

## Parish Diary October & November 2020

	<b>Regular Monthly Events</b> - see Events on inside pages for details.
First Thursday	7.30 pm W.I. meeting at Draycott Memorial Hall.
First Saturday	10.30 am – 12 noon. St Peter's Church Coffee morning.
Second Sunday	8.00 pm Quiz Night at Strawberry Special. Contact: Lori Toms 01934 742177 <a href="mailto:l.toms@btconnect.com">l.toms@btconnect.com</a>
Every Tuesday	10.00-11.30 am Coffee morning at Sealey Close community room except on Over Fifties Trip dates
Every Wednesday	10.00 am-12.00 noon Strawberry Tots at Draycott Memorial Hall Contact: Linda Eccleston 07966 225167

### October

Friday	09	4.00 - 5.00 pm Mobile Police Station @ Sealey Close
Saturday	24	10.00 -11.00 am Mobile Police Station @ Rodney Stoke Inn
Monday	26	First day of half term
Thursday	29	11.00 -12.00 pm Mobile Police Station @ Strawberry Special

### November

Monday	02	Return to school
Thursday	19	7.00 pm Parish Council Meeting
Saturday	21	11.00 -12.00 pm Mobile Police station @ Sealey Close
Wednesday	25	3.00 - 4.00 pm Mobile Police Station @ Rodney Stoke Inn
Thursday	26	11.00 am AGM Charity of John and Joseph Card 10.00 – 11.00 am Mobile Police station @ Strawberry Special

### Deadline for October 2020 edition ~ Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> November

Completed Pro Forma to Helen Dance, Dairy Barn, The Street, Draycott. BS27 3TH  
01934 742811 or [helenlh@uwclub.net](mailto:helenlh@uwclub.net)

### IMPORTANT CONTACTS

**Parish Clerk:** Helen Marshall 07423 283940, or [rodneystokepc@gmail.com](mailto:rodneystokepc@gmail.com)

**Parish Council:** [www.parish-council.com/rodneystoke](http://www.parish-council.com/rodneystoke)

**Village Agent:** Bella Lapwood 07494 883541 or [bella@Somersettrcc.org.uk](mailto:bella@Somersettrcc.org.uk)

**Draycott Memorial Hall:** [www.draycottmemorialhall.org.uk](http://www.draycottmemorialhall.org.uk)

**Neighbourhood Watch: Draycott** - Roger Dollins 01934 741021 or [rogerdollins@btinternet.com](mailto:rogerdollins@btinternet.com)

**Neighbourhood Watch: Rodney Stoke** - John Smith 01749 870976 or [ajsmithgb@hotmail.com](mailto:ajsmithgb@hotmail.com)

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# Parish News

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## FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

### Scaddens Lane Footpath

The bank of the stream needs rebuilding and investigations to find out who is responsible for the work have proved fruitless, however the Mendip Hills AONB have offered to help and hope to carry out the repairs in the next month or so with the necessary stone being generously donated by a local farmer.

### Free bike marking

There has been an increase in push bike thefts locally with expensive bikes taken from garages and front gardens. Our local PCSO has offered to mark your bikes and add them to the register. If you are interested, please contact the Parish Clerk and we will arrange a date for the police to come along.

### Rev Cobley Playground

We will be reviewing the Covid 19 situation locally on a regular basis, particularly the outbreaks in schools. If necessary, equipment or the playground may be closed at short notice in the interest of public safety. Please always follow government guidelines and help to protect each other.

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Draycott Diaries Podcast

Tiggi chats with Will Ewens the new head teacher at Draycott and Rodney Stoke First School. He talks candidly about his hopes and aspirations for both staff and children under his care, highlighting what a privilege this role will bring. There are many other life stories on the podcast from around the community. Put on the kettle, grab a biscuit and have a listen!  
[www.draycottdiaries.com](http://www.draycottdiaries.com)

### SOSP (Supports of St Peters Church)

Due to Covid 19 we are unable to host our normal events this year. HOWEVER! we are still going to be decorating the church the first weekend in Advent, for people to visit. This year we are inviting the community to decorate a wreath based on a Christmas Carol/ song. We cannot wait to get everyone involved in this AND our Nativity in the Field. If you would like more information, please Email Karen – [karenpercival100@btinternet.com](mailto:karenpercival100@btinternet.com)  
Look out for more updates!

### Strawberry Special Pub

New opening hours from Friday through Monday. From 14 September, the new Rule of 6 applies. There are plenty of tables here to maintain social distancing. The new rule allows 6 people per table and can be from different households. From 18 September, it is a legal requirement that you or one of your group sign in with your details before being served. We have a signup sheet at the entrance and also the new NHS Track and Trace QR code that can be easily scanned on your mobile. Lori Toms 01934742177  
[l.toms@btconnect.com](mailto:l.toms@btconnect.com)

### Draycott Memorial Hall

The hall re-opened on 7th September and is now available for hire. Special conditions of hire relating to Covid 19 are in place and social distancing must be maintained. For bookings please contact Sarah Knight at [enquiries@draycottmemorialhall.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@draycottmemorialhall.org.uk) or 07851 410459.

## NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### The Draycott And Rodney Stoke Memorial Hall 100 Club

July Winners                £50 M Earing   £25 S & T Young   £15 B. May  
August Winners        £50 T. Oliver   £25 A. Rowntree   £15 C. Fulton  
Bonus Prizes                Mr Underhay £15   M. Whittle £15

September Winners   £50 A. McConnell   £25 S & T Young   £15 M. Toms  
Would you like the chance to win a prize every month? For details of how to join the 100 Club e-mail [chris@thefultonfamily.co.uk](mailto:chris@thefultonfamily.co.uk) or ring 01934253741

### The Strawberry Special Book

Due to overwhelming demand the first print sold out very quickly. New stock has arrived in the pub and Draycott Community Shop, price £10. All profits to the Shop and Dorset & Somerset Air Ambulance.

### Mendip Players February Productions & Youth Group

The Mendip Players are busily preparing our February production. It won't be a panto, but you can expect fun and laughter as always, with more details coming soon. The Youth Group will be back up and running once it's safe to do so, hopefully after the October half term. For young people aged 10 - 18 interested in all aspects of drama performance and production. Contact Allie if you would like to know more. [mendipplayersyouth@gmail.com](mailto:mendipplayersyouth@gmail.com)

### Charity of John and Joseph Card

Residents of Draycott may apply for grants, but distribution is on the basis of need. Grants are available in December for:

Educational expenditure, from toddlers to mature students, individually or groups.

Grants for pensioners, i.e. 60+ years.

Application forms must be received by **Monday 16th November**.

Grants for "need, hardship or distress", to alleviate unexpected hardship, are available *at time of need*, at any time of year, to any family or person living in Draycott. All information treated confidentially, and questions answered. Apply to Helen Dance 01934 742811 or [helenlh@uwclub.net](mailto:helenlh@uwclub.net) for online form.