**THE MOSAIC**

**HINTON ST MARY**

**SEPTEMBER 2023**



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**The Hinton Hub**

September’s Hubb will be a **Macmillan Coffee morning** on Saturday 23rd September at 10am in the Village Hall. Everybody is welcome to come along for a cup of coffee or tea, some cake and an opportunity to chat with friends and neighbours.

To help raise money for Macmillan there will be a charge of £2.00 per person for as much tea or coffee as you can drink and a slice of cake. There will be a ‘guess how many Collin the Caterpillar Faces’ competition (£2.00) per guess and raffle (tickets £1.00 per strip) with some amazing prizes donated from local businesses including:

***Stur of the Moment The Bank House  Stour View Hydrotherapy Pool***

***Virginia Hayward Neals Yard Root & Vine Greengrocers***

***And more***

**Any donations of cakes or other home baked goodies would be very much appreciated on the day. Thank you!**



Following on from the Hub’s book swap many of you asked if we could turn the telephone box into a library.

The parish council have agreed that this can happen🥳

As you can see the phone box does need a makeover.

Anyone who is willing to offer their time for this project can you please let me know. We can then get a team together to make it happen.

Gemma Hampton 07752 761731 Email : hintonhubdt10@gmail.com

**Dates for future Hub get-togethers - all at the Village Hall.**

**Sat 23rd September 10am – noon** - Macmillan Coffee Morning (see above)

**Sat 21st  October** - To coincide and join with the village Apple Juicing Day

**Sat 11th November 10am – noon** - Joining the Village coffee morning to raise money for the Village

Christmas Party (to be held on Friday 15th December).

**Sat 2nd December  2pm -5 pm** - Christmas Movie afternoon – with popcorn and hot chocolate!

A plate of cookies and a bottle of alcohol next to a sign

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Andy and Gemma decided to form the hub to encourage people to help each other and to help the Village.

Their first great effort was the litter pick-up on the village roads and the cleaning out of the bus shelter – which has been a bone of contention for many years. A number of the younger village members joined in and it was a huge success.  They will empty the litter bin in the bus shelter at regular intervals.

**The Estate** **Alice Fox-Pitt**

Woooohooo! The harvest is in. Mark, Dave and Phil have worked so hard in what has been a tricky year.

The combine was out until 1 in the morning on Wednesday night getting the last cutting done before the rain on Thursday. With a dry June and then a wet summer it has been very stop start but the combine performed well and the team were, as ever, right on it when there was a window in the weather to get out there.

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting Mel, Andy, Sarah and the brilliant team at the White Horse. They have got off to a flyer, we all feel so lucky to have such an extraordinary set up here in our little village. Word is getting out so do try and book early, always give the pub a call if the website says full as Mel and Sarah are magicians at slotting people in. Friday nights have become real village nights. If you are at a loose end come early as it has been so much fun and there will always be someone there you know.

With all the surveys and pre work done, the builders will be into the carpenter’s workshop for the second phase of the development this month which is exciting. We are trying to make the building as self-sufficient as possible from an energy perspective to hopefully control the ever-increasing electricity bills. Air source heat pumps are going in and hopefully this month Nigel Bastable’s unit will be fitted with solar panels to provide a part of the power for all the units.

We have thoroughly enjoyed hosting the dig team for a third season. Peter Guest will update The Mosaic on the final findings. They are struggling with funding to do all the analysis work they were hoping to do post dig which seems mad but from an estate perspective it was another successful season. Archie the wonderful metal detector stayed with us at Barters for the month, Chris Hardiman and the cricket team were very generous with the village hall which once again worked well as a hub for the dig. They were of course paid for the use. Michelle kept the showers up together and we had a new team cooking for the 25 students. Forking Out were incredible and delivered amazing hot food that was given a big thumbs up.

I hope everyone enjoyed the informative evening in the Barn, it was great to see it so well attended.

The highlight for me was the continued relationship with Yewstock School. Peter and his team developed a great programme of sensory work, sieving and sorting. They planted a few modern coins as finds are definitely motivating! This season they hosted children who are facing many issues and challenges in their lives, it was fantastic to see Peter and the team take so much time on this side of the project.

The main works are now complete for the stewardship scheme. Mark’s baby has been the development and restoration of the pond down in Orchid Field. It has been a big piece of work with Rose’s doing the main digger work. It looks fantastic and will only get better as the vegetation comes back.

Please get in touch if anyone is looking for industrial space to rent as there is some coming available at Gains Cross.

Don’t forget electric bikes available for hire please contact [info@foxpitteventing.co.uk](mailto:info@foxpitteventing.co.uk)

**VILLAGE WEDDING**

On Friday 28th July the wedding took place in in St Peter’s church where Kate (daughter of Steve & Tessa Moore) married Ashley.

Some villagers were lucky enough to join the event celebration drinks afterwards on the cricket pitch where there was a magnificent marquee.

Steve was a very proud father and it was a very happy event.

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A person in a suit standing on a concrete staircase

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A large white tent with tables and chairs

Description automatically generatedA person and person cutting a cake

Description automatically generatedA bride and groom walking down a path

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**Girlguiding returns to the Sturminster area!**

Thanks to a number of volunteers, we now have a team of dedicated leaders so a Brownie(7-10 year olds), Guide(10-14 ) and Ranger(14-18) Unit area will be able to be opened very shortly. Meetings will initially be held at Hinton St Mary Village Hall on Thursdays, starting on Nov 2nd. Girlguiding helps empower girls to be their best, offering fun, friendship and very many opportunities to try new things in a safe, supportive and happy environment.

[www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk) shows just what can be on offer to girls in the area.

Whilst we have enough leaders to open, we could do with more helpers. Details [www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved)

Young Leaders -if you’re aged 14-17 and want to level up your leadership skills, get a qualification and have an amazing time, then being a young leader and/or Ranger is the perfect role for you. Don’t worry if you haven’t done any volunteering before - you can jump right in and we'll support you all the way! We need Young Leaders with both the Guide and Brownie Units. This of course can be used for DofE Service at all levels, and Residentials are also possible for Gold Level.

If you or your daughter maybe interested then please register at [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk) website, or contact [sturguiding@outlook.com](mailto:sturguiding@outlook.com) if you have any questions.

We intend to have our first meetings straight after October Half Term on Thursday November 2nd

Brownies 5.15-6.45pm; Guides and Rangers 7-8.30pm

Cost will be £3 per meeting (usually paid termly once we are established)

**Caroline** (Rangers and Brownies) and **Robin** (Guides) **Dyer**

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What Guides do All about Brownies

**St Peter’s Church – Hinton St Mary**

**Services September 2023**



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| **Date** | **Service** |
| Sunday 3rd September 9.30 am | Holy Communion BCP |
| Sunday 10th September 9.30 am | Morning Prayer - BCP |
| Sunday 17th September 9.30 am | Morning Prayer - CW |
| Sunday 24th September 9.30 am | Holy Communion - CW |

**The Church is open daily for sanctuary and prayer**.

In accord with common practice, Salisbury and other Diocese now offer the common cup at Eucharist for the Sacrament. Communicants unwilling to receive wine are welcome to receive just the bread.

All queries relating to Church-related support and services should be directed to the Vicar or the Churchwardens.

**Vicar:** The Revd. Mary Gubbins, The Vicarage, Sturminster Newton.

01258 721704

[revd.mary.gubbins@gmail.com](mailto:revd.mary.gubbins@gmail.com)

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| **Robin Gibbs**  **01258 471493**  [robin@aviaconsult.uk](mailto:robin@aviaconsult.uk) | **Kevin Peto-Bostick**  **01258 475469**  [kevin.peto.bostick@gmail.com](mailto:kevin.peto.bostick@gmail.com) |

**St Peter’s, Hinton St Mary – future events**

**Harvest Festival**

Please note that our Harvest Festival Service in St Peter’s Church is planned for Sunday October 22nd ***starting at the unusual time of 10:30***.

This will be followed by our community Harvest Lunch in the Tithe Barn which will open at 12:00 for a 12:30 Lunch. This has always proved an enjoyable, informal gathering and all are welcome.

More details will appear in the October Mosaic.

**Open Gardens – Sat 15th & Sunday 16th of June 2024**

Our biennial Open Gardens event may appear many months away but it needs a lot of planning and volunteers to continue the success of previous years.

Anyone willing to help in any capacity will be warmly welcomed; please contact either Kevin, 01258 475 469 or Robin on 01258 471 493.

The event has always been a lot of fun and the proceeds allow us to maintain and keep open the village church.

More details will be forthcoming in future issues of the Mosaic.

**CHRISTINE CHAMBERS**

Sadly Christine Chambers who lived in Nicholsons Cottages and has resided in the village for over 50 years, passed away on Friday 4th August.

**BE AWARE**

**There was a burglary in the village the weekend of**

**11th/12th August.**

**The police are investigating.**

HINTON ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Hinton St Mary Village Hall

on Tuesday August 15th 2023 at 7pm

*Present:-*

*Chairman* – Steve Johnson (SJ)

*Councillors* – Jo Curtis (JC)

*Clerk* – Vivian Hitchmough (VH)

County Cllr Carole Jones and two new Councillors as yet to sign acceptance of office

2023.31 *Apologies* Cllr Rob Bartlett (RB)

2023.32 Minutes of the meeting of Tuesday May 23rd 2023 were agreed as

a true record and duly signed.

2023.33 *Matters Arising*

Co-option Councillors The Chairman welcomed the two new Councillors and they duly signed acceptance of office declarations. The Clerk will now advise Dorset Council through the self-service portal and they will complete a register of interests to be posted on the Dorset Council website.

New Councillors are Cllr Celia Wright (CW) and Cllr Mark Steggles (MS)

2023.34 *Declarations of Interest*

None

2023.35 *Updates from Officers*

*Planning* JC reported three applications to fell trees which had already been carried out and the conversion of garage and MOT bay to two number dwellings at Turks Garage. Councillors had no objections and the application has been agreed.

*Roads, drains and potholes*

As RB had sent apologies there was no report, however Cllr Carole Jones said that Rob had met with Amanda and discussed the relevant issues regarding the drains. Other specific road issues such as road markings and speeding issues were discussed and Cllr Jones will advise Amanda accordingly.

*Village Liaison/Garden*

JC advised that the garden renovation is progressing. She reported that a notice board giving details of the Mosaic is in very poor repair. The Chairman said he may be able to ask a volunteer to repair the surround of the board. CW will also speak with Janet in this regard.

*Speed Indicator Device*

The Chairman reported that the SID is working well and he has moved it a couple of times.

MS had concerns that the SID had limitations and asked about gates on entering the village to deter speed. The Chairman advised that this had been extensively discussed at previous meetings and there are drawbacks such as grass cutting and maintenance to gates. JC advised that the Estate would not like to see gates at the entrance to the village. However, it was requested that the Clerk contact the Todber clerk to ascertain on whether their gates had had some effect. Cllr Carole Jones suggested a speed watch with volunteers where the data may be used to encourage police involvement and possibly working towards 20mph. She said the “20 is plenty” signs work well in some villages.

*Defibrillator* Checked regularly, although the Chairman said it was used in an emergency recently and the person struggled to open the cabinet. This has been thoroughly checked and is in good working order. The Chairman said he was looking for a Councillor to take over the responsibility for monitoring the equipment and for training. CW volunteered for this responsibility and she will also arrange to purchase pads and batteries at the end of the year at an approximate cost of £137. The Chairman will speak to RB on his return regarding training and retraining of residents who have offered to support the emergency calls for the equipment. RB may have a contact willing to train volunteers.

*Telephone Box*

The Chairman had been approached regarding use for the telephone box as a book and information hub. This was generally considered a good idea by councillors although they felt there should be a monitoring system in place as it could be overwhelmed with books etc.

2023.36

*Finance*

A cheque for the clerk’s salary was signed.

Replacement cheques were signed for the Mosaic and the Church as originals had been damaged.

2023.37 County Councillors report

Cllr Carol Jones reported it was a quiet spell at the moment. She said there were Section 106 monies to claim should there be a project in mind for the council. Concerns were raised regarding the Playpark suggestion made at a previous meeting.

She advised that work on the Sturminster Bridge will take place from September.

There had been a lot of complaints regarding overhanging uncut hedges but pointed out that the enormous *amount of rain had caused everything to grow rapidly.*

*2023.38 Questions from members of the public*

*None*

*2023.39 Correspondence*

*No outstanding correspondence*

*2023.40 Any Other Business*

*2023.41 Date of next meeting Tuesday October 24th 2023*

*The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.15pm*

**Hello Hinton St Mary**

Finally some lovely weather has arrived! Our little pub garden has been buzzing with people eating and drinking. Thank you very much to the Hinton St Mary fishing expedition that came back with some beautiful bream for us.

A couple of dates for your diaries;

Sunday night 3rd of September – Mark and Jane’s monthly quiz night. We had a great night in August (even though our team was probably the least successful!) there was a lovely atmosphere and a little gentle roasting of the quiz master which I am assured is quite normal. Congratulations to team in Dyer Straights – very impressive especially with their knowledge of trees.

Saturday 21st of October - Hub Apple day in the village garden more info in next month’s Mosaic.

A reminder of our new opening hours for food

Wednesday 12-2:30 6-9

Thursday 12-2:30 6-9

Friday 12-2:30 6-9

Saturday 12-2:30 6-9

Sunday 12-3:30

New opening hours for Drinks

Wednesday 12-3 5-10

Thursday 12-3 5-10

Friday 12 – 11pm

Saturday 12 – 11pm

Sunday 12 -5pm

Thank you again for all your support and for making us feel so welcome.

Mel, Andy and Sam

**CHRISTMAS PARTY**

**DATE FOR YOUR DIARIES**

**FRIDAY 15H DECEMBER 2023**



**THE MONTHLY VILLAGE COFFEE MORNING**

**TUESDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER**

The cost is £1.50– for as much coffee or tea as you can drink and as many biscuits

as you can eat.

**SEPTEMBER QUICK QUIZ**



Ditloid: 1961 = F M in S Riddle: What three numbers, none of which is zero, give the

same result whether they’re added or multiplied?

**Answers to August Quick Quiz**

Ditloid: 32 Pieces on a Chess Board Riddle: Seven

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| **BLANDFORD HOSPITAL SHOP WAREHOUSE.**  **Saturday 2nd September**  10   - 12 midday  Old Poisedale Building,  Hinton St. Mary |

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To enquire about or to book the village hall please call Chris Andrews on 01258 473107.

***Please let us have any articles, notices, celebrations,, information, items for sale, trusted traders etc you would like to have included in next month’s Mosaic.*** *Deadline 24th of the Month. Thank you. Janet, Jo & Nigel.*

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*Keep abreast of all things ‘HSM’ on the village facebook page: Hinton St Mary Village Group and the Hinton St Mary Website:*

[*http://www.hintonstmary.com*](http://www.hintonstmary.com) *where all previous copies of The Mosaic are also available.*

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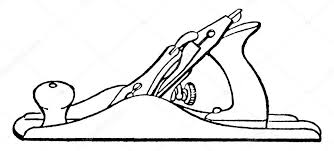
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