

STAPLE DIET

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(The West Quantoxhead Village Newsletter)

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SERVICES AT ST ETHELDREDA'S CHURCH ST ETHELDREDA'S CHURCH

5th, 9-30am Communion, with Steve Morley.

12th 9-30am All Age Worship, with Clare Phillips

**19th 10-30am BENEFICE COMMUNION with Steve Morley
AT CROWCOMBE**

26th 9-30am Communion with Nicky Morgan

2nd Feb 9-30am Communion with Nicky Morgan

KENN'S WEATHER REPORT

West Quantoxhead November Weather. The Mistletoe berries have all been taken by the birds (maybe a hard winter). Rain again, a monthly record 189mm. Recordable sunshine on 11 days. Temperature above normal at 9c average. Wind mainly light but Gale on 24/25. Bar, above 1,000 mb most of the month. Snow on local hills 21/22 and again 28th.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Next meeting 8th January 7.30pm at the Village Hall

COFFEE MORNING AT ST AUDRIES VILLAGE HALL

This will be held on the first Monday of the month as usual i.e 6th January 2025 from 10.30am until about mid-day. Coffee and tea are still £1 per cup but the biscuits are free. Come along for a chat with your fellow villagers - new faces are always welcome. At our December meeting we had a very successful Christmas card 'drop' for those who wished to send cards to friends and neighbours in the village so many thanks to the volunteer 'posties' : hopefully all cards were delivered in time to the right address (which occasionally required some detective work!).

CRAFT GROUP

Craft Group meets every Tuesday 2 to 4.30 in the village hall it's £2 per session including tea & biscuits. We have a mixture of many craft hobbies including Patchwork, Quilting, Crochet, Knitting, Stitching & Crystal Card making. New members are always welcome. Phone June 01984.632410 email June.Bissell@BTInternet.com or Jenny 01984.633556

VILLAGE SKITTLES

For our December match The Valiant Soldier pub in Roadwater opened their doors at 11.00am especially for the fifteen villagers keen to have some early games. This clearly was a popular idea as many in the two teams of seven scored some unusually high scores prior to a splendid Christmas lunch at 12.30. Our next match will return to normal i.e. the third Wednesday in the month on 15th January 2025. We meet at about 11.30, book a meal, play a few games - the number depends on how many turn up to make two teams - and have lunch at about 1.00 pm. Come along, it's great fun and no experience is necessary. Contact Sue or Mike Sanders on 632759.



ST. AUDRIES ART GROUP

The Art Group meet every Wednesday in the Village Hall from 10am until 12.30pm. New Members are very welcome - if you would like to know more about us please contact Maureen on 07932430103 or Pat on 01984 632729.



VILLAGE COMMUNITY GROUP

Our final event of 2024, and the first of its kind, was a pre-Christmas afternoon tea in the Village Hall which included a Bring and Buy table and the final day for the Christmas card 'drop'. Fortunately It proved to be a popular idea and a good number of villagers turned up to enjoy the company and the various refreshments on offer. Many thanks are due to all those who arrived in the morning to set up the hall and then all the volunteers in the afternoon. Our next event is planned to be a Special Group lunch at The Windmill Inn on Wednesday 8th January 2025 at 12.30 for 1.00 pm open to all and any W.Q. villagers. We anticipate two or three fixed price options for a two course lunch with optional dessert. Details will need to be finalised soon after Christmas and it will require a reasonable number of people to attend to make it worthwhile, so please express your interest by letting us know by 1st January 2025. Please contact Daphne Wheeler details below. as soon as James gives us a menu & cost we can get back to you for your final decision. We are trying hard to maintain a friendly village atmosphere, but this will sadly be lost if more people don't grab the bull by the horns and make 2025 the year of "coming out". It's up to you youngsters (anyone under 80 that is - we can't go on forever). Many thanks for bothering to read the ramblings of an octogenarian. We wish you all a Very Joyful, Peaceful New Year.

FOR THE LUNCH, PLEASE CALL DAPHNE WHEELER 632688 BY NOON ON MONDAY (6TH)



Holford Gardeners Group Present

A Talk by Roy Cheek

Irresistible plants for Butterflies

Tuesday 21st January 7.30PM at Holford Village Hall

Raffle

All Welcome

Members £1.00 Visitors £2.00

Temporary Road Closure: ttro532640W(WS) - Doniford Rd, Watchet

Please follow the link to view the above road closure; <https://one.network/?tm=140455449> and the link for the Notice

2:https://api-gb.one.network/downloads/tm/1111/03-2_140455449_3823531_7f6800c9ca.pdf.

The order becomes effective on 03rd January 2025 and will remain in force for eighteen months. The works are expected to commence on 6th January 2025 and last for 12 days (08:00 - 18:00) to enable DP Optics to excavate for installation of new cabinet with associated duct and box works on behalf of Voneus. The contractor has indicated that access for Emergency Services through the site is permitted on this occasion. For any further information about this closure please contact Circet TM on 0800 085 9194, quoting reference: ttro532640W(WS).

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP (PPG)

Phil and Mike Keenan from Keepers Find in Staple Lane O1984 634731 mikejkeenan@btinternet.com are both members of the PPG at the Medical Centre in Williton. Their role is to be the conduit for all of us in West Quantoxhead, who for whatever reason, possibly a complaint or a suggestion for improvement of medical services or to bring to notice an outstanding contribution from any of the medical staff. Do let them know and they will not only address any issue you want to raise but ensure you receive some feedback.

VILLAGE HALL

The Village Hall is a valuable asset but it is under used at present, especially on Fridays and at weekends. If you are looking for a venue for a family celebration or gettogether, or thinking of starting up a new activity, then please consider hiring your Hall. We have an excellent Table Tennis Table The hire charges are only £3 per hour for villagers and £5 per hour for non-villagers, but please note there is a minimum hire charge of 2 hours.

Do you have ideas as to events you would like to see held? Call Sue on 01984 568742.

To make a booking please contact Mark Philipson on 01984 631947.

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