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Meeting	Date	Time	Venue
Full Council	9 th July	7.00pm	Edgar Hall
Promotions & Communications	16 th July	7.00pm	Edgar Hall
Accessibility & Highways	23 rd July	7.00pm	Edgar Hall
Planning (if required)	9 th & 23 rd July	7.00pm	Edgar Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend and there will be opportunities to ask questions. Planning applications may be viewed on the SSDC website and details are displayed on the notice board outside the Parish Rooms and on the STC website.

All agendas and minutes are available on the STC website www.somertontowncouncil.gov.uk
Requests from the public for items to be added to the agenda should be notified to the town clerk in writing by the first Monday of the month.

Did you know Somerton Town Council has a Facebook page? Check it out!

THE STC COMMUNITY AWARDS 2019 WINNERS:

Outstanding Contribution to the Community - Gregory Mason

Community - Chris Cox

Youth - Sally Snaddon

Art - Nina Gronw - Lewis

Sport - David Osmond

Greg Mason has also been awarded the Somerset County Council Chairman's Award for Service to the Community 2019.

- Somerton Town Council has appointed two Councillor representatives to join the Save the Kirkham Street Field Action Group: Cllr Taylor and Cllr Pither
- Grant funding of £475 awarded to the ACEarts Project Spin.
- STC are seeking to recruit a volunteer Dog Warden, if you are interested please contact Jude Raybould, Town Clerk: town.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk or phone 01458 272236.

News

SOMERTON TENNIS CLUB

If you would like to play tennis please contact the Membership Secretary Alan Wharton on 01458 445139 or 07483 811516. For adult coaching contact Neil Driver 01458 270131. For junior coaching Luke Andrews 07437 404242. For public court hire Wendy Driver 01458 270131 or 07788 451098. The cost to hire a court is £6 an hour. More information available at somertontennisclub.co.uk.

SOMERTON COMMUNITY WEBSITE

Please check to see if your organisation, society or club is listed on the Somerton Community Website www.somerton.co.uk and that your information is correct. These are listed on the Societies and Clubs pages. Please advise if you have any corrections, deletions or additions. The website also has an events page and all entries are free of charge.

SOMERTON LIBRARY

The library will be open for 23 hours a week:

Mon: Closed am, 2.00pm – 5.00pm

Tues: Closed all day

Wed: 10.00 am – 1.00pm. Closed pm

Thu: 10.00am – 5.00pm

Fri: 10.00am – 5.00pm

Sat: 10.00am – 1.00pm. Closed pm

MANY THANKS TO ALL THE LIBRARY VOLUNTEERS.

SOMERTON GARDENERS' CLUB – ANNUAL SHOW 31ST AUGUST.

The annual show will soon be here, and if you want to enter the craft or photography section look on our website for details on plants, crafts and photography lists www.somertongc.com.

HOME LIBRARY SERVICE.

The Home Library Service is a free service provided by Somerset Libraries and delivered by the Home Library Service. For more information please contact Kirsty Jenssen, Service Manager for the Home Library Service on tel: 07920 250834 or email: kirsty.jenssen@royalvoluntaryservice.org.uk.

SMAF ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION 2019:

What an exhibition this year, 550 visitors came through the doors of the Parish Rooms and some fantastic comments made by those who visited. So a big THANK YOU to all who visited, entered work, brought cards / artwork/photography and supported the event. We had a number of new artists, old favourites returning and lots of discussion around the various pieces exhibited.

The winners were:

Photography – Nadia Calipa with Joie

Artwork – Mandy McAllen with Across the Water –Dartmouth

Embroidery – Sue Russell with Bouquet from the Heart of Japan

Sculpture – Suzanne Wilson with Leonardo

This year we also tried some workshops alongside the exhibition and these appeared to be well supported and enjoyed by all of those who took part. We hope to develop this further in 2020 so watch this space.

Sadly Jade Farmer is leaving us this year, she took over the role a number of years back now and has done a fantastic job in developing the exhibition further. We look forward to seeing her work exhibited next year but would like on behalf of everyone, to say a huge “thank you Jade” for all your hard work and enthusiasm, you will be missed greatly and a hard act to follow. We would also like to thank all the stewards for their time, Cheryl for her patience with us and tidying up everyday, our Sponsor, Richard at Williams supermarket and Debbie our independent vote counter plus the ground crew men (Gary, Ray, Guy and Mark). Until 2020, it is good bye from Jade, Jackie, Alex and Arthur, the Art and Photography Team.

SOMERTON WEATHER FOR MAY

Total rainfall for May was 38mms or 1.5 inches.

SOMER SINGERS

Somer Singers, local a cappella group from the Somerton/Langport area are looking for a soprano to join their already established and successful four part harmony singing group. They sing at local events, weddings and concerts and have bookings to Christmas and beyond. Call on 07849 335961 for an informal chat and they'll let you know how joining them works. Alternatively email on info@somersingers.org.uk.

SOMERTON MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL 5-13 JULY

At last! Somerton's Music & Arts Festival starts on Friday 5th July with a concert in St Michael's Church by the brilliant Sons of Pitches at 7.30pm. It continues with events every day through to the fantastic conclusion event on Saturday 13th with a twelve-hour music festival in a day at Somerton Recreation Ground. Somerstock is a great new venture for the Festival - buy your tickets in advance and save money. FREE Festival programmes still available around town. See www.somertonartsfestival.co.uk to purchase tickets, or call in at the ticket office in Overt Locke, West Street on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays 10.00am–1.00pm until 12th July. Tickets will also be on sale at Festival Fun Day on Somerton sports field on Sunday 7th July and on the door at most events.

See below for day by day for event programme.

JULY

Friday 5th 7.30pm The Sons of Pitches in St Michael's Church

Saturday 6th 7.30pm Flamenco recital with Samuel Moore in St Michael's Church

Sunday 7th 10.30pm Festival service of celebration in St Michael's Church;

12.00 Family Fun Day on the Recreation Ground

Monday 8th 2.30pm Will's Swing & Country Show for residents at Wessex House;

8.00pm Festival Quiz night at Somerton Sports Club

Tuesday 9th 7.30pm Concert of Medieval Music by Woodwose in St Michael's Church

Wednesday 10th 2.30pm 'Somerset on old Film' – by David Parker in the Parish Rooms;

8.00pm Mitchell & Vincent Folk Duo perform in the White Hart (a free event)

Thursday 11th 7.30pm HMS Heron's Royal Navy Volunteer Band in St Michael's Church

Friday 12th 7.30pm Bluebird Cabaret Night in the Parish Rooms

Saturday 13th 11.00am Gates open for Somerstock at the Recreation Ground.

SAVE KIRKHAM STREET FIELD ACTION GROUP

Where are we now?

1. We are applying to the Charity Commission for charity status as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO) and organising the paperwork.
2. We will have a fundraising stall at Somerton Fun Day, Sunday 7th July, from 12 noon–5pm at Somerton Recreation Ground. Please come along and support us!
3. We are hoping to arrange a Picnic in the Park at Kirkham Street Field on Saturday 17th August from 12 noon–4pm, where there will also be a fundraising stall. Bring your own picnic and enjoy the field! Toilets will be available. Parking will only be available for disabled people. Otherwise, please drop your passengers off and then drive to park in Brunel Car Park.

If you have any legal, financial, office skills or other talents to offer – please get in touch!

Our contact email is SaveKirkhamStreetField@outlook.com or fletcher080@btinternet.com

COATES LEGAL

Is relocating to the Cellar, in the precinct in July. (More details to follow shortly).

Coates Legal will be in the library from 1st July 2019 on Monday mornings from 9.30am to 11.30am (when the library is closed to the public) to provide free legal advice and there will also be FREE presentations:

- 1st July from 9.30am to 11.30am – free legal advice
- 8th July at 9.45am (ending at 11.15am) – Wills – why do you need one?
- 15th July at 9.45am (ending at 11.15am) – What will happen to my estate if I do not have a Will?
- 22nd July 9.45am (ending at 11.15am) – Why would a Lasting Power of Attorney be necessary?
- 29th July 9.45am (ending at 11.15am) – Protecting your assets from care home fees – can I do this?
- 5th August from 9.30am to 11.30am – free legal advice
- 12th August at 9.45am (ending at 11.15am) – What is probate and why would you need it?

If you are interested in attending a FREE presentation, you can just turn up on the day.

However, in order that seating may be arranged and reserved for you, you may wish to book on 01458 270222.

ARCHIESXTRA NEEDS YOU!

We are looking for volunteers to join our team! We meet every Thursday at the sports ground from 7.30-9pm (weather permitting) with a trailer offering free refreshments, a listening ear and a space for young people to come and chat. We currently have a youth worker attached to the team and are able to offer a variety of activities for the young people to take part in, as well as just being there to listen to and talk to the young people. Why not pop along and have a chat to see if it is something you want to help with – we are a friendly bunch! Some people volunteer once a month whilst others come more regularly – it is very flexible. Alternatively please call Alex on 01458 272047 or Judith Hurley on 01458 273079

CHARITY THEATRE TRIPS NEWS FOR JULY 2019

June brings the last chance to book for Calendar Girls – The Musical (16 July, £47/£59)

The Lion King tickets have been bought, but there are still a few available at Bristol for Wednesday 13th November evening, at £65 and £82.

Other trips with availability are:

The King and I London production at Bristol on the evening of Thursday 26th March at £53 and £70.

Carmen, Welsh National Opera's new production on Friday 13th March at £5

We Will Rock You (Queen) on Wednesday 18 March, £45/£58.

Our coach goes from Curry Rivel, Langport, Somerton, then Street/Wells or Keinton Mandeville/Shepton Mallet depending on bookings. Payment is usually due about two months before the show date. Any profit is donated to charity.

For more details of all trips please visit www.theatretrips.webeden.co.uk, e-mail coxtheatretrips@btinternet.com or phone 01458 273085 for a brochure.

RED CROSS FIRST AID

Would your group, volunteers or community have the skills to cope in a crisis? The British Red Cross offers Everyday First Aid to community groups who support adults over 65 who are more at risk of slips, trips and falls.

Our tailored sessions are free of charge and provide people with the skills and confidence to help in a First Aid emergency.

For more information, please contact; Clare Meaden, Adult Education Co-ordinator for Somerset, Tel. 01823 273706, Email cmeaden@redcross.org.uk

NOTICE TO ALL DOG OWNERS

There has been an increase in dog fouling around the town, this is not acceptable. All litter bins around the town are dual use and it would be appreciated if dog owners pick up after their dogs business, double bag the waste and deposit in one of the black litter bins. Fiona Richardson STC Chairman Access and Highways

THE BRITISH RED CROSS (SOMERSET) NEEDS YOU!

The British Red Cross Support at Home service works with local hospitals and community rehab teams to offer practical and emotional support to those who have recently been in hospital.

Do you have a couple of hours to spare each week? Would you like a chance to work with a variety of people and make a real difference to their lives? If so, we would love to hear from you. For information on volunteering please contact Ella Coates ILCRVolRecruitment@redcross.org.uk 07860402300 or for information about Support at Home somersetindependentliving@redcross.org.uk

SOMERTON ALLOTMENTS ASSOCIATION.

Do you fancy getting down and dirty in Somerton? We may have the solution for you! Somerton Allotment Association has vacancies and we're just a call away from you claiming one as your very own. We're a friendly bunch of green fingered amateur gardeners and we'd love you to come join us.

If you'd like to come join and us, please get in touch with either Keith on 01458 274696 or Elaine on 07717783957. We look forward to hearing from you.

'SAFE PLACES' SCHEME BEGINS IN SOMERTON

Somerton now has a 'Safe Place' for vulnerable people who feel frightened or at risk. Somerton's 'Safe Place', at Wessex House nursing home, was formally begun by the Somerton Area Dementia Action Alliance (SADAA). Since its launch in May last year SADAA's membership has grown to 75, with 347 'Dementia Friends'; and the 'Safe Places' scheme is the next step in the process. The event at Edgar Hall also included three Dementia Friends Sessions to recruit new 'Dementia Friends', so that SADAA can reach its target of 500 in the Somerton area.

Shirley Chapman, Dementia Friends Champion and Vice Chair of SADAA, said, "Following a recent incident in Somerton we really needed a 'Safe Places' scheme here, and we are delighted that so many people came to the event to learn more about SADAA and Somerton's new 'Safe Place'."

See Health Walks for info on special walk for dementia sufferers and their carers on Wed July 17th leaving Library at 11am.

For more information about SADAA contact Shirley Chapman on 01458 274920.

RIDE OUT FOR ROSIE

Ken Knight and family would like to thank everyone who helped with “Ride out for Rosie” on 9th June as well as local businesses and friends who donated prizes for the raffle. To date £710.00 has been raised for St Margaret's Hospice.

SOMERTON LIBRARY NEED A CORDLESS VACUUM CLEANER

Do you have a cordless vacuum cleaner you would be willing to donate to Somerton Library? If so, please contact Mary Beth Greenop on 01458 270193. Thank you.

SOMERTON CARER SUPPORT GROUP

A well-attended initial meeting, held at West Street Church, with a view to creating a Carer Support Group in Somerton agreed to meet again on Friday, July 12th 10.30am at West Street Church, TA11 7PR. Anyone who is a family or informal carer, or has recent experience of that role will be very welcome. We are trying to establish the activities and support that are available in the area, as heading the list of concerns expressed by participants were the problem of loneliness and of difficulty in accessing suitable activities for a range of disabilities, both mental and physical. Anyone with comments to make, services to offer or wanting more information can contact Ivor Dixon on 01458 250603 or levelopps@gmail.com.

UNDERWATER BUT UNDETERRED

What a downpour before our “First Friday Freestyle” on the 7th June. We had a cloudburst over Somerton, the like we had not experienced there since we started our Jive classes. The whole of the industrial estate was under water, up to knee high in parts. Apparently the town was experiencing the same problem.

We open at 8pm, and by then we usually have quite a number of people through the door, this Friday we had one. We provide refreshments through the night, but didn't even cut the cakes because we didn't expect anyone in. We thought they would turn around and go home, how wrong we were. Cometh the hour cometh the man, one of our dancers (Clive), took his brolly, went to the road and directed people to the best route in to the venue (The Edgar Hall). One after another they trooped in, a bit damp on the outside, but only on the outside, lots of laughter and banter, some even came in with bare feet. By 9pm we were at capacity, we couldn't believe it. The resolve of our dancers is something else, what an amazing community.

Hopefully the authorities will take on-board how bad the floods were. Water was gushing up from the drains and collecting at the lowest points, causing the traffic to stop. I've been told it's an on-going problem, hopefully it's something they will address in the near future. Roy Warry (Strictly Jive) 07811 018284 www.strictlyjive.com roywarry42@gmail.com.

Forthcoming Events

ACEARTS LAUNCHES 'ART IN AN ENVELOPE' THANKS TO GREGGS THE BAKERS

ACEArts is seeking 10 families in the Somerton area who have a member living with dementia to take part in a new creative initiative.

'Art in an Envelope' will supply creative activity packs to the individuals and their families, containing all the materials and resources they need to create items such as collage photo frames. The initiative has been made possible thanks to funding from Greggs the bakers, and was launched at an event organised by the Somerton Area Dementia Action Alliance this week. It is the latest in a series of outreach projects which ACEArts organises with local facilities such as schools and care homes. For more information on 'Art in an Envelope', contact Nina Gronw-Lewis on 01458 273008 or email outreach@acearts.co.uk.

CHARLTON'S SHORT MAT BOWLS

We meet on Mondays 7.30 – 9.30pm and Tuesdays 10am – noon at Kingsdon Village Hall. Come along to a taster session – bowls provided. All ages welcome, tuition given free of charge. For more info ring Mabel on 01458 273420.

SOMERTON GARDENERS' CLUB: MONDAY 1ST JULY

Garden visit to Stoberry Garden, Wells on Mon July 1st. Lifts available on request.

SOMERTON SPORTS CLUB EVENTS

Bingo Sun July 14th and 28th (over 18s) 7.30pm

Quiz Thu July 25th 8.00pm (Teams of up to 6).

SOMERTON WI

Tuesday, 2nd July. No meeting.

Wednesday, 3rd July. Summer outing by train to Watchet and afternoon tea on Exmoor.

PARDOES LEGAL CLINICS: TUESDAY 2ND AND 16TH JULY

In July they will be on Tuesday 2nd and 16th from 9 am – noon in the Parish Rooms.

CREATE AND CONNECT AT ACEARTS: WEDNESDAY 3RD JULY

Join us in the exhibition space and make alongside other makers. Bring a project that you are working on, knitting, drawing, collage, crochet. Grab a coffee and enjoy the surroundings. First Wednesday of the month 11-1 & 2-4pm Wed 3rd July.

VERSUS ARTHRITIS: THURSDAY 4TH JULY

No meeting – the next meeting will be on Thursday 1st Aug 7 for 7.30pm in the Pinney Room, Parish Rooms. Visitors welcome to join us.

Thursday, 18th July. Versus Arthritis outing to Weymouth, leaving Somerton at 10am and returning by 6pm. The cost will be £15 per person. If anyone would like to join us, please phone Sue Long for more details. 01458 274038.

HEALTH WALKS: THURSDAY 4TH/18TH JULY

We meet at Somerton Library at 11.30 am. This month the walks are on Thursdays 4th when we go to Midney Gardens for refreshments, and 18th July. We walk for about an

hour and socialise at the same time. Wear clothing suitable for the weather conditions. At the end those that wish go to a local pub for refreshments.

FUTURE SPECIAL EVENTS :

4. Health Walk for people with dementia and their carers Wed 17th July leaving Somerton Library at 11am. Bob Harris will be with us to talk about special landmarks in Somerton. It will be a gentle walk around Somerton for about 30 mins with a call in at the White Hart afterwards for tea/coffee and a chat.
5. Walk to Midney Gardens for tea/coffee and cake - Thursday 5th September leaving Somerton Library at 11.30am. For more info contact Mo Fletcher on 01458 274631.

U3A SCOTTISH DANCING: SATURDAY 6TH JULY

Scottish Country Dancing Tea Dance Sat 6th July at Long Sutton Village Hall 2 – 4.30pm with cream tea entry £5 – open to all. Contact Liz Beckinsale on 01935 826181 for more details.

WEST STREET CHURCH EVENTS: SUNDAY 7TH JULY

Churches Together Service 10.30am in St Michael's Church, as part of Somerton Festival.

SOMERTON SINGS FOR FUN: MONDAY 8TH JULY

Join us from 10.45am to 12.00noon, in the West St Church back room. It's purely for fun, and for all ages and abilities. We sing anything well known, songs from the shows, old English melodies, and songs from the 30's up to date. £1.00 a session including coffee & biscuits.

RECREATION GROUND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE: MONDAY 8TH JULY

They will meet on Monday 8th July at the Edgar Hall at 7pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

We now seek applications from anybody with a genuine interest in becoming a trustee to help deliver that objective. We also need a volunteer secretary who is not required to be a trustee

If you are interested in applying please contact the current chair, David Osmond, by phone on 07876 563411 or by email at donnyosmond1@outlook.com.

RUMMIKUB: TUESDAY 9TH JULY

Friends of the Parish Rooms present Rummikub 2.00pm – 4.30pm Parish Rooms. Come and enjoy good company and a bit of brain exercise, whilst being fortified with a cup of tea and Pam's (in) famous cookies. £3 on the door. More info: 272408.

SOMERTON GROUP OF ARTISTS: WEDNESDAY 10TH JULY

Parish Rooms, Market Square, Somerton at 7:30pm. Somerton Group of Artists present... An evening with Keith Scott demonstrating his fabulous pastel paintings. Members free, visitors very welcome £5 at the door including tea or coffee.

CITIZENS' ADVICE

Citizens' Advice Somerton Outreach has been running for three years and since April 2nd, at a new home in Somerton Library. Opening hours will be as at present – every Tuesday morning from 10am – 12noon. A group of trained volunteers will be available to give confidential help and advice on consumer issues, debt & money, benefits and many other issues.

SUMMER SINGING

Keen singers, you are invited by the Mid Wessex Singers, to experience the motivational guidance of our Musical Director, Graham Coatman, in a summer season of light music. Following our performances of varied and enjoyable music at our Autumn, Christmas and Spring concerts, we are looking forward to a relaxing term, culminating in an informal performance to invited guests at our summer soiree on 2 July. We rehearse from 7.15 to 9pm on Tuesday evenings at West Street Church Hall, Somerton TA11 7PR and the summer term is on a 'pay as you go' basis of £3.50 a week. For further information please ring 01458 274139, e-mail info@midwessexsingers.co.uk or visit www.midwessexsingers.co.uk.

LABURNUM DRIVE RESIDENTS COMMITTEE

Thank you to all our friends and supporters for saying how much you enjoy our parties and coach trips. (We do too!) Always planned with you in mind.

Tuesday 2nd 10am bacon butties & a cuppa, £1.70.

Tuesday 9th 5pm pie and mash supper, £5.

Monday 15th 9.30am pre-ordered breakfast, £3.

Tuesday 23rd coach to Weymouth, and/or Portland Bill. Depart 10am, £11.

(Early in August, (6th), Sidmouth Coach trip. Book asap).

Apologies, new Flexicises classes on Fridays not available now till late July. Phone 01458 272 620 for information.

SOMERTON GREEN GARDENERS

We will be having mainly trips so contact Anita for more details.

SOMERTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB: THURSDAY 11TH JULY

10.30 am at Somerton Sports Club. Come and join us on second Thursdays of the month for a chat and friendship. Tea 20p coffee 30p free draw ticket. Our activities vary but we mainly socialise and enjoy having fun. Contact Mo Fletcher on 01458 274631.

COFFEE AND MORE..... FRIDAY: 12TH/26TH JULY

There's Coffee... and more at West Street Church, on 2nd and 4th Fridays, 12th and 26th July 10am - noon. Drop in for as long as you want, meet friends and make new ones. There are table and board games and other things to do, but most people just come for a chat and company. We have internet access and can help you get on-line or find information for you. We are mostly people in later life and encourage anyone living with dementia or a disability to join us, with carers, if necessary, in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere. If you want more information, or can volunteer to help, contact Ivor Dixon on 01458 250603 or email levelopps@gmail.com.

MOVIOLA CINEMA: SATURDAY 13TH JULY

2.00pm (Doors open 1.30pm) Somerton Moviola with posh tea. Friends of the Parish Rooms present "Bohemian Rhapsody" (2018) The story of the legendary rock band Queen and lead singer Freddie Mercury, leading up to their famous performance at Live Aid (1985). Starring Rami Malek, Lucy Boynton & Gwilym Lee. Run time 134 mins. Tickets £10 from Cobbs Wholefoods to include tea.

THEATRE TRIPS IN JULY: TUESDAY 16TH JULY

Calendar Girls, the Musical. Congratulations to Chris on being voted for a Town Community Award.

WESSEX HOUSE VOLUNTEERS COFFEE MORNINGS

Have you ever fancied joining the current volunteers: We hold coffee mornings once a week on Thursday mornings and we help with activities for the residents during the year. It is a very rewarding activity and the joy it gives the residents makes it all worthwhile. For more information, please contact me, Carol Watkins on 272023 or just come along to any coffee morning on a Thursday. Look forward to hearing from you. Carol Watkins, Co-ordinator.

SOMERSET WILDLIFE EVENTS

An Evening Moth Trapping Fri 19th July 9pm – 11pm. Curry Rivel recreation ground car park Holden's Way.

Golden Worm Walk Tues 23rd July 9.30pm – 11pm. Market Place Car Park Somerton

Family Sea Shore Safari Tues 30th July 10.30am – 12.30pm Brean Down, Burnham on Sea.

Family Sea Shore Safari Wed 31st July 10.30am – 12.30pm Minehead Beach.

Please book by contacting Roger Dickey at roger.dickey52@gmail.com.

SOMERTON HISTORY SOCIETY: THURSDAY 25TH JULY

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 25th July in the Parish Rooms, starting at 7.00pm with coffee. At 7.30pm, our speaker, making a very welcome return, is Terry Ransome talking about "Yuri Gagarin – the First Man in Space". Members come for free, but visitors are always welcome at a charge of £2. Further information can be obtained from Nancy Schooling on 01458 273859.

VIADUCT STAPLING AND FOLDING: FRIDAY 26TH JULY

We desperately need new staplers and folders to join us. Many thanks to the Viaduct staplers and deliverers for all their time. This month's stapling and folding for the August issue will be Friday 26th June at 2pm in the Parish Rooms. See you then. Thank you to Overt Locke for their help with the bags for organising deliveries. Mo and team.

SOMERTON U3A: FRIDAY 26TH JULY

The next meeting of the Somerton U3A will take place on Friday 26 July when Somerset author Justin Newland will give a lively, illustrated talk on "Why Ancient Egypt is known as 'The Mother and Father of All Things.'" He'll discuss what this means and how it still impacts our lives today. Justin will also reveal how this period of history inspired his debut novel, The Genes of Isis, an epic fantasy and supernatural thriller set under Ancient Egyptian skies. The story is a weave of two threads: the Ancient Egyptian myth of Isis and Osiris and the story of the flood in the Book of Genesis.

Monthly meetings normally take place on the fourth Friday of each month at the Edgar Community Hall, Somerton starting at 10am with coffee (30p) and chat. After any notices the main event begins at 10.30am and finishes by 12 noon latest. Meetings are free for members, visitors £1.50 each.

EVENTS WHICH HAPPEN EVERY WEEK ARE LISTED IN THE "WEEKLY EVENTS" SECTION

What's on In Brief

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAY

- 9.30 - 11am Life Church Toddlers Group, Edgar Hall
- 9.30am - 11.30am Coates Legal. Library
- 10am - 2pm Coffee and Co, St Cleers Chapel
- 10.30-11.30am Zumba Gold, low impact dance class for all, West Street Church
- 10.30am -11.30am Age UK Movement to Music, Parish Rooms
- 5.30pm Slimming World, Edgar Hall
- 4.30pm - 5.30pm Rainbows, St Cleers Chapel
- 5.30pm - 7.00pm Brownies, St Cleers Chapel
- 6.30pm - 8.00pm Cubs, Scout Hut
- 7.00pm Girl Guides, St Cleers Chapel
- 7.30pm Slimming World, Edgar Hall

TUESDAY

- 9.30am - Slimming World, Edgar Hall
- 9.30am - 10.30am Tai Chi (Beginners), Parish Rooms
- 10.00am - 12.00 noon Citizens' Advice, Somerton Library
- 10.30am Coffee Morning, Laburnum Drive
- 11.30am - 12.30pm Fitness League Exercise, Parish Rooms
- 11.30am Slimming World, Edgar Hall
- 2.00pm Crochet/Knitting and other crafts group, Buttercross Tearooms
- 6.00pm - 8.30pm Line Dancing (beginners & improvers), Wessex Rooms
- 7.00pm - 9.00pm Scouts, Scout Hut
- 7.30pm Mid Wessex Singers, West Street Church

WEDNESDAY

- 10.00am - 12 noon Life Drawing, Pinney Room
- 10.00am - 12 noon Line Dancing (All levels), Edgar Hall
- 12.30pm Yarlinton lunch (pre-order), Laburnum Drive
- 2.00pm Knitting afternoon, Laburnum Drive
- 2.30pm -4.00pm Foodbank at the Ridgeway Hall, Langport
- 5.00pm - 6.15pm Beavers, Scout Hut
- 6.30pm - 8.00pm Cubs, Scout Hut

THURSDAY

- 9.00am - 11.30am Rainbow Rascals, West Street Church (term time)
- 9.30am - 10.30am Tai Chi (Advanced), Parish Rooms
- 10.30am Wessex House coffee morning
- 11.00am - 12 noon Line Dancing (Improvers), Parish Rooms
- 2.00pm Fun Bingo, Laburnum Drive
- 5.30pm - 6.30pm Beavers, Scout Hut
- 6.00pm - 7.30pm Junior Youth Club, Wessex Rooms
- 7.30pm - 9.00pm Archies Xtra (11-18 years), Recreation Ground
- 7.30pm - 9.30pm Scottish Country Dancing, West St Church (term time)

FRIDAY

9.30am - 11.30am St Cleers Toddlers, St Cleers Chapel
10.45am Flexercise, Laburnum Drive
7.00pm - 9.00pm Rezound Youth, Edgar Hall
7.30pm - 9.00pm St Cleers Youth, St Cleers Chapel

SATURDAY

9.00am Yeovil Parkrun, Montacute House
9.30am - 12noon Wessex Market, Unicorn Skittle Alley

SUNDAY

10.30am Life Church, Edgar Hall

JULY

Mon 1 Somerton Gardeners visit to Stoberry Gardens, Wells.

Tue 2 Mid Wessex Singers Summer Soiree Concert
Pardoes Legal Clinic 9 am – noon Parish Rooms
LDRC Bacon butties and a cuppa 10am

Wed 3 WI train outing to Watchet with afternoon tea on Exmoor.

Thu 4 Health Walk to Midney 11.30am Somerton Library

Fri 5 Start of Somerton Festival Sons of Pitches Concert 7.30pm St Michael's Church.

Sat 6 Scottish Country Dance Group Tea Dance 2 – 4.30pm Long Sutton Village Hall.
Flamenco Guitar Recital 7.30pm St Michael's Church

Sun 7 Somerton Festival Churches Together Service St Michael's Church
Festival Family Fun Day 12 noon – 5pm Somerton Recreation Ground
Martock Retro Cars Cavalcade also at Somerton Recreation Ground

Mon 8 Somerton Sings for Fun 10.45am West St Church
Somerton Recreation Trust meeting 7pm at Somerton Sports Club
Festival Quiz 8pm Somerton Sports Club

Tue 9 Rummikub 2pm Parish Rooms
LDRC Pie and mash Supper 5pm
Medieval Musicians 7.30pm St Michael's Church

Wed 10 Somerton Group of Artists present Keith Scott 7.30pm Parish Rooms
Somerset on Old Film talk 2.30pm Parish Rooms

Thu 11 Friendship Club 10.30am Somerton Sports Club
Pensions Clinic 9am – noon Parish Rooms
Royal Navy Heron Band 7.30pm St Michael's Church

Fri 12 Coffee and More 10am – noon West St Church
Blue Bird Cabaret 7.30pm Parish Rooms
Somerton Carer Support Group 10.30am West St Church

Sat 13 Somerstock from 11am Somerton Recreation Ground
Moviola, Bohemian Rhapsody with posh tea. Doors open 1.30pm for 2pm start.

Sun 14 Bingo 7.30pm Somerton Sports Club

Mon 15 LDRC Pre ordered breakfast 9.30am

Tue 16 Pardoes Legal clinic 9am – noon Parish Rooms

Wed 17 Health Walk for people with dementia and their carers leaving Library at 11am

Thu 18 Health Walk 11.30am Somerton Library
Arthritis care outing to Weymouth leaving Somerton at 10am

Fri 19 SWT Evening Moth Trapping 9 – 11pm Curry Rivel

Tue 23 SWT Glow Worm Walk 9.30 – 11pm Somerton
LDRC Coach trip to Weymouth leaving at 10am

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Thu 25 Pensions Clinic 9am – noon Parish Rooms

Quiz 8pm Somerton Sports Club

Somerton History Society Terry Ransome talking about Yuri Gagarin 7.30pm Parish Rooms

Fri 26 U3A meeting Talk on Ancient Egypt 10.30am Edgar Hall

Viaduct S & F 2pm Parish Rooms

Sun 28 Bingo 8pm Somerton Sports Club

Tue 30 SWT Family Sea Shore Safari 10.30am – 12.30pm Brean Down

Wed 31 SWT Family Sea Shore Safari 10.30am – 12.30pm Minehead Beach

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