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# THE CHINNOCK CHIMES

#### **OCTOBER/NOVEMBER 2023**

#### Editor's Message

Welcome to the autumn issue of The Chinnock Chimes!

Our cover photo shows one of the prize-winning entries from The Village Show. See inside for more pictures from the show. A good day was had by all.

Want to volunteer to take over as Editor from summer next year? Keep reading for more details!

If you have an update, feature or photos that you would like published, please send them to me at:

thechinnockchimes@gmail.com

Thank you to Sara Russell and Anne Hallett for their fabulous photographs for this issue. The deadline for the next issue is 11 November 2023.

Best wishes.

#### Annette

#### Don't Let The Chinnock Chimes Become Extinct!

#### **Editor Wanted!**

As you will be aware from previous issues, my final issue as editor will be June/July 2024 and I would have been editor for 3 1/2 years.



Unfortunately, unless someone is willing to take over as editor, The Chinnock Chimes will cease in summer 2024.

If you would like to take over, good IT skills are a must (Word/Email etc.) and you will also need to use a publisher package of your choosing (I use Swift as an example). An eye for detail and good written communication skills are also ideal. You will also need to be able to deliver The Chinnock Chimes to fabulous bunch of volunteers who help to distribute it around the village.

It's a great opportunity to get to know people and find out what's going on in the village. Interested? Please let me know by contacting me via: thechinnockchimes@gmail.com

#### Annette

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#### Further Local News

For further local news updates go to:

The East Chinnock Website: http:/www.eastchinnock.net/

The Round Robin. Sign up by emailing: east.chinnock@gmail.com

Facebook: Join East Chinnock Activities and East Chinnock Village groups

Noticeboard: At entrance to Portman Community Park. Place details of your notices/events in the second and third sections from left of board.

#### Marguee 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

Marguee: 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\*\*\*

#### FEATURED ADVERTISEMENT



# PARISH COUNCIL & LOCAL NEWS

# COFFEE BREAK CORNER

#### **Parish Council News**



The Parish Council are in the process of purchasing a Speed Indication Device (SID) and are looking for residents in the village who are willing to install and remove the SID from the 2 locations on the A30. The necessary safety training will be provided along with any training required on the SID. If you are interested, please contact Nancy Chapman, Parish Clerk:

ecparishcouncilclerk@yahoo.co.uk

or Duncan Goodes, Parish Council Chairman: chinnock.hollow@outlook.com

#### FEOFFEES

Feoffees is the village poors' land Charity which owns the Village Hall and Old School House and 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 funds are used for the benefit of the villagers of East Chinnock.

Currently the Feoffees 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. Funds must cover the upkeep of the Village Hall and Old School House therefore large sums may not be available.

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#### Soup and Bread Lunch Schedule

1pm Village Hall

Organiser Ros Weber Organiser East Chinnock WI Organiser Bunty Andrews Organiser Pam O'Donnell and Amanda

Cost for soup and pudding £5

#### **Village Defibrillator - Awareness**

#### This can save lives!



The defibrillator is located inside the Village Hall porch on the left of the inner door to the hall. There is a board which sets out the instructions for use to the left of the outside door. In summary:

- · To access it Call 999 Ambulance
- · State your location (this is shown on the board)
- · You will be given a code for the key safe to unlock the hall
- · Follow the instructions on the defibrillator

#### **Pilates Classes**

Classes take place every Thursday. Seated Pilates starts at 10:00am sharp, mat Pilates starts at 10:45am sharp.

Please contact Sharon in advance to book your session place on 07715 301782.

Cost is £3 per seated session and £5 per mat session.

#### Colour Me In



# LOCAL NEWS & COFFEE BREAK CORNER

# ST MARY'S NEWS



#### Post Office Opening Times

At the Village Hall:

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

#### **Household Support Fund**

Anyone who is struggling with the cost of living can apply for support to the above fund. To apply, visit the Somerset County Council website and search for 'Household Support Fund', or call 0300 123 2224.

#### **Crossword Puzzle Solution** for August/September



#### **Crossword Puzzle**



#### Books!

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

#### Village Hall Lottery 2024

#### **Aug Winners**

Judy Rofe Ros Weber

The monthly lottery raises funds for the

upkeep and running of the Village Hall and is registered with South Somerset District Council. If you would like to participate in the Village Hall Lottery next year, a form is enclosed in this issue of The Chinnock Chimes. Full details for completion and return are included in the form. Extra forms can be obtained via thechinnockchimes@gmail.com

#### Across

- 1 Chilly (4) 3 Perhaps (8) 9 Make right (7) 10 Spring month (5) 11 Venomous snake (5) 12 Imitations (6) 14 Stableman at an inn (6) 16 Turf accountant (6) 19 Hardy's partner (6)
- 21 South American mountain range (5) 24 Loathed (5)
- 25 Greedy eater (7)
- 26 Omens (8) 27 Siamese (4)

#### Down

1 Crested parrot (8) 2 Enticed (5) 4 Science of light (6) 5 Skin of the head (5) 6 In a violent frenzy (7) 7 Yellow part of an egg (4) 8 Name of six British kings (6) 13 Capital of Finland (8) 15 Farm vehicle (7) 17 Not transparent (6) 18 Aeroplane journey (6) 20 Raised strip (5) 22 Drainage channel (5) 23 Karate blow (4)

#### St Mary's Update

Worship Services During October and November

Sunday 1 October 10:00am	HARVEST FESTIV
Sunday 8 October 6:00pm	Evening Prayer
Sunday 15 October 10:00am	Café Church – East
Wednesday 25 October 11:00am (time tbc)	Home Communion*
Sunday 29 October 10:00am	Benefice Service
Sunday 5 November 09:15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 12 November	10:45am Remembra 11:00am Remembra NO EVENING SER
Sunday 19 November 10:00am	Café Church – East
Wednesday 22 November 11:00am (time tbc)	Home Communion*

All services are at St Mary's church unless stated otherwise.

\*To confirm time and venue for Home Communion contact Gillian via: gilliantettmar@gmail.com or call 01935 862003

The Benefice Farewell Service held for Colin and Sandie on 10 September was uplifting. We wish them well as Colin takes up his new post as Rector of the parishes of Wellington and West Buckland. We pray for God's richest blessings to both of them.

#### Prayers for Village

In October we are praying for households in: High Street, Carters Lane, Portman Close, Chinnock Hollow and Odcombe Hollow.

In November we are praying for households in: College, The Village Hall, and Fordhay to Bridge Farm Cider.

Please send your prayer requests to this dedicated and confidential email address: prayeratstmarys@gmail.com, or post your written prayers in the prayer box in the church porch, or speak to one of us when you see us delivering the prayer cards.

Please do let us know of your prayer requests. It would be a privilege to join our prayers with yours.

Up to date information on St Mary's Church is available on the Church Near You website:

https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/11012/

Scan the QR code which will link you to the webpage and interesting information about our church services and the church windows.

Gillian Tettmar

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# ST MARY'S NEWS & LOCAL NEWS

#### Room@thePark - A Big Thank You from St Mary's

St Mary's has reclaimed the use of the former Church Room following the closure of the village Playgroup. It was clear that major renovation would be needed to enable it to become a useful community asset.

The roof has now been repaired and so renovations are continuing. A big 'Thank You' to Bamford's and Martin Hellier for their support in improving the heating and electrics and for the installation of

the new windows. The hard work of villagers, including members of the Gardening Club, has greatly improved the area

surrounding the building. Another Working Bee took place on 28

August (Bank Holiday Monday) where volunteers beavered away to improve the facilitiy. It has not been maintained for several years and it is taking considerable effort to get it fit for purpose, so 'Thank You' to all involved for your time and efforts.

Thank you also to everyone who supported the Garden Tea Party where we raised over £200.







#### Hire of Village Hall

The cost of hiring the Village Hall will increase to £8.00 per hour to cover the increase in electricity costs.

## WI Open Meeting

## ALL WELCOME

(including men!)

## Wednesday 11 October

8pm, Village Hall (note WI business will start at 7.30pm)



Villager Sara Russell will give a presentation about her life as an ABBA fan growing up 'uncool', various experiences, meetings with band members and her involvement with various projects including magazines, books and websites, spanning 49 years.



#### East/West Coker Royal British Legion

Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning 14 October 10:30am - 12:00pm West Coker Commemoration Hall



Tickets cost £3 and will be available on the door. Includes coffee and cake/biscuits.

There will be a cake and produce stall, the usual raffle and various items of Legion memorabilia.

We rely on your support, so please come along, and enjoy the chance to spend some time with friends and family. All proceeds will go to the 2023 Poppy Appeal. This provides life-long support to serving and ex-serving members of the British Armed Forces, their families and dependents through hardship, injury and bereavement

Dave Giles Chair Fast/West Coker RBI

#### **Coffee Mornings**

Coffee mornings take place on the first and third Wednesday of every month at the Village Hall at 10:30am. Please come and join us.

Please note that due to the increased range in coffees being requested and the general rising cost of supplies, coffee (and biscuits) will be priced at £1.50 per cup, any additional coffees will be priced at £1.00. Price increases are effective from 1 October onwards.



#### Saturday Morning Café

Saturday pop up cafes take place on the first Saturday of each month and start at 10:30am at the Room@thePark, Portman Community Park.



For more information or to volunteer contact John Chappelle: chappelles@btinternet.com

#### **Christmas Fair**

Yes! It's that time of year already - HO HO HO! The Christmas Fair will take place at the Village Hall on Friday 24 November at 7pm. Come along and do some Christmas shopping!



#### Fresh eggs are sold locally at Spring Holton Farm in Broad Lane. They are only sold in trays of 30 eggs and cost Due to Avian flu risks, access to the farm is restricted so please call Sue Watson on 07807 907280 to pre-



order and obtain collection details. Please ensure that you text Sue to confirm when you have collected and paid.

#### St Mary's Café Church



Eggs!

£5 per tray.

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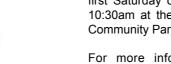
Every 3rd Sunday of month

9:45am ready for 10:00am start

This informal service is chance to chat and consider questions of faith together.

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£2 per Session (includes Tea/Coffee)

This group meets on the first Wednesday of the month. Next dates will be:

#### Wednesday 4 October Wednesday 1 November

Contact: Gerald Witcher 01935 862602/gewitcher@btinternet.com

Jane Lock: 01935 853899/ogtricklock440@yahoo.co.ul







## LOCAL NEWS

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#### WI Update

On Friday 11 August, the WI had wonderful day out at Tiverton. We



were transported back to 200 years ago on horse-drawn barge on the Grand Western Canal. This is the last horse-drawn barge in the south-west (there is one other at Newbury). The crew were dressed in the clothing of the time to add to the experience.

Our heavy horse for the day was Ross, a beautiful 18 year old Shire, who was a very good boy and clip-clopped along the towpath at 2.5mph, effortlessly pulling "The Tivertonian".

It was a very relaxing trip. The sun shone and it was magical to listen to the ripple of the water, the noise of the wildlife and the rustling of the wind through the trees along the riverbank.

The bar at the back of the boat sold hot and cold drinks and alcohol, snacks, ice-cream and boxes of duck food to throw out of the window at the expectant birds.

The Tiverton Horse Drawn Barge is open from April to October each year, 5 days a week: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday. Details available at: www.tivertoncanal.co.uk 01884 253345

#### Samaritans



Retired school teacher and East Chinnock villager Amanda Ebborn gave a most interesting talk about being a Samaritans volunteer at the WI's most recent meeting.

She explained that The Samaritans had evolved into a listening service over the years. Amanda showed us some of the training tools they used to steer conversations. The Samaritans are not there to give advice, they are there just to listen. Most calls received are sadly from people who are lonely and just want someone to talk to.

We were also given a range of scenarios of what to expect when answering a call and we discussed how these would be handled. For example, how would you respond to someone sobbing on the phone, or to someone who shouts "You've got to help me". Both quite distressing to experience but Amanda demonstrated how to approach both and hopefully, start a conversation with a

desperately unhappy person at the end of the phone.

Samaritans are at the end of the phone 24 hours a day and they are all volunteers. They always need more volunteers! www.samaritans.org









East Chinnock Entertainment Committee presents

# **BONFIRE NIGHT** Sunday 5 November

The Caravan Park, Weston Street



BBQ and drinks available - CASH ONLY Reusable glasses for sale or bring your own. Recycled lood trays will be used Please do not bring your own feed/drink as this event supports the village

# **QUIZ NIGHT**

Friday 13 October



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



## Harvest Supper

in

## the Village Hall

on

Sunday 1st October at 7:00pm

Tickets £7 available from Liz Murdoch 01935-863209 or Pam O'Donnell 01935-863475

## Soup & Bread Lunch



## Wednesday 11 October

### 1pm Village Hall

£4 soup & bread £5 with dessert

Places are limited: to book, please contact: Ros Weber: 07866 040688 In aid of National Coastwatch Institution

## VILLAGE SHOW

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#### The Village Show

The Village Show took place on 29 July in the Village Hall.

Fruit and vegetable growers faced difficult growing conditions in the proceeding weeks due to the weather, but that said the overall level of entries showed a slight improvement on last year.

Various villagers entered and won this year, with several new residents winning classes and cups, which is encouraging for the future of the show.

General feedback from those who attended was that they enjoyed it.

Teas and coffees were served under gazebos in the car park. This worked extremely well due to the good weather in the afternoon.

The success of the village show is due to the efforts of the Show Committee. Thank you to them for making it a success.

The date of next year's show will again be the traditional last Saturday of July 2024, please get involved.

#### Doug Reeve

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