

## CONTACTS

### Church of England at St Mary's, Church Services:

1st Sunday 9.00am BCP Communion

2nd Sunday 10.30am CW Holy Communion

3rd Sunday 9.00am BCP Holy Communion

4th Sunday 10.30am Morning Praise

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ALL SAINTS HALL BOOKING SECRETARY	Ann Davison 07709 609488
BOYS BRIGADE - Weekly - Thursday 6.00pm - 7.30pm (now at Martock Christian Fellowship)	Ian Rumbelow 881712
BRIDGE CLUB - Weekly - Monday starting at 8.30pm (Working Mens Club)	
BROWNIES - Weekly - Every Tuesday during term time (Hamdon Youth & Family Centre)	Jackie Poole 01935 823606
CRIME & MYSTERY BOOK GROUP	Kathy Smith 07366979178
“EVERY STEP COUNTS” - 9.30am & “HEALTH WALKS” 10.30am. Meet outside the Lighthouse	Penny on 822208 or Mark 07496 148756
FLEXERCISE FOR FUN - At Oak Tree House every Monday at 2.30pm	Di Ramsay 0845 6434702
FOOTBALL - SENIOR TEAMS - Training Tuesday evenings 6.30pm. Matches weekend	Steve Deane 07881 464280 email stevekatherine@hotmail.co.uk
FOOTBALL - YOUTH TEAMS - Training weekday evenings. Matches Saturdays & Sundays	Steve Arnold stokefcchair@hotmail.com & John Elliott stokefcsec@gmail.com 07775 562122
FOOTPATHS - problems and issues contact the Parish Clerk	Sarah Moore, Clerk 822455
GARDENING CLUB - Monthly - Fourth Wednesday 7.30pm (Memorial Hall)	Ruth St John-Murphy 01935 829408
‘GET FIT WITH SUE’ - Mondays - Fitness Pilates 5pm (call first), Aerobics & Toning 6pm. Thursdays - Fitness Pilates 6pm	Sue Menzies 01935 829632
HAM HILL COUNTRY PARK - VOLUNTEER RANGERS - Weekly Wed. 10.00am - 3.30pm (Ranger's Office)	Paul McNeill 07973 3887129
HAMDON BRASS BAND	Sonja Hellier 01460 241297 email pipershaunt@hotmail.com
HAMDON MEDICAL CENTRE	01935 822236
HAMDON PLAYGROUP - Monday - Friday term time, 8.30 am - 3.30 pm. 2 years old, 3/4 years old and 30 hours funding available.	Ann or Karon 01935 826832 Email: hamdonplaygroup@btinternet.com
HAMDON COMMUNITY ARTS PROJECT -	Peter Hulett 01935 824784
HISTORY GROUP	Carol Parker 825393
LIGHTHOUSE CAFE - Monday & Thursday 10.00am - 1.00pm	Sarah Russell 826355
MAY FAYRE - Annual Event for Sports & Recreation Trust	Denise Burton 827793
MEDITATION GROUP - Tuesdays at 8.00pm in the HCAP building (URC)	Emma Herrod 01935 829443
MEMORIAL HALL BOOKING SECRETARY	bookings.stokememorialhall@hotmail.com. Mary Steel 01935 508996
PARISH COUNCIL - Monthly First Wednesday 7.15pm (Memorial Hall)	Barbara Brooks, Chairman 824432 Sarah Moore, Clerk 822455
POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER	Carole Brown email: carolebrown@avonandsomerset.police.uk
POST OFFICE COUNTER (INSIDE STOKE COMMUNITY SHOP) OPENING TIMES Monday & Friday 9.00am to 12 noon, Thursday 1.00pm to 4.00pm (excluding Bank Holidays)	
SEATED CHAIR EXERCISES - Friday at 10am in the All Saints Hall	Sue Menzies 829632
STOKE AND DISTRICT ANGLING ASSOCIATION	Derek Goad. 824337
STOKE BABY & TODDLER GROUP - Memorial Hall. Thurs.9.30am to 11.30am in term time	carolyn_lefley@hotmail.com Facebook: @StokeBabyAndToddlerGroup
STOKE COMMUNITY SHOP OPENING HOURS - Monday to Friday 8am - 4pm; Saturday 8am - 4pm; Sunday 8.30am - 12.30pm	01935 509100
STOKE LUNCH CLUB FOR OLDER PEOPLE. Lighthouse Café last Wednesday of the month.	Lyn Foley 01935 823051/07714 005265
STOKE SUB HAMDON BAND - Monday & Thursday 8.00pm - 10.00pm Band Room, back of URC Training Band - Thursdays at Band Room, 7.00pm - 7.45pm	Gill Robins 01935 329904 Jane Herbert 01460 419317
STOKE PERFORMING ARTS GROUP	Jeanie 07967184952 or Moira info@stokeperformingartsgroup.co.uk
TAEKWONDO & LITTLE DRAGONS - Mondays 5.00pm - 5.30pm Little Dragons; 5.30pm - 6.15pm Taekwondo beginners; 6.15pm - 7.00pm Taekwondo Adults (Stanchester)	Jennie Clark 07921 393425
TAI CHI - Weekly - Thursday 3.00pm - 4.00pm in Memorial Hal	John 07721 060901
TINY TURRETS (Castle Primary School) - Foundation Stage Unit for children aged 2 - 4 years Two daily sessions 9.00am - 12 noon and 12 noon - 3pm. Extended provision available from 7.45am - 5.30pm ages 3+	Castle Primary School Office 01935 822342
TRIANGLE TRUST - Raising funds for Hamdon Medical Centre	Jennie Harris 881718
VILLAGE AGENT - Cluster SS2 Cath Holloway	cath@somersetccc.org.uk Tel: 07968 521746
VILLAGE ARTIST GROUP - Tuesdays 7.45pm- 9.45pm & Friday 10.00am - 12 Noon (Memorial Hall)	Malcolm Uhlhorn 01935 829513
WORKING MENS CLUB - Daily - Lunch times & evenings	Mark Greaves 01935 823297
YOUTH CLUB - Weekly - Monday 7.00pm at Hamdon Youth & Family Centre	Youth Worker Lou on 07402 987921 or email lou.chant@cyp.me.uk

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## Stoke sub Hamdon Parish Council

# NEWSLETTER

August 2021

### NEWSLETTER VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

Unfortunately, a couple of our volunteers have had to give up their newsletter rounds. The Parish Council would like to thank them for everything they have done in delivering the Parish news to you all.

We are looking for a couple of people who wouldn't mind giving some time each month to deliver the newsletters to Glovers Close and The Pound (at the end of Castle Street). Both these areas are very small rounds so would not take too much time out of your day.

*If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk, Sarah Moore, on 01935 822455 or email clerkshpc@hotmail.co.uk*

### CHAIR'S UPDATE

#### End of lockdown?.....

From 19 July all lockdown restrictions were formally ended by the Government in England as part of Step 4. It is no longer compulsory to wear masks or socially distance, although we are all being encouraged to “go slowly” in terms of going back to “normal”. It appears that transport companies, many employers, shops, venues and health care facilities are following this good advice and asking people to consider continuing wearing masks as a way of moving forward more gradually. This WILL reduce risk. Please support our village businesses and venues by choosing to wear your mask when you visit – it shows we respect and care for each other.

Although the number of cases has risen exponentially, all the scientific evidence shows that if you have had two vaccination jabs, you are very significantly protected against serious illness and death. Please get yourself protected if you can. It's really worth it.

*For more information on COVID go to <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-coronavirus-restrictions-what-you-can-and-cannot-do>*

### SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY GRANT

I am delighted to report that the Area North Committee of the District Council have awarded (in principle) a grant of £17,245 to the Parish Council towards the second stage of the refurbishment of the Youth Centre in West Street. As this amount is over the normal grant amount it will need to be confirmed by the District Executive in August. This money will be used towards a new kitchen, office, fire alarm, CCTV and toilets including disabled facilities.

### DOG BIN

We were asked by residents in West Street if they could have a dog bin installed in view of the extra number of residents now living along this road and the fact that many dog owners walked their dogs in this area. I am afraid that the response from the District Council to our request was not entirely helpful. They have informed us that there is no

automatic agreement to new bins nowadays, and they will be carrying out surveys by their staff to see if a bin is actually necessary. Rest assured, we are not giving up on this one - we are continuing to support residents by asking the Council to re-consider this essential tool to keep our village clean.

### STOKE COMMUNITY SHOP

I've just received the report and accounts of our Community Shop ahead of their first Annual Meeting on 23rd July. It's brilliant to see just how successful they have been, and congratulations must go to the committee and all the volunteers who make this facility such a valuable resource for our village.

Stay safe and well. It's still important to remember - hands, face, space and fresh air!

*Cllr Barbara Brooks, Chair, 01935 824432 chairshpc@hotmail.com*

Articles for the Newsletter, or to advertise forthcoming events: please email or post to Sarah Moore by 16<sup>th</sup> of previous month. Contact information is on the bottom of the back page of this newsletter.

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All of the **COVID-19 vaccines** in use in the UK protect you from coronavirus. Don't delay in getting yours when it is offered to you, it's the best way to keep your family and friends safe.

## PLANNING

The following applications have been approved by District Council:-

### 21/01684/PAPV Ranger Office, Ham Hill

Notification for prior approval for the installation of a solar photovoltaic system on the roof of premises.

### 21/01657/HOU 7 Windsor Lane

Demolition of existing single storey, single skin kitchen and conservatory and erection of a new single storey extension.

The following application has been submitted:-

### 21/01807/HOU The Old Butchery, West Street

Demolish existing utility room and erect a single storey rear garden room.

## PAVEMENT BOUNDARIES

Due to the lovely weather, roadside garden boundaries are getting rather overgrown and beginning to cause difficulty for pedestrians to pass. Please could you check and trim back any low hanging vegetation. Thank you.

## STOKE BAND AGM

We had to cancel last year's AGM and are hopeful this year's will take place. This year's AGM is on 12th September at 8.00pm at the former URC. It is an open meeting, and everyone will be welcome.

## POLICE INFORMATION

There has been a recent spate of thefts of catalytic converters in the village. Please be vigilant and report anything suspicious to the police.

For any advice and further/up-to-date information on incidents please go to the website: [www.police.uk](http://www.police.uk). If you are a witness to or the victim of a crime, then it is imperative that you report it to the police immediately whether it is during the day or at night. When reporting an incident please telephone either 101 for non-emergencies or 999 for emergencies only.

## STOKE CHARITY SHOP

### Grants:

Local groups planning a project that involves sport, recreation or education may apply for a grant from Stoke Charity Shop. For an application form, contact Jane Baker by email: [jeb3101@aol.com](mailto:jeb3101@aol.com)

### Let's Get Together Again Event, 7th August:

Stoke Charity Shop will be at the Memorial Hall grounds from 10am to 12.30pm with a Teddy Tombola, Name the Bear competition, as well as useful household items and a £1 rail of bargains. Stop by the stall to find out about how the profits from the Shop benefit the community, volunteering or just to pick up a bargain or two.

### Stoke Charity Shop AGM:

Our AGM is planned for Monday, September 6th at 6pm in the Lighthouse Café to which all our volunteers and anyone interested in the Shop is welcome to attend. We are looking for new committee members and nomination forms will be available from the Charity Shop in August.

## STOKE COMMUNITY SHOP: YOUR VILLAGE – YOUR SHOP

### Farm Gate To Dinner Plate:

We now sell a wide range of fresh fruit and veg supplied by Nicks Fruit and Veg, which specializes in sourcing local produce and supporting local growers.

### August Get-Together:

Come and visit our stall at the Let's Get Together Again Community Event at the Memorial Hall on Saturday, 7th August, 10am to 12.30pm, to find out more about the shop, volunteering and membership, plus our plans for the future.

### Keeping Cool:

We stock a wide range of ice creams, ice lollies and frozen desserts as well as chilled fruit drinks and sodas, so pop in for some thirst-quenching summer treats.

### Join our Volunteering Team:

Interested in joining our friendly shop team? Drop into the shop for a chat about what's involved or email [volunteers@stokeshop.co.uk](mailto:volunteers@stokeshop.co.uk). You can also find out more at [www.stokeshop.co.uk/volunteering](http://www.stokeshop.co.uk/volunteering) and download an application form.

*For more information about the shop and how you can get involved, visit [www.stokeshop.co.uk](http://www.stokeshop.co.uk) or [www.facebook.com/stokecommunityshop](https://www.facebook.com/stokecommunityshop).*

## LUNCH CLUB

Now restrictions have been lifted, our tea/coffee, sandwiches and cake afternoons will continue in the Memorial Hall on alternate Wednesdays from 2.30pm – 4.30pm. The dates for this month are the 11th and 25th. If you would like to attend to meet up with friends, please call Lyn on 01935 823501.

We would appreciate the continued wearing of masks and sanitizing of hands while in the hall. Please also note that the tables will continue to be spaced well apart.

## VILLAGE ARTIST GROUP

Since its early days, the Village Artist Group has flourished as a warm and friendly group of art enthusiasts, catering for both beginners and more experienced artists, whatever their standards or abilities.

*If you are interested in joining us, please phone Malcolm on 01935 829513 for a chat or email me on [malcolmuhlhorn99@gmail.com](mailto:malcolmuhlhorn99@gmail.com)*

## GARDENING CLUB

### 'Back Together Again'

**Saturday, 7th August 10am to 12.30pm**

We will be at the Memorial hall grounds with a plant and produce stall, and tombola. Relax and enjoy tea, coffee and homemade cakes available in the Hall. New members welcome. Come and enjoy monthly meetings on a variety of gardening topics for all gardens great and small!

Other local groups and organisations will be joining us at this event. Although Covid restrictions may have been lifted let's all still stay aware and safe

## Let's Get Back Together Again

Saturday 7th August  
Memorial Hall and grounds

10am - 12.30pm

- Tea, coffee and homemade cakes
- Gardening Club Plant and Produce stall
- Stalls from Stoke Charity Shop and Stoke Community Shop.

Many other local organisations including The Triangle Trust and Stoke Health Walks.

The event is a great chance to find out more about the many and varied groups in the village, the activities they offer and how you can get involved.

**And you might also pick up a bargain or two!**

## August Diary

7th	'Lets Get Together' Community Event
11th	Stoke Lunch Club
25th	Stoke Lunch Club



## September Diary

6th	Stoke Charity Shop AGM
12th	Stoke Band AGM