

DONYATT DESPATCH

Donyatt's Own Newspaper - October 2023

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SEEKING SPONSORS

Unfortunately the Despatch does not have a sponsor for this month, but does have takers for the next two editions. However, we are eagerly seeking sponsors for 2024, so this is your chance to get the slot you most want for next year.

The charge for the monthly slot is still £20 and is an ideal way of promoting your business or skills to Donyatt village residents. To secure your slot, please contact one of the Editors - details on reverse page. We look forward to being able to help with your promotional needs.

Church News

Rev Philip Albrow's licensing service will take place on Mon 2 Oct at 7pm at St Mary's Church, followed by refreshments at The George Inn.

Harvest Service will take place on Sun 8th Oct at 6pm.

Canon John Simpson is retiring at the age of 90. Join us for his last holy communion on Sun 15th Oct at 10am. Refreshments will follow at Donyatt Village Hall. Please join us for these celebrations.

FRIENDS OF DONYATT DESPATCH

Don't forget, our next Friends' Gathering, will be held at The George Inn, on Thurs 9th November at 7pm. We hope to be welcoming all our existing Friends and hopefully a few new ones too. We ask for a £5 pa subscription, to help with our running cost.

As usual, first drinks will be free and there will be a prize draw.
Hope to see you there.

DONYATT SKITTLES LEAGUE 2023/ 24

Donyatt Social Club skittles league is back for the new season with 8 teams from across the village! Matches will be split between The Haymaker and Ilminster Bowls & Tennis Club this year.

If you are interested in joining a team, please contact John on 52129, who can put you in touch with the relevant team captain for your section of our village.

DONYATT PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Donyatt Parish Council's Survey of Residents' priorities and opinions had an excellent response, 79 forms have been returned so far, with Drainage and Flood Prevention being the number one priority for villagers.

Speed Indicator Devices came a close second with 70% of residents wanting them in the village.

Many thanks to all those who have returned their forms, for those who have not yet returned their forms, please do so as we need your input to decide Parish Council policy for the future. The full results will eventually be posted on the Parish Council website, including all comments and suggestions.

Defibrillator - The defibrillator at the Village Hall is currently without anyone to maintain it. If we can't find a volunteer to clean and check it every two weeks (a minimal amount of work), we will have to return it to the manufacturers. If you are interested in assisting, please contact David Light on 01460 259891.

The bench at Pound Corner, has now been replaced.



The bench was built by David Light and installed by Jimmy Attelsey (both of the Parish Council). The cast-iron bench ends were kindly donated by George Busby of Busby Reclamation, many thanks to George for his generosity.

We hope the new bench will provide a good resting point for those negotiating Donyatt Hill for many years to come.

Litter -Picking - A new group has been set up in the village to keep it clear of litter. Melanie Adams has kindly volunteered to head up this team, if you are interested in spending a few minutes every now and again, please contact her at 'meloneyadams@hotmail.com' or on 07773 581736.

*By pumpkins fat and
witches lean
By coat black cat with
eyes of green
By all the magic ever seen
We wish you luck this
Halloween*



Sunday 8th October
 9am to 12pm (and every second Sunday of the month)
 (last orders 11:30am)
 Takeaway options available
 Gluten free and vegetarian breakfasts
 Donyatt Village Hall, TA19 0RG

RNLI Ilminster will be at Gemini's Big Breakfast Oct 8th, selling Christmas cards and diaries



Donyatt Village Hall, TA19 0RG
 9am - 11am
 Cash Only

Lifeboats

CHURCH CLEANING & ALTAR FLOWERS: End of October - Sandra Gould & Sue Gardiner
Flower Ladies: Please could you decorate your window for the following events as we celebrate together. Thank you so much!
Mon 2 Oct - Rev Albrow Licensing Service
Sun 8 Oct - Harvest Festival
Sun 15 Oct - Canon John Simpson Retirement Service

DONYATT HARVEST LUNCH

AT DONYATT VILLAGE HALL
 On Saturday 7th October
 From 12pm
 £10
 A two course hot meal, inc. Coffee
 Also a raffle

Volunteers and donated food or raffle prizes would be appreciated - please contact Trisha on 01460 249734



T Cosy
 Wednesday 25th October from 2.30p.m.
 at Donyatt Village Hall

All are welcome to join us for a cuppa, cake, a chat and the opportunity to meet others from the village.

THE GEORGE INN

Are you looking to celebrate a birthday, wedding, anniversary or getting friends & family together and want a venue with a cosy feel and home cooked food. At The George at Donyatt we have a private dining room available that can seat up to 35 and can offer an intimate and bespoke dining experience please contact us for more information on 0146053822 or info@georgeatdonyatt.co.uk

We are looking for a new home to build our cart. If you have or know of anywhere suitable, please email us at: geminicc@talktalk.net



THANK YOU!

Autumn Fayre
 Donyatt Village Hall
 Saturday 14th October
 10am - 2pm

If you wish to book a table, please contact Becky on beckyreb@hotmail.co.uk

Craft Stalls Raffle Flamingo Cards
 Riverside Cafe Catering Horsebox - Hot Food
 Candles & Wax Melts Refreshments ... & Much More

Social Club Whist Drive
 Tues 3rd, 17th & 31st October
 Donyatt Village Hall
 7:30pm - £3.00



DON'T FORGET TO PUT YOUR CLOCKS BACK ON SUNDAY 29TH OCTOBER

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Mon 2 Oct - Licensing of Rev P Albrow - St Mary's Church - 7pm
 Tue 3 Oct - Whist - DVH - 7:30
 Wed 4 Oct - Sea Follies v Park - IBTC - 7:45
 Thu 5 Oct - Skittles, Peasmarsh v Upper - Hay - 7:45
 Sat 7 Oct - Harvest Lunch - DVH - 12pm
 Sun 8 Oct - Big Breakfast - DVH - 9am
 Sun 8 Oct - Harvest Service - St Mary's - 6pm
 Wed 11 Oct - Skittles, Lower v George - IBTC - 7:45
 Thu 12 Oct - Skittles, Pound v Sea Boys - Hay - 7:45
 Sat 14 Oct - Autumn Fayre - DVH - 10am to 2pm

Tue 17 Oct - Whist - DVH - 7:30
 Wed 18 Oct - Skittles, Sea Follies v Upper - IBTC - 7:45
 Wed 25 Oct - T-Cosy - DVH - 2.30pm
 Wed 25 Oct - Skittles, Park v Peasmarsh - IBTC, 7:45
 Sun 29 Oct - British Summertime Ends - Clocks Go Back
 Tue 31 Oct - Whist - DVH - 7:30

ADVANCE NOTICE
 Tue 9 Nov - Friends of Donyatt Despatch Gathering - The George - 7pm
 Fri 8 Dec - Bingo Night - DVH - 7pm

CLOSING DATE: Tuesday 17th October for the November edition
 Please email your contributions to BOTH EDITORS LISTED BELOW, Thank you
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