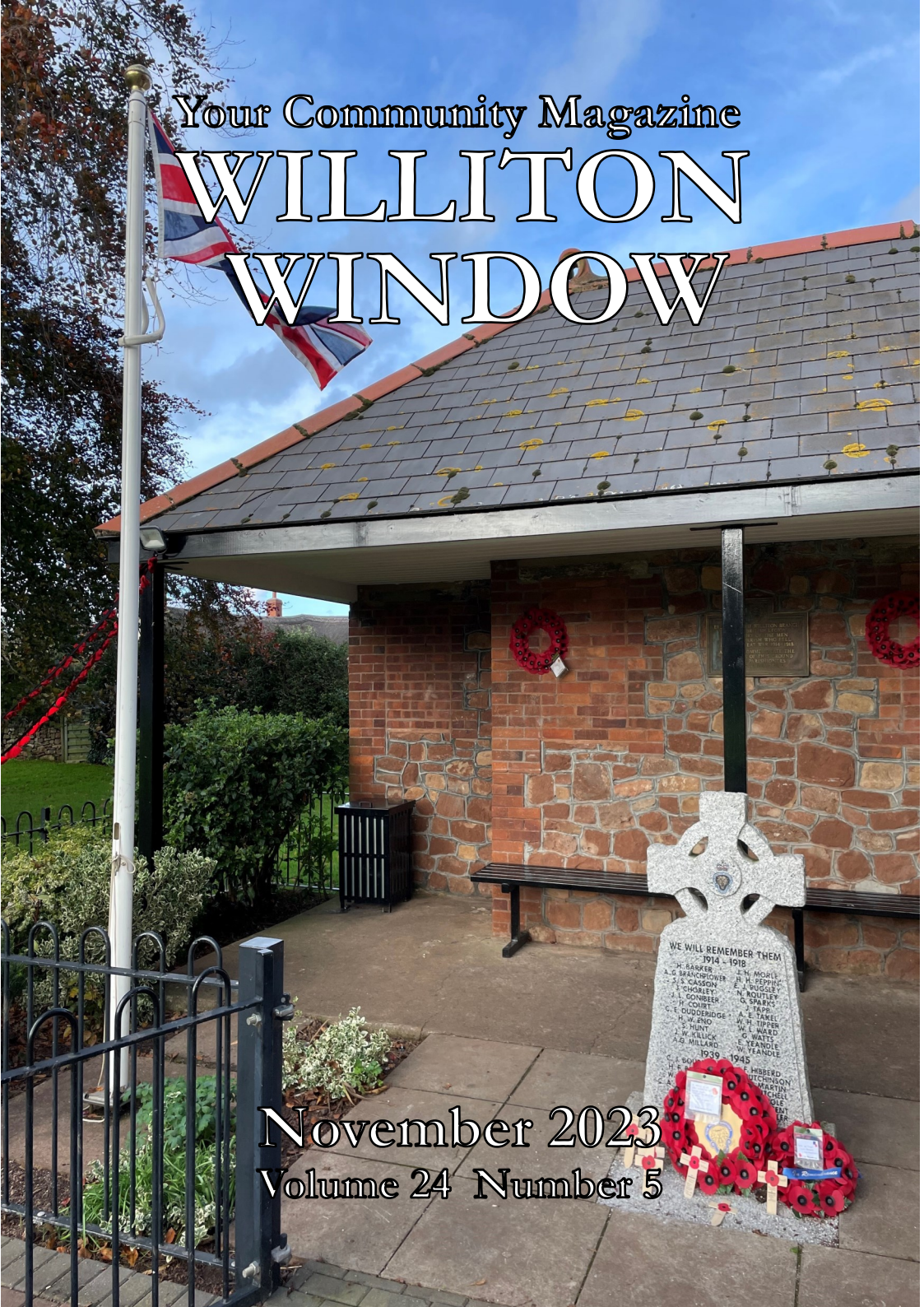


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October news from Williton Parish Council

Flood Group - First on the agenda is the Flood Group. The Parish Council is in the process of signing off the flood plan, but the group is in dire need of flood wardens - if you would like to help, please pass on your details to the Parish Office who will in turn, pass these on to the Flood Group. We hope to have a contact number for next month, if flood assistance is required.

Speed Watch - Williton now has an active speed watch team. We also have been allocated three sites Danesfield School, Long Street and Tower Hill. We hope this will help alleviate the problem of speeding to some extent. At present the team is small group of 2 with 3 more awaiting training to sign on. If you would like to join just pass your details if interested to the Parish Office.

Williton Royal Mail - There appears to be an ongoing problem with mail Delivery. This is an important and vital service in many people's lives and the Parish Council is concerned by the development of the situation! We are contacting Royal Mail.

Memorial ground - The Parish Council was contacted with regards to antisocial behaviour, this included moving the picnic table by the old changing rooms (now known as The Barn) and climbing onto the roofs ,this is of great concern both to potential damage to property and also the risk of injury to those individuals that are climbing on the roofs. Please if you see this report it to the local police as the Parish Council already have.

Childrens Play Area - The Parish Council acts as trustees to the Memorial Ground and as both Parish Councillors and the Trust would like to thank the users of the play area for their patience whilst the repairs are underway to the play equipment. Whilst on this issue the Trust is considering the future of the play equipment and will keep you updated as the future developments are decided.

Have a great November and until next month that's all for now. *Councillor Denton.*



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Services in November

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Sunday	5th	10.00am	Café Church & Baptism
Sunday	12th	09.15am	Parish Communion with Act of Remembrance
Sunday	19th	09.15am	Parish Communion
Sunday	26th	09.15am	Parish Communion

The church is open every day for private prayer during daylight hours
Morning Prayer is now held at 9am every Thursday at Holy Cross, Watchet

St Peter's Church Contact Details:

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(Come and meet each other)

A reminder that CAMEO meets on Thursdays in

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Everyone welcome to drop in for coffee, cake and chat. Please speak to Sue or George Churchwardens if you have any questions, details above.

This is not a religious event it is just an opportunity to meet others in our community and enjoy time together.



Williton Garden Club



Our next meeting is on Monday 27th November in Danesborough View Common Room starting at 7.30pm

Our speaker is Steve Taylor with the subject 'Improving One's Memory with Gardening'. This sounds very intriguing. Everyone is warmly welcome to join us, that is if you remember!

Liz Payne, Secretary.



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Railways starts its festive experiences including the Christmas Market at Minehead on 25th November, Dunster by Candlelight on 1st & 2nd December, Santa Expresses, Carol Trains, and our very popular "Winterlights" later in the month. All trains start from Bishops Lydeard and full details and booking for the events are on the website:

west-somerset-railway.co.uk

Although the public timetable will be stopping shortly it doesn't mean that we will be having a long rest. The maintenance needed to keep the station looking good will begin on Tuesday mornings in November starting with the cutting of the hedge along the platform and then moving on to repainting areas that need it. If you have a few hours free to help us please come along and have a chat with us. Unfortunately you can't just turn up to help as you must be registered as a volunteer with the railway as although the service trains are suspended the Railway is still "live" and trains will still be moving about.

We are very pleased to let you know that our Station Master, John Parsons is making a fantastic recovery and is visiting the station several times each week now to make sure that we are keeping the Station up to his exacting standards while he has been away and is hoping to get back to work properly at the station in time for next year's season. We are also pleased to see those others who have been away over the summer are now back to "work" with us.

Thank you to everybody who has come to the station this year whether it has been to catch a train, have a cup of tea or buy something from the plant and book stalls. It has been wonderful seeing you all and chatting. The topics of conversation we have with you and what we learn is amazing, and if we don't see you over the Christmas season we look forward to seeing you again next year.



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Our Preachers for November are:

5th - Tim Hedgecock and his violin.

12th - Rev Jane Sperring Remembrance Sunday.

19th - Rev Andy Day with a service of Holy Communion.

26th - Rev Chloe Jones and her accordion.

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On Wednesdays, there is **homemade soup served with a crusty roll and a homemade pudding**, all for £3. Available from 12pm – 1pm.

On Thursdays, treat yourselves to either a **cream tea, afternoon tea or a high tea** costing £3 - £5. These are served between 2pm – 3.30pm.

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Elizabeth Peeks.



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Faith Reflection



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I was amazed at how much power you can feel as the plane takes off - and how the world looks from high above. I saw a rainbow that was an almost complete circle and a sunrise, too. It was incredible.

One of the most striking things was watching the ocean below, as clouds drifted across it, far below. I wondered how high those clouds looked from the sea's surface - but there was no ship in sight.



In November, we will spend time remembering. Firstly, the plot to blow up Parliament in 1605 and later, those who have served in armed conflict. We will face the sad truth that humanity is capable of horrible violence and destruction. This can make me, and maybe us, feel both sad and cynical about the world. But the bible (see Psalm 8) reminds us that God makes amazing things and that he cares deeply for them - even in parts of the sea that are nowhere near people. It might be that we feel God could do more to care for his creation; we might even feel angry about that. At the same time, I think it's worth remembering that God pays attention to everything in creation - from fish to people and everything in between.

And that a new perspective can be really good for us - no matter how old we are or how much we know.

Take care and God bless.

Mike Sherburn, Watchet Baptist Church



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Williton Bowling Club Goes Punk

This year Williton Bowling Club was 100 years old. During the course of the season centenary celebration matches were held against a Presidential Bowls England Team as well as matches against Somerset County Bowls Association.

As part of the celebrations the club held a fun day. The atmosphere was relaxed, and an opportunity for playing and social members to let their hair down. Members were allowed to

dress down, or in some cases dress up as punk rockers. Fun activities were held over the course of the day and evening, with a celebration buffet being provided by the members.

The year has seen many successes for the club within the local leagues and national events. Carrie Williamson and Elaine Amery winning the County Ladies Pairs competition, and Elaine Amery and Callum Harrod getting to the finals of the County Mixed Pairs.

Special mention must go to Sandra Every, a long standing member of the club. Sandra was elected as Somerset County Ladies President. In her role as Ladies President she was able to host a variety of county matches at the club, putting on show some exceptional bowling talent.

The club has now come to the end of the season, but if anyone is interested in taking up lawn bowls or just thinking of having a go then contact the club secretary at: wiltonlawnbowlingclub@gmail.com

Stan Martin.



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We focus our studies on the local area, we value relationships with the local churches and communities and would like to enhance these further. One way you could support us is by considering to be part of our Parent Community Group (previously known as the local governing body). If this is something you would like to find more about, please contact the school office on: **01984 632581.**

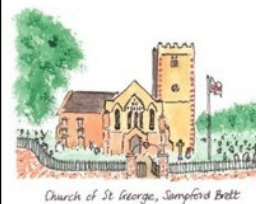
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Williton Window Management Committee.

West Somerset Family History Society



Our meeting for November is on Wednesday 29th November. As we don't meet in December we will be having an early Christmas celebration. We are going to have a quiz, cunningly based on family and social history, with nibbles. Do come along, it is usually a good evening. Bring along some tasty titbits and we will add them to everyone else's contribution to make a veritable feast!

As usual we will meet in Williton Pavilion from 7.15pm to 9.15pm. The cost is £1.50 members of the Somerset and Dorset Family History Society, and £3 for non members. I look forward to seeing you there.

Jane Sharp (Chairman) 07918 603059



Williton & District Business Association AGM

Thursday 16th November 6.30pm

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	Talking Café 1pm - 3pm	Pavilion (Brendon Room)	07931 018045
	Chatty Crafters 2pm - 4pm (Except first Tues of the month)	Danesborough Common Room	01984 634686
	Brownies 5.45pm - 7.15pm	Guide & Brownie HQ	07765 842747
Weds	Over 60s Exercise 10am -11am.	Pavilion	07421 762532
	Foxes Soup Club 12.30pm - 1.30pm	Pavilion (Term Time Only)	01984 633979
	Cubs 6.30pm - 8.00pm	Guide & Brownie HQ	07398 717048
	Ballroom Dance Lessons 8pm - 9pm	Pavilion	07535 601217
Thurs	Cameo Coffee Group 10am - 12pm	St Peters Church	01984 639600
	Foxes Teas 2pm to 3.30pm	Pavilion (Term Time Only)	01984 633979
	Rainbows 5.30pm - 6.30pm	Guide & Brownie HQ	07484 601929
Fri	Zumba 9.30am - 10.30am	Pavilion	07738 676832
	Coffee & Chat 10am - 12pm	Mollie's 2 Higher Croft Tower Hill, All Welcome	01984 656652
	Friday Walks 12pm	Meet opposite Library	01984 632459
	Squirrels 5pm - 6pm	Guide & Brownie HQ	07806 968961
	Guides 7.15pm - 9pm	Market St, Watchet	07584 037156

Please note some groups or events only operate during school term time



WILLITON WITH WATCHET WI

On September 21st we had a wonderful talk by Dr Francis Burroughes about The Wonderful World of Glass. Dr Burroughes brought an amazing collection of glass, which he very trustingly allowed us to pass round - thankfully with no breakages! Yesterday, the 19th of October, Emma Duke told us all about Trees and their Wisdom. It was a very interesting talk and gave us an insight into the way trees communicate with each other, and Emma brought along some lovely pieces of driftwood. Our next meeting will be on Thursday 16th November, usual time of 2.30pm in the Pavilion, when we will be having a craft afternoon.

Irene Draper.

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WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS MONTH IN WILLITON & SURROUNDS

Monthly Meetings / Groups & Events for November

Weds	1st	Family History	(Book with library for November session)
Thurs	2nd	Wasps	1.30pm Sampford Brett Village Hall
Tues	7th	Good Neighbours Grp	2.30pm Danesborough View Common Room
Fri	10th	Minehead Museum Quiz	7.30pm Social Club, North Road, Minehead
Sat	11th	Act of Remembrance	10.30am Memorial Ground
Sat	11th	RBL Concert	7.00pm Pavilion
Tues	14th	Bingo	7.00pm for 7.30pm start Pavilion
Thurs	16th	W.I.	2pm Pavilion
Sat	18th	Christmas Fayre	2pm Williton Hospital
Mon	27th	Garden Club	7.30pm Danesborough View Common Room
Tues	28th	Bingo	7.00pm for 7.30pm start Pavilion
Weds	29th	Family History Group	7.15pm Brendon Room Pavilion
Thurs	30th	Christmas Fayre	3.15pm St Peters School Hall

If you have a regular monthly event and would like it added to the monthly diary page please send to the editor email: williton@willitonwindow.co.uk or Telephone: 01984 631595



REMEMBRANCE DAY

On Saturday November 11th the act of remembrance will commence at 10-30 am at Williton Parish Memorial on the Williton Memorial Recreation Ground. The proceedings will begin at **10-30am** and will follow the set order of service including the two minutes silence at **11-00 am**. There will be the usual opportunity for wreaths to be laid and a space of time to remain quiet. The Parish Council will provide extra outdoor seating and the Williton and Quantock RBL branch will offer a hot drinks facility in the Pavilion from **10-00 am**

The Evening Concert on November 11th

Following the remembrance of those who have served to save our country and our way of life who will not be forgotten. Our RBL Williton and Quantock Branch chairman Major Robert McDonald has worked hard to provide us with a fine concert to solidify the day's events. As last year, it will be held at:

Williton Pavilion at the Memorial Recreation Ground 7-00pm

Tickets are for sale at the price of **£13-00 each** and are available from **Williton Post Office** and the **Williton Parish Council Office in Killick Way**.

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Ballroom Dancing Lessons



Are you enjoying Strictly and wishing you could have a go? Well there is a group of us, some with partners and others who come on their own who are being taught by a very patient Arshad, a professional ballroom dance instructor in the Pavilion on a Wednesday evening. So far we have been taught a number of dances including the Waltz, Slow Social Rhythm, Quick Step, Cha Cha Cha and most recently the Jive. We are also finding that when you think you have learnt a dance that there seems to always be another step to learn! It certainly keeps your brain working and helps your fitness as well as having a number of laughs along the way.

We all started the lessons for different reasons. The quotes below are from some who are attending the lessons. They show that it is never too late to start; it doesn't matter if you have two left feet or you come by yourself:

I came because of a 10 year promise to Jen that I'd try it one day. I keep doing it because it's a nice bunch, Arshad is a great teacher and I love the dancing more than I ever thought I would. It feels really good when we click and get round the room.

John and I wanted to know if we could dance together with four left feet! Arshad is very, very patient and encouraging. We enjoy the friendly social evening.

It's something I've wanted to do for ages. I was brave and came to classes. I love it, Arshad is a great teacher, the group are lovely, funny and welcoming. I wish I'd done it sooner.

I hadn't danced for a long time, mostly due to lack of a partner. How amazing was it to find a class where everyone is welcomed and it doesn't matter if you are on your own. With Arshad, an encouraging teacher who helps all improve whatever their previous experience. It has rekindled my love of ballroom as well as making great new friends.

Jan and myself were experienced dancers for 10 years. Sadly when we moved to Somerset the dancing fell by the wayside. When we heard about Arshad's dance class we thought why not, give it a go. With trepidation we ventured forth to the first class, not knowing what the outcome would be. Would enjoy it and stay, or go and never return. Well we are still here and thoroughly enjoying the classes. We have made new friends and have a lot of fun on the way. Arshad has given us the confidence to get back into dancing. Whatever your ability, he reaches the right level by which you learn something new each week. Roll on strictly.

So if you fancy giving it go just turn up at the Pavilion on Wednesday evenings. It starts at 8pm and is for just over an hour. It costs £7.50. If you would like any more information please contact Arshad Bashir on **07535 601217** or email: somersetballroomdance@gmail.com We look forward to seeing you.

Elizabeth Peeks.

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International Economy (surface)

2nd October – All non-European destinations unless listed below.

13th October – Middle East, Far East, Hong Kong, Singapore, South Africa.

31st October – U.S.A , Canada.

24th November - Cyprus, Eastern Europe, Greece, Iceland, Malta, Turkey.

27th November - Western Europe.



I will advertise the rest of the Posting Dates in December's Williton Window. If you would like to pick up a pamphlet with all the dates, please pop in to the Post Office!

As I have mentioned in the past, there are some restricted and prohibited items. Please collect a pamphlet to help you make the right choices before shopping! Customs forms are now required for all overseas postage, apart from cards and letters. These need to be completed in BLOCK CAPITALS and all the required details, in order to avoid delay or the package being returned.

Many of you will have noticed that we no longer have our photo booth. The paper required for the photos is no longer available. We are investigating an alternative and will keep you updated. We have changed some of the layout of the shop! Filling the spot where the Photo Booth used to stand with our Noel Tatt card rack. Brian has made a lovely wooden shelf unit for some our new merchandise! Do have a browse! We also have some beautiful new winter scarves as well as a small range of elegant ponchos and matching jewellery, perfect for those Christmas parties, coming up soon, or perhaps you are taking a winter break in the sunshine or Cruising, they will fit easily into a suitcase and add something special to your wardrobe! Come and see!

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St Peter's School October News

Signs of Autumn were everywhere this afternoon as we walked to the church for our Harvest festival. Thankfully the rain held off just enough to allow us to enjoy the sights and sounds as we walked as a whole school through the community.

The boys and girls in Reception have well and truly settled into school life. They are engaging in new learning with great enthusiasm, showing fantastic perseverance and courage in the face of challenge – inspired by their new favourite book character Zog! Our story of the week this week has been Pumpkin Soup. We have loved hearing of the disasters of duck stirring the soup and hearing bagpipes. I wonder what activities our story will inspire next week.

In Year 1, we have been learning about the United Kingdom in geography and all about animals and humans in science. We enjoyed pretending to be giants by standing on a map of the world, as we learnt where the United Kingdom is in relation to other countries. We also had a great time learning about the different animal groups and were astounded to learn that humans and whales are both mammals!

We've had another busy few weeks in Year 2. As scientists, we've been exploring micro-habitats. We went for a walk around the school grounds, and recorded how many woodlice we could find in different locations. Back in the classroom, we then analysed our data and made it into a bar chart. As historians, we've been learning about The Great Fire of London and how it started. We were surprised to find out that they didn't have a fire brigade in 1666.

In Year 3, we have had great fun learning about Ancient Egypt. To help us explore and understand the topic more we visited Bristol Museum where we were able to investigate a range of Egyptian artifacts. In science, we have been learning about sound. As part of this we made our own instruments to explore how pitch and volume can be changed. We can't wait for our next topics trade and farming, and of course Christmas!

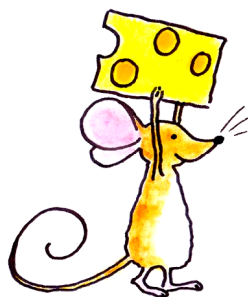
As we approach the Christmas countdown, in Year 4 we are working extremely hard to fit in a range of extracurricular visits. We are looking forward to carol singing at Croft House and Williton Hospital, as well as hosting our school Christmas play 'The Inspectors!' We also have plans to visit the Tacchi Morris Theatre in Taunton to watch Robin Hood the pantomime, and to visit Brymore School to find out more about how our food reaches our forks.

November is yet another busy month, below are some of our upcoming whole school events: Remembrance, A Ramayana Dance session celebrating Diwali, Farm link workshops, Children in Need and of course our **Christmas Fayre – which you are welcome to join us for on November 30th at 3:15pm.**

Louise Leworthy.

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Brrrrrrrrrr! It's getting colder! As I write this the leaves on trees are starting to turn to the wonderful colours of Autumn and the spiders in the garden are doing all they can to catch me as I walk around, by making the most wonderful webs across the path, at face level! Is it just me or does anyone else apologise to them when their webs are destroyed by walking into them?

So, what does this time of year mean for our hedgehogs? Thoughts of hibernation of course! They will soon start making cosy nests to hunker down in when the Winter really gets going. If you haven't already cleaned out your hedgehog boxes then time is running out. Check that the box does not have a resident and then take all the old bedding out (using gloves), wash the box with boiling water and let it dry. Then fill it with fresh bedding and Bob's your uncle! In our part of the country hibernation doesn't really get going until December/January, but if we have a cold snap before then our hedgehogs will be looking to make their 'hibernaculum' (the word for a hibernation nest).

The reason for hibernating is not just because it is cold. It is because the natural food source, beetles, caterpillars etc, are no longer available for a good feast and so the hedgehogs go into a state of torpor where their bodily functions slow down. Breathing and heartbeats are reduced to just a few times a minute to save energy, and with any luck they will have built up their fat reserves to enable them to survive hibernation.

Hedgehogs may wake from their 'long sleep' every now and then if the temperatures rise or they are hungry/thirsty. This is why it is so important to keep putting food and water out for them even though you think they won't want it. They will really thank you for putting it out and it could be a lifesaver for them.

Put a large flower pot or small bucket by the side of your hedgehog box, and fill it with straw, hay, dried leaves etc. The hedgehog will take mouthfuls of it back to the box to make their hibernaculum really cosy. And you might even capture them doing it on your night time camera if you have one!

Jane Sharp.

Watchet Hedgehogs (07918 603059), www.watchethedgehogs.org,

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Williton Hospital League of Friends will be selling Christmas Cards at half their usual price from 6th November. £1.50 for a pack of 10 instead of £3.00!! The cards will be on sale in the hospital reception weekday afternoons between 2.00pm and 4pm. Please support your local hospital.



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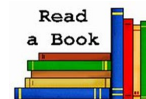
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Research your Family Tree

We have family history sessions on the first Wednesday afternoon of the month. (booking essential)



Book Club

Our resident Book Club meets on the first Thursday afternoon of the month in the library.



Technology & Computer Support?

Computer support sessions happen on Thursday afternoons for 1:1 support with any device. Absolute beginners are welcome (booking essential).

Lego

On the first Saturday morning of each month the Lego boxes are available from 10am -12.30pm. Please note children must be accompanied by an adult.



Groups

We are more than happy for groups to use our space to meet. Any groups such as games clubs, sewing, knitting, Dad's groups are all most welcome. Please get in touch.



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If you are unable to visit the library because of mobility or health issues our home library volunteers will happily deliver books to your home. For details email us at: willib@somerset.gov.uk



Summer Reading Challenge

Well done to all our young readers who completed the Reading Challenge during this summer. The certificates and medals have been sent into all the schools, If you haven't received yours please come into the library.



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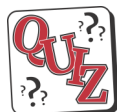
Marking the end of another successful season, with visitor numbers exceeding last year's very healthy record, Minehead Museum is holding a fun quiz at the Social Club, North Road, Minehead on **Friday 10th November at 7.30PM**

Whether you're a quiz whiz or just like a fun evening among friends, why not join us? Tickets are £4 per person - come as you are or bring a team maximum team size is 6.

Numbers are limited with our last quiz a sell-out, so why not book your tickets in advance at mineheadmuseum@btconnect.com

And if you'd like to find out more about volunteering with the Museum, why not come along to the bar area of the Regal Theatre, Minehead, at 10.30 am on Thursday 9th November? Reg. Charity No. 1169355.

Monica Hartwell
Committee Member
www.mineheadmuseum.co.uk
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St Decumans Watchet Christmas Tree Festival

Time speeds along and in just over a month we will be setting up for the annual Christmas Tree Festival in St Decuman's. As of October 13th, some 39 trees have reserved places including from Williton...the Hospital, Croft House, Little Saints, St Peter's PCC, Danesfield School (3), the Cubs, Beavers and Squirrels. It will be interesting to see what Nursery Rhymes etc

are chosen to be portrayed on the trees.

This year hot soups will be available at midday on both days whilst bacon rolls etc can be purchased outside in the tent from 10am until at least 2pm...thanks to Watchet Rainbows. We would love to see you all.

For further details contact Tony Knight on 07891688448

Williton Walks Book



A book of 9 circular walks around Williton by Jenny Gibson is on sale at Williton Post Office for £2.50. All proceeds from this edition go to the Quantock Foodbank. We are very grateful to the Post Office for stocking this book.

LIFE'S LITTLE PLEASURES

Walking in the autumn sunshine now the leaves are starting to fall.
DRS.



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WILLITON WEATHER



OCTOBER

In the third week the rain was so heavy that it caused serious floods in the UK and loss of life. Friday the 20th floods also caused disruption of trains. After warmer days the month felt colder because September was so warm.

SEPTEMBER

It was a record hot September with a maximum temperature exceeding 30°C for the first time ever (TV news). I checked this with the MET record keeper in Porlock.

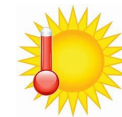
A minimum temperature of 8°C.

The maximum temperature was 28.5°C (30+°C in Yeovil).

A minimum pressure of 29.5 inches.

A maximum pressure of 30.2 inches.

The total month's rainfall was 68mm. (Most of which was in the last two weeks).



NATURE NOTES

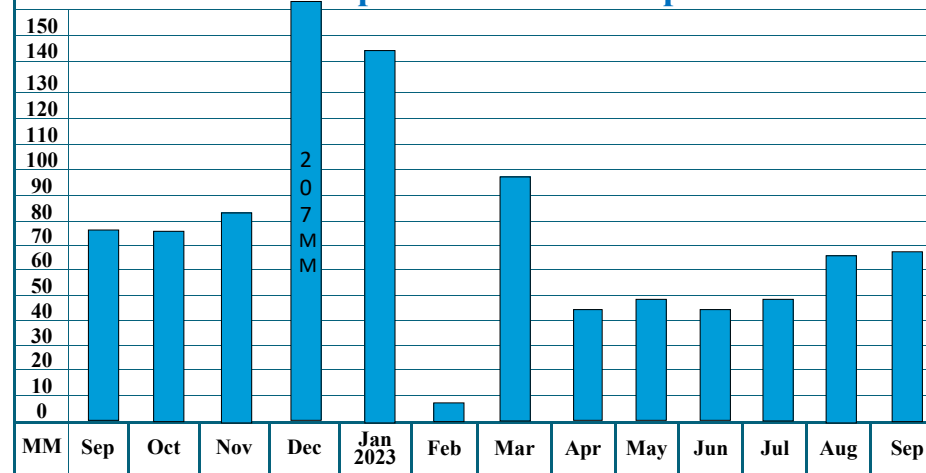
If you see a small hedgehog weigh it and if it is less than 600-800gm (don't forget to subtract the weight of the box) then take it to the Hedgehog centre in Watchet.

ASTRONOMICAL NEWS

We may now get clear skies to see The Plough pointing to the Pole star and Cassiopeia (a very big W shape) are easy to spot. The brightest object will be Venus now a very bright object is the new satellite. On October 28th there's also a very small lunar eclipse .

P.J.

Rainfall Chart September 2022 to September 2023



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Williton and Surrounds Parkinson's Support



Our October meeting was held on 5th October at Sampford Brett Village Hall.

Julie from Somerset Age UK took the exercises. She gave us a Tai Chi session, to very appropriate music. Julie explained the background of Tai Chi, and the various forms. The movements were very slow and should be done in a very relaxed manner. At the end of the session, everyone was very chilled !

Our speaker was known to many people – David Milton, Watchet Town Cryer, or Bell Man. In his unique fashion, David gave us a brief history of Watchet, the role of Bell Man, and some of the characters that have lived in Watchet. All interspersed with Sea Shanties. Those present agreed it was a very entertaining afternoon, and we may have David back next year, as he has plenty more anecdotes and sea shanties to share.

Due to holidays and sickness there were fewer members than usual present. The Christmas menu choice is ready and filling up. Members were reminded of the exhibition of work in February on our birthday meeting.

Our next meeting will be on 2nd November, with exercises starting at 1.30pm. We will be entertained by a welcome return of the Ukelele band. New members with Parkinson's, their family and friends would be welcome to attend.

Jane Cooper.



Flood Warden Volunteers Wanted

Recent weather events have focussed the attention of the Parish Council on what can be done to help if there are floods. For some years we have had a flood plan.

With time and a lucky period without flooding the plan has gathered dust. Should there be an emergency the plan, as good as it is, would not work as we lack volunteers to put it into action.

Are you prepared to volunteer? Would you like to volunteer as a Flood Warden if you are reasonably physically able. Perhaps you have previous experience as a Police or Fire Officer or a Paramedic and are willing to help. There are roles involving less physically demanding tasks such as handling telephone communications, working face-to-face with the public etc.

If you can give some of your time and effort to help organise, train and be deployed in the event of an emergency in your Village come to the meeting on **16th November, 7pm at the Parish Office, Killick Way**, situated between the library and the filling station.

Williton Parish Council.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

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November



Thurs 2nd – Saturday 4th: 7.30pm AFTER HENRY THE MUSICAL
Starting with a comedic musical drama based on Simon Brett's radio and television sit-com series. Sarah France's doctor husband Henry was killed in a car crash, a couple of years before the action begins. Her attempts to deal with widowhood are not helped by the nosiness and demands of her mother Eleanor, who lives in the basement flat in the house, or the emotional traumas and moodiness of her teenage daughter Clare, who's got the top-floor flat.

Tuesday 7th: 7.15pm DON QUIXOTE Live
From The Royal Opera House The Royal Ballet brings its live performance of Don Quixote. Based on Miguel de Cervantes' epic novel of the same name, regales the adventures of the eccentric nobleman Don Quixote and his faithful squire Sancho Panza, as they help to bring a vivacious young couple, Kitri and Basilio, together.

Sat 11th: 11.15am THE TITFIELD THUNDERBOLT (1953) Cert U
A transportation war erupts in a small English village when the government decides to shut down the decrepit railway line. On one side is the bus company, pleased with the prospect of having a monopoly over the town's transportation system. Their opponents are the railway enthusiasts among the villagers, who persuade the richest man in town (Stanley Holloway) to help them operate the line themselves. But runaway trains make this difficult, as does sabotage from the bus company. **All proceeds to go to the Regal Theatre support fund.**

Tuesday 14th: 7.30pm PAST LIVES (Cert 12A) Regal Film Society
Past Lives tells the story of two deeply connected childhood friends Nora and Hae Sung who are separated after Nora's family emigrates from South Korea. **Subtitled.**

Thursday 16th: 7.30pm KLIMT AND THE KISS Exhibition on Screen
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Other Local Churches

Baptist Church (Watchet)

The Baptist Church meets 10.30am at Knights Templar School on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month. At other times, there are a series of smaller gatherings. For more information contact Rev Mike Sherburn: **01984 633755** or email: mike@watchetbaptist.org.uk or telephone Mrs M Collinson: **01984 632537** Mrs S Shearer: **01984 568310** or visit the website: www.watchetbaptist.org.uk



Catholic Church (Watchet)

The Roman Catholic Church meets for Mass at Watchet Methodist Church on **FRIDAY evenings at 6.15pm**. Contact Deacon Vincent Woods Tel. **01984 634681**.



St Decuman's Church (Watchet)

Weekly Sunday Service **10.45 am** Parish Communion. For further details and enquiries please contact the churchwarden. Janet Bremner Tel. **01984 632118** email: janetbremner31@btinternet.com



Salvation Army Watchet Corps (Watchet)

Sunday Service 10.30am in Salvation Army Hall. All enquiries to the Corps leader, Miss Sam Searle on **07979 575453**. Salvation Army Hall, 1 Brendon Road, Watchet. Tel: **01984 633133**. Email: Samantha.Searle@salvationarmy.org.uk



Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints (Washford)

We meet in Washford Memorial Hall TA23 0NY. 10am to 12 noon every Sunday. All are welcome. For more information Contact Don Laight Tel: **07368 527029**



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Mind line Somerset	Emotional support helpline	01823 276892
Parish Council	Parish Clerk	01984 633979
Pavilion	Bookings / Enquiries	01984 633979
Police	Emergency Non Emergency	999 101
Quantock Foodbank	Local Foodbank	07483 815122
Registry Office	Pre booked Appointments	01823 282251
Surgery	Robert Street TA4 4QE	01984 632701
Village Agent (Izzy Silvester)	Leave a message with contact details	07931 018045
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