team members generously volunteered their own time to lend a helping hand to those around us.

### **Supporting Local Charity - Marine Team Makes a Splash in Dragon Boat Racing**

The project's support for local charities has continued with the Balfour Beatty Marine Works team recently taking on a very different type of water-borne challenge. Seventeen team members, accompanied by their enthusiastic friends and family participated in the highly anticipated Bristol Breakfast Rotary Club's Dragon Boat Festival 2023.

Although victory slipped through their fingers by the narrowest of margins in the final race, the team secured an impressive second place.

Despite the disappointment, the team raised charity funds for The Green House, a specialist support service for children, young people and families living in Avon and Somerset.



### **Unite the Union helps Bridgwater food bank**

Unite the Union, Balfour Beatty & TG Tunnelling, have come together to make a difference in the community.

Unite the Union makes four food donations to the local Bridgwater food bank a year. This month, Unite the Union donated £200 worth of food to the Bridgwater food bank, with Balfour Beatty & TGTunnelling providing a van and driver that made it possible to pick up and deliver the items to the food bank.

Luke Panesar, Branch Treasurer said, "It's good to see so many different companies on Hinkley Point C wanting to work with us by donating vans and drivers".

### **Barge delivers efficiencies**

The Site Operations team, along with contractors Biffa and Osprey, recently collaborated to maximise project assets and reduce Co2CO<sub>2</sub> emissions.

During the delivery of sizable tanks to Combwich Wharf via barge, the teams identified a brilliant opportunity to reuse the same empty vessel for transporting scrap metal off-site.

With careful planning, the vessel returned to Avonmouth, carrying 21 tonnes of scrap material. This initiative ensured that the barge didn't return empty, effectively reducing the need for several heavy goods vehicle trips on our local roads.



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# Hinkley Point C - Monthly Update

## A round up of the latest news from Hinkley Point C

### Tanks squeeze their way up to Site

There was a tight squeeze on the road leading to the Hinkley Point C Site as our logistics team transported two large tanks from Combswich Wharf. These are the tallest and widest deliveries to site so far,

The journey took 3.5 hours and due to its size was supported by specialists from Avon and Somerset Police. The tanks form part of the plant's systems for storage and treatment of water and effluents.



### Exciting Progress in the Bristol Channel

The project reached a significant milestone as the sixth and final steel casing was successfully installed off-shore.

The steel casings will allow the next phase of work to begin and weigh a remarkable 350 tonnes and stand 40 meters tall. They were carefully lifted into position using a jack-up barge and gradually lowered through the cooling water intake structures until reaching the seabed.

A hydraulic impact hammer was used to drive the casings to their designated depth. The next phase involves drilling within the casings to reach the same depth as the completed sea water inlet tunnels. The final phase will eventually see the moment of 'break through' - the point at which the vertical and horizontal tunnels are fully connected and ready to transfer water to Hinkley Point C's turbine hall.



### Recruitment Success

Hinkley Point C's recent recruitment event at the Somerset Energy and Innovation Centre, Bridgwater drew over 475 local people.

The event offered interactive activities and the chance to explore opportunities on the HPC project, including jobs, apprenticeships, and supported traineeships.

The Saturday event aimed to broaden attendance, and our dedicated Jobs Service team was available to answer questions.

To stay informed about job alerts and upcoming events, please visit [hpcjobsservice.edfenergy.com](http://hpcjobsservice.edfenergy.com). We will look forward to hearing from you!



Find out about the latest progress being made on site and what's happening in the local community, in the latest edition of Plugged in - <https://www.edfenergy.com/energy/nuclear-new-build-projects/hinkley-point-c/local-community>



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**Clerk:** Richard Wand 01278 652534/  
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**Meetings:** held monthly in the Victory Hall, Stogursey 7.15 - 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

**Site Stakeholders Group Representatives:**  
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