

VILLAGE NEWS

MARCH 2022

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<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/online> to report fly tipping online. (For Dorset—<http://dorsetforyou.com/flytipping/report-flytipping-online>).

Also:

<http://www.somerset.gov.uk/planningsearch> to (check on the status of Planning Applications online.)



**BOOTS ON WINCANTON HIGH ST. IS
CHANGING THEIR OPENING HOURS FROM
5th MARCH**

SATURDAY OPENING WILL BE 9am till 1pm

Maundy Thursday

**"This Is My Body...
This Is My Blood...
...Given for YOU."
Luke 22:4-20**

Last Supper Meal

Maundy Thursday April 14th

6.00pm Bayford Village Hall

All Welcome!

For catering purposes, please email if you're coming.

rosyashley@hotmail.com



BENEFICE SERVICES

March and April 2022

Churches: SSCM: St Stephen, Rectory Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SJCM: St John, Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove

SLC: St Lawrence, Long Hill, Cucklington

SAST: St Andrew Stoke Trister

RA House: Chestnuts, Rowls Lane, Cucklington

2nd Mar	18.30	Ash Wednesday Communion	SSCM
6th Mar	10.00	Lent Cafe Church	SSCM
	18.00	Evensong	SLC
13th Mar	9.00	Holy Communion	SSCM
	16.00	Sunday Afternoon Church	RA House
20th Mar	10.00	Family Service with preparations for Mothering Sunday	SJCM
	18.30	Evensong	SAST
27th Mar	9.00	Mothering Sunday Family Holy Communion with posies	SLC
	16.00	Mothering Sunday Tea with activities Simnel cake and posies	SJCM
3rd Apr	10.00	Cafe Church	SSCM
	18.00	Evensong	SLC
10th Apr	9.30	Palm Sunday Walk starts at St Stephens church and ends at St Lawrence Cucklington for soup lunch	SSCM
	16.00	Sunday Afternoon Church	RA house
14th Apr	18.00	Maundy Thursday Last Supper Meal	Bayford Village Hall
15th Apr	15.00	Good Friday Meditation	SJCM
17th Apr	6.00	Easter Day Sunrise Service	SAST
	9.00	Easter Day Holy Communion	SLC
	10.30	Easter Day Family Service with Communion	SSCM
24th Apr	9.00	Holy Communion	SLC
	16.00	Sunday Afternoon Church	RA house

Hi, I don't normally write in here myself but I felt I had to say a massive thank you to Jeremy and to all the Church Councils for allowing me to have an extra four pages each month. The response I have had from you all, sending in articles, ideas and even photos means that even with the additional space it is like a thrilling jigsaw puzzle every month but just with never knowing what the final picture will look like.

On this note, please keep all the content coming, it is fab, but bear in mind that everyone feels that their 'event' should take priority or wants a whole page. Everything I get sent gets put in and whilst I try to please everyone, it is just not possible. But I do try hard to make things look as good as I can.

With Easter, pancake day, Mothering Sunday and of course the forthcoming Jubilee we can look forward to more jam packed issues, but please bear with me. With the weather we are having (I am writing this in the midst of the storm) I also have a grumpy, cold and wet farmer to deal with, as do many of you! Hope you all stayed safe, and warmer and dryer than Andy! Helen

Deadline for April issue March the 18th tristerncottage@hotmail.com

Celebrating Mothers and Carers!

Take flour, eggs and butter. Mix in a variety of dried fruits. Put half the uncooked mixture in a tin and then a layer of marzipan before adding the rest. Decorate when cooked with marzipan and place eleven marzipan balls around the edge and one in the middle.

This is the recipe for a Simnel cake which is often baked for Mothering Sunday or near Easter. Mothering Sunday has been part of the church's tradition for a long time. One aspect of God in the Bible is as a loving parent, both father and mother care-giver and this is celebrated on Mothering Sunday. Also today, we regard Mothering Sunday as a celebration of mums but in Tudor times, it was a rare day off for servants to visit their 'mother' church if they could, taking cakes and flowers as a gift. Mothering Sunday also came to be known Simnel Sunday due to the tradition of baking Simnel cakes to celebrate the 'family reunion' during the austerity of Lent. Eleven balls of marzipan on the top represent the eleven apostles (minus Judas) with sometimes a twelfth ball representing Christ in the middle.

The recipe for a Simnel cake is above but what would be your recipe for a great mum or care giver? What do you think is the most important ingredient for a great mum or care giver?

On Mothering Sunday, bring your mother or care giver for tea and homemade cakes and share what makes them GREAT on the life-size "mother" in the church! There are gifts to be made and pick up a posy to thank them too! And don't miss the Simnel cake!

Mothering Sunday in the Benefice

9am celebrate with Holy Communion and posies at St Lawrence Cucklington
and/or

3.45pm free Mothering Sunday Tea at St John's, Charlton Musgrove with activities for all the family. All welcome!



You are invited.. Mothering Sunday Celebration Tea

March 27th

3.45-5.15pm

St John's Church

Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove

**Posies, Simnel Cake
and delicious tea!**



Free! Bring your mum (or your care giver)

Activities, flowers, fun and cake for all the family!



CUCKLINGTON
St Lawrence's Church
www.cucklington.org.uk
Church Warden - Pip Loxton
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The Arthur Morison Memorial Hall, Cucklington

Chairman – Campbell Dunford (01963 34220)

Hall bookings should be made through Jenny Rawlings (01963 3320), who also holds the keys. If not available, ring Brian Trueman (07398980487) or Di Hammet (01747 840770)

Website: www.cucklington.org.uk



Cucklington Village Hall 100 Club

Thank you to all members who have joined or re-joined the 2022, 100 Club. I can report that £600.00 has been deposited with the hall treasurer as a result of last year's 100 club.

The January draw winners were, Mr A Cranfield and Mr D Pannel.

SCRABBLE

We are playing Scrabble on the second Friday of each month in Cucklington at AMMH starting at 7.00pm. Next meet up is on March 11th

We would be delighted to welcome new members. We play a friendly game, including many levels of ability. All you need to bring is whatever you would like to drink, 'nibbles' are provided!

If you would like more information please contact Gaye on 01747 840450.



7.30PM FRI 4th MARCH

Join us for a drink and a catch up in the Arthur Morison Memorial Hall. All welcome.

Coffee Morning

10am Saturday 26th Feb
Village Hall.

All welcome
for coffee, cake and chat.

Next Sat 26th March



The ladies of Cucklington Book Club have put together a fantastic dignity bag for the Samaras Aid Appeal that Rosie highlighted in previous issues of the Village News and else where. By the time you read this it should be on its way to Syria and ready to help change someone's life.

Amazing generosity Ladies,
and from the picture you
obviously had fun doing it!



Candlemas Organ Recital

A big thank you to Simon Bending for a wonderful evening of music on the 5th February in St Lawrence Church, an amazing £400 was raised for Afghanistan. What a wonderful evening of music we were provided with in St Lawrence Church on the 5th January. Very many thanks to Simon Bending for his well chosen selections.

And thanks also to Pip for providing mulled wine and delicious nibbles.

Altogether a most enjoyable evening.



ARE YOU ON ST LAWRENCE, CUCKLINGTON'S ELECTORAL ROLL?



Don't forget that the deadline for registering on the St Lawrence, Cucklington's Electoral roll is
March 10th 2022

More information is available in the previous edition of the Village News.

If you wish to be put on the Electoral Roll, please collect a form from St Lawrence's porch or contact Julia on 01747 841045 for a copy.

Please return completed forms to the box in the church porch.



CHARLTON MUSGROVE

www.charltonmusgrove.org

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Charlton Musgrove Defibrillator	
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First Responder Contact Numbers	
Custodians	
John Ball	01963 31046
Robert Parker	07769 913475

COFFEE, CAKE & CHAT

Every Monday
10am – 12noon

St John's, Barrow Lane

No agenda

Everyone is welcome, do drop in for a cuppa and some homemade cake!

CHARLTON MUSGROVE FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW

As we take our first steps into life with some semblance of normality, we would like to bring to the fore the Village Flower and Produce Show. For anyone who has joined us during the past 2 years, the Show has been held annually over many years, always a friendly and social event, with a slight nod to competition.

If a group of people would like to revive it, with new thinking and ideas, the previous organising team have all the cups, hints, tips and contact lists which could provide a jumping off point and which they are happy to share.

Please contact Gill Adams,
Pauline Bastable or Ceri Izard.



COFFEE MORNING

Friday 18th March 10.30– 12 noon at the Village Hall.
Do come along and join us for real coffee, homemade cake and a chance to catch up with neighbours and friends.

Everyone is welcome!
Just £2 each, with refills and seconds free.
We look forward to seeing you there!!

Dear neighbours and friends throughout the Benefice,

Sadly, we aren't able to hold our Coffee Morning to raise funds for the Brain Tumour Charity again this year, due to changes beyond our control. We want to thank you all for your wonderful support over all the years, it has been amazing. There are many financial changes about to happen to us all, so we feel it isn't the time to be asking for aid for yet another "good cause".

We will be sending donations ourselves and if anyone should wish to donate to the wonderful work the charity does, both for sufferers of Brain Tumours and their families, and the ongoing research into causes and treatments, we would be happy to forward them on. Cheques should be made payable to The Brain Tumour Charity. Cash if preferred can also be sent to,

*Joan England
Paradise Cottage
Barrow Lane,
Charlton Musgrove,
Somerset
BA9 8HW.*



*Once again, a Heartfelt Thank You to you all.
From the England Family.*



Also see further on for information about the village **Platinum Jubilee** celebrations which are taking shape but need your help and the return of the not to be missed **Pancake Party!**

(Pancakes and the chance to find out what EGG SHACKLING is, shouldn't be missed!)

Whilst thinking about all the celebrations coming up, Mothering Sunday, Easter and of course decorating our churches (which everyone is welcome to help out with!) and then there is the start of our new family services at St Johns. So many lovely times, aren't we privileged to live here, with wonderful friends, neighbours and family around us.

Over the last six months there has been quite a few wonderful new babies born in and connected with the village, several are to families who have lived and worked in Charlton Musgrove for generations!

SO BIG WELCOME TO HENRY (Andrew and Amber's son and 5th generation of Butts), EVIE (Charlie and Chloe's daughter and 5th generation Gingell family), CHARLIE (Roger and Emily's son and 5th generation of Apseys), ESRA and JUDAH (Jacob and Hannah's children, both 5th generation Butts). Also a big welcome to CIRIO (grandson of Andy and Valerie Griffin, and son of Samuel and Kerry.

We were thrilled at the Christmas Crib service to be joined by the star of the show THEO (John and Miranda Bingham's sweet baby grandson and son to Amelia and Max) John and Miranda have also welcomed another grandchild as Harriet and Ivo had a baby girl on Friday!

There are also other small children, the Kimber/Sussex family and the Buckland family are both involved in the churches

Several of the parents of these babies were in St John's Sunday school and it is so lovely to see them grown with their own families now. Lovely to celebrate these new lives continuing the warp and weft of our rural village. *Jean Brown*



**STOKE TRISTER WITH
BAYFORD**
www.stoketristerbayford.net
E: web@stoketristerbayford.net



Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Plans are taking shape.....

The marquee's booked, the sunshine's requested and the bunting's ordered.

We are hoping to have a day with something for everyone

Starting with a picnic and games for all

**Then a Tea Dance with light refreshments and music
late afternoon with a toast to the Queen**

Ending the day with a Barbeque and Music

Volunteers very welcome, whether you can bake a cake or help set up.

More details to follow but for now....

Save the date JUNE 4th



A heads up.....

We are hoping to run a Bayford plant swap in the next couple of month, so please bear this in mind when you are planning your garden this



TENDERS INVITED FOR GRASS KEEP

Available from April - November.

6 acres in 2 fields, water and fenced.

Just off Gillingham turning off the A303.

Please email
stoketristerpc@gmail.com

Closing date 24th Feb 2022
(so be quick)

Refreshments provided



Want to know more about full fibre broadband?

Join us for our community meeting to hear more about our plans in Bayford.

Where: Bayford Village Hall

Date: Monday 28 February

Time: 6:30PM

wessexinternet.com



Bayford Lunch Club

Join us on

Wed 16th March

12.15 to eat at 12.30

The cost is £6 per head.

Please book your meal by
calling Mary on 34420
(feel free to leave a message!)



WELCOME TO SPRING

Saturday 5th March at 6pm
Bayford Village Hall

An evening event sponsored by the
Stoke Trister with Bayford Parish Council

Wine and nibbles provided but
bring your own beer/cider

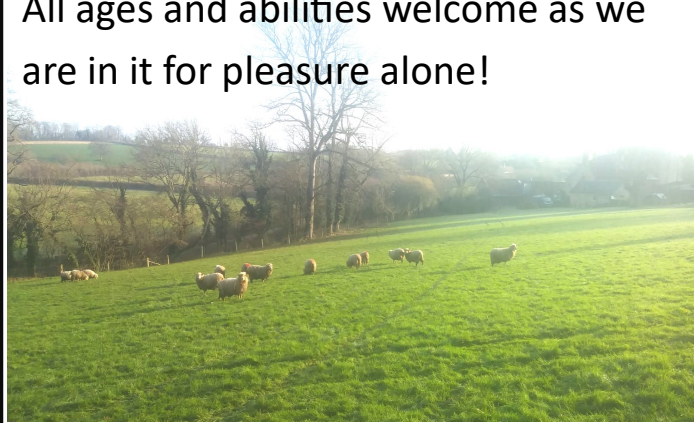
FREE ENTRY



A couple of us have been enjoying
gentle walks in our beautiful country-
side and making the most of the
(slowly) improving weather.

If you would be interested in joining
us or just having a chat about it
please call Sheena on 33062 or
07826523725

All ages and abilities welcome as we
are in it for pleasure alone!



"Where **coffee** and
friends make
the **perfect blend**"

COFFEE MORNING

BAYFORD VILLAGE HALL

Thursday 3rd March
10am - 12 noon

Join us for coffee, cake and
company, with friends new and old.

Everyone welcome.

A warm welcome for all at Bayford
Village Hall.

WHAT IS SHROVE TUESDAY?



In the Christian year, Lent is a time of abstinence, of giving things up. Shrove Tuesday is the last day before Lent and traditionally, some Christians would not eat foods such as meat and fish, fats, eggs and milky foods.

So that no food was wasted, families would have a feast on Shrove Tuesday, and eat up all the foods that wouldn't last the forty days of Lent without going off.

The need to eat up the fats gave rise to the French name *Mardi Gras* ('fat Tuesday'). Pancakes became associated with Shrove Tuesday as they were a dish that could use up all the eggs, fats and milk in the house with just the addition of flour.

Some believe the four ingredients used in pancakes may actually represent the four pillars of the Christian faith - flour as 'the staff of life', eggs as 'creation', milk as 'purity' and salt as 'wholesomeness'.

Pancake races are thought to have begun in 1445. A woman had lost track of the time on Shrove Tuesday, and was busy cooking pancakes in her kitchen.

Suddenly she heard the church bell ringing to call the faithful to church for confession. The woman raced out of her house and ran all the way to the church; still holding her frying pan and wearing her apron!



TUES 1st MARCH
5.30 - 7PM
KITCHEN at KIMBERS
£5 for Adults
£2.50 for Kids

Thankfully we are up and running again after COVID and the Kimber family are kindly letting us use the "Kitchen at Kimbers" for this popular event.

Entry includes 2 pancakes and a soft drink.

Savoury and Sweet pancakes, and if 2 aren't enough, extra pancakes are available for £1.50 each

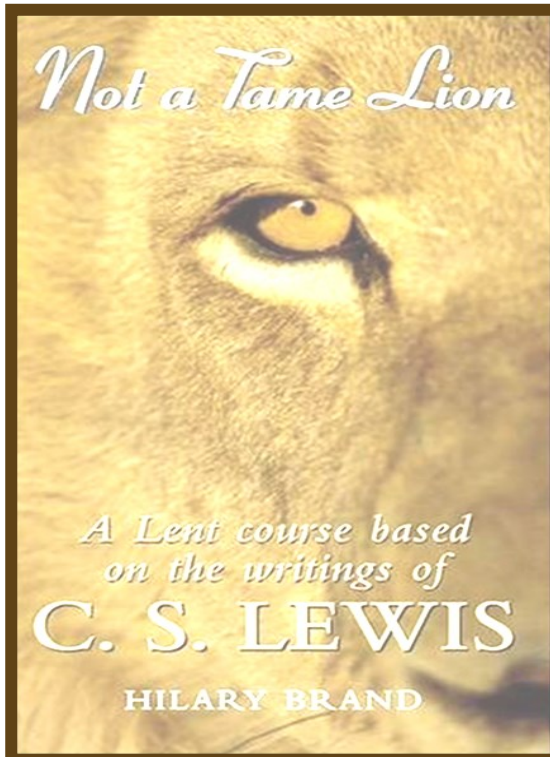
Also our traditional Egg Shackling, a not to be missed Somerset tradition!!!

Other attractions include, egg and spoon races, egg decorating and of course a pancake tossing competition.

High chairs available for tiny ones and a nice warm fire for older folk !!!

Do come along, And join in the fun.





Lent Course

based on the writing of C.S.Lewis

starts

Tuesday March 8th

for five weeks

Based on two films **Shadowlands** (1993) and **The Chronicles of Narnia: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe** (2005).

Lent Course Dates

March 8th: Living in the Shadows

March 15th: Living with the Beyond

March 22nd: Living with the Unexplained

March 29th: Living with What We're Given

April 5th: Living with Absence

7.00pm at **Paradise Cottage, Barrow Lane, Charlton Musgrove, BA9 8HW**

Film Viewing Dates

Sat Mar 5th, 5pm - **The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe**

Mon Mar 7th, 7.30pm - **Shadowlands**

both at **Chestnuts, Rowls Lane, Cucklington BA9 9PY**



Easter Sunday

April 17th 6.00am

**St Andrew's Churchyard
Stoke Trister**



**Good Friday April
15th**

**Cucklington Village Hall
10.15 to 11.45am
Followed by refreshments!**

CSI:Easter is an interactive workshop where participants are invited to try to solve 'The case of the missing body' through studying fingerprints, breaking codes, investigating crime scenes, performing scientific experiments and much more!

For ages 5-10 years

To book a place, please email

rosyashley@hotmail.com

Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance is delighted to announce the launch the of its' 'Blossoming and Blooming' Open Garden initiative.

Whether people decide to simply open their gardens to members of the public, or have a cream tea or BBQ alongside, the initiative provides a fantastic opportunity for people to hold a special event within their local community in aid of Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance. The life-saving charity receives no direct funding from the Government or the National Lottery and relies on the generosity of the public to help raise their operational costs of over £5 million per year. Community fundraising initiatives like 'Blossoming and Blooming' play a vital role in helping to do this..

'Blossoming and Blooming' is the charity's latest fundraising initiative, which asks people to show their support by opening their gardens to members of the public between June and September this year. The aim of the campaign is to bring local communities across Dorset and Somerset together, to celebrate the wonderful gardens spread across both counties, whilst raising awareness and funds for Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance, no matter the size of the garden or whether they are pristine or wild.



OUR BUSES ARE UNDER THREAT

April 2022 was meant to augur in a new era for our buses when the £3 billion as part of Bus Back Better, National Strategy for Buses for England, could be used to improve bus services.

Somerset's bid for £163 million of Bus Back Better money was needed as Somerset bus services are currently rated the worst county service in England. However, the Bus Back Better fund has been oversubscribed, with bids totaling about £24 billion, so it is unknown how much Somerset will receive. But it is unlikely we will get anything like the amount Somerset needs.

The 2 years of Covid with endless warnings not to use buses has seen bus passenger numbers down 40% on pre Covid levels. This has meant the Government has had to step in and subsidise bus services in order to keep them running. To fund this the Government has diverted more than half of the £3 billion pot allocated for transforming our bus services to simply maintaining our current bus services.

Worse still, the Government has still not said whether it will keep funding our existing bus services from April.

If it doesn't, then without this subsidy, bus services across the country (including here in Somerset) could "fall off the side of the cliff" (as said by Wera Hobhouse, Bath MP). It's been estimated 30% of bus services would go with some routes disappearing completely.

Without this Covid Bus Recovery Grant, a leading bus operator has said, "The bus sector is hurtling towards disaster."

So what can we do?

Could you please ... today ... send an email (doesn't need to be long) to the Government Buses Minister demanding that the Covid-19 Bus Recovery Grant funding is continued beyond April.

Send it to BARONESS VERA OF NORBITON (Buses Minister) - verec@parliament.uk.

Also copy your email to your MP: DAVID WARBURTON (Somerton and Frome) - david.warburton.mp@parliament.uk

Please also copy in Somerset Bus Partnership to any emails too. Our email address: somersetbuspartnership@gmail.com .

There's never been a time when our bus services in Somerset have been at so much risk.

Somerset Bus Partnership Team

<https://www.somersetbuspartnership.co.uk>

(edited)

Time to get walking again!

At this time of year we start to think about the mud drying up and getting out to walk in the beautiful English Countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

Walking in Somerset <https://www.walkinginengland.co.uk/somerset> has hundreds of walks to download and print, free, it also has books of walks, details of all the walking groups in the county and much more. Whether you want to walk on your own or with a group all the information is there in one place.

John Harris (the custodian of the website) said 'There is so much walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Somerset (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

With walks from half a mile to twelve miles plus long, and a note of suitability for pushchairs and wheelchairs, everyone can find a walk to enjoy.

So home or away, check out the websites and get walking!

John Harris

www.walkinginengland.co.uk, john@walkinginengland.co.uk



VILLAGES' WALKING GROUP

In good companionship twelve of us ventured out to Pen Selwood for our February walk and, despite an ominous forecast, the weather was kind to us. By the time we finished we were walking in light drizzle but, for the most part, a gentle breeze kept much of the rain away, so we were able to walk in good heart – and mostly dry.

Before setting off we took a moment to look at the rhododendron in full flower in Pen Selwood churchyard, with its dark red flowers a truly amazing – and heartening - sight so early in the season.

From the church we let Marsh Lane lead us to the Nature Reserve at Moldrams Ground, with the stepped climb out of the reserve being the only steep part of the walk. Crossing over the road, the field footpaths allowed us to circumvent the reservoir, and we found our way across further fields to Pear Ash Lane and then on to Monarch's Way. Before reaching Coombe Lane we branched off right, across the fields again, to follow the footpath bringing us to the top end of Coombe Lane near its junction with Bleak Street, then into Bleak Street before taking to the fields once more, to end up back at St. Michael's Church.

Using footpaths and lanes we had, in effect, walked a large irregularly-shaped circle around the church, walking for just about 1½ hours and covering almost 3 miles.

From the outset of the group it was hoped other members would lead walks, and so it is great that Tony and Janet Cole, two very experienced walkers who know many of the local highways and byways, have kindly agreed to lead our March Walk. This will be on **Thursday 17th March** – location not yet known, but this will be circulated nearer the time.

So if you are not celebrating St. Patrick's day (or even if you are!) or are not at the Cheltenham Festival do come and join us for our March walk; you will be most welcome.

Fingers crossed, we hope it may be possible to arrange a Cucklington walk in April, and also in April or early May we shall endeavor to arrange a bluebell walk.

Mike & Eileen Vockins

01963 34837 mdvockins@btinternet.com



UDDER FARM NEWS



Hello 128 here this month, I thought that it has been some time since my ramblings, so decided to let you know what has been happening to us all recently.

Well as our old friend 214 told you last month, we were expecting a new red mixer wagon to arrive, which it has, or most of it, so now we get fed from the top of the yard to the bottom, which means we have to remember where to wait if we want the first fresh feed of the day. For some of us, because we ate so much at the previous feed, we just stay and relax in our recently fresh bedded cubicles (private bedrooms) and wait for the greedy ones to eat their fill. There is plenty for everyone anyway, what's the hurry, it's there 24/7.

Some of you may have recently thought you had seen the big blue tractor pulling a big red tanker through the village, you were wrong because it wasn't red, it was a green tanker, it was hauling organic manure to fertilize the grass for our silage next winter. On the back of it there are a lot of pipes, known as a dribble bar, this is to put the slurry directly onto the ground, so that more of the N, P, K (plant food) can be utilised by the plants, another bonus, by all accounts, because it goes directly onto the ground there is less smell! Compared to firing it into the air and smothering everything.

At the beginning of this week most of us were treated to more examinations involving arm length plastic gloves, this was when we were scanned to see if we were pregnant. A large proportion of us were, which means there will be a lot of tiny hooves running around next August/September, and a lot of us dry (on holiday) in July/August when hopefully we will be able to lie around in the fields and sunbathe. Those that were not in calf (pregnant) have been treated to the M.A.M.I.L coloured paint again, fluorescent green, this time.

I have been told by them, that I must tell you that Wyke Farms, who make our milk into cheese, has recently announced that its prize winning 'Ivy's Reserve Vintage Cheddar' is now available as a 'world first', carbon neutral branded cheddar cheese. I think of it as a bit of Cucklington leading the world. Hope you can find some and enjoy it.

Hopefully next time one of us writes we will be out enjoying fresh grass with some warm sun on our backs, but knowing the weather we are having at the moment, I doubt it.

Number 128 and the girls



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee
2022

CHARLTON MUSGROVE

The village would like to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a traditional village party.

The idea is to start the day with a 'commemorative photo' of all the residents in the village, and progress to a celebration buffet style lunch, an afternoon of traditional games for all ages, and a toast to the Queen with fizz/tea and a Jubilee cake, followed by some music.

Several people have offered to help with the food, the decorations, setting up etc., and inevitably there are costs for which we will need to raise some money in order to make the party free to all villagers. Things such as a large, traditional style, open-sided tent, toilets and a generator as a basic minimum

How you can help...

We are asking everyone if they can contribute towards funds for the day. To make this a great event we estimate we will need roughly £5500. All money raised will be specifically for the Jubilee Party. This is classed as a charity event, and the great benefits of gift aid apply. If you can, and you donate through the Just Giving link, please make sure to fill in the Gift Aid section as this will enable us to claim a further 25% from the Inland Revenue to add to your donation.

Any donation, big or small will help us to create a real community party to remember. The shape of the final party will reflect the funds raised, and the sooner we know what we have, the better we can plan and make the most of them. **Please reply, if possible, by the end of March.**

Here is the link and barcode to our JustGiving page:

<https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/charltonmusgrove>



Thank you for your help. We hope this will be a very special day.

The Charlton Musgrove Jubilee Team.

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February	
Monday 21st Feb	Coffee Morning, St. Johns, Charlton Musgrove, 10am
Saturday 26th Feb	Coffee Morning, Cucklington Village Hall, 10am
Monday 28th Feb	Coffee Morning, St. Johns, Charlton Musgrove, 10am
Monday 28th Feb	Wessex Fibre Broadband Update, Bayford Village Hall, 6.30pm
March	
Tuesday 1st March	Pancake Party, Kitchen at Kimbers, 5.30 - 7pm
Wednesday 2nd March	Ash Wednesday Communion, St Stephens, Charlton Musgrove, 18.30pm
Thursday 3rd March	Coffee Morning, Village Hall, Bayford, 10 am
Friday 4th March	Pop Up Pub, AMMH, Cucklington, 7.30pm
Saturday 5th March	Lent Course Film (Lion, Witch & the Wardrobe) Rowls Lane, Cucklington, 5pm
Saturday 5th March	'Welcome to Spring', Bayford Village Hall, 6pm
Monday 7th March	Coffee Morning, St. Johns, Charlton Musgrove, 10am
Monday 7th March	Lent Course Film (Shadowlands) Rowls Lane, Cucklington, 7.30pm
Tuesday 8th March	Lent Course, Paradise Cottage, Charlton Musgrove, 7pm
Thurs 10th March	Cucklington electoral roll deadline
Friday 11th March	Scrabble Night, AMMH, Cucklington, 7pm
Monday 14th March	Coffee Morning, St. Johns, Charlton Musgrove, 10am
Tuesday 15th March	Lent Course, Paradise Cottage, Charlton Musgrove, 7pm
Wednesday 16th March	Village Lunch, Village Lunch, Bayford, 12.15
Thursday 17th March	Walking Group, TBC
Friday 18th March	Coffee Morning, Village Hall, Charlton Musgrove, 10.30am
Monday 21st March	Coffee Morning, St. Johns, Charlton Musgrove, 10am
Tuesday 22nd March	Lent Course, Paradise Cottage, Charlton Musgrove, 7pm
Saturday 16th March	Coffee Morning, Village Hall, Cucklington, 10am
Sunday 27th March	Mothering Sunday Celebration Tea, St Johns, Charlton Musgrove, 4pm
Monday 28th March	Coffee Morning, St. Johns, Charlton Musgrove, 10am
Tuesday 29th March	Lent Course, Paradise Cottage, Charlton Musgrove, 7pm

No more waiting to see which bins the neighbours put out.....

MARCH 2022

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MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
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The above collection calendar is correct (according to SSDC) for all Charlton Musgrove, Bayford, most of Stoke Trister (BA9 9PJ, BA9 9PQ) and part of Cucklington (BA9 9QH, BA9 9QJ, BA9 9QY, BA9 9PW, BA9 9PU, BA9 9QN)

For other postcodes in Stoke Trister and Cucklington the recycling and garden waste is the same but refuse is 4th MAR and 25th MAR