

# Yeoford Village Voice

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**This month:** Autumn! Casino Night! Indian Cookery Classes! Olympic Quiz! Wildlife Warden Update! And much, much more...

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# Editorial

## It's beginning to look a lot like autumn...

It's a bit murky out, I've got to be honest, but you never know, maybe that late summer sunny spell will still come...

Anyway, how the devil are you all? I hope you all had a great summer, and managed a break of some sorts, whether that was off to sunnier climes, trawling around Blighty or just plonked at home having a bit of a recoup...a break really is as good as a rest and is often very much needed...

So, what's been going on? Well, not an awful lot really as often happens during the summer holidays but events are starting to spark up in the village as we move into September and onwards.

This month, we have the Will Blake Band up at the hall on Saturday 30th September, organised once again by the Rotary Club of Crediton Boniface. Moving on into October, there's a Fun Casino Night up at the hall on Saturday 7th, where Hittesleigh Village Hall Restoration Fund are trying to raise some cash. And a week later on Saturday 14th we have this year's Yeo!Cider also up at the hall, which promises to be another day of appley fun and frolics. Moving even further into the future, we have a tentative date of Friday 24th November for Yeo Rocks, an evening of local bands, raising money for Crediton Food Bank.

And that's that for this month, apart from a gentle reminder, if you want anything to be considered for publication, you must get it to me by the 20th of the month, else the crowbar may not work...

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 **You must provide a name and address**, even if this is not for publication.

You can also email to: [yvveditor@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:yvveditor@yahoo.co.uk) or call **01363 84501** to speak to the editor, **Jonathan.**

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# Local Information

## YEOFORD COMMUNITY HALL

### COMMUNITY HALL CHARGES (hourly rate)

	Trustee User Groups	Local Community Groups	Private Bookings (Local)	Private Bookings (Non Local)
Main Hall (includes kitchen)	£3.00	£5.00	£8.00	£10.00
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For bookings, please ring **01363 84501**  
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The latest hall calendar can be found at  
[www.yeoford.org.uk/communityhall](http://www.yeoford.org.uk/communityhall)



Mid Devon  
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Library

Upcoming Visit Dates

**Sep 28**

**Oct 26**

**Nov 23**

*The Duck at Yeoford*  
10:20—10:40

### Top Tip!

You can use Head & Shoulders shampoo to wash your feet, legs and arms too. There's absolutely nobody policing any of this.

### Yeoford Community Garden

Yeoford Community Hall now has an area dedicated to providing a small community garden. Any villagers are welcome to get involved in running and maintaining the garden.

Please speak to **Dee Hawkins** or email [yeoford.hall@gmail.com](mailto:yeoford.hall@gmail.com) for further information.

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### TO BARNSTAPLE

Mon	Sat	Sun
<b>-Fri</b>		
	0540	
0630	0633	
0725	0730	
0834	0837	
0937	0937	0938
1037	1037	1039
1137	1137	1138
1237	1238	1238
1337	1337	1335
1437	1438	1435
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### TO EXETER

Mon	Sat	Sun
<b>-Fri</b>		
0708	0713	
0813	0816	
0918	0921	
1019	1018	1018
1117	1117	1118
1216	1216	1221
1320	1319	1317
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2023	2026	2017
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Fx – Monday-Thursday  
Fo – Friday only

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## Bus Timetables

### 677 (Fridays only)

Dartline Coaches

Zeal Monachorum Church	0912
Coleford Gospel Hall	0927
Colebrooke Church	0932
<b>THE DUCK AT YEOFORD</b>	<b>0940</b>
Raddon Down Cross	0945
Crediton TIC High Street	0955
Exeter Bus Station	1020

Exeter Bus Station	1320
Crediton TIC High Street	1345
Raddon Down Cross	1350
<b>THE DUCK AT YEOFORD</b>	<b>1355</b>
Colebrooke Church	1403
Coleford Gospel Hall	1408
Zeal Monachorum Church	1423

### 669 (Tuesdays only)

MD Buses

South Zeal Oxenham Arms	0915
Whiddon Down Shelter	0922
Hittisleigh Cross	0930
Crockernwell	0945
Cheriton Bishop School	0947
<b>YEO VIEW</b>	<b>1002</b>
Colebrooke Church	1010
Coleford Gospel Hall	1013
Crediton St Saviour's Way	1022
Crediton Morrisons	1027

Crediton Morrisons	1115
Crediton St Saviour's Way	1235
Coleford Gospel Hall	1244
Colebrooke Church	1247
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Whiddon Down Shelter	1328
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# YEOFORD VILLAGE VOICE FUN QUIZ

No prizes, no pressure...this month...the Olympics...

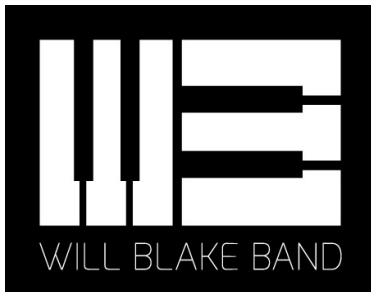
1. During the Ancient Olympics, all of Greece underwent a complete cessation of hostilities. What was this truce called?
2. In 2004, who became the oldest woman to win both the 800m and 1,500m?
3. In 1988, who became the first competitor to represent Great Britain in Olympic ski-jumping?
4. Which five-time Olympic champion played himself in the films Cannibal Attack (1954), Jungle Moon Men (1955) and Devil Goddess (1955)?
5. Which Canadian was the first sprinter not from the US to win two golds at one Olympics?
6. What was unique about the gold and silver-winning rowing teams in the coxless pairs at the 1980 Moscow Olympics?
7. Which Danish cyclist died as a result of a drug overdose during the men's road race at Rome in 1960?
8. Which sport in the Winter Olympics originated in a discipline called Military Patrol, under which name it was first competed?
9. Amy Williams (2010) and Lizzy Yarnold (2014, 2018) both won gold for Great Britain in which event?
10. Helping Japan win men's team gold at the 1976 Montreal Games, which gymnast famously performed on a broken right knee after breaking his leg on the floor exercise?

Answers below...

1. Ekecheriria; 2. Kelly Holmes; 3. Eddie "The Eagle" Edwards; 4. Johnny Weissmuller — Tarzan won his golds in swimming; 5. Percy Williams, who won the 100m and 200m in 1928; 6. Both crews were twin brothers; 7. Knud Jensen — his death resulted in the ICF becoming the international sporting first body to introduce drug tests; 8. Biathlon; 9. Skeleton bob; 10. Shun Fujimoto

**Quiz Answers:**

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## Crediton Arts Centre News

Fri 6 October  
Live Lounge

Fri 13 October  
Theatre: Hags (Scratchworks)  
VIA

Fri 20 October  
Film: Alien / Aliens (?)

Sat 28 October  
Family Theatre: Stories from  
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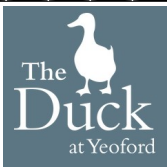


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# THE DUCK AT YEOFORD



## Opening Times

Monday-Tuesday Closed  
Wednesday 17:00—23:00  
Thursday-Saturday 11:30-23:00  
Sunday 11:30-17:30

We will be closed from Sunday 22nd October to Wednesday 1st November inclusive.

Throughout November, December and January we will be opening on some Tuesday evenings. Theme nights as last year will include - Tapas, Pies, Pizza, Steak, Fish and Burgers, Details of dates and themes will be on the website.

Finally, we say a sad goodbye to Ella as she starts the next journey of her life at Cardiff University. Ella has been with us virtually from the day we opened and we will all miss her very much but we wish her the best of luck.

**James, Sarah, Zachary, Lydia and Martha**  
01363 85273 [www.theduckatyeoford.co.uk](http://www.theduckatyeoford.co.uk)

# Yeoford 200 C£ub

## August Draw

**1st prize (£30):**  
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**2nd prize (£20):**  
BRIAN RIDGERS

**3rd prize (£10):**  
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**4th prize (£10):**  
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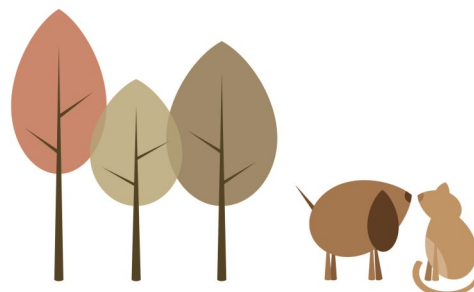
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My round of surgeries in the parishes has proved once again to be disappointing. These surgeries take some time not just the drive there but to spend an hour or so waiting for people to turn up so I am considering if this is a good use of my time. I can always be contacted by phone or email.

Last week I attended the Highways and Traffic Order Committee (HATOC for short) where we discussed the ever growing problem of potholes, poor road surfaces, cleaning and jetting of drains. During the summer months there has been some progress on road repairs I'm glad to report. These will continue especially as the schools are closed and so we do not have the 16 or so buses running around the area. I did raise my concerns about schoolchildren and traffic! This came about because I had an e-mail from a concerned grandmother who was taking her child to school in Crediton and was luckily on hand to prevent her being hit by a reversing van. I spoke about this with the officers and suggested that we should visit all schools over the next few months to see what the road conditions are and how quickly the traffic is travelling. One solution I have is traffic calming measures, 20 mile an hour signs with a flashing light above coming on at the peak school hours and in some cases closing the road during the peak morning and afternoon periods if there is an alternative routes that can be used.

You may have seen the uproar about closing the mobile library service in order to save £217,000. The other day a mobile library van went through Crediton and I saw that it had a 56 plate which means that it is 17 years old. This is one of the problems, the five vans are old and expensive to maintain. In Crediton they have a very good volunteer service where people take books out to those in isolated areas. I think we need to think creatively about helping our rural communities and maybe taking up some of the money the county is going to save if it does close the mobile library service.

Looking around the Devon county council website I've seen that there are a few very useful links. There is a Growing Community fund which can be accessed online by e-mailing [communitygrants@devon.gov.uk](mailto:communitygrants@devon.gov.uk).

You may be aware that Co-Cars is going into administration. It was set up a few years ago with a grant of £222,000 from Devon County's transport plan funding, which was matched by a government grant. At the moment they are looking for some other group to take over the project.

Walking around Crediton and some of the villages I'm quite disturbed by the amount of weeds growing on the pavements and in the gutters. It is clear that the two higher tier councils are unable to do very much because of budget constraints so could I encourage us all to look after the pavement in front of our house and do our best to keep it clear. We must also encourage shopkeepers to do the same and help those of our neighbours who might find this difficult!

# FUN CASINO NIGHT



## Hittisleigh Village Hall Casino Evening

**Date: 7<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

**Doors Open: 7pm**

**Venue: Yeoford Village Hall**

**Ticket Price: £25.00**

Why not put on your glad rags and join us for an evening of Casino fun and entertainment.

**Ticket price includes:**

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**Note: due to the nature of this event no under 18s allowed**

Please contact [janecurrie1968@gmail.com](mailto:janecurrie1968@gmail.com) to purchase tickets. Due to confirming catering numbers please book as early as possible. Thank you.

All profits to Hittisleigh Village Hall Restoration Fund.

# TIK TOC

An iconic resident has been chuntering about the increasing use of the word 'iconic' so we thought we would write to the iconic Village Voice on the subject.

We note that the 1975 Oxford Concise dictionary says that 'iconic' (adjective) refers to images or portraits of sacred persons and that the icons themselves are sacred.

Of course our language is an evolving beast (although 'icon' is based on the Greek for image, we understand) but how has it come so far as to lose its meaning of veneration and apply a hundred times a day to anyone and anything?

Where is the use of more suitable alternatives such as: legendary, celebrated, famous, noted, popular, prominent, notable or renowned?



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Saturday 9th September  
Messy Church  
Village Hall  
3pm till 4-30pm.

Mondays Café Company  
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**Services for September**  
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This is because the Air Ambulance **CANNOT LAND** if the goals are in the middle of the field.

If you pass the recreation ground or see anybody playing with the goals in the centre, could you please remind them (politely) that they should be returned to the edge after use, or move them back if you find them abandoned like this.

Thank you all for your cooperation.

**Yeoford Community Association**

The Duck  
at Yeoford  
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Oat Milk	£1.95
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Goats Cheese (150g)	£3
Kippers (pair)	£5.50
Frozen King Prawns (900g)	£11.50
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Pie	£6.50

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## Parish Voluntary Wildlife Warden

Hello, I trained as a voluntary wildlife in October 2022 and are here to help with any nature related matter or query.

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If its a crime being committed please try to take pictures and you should phone 101 and report it to the police who have a wildlife officer.

I am linking in with the Parish Council, our district Councillors, the Exe Rivers project and Sustainable Crediton to promote local plans supporting wildlife. I will be testing 2 waterway points, joining an existed team of local testers in the Parish and I am attempting to highlight damage to hedgerow banks in the lanes. There is a Crediton Parish Hamlets Nature Group on Facebook.

As a new resident in the Parish I am taking time to explore the Parish on foot. So one Sunday morning early in August I set off from Binneford for a circular walk to Hittesleigh across to Hittesleigh Mill and back to Binneford, in the extreme west of the Parish. It was the day after big north westerly winds but little but leaves and wild apples had been thrown down.

To my left the river Yeo valley snaked away up a sunny valley pass the old farm. Residents tell me the old drovers path and the woods beyond are overgrown and inaccessible due to fallen trees. A kingfisher visits their ponds.

The Hittesleigh lane was still abundant with wildflowers; fleabane, lesser knapweed and meadow sweet predominantly. They were covered in meadow browns red admiral and peacock butterflies sheltering from the still strong wind.

From Eastchurch a footpath cuts down across set aside land to a seasonal brook at the edge of a the woods that stretch down to the Yeo valley floor. Again a thicket of fallen trees and fill of young holly. Deer prints were visible in the mud but too old to tell me much. All was silent in the dark depths.

At Hittesleigh Mill at the edge of a conifers plantation residents again report seeing a kingfisher and seeing a goshawk hunting, taking a crow from the nest. Access to the valley from this end was again limited to a 100m edge. Water is being tested here as part of the citizenship science Rivers project.

Rejoining the parish at Hook Farm above Binneford I was struck by the wealth and health of tall native hedges. Holly blue butterflies abounded clouds of meadow browns fed on on gateway knapweed and a silver washed fritillary alighted, the first I have seen, a lover of mature oak woodlands bramble flowers and violets.

Returning to the Ford at Binneford surrounded by oak woods and tree lined open pasture I headed back to the heights past ancient oak and holly woodlands filled with bird song in the afternoon sunshine. An Argemone Moth and a Garden Tiger Moth disturbed by the wind settled on old timber in the hedge as we passed by. An end to a long and steep walk with barely a glimpse of the upper Yeo Valley. I can only imagine the wonders it hold in its tangled sides.

This corner of the Parish is a truly amazing place full of wild places and undisturbed areas of woodland ,meadows, rough ground and waterways.

Do please contact me with any interesting sightings or places of merit. There is also the Crediton Parish Hamlets nature group on Facebook. You can also contact me on messenger or WhatsApp. Many thanks...

Anna



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