

DIARY

Aug	03	Gardening Club Outing
	09-10	Village Hall Redecoration
	30-31	Village Hall Redecoration
	23-25	Flower Festiva
Sept	08	7.30pm Parish Council Meeting.

PARISH COUNCIL

Recycling food waste just got easier! You can now use plastic bags to line your food waste caddy following a successful trial by North Somerset Council. Previously, only newspaper or compostable bags could be used as liners, but the council wants to make it easier and cheaper for people to use the weekly kerbside food waste collection service. It costs £1.2m to treat and dispose of North Somerset's food waste, and only half of the 14,500 tonnes of food waste generated by residents each year is recycled. By composting your kitchen waste at home or using the kerbside collections scheme, you could help to drastically reduce that bill. All food waste collected at the kerbside is sent to a new anaerobic digestion plant in Weston-super-Mare, that generates enough electricity to power up to 1,000 homes. For more information visit www.n-somerset.gov.uk/foodwaste.

Walton Common: We understand that Avon Wildlife will be clearing and tidying up the Common during the Autumn. This will mean flailing and other other signs of activity will be afoot to improve the somewhat lamentable condition into which the Common has fallen.

As usual, there will be no Parish Council Meeting in August. The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday September 8th at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall.

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CROSS TREE STORES

It was with great sadness and regret that Cross Tree Stores closed at the end of July. Due to health reasons I needed to employ a member of staff. Unfortunately, as the shop is not supported enough, I was not in a position to do this. I wish with all my heart I could have encouraged more parishioners to use the shop - I clearly failed. I would like to thank everyone who did use the shop - the laughter that filled the shop I will miss, and your company and conversation. I would also like to express my gratitude to Miles Estates who 9 years ago supported my idea of putting your shop back and have been very supportive to me with its closure. Kevin and I will stay in the cottage and look forward to actively supporting this community in any way we can.

Submitted by Emma Edwards.

I think I can speak for many residents in this village who feel enormous sadness, sympathy, and regret for Emma and family. We are also dismayed at the loss of our special "institution", our meeting place, our focal point of information and personal, helpful service, our visible village archive, and the first "goal" of our young visitors.

Submitted by A Hollingsworth.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Residents at the Park Home sites are sad to see the closing of the village shop. They send Emma and her family their best wishes for the future

VILLAGE HALL

YOUR VILLAGE HALL NEEDS YOU AGAIN! Last year we had a successful exterior decoration working party and this year we need volunteers to start the interior decoration. This will include painting and minor repairs. The dates are Saturday 9th, Sunday 10th, Saturday 30th and Sunday 31st August, 10.30am-4pm. Everyone welcome especially if you have a paint brush! Thanks.
Floss

GARDENING CLUB

We enjoyed our summer visit to the garden of Maureen and Gordon Rutley in mid July. It was as always immaculate, with some subtle changes in design. There is a striking focal point near the front door with a small structure backed by hollyhocks in full flower. Shrubs in various shades of green, gold and copper bordered two sides. Total privacy and peace behind the house allowed us to sit in the sun and admire a wide range of flowers, such as tall penstemons, pinks, lobelia, backed by rows red-flowered runner beans. Next autumn's wall flower seedlings were ready in their pots! Our August "meeting" will be a trip to Holt Farm Organic Garden, near Blagdon, on Sunday August 3. Friends are welcome to join us and travel will be by individual cars. Further details from 877429.

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We have no meeting in the hall this month as we are having a coach trip to Stratford. The coach is full and I know we will have a good day. There is also no lunch club until September - we are all busy. The W.I. nationally is 100 years old in 2015 so we are organising a short holiday to Llandudno on 8th May next year, for 3 nights dinner, bed and breakfast. We'll have a day trip to Anglesey to visit the birthplace of W.I. in Britain and a half day to be arranged. The price is £260 or just under and includes all coach travel, tips and either a ploughman's lunch or cream tea at Llanfair.go go go. Single supplement is £33. These details will be confirmed at a later date. If you would like to join us please contact me as soon as possible to book your place. We will stop at interesting places on the journeys up and back, to make the journey more enjoyable.

Submitted by Rosemary Tucker (878671)

ST PAUL'S CHURCH

Summer Fete

What a wonderful day! Perfect weather meant a great turnout and there were smiles all round as everyone enjoyed all the entertainment from Punch and Judy to the ever popular fun dog show. And the enjoyment continued into the evening as the marquee was filled with all those dancing to the Steve Doig band. Thank you and well done to all who supported and helped our fete in any way. A great result as well as we were able to bank over £2200 after all expenses.

Services for August

Sunday 3 rd	11.15am	Lammas Service – a celebration of the 'first fruits of the harvest'
Monday 4 th	10pm	Lights Out. We are joining many others across the country in this service to commemorate the beginning of the First World War 100 years ago.
Sunday 10 th	11.15am	Holy Communion
Sunday 17 th	11.15am	Morning Prayer

Flower Festival Weekend

'All Creatures Great and Small' Saturday 23rd, Sunday 24th and Monday 25th 10am to 5pm

Home made refreshments all day

Ploughman's Lunches 12 to 2pm

Pet Blessing Service Saturday 23rd 1.30pm

Festival Service Sunday 24th 3pm

Lights out. Following Jeremy Paxman's idea, our service on **August 4th** will be a small part of a nationwide commemoration of the start of the First World War. It will be a quiet candlelit occasion with readings, songs and prayers.

Churchyard Clean-up Thursday 14th starting at 6pm followed by cheese and cider supper. If it's wet we'll clean the church!

August in St. Paul's An idea raised often at our open meeting is that we should use the church more for community events so starting in August we are going to hold a number of regular get-togethers

Ploughman's Lunches and Afternoon Tea – SUNDAYS, 12.30 to 4pm as below:-

August 3rd 10th 17th 24th (Flower Festival) 31st

Morning Coffee - MONDAYS, 10 to 12.30, on 4th 11th 18th 25th (Flower Festival)

Crafty Afternoons

Bring along your own craft project or join us making mice to sell for our Mouseketeer appeal. Or just coming along for a chat! **Thursdays, 2 to 4pm on 7th 14th 28th.**

We may continue these events into September and beyond if they prove to be popular. Come along and bring your friends and neighbours. All ages are welcome to all events.

AUTUMN QUIZ

Would you be interested in taking part? Teams of 4 would compete, for an enjoyable evening – date to be arranged. Please ring Bob Baldwin on 879268 to register an interest

**COPY FOR THE SEPTEMBER INFORMATION SHEET TO AUDREY HOLLINGSWORTH AT
SPRING HEAD COTTAGE BY WEDNESDAY 27 AUGUST, PLEASE.**