

Help for Stawley Community Shop

IN distributing the £5,000 allocated to me for my division this year, I have involved the parish councils in identifying projects in their communities.

I am delighted that two parishes have chosen to recommend that I support the Stawley Community Association's new community shop and post office at Stawley School, Appley.

This project, which was completed in early February, has had tremendous support from local people and I am delighted to be able to give it a further £800. I would like to pay enormous tribute to all those who have been involved with bringing this to fruition.

*Caroline Smeaton
County Councillor, Upper
Tone Division*



The cheque being presented to Peggy Wotton MBE, the current post-mistress of Greenham, who has been one of the main driving forces behind this project.

Launch day for Wiveliscombe Book of Circular Walks

DID you know that the Lottery Awards for All have funded the Wiveliscombe Parish Council to publish a book of eleven circular walks from Wiveliscombe Square?

Saturday April 29th at 10am in Wiveliscombe Community Centre is the proposed time for the launch. The book will be available for purchase at a discounted price (which will not break the bank balance)

over the Bank Holiday weekend.

Please check the date on the posters or telephone 01984 624777 or 01984 624075 a few days beforehand.

This spiral bound book is illustrated with line drawings, maps drawn to scale and includes points of interest for all walks. It is easy to use and has a laminated full colour cover.

The longest walk is the 23-mile Wivey Way which encircles the town. It can,

however, easily be completed in shorter sections, for the less active, by an earlier return to the Square.

There are 10 other walks from 1 to 7 miles long covering the town itself as well as the surrounding countryside.

Following the launch, at about 11am, there will be a led walk of the first 8 miles of the Wivey Way. Those who only want a taster can return to the Square after 5 1/2 miles or arrange for someone to collect them

from Waterrow after a 4 1/2 mile walk. All walkers should be suitably dressed and shod and bring a picnic lunch.

From about 3pm tea and a celebratory cake, at a small charge, will be served at The White Hart for anyone interested. There will be a further opportunity to purchase the book.

Fire safety advice sessions

EVERY year, the fire service is called out to over 60,000 fires in the home and every year, around 500 people die in these fires and over 10,000 are injured.

If a fire occurs in your home, your chances of survival will depend on how quickly and safely you are able to get out.

Smoke alarms are the first line of defence against fire. They are designed to detect fire in its early stages and can give you those precious few moments to get out safely.

Somerset Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) can provide a FREE home fire safety visit, fit FREE smoke alarms and give advice on the action to be taken in the event of a fire and the points to consider when making a home fire escape plan.

We will be visiting Wiveliscombe Community Office on Friday 21st April, 11am-1pm, to give free fire safety advice and answer any questions you might have.

You can also come and sign up for your FREE smoke alarms and home fire safety visit.

Rotary does it again!

THE Rotary Club of Wiveliscombe are always running great fund-raising events, and their recent de-luxe Christmas Hamper competition was hugely successful with over £1000 being raised towards the costs of the Wivey Link.

The hamper, filled with delicacies from local producers as well as further afield, was won by Caroline and Chris Pearse of Huish Champflower, who were delighted with their win!

As many local people know, the Wivey Link is an invaluable facility for those disadvantaged by lack of transport. It covers a huge rural area of over 25 parishes and can take passengers to any part of those parishes.

The only requirement is to register as a user, then book your travel. Moira and Jill in the Community Office, Wiveliscombe House, in the Square are the two helpful Wivey Link Managers who will book your trip and note your needs. Just give them a call on 01984 624666 and become part of The Wivey Link.

Again, most grateful thanks to the Rotary Club - this money is a real boost to a service we should all value, use and recommend.

Busy Bees now offering free places

BUSY Bees pre-school playgroup is very pleased to announce that as from the start of the Easter term we can now offer free nursery education places to children over the age of 3 years old.

This means that your child can receive up to 55 free sessions per term.

At present we run on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings from 9.00am until 11.30am at The Scout Hut on Old Brewery Road, but as our numbers increase, and depending on need, we plan to offer more sessions.

If you would like to come along and have a look at how much fun we have, then pop in or call to arrange a convenient day and time. We look forward to meeting with lots of new faces.

Contact Lisa on 01984 624979 or Jamila on 01984 623839

We are also looking for a new member of staff to join our team. You would need to be NVQ2 or above and would need to be available for induction training in July, to start work with us in September.

If you think you may be interested then please contact Lisa or Jamila on the above numbers.

Helena Trump

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First Response for Scouts



SOME of Wivey's First Responders attended a recent Scout meeting to teach the scouts some life saving first aid.

First aid is not only an important skill for everyone to learn but is an essential aspect of the Challenge Badges work.

The evening included initial response action, recovery positions, resuscitation, bandaging and what to do with burns and hyperthermia.

Scouts have also attended a recent Chess and Draughts competition. They all played very well and several were

asked to represent the district at the Somerset County competition.

The summer term is going to be an exciting one for the group, when everyone will be out and about whenever possible; at the moment there are already seven camps booked for the different sections.

The group would like to hear from any adult who would like to get involved with working with young people or from anyone who would like to know more about opportunities for young people aged from 6 upwards.

More information is available from Pam Gaines on 01984 634657.

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