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THE CHINNOCK CHIMES

JUNE/JULY 2022



A LIFE SAVER

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Editor's Message

Welcome to the summer issue!

Our cover photo shows a Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance in action. At the April WI meeting a volunteer from their team gave a well-received talk about this valuable service, please see inside for details.

In this issue we have a special section designed to draw your attention to the summer events happening in the village. Coming up we have HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee DIY Picnic, the Quiz Night, the Annual Village Show and the Music Night so please reserve these dates in your diary!

Looking forward to seeing you all there!

If you have an update, feature or photos that you would like published, please send them to me at: thechinnockchimes@gmail.com The deadline for the next issue is 11 July 2022.

Best wishes,

Annette

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0300 123 2224	Oliver Patrick 07969 269416 oliver.patrick@southsomerset.gov.uk	Pamela Lewis 01935 864408	01935 475122	01460 72435	Jane LeFevre 01935 862774	Mike Beckerleg 01935 862719
South Somerset District Council	Parish Council Chairman	Post Office (Village Hall)	Westlake Surgery	Entertainments Committee Chair	Beavers (6-8 years)	Scouts Active Support (adults)
01935 462462	Mike Buswell 01935 864233 mike.winnates@outlook.com	Monday 1pm - 3 pm Tuesday 9am - 12pm	01935 862212	Pat Lock 01935 863899	Heather Pitts 01935 433840	Pete Divall 01935 422328
County Councillor	Parish Council Clerk	Village Hall	Westlake Dispensary	Preschool, Baby and Toddler Group East Coker	Cubs (8 - 10½ yrs) Scouts (10½ -14 yrs)	The Chinnoek Chimes
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Parish Council News



May Parish Council Meeting

There were no reports from the District and County Councillor’s or Clerk from this meeting.

Election of Officers

- No Chair was elected. Cllr Bussell will continue as Acting Chair for the next couple of months.
- None of the councillors wished to stand as Acting Vice Chair. Cllr Reeve remains Acting Vice Chair for the time being.
- Cllr Goodes was elected as Village Hall Representative.
- Cllr Reeve was elected as Highways Representative.
- Cllr Bussell was elected as Footpaths Representative.
- Cllr Taylor was elected as Play Park Representative.
- Cllr John Cox will remain on the Parish Council.
- One Cllr vacancy remains.

Naming of the Park

A resolution was passed to name the play area ‘**Portman Community Park**’. Cllr Bussell is arranging for a sign to be made with the new name.



Entertainments Committee

Marquee and Gazebo Hire



The Entertainments Committee owns a marquee and 6 gazebos, which are available for **private hire to East Chinnock villagers only**. Contact Pat Lock for further information and booking on 01935 863899.

Marquee: 20m x 7m - £90 for a maximum of 3 days
Gazebos: 3m x 3m with sides - £30 each for a maximum of 3 days

The gazebos can be easily erected by the hirer, however the marquee will be erected by Pat and his team but they will require at least 3 additional people (organised by the hirer) to assist in erection.

*****The hirer is required to ensure that they have adequate insurance cover in place to protect against damage or loss*****

WI Update



Membership of the WI offers the opportunity to meet women in your local area in person, to make friends and to make a difference in your community. The organisation campaigns nationally on a wide range of issues. Contact Marianne Merchant on 01935 862390 for info.

The East Chinnock WI meets at the Village Hall on the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30pm for a couple of hours. The next meetings are scheduled for:

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| 8 June | Organ Transplants |
| 13 July | Japanese Drums |
| 10 August | Walk and Buffet Lunch |
| 14 September | Philippines Evening |

WI Update continued...

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance

There was an informative and interesting talk given by Mr Crew, a volunteer from the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance (DSAA) team on 13 April. The DSAA is a registered charity that was launched in Somerset in 2000, thirteen years after the first air ambulance charity was launched in Cornwall in 1987. There are currently 21 Air Ambulance charities serving the UK with a combined fleet of 36 helicopters. They receive no direct funding from the Government or National Lottery and are solely funded by donations. Their operational costs are over £5 million annually with the approximate cost of each mission being around £3,000.

Since 2017 the DSAA has been flying an Agusta Westland helicopter (AW169). It is equipped with 360-degree patient-access and a full suite of sophisticated clinical equipment. The Pegasus helicopter, affectionately known by the crews as "Peggy" carries one pilot, one co-pilot, a Critical Care Doctor (surgeon level) and a paramedic to every call-out.

The DSAA can reach anywhere in Dorset or Somerset within 20 minutes and then takes patients to the most suitable hospital. Yeovil District Hospital does not have a landing pad so cannot be used.

You may have seen recent advertising for 'What Three Words', where the whole country is divided into 3m squares each identified by three different words. For example, the entrance of the Village Hall's three words are "overture.tablet.crispier". By downloading the What Three Words App to your phone, the emergency services are able to pinpoint your exact location. The DSAA works in conjunction with all other emergency services including the Coastguard, Ambulance Service, Police and Fire and Rescue.

The DSAA's busiest day is Sunday and the busiest month is, rather surprisingly, September. A breakdown of the types of incidents they attend shows that 23% are medical, 52% are trauma, 23% are cardiac (and therefore time-critical) and 2% are transfers.

The DSAA relies heavily on public donations and there are many ways to help: the weekly lottery, "Flight for Life", which takes place every Friday with no rollovers and a jackpot prize of £1,000 for a £1 ticket and the two Grand Raffle draws in summer and at Christmas. Other ways they can raise much-needed funds are via one-off personal donations or regular donation through direct debit, fund raising events, gifts from Wills, etc. Please visit their website for details: <https://www.dsairambulance.org.uk>

They help to save lives - one day it could be yours.

Sara Russell

Are YOU a Responsible Dog Owner?

Dog fouling around the village remains a major problem. It's an eyesore and it's unhygienic. All dog owners have a **legal duty** to clean up their dog's faeces **immediately** after they foul. Failure to notice that your dog has fouled because it is off-lead is **not an excuse** and does not exempt you from picking up after them. All dog walkers should ensure that they have poo bags on them before leaving for a dog walk.

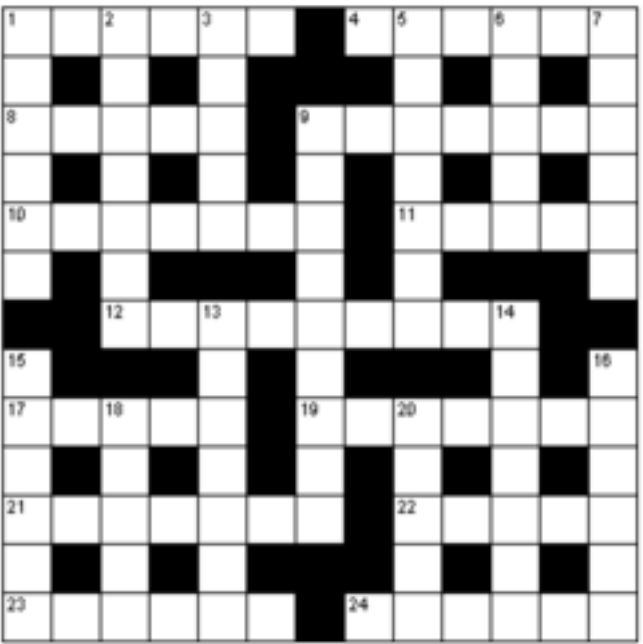


Please show consideration to your neighbours, respect our village and clean up your dog mess!

Colour Me In



Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1 Mix (6)
- 4 Aromatic spice (6)
- 8 Doctor's stand-in (5)
- 9 Waterfall (7)
- 10 Popular cheese (7)
- 11 Assumed name (5)
- 12 Using mocking irony (9)
- 17 Steadfast in allegiance (5)
- 19 Without affectation (7)
- 21 Affluent (7)
- 22 Brag (5)
- 23 Dwell (6)
- 24 Deteriorate (6)

Down

- 1 Spite (6)
- 2 Core (7)
- 3 Medal (anag) (5)
- 5 Parvens (7)
- 6 Florida resort (5)
- 7 Lubricant (6)
- 9 Without doubt (9)
- 13 Akin (7)
- 14 Wheat, barley, oats, etc. (7)
- 15 Bloom, blossom (6)
- 16 Protein present in wheat (6)
- 18 Renowned Irish poet (5)
- 20 Forbidden (5)

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Post Office Opening Times

At the Village Hall:

Monday 1:00pm – 3:00pm
Tuesday 9:00am – 12:00pm

East Chinnock Art Group

East Chinnock Art Group is at the Village Hall on the fourth Wednesday afternoon of each month 2pm – 4pm, at a cost of £2.00 per session.

Bring your work in-progress or next project along to the informal group to enjoy a couple of hours of gentle pleasure.

The more experienced art lovers in the group are always willing to offer advice and share their expertise.

For more information contact Jo Cox at The Warren, Weston Street (01935 863304) jovialcox@btinternet.com.



Coffee Mornings

Coffee mornings take place on the first and third Wednesday of every month at the Village Hall. Please come and join us.

Village Hall Lottery

April Winners

Lee and Dennis Thomas
Jean Beasley



May Winners

Sue Gliddon
Chris Homewood

Kurling Season

The kurling season has ended with the Blues as the winners. The individual winner was Nick Weber with an average of 7.00, closely followed by Jill Biddle.

The Autumn 2022 season has been planned and will commence on 16 September 2022. Playing numbers are down, so if anyone would like to join one of our six teams please contact Maurice Jones on 01935 862221.

Books!

There are books available in the Village Hall for you to take or borrow whenever the Village Hall is open. Please help yourself.

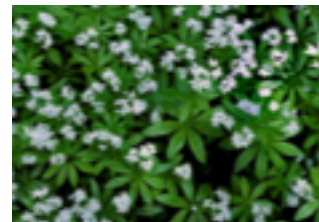


East Chinnock Gardening & Countryside Club



Weeds!

An interesting talk about 'Good Weeds/Bad Weeds' was given by Stephen Fry from the Brimsore Gardens Group on Monday 16 June. We learned about several varieties of vigorous weeds and the difficulties of getting rid of them. Some weeds can be useful, such as Sweet Woodruff (see photo) which can be used as a flavouring in food and drink. Some weeds can be harmful, such as Japanese Knotweed, which can grow at an alarming rate and cause a lot of damage in its' path. Non-native plants have the potential to change ecosystems and habitats, outcompete native plants, lay dormant for long periods of time and be expensive to eradicate.



Top Tip! - Don't be tempted to sneak home with a plant or cutting when you go abroad! Importing plants is already subject to some restrictions and the RHS and Defra says it can introduce new pests and diseases into the UK.

Annual Village Show 30 July

A leaflet containing information and entry forms for the Village Show should have dropped through your letterbox by now. Entry categories are; flowers, fruit, vegetables, cookery, crafts and a section for children. The leaflet provides guidance on the subject matter for entries, how they should be exhibited and where you should send your entries. Contact Doug Reeve: reevedoug2@gmail.com for a leaflet.

Crossword Puzzle Solution for April/May Issue



SUMMER EVENTS



In honour of HM The Queen's Platinum Jubilee, all residents of East Chinnock are invited to

THE BIG JUBILEE PICNIC

Sunday 5 June 2022
12 noon onwards

Portman Community Park, Weston Street, East Chinnock

No dogs allowed, sorry. No parking available.

Dress code: red, white and blue

Bring your own picnic (food, drink, blankets, chairs etc.)

Please take your rubbish home with you. Marquee available if it rains.



East Chinnock Entertainments Committee presents
a fund-raising event in support of Ukraine

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 1 July

Bring your own drink
Nibbles will be provided

Wear blue and yellow!
Teams of 4-6 people
£5 per team entry, payable on the night

7:30pm
Village Hall

Please register your team: sara.russell@btopenworld.com
Text or Whatsapp: 07746 032 299

SUMMER EVENTS

East Chinnock Gardening & Countryside Club presents

ANNUAL VILLAGE SHOW 2022

Flowers, vegetables and crafts

Saturday 30 July 2:15pm

Village Hall

Admission 30p, children free



EAST CHINNOCK MUSIC NIGHT

PRESENTS LOCAL BAND

FREE ENTRY
SATURDAY 30 JULY
AT THE PORTMAN COMMUNITY PARK, WESTON STREET
GATES OPEN AT 6:30PM
LIVE MUSIC FROM 7:00PM
BAR & BBQ

