**OCTOBER SERVICES AT ST.ETHELDREDA'S CHURCH** Oct 3rd  at 11am with the Morris Men and NM

Oct 3rd,at 4pm Harvest Festival Praise with NM, followed by Tea at the Village Hall app 5pm.

 ALL WELCOME.

Oct 10th at 9-30am Eucharist with TS

Oct 17th at 9-30am Eucharist with SC

Oct 24th at 10-30am Benefice Eucharist with NM at **STOGURSEY**

Oct 31st at 10-30am Benefice Eucharist with NM **ZOOM only**

**POETRY GROUP**

Meeting Thursday 28th October at 2.30 pm at Weacombe Gate, Weacombe (home of Jenny & Alan Simson) when our topic will be Harvest.

For further information please contact Joyce Baxter on 633537.

**CRAFT GROUP**

The group meet every Tuesday 2 to 4.30 in the village hall. £2 per session.  We have a mixture of crafts in the group eg patchwork, quilting, crochet, knitting, mosaic, cross-stitch and many more.

Please phone if you have any questions or just turn up -June Bissell 632410

(PLEASE NOTE NO CRAFT On Tue 26 OCTOBER)

**THANK YOU**

Thank you to all those who gave so generously towards our retirement from editing and preparing the monthly Staple Diet. We appreciate it so much, - Thank you all.

Kind regards, Duncan and Janie

**ST. AUDRIES W.I.**

   The next Meeting is on

    Wednesday October 13th.

            at 2.15 pm

            St. Audries Village Hall.

            A warm welcome awaits you.

**ST.AUDRIES WI HARVEST COFFEE MORNING**

**AT THE VILLAGE HALL, SEPTEMBER 25th**

 **10-12 noon**

Cake & produce stall, Raffle.

 Entrance £2 includes coffee and biscuits

**ALL WELCOME**

**COFFEE MORNING AT ST.AUDRIES VILLAGE HALL**

The next Coffee Morning will be on Monday 4th October, with the slight amendment (due to a misunderstanding) that Coffees are £1 per cup, but no restrictions on the number of biscuits consumed.  We hope this will not deter new villagers from joining us between 10.30am and noon. Future coffee mornings will be held on the first Monday of each month. All profits are donated to charity. Sue Sanders 632759

**THE VILLAGE HALL AGM**

The **A.G.M.** will be held on Tuesday 19th October at 7.30pm. It would be wonderful to welcome recent “incomers” to West Quantoxhead and an opportunity for those who’ve been here a little longer to participate in the running of the Committee as well as some of the activities or create new ones – we’re open to suggestions!. Tea coffee and biscuits will be provided.

**TABLE TENNIS**

A **Table Tennis Taster**  evening is planned for October 8th when it is hoped that anyone interested in playing this great sport will come down to the village hall any time between 7.00 and 10.00pm to see if this would be something they would like to get involved in. There is no age limit (though you must be able to see over the table) and the complete novice is as welcome as any accomplished player. We have an excellent table and basic bats and balls are available. The evening is **free** to all residents of West Quantoxhead, so don’t be shy: male or female, young or old, come and meet your neighbours for a fun evening! Hosts - Mike & Sue Sanders.

**WEATHER REPORT FOR AUGUST 2021**

It was a bit of everything month, but noticeably colder than usual.

Rainfall 50. 5 mm (2") of which 25 mm fell on the 22nd of the month.

Temperature lower than usual but did get to 25c on the 14th.

Sunshine of 1hr at least,  on 19 days.

Wind noticeably cooler and a lot of the time from the NE. Max. gusts 34 kn. on the 6th.

Thunder on the 21st.

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR**

**A Christmas Bazaar Planning Meeting will be held** on Tuesday 12th October 2021 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Anyone is welcome to attend and share their thoughts with members of the Committee, or just to find out what sort of Bazaar they might expect. This is YOUR village and we want to help the next generation bring fresh ideas to the table.

The Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday 4th December and more details will be available in the November issue of Staple Diet.

**JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS**

The Royal Jubilee arrangements are coming along with lots of ideas for June next year.  If anyone would like to be part of the organising group please come along to a meeting on Monday 11th October at 7.30 in the village hall.  We will be arranging crafting sessions to create flowers for a cascade of flowers at the village hall. Times and dates will be confirmed at the October meeting.

The email address to make contact for this event is staudriesvillageevents@gmail.com

**ST.AUDRIES ART GROUP**

The St.Audries Art Group meets every Wednesday in the Village Hall from 10 am until 12.30.  We are currently observing Covid social distancing guidelines and asking everyone to wear a mask when moving around the Hall. New Members are very welcome - if you would like to know more about us please contact Maureen on 01984 632575 or Pat on 01984 632729.

**HOLFORD GARDENERS GROUP**

Holford and District Village Hall October 19th 7.30pm‘*Climate Change Garden*’ A Talk by Sally Morgan Members £1.00 Visitors £3.50

**EAST QUANTOXHEAD MARKET**

The next market will be held **on** Saturday October 16th 10-12md. The Hall is redecorated welcoming you for bacon or sausage butties, coffees or teas and the usual market stalls! An excellent social activity!

**EAST QUANTOXHEAD HARVEST SUPPER**

Wednesday October 6th at 6pm at the EQ Village Hall

Advance booking required Tel Brenda on 01278 653390

**VILLAGE AGENT NEWS OCTOBER 2021**

We are delighted to be back in venues, meeting people face to face in our Talking Cafes once again!

There are 11 venues open across the county where you can book a slot to meet your local Village Agent, and have a chat about anything that’s worrying you; whether that’s advice on healthcare or bills, or if you are caring for another. If you are feeling lonely or isolated, they can support you to find groups or activities that you would enjoy, and so much more! We are open at the following venues, to make your appointment, just call 01823 331 222:

**Minehead:** The Beach Hotel, Every Monday\*, 10am – 12pm

**Williton:** Williton Pavilion, Killick Way, Every Tuesday, 1pm - 3pm

**Unpaid Carers Website Relaunch!**

We are delighted to announce we have revamped our website for unpaid Carers in Somerset – www.somersetcarers.org – which now includes the Carers Hub – an online place where you can easily search for exactly the right support and advice for yourself or the person you care for, with training videos, links to Somerset based agencies, respite options and more.

**The Farming in Protected Landscapes** programme has now been launched and is open for applications in the Quantocks Hills AONB.

The programme supports activity on any land within the Quantocks Hills AONB. It can also support activity on other land where projects can demonstrate benefit to the Quantocks Hills AONB, or the AONB’s objectives.

The application window for the first year of funding closes in January 2022, but applications will be assessed on an on-going basis throughout the application period, so we’re advising applicants to apply as soon as possible for the best chance of success. Applications for £5,000 or more will need to be approved Protected Landscapes, or to discuss your project, please contact Katie Read, Landscape Project Officer: email: czread@somerset.gov.uk

**Copy date for November Newsletter 20th Oct. email: wqnewsletter@yahoo.com.**

**Phone 01984633255**