

# SOMERTON VIADUCT



November 2024

# Town Council

## Welcome,

Welcome to your November edition of the Somerton Viaduct. During October, the Buttercross was illuminated in pink and blue colours in support of Baby Loss Awareness Week (9th - 15th October).

Somerton Town Council were delighted to be approached by Towards Tomorrow Together, a local baby loss charity, to join with other iconic landmarks and buildings in support of this national campaign by SANDS. The Council would like to give particular thanks to Themes Incorporated of Glastonbury who provided the uplighters, and Ian Rodger for his assistance with setting up.

For more information about pregnancy and baby loss please see -  
<https://www.towards-tomorrow.com/>  
<https://www.sands.org.uk/>

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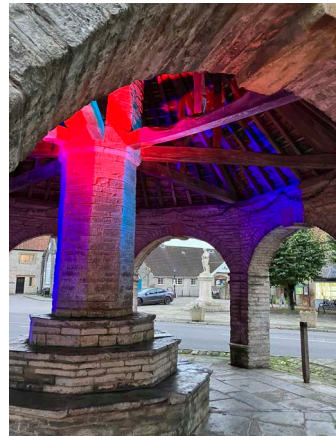
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# Town Council

Council Meetings	Date	Time
Full Council (Planning if required at 18:30)	12th November 2024	19:00
Promotions and Communication Committee	19th November 2024	19:00
Land and Properties Committee (Planning if required 18:30)	26th November 2024	19:00

## All Council Meetings are held at Edgar Hall

Agendas can be found on the Council noticeboard by Grays at Home in Cox's Yard car park and at [somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](http://somertontowncouncil.gov.uk)

## Chair's Award for Service to the Community Awarded to Dean Ruddle

The Somerset Council Chair's award event was held in Taunton during October, and was attended by Cllr F Richardson, Rachel Ruddle and Daniel Ruddle. The final award was presented posthumously to Dean Ruddle, former Chair of Somerton Town Council, for his service to the community. The award was received by Rachel with a Tie and Pin being presented to Daniel.



## November Event Reminders

### Annual Fireworks Display - Saturday 2nd November 2024

This year's annual grand fireworks display will be hosted at the Somerton Recreation Ground from 6pm. This is a free community event organised by The Recreation Ground Trust with support from Somerton Town Council. This year, the event will feature an additional free disco in the Sport Club which will be available both before and after the fireworks display. Various food stalls will be open from 6pm including Bennys Fish and Chips in preparation for the fireworks display at 7pm. Please be advised that parking is limited.

### Remembrance Day Parade - Sunday 10th November 2024

The march will begin at Etsome Terrace assembling at 9.15am for a 9.30am start to the parade. This is courtesy of Chevron who will be marshalling the march for free as a community event. A rolling roadblock will be used for the length of the march. After the naming of the fallen the march will continue along West Street back to Etsome. If you wish to apply for a wreath for your organisation can you please confirm with Mo Fletcher, on 07718920198 or [fletcher080@btinternet.com](mailto:fletcher080@btinternet.com).

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## Upcoming Events in December

### Christmas Lights Switch-on & Fayre – Sunday 1st December 2024 from 3 - 7pm

With changes this year, the Christmas Light Switch On event has been made more inclusive for Somerton residents and businesses. We have arranged a visit from Father Christmas, who will be in the church with his lovely wife, helpers and perhaps some surprise visitors too!

As recommended by residents, we will have numerous stalls with local crafts people and suppliers, positioned throughout West St to Cox's Yard junction, into Brunel Precinct. Many shops will be open, giving local shopkeepers and businesses an opportunity to benefit from the footfall. We have strived to make this event fun and accessible for all. Upon entry, each child will receive vouchers for free games and rides, and a competition sheet for the "gingerbread man trail" which have been hidden in the shops and stalls.



There will be a free "Teddy Tombola" and "Book Grab". If you have any good condition cuddly soft toys, or children's books that are no longer required please drop them off at Edgar Hall or in the front porch of Russet House, St Cleers, TA11 6HE. If any Somerton residents, businesses or well-wishers wish to participate in this event please contact [amanda.worsdale@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:amanda.worsdale@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk). If you can donate any time, prizes, or muscle we would be most grateful! Help is required for stewarding, setting and clearing up, and more. Merry Christmas & Thank you, and we look forward to seeing you there.

### Community Heroes & Volunteer Evening at Edgar Hall – Friday 13th December

This year for the first time Somerton Town Council is combining their 'Thank You' evening to the town's 'volunteers' with 'Community Heroes' to recognise their significant contribution to the community, through acts of service and support i.e., Doctors and staff, First Responders, Teachers, Postal workers, Librarians etc. We look forward to seeing you on the evening.

### Somerton Cinema Society: Update on Future Screenings

The next screening will occur in February 2025 (date TBC) following again in May 2025.

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## Free Trees for the Community

Due to the success of the free trees for the community scheme offered earlier this year, it will be repeated in March/April 2025, with more information to follow in the December Viaduct, on the Somerton Town Council Noticeboards and website plus the Somerton Social Media sites.

## V.E. Day 80th Anniversary Celebration – May 2025

We would like to make Somerton Residents aware that the Promotions and Communications Committee on behalf of Somerton Town Council are organising 2 special events in May 2025, to celebrate the 80th Anniversary of V.E.DAY. On Thursday 8th May 2025, the actual date of the end of WW2 in Europe, several events will be held. As this year (which was a resounding success) a 40's themed dance at Edgar Hall will take place on Saturday 10th May 2025. Further information to follow in the coming months.

## Welcoming our New Town Clerk

On 1st October, Somerton Town Council appointed Lydia Mason as the new Town Clerk. Lydia has worked in the world of local council since November 2020, and at Somerton Town Council has worked with us since November 2021, initially as a locum then moved to the permanent position of Project and Communications officer in June 2022. In her employment has drawn on grant funding for the Towns memorial and picnic benches, plus play equipment. In September 2022 took on the role of Finance Officer in addition to her work as Project and Communications officer. December 2023 became the editor of the Viaduct and in June 2024 was appointed as Interim Clerk whilst the HR committee proceeded with recruitment for the role permanently. Lydia was pleased to receive the support of the council to appoint her as the new Town Clerk. She is dedicated to transparency and feels very passionately about serving the community. In the last few months she has been working hard to push forward with a new accessible website, and has instigated the introduction of fortnightly 'Council surgeries' due to commence in 2025 in the library, to greater support our community.

## We are here to support our residents

If residents have any comments or questions regarding anything within the magazine, or questions in general, please direct them to your editor by emailing [viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk). Or by contacting your Clerk's office by calling 01458 272236, by emailing [administration@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:administration@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk) or [deputy.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:deputy.clerk@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk).

Please note that the office staff work part time hours, and the office opening times are **09:00 to 12.00 on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday**. We endeavour to respond as promptly as possible.

# About Town

## Somerton Cary Community Shed

The team at Somerton Cary Community Shed are currently working on making their Christmas stock ready to begin selling on Saturday 26th October in the Unicorn Market.

The Community Shed are trying to organise a Slinky Bus stop on Mondays and Wednesdays from Somerton to the Shed. This will hopefully run in the mornings and then to return at 1pm.

The Shed will also have a stall at the Christmas Lights Switch on on Sunday 1st December. The Shed is open 10am - 1pm on Monday and Wednesdays at Wild Meadow Farm. New members are always welcome.



## Don't Waste your Waste!

Please save your Christmas mail postage stamps to support the Somerset Marie Curie Nurses. The stamps, standard, specials, and foreign are wanted. Just tear them off the envelopes, leaving a little amount of paper round the stamp, to avoid damaging the stamp. Every single stamp counts - from a handful to a carrier bag full or even an album - we need them all. Marie Curie can also use any broken jewellery, watches, old mobile phones, and coins. All items will be used to help raise funds to support the Marie Curie Nurses in Somerset. A Marie Curie Nurse provides hands-on nursing care in the home, over-night, to anyone who is terminally ill - not just cancer but for any terminal illness. The service is provided totally free of charge to the patient and their family. Various ways to give me your Christmas stamps and any other items you may have- they can be taken to Jane at Cobbs Wholefoods shop or to Selwood House Antiques, next to the Globe. If items will fit through a letter box - they can be taken to The Old Saddlery, New Street (black & white house). Thank you for your support. Judy Glossop - 01458 270265

## Fancy a pre-Christmas shopping trip to Cribbs Causeway?

With no worry about driving or parking? Thursday 28th November from Somerton & home by teatime. There are still some seats available, and all are welcome to join us. Cost is £15 per person. For further details, and to book, please contact Carla Warren on 01458 879449 or any member of Somerton WI.

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## Help to Shape the next Somerton Music and Arts Festival

As the annual music and arts festival in Somerton continues to grow, the organisers are keen to add more varied events to widen the appeal, especially to younger members of the community. They want to hear what Somerton residents would like to see included as part of the week-long festival in July. Events can be anything within the fields of art, music, education or entertainment. "We have already introduced our Music at St Michael's evenings where we have hosted Fleetwood Bac and The Bohemians in our beautiful church, and these have been incredibly popular" says festival chairman Fred Bassett. "We will be hosting more of these in the coming months, but we would love to know what other types of events you would like to see!"

Another way to help shape the festival is by joining the organising committee. "We have openings for people to help us with social media, event organising and publicity" explains Bassett. "Whatever your particular skill set, we can find something for you to do and will welcome you with open arms!"

All event suggestions will be given consideration and any that are adopted for the festival may earn a couple of tickets for the proposer. Suggestions can be submitted on the festival website at [www.somertonartsfestival.co.uk/suggestions](http://www.somertonartsfestival.co.uk/suggestions) where the terms and conditions are also displayed. The festival team will also be at the Christmas Lights fair in town on December 1st with more information about all the activities and events, including Somerstock.

## Somerton Merry Widows

We meet regularly on First and Third Tuesdays at Alfredo's in Somerton at 10.30am - earlier if you'd like breakfast. We have a speaker on the first Tuesday of the month and meet socially at the next one. We have lunch groups, Half Inch Club and Christmas Dinner on Christmas Day for those on their own.

Be sure of a warm welcome with likeminded ladies who understand. For more information call Dru 07799262047 or email [perrydruscilla@gmail.com](mailto:perrydruscilla@gmail.com)



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## **Enjoy a Festive Evening out with Mid-Wessex Singers!**

As our 25th anniversary celebrations continue, your local choir, the Mid Wessex Singers invite you and your family to join us for our Christmas Concert on the evening of Wednesday 18th December at St Michael's Church, Somerton at 7.30pm.

Our Musical Director, Alice Dicker, has selected a varied programme on this year's theme of 'The Light of Christmas'. This includes both traditional and modern carols, including works by Lauridsen, Joubert, Chilcott, Rutter and Park. There will also be the opportunity for audience participation in some of the well-known favourites. Light refreshments will be available.

Early-bird tickets, priced at £12 (free for under 16s), are available from choir members and from Cobbs Wholefoods, Somerton (£15 on the door).

As a registered Charity (No 1118167) proceeds from this Concert will once again be supporting the Lord's Larder Food Bank.

Socialise and catch up with friends. Visitors are very welcome at the cost of £2. For further details please contact Secretary Annette Sparks on 01458 258947 or visit our website: [U3asites.org.uk/somerton](http://U3asites.org.uk/somerton)

## **Somerton History Society**

Not all of our members just sit and listen...

At the November meeting of the Somerton History Society come and hear about interesting research that some members have undertaken for their own pleasure. The meeting on November 28th, is held in the Parish Rooms; doors open at 7.00pm for refreshments with the meeting proper starting at 7.30m. Members come for free, but guests are very welcome at £4.00.

For more information contact [j.banbury@mypostoffice.co.uk](mailto:j.banbury@mypostoffice.co.uk)

## **Somerton Group of Artists**

For our November meeting on Wednesday 13th, we have the welcome return of Jackie Curtis, a largely self-taught artist printmaker who is inspired by the natural world. She has been developing a collagraph technique working with self-adhesive foil to create blocks from natural materials that are rich in texture and detail, incorporating delicate materials such as seed heads and skeletal leaves.

Doors open at 7pm, for a 7.30 start, at The Parish Rooms, Market Square, Somerton. Visitors welcome £5 on the door- Members free.

For all details, please visit our website [www.somertonartists.co.uk](http://www.somertonartists.co.uk), or find us on Facebook.

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## Laburnum Drive Committee

Our Hall will be closed for decoration, between 4th- 18th November.

The Coach Trip to Oakham Treasures will be proceeding on 19th November. We will be departing at 10.00am, the price is £11.

Weekly Bingo will return 21st November at 2.00pm.

Weekly Coffee mornings will re-start 26th November at 10.00am.

Reunions always good to look forward to.

## Charity Theatre Trips

Charity Theatre Trips organises a coach to Bristol Hippodrome to raise funds that support British Red Cross and its volunteer run shop in Langport. In February we shall run our 300th trip and celebrate in style at the theatre. Mary Poppins flies in in November, whilst 'Goldilocks' pantomime rounds off 2024 in December.

2025 trips are booking up well, and include, Only Fools and Horses, Hairspray, Cinderella ballet, Tina Turner, Chicago, Moulin Rouge, The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe, Warhorse, Calamity Jane, Mamma Mia, and Riverdance. Our coach starts in Curry Rivel, routes via Langport and Somerton, then either Keinton Mandeville and Shepton Mallet or Street, Glastonbury, and Wells.

For dates and prices go to [www.charitytheatretrips.com](http://www.charitytheatretrips.com) where you can also book your places. You can also e-mail [charitytheatretrips@btinternet.com](mailto:charitytheatretrips@btinternet.com) or phone 01458 273085

## Somerton SpeedWatch

20 mph is the only sensible and safe option in Somerton. Is it really worth saving those few minutes on your journey when you could be saving someone's life? Somerton could do well to take note and make every 30-mph road into 20 mph. SpeedWatch has noticed over the years it seems that a minority of people drive as if they are immune to accidents and have a selfish and cavalier attitude to other drivers, cyclists, and pedestrians.

Somerton has had enormous growth in housing, bringing in more cars, so now is the time to reduce your speed and think about your responsibilities to others. It never fails to amaze us how dangerous the roads around the school are, especially at home time. The selfish way some drivers are behaving is unbelievable and we are surprised that it seems acceptable to so many people, residents and parents alike. It can be made safer and less stressful if you all do something about it.

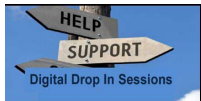
If you wish to help SpeedWatch give me call on 01458897224.

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**Langport & Somerton Rotary Club Fashion Show - 16th November**  
The grand fashion show on Saturday 16th November at Edgar Hall will be an exciting evening of fashion and fun to raise funds for Dementia and local charities. As well as a live catwalk show using our own local ladies as models, there is ample time to try and buy this season's Designer and High Street brands, at bargain prices with up to 60% off! Come and join us for a great afternoon. There will be stalls to browse and a raffle with some fabulous prizes. Tickets £10 in advance from Cobbs Wholefoods, including a glass of wine. Doors open 1.30pm – Show starts 2.30pm. Buy early to avoid disappointment. Last year was a sell-out! Contact [Maureen.net@sky.com](mailto:Maureen.net@sky.com) or 07765392883.

## Somerton Community Library

The Somerton Library Trust is delighted to announce that Abbi Dowler, Librarian at Somerton Community Library, received the Community Libraries Network Award for Enhancing Reading and Literacy! Abbi's dedication to fostering a love of reading and improving literacy in our community has been recognized at a national level! From creative programs to inclusive events - most recently the Summer Reading Challenge - she has made an outstanding impact in connecting people with the joy of reading.



## Full Digital Drop-in has Returned to Somerton Library

every Thursday

10.30 to 13.00 and 14.00 to 16.30

No booking required



## SOMERSET LIBRARIES OFFER FREE Language Learning with Transparent Language Online

From Afrikaans to Zulu, there are over 120 languages available to choose from! Specific courses for children are included.

Go to:

<https://library.transparent.com/somersetuk/game/ng/#/login>

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# Have your say....

## Somerset Prepared Community Resilience Day



### Help Somerset become stronger and more resilient

Parish, Town, City Council and Community Group representatives are invited to attend this resilience and emergency planning-focused event. The day features Mary Long-Dhonau OBE, known as 'Flood Mary', along with her Floodmobile. There will also be a range of workshops, networking opportunities and equipment demonstrations.

**Wednesday 6 November 2024 9.45am - 4pm**

#### Free event - Lunch Provided

Tickets available through Eventbrite.  
[bit.ly/somersetprepared-communityresilienceday2024](https://bit.ly/somersetprepared-communityresilienceday2024)

#### Community Resilience Award presentations

 **Bridgwater and Albion Rugby Football Club,  
Bath Road, Bridgwater TA6 4TZ**

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# Spotlight

## Banksy in Ukraine - and Somerton!

In 2022 the anonymous artist Banksy, known for his provocative and political street art, travelled to Borodyanka, Ukraine, and graffitied a number of buildings which had been destroyed by Russian shelling. One of the designs became a symbol for the world's support for Ukraine and optimism in the face of a stronger opponent. The famous image was featured on a limited edition stamp, issued by the Ukrainian postal service, on the first anniversary of Russia's invasion. Marc Pairon, an author and artist, was later commissioned to publish a limited edition art book, curating the work of Banksy in Ukraine and documenting how the commemorative stamp came about. Recently, a professionally framed set of the commemorative stamps, and a copy of Marc Pairon's book, were donated by Nick Pearson to be auctioned in Somerton and the proceeds given to benefit people in Ukraine. The auction was organised by Althea and Brian Pearson, who facilitate a support group known as 'Route 54' for Ukrainians in the Langport and Somerton area (the majority of whom live along the section of the 54 bus route between Fivehead and Street). Bidding took place during an exhibition of Ukrainian Arts and Crafts in Somerton organised by Sherry Briggs to showcase the outstanding art and craft achievements of some of the Ukrainian members. The winning bid - of £535 – was announced by Nick Pearson on the final day of the exhibition. A cheque for that amount was later presented to Galyna Tryndyuk, from Zerno Aid for Ukraine: Somerset group that buys medical items to save the lives of military personnel and civilians in Ukraine and which works closely with Reflex Medical, a Somerset company. The money has been used to buy tourniquets, bandages, gas masks and insulin and we have received heartfelt messages of gratitude from Ukrainian medical staff. We would like to record our grateful thanks to Nicholas Pearson for his magnanimous donation of the Banksy items; to those who placed bids and to the winning couple for their generous bid; and to those who promoted the auction. The amount raised brought tears to the eyes of Galyna, who was present when the auction's winning bid was announced. Thank you to all who visited the exhibition and purchased items. The artists received their own sales amount, some of which was donated to Ukraine. Thanks also to those who generously donated through the collecting boxes, which totalled £586 and to those who made contributions during the following week. When the proceeds of the Banksy auction were added to this total, we were able to donate over £1400 to Zerno Aid for Ukraine.



# Events and Clubs November 2024

If you would like your event to be included in the December 2024 edition, please contact [viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:viaduct@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk) by 10th November 2024

When	Who and Where	Contact
Sunday	Life Church at Edgar Hall. 10:30 to 12:00	Conrad Lucas - 07891665938 E: <a href="mailto:conrad@lifechurchsomerton.co.uk">conrad@lifechurchsomerton.co.uk</a> E: <a href="mailto:admin@lifechurchsomerton.co.uk">admin@lifechurchsomerton.co.uk</a> .
	Somerton Saxons U6 - U8 Rugby at Gassons Lane - Eirian Williams Memorial Pitch. 9:30 - 11:00	Dan Dury - 07970 770946
	St Michael's Church Service 11:00	Parish Assistant 01458 273499 or 07483 137623 <a href="mailto:somerton.benefice@gmail.com">somerton.benefice@gmail.com</a>
	Girls Cluster Rugby U12+.	Dan Dury - 07970 770946 Keiron Wilce 07419 995866
	St. Cleers Chapel, Polham Lane at 10:30	Justyn Maynard 07977 753637 <a href="mailto:juma321@aol.com">juma321@aol.com</a>
Monday	Tot's Life at Edgar Hall 9:30 - 11:00	Kerryanne Lucas - 07715 926923 E: <a href="mailto:kerryanne.lucas@btinternet.com">kerryanne.lucas@btinternet.com</a>
	Somerton Cary Community Shed 9:30 - 13:00 at Wild Meadow Farm, TA11 6JA	Mo Fletcher 07718 920198 Bill Murray 07717 626568 Gary Maughan 07734 705995
	Yoga Classes in the Parish Rooms. 11:30 - 12:30	Sue Knight 07854 641950 E: <a href="mailto:itssue@mail.com">itssue@mail.com</a>
	Cubs Ages 8 – 10.5 years. 18:00 – 19:30	Somerton Scout Hall
	Pilates - Inhale to Prepare at Edgar Hall. 18:00 to 19:00	Gill Hampson 07526 534889 E: <a href="mailto:gill-hampson6@gmail.com">gill-hampson6@gmail.com</a>
Tuesday	Gentle Pilates with Age UK Somerset in the Parish Rooms 10:30 to 11:30	Age UK Somerset 01823 345624 E: <a href="mailto:ageingwell@ageuksomerset.org.uk">ageingwell@ageuksomerset.org.uk</a>
	Gentle exercise class to music, 11:30-12:30, Parish Rooms	Charlotte on 07764 301304 or <a href="mailto:charlotte19313@gmail.com">charlotte19313@gmail.com</a>
	Women's Institute (WI) in the Parish Rooms. 14:30 - <b>Third Tuesday</b>	Sue Long and 01458 274038 and Ray Loveall 01458 272095
	Squirrels Ages 4-6 years. 16:30 – 17:30 Somerton Scout Hall	Fiona E: <a href="mailto:info@somertonscoutgroup.org.uk">info@somertonscoutgroup.org.uk</a>

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Tuesday Cont..	<b>Somerton and District Bowls Club at Sports Ground, Gassons Lane. 17:45</b>	Peter Jones 01458 224212 W: somertonbowlsclub.co.uk
	<b>Somerton Runners at the Recreational Ground - hardstanding. 18:00</b>	Keith Brackstone - 07999 511366 E: coachkeith53@gmail.com
	<b>Men's over 18s Rugby Club Gassons Lane. Elrian Williams Memorial Pitch. 19:00</b>	Gary Saunders 07870 861731
	Scouts Ages 10.5 to 14 years - 19:00 - 20:30	Somerton Scout Hall
	<b>Mid Wessex Singers at West Street Church Hall. 19:00 to 21:00</b>	Sheena Smith 07768 704833 E: info@midwessexsingers.co.uk
Wednesday	Meditation & Mindfulness at the Parish Rooms. 9:25 to 10:30	07803 497496 E: brotherytonten@gmail.com
	Somerton Cary Community Shed 9:30 - 13:00 at Wild Meadow Farm, TA11 6JA	Mo Fletcher 07718 920198 Bill Murray 07717 626568 Gary Maughan 07734 705995
	St Michael's Church Service 10:00	Parish Assistant email somerton.benefice@gmail.com
	In Line We Dance 10:00 to 12:00 at Edgar Hall	Mat on 07548 601518 info@inlinewedance.co.uk
	Create and Connect at ACEarts 10:30 to 12:20	Nina Gronw-Lewis 01458 273008 hello@acearts.co.uk
	Knit and Natter 10:30 to 12:00	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities
	Somerton Probus Club at the Sports Club. 11:30 - <b>Last Wednesday</b>	Barrie Davies 07811 770061 E: barrie.davies@btinternet.com
	Beavers Ages 6-8 years 17:00 to 18:15 Somerton Scout Hall	Fiona E:info@somertonscoutgroup.org.uk
	"Stepping Stones" Bereavement Group, 10.30 at St Cleers Chapel - <b>Third Wednesday</b>	Denise Peacock 07702 317031 Free of charge.

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Wednesday Cont..	Somerton Group of Artists at the Parish Rooms. 19:30 - <b>Second Wednesday</b>	Mandy McAllen E: mandymcallen1@gmail.com Free to members or £5 to visitors
	Somerton Gardeners Club 19.30 at St Cleers Chapel - <b>Second Wednesday</b>	Annette Sparks 01458 258947 annettes2853@gmail.com somertongc.com £3 for visitors
	Somerton Saxons Rugby Club at <b>Gassons Lane</b> - Eirian Williams Memorial Pitch. 19:00 to 20:30	Dan Dury 07970 770946 Julia Holland 07934 641544 U9s (yr 4), U10s (yr 5), & U11s (yr 6)
Thursday	In Line We Dance 10:00 to 12:00 at Edgar Hall	Mat on 07548 601518 info@inlinewedance.co.uk
	Drawing for all at ACEarts 10:30 to 12:30	Nina Gromw-Lewis 01458 273008 E: hello@acearts.co.uk
	Story Time from 10:30 to 11:00	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities
	Somerton Tai Chi 10:30 to 11.30 - West Street Church Hall	Jacqui 01458 270258
	Friendship Club at the Sports Club. 10:30 - <b>Second Thursday</b>	Mo Fletcher 01458 274631 E: fletcher080@btinternet.com
	<b>Health Walks Somerton Library 11:30 - First and Third Thursday</b>	Mo Fletcher 01458 274631 E: fletcher080@btinternet.com
	Fibromyalgia & Chronic Pain Support Group 12:15 - 13:15 at The Globe - Fortnightly from 22/8/24	Ask The Globe staff for 'Tracy' upon arrival.
	Girls Rugby Club (10-16 yrs) at <b>Gas- sons Lane</b> - 18:00 to 19:30	E: crc@somertonrfc.co.uk
	Wessex Junior Youth Club at the Wessex Rooms. 18:00 to 19:30	Clive and Sara Dyer 01458 273655 or 07970180608 E: sarad53@hotmail.com
	Somerton Bridge Club at West Street Church. 19:00	Joan Davies & Jim Dawon 01458 272418 & 251228 E: joandavies15@rocketmail
	Rugby Club - Men's over 18s at <b>Gas- sons Lane</b> - 19:00	Gary Saunders 07870 861731
	<b>"Not Just for Ladies" Social meeting with speaker 14:30 at St Cleers Barn</b>	Jean Parker 07790 272203

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When	Who and Where	Contact
Thursday Cont..	History Society at the Parish Rooms. 19:30 - <b>Fourth Thursday</b>	Joan Banbury E: j.banbury@mypostoffice.co.uk
	Rotary Club of Langport & Somerton 18:30 The Langport Arms	Clive Sills 01458 893637 csills@whsmithnet.co.uk
	Archies Xtra (11-18 Yrs) Sports Ground beside MUGA 19:30-21:00	Alex and Judith 01458 272047 and 01458 273079
Friday	U3A Members – Edgar Hall 10:00 - 12:00 <b>last Friday</b>	Annette Sparks on 01458 258947
	In Stitches at ACEarts. 10:30 to 12:30	Nina Gromw-Lewis 01458 273008 E: hello@acearts.co.uk W: acearts.co.uk
	Strong & Steady with Age UK Somerset at the Parish Rooms -	To self refer call 01823 345614 E: fallsprevention@ageuksomerset.org.uk
	“Bump to 5” Mum’s to Be, Pre- schoolers Group & parents/guardi- ans 9.30 at St Cleers Chapel.	Lin Sambell 07548 159626 Free of charge.
	<b>Somerton and District Bowls Club at Sports Ground, Gassons Lane. 14:00</b>	Peter Jones 01458 224212 W: somertonbowlsclub.co.uk
	Strictly Jive at Edgar Hall 19:45 to 00:30 - <b>First Friday</b>	Roy Wary 0781101828 E: roywary42@ gmail.com. FaceBook - Strictly Jive
Saturday	<b>The Langport Cycle Club 9:00 The Bridge Cafe in Langport</b>	07775 670546 E: tvb@btinternet.com W: langportcycleclub.com
	Wessex Country Market 9:00 to 12:00 Unicorn Hotel Skittle Alley	Christine Ward, 07971079391, E: christineward747@hotmail.com
	<b>Men’s Breakfast with speaker 8:30 at St Cleers - Third Saturday every odd month (Donation based)</b>	Keith Richardson 07923 530052 Richard Hatt hatrichrd87@gmail.com
	Alpha Course 10:00 at St Cleers. Weekly from 14/9/24 for 12 weeks	Chris Weedon clpweedon@outlook. com Lisa Webb lisa@centricon.co.uk
	St Michael’s Monthly Coffee Morning 10:00 to 12:00	Parish Assistant please email somerton.benefice@gmail.com
	Board Games including Chess 10:00 - 12:00	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities
	<b>Lego Challenge 10:30 - 12:00 - First Saturday</b>	Somerton Library Somertonlibrary.com/activities



Somerset Archaeological and Natural History Society

## *lecture*

The Archaeology Committee of SANHS invite you to a talk:

## **The findings of the Somerton New School Archaeology Excavations**



Photo by Cotswold Archaeology

**on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 2.30-4.15**  
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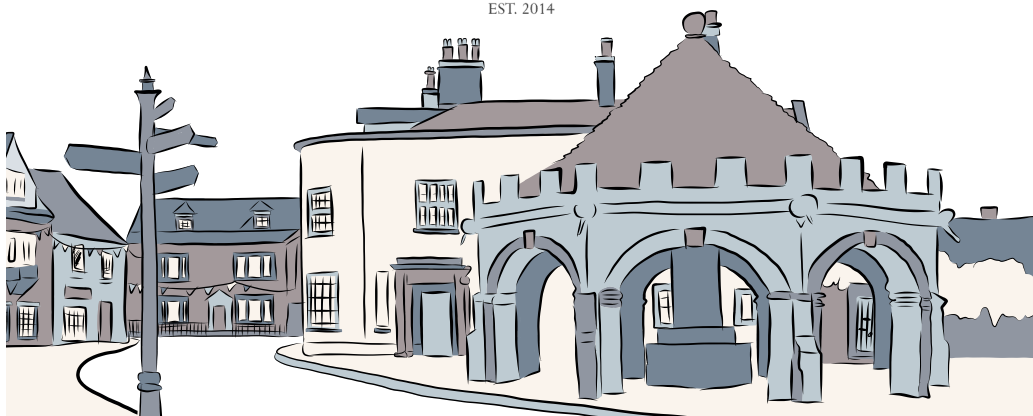
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