

Doynton Parish Pump

Celebrate the **80th anniversary of D-Day** with friends and neighbours on **Thursday June 6th** in Doynton Mill field, off Rookery Lane. Good old English fish and chips available from 6.30 p.m. Bonfire lighting and reading of the official International Tribute at 9.15 p.m. Tickets available from Sue Merrall, Lisa Williams, Elaine Roch (tel. 07799 280743) and Lynn Crew.

On **Saturday June 22nd**, 11.00 a.m.–5.00 p.m., the magnificent **gardens** of the **Old Rectory** will be open under the National Gardens Scheme. Adults £6.00, children free, cream teas available.

The **Memory Café at Doynton** continues to meet at the village hall, 2.00–4.00 p.m., on the first Thursday of the month. At our Annual General Meeting in April, we heard how our visitor and carer numbers at our free monthly cafe get-together have grown over the last year, as well as our range of entertainment and activities. Each café is differently themed, with entertainment including singing, dancing, music and recently a children's choir. Crafts, games, puzzles, shared memories, chats with our volunteers, tea and home-made cakes are a feature of every café. We have lots of information and guidance available for those with a new diagnosis of dementia and their families, and many of our volunteers have experience of someone with dementia among their own family or friends. For more information, see our Facebook "The Memory Cafe at Doynton", email mcdoynton [at] gmail.com or call/text 07817 311001.

Doynton and Wick WI: the May meeting was well attended and our members voted unanimously in favour of this year's WI resolution, "Dental health matters". Our vote will be taken to the AGM at The Royal Albert Hall later in June by our member representative, Angela Dimmer. Members also took a stroll "down memory lane", with a lovely selection of past photographs compiled by Sue Hickmore, which were shown on the data projector. This presentation formed part of our centenary celebrations this year. Next month's meeting, on June 11th, will be a hands-on foraging evening with expert forager Maria Fernandez, followed by refreshing cups of foraged tea! The competition is "a recipe including a free food". Visitors welcome (£4). We meet on the second Wednesday of every month, 7.30 p.m. at Doynton village hall.

Friends of Summers Field held their AGM on May 2nd. Minutes from the meeting will be available soon. There will be a **cream tea** with BBQ and option to camp (!) on **July 20th, 3.00–4.30 p.m.** Camping 6.00 p.m. onwards. Bring your own BBQ and food. Posters will be going out nearer the time, with ticket prices for the cream tea.

Doynton Village Market: Saturdays June 1st and 15th and July 6th, 10.00–11.00 a.m. in Doynton village hall. Come along for fresh veg, eggs, baked goods, preserves and home-made craft items, and stay for coffee! NB no market June 29th.

"Warm Wednesdays" community café: Wednesdays, 10.30 a.m.–12 noon in the village hall. All welcome for tea, coffee and good company! The café will be taking a break in July, August and September – back in October!

Please donate any packets or tins of food you can spare to the **Doynton foodbank** and **North Bristol and South Glos foodbank** in the church porch. Many families are still in great need. Our local foodbank alone feeds 1350 people on average every month.

Post Office in the village hall: every Thursday 9.30–10.30 a.m. for standard post office services. You can also withdraw cash, pay bills, pay in cheques and return mail-order purchases. Order groceries by 6.00 p.m. Wednesday for collection (Oldland Common Post Office and Store, tel. 932 3159).

Yoga: Thursday morning class 9.30–10.30 a.m. in the village hall. Suitable for everyone, safe and friendly. £10 per class. Classes are run by Jean Foley, Wild Heart Yoga. Tel. 07341 347547 or email jean72foley@gmail.com.

Avon and Somerset Police tell us that reported crime is low in the Doynton area. However, do continue to be aware of scams and take precautions with property security. Report anything out of the ordinary to Bianca Rotariu by phoning 101, quoting her badge no. 9061, or email 9061 [at] avonandsomerset.police.uk.

Dates for your diary

Saturday October 12th: advance notice of the **Summers Field barn dance** in the village hall. More details to follow!