

# Happy 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday, Maureen Henderson!

Sue Gibson

Born in Liverpool on 3rd October 1922, Maureen was taken by her parents, together with her older sister to Kenya in 1926, where her father obtained a job working for East African Railways.

Another sister and two brothers were born later. She learnt to drive at 15, taught herself to type and at 18 married a meteorologist out from Britain. They lived in the three East African colonies of Tanganyika, Kenya and Uganda, and after having three daughters she became a proficient needlewoman, making all their and her clothes, as well as an excellent cook. She worked as a ground hostess at Entebbe airport before going with the family to England on leave in 1949 in a BOAC flying boat. This took three days with hotel stops on the way. Being unpressurised, the plane flew low enough for them to see below herds of wild animals roaming the plains, in every way an extraordinary and wonderful experience. She later worked as an assistant aircraft controller at Nairobi's Eastleigh Airport and as a ciphers officer, before her husband's work took them to Wales, Barbados, the Philippines and Zambia. Retirement on the Isle of Man was followed by her move to Curry Rivel thirty

years ago. Her 100th birthday celebrations have been another joyful milestone in her remarkable life, attended by many dear friends and family.

Maureen featured in the Curry Rivel News several years ago,

with her sister Jean, recalling how during the First World War, their father was present at the two Christmases (1914 and 1915) when both warring sides laid down their arms and played football.







# **Harvest Festival 2022**

Barbara Hamlin

To the pupils of Curry Rivel Primary School and their adults at home, this is a big 'Thank You' in this little poem for all the wonderful gifts from your Harvest Festival service that you donated to the Curry Rivel Food Bank.

There are carrots and onions and tins of baked beans Loo rolls and toothpaste and tins of sardines.

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To the pupils of the Primary School and their adults at home Here's a big 'Thank You' in this little poem!

# **Curry Woods Conservation Trust - Strength in numbers**

Peter Goodenough

here is growing awareness of how nationally important the Somerset Levels and Moors are to nature. Firstly, that part of CR parish that lies to the west of Red Hill and encompasses much of West Sedgemoor is now part of a **Super National Nature Reserve named the Somerset** Wetlands National Nature Reserve. The formation of the NNR was featured on a recent Countryfile programme with an item filmed around Burrowbridge. Six organisations have pooled their reserves and resources to work together to protect and enhance the biodiversity of the area (6140 hectares) mentioned above, and much more, in Somerset. Those six organisations are the Environment Agency, Natural England, Somerset Wildlife Trust, The Hawk and Owl Conservancy (including the Wildlife and Wetlands Trust), The Royal Society for the Protection of Birds and the National Trust. In order to see the full details, one needs to go to the government website (gov.uk) and search for **National Nature Reserves.** 

As the Trust's record of nature conservation is short we are not part of this group but we have joined the new Nature Recovery Network. Earlier this year the Government and Natural England announced a set of landmark recovery projects to protect wildlife and improve public access to nature. Somerset was one of the chosen areas, with the super National Nature Reserve at the heart of the Somerset Nature Recovery project, which is nearly ten times larger. The aim is to increase connectivity; both of the physical areas and also of the people working to conserve them. Again, the project is accessible on the gov.uk website. Both of these projects make interesting reading even if your interest in

nature conservation is minimal. What is striking is how much to the forefront of nature conservation our parish is Finally, the Trust is a partner in the Somerset Climate Action Network and the work of the network is described on the website somersetcan.org.uk. The map on the website shows the location of the partner organizations, including the Trust. An active programme of events is described on the website. It is interesting to see how quickly wildlife returns to rewilded areas. At the Knep Estate in West Sussex, where one of the first large rewilding schemes started, the first white storks that have nested in this country since 1415 have raised healthy chicks. Already the Trust land now boasts a resident population of hares who like the undisturbed grassland, I was giving the grassland its autumn cut recently and I disturbed a very healthy and quite plump hare who lolloped across to the trees to resume its slumbers. Please report any sightings you have of birds, mammals or insects on the Trust land. There is a contact sheet on our website. The date you made your sighting would be appreciated. Lets hope you see the hares, I am sure as responsible dog owners you will keep your inquisitive dogs from chasing any of our protected animals. Good viewing!







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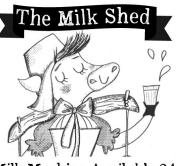
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# **Sedgemoor Gardens Club**

Sylvia Goodenough

ur winter programme started in September, when we met as usual in All Saints Hall, Langport, for a brief AGM followed by a very interesting illustrated talk by our President, Dr Peter Goodenough, on his slightly tongue in cheek hypothesis that Spices led to Global Warming. It provided him with an ideal opportunity to show some of his photos taken on a recent trip to South Africa as he described the exotic flora and fauna seen by the early navigators as they rounded the Cape! Members collected their free daffodil bulbs to take away and plant in a potthese can then be shown in our Daffodil Festival in March when the best pot of daffs on the day will win the class. Don't underestimate the skill in getting the blooms at their very best on the right date!

Our October talk promises to be extremely topical as Nigel Cox will discuss how to manage our gardens using organic methods and working with nature. Unfortunately the copy date for the CRN falls just before our meeting, which is as usual on the second Tuesday of the month. We hope many of those reading this in November will be able to think, "Oh yes, I was there and enjoyed that!" If not, why not join us for

our November meeting when we will hear about Garden Folklore. Every month there are competitions to take part in (see the website — <a href="https://www.sedgemoorgardensclub.co.uk">www.sedgemoorgardensclub.co.uk</a> - for month-by-month details), a raffle and refreshments. The opportunity to chat with other people about their gardens (and everything else!) is one of the big benefits of the club.

Details of all our speakers and events are on the website, together with contact details. We really hope to see you on Tuesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November at 7 for7.30pm in All Saints Hall (next to the surgery) in Langport.



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Alison Cockrell

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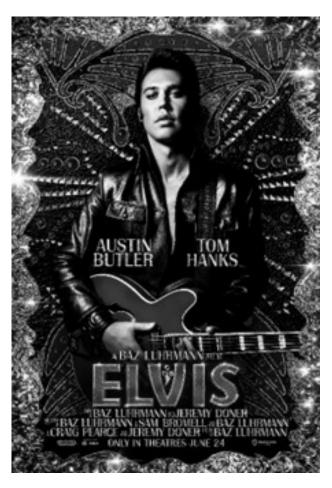
nother movie we have long been waiting for, this biographical musical drama recounts the life of rock and roll icon Elvis Presley during the 1950s. Raised in poverty in Mississippi, he moves to Memphis and is influenced by the African-American music there. His talents are spotted by Colonel Tom Parker who persuades the young singer that he should be his manager. Elvis's star appears in the ascendant and the family no longer have to suffer hardship. But there are numerous troubles along the way, not least in Elvis's turbulent relationship with Parker.

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# The A Word... ...understanding autism

I President Anne Geach was to the fore in the September meeting, since she carried out her function both as president and as speaker.

After reviewing current and forthcoming events, she began her talk about Autism Spectrum Disorder, informed in part by her experience as an Additional Needs teacher in primary schools. This topic is particularly relevant to the WI this year, as it is shortly to become the focus of the annual campaign to raise awareness of the (sometimes hidden) incidence of autism in women and girls.

How can we tell that someone may have autism? They may not look any different – it's not like a physical handicap which is immediately apparent. In some people however, the difficulties this condition do result a profound handicap which is obvious, but this is not always the case.

In others it may be somewhat hidden, but the problems faced by those with some degree of neurological difference - a difference of brain-wiring if you like - are common to autistic children and adults.

It means that for them, navigating today's world and society in general can be can be very confusing — sometimes overwhelmingly so. The bustle, busyness and constantly changing atmosphere of school, public or workplace, along with noise and bright lights may trigger sensory overload or panic, and lead to something of a meltdown. This can be very upsetting both to the sufferer and to those they live with.

For these people a clear and structured environment without sudden changes can be calming and helpful. Clearly stated rules or arrangements, without sudden changes, can provide security and a kind of protection against the

bewildering array of experiences by which they are confronted. Autistic people are frequently very good at keeping to rules; some would say it's a pity more of us don't do the same!

If finding it hard to 'read' others and society's unspoken signals is problematic, then the autistic person can feel excluded and find it hard to make friendships. They may not get the joke or the signals that others around them may be picking up. They may take what is being said very literally. In a family or school situation then empathy and awareness of others can be explained, encouraged and to some extent taught, which provides another tool in the 'coping strategy' box of the sufferer.

Some autistic people exhibit repetitive body movements or activities, others may have real difficulty sleeping, or eating anything like a wide range of foodstuffs. It's hard to imagine taking little or no pleasure in in something which for most of us is such a fundamentally satisfying experience, and one to which we look forward. The picture is far from being entirely negative. Many autistic people have an exceptional ability to focus and concentrate, which may be a real asset at work or the classroom. Some autistic people have unusually advanced talents which can make the very successful in a particular sphere. Autistic people themselves may value their ability to communicate, think and interact differently as a way of celebrating diversity. Some well-known names come to mind - Mozart, Einstein, Isaac Newton are all now thought to have been born with the condition, as well as contemporaries like Andy Warhol and Chris Packham who has spoken about it.

More males than females are diagnosed with the condition, but it is becoming recognised that it may be

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that this is because girls and women are better at masking it and learning to appear to fit in.

Much remains to be discovered, and further work on how to recognise the difficulties experienced by the autistic person, how to help them to cope and to develop their talents can only contribute to enriching us all.

Thank you Anne for opening our eyes and awareness to some of the differences we encounter within our human experience.

Caroline Paton

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From the start, the guiding principles were to promote nonformal learning through self-help interest groups covering a wide range of topics and activities as chosen by their members. There is no minimum age, but a focus on people who are no longer in full-time employment or raising a family. Our founders envisaged a collaborative approach with peers learning from each other. The u3a movement was to be self-funded, with members not working towards qualifications but learning purely for pleasure. There would be no distinction between the learners and the teachers – everyone could take a turn at being both if they

**Somerton u3a**, based in the Ancient Capital of Wessex was formed in 1997, with a membership of 40, to serve Somerton and the surrounding villages. Since then we have grown to have a membership of more than 390. We are part of the 'Avalon Group' which is a partnership of 6 local u3a's. This partnership is strengthening and we meet together twice a year to exchange thoughts, ideas and to learn from each other

Mike Davis

# **Curry Rivel Art Club**

# **Vacancies for New Members**

e have vacancies in our friendly Art Club, come along to the Chatham **Room in Curry Rivel Village** Hall on Monday mornings from 10 to 12.30 for only £2, with tea or coffee & biscuits included! We don't meet on Bank Holiday Mondays or during the School Holidays.



The Art Club gives us the space and time to be creative, to relax and discover the joy of painting. We have no teacher but inspire each other and share our techniques if you ask. All abilities and styles are welcome.

We display our work in the foyer of the hall and 10% of each sale is donated to the Village Hall funds, Come along, see our gallery, perhaps even buy a painting. We would love you to join us on Mondays.

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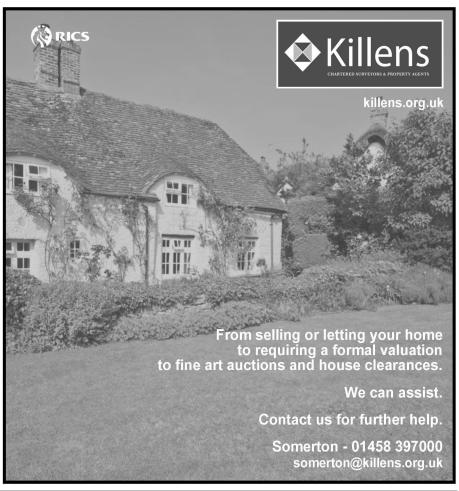
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# **Curry Rivel Heating Initiatives Project Update**

'm writing this on a beautiful crisp and cool autumn morning, wearing a warm fleece. The days of shorts and t-shirts are definitely over for this year! Like many people in Curry Rivel, I'm sure, I'm wondering whether I dare turn on the heating and what it will cost.

When the Parish Council put in for a grant from Somerset County Council for a project to look at how we heat our homes, it was the risk of climate change that we had in mind. That risk has not gone away – far from it – but the huge rise in the cost of heat energy has given us other priorities too. The Curry Rivel Heating Initiatives project, which was started with that grant, is making good progress on a range of ideas that will help people in the parish with their heating. More on that below.

For immediate advice on help, the people to contact are the "Safe and Warm Somerset" team. This is run by the Centre for Sustainable Energy, and is funded by the Somerset district and county councils. They can help with both the technical and financial issues around keeping warm. You can contact them by email at <a href="mailto:home.energy@cse.org.uk">home.energy@cse.org.uk</a> or phone 0800 082 2234. Their website is <a href="https://www.cse.org.uk/projects/view/1367">https://www.cse.org.uk/projects/view/1367</a>.

The Curry Rivel Heating Initiatives project funded a specialist contractor to visit the village, make a study, and report back to us. We now have their draft report, which includes some good ideas. These include:

- Buying groups in the village, to save costs of heating equipment and services if several people buy at once.
   This will be useful in future, but at the moment it's very much a seller's market, with shortages of and long delivery times for both heat pumps and good installers.
- Shared ground loop schemes; these are ground-source heat pumps, with one ground source set of pipes, pumping water around several houses, which extract heat from the circulating water with small heat pumps.
- Centralised heat networks, with a central heater (typically a heat pump), circulating hot water to houses.

The ground loops are easier to set up, as they can be done with fewer properties. Heat networks need 100+ households to sign up. We think that this could be difficult to achieve in the village. Government grants are available for both kinds of scheme.

The full report will be released on the village website when it is available. We will arrange a village meeting where the consultants, and hopefully other experts, will be on hand to present the findings of the project and to answer people's questions.

The Heating project is also considering a few schemes of its own, including:

- A scheme to help people to install insulation. Extra loft insulation is simple and cheap to install, and will save most houses money.
- A "wood bank"; like the village food bank, but providing firewood.

Burning extra wood runs the risk of increasing air pollution. The Council has installed an <u>air quality sensor</u> in the centre of the village, which will help to manage this risk. See <a href="https://maps.sensor.community/#14/51.0264/-2.8660">https://maps.sensor.community/#14/51.0264/-2.8660</a> (click on the little hexagons to get information from the sensors). The sensor measures the concentration of small particles of soot in the air (called "PM<sub>2.5</sub>"). The World Health Organisation recommends that the concentration of PM<sub>2.5</sub> should not exceed a daily average of 15  $\mu$ g/m<sup>3</sup>.

We have been asking villagers to complete a questionnaire about how they heat their homes. The consultants have used answers from this to write their report. However, it will still be useful to get more answers, so if you haven't already done so, please do, at <a href="www.curryrivel.org.uk/campaigns/">www.curryrivel.org.uk/campaigns/</a> heating-initiatives-project.html, or by using the QR code below with your mobile phone. If you would prefer to use a paper copy, please email crheatingproject@gmail.com or phone 01458 250655.

The Heating Initiatives project team can be contacted at <a href="mailto:crheatingproject@gmail.com">crheatingproject@gmail.com</a>. The project website is <a href="https://www.curryrivel.org.uk/campaigns/heating-initiatives-project.html">https://www.curryrivel.org.uk/campaigns/heating-initiatives-project.html</a>. We will be very happy to answer your questions and to receive suggestions. We will also very much appreciate any help that you can offer.

#### Matt Geen

See p16 for colour map/diagram



# **Curry Rivel Parish Council Clerk and RFO**

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Further details will be available on application to <a href="matt.geen@curryrivel.org.uk">matt.geen@curryrivel.org.uk</a> (the lead of the HR team of Curry Rivel Parish Council).

Please see https://www.curryrivel.org.uk/parish-council/clerk and RFO job.html for an Application Pack.

# **Dot's Garage Sale**

Barbara Hamlin

n a bright Saturday in September, Dot Walford, with the help of many friends and helpers hosted a "Garage Sale in My Garden" at her home in aid of the Ukraine Appeal and the Curry Rivel Food Bank.

There were certainly far too many items from generous donors for a traditional 'Garage Sale'! Villagers came to browse the great variety of new and pre-loved treasures and

the resulting total of £750 - to be divided between two worthy causes - was very gratifying. Dot says, "Thank you everyone for your generous donations, and those who bought, too. You'll be pleased and amazed (as I was) that between us we raised such a staggering amount."

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10.00 **FH** - All Age Family Service

(+ refreshments) **FH** - Said Communion CW

Service of Thanksgiving

11.00 **FH** - Said Communion CW 6.00 pm **CR** - United Benefice All Souls

**Tuesday 8th** 

10.00-12.00 **CR OSR** - Craft & Coffee

Saturday 12th

15.30-17.30 **CR OSR** Messy Church

Sunday 13th Remembrance Sunday

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9.30 **SW** - Holy Communion BCP 10.30 **FH** - Remembrance Sunday

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**10.53 CR** - Remembrance Sunday Service

Thursday 17th

10.00 **CR** OSR - Holy Communion BCP **Sunday 20th** 

9.30 **FH** - Morning Worship

11.00 **CR** - All Age Family &

Friends Service + refreshments

12.**15 CR** - Said Communion CW

**Sunday 27th Advent Sunday** 

10.00 **FH** - United Benefice All Age Communion Service CW

**CR** = St. Andrew's Church, Curry Rivel

CR OSR = Old School Room, Curry Rivel, 'behind' St. Andrew's Church

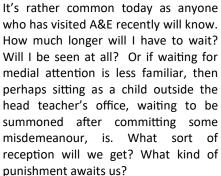
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Maybe, when you think of this parable, you focus on the son. Perhaps you think it is about someone who went off the rails but came back to his senses, said sorry, and returned to his home and old life.

But really the story is about the father. The father who allowed his son to insult and disappoint him by asking for his inheritance early and wasting it; the father who never let that insult turn to anger and bitterness; the father who welcomed the prodigal back with open arms with not a word of rebuke; the father who decided to have a party to celebrate that his son had come home. Jesus is telling us that God is like the father in his story.

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26th - Advent

#### Cleaning

5th - Nicky Barker

12th - Liz Rendell

19th - Lynne Comley

26th - Wendy Graves

# Scott's Spot ctd. . .

I hope you know that The Father is always waiting for you if you have strayed from home. I hope you know that his forgiveness is limitless and his shoulders broad enough for all your tears. But don't think that this parable is only for those who have made a big mess of their lives. We are all like the prodigal when we forget about God and live as if he did not make us, or has nothing to say about how we live and what we do with what he has given us. Deep down, we may know this. And all the while The Father waits to greet us and reach out to embrace us in love.

Unlike the head teacher's office, with him there is no question of being kept outside, left to stew and finally being made to suffer. No, we need only make the first tentative steps of approach and he is there waiting to receive us, longing to welcome us home. The singer songwriter, Don Francisco, expresses this truth so well:

'I don't care where you've been sleeping I don't care who's made your bed I already gave my life to set you free There's no sin you could imagine that is stronger than my love

And it's all yours if you'll come home again to me.'

With every blessing, Rev'd Scott

#### Welcome to Reverend Mark

Welcome to the new 'Rev' at St. Andrews! On the afternoon of Sunday 2nd October Mark McKnight was warmly received in the Old School Room after his ordination in Wells Cathedral that morning. The Rector, Rev Scott and members of the three congregations in the Benefice were very pleased to greet him and his family with refreshments and a small presentation to mark this special occasion.





#### St. Andrew's merlons

No, not a pretty sight: scaffolding with 6m tall poles pointing skywards and corrugated iron sheets obscuring the lower part of the church's south façade throughout the whole of September, all to facilitate the repair of merlons.



Following these repairs, partly funded by the Somerset Churches Trust and the National Churches Trust, the merlons are now 'safe and sound' again.





### Carols, Bangers & Mash in the Village Hall on Friday 2nd December Doors open at 7.00 pm

After a break of 2 years due to Covid restrictions, St. Andrew's Church is this year planning to host another evening of entertainment in the Village Hall.

On arrival a glass of mulled wine/cider will be available, followed by a meal of bangers & mash and a selection of puddings, all for £ 7.50 per ticket.

The evening will feature intervals of light entertainment and Carol singing.

There will also be a bar and **raffle** \*\*. Due to previous high demand, tickets for this event will only be on sale in Sandpit's and the Post Office/petrol station, or from members of St. Andrew's congregation - NOT at the door on the evening.

\*\* Raffle tickets will be available at above 2 venues, from mid November until 1 December 5.00 pm and possibly in the Village Hall, on Friday evening.

We look forward to seeing you on the evening.

#### United Reformed Church



We are an inclusive, outward looking group of people and we welcome all: wherever you are on your life/spiritual journey we welcome you without regard to age, gender, denominational background, sexual orientation, race or ability. Tea/coffee is served after every service providing the opportunity to meet and chat with each other and the preacher.

URC Minister: Rev. Tim Richards 01458 252799

#### November

Services are taking place at 10.30 in our Chapel building (unless indicated otherwise) and simultaneously via Zoom

Anyone unable to attend in person who would like to feel part of a worshipping community is invited to join with usfrom any denomination or none; simply email Steve Beney on <a href="mailto:sbeney6@gmail.com">sbeney6@gmail.com</a> expressing your interest and he will make contact with you to explain how you can join with us on Sundays @ 10:30 am.

Sunday 6th - 10.30 at Glastonbury URC

Mid Somerset URC Group Service, celebrating 360th Anniversary (N.B. NO morning Service at Curry Rivel)

Sunday 13th - Rev Evelyn Ridout

Sunday 20th - no Service

**Sunday 27th** - Rev Rowena Francis incl. Holy Communion

#### On Reflection.

This year will be known by many as 'the year Queen Elizabeth II died'. Whatever we think about the institution of the monarchy, the death of our Queen had a huge impact upon the nation, Territories & Commonwealth. Her face, her presence, her being there, has been part of all our lives for so many years and for most of us, as the only monarch we can remember.

In the immediate aftermath many felt dislocated and shaken up, in ways we couldn't, and perhaps still can't, quite articulate and perhaps hadn't expected.

But the monarch whose reign has just ended in our own land would be the first to say the God whom she worshipped, and to whom she committed her life in service, the God in whose name she was anointed in a holy place, this holy God, is with us, and the whole earth is filled with God's glory.

There are those who would say what she provided above all was a kind of stability and reassurance. When times were painful and difficult for us as a nation, she was there. She always sought to comfort the suffering and to steady the anxious.

Above all, her own faith in God was sure and strong. She spoke with increasing depth, in her many Christmas broadcasts, about her own reliance on God. In the face of her death, we can depend on the God who is always with us, filling not only the temples of this world, but also our families and communities, with love and hope.

In the year that Queen Elizabeth died, we give thanks for a life of dedicated service to our nations and commonwealth. We give thanks for God's faithful servant, Elizabeth. We pray for her family and closest friends, for those who will mourn and miss her most.

Rev. Tim.



Our URC HARVEST FESTIVAL in October was followed by a bring & share lunch, with our HARVEST GIFTS this year once again donated to the Community Foodbank.



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## \*WARNING\*

All the below events are subject to cancellation at short notice due to the Corona virus epidemic please contact each group for details......Keep well, Keep safe



MONDAY

# ...In November

### **Regular Events**

10.00	Art Club			Village Hall
10.00	Table Tennis	(kevloe@outlook.co	om)	Village Hall
6.00	Pilates		Pri	mary School
6.45	<b>Explorer Scouts</b>	9	Scout Ha	all, Langport
TUESDAY				
10.00	Craft & Coffee (2	2nd only)	Old S	School Room
10.00	Keep Fit (nicky.	barker1@btinternet	.com)	Village Hall
2.30	Forget-Me-Not-0	Café		Village Hall
4.30	Rainbows/Brown	nies [	Drayton	Village Hall
5.45	Pilates		Pri	mary School
6.00	Cub Pack	9	Scout Ha	all, Langport
6.30	Rangers			<b>URC Hall</b>
6.30	Langport Youth (	Club	Ric	dge way Hall
7.00	Short Mat Bowls			Village Hall
7.30	Sedgemoor Gard	len Club (2nd only)	All Sain	ts Hall L'port
WEDNESDAY				
9.30	Yoga			Village Hall
5.30	Beavers	S	cout Ha	ll, Langport
6.30	Cycling Club			Bridge Cafe
6.45	Scouts	9	Scout Ha	all, Langport
7.30	Bell Ringing		:	St. Andrews
THURSDAY				
10.00	WI (2nd only)			Village Hall
2.00	Short Mat Bowls			Village Hall
6.30	Yoga			Village Hall
7.30	Parish Council (1	Lst only)		
FRIDAY				
9.30-2	Get Together Clu	ıb	'	/illage Hall
7.30	Movie Night (3rd	l only)	'	/illage Hall
SATURDAY				
9.00	Cycling Club			Bridge Cafe
3.30-5.30 (2nd c	h	Old School Room		

# ADLIN

#### **Deadlines for December Edition**

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Rangers	252901
Langport Youth Club	0793 899 338

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Short Mat Bowls Club 251201 Cricket Club 01823 698849 & 01458 252791

Social

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Arts

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Old School Room Bookings (crosrbookings@gmail.com)

250655/253856

United Reformed Church Hall - Bookings etc. 259391

**Community Services** 

**Doctors** 250464 Police 101 01935 404500 **Yarlington Housing** 

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#### Pick up your Prescription from the Post Office

Do you pick up repeat prescriptions from Langport surgery? If so you can request your medicine to be delivered to Curry Rivel Post Office in the BP petrol station. When you reorder, simply ask for delivery to Curry Rivel PO (including reorders on the surgery website). The surgery delivers to the Post Office every Tuesday and Friday. And while you're in the Post Office you can pick up a cappuccino too!

# **Supporting Ukraine Refugees**

Chris Cox

Volunteers who run Langport & District Red Cross Shop opened for local Ukrainian Refugees on a Saturday afternoon in September so that they could help themselves to donated items they need whilst they are residing in South Somerset. This was much appreciated by all who attended and they had many laughs trying on typical English garments, especially the wool hats knitted by one of our customers.

Customers at our Shop have also donated over £5300 to our bucket collection, all of which has been donated to the British Red Cross/Disasters Emergency Committee.







# Curry Rivel Heating Initiatives Project Update

See p10 for article

