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CHAIR'S WELCOME

For many of us the days of January seem a little empty after all the events and activities of December. But we are now getting into March; the days are lengthening and plants show signs of waking up. As always, there are lots of things happening in Cleeve, and please be sure to let us know if there is a local event or some information that you feel that the rest of us should know about.

*Denis Burn
Chair*

LIFETIME MEMBER OF CLEEVE TENNIS CLUB DIES AGED 103

Phyllis Luffman a lifetime member and regular fundraiser of Cleeve Tennis Club died on 6th February 2025 just after celebrating her 103rd birthday earlier in January. Phyllis lived in Bishops Road Cleeve in a bungalow, built by her husband Ern, almost all their married life and continued to do so for a number of years after Ern's death, until moving to live closer to their daughter Sue at Paulton.

Phyll, as she was better known, never lost her links to Cleeve and the Tennis Club and would drive over to visit friends in the village and nearby. She also ensured she always obtained and read every copy of All About Cleeve from its first publication onwards.

Geoff Pritchard

FOCOS (Friends Of Cleeve Over Sixties)

Winning numbers for the FOCOS lottery

4th January	28	Andrew Gillard
25th January	50	Viv and Dave Harrison
1st February	2	Jeanette Cave

Congratulation to all our winners, who are all non Cleeve residents, but whose membership we are very pleased to have. We are grateful to all our players as the lottery underpins all our other fund raising.

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Sunday 2nd March - 10.00am - Holy Trinity: Shared Parish Communion

Ash Wednesday - 5th March - 7.00pm - All Saints, Kingston Seymour:
Imposition of Ashes

Friday 7th March 2pm - St Mary's Yatton: World Day of Prayer Group Service

Sunday 9th March - 10.00am - St Barnabas: Shared Parish Communion

Sunday 16th March - 10.00am - Holy Trinity: Morning Worship

Sunday 23rd March - 10.00am - St Barnabas: Shared Parish
Communion

Sunday 23rd March - 10.00am - Cleeve Village hall -

Café Church for families with Children's craft making

***Mothering Sunday* - 30th March** - 10.00am -

St Mary's Yatton: Group Communion

Thursday March services 9.30am

6th Holy Trinity: Healing & Wholeness, Lay Lead

13th Holy Trinity: Healing & Wholeness + Bread of fellowship, Lay Lead

20th Holy Trinity: Healing & Wholeness, Lay Lead

27th Holy Trinity: Healing & Wholeness + Bread of fellowship, Lay Lead



Any enquiries please contact the Office – office@yattonchurches.org - Telephone 01934 832184

SPORTINGFEST

SportingFest is returning for its 4th year on Easter Sunday - 20th April 2025 from 1pm - 11:15pm

The charity event will be held at King George Playing Fields, Meeting House Lane, Cleeve, BS49 4PB.

FEATURING: 6 hrs of live music from Hovis, Station 2 Station, Joe Malik & Luke Potter on the marquee stage.

4 free children inflatables - including an assault course, high rise slide & toddlers bouncy castle.

Various stalls - Gourmet food & drink vendors - Fully licensed Pavilion bar on site. Children's games - and of course an Easter egg hunt!

ONLINE TICKET PRICES: Adult £10 Child £4 (under 4's are free) Family £25 (includes 2 adults & 2 or 3 kids) ON THE DOOR PRICES: Adult £15 Child £6.



UKRANIAN SUPPORT

Cleeve and surrounding areas.....you've done it again! I had Andy running back and forth THREE times, he was overjoyed with the amount of donations from our generous villagers and certainly didn't mind returning to Cleeve from Nailsea to collect.

Not only was my porch and hall filled with bags arriving from those who I wasn't expecting but had heard.....word of mouth.....that there was a collection going on in Bishops Road, but my lounge was awash with humanitarian aid from those who'd already promised donations and brought them to me earlier.

I understand that Microwave Ovens and Candles (unfragranced) along with warm clothing and all bedding are still wanted.

Another collection is possibly planned for April. Please contact me before and let me know if you have items for Ukraine and I'll put you on my "Promises List".

As usual, as soon as I have enough for a collection from Andy I'll be in touch with a firm date.

Libby

NAILSEA DISTRICT LEG CLUB

Wednesdays Nailsea Tithe Barn for all registered with Tyntesfield Medical Group

Part of the ethos of the Leg Club is to encourage patients (members) to engage in their own care, not only through life style changes, which help with healing and general health improvement, but with the treatment recommended by the nurses, including skin care and putting on stockings, not easy!

Is anyone willing to come once a month to give members a manicure? It was offered when Leg Club opened 10 years ago and proved very popular, and members often ask if it could be arranged again.

Further information can be obtained from Carole Brooke on 07954 302498.

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www.ageuksomerset.org.uk/bigknit

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DO YOU HAVE A SPARE HOUR?

Ever thought of supporting someone over 65?

Voluntary Action North Somerset is about to launch the Good Neighbours Scheme.

We need volunteers like you!

It's your chance to share your skills and take on a task that would support someone over 65 living independently in their homes.

If this has caught your interest?

Give me call or send me an email.

Tracy Edwards-Brown 07458073262 or email: tracy.edwardsbrown@vansmail.org.uk

NORTH SOMERSET CAN HELP WITH TECH!

North Somerset Tech Ready Service Referral Process.

Referrals will be accepted from all sources providing the individual fits the criteria (50+ and living in North Somerset) Referrals can be taken by the following means:

- Urban – Community Connect Office 01934 888803 or via email communityconnect@curo-group.co.uk
- Rural – Digital Inclusion Officer 07787 358 982 or via email will@wern.org.uk or via the Village Agents

Potential areas of support

- Accessing the internet at home and on mobile devices
- Selecting equipment to suit needs and packages
- Setting up devices – Alexa, phone, laptop, iPad etc
- Creating new email accounts
- Sending and receiving emails
- Accessing GP services
- Medication reminder set ups
- Voice controlled equipment for those with disabilities – lights/heating
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Fourth Saturday - Clevedon Farmers Market (Queens square) 9am - 1pm

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YATTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday March 4th - talk by NHS70 :Bristol Healthcare by Clive Burlton before AGM and refreshments 7:30pm Yatton Methodist Church BS49 4DW. Contact yattonlocalhistorysoc@gmail.com

Marianne Pitman

TRINITY SINGERS

Local choir, Trinity Singers, will be presenting "Kirchenmusik", an evening of lyrical and uplifting works by Schubert and Rheinberger at St Mary's Church, Yatton, BS49 4HH, at 7.30 on Saturday 22nd March.

The concert, featuring beautiful sacred music from either end of the C19th, will be conducted by their Musical Director, Andrew Tyrrell, and accompanied by Alison Blundell.

For any further information please contact:

Bob Shapland (bob.shapland@btinternet.com) or 07769 813489.

TIP FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Remove flower heads from daffodils as they finish flowering. A liquid feed with tomato fertiliser helps next years flowers to form now. Check for snail damage too.

Top dress alpine plants with horticultural grit to ensure that there is fast drainage around the base of the plant.

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to everyone who supported our Pantomimes on 24th and 25th January.

From the 24th January evening, we have been able to send £1185 to BUST, a breast cancer charity at Southmead Hospital who are looking to purchase new equipment to fight breast cancer. The Saturday performance raised over £800 which will go towards FOCOS events in 2025, especially the mystery day out.

Thanks also to Lin and her team for great food on both nights and to everyone else who helped in so many ways over the two evenings.



FITZHARDINGE CONSORT with James Drinkwater (organ)

St Mary's Church, Yatton. Saturday 29th March

The Yatton Music Society is privileged to host this concert by this renowned choir of professional musicians from across the West of England and South Wales. Members of the choir have sung with the Tallis Scholars, the choirs of St Paul's Cathedral and Westminster Abbey, and in lead roles on the stages of Covent Garden and Glyndebourne. Their programme for this concert will be focused on 19th and 20th century sacred English music for voices and organ. The choir will be conducted by Peter Wagstaff with organist James Drinkwater.

This is a rare opportunity to hear a choir of this eminence perform in a beautiful village church.

Concert starts 7.30 tickets £12, students £6, children free.

Details: www.yms.org.uk

TIP FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Prune late flowering shrubs back hard. Caryopteris, Ceratostigma, Perovskia, hardy Fuchsia, **deciduous** Ceanothus, Hydrangea paniculata types and Lavatera.

Check trellis support for climbers and reinforce or replace before growth begins.

Lift crowded snowdrops, carefully divide and replant. Avoid breaking their delicate roots if possible.

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HOLY TRINITY PANCAKE LUNCH

Shrove Tuesday – 4th March 2025 Cleeve Village Hall – 12 noon until 2pm

There is still just time to book up to enjoy a treat before the start of Lent, at the Holy Trinity Pancake Lunch.

The Lunch will consist of soup, a bacon or cheese roll, and then followed by **two** tasty sweet filled pancakes, together with as much tea/coffee as you can drink.

The cost of the event, including tea/coffee, will be £6.

Tickets will need to be booked [to plan catering requirements] and are available from Lin on 838515 or Gill on 832917

Come along for some great food, some good fun and lots of friendship. **All proceeds will be split between the Clevedon Foodbank and a Mothers' Union charity**

FOCOS BINGO EVENING FRIDAY 25TH APRIL – CLEEVE VILLAGE HALL

As our regular players know, at the FOCOS Bingo Evening there will be good food, great fun and super prizes. A bar will be available for the evening at the Hall, so we would suggest an arrival around 7.15pm, for the delicious supper to be served at 7.30pm.

Tickets are just £10 to include a hot supper and a sweet [vegetarian options are available], plus 6 games of Bingo. Every game has great prizes guaranteed for a line and a full house. Tickets available from the FOCOS BINGO HOT LINE on 838515 or 832917.

Also - transport is available from your home to the Hall and back again – just ask for a lift when you book.

All profits will help to provide for the FOCOS Mystery Outing for 2025.

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY
for children and grandchildren (and grown-ups)

Sunday 23rd March – Café Church with a Children Craft session making Mothering Sunday gifts. Cleeve Village Hall – 10am

Come along to enjoy our normal Café Church Sunday with coffee, cakes and a chat **PLUS a children craft morning – with all things provided - to ensure the young ones will be taking home a lovely Mothering Sunday gift for their Mums, and/or Grans, for the following Sunday.**

There is no charge, just come along and enjoy.

If you would like to book a place, or request more details, please ring, or text, Helen Bailey on 07747 637234.

YATTON BOWLING CLUB

A friendly local club in the heart of the village, we would like to welcome you to join them for the new summer season starting mid April. Whether you have never played before or you have some experience, we offer a very friendly environment, good facilities and free coaching and loan of equipment. Come and try bowls out at a time that suits you. Just give us a ring!

We also have two open sessions on Sunday 27th April 2pm to 4pm and Sunday 25th May 2pm to 5pm. All welcome. Come along and try bowls out on a fun, relaxing afternoon!

For more information please contact:- Alison 07855 496779

COURT DE WYCK

Everyone at Court de Wyck is now well settled into the term. One of the highlights has been the launch of our CdW Culture Clubs, which take place each Friday afternoon. Every child from Year 1 to Year 6 has chosen a Club to attend marking the beginning of a fantastic new initiative. The project gives the children the opportunity to explore areas of interest, feel part of the community, and develop a sense of identity. The clubs are designed to inspire future careers and hobbies and include a wide range of activities: Photography, Healthy eating, Singing, Netball, Street Dance, Girls' Football, Computing, Lego Club, Art and Craft and Yoga.



**THE UPSIDE DOWN KINKS
CLEEVE VILLAGE HALL SAT FEB 15TH**

Cleeve Village Hall rocked to classic tunes with this superb Kinks tribute band.... Waterloo Sunset, Lola, You Really Got Me, Stop Your Sobbin', Dedicated Follower Of Fashion to name but a few!

This five- piece band put on a fabulous sold-out show which included entertaining stories surrounding these much-loved songs. A packed hall was kept enthralled and together with a well-stocked bar and raffle, this has been a wonderful fundraising night. Big thanks to all who supported this event and for the army of helpers who made the night go so smoothly.

The Hall's Committee said "Yet another fantastic night of entertainment and with more to come later this year we would encourage anyone who wants a great local night out to come to one of our events."

Follow Cleeve Village Hall on Facebook, Instagram or X for updates on future events and send us a message if you would like to join our priority email list where you get to hear about all our Entertainment nights first.

Anita



CLEEVE PARISH COUNCIL

Council Meetings

Meetings are held in Cleeve Village Hall on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except August and December when no meetings are held).

Details of meetings, agendas and minutes continue to be published on our website.

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



Our Chair of the Parish Council is Ronnie Morley your other Councillors being Colin Knowles (Vice Chair), Hilary Burn, Marianne Pitman, George Stringer, Geoff Pritchard and Debs Lister.

Community Orchard: Following the planting of trees in January we wish to thank the following for their donation of trees:-

Cllrs Hilary Burn and Marianne Pitman plus ex- Councillor Ben Whistance.

We are also indebted to Nicci Day and Anthony Pritchard who have donated the Blenheim Orange apple tree in memory of their parents John and Joyce Pritchard.

Local Plan 2040 and Community Governance Review 2025: Consultations are being published by North Somerset Council in relation to the following:-

Local Plan 2040 North Somerset Council has launched a public consultation on additional housing sites to be considered for inclusion in the emerging local plan. Information about the consultation and how to respond is via this website link: www.n-somerset.gov.uk/LP2040additioNortnalsites The consultation will run from 7 February to 21 March 2025.

Community Governance Review 2025 North Somerset Council will be undertaking a Community Governance Review (CGR) this year of all parishes within its area. Further information can be found on our website at www.n-somerset.gov.uk/cgr, which we will keep updated throughout the process. The consultation will run from 21 February to 30 April 2025.

Facebook and Website

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 to post a link on our website to view the current "All About Cleeve" each month.

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

TIPS FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Remove the bubble polythene and make sure that the glass is as clean as possible.

Sow parsley, dill, and chives. Coriander and basil should be sown under cover.

CLAVERHAM MEETING HOUSE

Some Local residents going down Meeting House Lane may not be aware of passing a building with a fascinating history. The first Quaker Meeting House at Claverham dates from 1674, one of the oldest in the West Country and visited by William Penn. The original building was replaced in 1729 by the existing one, a unique construction of a meeting room flanked by two cottages. It is a Grade II* listed building. The Quaker Meeting flourished in the days of travel by horse and on foot, but the coming of the railway encouraged Friends to build a larger meeting house in Yatton in 1868, which is now Yatton Library. Claverham Meeting House is owned and maintained by an independent Quaker Trust set up by the Clark family of Street.

The Quaker meetings held at 2.30 pm on the afternoon of the last Sunday of each month have regular attenders and visitors coming from a wide area. There are many other activities, including the North Somerset Arts Week exhibitions (3rd to 11th May this year) in both the main Meeting Room and the Barn. Throughout the year, there are visitors coming for short stay holidays at the cottage on the west side of the Meeting Room. We have also welcomed guests who have come to visit family or friends living in this area. One bedroom in the cottage has a double bed, the other has two bunk beds and a single bed. There is a comfortable lounge, kitchen and two bathrooms. The cottage on the other side of the Meeting Room is the home of Lizi Phippen, who looks after the premises and welcomes guests on behalf of the Trust. We welcome enquiries and visits. Website: www.claverhammeetinghouse.org.uk



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PLANT OF THE MONTH - PRIMROSE

Primula vulgaris better known as the common primrose, is a beautiful flowering plant in the family Primulaceae. Naturally found under hedgerows and around woodland this plant is an iconic British wildflower.

The *Primula* genus has over 500 species of short-lived perennials providing a vast choice for gardener's in a huge array of colours but you can't really beat the traditional pale yellow petals of the common primrose, arching out from single short stalks from low growing wrinkled leaves. This early flowering spring flower brings with it hope of the emerging season. Favouring partial shade and moist, slightly acidic soil, they naturalise easily in swathes around trees; add a layer of mulch to help retain moisture.

Once established primroses need little attention, just plant and leave them to grow; simply snip off dead flowers and leaves and enjoy their blooms for weeks. As long as conditions are not too hot or dry, they will thrive.

Debi Holland



TIPS FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

If you haven't done it already, prune Buddlejias back to about waist height and trim Lavateras [Tree Mallows] back to healthy new shoots.

If you grow Eucalyptus for its blue foliage, you should cut it back hard now. The golden Catalpa and purple Cotinus too. Leaves are more dramatic after a hard prune.

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1st Saturday of month - Kingston Seymour
2nd Saturday of month - Kenn & Yatton
3rd Saturday of month - Claverham

MARCH

Yatton Music Society. March 1st. St Mary's Church, Yatton. 7:30pm

Pancake Lunch. March 4th. Holy Trinity Church. Noon - 2pm

Yatton Local History Society. March 4th. Yatton Methodist Church. 7:30pm

Lent Lunch. March 11th. Holy Trinity Church. Noon - 2pm

Trinity Singers. March 22nd. St Mary's Church, Yatton. 7:30pm

Cafe Church. March 23rd. Cleeve Village Hall. 10am

Fitzhardinge Concert. March 29th. St Mary's Church, Yatton. 7:30pm

APRIL

SportingFest. April 25th. King George Playing Field. 1pm - 11:15pm

Focos Bingo Evening. April 25th. Cleeve Village Hall. 7:15pm

ONGOING

Cleeve Knitting Knights. Sundays. Alterknit Universe. 1 - 5pm

Council Meetings. 2nd Tuesday each month except August and December. Cleeve Village Hall. 7:30pm

Nailsea District Leg Club. Wednesdays. Nailsea Tithe Barn. For all registered patients with Tyntesfield Medical Group. No appointments necessary. For details ring Carole Brooke 07954 034989:30 - 11:30am

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