

AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2022

Editor's Message

Welcome to the second summer issue.

Our fantastic cover image shows a glorious painting by local artist Diane Summer - see below for details of Diane's upcoming exhibition.

This issue reports on some of the summer events in the village, including those that took place in celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It was lovely to see all the flags and bunting around the village.

Can you spot your decorated house in the photos randomly dotted throughout this issue?

Look out for details of further dates for your diary!

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 September 2022.

Best wishes,

Annette



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Art Exhibition - Art of Summer

The glorious Eype Church/Arts Centre (DT6 6AR) which overlooks the sea is the perfect space to view the atmospheric paintings of Diane Summer between 1 - 7 August.

Diane is inspired by the ever-changing weather of the Dorset coast, textures and colours and infuses these wonders in her work. She will also be painting at Eype each day.

There is free on-site parking at venue.

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0300 123 2224	Oliver Patrick 07969 269416 oliver.patrick@southsomerset.gov.uk	Paul Taylor 01935 862006	01935 475122	01460 72435	Jane LeFeuvre 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 Bussell 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 - 10% yrs) Scouts (10% -14 yrs)	The Chinnock Chimes
Mike Hewitson mikehewitson@somerset.gov.uk	Nancy Chapman ecparishcouncilclerk@yahoo.co.uk	Booking & Keys Lia Wicks 01935 864327	01935 865104	Kay Strode 07503 751133	James Divall 01935 863105	thechinnockchimes@gmail.com

Parish Council News



July Parish Council Meeting

A combined report from County Councillor's Patrick and Hewitson was circulated.

Election of Officers

- Currently none of the Councillors have put themselves forward as Chair. Cllr Bussell agreed to be acting Chair for the meeting but will stand down from the Parish Council after this meeting.
- One Cllr vacancy remains.

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*****

FEOFFEES

FEOFFEES is the village poor's land Charity which owns the Village Hall and Old School House as well as a field at the bottom of the village, currently leased to the Seyfrieds of Broad Lane.

The committee has representatives from the Church and Parish council as well as some independent worthies and monies are used for the benefit of the villagers of East Chinnock.

Currently we send vouchers to all villagers who have spent 2 nights in Hospital during the year and to those who have been bereaved during the year.

We propose to give vouchers to new parents in the village and would be grateful for notification of any new arrivals.

We are open to applications in case of hardship or anyone needing funds for extraordinary purposes. We are responsible for the upkeep of the Village Hall and Old School House and therefore may not always have large sums available.

Contacts:
John Cox (Chairman) 01935 863304
Jane Lock (Clerk) 01935 863899



FEATURED ADVERTISEMENT

THURSDAY
BABY & TODDLER SESSION

East Coker Preschool
9:30am-11am
£1.50 per family

The Pavilion,
Long Furlong Lane,
East Coker,
BA22 9LQ
TEL NO: 01935 751133
MESSAGE US ON FACEBOOK, EAST COKER PRESCHOOL

Quiz Night

Thank you to everyone who came to the Quiz Night Fundraiser for Ukraine in the Village Hall on Friday 1 July.



I have had some wonderful feedback and it seems like everyone had a good time. Questions categories were: Animals, Film Quotes, South America, UK Monarchs in History, Music, Flags of the World, Sport & Leisure, Shakespeare Quotes and Art.

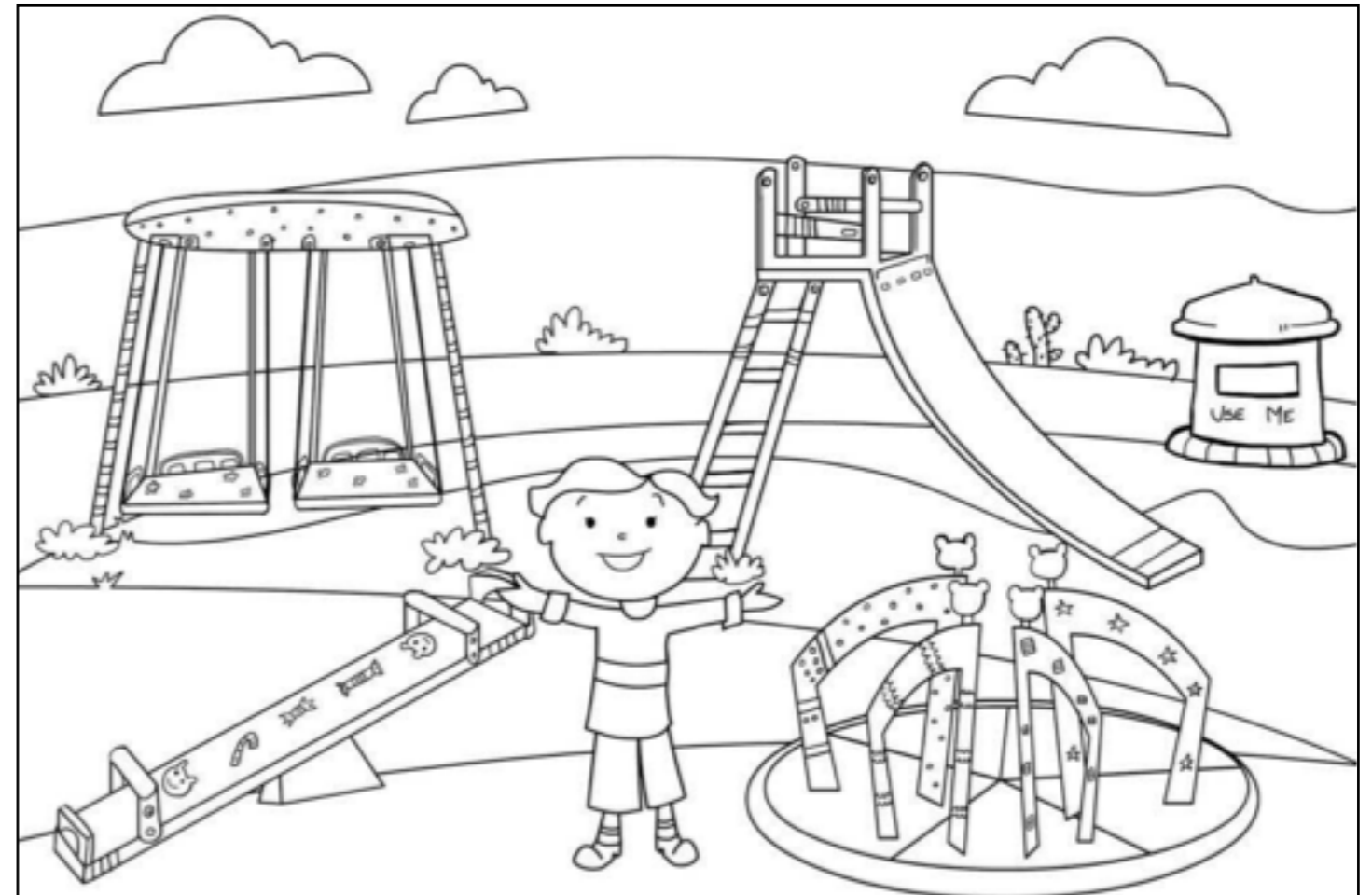
Congratulations to the winning team: Elaine and Michael Seabrook and their daughter and her partner and Sharon and Paul Dodd.

We raised £214 which will be distributed between two Ukrainian charities: British-Ukrainian Aid and Nowzad Ukraine (animal charity).

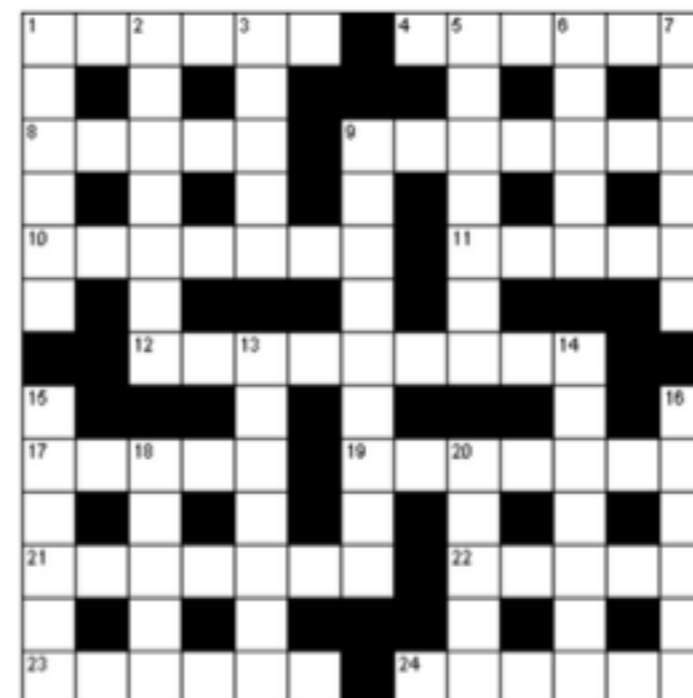
We shall be holding another Quiz at the Village Hall on Friday 16 September 2022 and hope you can join us. See advert in this issue for details.

Sara Russell

Colour Me In



Crossword Puzzle



Across

- 1 Loose from moorings (6)
- 4 Academy awards (6)
- 8 Brownish tint used in photography (5)
- 9 Frankness (7)
- 10 Oriental (7)
- 11 Choose to participate (3,2)
- 12 Morning snack (9)
- 17 Supermarket section (5)
- 19 Welsh port (7)
- 21 Exceed (7)
- 22 Intense sorrow (5)
- 23 Distribute (6)
- 24 Story in instalments (6)

Down

- 1 Solution (6)
- 2 Quick sharp reply (7)
- 3 Distress signal (5)
- 5 Wavy, winding (7)
- 6 Approximately (5)
- 7 Pilgrim's destination (6)
- 9 General agreement (9)
- 13 Green gem (7)
- 14 Japanese dish of thinly sliced raw fish (7)
- 15 Short-legged hound (6)
- 16 Legal (6)
- 18 More certain (5)
- 20 Bicker (5)





Post Office Opening Times

At the Village Hall:

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

Bringing Guiding Back to the Villages at West Coker Youth Centre

For many of us, Brownies and Guides bring back memories of our childhood. Memories of fun, adventure and the outdoors. Young members are offered opportunities to challenge themselves to try new experiences, with the support of local Leaders.

As we look forward to the opening of the new West Coker Youth Centre, we are looking for new volunteers to support our activities. Everyone is welcome! No prior experience is required and full training and support is provided. Voluntary activities can be from more active participation, to behind the scenes assisting in roles involving, for example, accounts and social media.

We know you are busy, but any help you can offer can make a huge difference to girls and young women in our villages.



Let's bring guiding back! www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested

Linda Carrington/Jackie Poole
 Joint Yeovil Division Commissioners

Village Hall Lottery

June Winners July Winners

Sheila Reeve Oliver and Thomas Hawkins
 Gill Harris Marilyn Harris
 Ashley Lock



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



Gardening Club

Our next event is at Brimsmore Garden Centre on Monday 1 August at 2:30pm.

Please feel free to come along for a talk, tea and some discount shopping!

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.

Crossword Puzzle Solution for June/July Issue



News From St Mary's

Services August/September

Sunday 7 August	9:15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 14 August	6:00pm	Evensong
Sunday 21 August	9:45am for 10:00am start	**Café Church in Village Hall or Portman Community Park (tbc)
Wednesday 24 August	10:30am	*Home Communion
Sunday 4 September	9:15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 11 September	6:00pm	Evensong
Sunday 18 September	9:45am for 10:00am start	Café Church in Village Hall
Wednesday 28 September	10:30am	*Home Communion

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 Café Church in Village Hall
 *Home Communion



All services will take place at St Mary's church unless specified otherwise.

* For venue of Home Communion contact: gilliantettmar@gmail.com or on 01935 862003
 ** See posters nearer the time for venue

The Lord's Larder

Please note that from now on there will be a crate for donations to The Lord's Larder in the entrance of the Village Hall. You can check what items are most needed on: <https://www.ycstyeovil.org.uk/what-we-are-currently-need-most-in-the-larder/>

Gillian Tettmar

Church Concert

Saturday 20 August 7:30pm at St Mary's Church

Tickets: £7

Refreshments and raffle

For tickets contact:

John Chappelle 07887 875622
 Alex Swarbrick 07473 704050
 Ros Weber 07866 040688



Organ Recital

Friday 30 September 7:30pm at St Mary's Church

Peter Shepherd will be playing both church organs. Peter is the Assistant Organist at Paisley Abbey in Scotland.

The programme will include: The Radetsky March, St Anne Fugue and works by Elgar, Sweelinck and Vaughan Williams.



A Thank You from the Family of Bruce Murdoch

Thank you to everyone who sent us cards and letters following Bruce's death. Your support throughout his illness and since then has been most welcome. I have drawn great comfort from it.

Thank you also to those who were able to come to his Thanksgiving Service and who have so generously donated to the MSA Trust [where much needed research will be funded] and to the Village Hall, which many of you will know was one of Bruce's passions.

Liz Murdoch



New prayer Initiative at St Mary's

We are praying for households in a number of streets in our village each month, covering all the streets over the year. Each household will receive a postcard letting them know we are praying for their street during that month.

In August we are praying for households in Weston Close and Underhayes Court.

In September we are praying for Westways, Eastfield Farm, Cod Lane, Broad Lane and Barrows Hill.

There is a dedicated confidential email address where people can send their prayer requests: prayeratstmarys@gmail.com or you can put written prayers into the prayerbox in the church porch.

Please do let us have your prayer requests - it would be a privilege to join our prayers with yours.

Gillian Tettmar

WI Update

The WI is the largest women's organisation in the UK, open to women of all generations.



A WI membership offers the opportunity to meet women in the local area, make friends and make a difference in the community. The organisation campaigns nationally on a wide range of issues. 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:

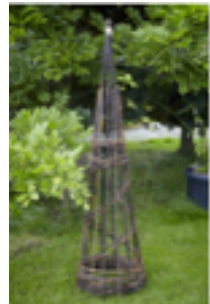
14 September:
Philippines Evening (Dancing in National Costumes)

12 October:
Talk on Coastguard Watching

If you are not a member you can still come along to up to 3 events (entry would be after the regular WI meeting items have been discussed).

General Meetings

Two meetings have been held at the WI over the last couple of months, both were a change to published planned events.



When a speaker was unable to attend, Marianne Marchant gave a lesson in willow weaving. She had learned this from a visit to Coates English Willow in Taunton. She arrived complete with bales of willow for us to fashion into garden willow obelisks. The trick is to gently twist and manipulate the willow into bending. I enjoyed it so much I made two and they're now in the garden supporting my sweet peas.

The second meeting required another last-minute stand-in. NHS worker Sharon came to talk to us about Pilates. She talked about its inventor, Joseph Pilates, who was born in Germany in 1883, who suffered from a range of ailments as a child. He devised a series of exercises to build core strength and improve overall health.



Over the years his techniques have been tweaked slightly to the Pilates methods we know today.

Sharon demonstrated the techniques and, as there was great interest in this form of exercise, we may be looking at introducing a village class at some point in the future.

Sara Russell



WI Afternoon Tea and Cake Party

In celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee the WI hosted a free Afternoon Tea and Cake Party at the Village Hall on Friday 3 June.



The event was well attended and enjoyed by all, with nearly everyone turning up in red, white and blue clothing.



Delicious cakes of all kinds were made and donated by WI members. Gentle background music filled the hall, while members ensured the china teacups were kept well filled. Her Majesty and four of her corgis were on hand to greet everyone!

A big thank you to all those who attended and helped out in any way.



WI Jubilee Picnic in the Park

More celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee took place on Sunday 5 June in the form of a diy picnic in Portman Community Park.



It was a good thing the marquee had been erected, as the threat of rain was constantly present all afternoon and it poured down at the end!



Nevertheless, there was a good turnout, with everyone being greeted as they entered the park by The Queen and her corgis!



Music played all afternoon, with a hit song from every year since 1952, prompting the occasional singalong or even dancing. Tables were laden with a huge variety of delicious picnic food.

The weather may been damp and chilly but it didn't stop anyone having a good time!

Jubilee Tree Planting

In honour of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, on Wednesday 8 June WI Members planted an Amelanchier tree in the grounds of St Mary's Church complete with a plaque.



Photo 1: Sally Harris and Marianne Marchant

Photo 2: (L-R): Sue Chappelle, Marianne Marchant, Diana Saunders, Daphne Gillar, Jill Biddle, Judy Rofe, Gillian Tettmar, Helen Timbers, Claire Swarbrick, Sally Harris



WI Japanese Drums

If you heard a commotion coming from somewhere in East Chinnock on the evening of 13 July, you weren't imagining it! The WI welcomed Emma, an ex-music teacher from Shepton Mallet, to give a talk and demonstration on Japanese Taiko drumming. Emma's drums are smaller versions of actual Taiko drums which are lighter in weight.

Taiko drumming is centuries old, but ensemble, co-ordinated drumming dates from the 1950s. We all got to have a turn. All you needed was a pair of really thick drumsticks, known as bachi sticks, a drum and a "spot-on sense of rhythm".

Emma showed us the three main moves: big beats, scissor beats and "dongos". Some of us even got to drum a routine to Elton John's "I'm Still Standing".

It was huge noisy fun and we hope to have Emma back again to the village.



East Chinnock Entertainments Committee presents a

QUIZ NIGHT

Friday 16 September

Village Hall

7.30pm

Please bring your own drink and nibbles

Teams of 4
£2 per person payable on arrival

Register your team: sara.russell@btopenworld.com
Text or Whatsapp to 07746 032299 / Tel: 01935 862796
(this is so we know how many tables to put out)