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CHAIRMAN'S WELCOME

We hope you enjoy this edition of "AAC" which includes a couple of new articles: A very interesting and detailed account of a find in the rock face at Goblin Combe, a delightful poem by June Richards and an article on local beekeeping.

During the last month, the Covid news has improved with decreasing new infections and numbers of deaths, but everyone is asked to stay vigilant and follow the government guidelines. If not, we risk following Italy with increasing new levels of infections both with adults AND children.

So "Stay Safe" and look forwards to the gradual easing of the current restrictions, commencing April 12 2021. *Andrew Grogono*

Chairman AAC

CORRECTION

For the "AAC" Wildlife photographic competition, please note that the correct email address for Ross Floyd is ross@mvbalmoral.com, not ross@mybalmoral.com.

Don't miss the opportunity to win an exciting prize at the year end!

A BIG THANK YOU!

Andrew Grogono would like to thank Cleeve Nursery for their generous contribution of roses which are now planted at the entrance to the Cleeve Village Hall car park. The Village Hall Committee gave their full support to Andrew's proposal to plant these roses and it is hoped that they will greatly enhance the entrance in years to come.

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STEPH'S BEE CORNER

On mild days in February I have seen my bees retuning to the hive with baskets of pale coloured pollen, as they forage amongst the heather and a few early flowers. As the month gets warmer the queen will start laying eggs again to build up numbers in the colony to take advantage of the abundance of spring flowers to come. This takes some forward planning. It takes 21 days for an egg to develop and hatch into a worker bee and for the next 21 days she will do housekeeping duties, cleaning the hive and feeding the brood. Then she becomes a foraging bee, flying from the hive to bring in pollen and nectar, helping to feed the colony and put down stores for the winter. A colony can go from 20,000 bees in the winter and build up to 60,000 in the busy summer period.

Stephanie Wooster

NEW VILLAGE AGENT

My name is Sarah Friend and I am the Village Agent for your community.

My role is to help all those over age 50 to access information and advice to allow them to remain living independently within the community. My aim is to listen and work with those who need my help to achieve these wishes.

I can help with all sorts of issues you may have, from transport to medical appointments, support for carers, fire safety checks, advice on unwanted callers and scams, claiming for benefits, help with mobility to helping find activity groups so you can socialise with others (whilst Covid restrictions are in place this will be virtually).

If you would like advice on anything please call me on 07422 078548 or 01275 888 803 (office) or email me sarah.friend@curo-group.co.uk

I look forward to helping and working with you in your community.

This service is provided by the West of England Rural Network (WERN) as part of the Community Connect programme in partnership with Curo and funded by North Somerset Council.

As Covid restrictions ease, I look forward to meeting you and the community in person, Stay safe,

Sarah Friend Village Agent 07422 078548 (m) 01934 225 184 (Rural Connections) PO Box 1181 Bristol BS39 4YX

TIPS FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Remove the bubble polythene double glazing from your greenhouse, clean the glass and check that the ventilators work. Get ready to apply a coat of Greenhouse Shading to the outside to keep the temperature under control.

Sweet corn can be sown in cell trays inside but delay planting out until next month.

EMOTIONAL AND PRACTICAL SUPPORT

24/7 Support & Connect - Immediate emotional and practical support helpline 0800 0126 549 Textphone users dial 18001 followed by 0800 0126549. www.vitahealthgroup.co.uk/247supportandconnect

A 24/7 helpline staffed by experienced counsellors, who you can talk to about any difficulties you are experiencing. You can receive help with a range of problems including feeling unsettled from recent life changes or uncertainty about the future, financial help, relationships, loneliness, and other common life worries. If English is not your first language, we can quickly get a translator to support your call.

How does it work? When you call, you will be asked for your name, date of birth, address and what the counsellor can help with. They will offer emotional support and a chance to talk, then if you would like it, can connect you to organisations available in Bristol, North Somerset, and South Gloucestershire. The service is confidential and will respect your privacy. If information needs to be shared to keep you or others safe, it will be the minimum amount required and done where possible with your full collaboration.



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COMMUNITY RESILIENCE

The Village Hall is the assembly point and operating base for the community resilience team (when mobilised) providing help and assistance in an emergency.

So if you need (or are willing to offer) help in an emergency and can not contact Community Resilience by phone please go along to the village hall.

Contact details for Community Resilience can be found in the directory on page 22.





VILLAGE HALL IMPROVEMENTS CONTINUE

With the advent of spring and the prospect of restrictions being lifted, further improvements have been made to the Village Hall by the hard working committee.

Firstly, a new security barrier is now in place at the entrance to the car park to replace the previous temporary arrangements.

Six new Rose bushes have been planted just inside the gateway to further enhance the grounds and additional minor works are planned.

A decision on the application for funding to support the resurfacing of the car park is still awaited.

The committee remain keen to reopen the hall as soon as it is practicable/safe and Gill Roe, whose name appears on the contacts page in this magazine, is able to help with an enquiries concerning hiring of the hall.

Steve Molloy

TIP FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Consider buying a cold frame to ease the strain on space in your greenhouse at this time of the year. It is ideal for hardening plants off prior to planting them outside.



CLEEVE PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

We hope that you are all continuing to keep safe and well in these difficult times. **Council Meetings:** Since March 2020 all our Council Meeting have been held remotely via "Zoom" and/or "Microsoft Teams" and current guidance is that this should continue for the time being. It is very much hoped that we can resume face to face meetings as restrictions are eased.

Details of meetings, agendas and details of how to join the meeting are published on the website ahead of meetings.

You can access our website at www.cleeveparishcouncil.co.uk or via this OCR code



The Annual Parish Meeting will be kept under review as circumstances change and Councillor Surgeries are on hold but we intend to have more once we are able to do so. **Keep to the footpaths!!** With more people walking for health and exercise we are aware of people not keeping to footpaths and also wondering in woods . Please follow the Countryside Code at all times.



Protect the natural environment • Leave no trace of your visit, take all your litter home • Don't have BBQs or fires • Keep dogs under effective control • Dog poo - bag it and bin it Enjoy the outdoors • Plan ahead, check what facilities are open, be prepared • Follow advice and local signs and obey social distancing measure

30mph Speed Limit on Cleeve Hill Road: Although delayed due to Covid the work to put the 30mph limit in place on Cleeve Hill Road is now moving forward. North Somerset Council now expect the work to be completed early in the next financial year beginning in April.

Dog Poo!! Although most dog owners act responsibly there seems to be an increase in instances of dog poo not always being picked up. Whilst this is, of course, antisocial it also is worth reminding dog owners that North Somerset Council have published local Public Space Protection Orders (PSPOs).

The orders state that if you are in charge of a dog you must as a minimum:

- keep your dog(s) under close control at all times
- carry a poo bag
- bag it and bin it please don't leave bags hanging in trees or bushes
- keep your dog(s) out of children's play areas.

Keep Cleeve Tidy: Our Village Orderly, Caroline, does a great job in keeping the village litter free (although this is often an uphill task!). We would be interested to hear if there are any areas of the village which you feel need any special attention at any time. Also if you have any ideas to brighten up the village then please let us know by emailing me on cleeveparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk or on 07932 191964.

Planters for the village: We are considering placing planters at various points around the village in order to brighten everything up. Does anyone have any suggestions for where these could be sited – we are thinking of 4/5 of these in due course.

Coronavirus Updates: As we move along the roadmap out of lockdown the Parish Council will continue to post important information from Public Health England and the Government, relating to the pandemic, on our Facebook page and website.

In the meantime...



North Somerset Council – garden waste changes – PLEASE NOTE DEADLINE FOR "EARLY BIRD DISCOUNT" NOW EXTENDED TO 16 APRIL 2021: North Somer-

set Council are introducing an annual charge for garden waste collections from Thursday 1 April.

Council finances are under pressure, even more so this year, but it has not been an easy decision. The income generated from charging for garden waste will make the service self-financing and free up resources to protect essential services.

The changes being made will also make a positive contribution to our carbon emissions target by encouraging and supporting more <u>home composting</u>. Composting is the most environmentally sustainable way to dispose of garden waste.

From Thursday 1 April 2021 garden waste will only be collected from properties that have signed up and paid for the new chargeable service.

Garden waste is collected fortnightly for most of the year and monthly during the December, January and February when less garden waste is produced. Your collection day will not change when you sign up to the new service.



Facebook: You will find us on Facebook if you search **Cleeve Parish Council** and like our page. We update various issues of local interest, and activities of the Parish Council.

We are also pleased that we will be posting a link to view the current "All About Cleeve" each month.

Could you be a Parish Councillor? We currently have a vacancy for a councillor on Cleeve Parish Council which the Parish Council will fill by co-option.

If you are interested please complete an application in accordance with the "Application for Co-Option onto Cleeve Parish Council" form available via our website <u>http://www.cleeveparishcouncil.co.uk</u> and return it to <u>cleeveparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk</u>

Being a Councillor is so much more than sitting around a table discussing planning applications. Being a Councillor means you help represent **your village**, a place **you** have chosen to live, a place **you** want to succeed and a place **you** want to continue being happy in.

We need some new ideas and fresh faces to take Cleeve forward in the right direction. The Parish Council meets once a month on the 2nd Tuesday from 7.30pm, (CUR-RENTLY REMOTELY VIA VIDEO LINK) the meetings are relaxed and welcoming, and most decisions are made during the meeting so there is little for Councillors to follow up on.

> Andy Warren Clerk to Cleeve Parish Council I can be contacted on 07932 191964 and by email on cleeveparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk www.cleeveparishcouncil.co.uk

THE RIME OF THE ANCIENT PERAMBULATORS (with apologies to Samuel Taylor Coleridge)

There are two ancient ladies Who stoppeth one in three, Perambulating round the lanes And one of them is me.

This pandemic is a tragedy Causing mental strife. So the chance to talk to others Is the highlight of this life.

I often wear a yellow coat Then people can decide. If they see us in the distance They have a chance to hide!

Keeping a safe distance Means we sometimes shout. So walkers hear us coming And know we are about.

We do disturb the quiet air With voices loud and clear Once someone piped up from a field "We can hear you ... over here!"

Mad racers are a pain Whooshing by like bats from hell. And despite all their lyra kit They do not possess a bell!

We once met a friendly cyclist Who stopped to have a chat. Although neither of us knew him We talked of this and that.

I said 'Jenny, did you know him?' She said 'No ... for goodness sake.' It was then that we realised He'd only stopped to have a break. But out in sweet, fresh air Has been a real life line. Meandering along the lanes Observing all that's fine.

Listening to the birdsong Discovering nature's gifts, Exchanging smiles and banter Definitely uplifts.

June Richards

YATTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday April 6th 7 30pm by Zoom and telephone.

Tankerville Chamberlayne: Andy Warren will talk about this colourful character who added considerable interest to the life in Yatton in the past.

If you are not a member and want to join or want to register an email address please contact YLHS at yattonlocalhistorysoc@gmail.com

Marianne Pitman

AAC CALENDARS

We are most grateful to Andrew Grogono and all the people who advertised, contributed photos, delivered and donated to the 2020 calendar. Thanks to their magnificent efforts a profit of £573.42 was added to the All About Cleeve funds.

This is much needed at the present time with many adverts on hold due to the pandemic. A big thank you to all from the AAC committee.

Andrew is hoping to produce a Cleeve Wildlife calendar for 2022 and he and Ross Floyd are asking everybody to look out for any appropriate local scenes during the next six months....photos on iPhones etc are fine.

Elizabeth Vaughan

LOVE CLEEVE COMMUNITY FESTIVAL 3-5TH SEPT. CAN YOU HELP?

A group of local people are hoping to organise a community festival called Love Cleeve, to take place (Covid rules allowing) over the weekend of 3-5th Sept. It will be a weekend of family fun, talks, walks, food and faith, around the vision and values set out at www.lovethefuture.today. Its aim as we emerge from the global pandemic is to offer ideas and actions for a healthy, sustainable and equal future. If like us, you feel that 2021 is an opportunity to take time to think about what it means to lead a positive life, then this is for you.

We would like to acknowledge and support those suffering the devastating effects of illness or perhaps the loss of loved ones, as well as all those who have worked so hard for others, often putting themselves at risk in doing so. We want to offer people the chance to reflect on our place in the world, as individuals as well as members of a family, local community or community of interest.

But we are hoping the weekend will also be one of hope. Hope that we can build upon the immense love that has been so evident in the way that people have supported each other. It will be a time to re-connect, to share a cream tea, dance and sing together, learn something new or simply sit together and be entertained.

So, we are currently looking for three things; firstly anyone who might be interested in organising an event at the festival, or know someone who would wish to be involved, and secondly anyone who has business connections that would be interested in sponsoring one or more of the events as we are hoping to make as much of the festival as possible free to attend. Lastly, if you have experience of social media and/or event marketing and would be happy to offer a couple of hours a week over the summer to help publicise it, then please get in touch.

If you can help, please drop me an email at darrenehall69@gmail.com. Thank you. Darren Hall



Photo courtesy: Jehan Shaw

CLEEVE TENNIS CLUB

Tennis can be played again from MArch 29th and CLeeve Tennis Club would like to welcome anyone who is interested in playing to contact us to arrange some sessions. We welcome people of all ages, novices or experienced players. We can offer coaching and social play. We offer an inclusive membership price - and without any restriction of our lights, we can play all day, every day, late into the evening. We will be updating our courts this year, so it is a good time to think about dusting off those rackets. A warm welcome awaits so please contact us on Cleevetennisclub@gmail.com.

Jayne Weare Club Chair

FOCOS (Friends Of Cleeve Over Sixties)

Winning numbers for the FOCOS lottery

6th February	6	Jean Ashman
27th February	20	Keith Wild
6th March	15	Anthea Parfitt

Well done to all our winners.

We continue to hope, with luck and the end of lockdown, we will be able to resume our normal programme of events later in the year.

However your continued support of the FOCOS lottery will ensure that we can all look forward to some great times in the future.



Photo courtesy: Ian Wisniewski

RUBBISH ON A ROADS AND MOTORWAYS WITHIN NORTH SOMERSET

I write to express my profound sadness at the state of verges and hedgerows on motorways and A roads within our country of North Somerset. Whilst I recognise that Government has been pre-occupied with the Covid Pandemic, I fear that during this time, considerable neglect has occurred in many other areas.

The A370 is one of the key roads into our great city of Bristol. I was appalled at the state of the sides of the Long Ashton carriageway. To say that it was unsightly would be a huge understatement, from discarded take-away cups, debris from builder's vans, large sheets of polythene, plastic bags, tins, sandwich wrappers, crisp packets, and abandoned highway signs and cones – the hedges and verges are full of ugly litter. It is impossible to miss the unsightly display.

I felt a profound sense of both shame and anger. Shame that drivers can casually think it is acceptable to simply throw items out of their cars and anger that they choose to do so and that it becomes someone else's problem to clear away. I can only hope that the roads feature on a 'litter picking' schedule within North Somerset Council's cleansing arrangements.

As a local business selling agricultural machinery, we regularly (in normal times) welcome customers from all over the world. Many of our customers will use both the A370 as well as the wider M4/M5 motorway to visit. They could only now be greeted with a sense that we are a nation of lazy, disrespectful litter louts when they see the unsightly edges to our highways. It does not have to be like this.

We need tourists to return to Britain and to remark on its cleanliness and respect for the natural world. Instead, I fear they will remark on the casual and disrespectful attitude of our people. At a time when as a planet we are being asked to address environmental issues and plastic pollution urgently, we absolutely must lead by example as a county and react in a positive way.

Of course, I am sure that I do not need to tell you about the effect that this has on not only the appearance of our local environment but also on the wildlife which is sustained within these relatively undisturbed corridors.

Something needs to be done to address this now. Already, trees and shrubbery are starting to green, and if the litter is not cleared completely will soon be concealed by greenery. The Long Ashton bypass and M4/M5 corridors should be dealt with as a matter of urgency before this happens, and before we are up to full capacity of traffic flow in our area after we come out of lockdown.

When Great Britain is having such a success with the vaccine rollout, I believe the general public are feeling optimistic and would absolutely be behind any campaign, North Somerset Council or local Parish Councils could drive. Within our work, friendship groups and family we know of dozens of people who have all started walking regularly within our beautiful countryside who would not have ordinarily done so. I strongly believe we have much to be proud of and with impetus from local and national government could

turn this very sorry state of affairs around with a very hard push and quickly. There are so many volunteers I am certain who would help if this were required.

I have written to Dr Liam Fox as well as North Somerset Council members including Cllr James Tonkin, Planning Highways and Transport and our local parish council and would urge residents from Cleeve and Claverham to consider our countryside and do the same. We are fortunate that our villages are kept tidy by local volunteers of which I am so grateful, but more needs to be done for North Somerset.

Let's make Great Britain great for everybody to enjoy and admire and look after our beautiful countryside in North Somerset. With combined effort we can all make change. Tandy Burdge

Resident of Cleeve



TIP FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Pot indoor plants into bigger pots but check that they need it first! Gently knock the plant out of the pot and, if the roots are covering most of the compost, the plant will benefit from moving into a pot one or two sizes bigger. If they aren't yet then wait a while.



Photo courtesy: Jehan Shaw

CLEEVE VILLAGE HALL

Are you looking for a venue for a party, wedding, meeting, workshop or a space for a corporate event? Cleeve village hall could be the venue for you.

Facilities include the main hall with a capacity for up to 120 people, as well as a separate side room & kitchen.

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LOCAL MARKETS

Kingston Seymour First Saturday of month Kenn and Yatton Second Saturday of month Claverham Third Saturday of month **'Keep Fit Class' Claverham Village Hall** Every Monday night7pm – 8pm.



Special Events This Month

March 28th - April 4th. Holy Trinity Church. See page 8 for details.

April 6th. Yatton Local History Society. 7:30pm by Zoom and telephone.



Cleeve Nursery. 138 Main Road, Cleeve, Bristol. BS49 4PW T: 01934 832134

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	YACWAG (Yatt & Cngsby Wildlife		833596
	Yatton History Society	Mrs Marianne Pitman	838801
	Yatton Horticultural Society	Mrs Joan Pittock	832790
	Yatton Music Society	David Ford	830255
	Yatton Ramblers	Peter Marshall	833916



TIPS FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Marrows, courgettes, pumpkins and squashes can be sown in individual pots towards the end of the month. These will need protection if sown outside. Peat pots are very good for this.

Plant basil in pots or in the borders between your tomatoes. It always does better inside.



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