

Doynton Parish Pump

A third **seed swap** event is planned for March 11th 2023, including seeds, seedlings, bulbs, tubers, flowers, herbs, etc. for sale. Please save your seeds and unused/partially used seed packets and pot up spare plants and seedlings over the next few months. For instructions, see <http://www.doyntonvillage.org/events/SeedSwap.html>.

Doynton Village Market: We are in the season of mellow fruitfulness and reaping the benefits of our harvests, so some, if not a majority, of cooked goods are made using home-grown produce. And it's been a good year for a lot of fruits, apples in particular. Also, as the nights have drawn in, there will be more in the way of "comfort" foods/bakes available, as well as the regular items. One of our slogans is "We cook so you don't have to". And as time progresses, we start thinking of Christmas, so if anyone wishes to order a Christmas bird/meat, please get your orders in early (tel. Elizabeth Crew on 937 3168).

Doynton and Wick WI: at the October meeting, Mark Rutterford kindly stepped in at short notice and entertained members with three short stories that he had written – all partially true and partially taken from Mark's wild imagination but all humorous and with pertinent props! Unfortunately, the planned Christmas Shopping trip has had to be cancelled owing to lack of numbers and there were no new volunteers for next year's Committee. For the November meeting, also the annual general meeting, we will be making Christmas decorations and ask members to bring along an old unwanted paperback book (of about 120–150 pages) and a couple of bulldog clips or strong pegs. Visitors most welcome at Doynton village hall, November 9th, at 7.30 p.m.

Doynton litter picks require a new volunteer to organize this annual event, which is supported by S Glos Council. Please contact doyntonparishcouncil@hotmail.co.uk or tel. 07725 165181.

To book **Doynton village hall**, email doyntonvillagehall@mail.com or tel. 07986 636611.

Please leave any tins or packets you can spare in the church porch for the **Doynton foodbank and North Bristol foodbank**. Goods should have at least three months remaining before their best-before date, and products containing alcohol are not accepted.

The **Doynton Hard Half Marathon** will take place in and around the village on February 5th 2023. Get your entry in now for this sell-out event at www.doyntonhardhalfmarathon.co.uk. Marshalls, cake bakers and tea makers please volunteer at dhhm@emersonsgreenrunningclub.co.uk. [#DryMudWetMudCowMud](https://www.instagram.com/drymudwetmudcowmud/)

Dates for your diary

Saturdays November 5th and 19th, 10.00–11.00 a.m.: **Doynton village market** in the village hall.

Thursdays 9.30–11.30 a.m.: **Post office** in the village hall. For grocery orders tel. 0117 932 3159 on Wednesday, 3 p.m.–6 p.m.

Thursdays 9.30–11.00 a.m.: **yoga** in the village hall. Suitable for everyone. £9 per class. For info contact Sam on 07734 201 431 or samantrayoga@gmail.com.

Thursdays, 7.15 p.m. in the village hall: **Zumba fitness class**, £5 adults, £2.50 under-16s. Contact Lucy on 07403 247764, or just come along.

First Thursday of the month, 4 p.m.: **Memory Cafe**: a relaxed, informal drop-in session for people with memory difficulties and their carers. Admission free, all welcome. Contact 07817 311001.