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News

BROADBAND UPDATE

The Connecting Devon and Somerset (CDS) programme is being successfully rolled out across the two counties and to date over 180,000 premises are now able to access super fast broadband services. The CDS team is pleased to inform you that broadband cabinet nine fed from the Somerton Exchange in your area has been fibre enabled during the last week delivering super fast broadband to an additional 303 homes and businesses. People will need to contact their internet provider directly if they wish to take up the service, it does not happen automatically.

The CDS website contains an interactive page showing the postcode areas which are covered by the programme which is updated as new areas go live:

<http://www.connectingdevonandsomerset.co.uk/where-when/>

The latest cabinets are in addition to the cabinets which have already been fibre enabled by the CDS programme in your area:

CDS phase one is to deliver 90% super fast coverage across the CDS geography by the end of 2016. Unfortunately due to the finite amount of funding it is simply not possible to deploy a new fibre network to all areas in the current phase of the programme. The programme team are working hard in partnership with BT to eke out as much coverage as possible in order to cover as many communities and businesses as possible. However inevitably some areas will not receive coverage in this current round of deployment. The funding is being used to maximise coverage and the rollout has been modelled to achieve this but that does mean that some areas will not be covered in the current phase.

The CDS team is in the early stages of procurement for phase two of the Broadband rollout which will deliver super fast broadband to many more premises which have not been covered in the current programme. The fibre rollout is based on several key principles which dictate the areas covered including; current infrastructure in a given area, engineering requirements (access to ducting and so on), and value for money.

SOMERTON MUSIC AND ARTS FESTIVAL 2016

The festival will run from the 8th - 17th of July. The committee is planning to use many of the venues in and around town alongside the marquee on the sports field. Please note that Market day will be held on the 9th with Fun day on the 17th and it is this event that will close the festival. If you wish to have a stall on either day please make a note of the date now.

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31st October 10.am Saturday

26th November 7.0pm Thursday

12th December 10.am Saturday

We are keen to hear from anyone over 18 with time in the evenings and weekends. Call 01935 414015 and let us know when you are coming or email joinyeovilsams@gmail.com

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Somerton,
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Please Note - Our new phone number is 07773 888440

The committee has started to put together the programme and would love to hear from you if you have any suggestions of talks, walks, bands or drama's, which you have seen or heard that you think the people of Somerton and the surrounding area would enjoy. We will be placing events and acts on our website, www.somertonartsfestival.co.uk and in the viaduct as they are confirmed, so watch out for things you might be interested in attending. You can also follow us on Facebook and Twitter and can contact us on festivaltickets@btinternet.com or 0792 850 8700.

Please remember the festival aims to promote music, art and culture for the people of Somerton and is a nonprofit making organisation, however it will make donations to local organisations and groups that support the Arts within Somerton, funds permitting, at the end of each festival. We are aware that without the support of local business and the community the festival would not continue so please support us. All the committee members are volunteers who freely donate their time to organising the festival alongside those who help throughout the festival. We will be holding some fundraising events throughout the year and hope to see you at them. Alex

WANTED: AN ORGANISED AND CREATIVE INDIVIDUAL

To help organise the Art & Photography Exhibition as part of Somerton Music and Arts Festival 2016. You must be available Mon 11th July 2016 - Saturday 16th July 2016. If you are interested call me on 07807484083 or email me at x.jdx@hotmail.co.uk

Jade Farmer (Art & Photography Exhibition Coordinator)

SOMERTON GARDENERS FLOWER SHOW

The show took place on 29th August at King Ina Academy. This show was the best yet with entries up by more than 100 on last year, and we raised £300 for St Margaret's Hospice in memory of Caron Price, the former secretary of the Garden Club.

Besides the sponsors mentioned in the winners list, we would like to thank the following for their support: Karen Hainsworth, Cobbs Wholefoods, Evergreen Turf, Somerset Accountancy, Paula Hare, Gill Graham-Clare, Linda Garrett and the Wet Moor Magazine.

Phil Flowers kindly took photographs of the winners and we will have these available to purchase to raise additional funds for the hospice. Please indicate your interest by telephoning 01458 273668 with your details or by emailing via the website - www.somertongc.co

SOMERTON FRUIT, VEG AND FLOWER SHOW 2015 WINNERS

Club Trophy - The best exhibit in the show - voucher sponsored by

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Somerton Town Council - Ken Attwell for his green peppers
Presidents Bowl - Exhibitor gaining most points in the show - sponsored by Drayton Plant Nurseries - Sylvia Jefferies
Novice Cup - Competitor with the most points and never having won a trophy before - Angela Spiller
Helen Goff Cup - Best pot plant in the show - Ken Attwell for his Begonia

Section A - Fruit and vegetables

Exhibitor with most points - Derrick Jefferies Cup - Ken Attwell
Best exhibit - prize sponsored by Overt Locke - Ken Attwell

Section B - Flowers

Exhibitor with most points - Harold Bartlett Cup - Ian Burton
Best exhibit - prize sponsored by Drayton Plant Nurseries - Ian Burton

Section C - Flower arrangements

Exhibitor with most points - the Mabel Ann Cup - Sylvia Jefferies
Best exhibit - prize sponsored by Blooming in Somerton - Penny Neale

Section D - Homecraft

Exhibitor with most points - Jefferies Cup - Linda Sambell
Best exhibit - prize sponsored by Williams Supermarket - Linda Sambell

Section E - Children's Class

Exhibitor with most points - Kelways Children's Cup and £5 voucher - prize sponsored by Kelways Garden Centre and Somerton Town Council - shared by Mia Crowley and Shannon Spiller

Section F - Photography

Best exhibit - prize sponsored by Phil Flowers Photography - Sue Burton

Section G - Handicraft

Exhibitor with most points - Handicraft Cup - Cathy Vigar
Best exhibit - prize sponsored by Somerton Town Council - Joan Banbury
Garden News Top Vase - Sylvia Jefferies
Garden News Top Tray - Harvey Taylor
Club Petunia - Carol Pitman

THE PARISH ROOMS

The Parish Rooms in Somerton now have their own website:
<https://www.parishroomssomerton.weebly.com> where readers can find details of events that are taking place; some history; details of the Friends and lots more.

SOMERTON BRANCH OF GUIDE DOGS - TREASURER NEEDED

Somerton Branch of Guide Dogs began its life in 2005 and over the last ten years has raised over £36,000 for the association. Unfortunately our current treasurer is having to retire at the end of this year due to ill health. So I am appealing for someone to take over this role. This is not an onerous position as any monies coming into the branch such as collections are sorted and bagged by me, which

means the treasurer has then only to bank them. This doesn't happen every month and yearly audits are overseen by Guide Dogs. If we are unable to find a replacement treasurer then sadly we will have to close the branch. Contact: Liz Roddie (secretary) by phone 01458 272675 or email joseph.roddie@btinternet.com.

Fund Raising Coffee Morning in aid of Guide Dogs

This will be at 5 Camden Road, Somerton on Saturday 7th November 10am - noon. Come and join us and meet the trainee puppies and enjoy a cup of coffee and browse our Christmas cards and gifts. For further information phone 01458 272675.

SOMERTON SHOPPING BAGS

The Somerton Business and Trade Association have had two jute shopping bags designed in two sizes and colours to promote Somerton and the businesses of the town through the community website (www.somerton.co.uk).

The larger bag is in red with the logo "Somerton the Heart of Somerset" with the Somerton Community website address and the smaller green bag with the logo "Somerton Cider Apple Country" also with the Somerton Community website address.

The red bag was produced first and has proved to be very popular with local people as well as visitors and was sold out in a couple of weeks. So a second order was placed and the smaller green bag was also introduced. The red bag has been seen in San Francisco, Australia, France, Spain and around Great Britain. These are available for sale in selected shops in Somerton. The larger red bag is £3.00 and the smaller green bag £2.00. See photo on back page.

EMOTIONAL OUTREACH PROJECT

Weekly mental health drop-in sessions in South Somerset and Frome offering support, information and signposting.

Langport - The Ridgeway Hall, Stacey's Court, Bow Street, TA10 9PQ every Monday afternoon 12pm-3pm.

Yeovil - Milford Community Hall, Milford Park, Milford Road, BA21 4QD every Tuesday morning 11.30am-2.30pm.

Yeovil Gardening project - Milford Community Hall BA21 4QD, Every Tuesday Morning 11am-1.00pm.

Crewkerne - The Speedway, Abbey Street, TA17 7HY every Thursday afternoon 1pm-4pm.

Frome - Medical Centre, Enos Way, BA11 2FH, Every Thursday 11am- 2pm. Mind TWS also run a suicide bereavement support service helpline on 0300 330 5463, and deliver mental health first aid (www.mhfaengland.org) training and giving

people the confidence to support someone in distress. For more information visit www.mindtws.org.uk call 01823 334 906 or email mail@mindtws.org.uk. Mind TWS offices at Sussex Lodge, 44 Station Road, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 1NS and staff are available there to provide information to anyone in the community. www.southsomersetmind.co.uk, Telephone: 01935 474875
Email: tasha.marsh@southsomersetmind.co.uk

TRIALS SUCCESS BOOSTS RECYCLING AND CUTS WASTE

A successful trial of extra kerbside collection materials and new containers helped thousands of Somerset households boost recycling levels and cut the amount of rubbish sent to landfill.

Analysis of the Recycle More trials showed that adding four new collection materials and offering a choice of new containers saw "dry" - non-food - recycling rates jump by up to 29%. As residents were able to recycle more, rubbish levels fell by up to 27%.

In the Recycle More trials, thousands of homes had plastic pots, tubs and trays added to their kerbside collections, along with beverage cartons, small electrical items and household batteries. To take the extra Recycle More materials, families were offered a choice of containers, from clear plastic sacks and extra standard recycling boxes to reusable large blue woven plastic bags.

Both the new materials and choice of containers proved popular with trial residents, especially as the trials helped them significantly reduce what was left in their rubbish bin or black sacks.

FREE FUNDING PORTAL FOR SOMERSET

Today CCS is launching the Funding 4 Communities portal, it provides comprehensive coverage of all available funding opportunities; European, national and regional schemes, local initiatives and is kept fully up-to-date.

Access to the huge database of funding opportunities is available 24 hours a day to anyone with a Somerset Postcode. Register today and start searching! Once registered you can narrow the funding search and use several features - setting up automatic email alerts so they are first to know when relevant new or updated funds are added, as well as signing up to weekly newsletters packed with the latest funding announcements. We can help with project planning and assistance with bid writing. Don't leave it to chance - our knowledgeable, friendly and professional advisers are available to help you on 01823 331222. Or email our funding advice team funding@somersetccc.org.uk

POLHAM LANE PARKING AND ASSOCIATED ISSUES

Following the concerns of 82 1/2 % of the 20 residents directly contacted, details of which were widely publicised, it transpired that Messrs Ink Jet Toners Ltd (IJT) appeared to be in breach of their planning application for the business.

SSDC (Planning) investigated the matter and duly found this to be the case. A breach of planning/enforcement order was served against IJT in June 2015. IJT have now complied and provided 17 parking spaces as per planning application. SSDC has now closed the matter.

Brian Davenport on behalf of the Polham Lane Residents.

CHARITY THEATRE TRIPS

Our fund raising venture for The British Red Cross has a busy October ahead, with trips to the musicals Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, Sweeney Todd, and Mary Poppins, plus the ballet Romeo & Juliet. Booking for The Bodyguard is due to close at the end of October.

We pick up in Curry Rivel, Langport and Somerton, then Keinton Mandeville and Shepton Mallet, or Street, Glastonbury and Wells, depending on bookings.

Full details of all our trips can be found at www.theatretrips.webeden.co.uk or phone Chris on 01458 273085 to request a postal listing.

Shows to come, all evenings unless stated otherwise:

Thu 8 Oct, Dirty Rotten Scoundrels, £42

Wed 14 Oct, Romeo & Juliet Ballet, £44

Fri 23 Oct, Sweeney Todd Musical/Opera, £46

Thu 29 Oct, Mary Poppins, £56

Sun 3 Jan Matinee, Snow White, Ad £36 Ch £29

Thu 7 Jan Matinee, Swan Lake, £29

Thu 21 Jan, The Bodyguard, £48

Thu 4 Feb, The Last Tango, £39

Thu 3 Mar, Sleeping Beauty, £39

Sat 19 Mar, The Marriage of Figaro Opera, £42

Tue 5 Apr, Mamma Mia, £46

Sun 15 May, Tell Me on a Sunday, £38

Wed 13 Jul, Guys & Dolls, £42

Wed 20 Jul, Rocky Horror Show, £36

EARLY NOTICES

SOMERSET COUNTY CRICKET CLUB - MID-AREA QUIZ NIGHT - NOV 15TH

Fun Evening & Quiz Night on November 15th at the Britannia Inn, Wells BA5 3LQ 7:00 for 7:30. You're invited to attend the above in support of Pavilion Appeal.

Cost £5.00 per quiz contestant (max 4 per team). Come and experience Brian Pearson's multimedia quiz night or just come as a spectator and sample our

home prepared buffet. There will be prizes, buffet supper and a raffle. We look forward to seeing you there.

HUISH & LANGPORT CRICKET CLUB ANNUAL XMAS PRIZE BINGO NIGHT

On Wednesday 25 November at Langport Arms 7 for 7.30PM. Please come along and support this popular event, mince pies will be supplied during the evening.

SOMERTON & LANGPORT AREA BRANCH RNLI:

"Delightfully Deceived: 500 years of Trompe L'Oeil Painting" A lecture by Richard Kay Lawrence's picture expert. Wednesday 4th November at Long Sutton village hall. 6-30 for 7-15pm. Tickets £15 to include a glass of wine & canapés. In aid of RNLI. Details Mary Mullineux 251057.

Reports

SOMERTON TOWN COUNCIL REPORT - SEPTEMBER 2015

CONTACT: TOWN CLERK 272236 OR

TOWN.CLERK@SOMERTONTOWNCOUNCIL.GOV.UK

OCTOBER MEETINGS

Meeting	Date	Time	Venue
Planning (if required)	13th October	7.30pm	Edgar Hall
Full Council	13th October	7.30pm (after planning)	Edgar Hall
Planning (if required)	27 th October	7.30pm	Edgar Hall
Access & Highways	27 th October	7.30pm (after planning)	Edgar Hall

- Recreation Ground Feasibility Study is progressing well with all the surveys being reviewed.
- SSDC Playday sponsored by STC in August was successful and included a Volleyball demonstration.
- STC have sponsored the Best Allotment Competition 2015
- STC have adopted a new Grant Policy, see the website for more information
- Furnicare are a community based organisation from Yeovil which enable people on low incomes to purchase quality furniture and household goods. More details available from their website.

- The Notice of Conclusion of Audit has been received from the external auditor Grant Thornton, this notice will be displayed on the notice board and on the STC website
- STC have submitted an application to be assessed for the new QUALITY COUNCIL scheme for Councils.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS - SOMERTON TOWN COUNCIL RESPONSIBILITIES

The Planning Authority covering Somerton is South Somerset District Council.

Decisions are made by the District Council's Planning Department.

Householder developments and other small developments are usually decided by Planning Officers under delegated powers from the Ward Members (District Councillors), unless they are contentious. In this case the application will automatically go to the Ward Members for a decision. Ward Members can also request a referral to the Area North Committee (comprised of District Councillors representing a geographic area including Somerton) under certain circumstances agreed by the Area Chair. These applications maybe put forward to the Area North meeting. (Note: other circumstances may apply to a planning application, resulting to the application being put forward to the Area North Committee. Information can be sought from SSDC Planning Department where required).

Somerton Town Council is a consultee; it does not have the power to make decisions about planning applications. The Town Council's Planning Committee considers and comments on all applications in the Somerton parish and any applications in neighbouring areas which may impact on Somerton.

All Town Councillors are members of the Town Council's Planning Committee. It should be noted that whilst the District Council does not have to agree with Town Council recommendations, it does have to consider the Town Council's views, which are quoted in the Officers' reports to the Ward Members.

In general the process at Somerton is as follows:

- Application details - plans, sketches and photos of the site - are received from the District Council. The Town Council adds the application(s) to the next Town Council Planning Committee agenda and the agenda is advertised in accordance with Local Government rules including on this website.
- The application(s) are considered at the Town Planning Committee meeting. Members of the public may attend the meeting, and will be given an opportunity to address the committee prior to the start of the meeting. The Committee will agree comments and recommendations for submission to the District Council. These will be recorded in the meeting minutes.

Planning Weekly List:

Planning applications can be viewed on the SSDC website, where it is also possible to sign up for their weekly list, which is sent each Sunday and gives

details of new applications and any determinations received that week. To receive the list, go to www.southsomerset.gov.uk and on the top line click "Sign in/Register". On the next page click "Register" and fill in the details requested. When you next log in, click "My Account" on the top line and in the drop-down menu, you'll see "Planning Weekly List ". On the next page, "My Planning", click on "Parish" and enter "Somerton" then click "Create" and the weekly list will be sent. If you have problems, you can contact Jackie Hamblin on 01935 462610.

Planning Considerations:

There is sometimes confusion as to what valid Planning considerations are and what are not. For example, if residents complain that a proposed development would cause the value of their house to fall this would not be a valid planning consideration and could not be discussed by the Planning Committee.

Valid Planning considerations would include the following:

- Traffic generation, highway safety and parking
- Overshadowing, overlooking and loss of privacy
- Noise, disturbance or other loss of amenities
- Relevant planning policies
- Affect on trees
- Design e.g. height/bulk/position of buildings, appearance, affect on the surrounding area
- Inadequate landscaping/means of enclosure

If consent is granted for a development, this does not grant any rights to obstruct others during construction, nor any right to store building plant or materials on land outside the property, including public land such as road verges.

The following would not normally be valid planning considerations:

- Loss of property value
- Issues of market competition
- Loss of a view
- The applicant's motives, character or personal circumstances
- Matters covered by other legislation, including restrictive covenants on land
- Issues relating to land ownership/property boundaries, including the need to access land to undertake development
- Moral or religious issues
- Issues relating to the construction of a development
- The reasons why a developer is making the application or their activities elsewhere.

REPLANTING OF THE GARDEN OF REST WALL FLOWERBEDS

Work is due to commence from 7th October 2015. Somerton Town Council request that all low level lighting and L.E.D Fairy Lights and Pictures are removed

from all Garden of Rest walls to avoid damage and loss. Somerton Town Council would also be extremely grateful if you have any small plants that are suitable for planting in these Flowerbeds that you wish to donate to this project. Please contact Jude Raybould Assistant Clerk email: clerk.assistant@somertontowncouncil.gov.uk

Forthcoming Events

ARTHRITIS CARE: THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER.

Jane from Cobbs. Healthy Eating for Arthritis. Due to the closure of the United Reformed Church, this will be our first meeting in The Pinney Room, Parish Rooms, 7 for 7.30pm, visitors very welcome. Our thanks to the members of the United Reformed Church for allowing us to use their hall for our meetings over many years.

SOMERTON GARDENERS' CLUB: MONDAY 5 OCTOBER

Growing Orchids - a presentation given by Howard Bennett. 7.30pm, Monday, 5th October, Methodist Hall, West St, Somerton. The subject for the exhibition table is A Flowering Orchid.

SOMERTON HEALTH WALKS: THURSDAY 1/15 OCTOBER

Come along with Mo & Linda for a health walk for about an hour on the first and third Thursdays of the month so Oct 1st and 15th. We meet at Somerton Library. We help our fitness and enjoy a social chat when not going uphill! The scheme is sponsored by MacMillan and the Ramblers. Good footwear and possibly wet weather gear may be needed. We finish at the White Hart for refreshments for those who wish to.

MONTHLY COUNCILLOR SURGERIES

The Promotions and Communications Committee are pleased to announce that following the last P and C meeting, it was decided to trial monthly Councillor Surgeries which will begin in the autumn. These will be held in the Library on a Saturday morning once a month from 10.30 - 12 midday. They will be on the Saturday which falls two weeks prior to the full council meeting, to allow time for items to be considered for inclusion on the agenda if appropriate. Dates for surgeries as follows: Sat 3rd October, Sat 31st October, Sat 28th November, Sat 3rd January, Further dates will be published in the New Year.

WI: TUESDAY 6 OCTOBER

7.15 The Parish Rooms. Speaker: Amelia Draffin, Wiltshire Farm Foods, demonstration & tasting. Competition: Microwave Recipe.

THE U3A SINGING FOR FUN: THURSDAY 8 OCTOBER

Will start their monthly meetings on Thursday 8th October, and every second Thursday in the months following. The time and venue has had to change due to the URC closing, so we shall now meet in the afternoon, from 2 to 4pm, in the Methodist Hall which is just across the road in West Street. We sing a wide variety of music, from traditional airs to modern musicals, with the emphasis on having fun together. The U3A is open to all over 50's who have retired from full time work (or full time housekeeping!). Come along and give it a try.

RUMMIKUB: TUESDAY 13 OCTOBER

Come and join us at the Parish Rooms on Tuesday 13th at 2pm for some games, company and fun.

SOMERTON GROUP OF ARTISTS: WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER

The next meeting of the Somerton Group of Artists will take place in the Parish Rooms on Wednesday 14 October at 7.30pm. Jennie Thomas, a local artist and teacher will lead us through a practical still life session in any medium of your choice. Bring your painting or drawing equipment. All are welcome (non-members £5).

ST CLEERS CHAPEL ALPHA COURSE: WEDNESDAY 14 OCTOBER

St Cleers Chapel, Polham Lane, will be running an Alpha course, Wednesday evenings from 14th October. The evening will start with a meal at 7pm, followed by a talk on one of the basics of the Christian faith. There is then opportunity for discussion and to ask questions. Everyone is very welcome to come along. Further details from antwebb2@yahoo.co.uk and 01458 270209'

MOVIOLA CINEMA: SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

7.30pm in the Parish Rooms, "Far from the Madding Crowd"

COUNTY & DISTRICT COUNCILLORS SURGERY: SAT 17TH OCTOBER

9.30 - 11.30 in the White Hart Somerton. If you would like to make an appointment to speak with Dean Ruddle please telephone Anne Yates, 01458 274865, or email anne.yates@btinternet.com.

WESSEX JUNIOR YOUTH CLUB: SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

Jumble sale 10am-1pm. Refreshments will be available. Donations of jumble gratefully accepted. This can be dropped off at Wessex rooms on a Thursday night 6-7.30 or dropped off at 60 behind berry. Help always needed. Ring Sara 01458 273655

QUAKER AUTUMN SALE: SATURDAY 17 OCTOBER

11 am Friends Meeting House, Langport Road, Long Sutton. Stalls include, cakes, preserves, gifts, toys, books, plants, and bric-a-brac. Homemade lunches and

refreshments will also be available. Proceeds will be shared between Langport and Huish Youth Club, Friends House Moscow, the Prison Phoenix Project, and the Vanessa Mental Health Project in Yeovil.

NADFAS: TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER

The Golden Age of Venetian Glass. NADFAS illustrated lectures, Caryford Hall, Castle Cary, BA7 7JJ. 11am, free parking, £6. Information 01963 350 527.

EARLY WINCANTON FAIR: TUESDAY 20 OCTOBER

Will be held 10.00am to 3.30pm, at Wincanton Race Course, BA9 8JB.. Over 40 stalls selling Christmas gifts, fashion, jewellery, toys, food and lots more. The restaurant will be serving coffee, lunch and a wine bar. Entry £3 and lots of free parking. The fair will benefit Macmillan Cancer Support.

LABURNUM DRIVE COMMITTEE

You may get this in time to join our Macmillan Tea in our Hall, Friday 25th Sept. 3pm. We are enjoying good times, and planning for rest of the year. Do join us. Call 272620 for availability or visit the Community Hall, where full details are listed. Bacon butties every 1st Tuesday of each month, plus a cuppa, £1.00. Coffee morning 10.30. Fun bingo every Thursday at 2.30pm. Wednesday lunch available to order. Knit-and-natter after.

Wednesday 7th October, 5pm, burgers & hot dog supper, quiz, prizes and raffle. October coach trip, "Mystery", depart 10am, £10, Wednesday 21st. (book early). Nov 6th, floral afternoon, 2pm.

SOMERTON HISTORY SOC: THURSDAY 22 OCTOBER

Our October meeting, held in the Parish rooms, starts at 7pm with coffee, followed at 7.30pm by a talk from Jo and Chris King entitled The Mapping of Somerset. Members of the History Society come for free, visitors are very welcome at £2 each. For more information please contact Nancy Schooling on 273859.

THE SOMERTON U3A: FRIDAY 23 OCTOBER

A talk by Robert Dungay on the work of the charity Mission Aviation Fellowship. Monthly meetings 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.

SOMERTON GREEN GARDENERS: MONDAY 26 OCTOBER

The Green Gardeners meeting in the Parish Rooms will be a propagation workshop run by Viv Fairbrother. Members will be bringing in various cuttings and with Viv's expertise creating new plants for their gardens next year. The

meeting will be at 7.30 and non-members are most welcome (and can bring their own cuttings). The cost to non-members is £2.00 and refreshments will be available during the evening.

FIRST WORLD WAR EXHIBITION: SATURDAY 31 OCTOBER

'Tommy's Living History', supported by The Marmaduke Craddock Trust, present an exhibition of uniforms, weapons, equipment, documents and letters with experts on-hand to answer visitor's questions. Tea & coffee available. 10am - 4pm, Saturday 31st October 2015 in the Parish Rooms, Somerton.
For more info contact: simon.buckell@btinternet.com

WEA (WORKER'S EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION): AUTUMN 2015

The subject of our next course is, Trees of the British Isles. Five weekly meetings starting Tuesday 3rd November. Fee: £31. Please note the change of venue: Long Sutton Village Hall. 7pm - 8.45pm. The tutor will be Stephen Parker. Why not join us? Further enquiries or to enrol locally contact: Doreen Harvey, telephone 01458 241711 or e-mail doreen-royharvey@tiscali.co.uk. You can also enrol on-line at www.wea.org.uk

What's on In Brief

WEEKLY EVENTS

MONDAYS

Age UK Movement to Music 10.30am–11.30 Parish Rooms
Bridge Club (Chicago) 2–5pm Methodist Church Hall
Slimming World 5.30pm and 7.30pm Edgar Community Hall
Senior Youth Club 7–9pm Wessex Rooms

TUESDAYS

Therapeutic Art Group 10am–noon Wessex Rooms
Coffee Morning 10.30am Laburnum Drive
Fitness League Exercise Class 11.30am–12.30pm Parish Rooms
Line Dancing (Beginners & Improvers) 7 - 9pm Monteclefe Academy
Mid Wessex Singers, 7.30pm, Methodist Church

WEDNESDAYS

Line Dancing 10am–12noon Edgar Community Hall
Knitting afternoon 2pm Laburnum Drive
FOODBANK at the Angel, Langport, 2.30 - 4.30

THURSDAYS

Rainbow Rascals 9am–11.45am Methodist Ch Hall
Weight Watchers 9.30–10.30am Parish Rooms
Coffee Morning 10.15am Wessex House

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Line Dancing (Improvers) 11am–12noon Parish Rooms
NetBuddies 2–4.30pm Methodist Ch Hall
Fun Bingo 2.30pm Laburnum Drive
Credit Union (LLAST) 5–6.30pm Methodist Ch Hall
Martial Arts and Self Defence class 6pm Infants School
Junior Youth Club 6pm–7.30pm Wessex Rooms
Bridge Club (Duplicate Bridge) 7–10pm Methodist Church Hall
Ceroc le Beat 7.30pm Edgar Community Hall

FRIDAYS

Flexercise 10.45am Laburnum Drive
(in term time) ReZound Youth 7.30–9pm Life Church, Northfield

SATURDAYS

Yeovil Parkrun 9am Montacute House
Wessex Market 9.30am–12 noon Unicorn Skittle Alley

SUNDAYS

The Rock Activity Church 10.30am–12noon Wessex Rooms

OCTOBER

Thu 1st Arthritis Care Healthy Eating for Arthritis 7.30pm Pinney Rm PR
Health Walk 11.30am Library
Mon 5 Somerton Gardeners Growing Orchids 7.30 pm URC
Tue 6 WI Wiltshire Farm Foods 7.15pm PR
Thu 8 Theatre Trip Dirty Rotten Scoundrels
U3A Singing for Fun 2 - 4pm Meth Ch Hall
Mon 12 Somerton Sings for Fun 11am Methodist Ch Hall
Tue 13 Rummikub 2pm PR
Wed 14 Theatre Trip Romeo & Juliet
St Cleers Chapel Alpha Course 7pm St Cleers Chapel.
Somerton Group of Artists Talk on Practical Still Life 7.30pm PR
Thu 15 Health Walk 11.30am Library
Sat 17 Path Sale 10 - 11.30am Meth Church Path
Quakers Sale Friends Meeting House 11am Long Sutton
Brue Boys Concert 6.30pm Batcombe Village Hall
Jumble Sale in aid of Wessex Junior Youth Club 10am - 1pm Wessex Rooms
Tue 20 NADFAS The Age of Venetian Glass 11am Caryford Hall Castle Cary
Wed 21 Laburnham Drive Res Comm Mystery Coach Trip 10am
Thu 22 Heart of Levels Talk A Year on Goran Farm 7.30pm URC
Somerton History Soc Mapping of Somerset 7.30pm PR
Fri 23 Theatre Trip Sweeney Todd the Opera
U3A Talk Charity Mission Aviation 10am Edgar Hall
Mon 26 Somerton Sings for Fun 11am Meth Church Hall
Somerton Green Gardeners Propagation Workshop 7.30pm PR
Thu 29 Theatre Trip Mary Poppins
Sat 31 WW1 Exhibition 10am - 4pm PR



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