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Editorial

2023 here we go...

...well, Happy New Year everyone! It may be wet out there, and way too mild at the moment, but at least it's getting slightly lighter day by day, woo-hoo! Expect snow by February...

Anyway, what happened in the last month? Well, still on the weather tact, some snow, then lots of rain, quite a bit of flooding, lots of mud, loads of leaves (come on Autumn where were you?), blocked drains and, ooh, Christmas! I hope you all had a wonderful time whatever you got up to.

January sees not a lot happening in the village, but moving further into the future we do have some rather exciting events coming up. Yeofest 2023 will be happening up at the hall on Saturday 11th March, Yeo Rocks will be returning sometime in May and then, quite unbelievably we have Darren McGarvey, the BAFTA-nominated author, rapper, social commentator, and sometime BBC Question Time guest, who gave one of this year's Radio 4 Reith Lectures, and sold out his Edinburgh Fringe run performing a spoken word show up at the hall in July. Expect tickets to sell out very quickly as this is currently one of only two shows south of Birmingham. Details on the back of this issue.

And that's that, I really need to scoot now, NYE is literally waiting for me as I write. Have a great New Year and hopefully 2023 will be slightly less chaotic than last year...you can but hope!

Cheers...

The Editor

The Village Voice Is YOUR Village Magazine

We want to hear from you and want you to use it to convey anything you feel of interest to your fellow villagers.

Please leave any items for the YVV at Torridon, Station Road before the **20th of each month**, anything after that date may not be considered until the following month. **You must provide a name and address**, even if this is not for publication.

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Jonathan.

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Feb 16

Mar 16

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Colebrooke Church	0932
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Exeter Bus Station	1020

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Crediton TIC High Street	1345
Raddon Down Cross	1350
THE DUCK AT YEOFORD	1355
Colebrooke Church	1403
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Zeal Monachorum Church	1423

669 (Tuesdays only)

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South Zeal Oxenham Arms	0915
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Hittisleigh Cross	0930
Crockernwell	0945
Cheriton Bishop School	0947
YEO VIEW	1002
Colebrooke Church	1010
Coleford Gospel Hall	1013
Crediton St Saviour's Way	1022
Crediton Morrisons	1027

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2. In 1928, cousins Edward M. Knabusch and Edwin J. Showmaker designed which reclining chair—the world's first—as nature's way of relaxing?
3. Who released the 1970s albums *The Wild*, *the Innocent* and *the E-Street Shuffle*, *Born to Run* and *Darkness on the Edge of Town*?
4. Which vestigial third molars did human ancestors use to help grind down plant tissue?
5. Sent off to join the Royal Navy at 13 years old, which future king saw service at the Battle of Cape St Vincent in 1780?
6. The Symphony No. 9 in C major, known as the "Great", was which Austrian composer's final completed symphony?
7. Which footballing great, who died in July 2014, was nicknamed "la Saeta Rubia" (the Blond Arrow)?
8. Which US company in 2014 topped the Fortune magazine's annual list of the world's 500 largest corporations (by revenue)?
9. What, in architectural terminology, is an oculus?
10. Invented in 1936 by Oklahoma City supermarket owner Sylvan Goldman, the "folding basket carrier" is much better known by which name?

Answers below...

Quiz Answers:

1. *The Postman Always Rings Twice*; 2. La-Z-Boy; 3. Bruce Springsteen; 4. Wisdom teeth; 5. William IV—the Sailor King; 6. Franz Schubert; 7. Alfredo di Stefano; 8. Wal-Mart Stores; 9. A circular window; 10. Shopping trolley

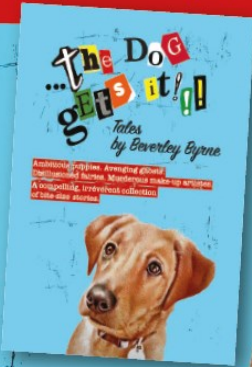
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We hope everyone had a lovely Christmas and New Year and now looking forward to seeing what 2023 has in store.

We will be closing on Wednesday evenings for a few months. Please however refer to the website for our up to date opening times.

We will continue with takeaways on Friday evenings, these can be collected between 5 - 6.30pm and we do ask that they are pre-ordered if possible.

We will be open Tuesday 10th January for a curry night. We will pop the menu on the website and dishes can be eaten in or take away.

Tuesday 24th January will be steak night, this will be eat in only. Again, the menu will go on the website.

Opening times for the Pub up Shop will remain the same as the pub. As always thank you to those customers who are supporting the shop. If you haven't yet been in and had a look please do. We are growing the stock all the time and if you would like us to stock something we don't already then please ask.

We look forward to welcoming you all to the pub throughout 2023.

James, Sarah, Zachary, Lydia and Martha
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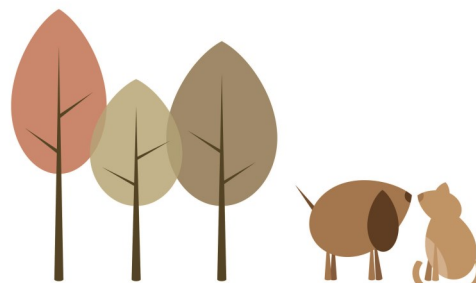
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County Councillor Newsletter—December

As we enter the last month of 2022 I look back and see a tumultuous 12 months. Devon County Council has lost 5 senior officers in that time. This is rather disturbing as we all like continuity.

I have attended several important county meetings and will give a summary of the good and not so good news. It seems that Covid is posing less of a problem at the moment. Last month there were 95 people in hospitals throughout Devon with Covid of whom 2 were on ventilators. The vaccination programme is going very well with a high take up of all ages.

One of the County's scrutiny groups is to set up a focused task group to look at speeding and road safety. We were pleased to hear that over the past year traffic collision numbers are down (we must not call them accidents).

Money or lack of it is a big concern as officers and members look at balancing the budget for the current year and to set the budget for 2023-2024. One thing I can guarantee and that is that we shall be paying more next year. In order to help councils central government will allow them to increase council tax up to 3% (2% last year) and precept for social care to 2% (1% last year) Each 1% of the precept is equal to just over £4 million.

In order to achieve a balanced budget county will need to do two things; obviously council tax etc will increase, but this will not be enough. They will be looking at cuts in services and possible redundancies. We have hard times ahead!

Now that winter is here I shall not be holding my surgeries so any problems you can email me or phone. I will take this opportunity to send you season's greetings! I hope you stay warm enough and have enough to eat and drink.

Contact details email frank.letch@devon.gov.uk and telephone 01363 775739 which has a simple call guard system.

County Councillor Newsletter—January

May I take this opportunity to wish all readers in my county division, district and council ward a happy new year. We have said goodbye to a very dramatic 2022. It has been a year of extremes, high temperatures and drought, high winds and floods to say nothing of ice and snow. We seem to be getting over Covid only to find that many of the services on which we depend now under threat from strikes. We have seen the death of the Queen and on a personal note the death of my mother at the age of 102. Let us hope that 2023 brings a more settled and happy life. One thing that it will bring is the elections in May. You will have the opportunity to vote for parish or town councillors and district councillors.

I am sure that you will have heard or read in the media of the national crisis in children's services where dependence on agency workers means that many councils, which includes Devon, are heavily overspent in this service. For the last year I have been the vice-chairman of the working group that has looked at the special educational needs provision in the county. This follows three fairly critical Ofsted reports. The working group has made a number of suggestions that they hope will improve the service. We are very mindful of the fact that we are dealing with young people's lives. We are told

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that the Department of Education is on the case and is looking to help the counties turn around this dramatic situation. I shall keep my toes crossed and you can cross your fingers!

By April we shall all know just how much council tax we have to pay. Even at this early stage we know that it will be more than last year, possibly considerably more. People will start to moan and ask “what are we getting for our money?” I'm afraid that we councillors often get it “in the neck”, this is one of the prices we pay for getting elected. Our role is to scrutinise the decisions of the executive cabinet and the performance of the officers. We should not be seen as being “in opposition” but rather as critical friends who represent the concerns that our constituents have. This is why when the better weather arrives I shall continue with my monthly surgeries in all the parishes of my division.

Once again a very happy New Year to you all.

Cllr Frank Letch MBE



CREDITON HAMLETS PARISH COUNCIL

At the December meeting of the Parish Council councillors were updated on progress with the new bus shelter for the village. Cllr Frank Letch (DCC) has supported a grant of £500 from the DCC Locality Fund, which will be payable when DCC Highways has approved the location, specification and risk assessment.

Cllr Coren (MDDC) reported that MDDC had voted not to increase the number of parish councillors for the Yeo Ward from five to seven. Thus the overall number of parish councillors for the parish of Crediton Hamlets will remain at nine.

Cllr Price reported concerns about the frequent flooding near the Punchbowl Recycling Centre which had been particularly bad during recent very heavy rain. Three roadside drains are blocked and Cllr Letch (DCC) agreed to ask Highways to clear them.

Councillors made a grant of £175 to Holy Trinity to go towards the upkeep of the churchyard.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 3rd January at Yeoford Community Hall. The meeting will commence at 8pm. If you would like to read the full minutes of the December Parish Council meeting, they are on the PC website. Please contact one of your councillors or Rachel Hodder, the Parish Clerk (clerk@creditonhamlets.org.uk or 01363 85523), if there is something you would like to have discussed at the next Council meeting. Members of public are very welcome to attend any meeting and speak during the public session. Meeting details and contact information for Councillors are on the Parish Council website (www.creditonhamlets.org.uk)

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As I write this the building is going well and should be finished by the end of 2022. There will be great celebrations in the spring.

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To top up your immunity this winter you can book a flu vaccine (www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/book-flu-vaccination) or book a Covid booster (www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/coronavirus-vaccination/book-coronavirus-vaccination)

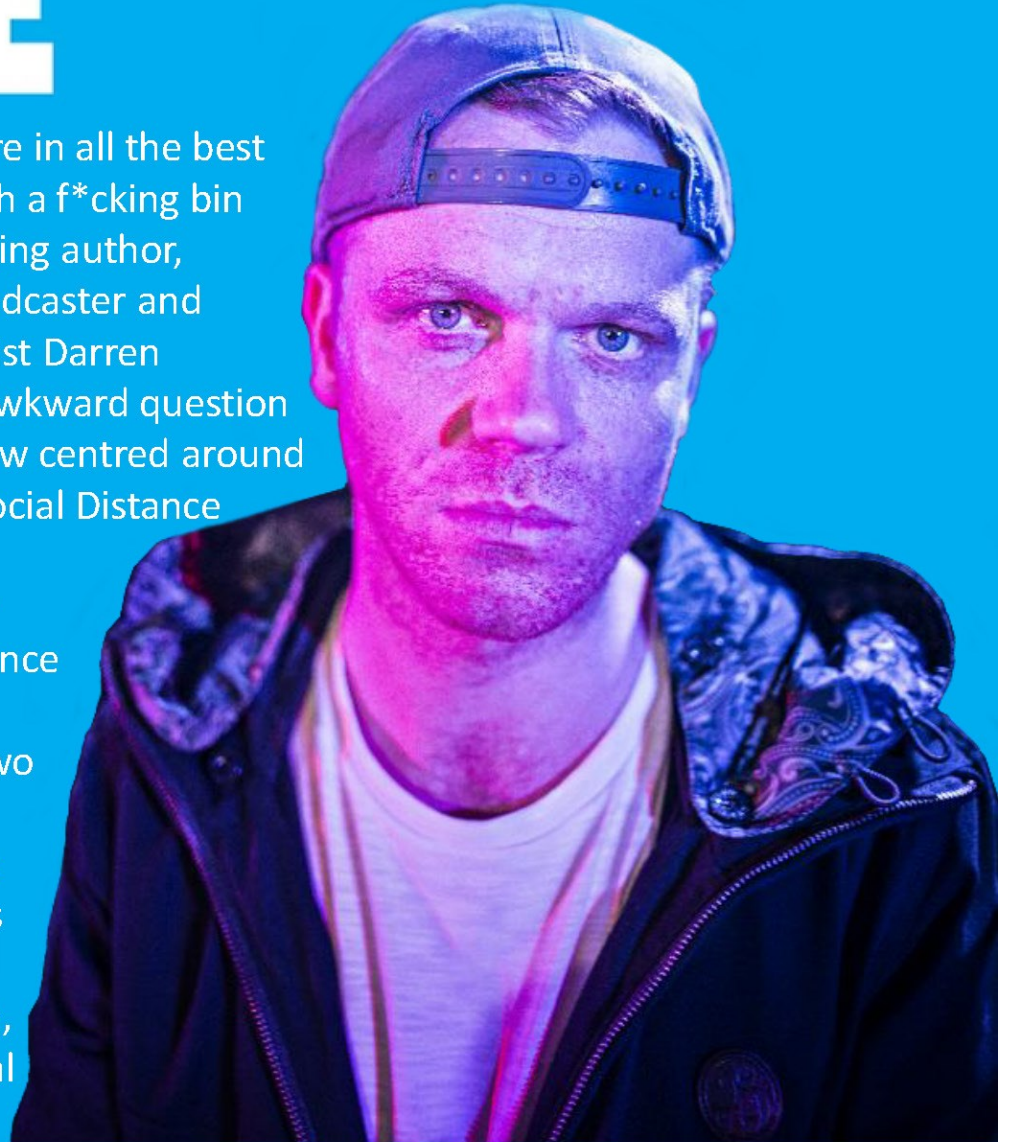
The HANDi paediatric app (www.royaldevon.nhs.uk/stay-well/handi-children-and-young-people-s-app) allows parents to have easy access to advice and support for the most common childhood healthcare conditions.

Qwell (www.qwell.io) is a free and confidential digital mental health and wellbeing service that ensures every adult living in Devon has access to a choice of support to managing their own emotional health and wellbeing.

Darren MCGARVEY

THE SOCIAL DISTANCE BETWEEN US LIVE

If all the best people are in all the best jobs, why is Britain such a f*cking bin fire? Orwell prize-winning author, BAFTA nominated broadcaster and celebrated hip-hop artist Darren McGarvey poses this awkward question and more in a new show centred around his recent book, *The Social Distance Between Us*. With its unpredictable ask-me-anything format, audience members shape the performance and no two nights are the same. McGarvey's 60-minute high-wire act confronts the scandal of class-inequality with passion, humility and an optimal dose of humour.



YEOFORD COMMUNITY HALL

Saturday 8th July 2023

7:30pm (Doors 7pm)

Tickets: £10 (+ booking fee)

Contact: yeoford.hall@gmail.com

16 and over

