

Doynton Parish Pump

Celebrate Autumn – join Summers Field Community Orchard for an **autumn feast and disco** on Friday October 21st in the village hall, 7 p.m. till late. The feast will be a posh ploughman's (vegetarian option available) and the disco is the same fab disco as at the Jubilee party. Tickets limited and only available in advance: adults £15, children £7. Credit cards accepted on the night. For tickets please contact Corinda (07587 175474) or Diana (07855 877647).

Doynton Village Market: the market has been well supported over the summer, there has been a wonderful buzz, the sound of our customers having a tea and chat after shopping. We have had a good display of produce, especially home-grown fruit and veg, usually fresh-picked that morning or the evening before. Recently, we have also had this year's pressings of apple juice, and soon pear juice. Do come along and see what we have to offer. First and third Saturdays of the month, 10.00–11.00 a.m. Orders welcome, contact crewmaud[at]btinternet.com.

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. See <http://www.doyntonvillage.org/events/SeedSwap.html> for last year's instructions for saving seeds.

Doynton and Wick WI: At the September meeting, members paid tribute to our late Queen. The speaker, Nicola Beauman (and her little dog Gilbert!), told the story of the creation of her (very small but exquisite) publishing house, Persephone Books Ltd, originally based in London but now in Bath, which specializes in 20th-century women writers' work. The harvest stall raised £43 for WI funds. New committee members are needed, especially from Doynton. Next month's speaker, in a change from the published programme, is Mark Rutterford, a writer-

performer of short stories with humour and props. The competition is "a pumpkin". Visitors always welcome. See you on October 12th, 7.30 p.m. at Doynton village hall.

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.

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

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

Advance notice of the **Doynton Hard Half Marathon**, which 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 dhbm[at]emersonsgreenrunningclub.co.uk. [#DryMudWetMudCowMud](https://twitter.com/DryMudWetMudCowMud)

Dates for your diary

Saturdays October 1st and 15th, 10.00–11.00 a.m.: **Doynton village market** in the village hall. No market October 29th.

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.

Thursday mornings 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.