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HARVEST DONATIONS by Nether Stowey School



With songs, poems and prayers all the children from Nether Stowey Primary School celebrated Harvest Festival



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Wednesday Club (formerly the Day Centre)

Maggie Harrison 732 532

November 2022

Mesmerising colours of this Autumn season wrapped up Stowey area in its vivid pallet of truly amazing hues. In November edition we also have a variety ... of information about many subjects. As always invaluable advice from Nick Rigden, a beautiful reminder of Harvest (we have so much to be grateful for) see photo on p.2, some very useful law tips, great football news about our local stars! and a whole range of information in our advertisement section. Our diary promises lots of interesting events and all of us at Quantock Messenger are hoping that every reader will find something special to enjoy.

With regards on behalf of the whole QM team, Agata

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26 mile marathon in aid of Cancer Research—Ron Scales & family; Stowey Green Spaces Group planting donated primroses along the cemetery wall in the Memorial gate entrance to the Recreation Ground and memorial poppy painted on a stone, photos by Terry Abbiss; Our STARS Stowey Ladies—Football Team

DIARY DATES 2022

Every Monday (except Bank Holidays) - Story time **** 11am—TPL

2nd & 4th Monday each month - Quantock Quilters 10am-1pm - NSCC

Every Tuesday - Walk for Health - Quantock Medical Centre

Every Tuesday - Short Mat Bowls **** 2-5pm - NSCC

Every Wednesday - Nether Stowey Wednesday Club 10am-2pm - NSCC

Every 2nd Wednesday - Evening talk at the Library **** 7.30pm - 9pm TPL

Every Thursday - Quantock Active Living - 2pm - NSCC

1st & 3rd Thursday each month - Art Group **** 2-4pm - NSCC

Every 3rd Thursday – Stowey Gardeners 7.30pm - NSCC

Every Friday - Knit & Natter **** 10:30-12:00 - TPL

Coffee, Cake and Catch up at Over Stowey Village Hall 10.30am - 12 noon Saturday 19th November, 17th December

Saturday , 26th November

- Christmas Art & Craft Fayre at St Mary's Church Centre, Nether Stowey 10am to 4pm
- Tree planting Stowey Green Spaces from 10 am, contact Roy 01278 734604
- A Taste of the Mediterranean 7pm for 7:30pm, contact Jeanne 733844, Sally 732298

1st December FONSS Christmas Market Nether Stowey School *** 6:30pm

4th December Breakfast with Santa—tickets available at Nether Stowey School

For all those people that are alone on Christmas Day "Christmas Day Lunch" at NSCC— 12:30pm contact: Beth 07910342054, Eleanor King 01278 734777

NSCC - Nether Stowey Church Centre NSVH - Nether Stowey Village Hall OSVH - Over Stowey Village Hall

TPL - Thomas Poole Library, Nether Stowey



NETHER STOWEY C. of E. V.C. PRIMARY SCHOOL

Dear all,

Lots to celebrate at Nether Stowey School. It has been a very busy first term back. For the first time in 3 years we have been able to visit the church to celebrate Harvest. Thank you all for your kind donations. It was wonderful to see the children perform their songs, poems and prayers.

The school have teamed up with Coleridge Cottage to celebrate 250 years. All the children had an opportunity to visit the cottage and learn about Coleridge. This gave the children inspiration to create their own poems which we shared at a whole school poetry slam.

We have also had the opportunity to invite parents in to celebrate learning with show cases workshops and assemblies. A strong parent / school partnership is important to us and we value the relationship we have.

This year we aim to have 3 inspirational days with the children. The aim is to bring back former pupils of Nether Stowey to share with them their successes. This term the children had a visit from an ex pupil who carried out a cycle day with the children. The children had so much fun!

In the next coming week we will be thinking about our school value fellowship. Fellowship is a vital part of any community. At times we can be independent, but safe in the knowledge that we belong to our school and church family, whether child or adult.

Just as Jesus did with God, Christians emulate this with one another, offering friendship, support, company and fun!

Chloe Holt

Headteacher Nether Stowey C. of E. V.C. Primary School

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Message from The Playing Field Committee

First the good news - Dog walkers provide a valuable service to the Playing Field Committee by being their eyes and ears, from dawn to dusk, by alerting them to problems and issues. THANK YOU!!!

Now the messy, smelly news – dog poo & dogs not under control. Do you know the UK laws relating to these issues? (see below an extract from www.gov.uk)

Some dog owners seem unaware of them.

For example, on a recent visit to the playing field most dogs were off their leads. How do you know what they are doing?

"It's okay...they did their business earlier". Well, why is there so much dog poo on the field? Can you be sure of what your dog is doing at any given moment when it is off the lead?

"It's okay...they never run on to the road". But they did and they were lucky this time.

As a dog comes charging towards someone "it's okay, they are friendly." It is NOT okay. Others don't want dirty paw prints on clothes, bruises on legs and their feet taken from under them.

This playing field is not alone in facing this problem, increasing incidence of dog mess is usually matched by more 'deposits' in the village.

The current situation is not sustainable. It is heartening to see the playing field being used by increasing numbers of people in both organised and spontaneous healthy activities. If the controlling bodies of the organised activities receive sufficient complaints of excessive dog mess, then they have a duty of care, on Health & Safety grounds, to act.

The committee has no option other than to take action to protect the well-being of the many from the inactivity and or indifference of the few. The first step will be to closely monitor the situation. Once the problem has been quantified, we will take advice from experts in this field (their field, not our field).

Whatever the outcome of these discussions may be, one thing is obvious. If dog owners who claim to 'always pick up' don't pay more attention to their dog's bowel movements whilst socialising, and actively help police the inconsiderate owners, then a ban on free running dogs is inevitable.

The Playing Field Committee.

Controlling your dog in Public www.gov.uk



"It's against the law to let a dog be dangerously out of control anywhere, such as:

- in a public place
- in a private place, for example a neighbour's house or garden in the owner's home

The law applies to all dogs.

Your dog is considered dangerously out of control if it:

- injures someone
- makes someone worried that it might injure them

A court could also decide that your dog is dangerously out of control if either of the following apply:

- it attacks someone's animal
- the owner of an animal thinks they could be injured if they tried to

stop your dog attacking their animal

A farmer is allowed to kill your dog if it's worrying their livestock. Some public areas in England and Wales are covered by **Public Spaces Protection Orders** (PSPOs) - previously called Dog Control Orders (DCOs).

In public areas with PSPOs, you may have to:

- keep your dog on a lead
- put your dog on a lead if told to by a police officer, police community support officer or someone from the council
- stop your dog going to certain places like farmland or parts of a park
- limit the number of dogs you have with you (this applies to professional dog walkers too)
- clear up after your dog
- carry a poop scoop and disposable bags"

The Playing Field in Nether Stowey has a **PSPO**.

Nether Stowey Wednesday Club - Volunteers Needed

A social gathering of over 70's for coffee & lunch. We urgently need volunteers. If you can spare 4hrs per month please contact: Maggie 732532 or Tina 732382.

Wednesday Club Drivers Wanted

The Wednesday Club need drivers who live in the village and can spare 10-15mins before 10.00am to collect a member to take to the Church Centre and return home at 2.00pm. Term time only.

This will be on a voluntary basis. If you can help, please contact Maggie on 732532 or Tina on 732382



NETHER STOWEY PARISH COUNCIL

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Two vacancies

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Nether Stowey Wednesday Club

Join us every Wednesday (term time)
St Mary's Church Centre

10am-2pm





We welcome all ages 70 + from surrounding villages

We look forward to welcoming new members both ladies and gents!

Pop in for a friendly chat meet the members- Transport can be provided

Contact Maggie 01278 741230 or Tina 01278 732382



The Latest from the Cricket Club



On <u>Saturday</u>, 15th October 2022 Over Stowey Cricket club held it's annual <u>Presentation Dinner and Awards Evening</u> at Over Stowey Village Hall.

Around sixty people attended and enjoyed a lovely 3 course meal provided by J&J Catering, Chairman Les Biffen presented flowers to the following: Sue Thomas (Treasurer) Nicola Hayes (Youth Admin) Sara Barrow (Welfare) Wendy Hill (Scorer & Dinner Organiser) and finally his wife Lil Biffen (Teas) in recognition of their support throughout the cricket season.

Les went on to announce the award winners and I have detailed these below:

CLUBMAN-K. Barrow for his work with the Youth set up and for acting as 1st team captain in the absence of S. Miller.

BATTING HIGHEST SCORE: K. Barrow (123 runs)

BEST BOWLING 1st XI: S. Miller (6-25)

1st TEAM BATTING AVERAGE: <u>K. Barrow</u> (45.08) 2nd TEAM BATTING AVERAGE: W. Merchant Saunders (45.88)

1st TEAM BOWLING AVERAGE: <u>S. Miller</u> (16.97) 2nd TEAM BOWLING AVERAGE: <u>C. Woodley</u> (7.40)

1st TEAM CATCHES: O. Washer (9 Catches) 2nd TEAM CATCHES: W. Merchant Saunders (8 Catches)

MOST IMPROVED YOUNG PLAYER: <u>E. Washer</u> MOST IMPROVED CLUB PLAYER: <u>H. Langlois</u>

1ST TEAM PLAYER OF THE YEAR: S. Thomas 2nd TEAM PLAYER OF THE YEAR (JOINT): <u>C. Mogford/</u> <u>T.Coleman</u>

PLAYERS PLAYER: S. Thomas HOLE IN THE HAND: T. Coleman

The awards concluded with Chairman Les Biffen stating how proud he was to be associated with Over Stowey Cricket Club and he felt that the future of the club was looking very promising both on and off the field.

Footnote: This will be the last report from me until the Spring. Over and Out

Simon Pickard





Blood pressure monitors are available at the library.

You can borrow a blood pressure monitor FREE from The Thomas Poole Library. They are available for a two-week loan to library members and only require 4 AA batteries. To borrow a monitor, speak to one of our volunteers during opening hours.

Do you enjoy play reading and are looking for a group to join other like-minded people, then read on!

The 'Play Reading Group' at The Thomas Poole Library, Nether Stowey are hoping to start their activity again, once they have enough readers. They meet at the Library in Castle Street, one afternoon per month. If you are interested in joining them, please contact Sian by e-mail: eventsandpr@thomaspoolelibrary.org.uk

Are you interested in finding out more about your family history? We have two computers that are available for you to use during Library opening hours. As a library member, you have free access to Ancestry.co.uk which unlocks one billion searchable UK family history records so if you fancy delving into your family history, then come along and explore.

** WHAT'S ON **

STORYTIME

Mondays (except bank holidays), 11am to 11.30am. Aimed at babies and toddlers, join us for a fun half hour of stories and nursery rhymes

KNIT AND NATTER

Fridays, 10.30am to 12 noon. All ages and abilities are welcome! Just bring your own project which could be knitting, sewing, crochet, embroidery etc. or just come for a natter and see what others are working on. It's a terrific way to get inspired, pick-up new tips and make new friends

MONTHLY TALKS

Every second Wednesday of the month. Start time is 7.30pm and bookings will be required. Entrance fees are £3.50 for members and £4.50 for non-members.

Wednesday 9th November – Yorick, the Confessions. Local Resident Dennis Harkness will introduce his newly published book, 'Yorick, the Confessions'. Illustrated by Juliet Harkness, it includes a light-hearted novella and two plays. He and Juliet will perform extracts from all three sections, which are derived from characters in Shakespeare's plays. Margaret Drabble has described the book as 'fun', and this should certainly be an entertaining evening.

Wednesday 14th December – An evening of your favourite poetry and prose

Our opening hours are Monday, Wednesday, Friday 10am – 1pm, Friday 2pm – 5pm , and Saturday 10am -12noon

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!

Over Stowey Parish Council

The Parish Council met on Monday 3rd October 2022, following the post-ponement of the September meeting. As per usual at the moment, many of the items discussed were concerned with Highways issues.

There has been progress on a couple of areas – the cattle grids have been emptied and the work needed at Aley is scheduled for October.

Signage and requests for work to be undertaken to improve the safety within the parish are apparently under review, but still no information from the Highways Department is forthcoming despite this being escalated to the next level. The Clerk will continue to follow this up. It was agreed that at the October 19th 2022 meeting if no progress has been made, then this will be escalated further.

A request for the visibility mirror, at the Marsh Mills crossroads, to be repaired has been received by the Parish Council. After contacting the Highways Department with regards to this, it appears that this is not as straightforward as you would expect. The Clerk is looking into this and will feedback any information when received.

Another area of concern is with regards to recycling collections not being undertaken as they should be. This will be taken to District and County Councilors and it was also agreed that the Clerk contact the Somerset Waste Partnership to inform them of the Parish Council and residents dissatisfaction with the service.

On a transport note, if anyone would like to become a representative for the parish for the <u>Somerset Bus Partnership</u>, please contact the Clerk for more information.

The November meeting will be held on Wednesday 16th November and it is anticipated that the December meeting will be on Wednesday, 14th December. Please check the website and notice board nearer the time for details.

If you have any concerns or issues you would like to bring to the attention of the Parish Council, please contact the Clerk in the usual ways:

Website: https://www.overstoweyparishcouncil.co.uk/

Email: clerk@overstoweyparishcouncil.gov.uk

Phone: 07391 313740 (please leave a message if there is no reply)

If you could leave your contact details, we can then ensure any concerns raised are on the agenda for the next meeting.

Coleridge Cottage Update for November

The local Coleridge Probus Club has once again started meeting at the Cottage Inn, Keenthorne. Probus is an international organisation for retired Professional and Business men. There is no age restriction.

We meet on the first Monday of each month at 11:00 a.m. for a coffee followed by a topical talk by a speaker, covering many interesting subjects. This is followed by a two course lunch and a drink for which a £15 levy is requested. There is also an annual fee of £10.

Membership is by election of the current members.

Interested potential members should apply by email with a CV to the Secretary, Mr Philip Comer Philip.com@gmail.com



The Marion Evered Trust

Last month I mentioned that we had a meeting with Musgrove Children's ward to discuss how our fundraising could help them this year.

We are pleased to say that we have agreed to help funding with a revamp of the play area with a special grass and also an awning to provide cover. Also the purchase of a new Aqui vain machine that helps locate difficult to find veins for blood tests which reduces pain and suffering, 2 beds to enable parents to stay with their child, a large chalk board and other play equipment.

All of this makes fundraising worthwhile and thankyou to all that have helped and donated, the amount we are handing over this year will be in next months newsletter.



Volunteer to be an Independent Visitor or Advocate for children in Somerset.

These are fascinating and inspiring opportunities, which can bring real benefits to vulnerable children and young people. (Travel and reasonable expenses are reimbursed.)

You can help children and young people understand their rights and ensure that their views, wishes and feelings are heard.

What is an Independent Visitor?

Independent Visitors are volunteers who befriend and spend time with a child or young person who is in the care of the Local Authority. By law all local authorities have to provide an Independent Visitor service.

In Somerset our intention is to encourage the relationship between the Independent Visitor and young person to continue beyond care. This way the care leavers continue to benefit from support, while making the transition to young adulthood. Independent Visitors are highly valued by the young people as they may be the only person involved in their lives who is not paid to be there.

What is an Advocate?

An Advocate is an independent person who can offer one-to-one support to children and young people to have their voice heard when meetings are taking place concerning their wellbeing. It's the role of the Advocate to speak up for the young person, make them aware of their rights, listen to them and represent their views, wishes and feelings. Why not join our bank of advocates? You chose when you're available.

Your volunteering can be arranged to suit your availability. Your life experience will be highly valued and you will be trained and supported in developing key skills.



Please contact us and we will arrange a short visit or call to explain more and discuss your options.

For more information, visit our website at www.routeladvocacy.co.uk Routelbusinesssupportadmin@somerset.gov.uk 01749 822801







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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Nether <u>Stowey</u> and Over <u>Stowey</u> Branch of the Royal British Legion has been unable for some time to recruit sufficient Committee members to maintain all the

functions of a fully active local <u>organisation</u>, <u>and</u> has therefore become a County Supported Branch. This means that many administrative tasks will now be carried out at County level. We hope, nevertheless, to maintain as many as possible of the activities of the RBL within the two parishes. Anyone requiring the support of the Legion or other information should contact one the following:

Jane Erskine Tel: 01278732025 William Husband Tel: 01278732817



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Qualified for inspection and testing

CARE NOT CUSTODY

On 12th October The Thomas Poole Library was honoured to welcome Juliet Lyon CBE. Juliet chairs the Independent Advisory Panel on Deaths in Custody and has been the Director of the Prison Reform Trust and Secretary General of Penal Reform International. Her talk centred on the amazing achievement of the Women's Institute at local and national level to effect a change in the way that those arrested are initially assessed and treated. Central to this is the provision of a Place of Safety.

A Place of Safety is where people are detained and managed safely while an appropriate mental health assessment is undertaken. It may be residential accommodation provided by a local social services authority. A police station is not a Place of Safety and should only be used under exceptional circumstances.

Juliet read out the eloquent letter written to his mother by a young mentally ill man who despaired of the system and its understanding of mental health issues. He subsequently took his own life, in prison. He was there because at the time there was no alternative place of safety. The mother, a W I member, chose to highlight the tragedy in an attempt to secure better understanding by policing authorities of those with mental health problems.

With the Prison Reform Trust the W I launched the Care Not Custody coalition to ensure that people with mental health problems got the right care for their condition in safer alternatives to prison. The coalition also successfully campaigned for the full rollout of 'liaison and diversion' services. The services support people with varying needs when they come into contact with the criminal justice system and now cover the whole of England. £73million was made available to enable the services to operate – a positive outcome.

The Covid pandemic set back progress in mental health and prison reform very significantly. There was a mass lockdown in prisons for over 2 years. Prisoners were routinely locked in their cells for 23 hours a day. In the hour out of their cells – or even less than that – they were expected to shower, exercise, make phone calls to relatives, often at a ratio of 4 showers and 4 telephones per 50 prisoners.

The consequence was all too predictable, especially when it came to the prisoners' mental health. As one prisoner remarked "You wouldn't lock a dog up like that for so long and expect it to come out unscathed".

Nearly 100 prisoners were trained in research methods and carried out a survey of 1400 prisoners in 11 prisons to measure the effects of the Covid lockdown. The findings of the survey were sadly predictable showing that prolonged isolation and a reduction in support services resulted in widespread deterioration of mental health and the rehabilitative function of prison.

Juliet praised Somerset Open Mental Health which provides the 'joined up' approach that is needed and which is possibly unique in the country. Her talk was enlightening and sobering. Governmental action is slow and although improvements are being made it is clear that there is still much to be done to address the issues raised by Care Not Custody.

Roger Stacy

fundraising, Fundraising, FUNDRASING

A huge thank you to everyone who made cakes, donated raffle and/or bring and buy sale items, helped on the day and joined us in <u>Five Lords</u>, <u>Nether Stowey on Friday 16th September</u>.

You were amazing as, together, we raised an incredible £1156.10. We were very lucky with the sunshine on the day which allowed us to make use of the garden and we're already looking forward to doing it all again next year!

Lynn Scales and Ruth Pickard



We meet 2nd & 4th Monday each month 10am – 1pm

Nether Stowey Church Centre



Come & Join Us Beginner's Welcomed

No experience necessary





Contact: Anna Boulton 01278 652307 Gill Griffiths 01278 733709 Meg Smith 01278 671837

Campbell Rooms

The annual lease for the Campbell rooms at Adscombe, Over Stowey may shortly become available. This would be an ideal opportunity for a group to secure a venue for regular use.

The lease is a very reasonable price and anyone interested is asked to approach the Over Stowey village hall committee to discuss on 07970781087

Ian Barrow

THANK YOU !!! for your continued support of the Nether Stowey Village Hall & Recreation Ground's 50:50 Lottery (formerly PFR Club) which is helping us with our goal of building a new community centre on the playing field.

There is a lot of work going on behind the scenes and we hope you will start to see something happening early next year. The winners for September and October are:





50-50 LOTTERY DRAW

September 2022

1st Prize	£33.37	Ticket No: 43	L White
2nd Prize	£16.68	Ticket No: 411	J Heslop
3rd Prize	£10.02	Ticket No: 55	I Ricketts
4th Prize	£6.83	Ticket No: 28	P Pardoe

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Jane Erksine, Trustee 732025 Sharon Mayell, Treasurer 732311





50-50 LOTTERY DRAW

October 2022

1st Prize	£33.37	Ticket No: 40	J Bramhall	
2nd Prize	£16.68	Ticket No: 95	C Bennie	
3rd Prize	£10.02	Ticket No: 36	C Gunning	
4th Prize	£6.83	Ticket No: 31	M Carpenter	

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Jane Erksine, Trustee 732025 Sharon Mayell, Treasurer 732311

Latest news from Hinkley Point

Hinkley Point C - Monthly Update



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

Hinkley Point C reaches apprenticeship target ahead of schedule

At HPC we have now reached our goal of training 1,000 apprentices. The target was set during the planning stage of the project and is part of our commitment to maximising opportunities for local people. The apprenticeship programme's success is due to the extensive outreach work being done with local schools and colleges whilst partnerships have also been set up with training providers, such as Bridgwater & Taunton College, creating a pipeline from the classroom to employment.



The apprenticeship programme is making a real difference across Somerset, with two-thirds of all apprentices living within the local area. Apprenticeships will continue to be available on the project as construction develops. Due to the number of skills needed to build the power station, there is a course for everyone, from welding, nuclear engineering, to HR and catering.

Opportunities are available, regardless of previous experience, background, or age – the youngest apprentice is 18, and the oldest is in their 50s. More information on our apprenticeship schemes and how to access the huge range of opportunities is available on our website: edfenergy.com/hpc

Marking six years of progress

On 29 September the project marked six years since construction was given the official green light. As a project we reflected on all the progress made so far with videos and images of construction progress shared across the site. To see the latest progress photos visit our website: edfenergy.com/hpc





Biffa's fitting support for Ukraine

The Biffa team at Hinkley Point C's Waste Consolidation Centre (WCC) is lending a helping hand to Ukraine aid workers by donating PPE essential to road safety management. The 'boot sort' event in the summer saw the Biffa team and volunteers from across the Project pair the boots, then clean, lace and box them, ready to be transported to Aylesford, Kent.

They were then handed over to road safety charity Eastern Alliance for Safe and Sustainable Transport (EASST), which handled the shipment to Ukraine. The safety boots were sent out to search and rescue teams which work with local authorities to create safer road conditions in the war-torn country. Andy De'Ath, Biffa Operations Manager, said: "These materials and the PPE from Site would usually go into disposal. With this donation programme, we've taken one load of boots over to Kent already and we're aiming for a second soon. So far we've donated more than 200 pairs of boots and we're currently working with EDF's Environment team to increase our donations by expanding to other materials.

Get in touch

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GARDENING WITH NICK

November 2022

The vegetable plot: press on with the winter cultivations provided the ground conditions are not too wet. This allows as much time as possible for frosts to help break down the clods of soil in advance of sowing/planting next year. No dig beds can be cleaned of any weed/crop residue and a substantial layer of compost placed on top of the bed. Ensure that any perennial weeds are thoroughly removed. The earliest broad beans and peas can still be obtained from November sowings using the correct varieties, i.e. Aquadulce Claudia for the beans and Onward or Feltham First for peas. Soil should be prepared as normal but avoid adding any fertiliser as a compact, hard (tough) plant will withstand the winter weather better. It is still not too late for garlic to be planted.

Hardwood cuttings: it is an excellent month for taking cuttings of black and redcurrants, gooseberries and shrubs such as coloured stem dogwoods, willow, forsythia, flowering currants, roses and buddleja. The cutting is normally 200mm to 300mm long and taken from healthy growth produced in 2022 and must be sufficiently substantial to survive the winter outside, aim for pencil thickness. Make a sloping cut just above a bud and a straight basal cut below a bud. Treat with hormone rooting powder (optional) and making a slit with a spade insert the cuttings into the soil to two thirds their length. If your soil is prone to poor drainage place some grit beneath the cutting. Alternatively, the correct conditions can be produced in a deep container using multi-purpose potting compost and placed outside in a sheltered position and ensuring that they do not dry out. Roots will be produced during the 2023 growing season. Cuttings taken last autumn should now be well rooted and they can be lifted and planted out in a permanent position.

Ornamentals: Autumn and winter winds can disturb the base of taller bush roses and reducing them in height prior to their main

pruning in late February will help prevent wind rock. Herbaceous perennials and some grasses can be tidied up but remember good quality flowerheads and seed pods can look very attractive throughout the winter especially on frosty mornings.

Leaves should be raked up and turned into valuable leaf mould. This can be done by stacking them in a wire netting enclosure and occasionally turning them or putting them in black bin bags with some moisture and once tied pierce the bag with a fork. Running the rotary mower over them first creates greater surface area and speeds up decomposition.

Bulb planting: this is a good time to get tulips planted either in the soil or in containers (perforated pond containers are particularly good) which can then be plunged into the ground and lifted out after flowering plus, of course, planting up ornamental containers for display.

Fruit: winter pruning can commence this month apples, pears and soft fruits such as the currants, gooseberries, raspberries, etc. But not plums, gages and cherries which are susceptible to silver leaf disease if pruned now. Wait until the sap is rising in spring /early summer to prune and cuts will then 'gum' over and prevent the fungal spores entering through the pruning cut.

The greenhouse: this can be cleared, cleaned thoroughly, and prepared for winter. Why not try some winter lettuce/salad leaves? Winter Gem is an excellent small cos variety and can be planted either in the soil or in gro-bags. Three or four well rooted strawberry runners can also be planted in a gro-bag or container and these will produce early strawberries in 2023.

Nick Rigden







Stowey Gardeners affiliated to The Royal Horticultural Society is based in Nether Stowey on the doorstep of the Quantock Hills, famous for its outstanding natural beauty area and cultural heritage.

The club has a long tradition. It was established 33 years ago by Nick Ridgen, well known to horticultural education in the Stowey area and the Somerset Federation of Garden Clubs.

Nick is the <u>President</u> of the Stowey Gardeners Club. The committee has 5 members – <u>Secretary</u> Lucy Haswell, <u>Treasurer</u> Caroline Norris, <u>Speakers & Visits organisers</u>: Jean Deakin, Judith Harvey, Zoe Peters.

Stowy Gardeners meet monthly in St Mary's Church Centre at Nether Stowey offering talks by many famous guest speakers such as Sally Gregson, Margie Hoffnung (portrait below), Lady Christine Skelmersdale or Sue Fisher (her talk "Making the most of a small garden" is awaited with great anticipation – save the date 17th November) just to name a few.

The aim of Stowey Gardeners is to exchange knowledge and information on a huge range of horticultural topics. Events are enjoyed by over 30 club members with tea & coffee, home made cakes and a very popular raffle and plant sale.

The club has on its generous offer 3 or 4 visits per year to open gardens, including coach trips to many places such as RHS garden shows and a members' garden party in the summer each year.

You can find Stowey Gardeners on social media through the website http://sites.google.com/site/stoweygardeners/ or on FB. Their electronic posts are on Quantock Messenger Magazine, Nextdoor and the Parish council website. SG are also present in the local library, shops,

village notice boards and on occasions within collaborating activities at the neighbouring clubs in Holfords and Enmore.

The best way to contact Stowey Gardeners is by phone Lucy (secretary) 01278 671289

or visiting the website

http://sites.google.com/site/stoweygardeners/

Annual membership is £20 or come as a visitor £5. Car sharing available for visits.



Margie Hoffnung, one of the marvellous guest speakers present at Stowey Gardeners club back in May 2022 with her witty, hilarious and full of knowledge presentation titled

"Gardening - a Very British Tradition".

Margie Hoffnung,, Drawing by Annelise Gainham, an artist from Exmoor

AUTUMN / WINTER DIARY 2022			
17th November	"Making the most of a Small Garden" A talk by Sue Fisher		
15th December	Members Christmas Party		
19th January	January Annual General Meeting and talk Speaker to be confirmed		

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Nether Stowey Parish Council

Work at the Clock Tower is now finished. We have carried out repairs to the wooden bellcote at the top of the tower, and it has been repainted, as has woodwork above the clock, and the front door. The striking mechanism and fixtures for the bell have been repainted and repaired and the clock mechanism has had its annual service. The gaol has been repainted. Lastly the cockerel on the weathervane has been repaired and cleaned. The work was discussed in detail and approved by the Conservation Officer at Sedgemoor District Council.

The Parish Council thanks Cllr John Roberts who did the tricky carpentry and Mike the contractor who did the work, and Grandfields who supplied specially selected timber. Most importantly, the Parish Council would like to say a very big 'thank you' to the Quantock Landscape Partnership Scheme Historic Heritage Fund who have awarded us a grant to cover the cost of the scaffolding, without which, the vital work to preserve the bellcote would not have been possible.

I am sad to say that Cllr Colin Falla is unable to continue his role as Volunteer Footpath Strimmer. Colin has done the job for over 5 years keeping paths free of excessive vegetation and reporting problems etc, and on behalf of all of those who enjoy walking in the area, the Parish Council would like to thank him for all his hard work. We are now looking for new volunteers to take over this job. Training and equipment are provided. Until new volunteers come forward, maintenance of the paths are the responsibility of landowners (in some cases the County Council). Problems can be reported to the footpaths team using the interactive map at https://roam.somerset.gov.uk/roam/map or by e-mail to rightsofway@somerset.gov.uk. If you can help with that, we are (still) looking for someone to help with minor work and odd-jobs to help tidy up around the village. This is a paid, casual position. Tasks would involve work such as sweeping, strimming etc, depending on what you can (or are willing to) do. Please contact Caro if you can help or would like to know more details.

The consultation on the proposed climbing frame/fitness equipment intended for the Playing Field has, so far, not received enough support to get the grants we were hoping would fund it. The consultation ends at midday on Monday 7 November and the Parish Council will decide at the Parish Council meeting on 14 November whether to take this forward. Details are at https://netherstowey-pc.gov.uk/consultation-play-gym-equipment/.

There was a disappointing turnout at Sedgemoor's Affordable Housing Consultation event on 12 October. If you couldn't get to the event, we have information and application forms at the Parish Office.

The Village Hall have submitted a new application for Outline Planning Permission to demolish the Hall and build 6 homes. The Parish Council will consider this application at the meeting on 14 November. Details of the application are at https://www.sedgemoor.gov.uk/

Planning_Online/?action=GetDetails&app=36/22/00017 and members of the public can comment until 8 November.

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 14 November at the Church Centre at 7pm. —Caro Slaymaker Clerk to the Parish Council—

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CHURCH SERVICES - November 2022

	6 [™]	13 th	20 th	27 th
	November	November	November	November
	3 rd Sunday before Advent	REMEBRANCE SUNDAY	Sunday before Advent	Advent SUNDAY
Nether Stowey	11:00am Morning Worship (C/Centre)	10.50am Service of Remembrance at the Cross	11:00am Morning Wor- ship (C/Centre)	11:00am Holy Commun- ion (Church)
Over Stowey	9:30pm Matins	9:30am Holy Communion (CW) no hymns Service of Remembrance Friday 11 Nov. 10.50am	9:30am Holy Communion (CW)	9:30am Morning Worship
Aisholt	11:00am Matins	10.50am Service of Remembrance	11:00am Holy Communion (BCP)	11:00am Matins
Enmore	11:00am Holy Communion	10.50am Service of Remembrance	11.00am Holy Communion	11:00am Morning Worship Advent Carol Service Sat. 26 Nov. 4.00pm
Goathurst	9:30am Morning Worship	10.50am Service of Remembrance	9:30am Morning Worship	6:30pm Holy Commun- ion (BCP)
Spaxton	9:30am Holy Communion	10.50am Service of Remembrance	11:00am Holy Communion	9.30am Morning Worship

Dear All

Westminster Abbey has been a focus of our attention over the last two months with the passing of Her Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and in May next year it will host the Coronation of King Charles III.

It is also a focal point during this season of Remembrance, as we remember those who laid down their lives for the freedom of this country; all known and loved by their families and friends but the resting place of some is unknown. It is in Westminster Abbey that we look for their memorial stone. In Westminster Abbey today, now over a hundred years old, lies the Grave

of the Unknown Warrior. A grave that holds a soldier unknown by name or rank, but who lies as a memorial for all those soldiers who rest in unmarked graves. It cannot be lost that this grave lies at the entrance to the Abbey at the West door. It cannot go unnoticed for during each procession - be it the funeral cortege of Her Late Majesty or His Majesty King Charles' coronation - the Grave of the Unknown Warrior has to be negotiated – a constant reminder of lives given in service to others.

If you watched the *Westminster Abbey: behind closed doors* programme on Channel 5 on a Thursday evening you'll know that there was a first stone before the current black stone and on it were the words found in John 15 – *Greater Love Hath No Man Than This.* A powerful reminder of lives surrendered for others. A reminder too of another life laid down for us - the life of Jesus Christ, who died and defeated death. Rising again, he won victory over death that we might have life everlasting.

May we never forget those who laid down their lives in wars and servicethose who will never grow old - but may we also hold on to the hope given to us through Christ that we can receive eternal life.

Towards the end of the month, Advent is upon us, and we start the journey to Christmas and the celebration of birth of Christ amongst us. Happy Advent!

Eleanor

A few dates to note:Fauré's Requiem will be sung by a group of local singers and soloists on **Sunday 6th November at** 6pm in St Andrew's Church, Stogursey. All are welcome. There will be a retiring collection in aid of the Fortress and Bridgwater Foodbank.

Remembrance Services on Sunday 13th November 2022

Aisholt Church – 10:50am Enmore Church - 10:50am

 $Goathurst\ Church-10.50 am \qquad \qquad Nether\ Stowey\ at\ the\ Cross-10:50 am$

Spaxton Church - 10:50am

On Friday 11th November at 10:50am there will be a service of Remembrance at Over Stowey Church

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Nether Stowey & Fiddington WI

We have enjoyed a full programme during the summer months, our Jubilee celebrations, a trip to Sidmouth and a cream tea with our ladies from Fiddington and are looking forward to Christmas crafts and a Christmas Lunch. It would seem that we have some normality now but fully appreciate that everyone will have their comfort level regarding COVID safety, some of us feeling confident with socialising but not all of us and therefore care and support is our paramount concern and will be for some time to come. At a local level we continue to grow our membership and are looking positively to our future. At national level our Chair of Public Affairs was invited to talk at the United Nations 2022 Ocean Conference In Lisbon. It is the first time in many years the WI has received International recognition and really shows the power of our collective voice. Our climate ambassador from Cheshire was on the WI stand at the Westminster Climate Solutions Fair, our ongoing campaign against plastic soup in our oceans goes on.

So why not come and be part of something special. You only need to walk through the door to a warm welcome and a couple of hours of fun and companionship, what have you got to loose and a heck of a lot to gain.

TB

Looking for voices to join a group singing Faure's Requiem in November -

Would you like to join a group of singers from around Quantock Deanery to sing Faure's Requiem? Rehearsals will be held on Thursday evenings at Nether Stowey Church Centre, starting on 8th September at 6.30pm, with a service on Sunday 6th November at St Andrew's Church, Stogursey. Roger Stacey will be conducting and copies will be provided. Please contact Sarah King



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September Village Agent News - What is a Village Agent?

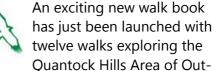
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standing Natural Beauty. Part of the 'Seriously Not Boring' walking book series developed by local authors Sue Gearing and Les Davies, the book allows people to explore the wonderful Quantock Country as well as providing a host of activities for people of all ages.

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BRING OUT YOUR SAPLINGS! 26 NOVEMBER: SAVE THE DATE!



Good news! Somerset County Council, who own the land, have agreed in principle that Stowey Green Spaces Group can plant a Platinum Jubilee extension to Stowey Millennium Wood in the paddock behind the burnt-out barn at New Stowey farm. It is hoped that planting can take place <u>from 10am on Saturday, 26 November</u>, coinciding with the first day of National Tree Week.

I know that several people have saplings or small trees on their land or in gardens. If you are having an autumn tidy, please consider keeping any saplings until the end of November and bring them along to plant. You can make a modest contribution to extending Stowey Millennium Wood and increasing biodiversity in our local area.

There are inevitably a few hoops to go through, so this is a provisional alert to meet the deadline for the November edition of Quantock Messenger. If the planting goes ahead we'll confirm nearer the time via Next Door and SGSG's Facebook page, but otherwise please check with me before turning up.

You can even make a day of it by planting a tree at New Stowey farm and then calling in on the Christmas Craft Fayre at the Church Centre!

Roy Osborne,

Chair, Stowey Green Spaces Group (SGSG)

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QUANTOCK FOODBANK

The Quantock Foodbank at Watchet would like to say a huge THANK YOU to everyone in Nether Stowey + other local villages, for our regular, committed support. Over the last few years the Foodbank has given out literally hundreds of food parcels. Many reasons, including the pandemic, have made life very challenging for a great number of people - the elderly, the disabled, single parents - plus others. No-one likes to admit they are in need, but with a voucher from a GP, a Health Visitor, a Social Worker or Citizens Advice Bureau, arrival at the Foodbank is dealt with kindly and professionally - and always non-judgmentally.

Collections of your donated non-perishable (and in-date!) foods, toiletries, cleaning products etc are taken by a team of volunteers every Monday by 11am from the doorway of the Church Centre in Nether Stowey. The country's economic forecast for this autumn and winter looks bleak for all of us. Any of us could suddenly find ourselves in changed circumstances and in need of help. People's physical and mental health is vital. Let us do all we can to be kind and helpful to each other. Thank you.

STOWEY SHUTTLE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Could you be a driver with Stowey Shuttle? Stowey Shuttle is a local community car scheme, providing car journeys at cost to its registered members. It is run entirely by volunteers who manage the scheme, receive and allocate requests for travel, and drive passengers using their own cars. Our drivers receive a mileage allowance for each journey, and we are supported by Somerset County Council and the scheme is linked to the bus pass scheme. We always welcome more volunteers and at present would like to increase the number of our drivers. If you have a few hours to spare and would like to help please call Stowey Shuttle on 07943923742.

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FOOTBALL NEWS

Focus on Women's and girls football....

Stowey Women's squad have been celebrating their 1st anniversary, after establishing themselves in October 2021. What started with just 3 players attending the first session, the player base has steadily grown in numbers and we currently have around 20 ladies ranging from 16 years, with several players in their 40's.

All enjoy training, having fun and learning more about football under the guidance of NSFC lead coach Steve Easden. Training takes place on a Tuesday evening from 6-15 - 7-15pm. No experience is needed, just a willingness to try your best and enjoy yourself!!! The women's section has already entered a 5-a-side tournament in Yeovil and had small sided matches against Sydenham and Berrow. We are hoping to enter the Women's league for 2023-24 season if numbers continue to increase.

Friendlies are also being planned this season, dates to be confirmed. The club are now looking for sponsorship towards training and playing kit, a range of sponsorship options are available to suit all budgets.

Any individuals or businesses wishing to support the women's section are to contact Steve Easden on 07788-370014 or email easden85ste@mail.com. Alternatively contact Mark Sells on 07896 644636.

The club have also started a girls training squad on a Wednesday evening 5-6pm, run by Steve Easden with support from members of the Women's training squad. Training is on the MUGA, just turn up and play.

Thanks

Mark Sells

NETHER STOWEY FOOTBALL CLUB



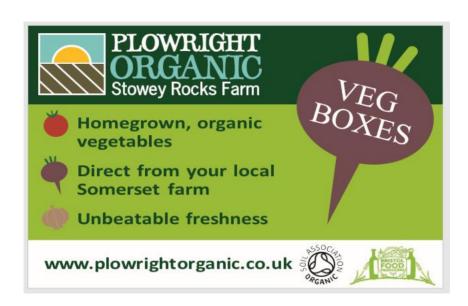
TRAINING DATES AUTUMN 2022

DAY	TIME	AGE	CONTACT	INFORMATION
MON	5:30- 6:30PM	U12 (YR 7)	MATT ATHERTON 07903 231891	Training and matches. Please call Matt to confirm.
MON	6:30- 8PM	U13 (YR 8)	MIKE MUNT 07775 808417	Training and matches. Please call Mike to confirm.
TUES	4:15 - 5:15PM	U7 & U8 (YR 2&3)	JENNI THORNE 07899 804119	Training only. First session Tues 13 th Sept. Feel free to just turn up!!!
TUES	5:30- 6:15PM	U6 (YR 1)	MIKE DEAR 07715 576340	Training only. First session Tues 20 th Sept. Feel free to just turn up!!!
TUES	6:15- 7:15PM	WOMENS (16+)	STEVE EASDEN 07788 370014	Training and Occasional matches. Just turn up!
WEDS	5-6PM	GIRLS Age 13-15 (Yrs 9-11)	STEVE EASDEN 07788 370014	Training only at present. Just turn up! First session Tues 20th Sept
WEDS	6:15- 8PM	MENS (16+)	STEVE EASDEN 07788 370014	Training and League matches Sat and Sun. Call for more info.
THURS	6-7PM	U9 (YR 4)	RICH MARRIOTT 07890 451694	Training and matches. Please call Rich to confirm.
FRI	5:15- 6:15PM	U12 (YR 7)	MATT ATHERTON 07903 231891	Training and matches. Please call Matt to confirm.

All training takes place weekly at Nether Stowey Recreation Ground on the MUGA 4g Pitch. Please contact individual coaches for more info including costs. Suitable footwear (Trainers / Moulded boots) needed along with tracksuit / sports top / shorts).

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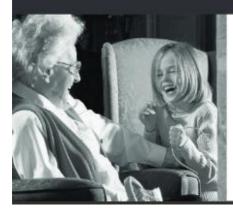
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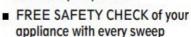
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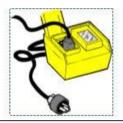
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