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Message From Donyatt Parish Council

We have been asked by members of the public, to remind householders and landowners of their responsibility to keep their boundary hedges cut so that they do not obstruct / overhang the roadside, public paths and pavements.

By popular demand and as a result of last years' Donyatt Village Survey, a Speed Indicator Device was installed, in June, alongside the A358 coming into Donyatt from Chard.

We can see this is already having an effect in slowing traffic entering the village just by watching all the brake-lights come on as drivers get flashed by the SID. We intend to purchase a second SID when funds allow, meanwhile the current one will be moved to various locations in Donyatt to see where it has the most effect.

Please note: the Parish Council now has a new website address - www.donyattpc.co.uk - where you will find up to date information regarding meetings etc. The old site will no longer be updated.

100 CLUB

June Winners

1st - Andrew & Debbie Watson
2nd - Martin Gould
3rd - Gerry Compton

July Winners

1st - Julia Hayman
2nd - Sandra Parsons
3rd - Helena Bagwell



Sadly, no one guessed the names of the guinea pigs correctly at the fete - they are Winnie and Twiggy.

VICAR'S MUSINGS

Always a highlight of the year is the wonderful Donyatt Fete. This year proved to be no different, a huge success with many happy visitors coming along, even the weather was kind to us.

My thanks must go to all of you who popped by but especially to those of you who work so hard in putting this event together, your generosity is heart-warming.

From myself and St Mary's Church - THANK YOU - and bless you.

Every Blessing - Revd Philip Albrow
Rector Isle Valley Benefice T. 01823 480273
Revdphilipalbrow@gmail.com
Rest Day - Thursdays.



SUMMER FETE SUCCESS

Although it was a very windy day at Park Manor for the fete, it was once again a great success raising £2128.00 towards the cost of keeping the Church open, without which we would have to close the Church and Churchyard permanently.

We would like to thank Robert Doak for the use of his beautiful garden, all the volunteers and everyone for your support.
THANK YOU ALL



This is Pam Hull, the 98yr old ex-resident of the village who opened the fete this year for the 2nd time.

Fun for all the family



Enjoying refreshments in the sunshine



Gemini Big Breakfast

Sunday 11th August 2024
9am to 12pm (and every second Sunday of the month)
(last orders 11:30am)

Takeaway options available
Gluten free and vegetarian options
Donyatt Village Hall, TA19 0RG

The George Inn

If you need to take a break and refresh yourselves whilst on a lovely summer's walk, we are offering our light bites menu that will be served 2-5pm Wednesday to Saturday. Includes a selection of starters, desserts, Scampi and chips, Ham, egg and chips alongside sandwiches.

There is no need to book a table, however if you would like to, please ring 01460 53822 or email info@georgeatdonyatt.co.uk.

Donyatt Village Hall Committee

We are seeking a Cleaner to help keep our Village Hall clean and tidy.

This is a paid position, with a commitment of 4 to 6 hrs per wk at a rate of £15 per hr on a self employed basis.

For more information or to apply for this position, please contact

Phil King on 0845 643 0288

Services at St Mary's Donyatt for August:

4th - Iona Abbey morning praise (banns to be read) 10am
11th - Hymns & Pimms. 5pm
18th - Holy Communion 11am

Hymns & Pimms:

We would like to celebrate and acknowledge all the wonderful volunteers we have in our village. Not just within St Mary's, but for the success of fundraising events such as the Summer fete, Village Duck Race, Christmas Bazaar and food events at the village hall. You are all invited to join us for an evening of nibbles and Hymns & Pimms at St Mary's Church, from 5pm on August 11th. It's your Church and we can only keep it there for the community with your help, so thank you all very much.

Hope to see you there - Trish, Jacky and the PCC.



David Light of Donyatt Parish Council organised a brush-cut at the Halt, so it would be clear for the school holiday period.



The brush-cutting volunteers



Thank you to all those who volunteered and gave their time to help with the clearance. Their efforts were much appreciated.

Donyatt's Flower & Vegetable Show
Sunday 18th August
Donyatt Village Hall
Open to the public from 2pm
Presentations at 4pm
Refreshments & Raffle
Contact donnagrabham@hotmail.co.uk
for more information
Schedules available now! Entry deadline - Monday 12th August

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♣ Social Club ♦
♦ Whist Drives ♣
♠ In Donyatt Village Hall ♥
♥ Tue 6 Aug ♠
♣ 7:30 ♦
♦ Tue 20 Aug ♣
♠ 7:30 ♥
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sun 4 Aug - Iona Abbey Morning Praise - 10am
Tue 6 Aug - Whist Drive - DVH - 7.30pm
Sun 11 Aug - Hymns and Pimms - St Mary's 5pm
Sun 11 Aug - Big Breakfast - DVH - 9am
Mon 12 Aug - Flower Show Deadline
Sun 18 Aug - Flower show - DVH - 2pm
Tue 20 Aug - Whist Drive - DVH - 7.30pm

CLOSING DATE: Tuesday 20 August

for the September Edition

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FRIENDS OF DONYATT DESPATCH GATHERING

Friends of Donyatt Despatch gathered at The George, on the evening of Thursday 25th July. Once again, there were plenty of people in attendance and we enjoyed a pleasant evening, catching up with news and having a few laughs.

As usual, there was a prize draw - once again our faithful supporters, Helen and Steve at The George, provided a voucher as one of the prizes, won by Sara & Dean Wildman. The other prize was olive wood coasters and a bottle of wine, won by John White. John chose to offer the coasters as an additional prize, won by Fran Fisher.

We are always happy to have new Friends, so if you'd like to join in, to help keep our village publication in print, please contact one of the Editors, or come along to the next get together - date to be advised. We only ask for a contribution of £5 p.a. to be part of our scheme and to have your name included in the draw. Happily we have now filled all the sponsorship slots for 2024, but if you would like to secure one for 2025, we'd love to hear from you. It is just £20 to let residents know about what you do.