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CHAIR'S WELCOME

What a sunny and dry start we have had to Spring this year; the bluebells have been fantastic at the top of Cleeve Hill (and everywhere else). What's in store for the rest of the summer?! Hopefully it will be sunny and dry for North Somerset Arts week (3-11 May) – do please visit the 10 or so venues in and around Cleeve.

After a few months of inter-regnum a new Vicar has been appointed to Cleeve and we will welcome Daile Wilshire to Cleeve before long. And good news from Cleeve Parish Council which has given All About Cleeve a grant of £400 to help cover costs. This is essential support for which we are most grateful, enabling us to continue to provide 10 editions a year free of charge.

*Denis Burn
Chair*

DEBI HOLLAND

For four years Debi Holland has written a Plant of the Month article for every edition of AAC, demonstrating quite clearly her deep understanding of plants and how to look after them. She started her career however in media, TV, documentary making and website management. Her passion for gardening evolved from having an allotment and volunteering at Tyntesfield. She went on to study for an RHS Diploma in Horticulture and set up her own business caring for gardens www.debihollandgardening.com. She now writes for national magazines and is involved in video making. We are very grateful for her many contributions to All About Cleeve and all the knowledge she has shared with us.

Denis Burn

YATTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday May 6th - talk by Elaine Cook on Keynsham Abbey
7 30pm Yatton Methodist Church BS49 4DW.
Contact yattonlocalhistorysoc@gmail.com

Marianne Pitman

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2nd Sunday 11th May

10.00am – St Barnabas: Shared Parish Communion

3rd Sunday 18th May

10.00am - Holy Trinity: Shared Parish Communion

4th Sunday 25th May

10.00am - St Barnabas: Shared Parish Communion

10.00am – Cleeve Village hall – Café Church

29th May Ascension Day

7.00pm – All Saints' Kingston Seymour: Group Communion

*Change of Venue

Thursday May services 9.30am

1st May Holy Trinity: Healing & Wholeness, Lay Lead

8th May Holy Trinity: Healing & Wholeness + Bread of fellowship,
Lay Lead

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29th May Holy Trinity: Healing & Wholeness + Bread of
fellowship, Lay Lead

Any enquiries please contact the office –

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VE DAY AFTERNOON TEA AT CLEEVE VILLAGE HALL

On the afternoon of Sunday 4th May Cleeve Village Hall are looking to remember those service personnel who gave their lives in the second world war by holding a traditional cream tea at the hall between 2 and 4pm.

Scones, jam, cream and a cup of tea coupled with the music of yesteryear in the background allowing villagers to reflect on those challenging times.

There is no charge for attending but donations are welcome, every single penny of which will go to the Royal British Legion.

It is our villages opportunity to reflect on those who gave their lives to ensure our freedom

Please support us if you can.

Cleeve Village hall committee



NATIONAL GARDEN SCHEME OPEN GARDEN

The garden at Little Bucklers, Brockley Lane, Brockley BS48 3AZ will be open for the NGS on the afternoons of 31st May and 1st June. Each year the NGS raise millions for nursing charities such as Macmillan and Marie Curie and the garden owners, Peter and Carol Parfrey, want to support this charity as cancer has touched so many of their family members and friends.

The garden is about $\frac{3}{4}$ acre and has lots of different areas such as gravel beds, small ponds, woodland and a vegetable plot. Peter and Carol are hoping for good weather so that visitors can enjoy the garden and relax in one of the many seating places with a cup of tea.

As well as a plants and greeting cards there will be tea and cakes for sale.

Opening times are 1pm to 5pm and admission is £5, children free. For more information visit ngs.org.uk

Peter Parfrey

TIP FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Lift and dry off tulips after flowering ready for replanting in the late autumn. Other bulbs can be left in the ground.



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TIP FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Prune early flowering shrubs back now so that they have time to make new growth and flower buds for next year. Large Forsythia can be cut back hard, flowering currants trimmed a little and Camellias can be trimmed to reshape them. Spirea arguta, Chaenomeles, winter jasmine, Kerria, Choisya and Viburnum tinus will benefit from careful pruning.

YATTON BOWLING CLUB

Roll up, roll up for our open afternoon on Sunday 25th May.

All welcome. Refreshments available and the bar will be open. Come along anytime between 2 and 5pm and try bowls out on a fun, relaxing afternoon. All you need is a pair of flat soled shoes, everything else provided. If you are unable to attend the afternoon we offer free coaching at a time that suits you.

For further information please contact Alison on 07855 496779

Alison Storm



NEWS FROM COURT DE WYCK

By the time you read this we will be back from Easter break but just a summary of the end of last term.

Firstly huge congratulations to our Dance Club who performed at the Weston Playhouse Theatre as part of the Dance Festival at the end of March.

The various classes have been actively involved in activities varying from learning about the Victorian era to working on our new iPads, learning to use them safely. Robin Class have been Forest Explorers looking for signs of spring outside, enjoying the Sunny weather and using daisies and primroses to decorate their easter eggs.

We would also like to thank both Rev. John Angle for joining us in our Easter Worship along with all the parents who were able to attend, the children did a fantastic job in sharing their Easter learning. Members of the Congregation of Holy Trinity also went into the School in mid March for "Easter in a box" with the Year 4/5 children. The children were enthusiastic and knowledgeable and very welcoming to their visitors.

Below are two children's art work as depicted on their egg boxes they were given during 'Easter in a box' First are two pictures - one developed from another as the story was told - the first with three crosses on a green hill and the second showing the darkness of Good Friday and the enlightenment of the resurrection on Easter Day.

The third picture shows a simple but effective flower setting.

Elizabeth Vaughan



CLEEVE TENNIS CLUB

Cleeve Tennis Club held its first Major event of the season on Saturday 5th April, a Junior Tournament inviting neighbouring tennis clubs to participate the baton was taken up by Congresbury, Backwell and Nailsea Tennis Clubs all participating in all three categories, Under 8s, Under12s, and over 12s

The event was organised by Long term coach John Tate with his Wife Emma along with Club Charman Phil Stackhouse, the weather was lovely and sunny with so many parents and grandparents coming along to support the children, so many members gave up their time, providing teas and coffees, cakes and snacks, we also had a BBQ going, all this made it a wonderful event with such a wonderful atmosphere

Each child won a medal and certificate with the winners and runners up receiving a Trophy each

The under 8s was won by Nailsea and Backwell LTC with the Runner up from Congresbury LTC

Under 12s was a Nailsea and Backwell Final

And the Over12s was an all Cleeve LTC Final which was an amazing match that could of gone either way eventually Harry Roberts and Jacob Lucas won the match

A big congratulations and thankyou to all the competitors

The event was sponsored again by Yeo Valley Lions for the 4th year running and they have already agreed to sponsor the event again in 2026

A big thanks to the Lions who do so much for the local community helping both the young and the elderly

Phil Stackhouse

HARRY AND JACOB - WINNERS



CHILDREN AND PARENTS



TIPS FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Regularly tie in sweet peas and remove unwanted side shoots.

Hosta divide well this month. Lift clumps and split them up making certain that each shoot has plenty of root attached.

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Doddle hat

Basic Pattern

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Knitting

1. Using double knitting yarn and some 4mm needles, cast on 28 stitches.
2. K2 rows. Then, starting with a knit row, work in stocking stitch (Knit 1 row, Purl 1 row, repeat) for 12 more rows.
3. For the next row, K2 together across all the stitches (14 stitches). And for the row after that, P2 together to the end (7 stitches).
4. When you've finished, cut the yarn leaving about 25 cm. Thread the cut end of the yarn through a sewing needle, then run it through the loops and remove the knitting needle.
5. Tighten the yarn and sew the little hat together at the side. Once finished, turn it right-side out so that the seam you've just sewn runs up the inside.
6. When laid out flat, the hat dimensions should be about 5-7cm along the bottom and at least 3cm high.
7. Sew a little bobble onto the top of the hat.



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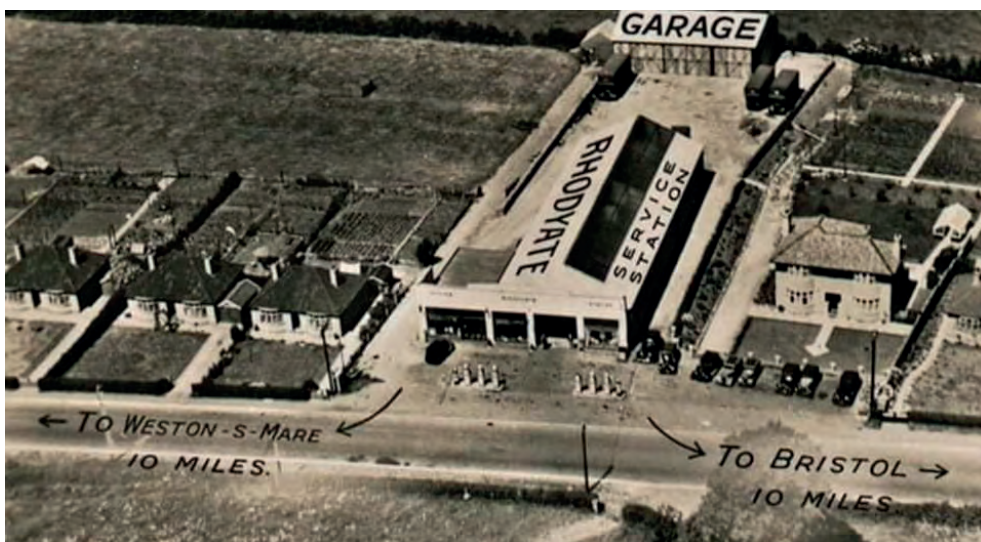


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Savannah Gardner is rewriting the Outlaw Country genre. Her freewheeling, sometimes gritty, sometimes hauntingly beautiful songs speak to a new generation of country fans. Her special connection with her audience has earned her the UK AMA's Live Act of the Year Nomination for 2025.

An unmissable night if you are a music lover and advanced booking is highly recommended as at the time of going to press there are only 20 tickets left and available here: <https://wegottickets.com/event/655023/>

We are serving up a complimentary bowl of chilli at half time and to help with catering please email us at info@cleevevillagehall.co.uk if you would like to select a vegetarian option or have any special dietary requirements.

There will be a cash licenced bar and raffle, all profits for Hall fundraising. See you there!

Anita and Stephanie
The Cleeve Village Hall Ents Committee

HOLLY CARTER



SAVANNAH GARDNER



COFFEE CONCERT CHRIST CHURCH, NAILSEA

Do come along to another of our very popular coffee concerts on 10th May given by Phil Lawrence and friends.

Coffee/tea & cake from 10.30 in the hall followed by 45 minutes of music in the church from 11.15.

No tickets required.

£5 suggested donation for church funds.

John Broughton

NORTH SOMERSET ARTS WEEK

From 3rd - 11 May, over 200 local artists will be opening up their home and studios or gathering in shared venues to show us their latest work - contemporary and traditional art; from ceramics to textiles, paintings to sculpture. Watch out for the distinctive pink flags that lead to over 39 locations across the county.

Arts Week is the flagship biennial event showcasing artists and makers, alternating with the Member's Exhibition, which will be in May 2026. We are invited to explore North Somerset, visit areas and artists we've never seen before, connect and have conversations, and most of all to be inspired!

Local venues include Cleeve Nursery, the Village Hall, Holy Trinity and St Barnabas churches, the Friends Meeting House, 3 Bishops Mead, Brockley Hall and Chelvey Batch. Full details can be found at www.northsomersetarts.org.

Denis Burn

NAILSEA DISTRICT LEG CLUB

Handbags, purses, backpacks, small suitcases on sale outside Waitrose on Saturday 17 May – please come to see what's on offer. Before that donations (in good, clean condition please) can be taken to 65 High Street, Nailsea.

In July Leg Club will be celebrating ten years since it first opened, and it has evolved since then, but the ethos is still the same – it's a drop-in clinic for anyone registered with Tyntesfield Medical Group, who has lower leg issues. These mornings run every Wednesday from 9.00 – 12 noon, they can be busy and may involve a wait, but patience will be rewarded and there's always refreshments (including cake). New volunteers are much needed.

Carole Brooke can answer any queries about any of the above on 07954 302498.

Judith Brown

A NEW VICAR!

Members of Holy Trinity and St Barnabas congregations are delighted to announce the appointment of Daile Wilshere as our new "House for Duties" priest. Daile, her husband Paul and daughter Rebecca will be moving into the Village in June and her licensing service is planned for 14th July.

At the same time Yatton Moor parish who we are now working with as a group Ministry have appointed Denise Calverley as their new Rector also starting in July.

Exciting times for both parishes. We are most grateful for the support we have had from everyone over the interregnum.

Elizabeth Vaughan

TIP FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Treat those lawn weeds with a good lawn weed killer like Weedol Lawn Weedkiller now. This is the best time to do it. However, don't use the cut grass for composting until the fourth cut after applying weedkillers.

CLEEVE TENNIS CLUB

We have now finished the North Somerset winter league and Cleeve A team won Division 3 and our B team won Division 9 both getting promoted.

The Club is doing really well with new Led lights and a new surface on court 2, Club membership is up and we intend on having a price freeze on our membership in 2025

We have also raised over £1800.00 for Macmillan Cancer support in the last five months following the Club Chairman beating head and Neck Cancer last year.

*Phil Stackhouse
Cleeve Tennis Club Chairman*

A TEAM

Brian Robinson
Lizzie Sheppard
Jazz Hillier
Andrew Polley



B TEAM

Joe Murphy
Harriet Burn
Sally Lee
Phil Stackhouse
Mike Mintrim



TIPS FROM CLEEVE NURSERY

Start feeding greenhouse tomatoes with a high potash tomato feed as soon as you can see the first visible tiny fruit.

Increase ventilation on bright days. It may be necessary to open vents very early in the morning and close late in the evening or even leave them a little open at night.

Apply shade [spray-on or netting] to the roof of your greenhouse to keep temperatures down.

Some houseplants, such as Cymbidium orchids, Yucca, Aralia, Aspidistra, ivies, ferns and Begonia can be moved outside this month for summer. Put them in a shady spot until they get used to the brighter light outside and make sure they get watered regularly.

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 and Marianne Pitman.

Below is the Chairman's Report delivered at the Annual Parish Meeting on 14 April.

Cleeve Parish Council Chairman's report 2024/25

Your Council: There have been a few changes this year, we welcomed the return of Cllr Lister in June through co-option, however sadly we've recently had several resignations...

Caroline, Cleeve's village orderly has moved away, we thank her for her 8 years service and wish her & her family all the best in their new home in Cossington. We welcomed Judy Kiernan to the role on 1.4.25.

Chris Monkman's contract finished in March, he is no longer taking on ground maintenance but will be running a cafe in Cheddar, we wish him all the best... our new contract for grass cutting is with Greener Future Ground Services Ltd.

Cllr Geoff Pritchard resigned recently following a stroke, we thank him for all his help with planning applications and sharing his extensive local knowledge and wish him a speedy recovery.

Cllr Debs Lister sadly resigned after realising that since rejoining the PC it is not the right time for her.

Lastly, Cllr George Stringer resigned... although sad for Cleeve it is following a 55 year voluntary service with local government, 22 of those with Cleeve PC, we thank him for his dedication and wish him a well-deserved retirement.

In the past year the PC has responded to several NSC Consultations, most recently the local plan 2040... we responded no to all proposed potential sites for additional housing development in Cleeve.

Traffic: We have submitted 3 requests to NSC for speed reductions, we await their response.

We are hopeful the plans shown by the BSIP team tonight will be the impetus for moving our vision forward.

Finance: In January we increased the precept by 10%

We set a precept level of £19,249 which equates to £51.04 per year for a Band D property.

This was a hard decision to make but this increase will cover a rise in costs and extra financial liabilities that we have taken on in the past year following changes to NSC's delivering together program.

Planning: CPC responded to 9 planning applications last year, covering:

1 new house	4 extensions/refurbishments to existing houses
1 new outbuilding	3 others e.g advertising and retrospective

We sent a letter requesting an Environmental Impact Assessment with regards the solar farm proposal above Cleeve/Wrington

Airport: Thank you to Cllr Burn for her continued commitment attending airport meetings and keeping us informed of ongoing discussions regarding airport dispensations, particularly those allowable for night flights and more recently the Airport master plan.

Community: This year we awarded grants of the following amounts to local organisations:

All About Cleeve £400. Yatton United Charities £100

Open spaces: Progress is being made at the Community Orchard in the former Millennium Garden. We held another volunteer session in January to plant more fruit trees... thank you to all who donated a tree for the orchard and those who came to help.

The Future: British Telecom are wanting to remove the phone box on Pound Green. Cleeve PC can adopt the box for £1. We have had a suggestion to use it as a community library/book share, do you have any other ideas?

Whatever the converted box becomes we would need some one/people to organise and manage it... could you help?

We would also like to have some sort of community event in the orchard ... would you like an Apple day in October? An annual celebration of apples and orchards? Any ideas from village groups?... maybe have an apple pie making contest with judging and prizes? Apple activities/crafts for children?

If you would like to help, please get in touch.

Thanks: Finally, thank you to all the Councillors and our clerk for their continued hard work on behalf of the community.

Could you be a Parish Councillor?: As mentioned in the Chairman's Report, we currently have 3 Councillor vacancies on Cleeve Parish Council.

If you are interested, please email me on cleveparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk
and ask for an application form or phone 07934 191964 if you would like an informal chat.

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.

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Andy Warren

Clerk to Cleeve Parish Council

I can be contacted on 07932 191964 and by email on

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2nd Saturday of month - Kenn & Yatton
3rd Saturday of month - Claverham

MAY

North Somerset Arts Week. Various Locations. May 3rd - 11th

VE Day Afternoon Tea. May 4th. Cleeve Village Hall. 2 - 4pm

Yatton Local History Society. May 6th. Yatton Methodist Church. 7 30pm

Coffee Concert. May 10th. Christ Church, Nailsea. 10:30am

Foraging and Edible Wild Plants. May 15th. St. Nicholas Church, Brockley. 7:00pm

Country/Americana Extravaganza. May 23rd. Cleeve Village Hall.

Open Afternoon. May 25th. Yatton Bowling Club. 2 - 5pm

Open Garden Scheme. May 31st - June 1st. Little Bucklers, Brockley Lane, BS48 3AZ
1 - 5pm

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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