

The Grapevine

SEAMER & TAME BRIDGE MAGAZINE

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Seamer Village Website: seamervillage.co.uk
or Facebook group: *Seamer Local's Chit Chat*



EDITOR'S NOTES

What a great day celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. So much fun and enjoyment without paying anything and whilst meeting more village people. But that's not the end, there is much more going on, not just enjoyment. There are a few articles about things which require help for them to succeed by people joining in again! Let's continue to make Seamer a great place to live. The next edition will cover October and November, contributions by September 26th at 08.00 hours. Thanks.

Dave Campy

WEBSITE

The website has been down due to hosting problems but is now up and running again. Sadly we have lost a lot of data. There is nothing much which can be done other than rebuild it as best I can. If you have missing or new information which you would like adding to the site please email me with it and I will try and get it online for you asap. Please email:

[*admin@seamervillage.co.uk*](mailto:admin@seamervillage.co.uk)

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH

St Martin's Church Seamer has a **Coffee Morning on Friday 26th August in Stokesley Town Hall, 9 am -12 noon.** Offers of help on the morning and cakes to sell would be appreciated.

Tombola prizes are also needed and can be delivered to **Judith Turland**, 41 Malvern Drive, Stokesley or she will collect, if you ring **01642710489, or 07956 303548**

Coffee & Cake in Stokesley Church, 9.30 - 11.30, August 6th and September 3rd

Stokesley Church Coffee Morning in Stokesley Town Hall, 9.30 -12.00 August 19th

For further details please contact:

Marie Groom marie@hillviews.co.uk 01642 712138

VILLAGE HALL NEWS AND EVENTS

POP IN

Pop in has now finished for the summer break and will open again on Monday September 12th from 10am - noon.

BRIDGE GROUP

The Bridge Group is held in the village hall on Thursday's from 7 – 9pm. Are you an experienced player or would you like to learn how to play. Come along, it costs £2.50 per session and includes refreshments.

Contact Yvonne on 01642 710804.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

MAGIC NIGHT - Friday October 7th at 7.30pm. This popular event with Middlesbrough Circle of Magicians is for children and adults. Not to be missed!! Further details will be available the Seamer Chit Chat site in September and in the next Grapevine.

QUIZ NIGHT – Saturday November 19th at 7pm.

The **Now & Then** magazines are available to collect from the village hall when it is open for activities



Play and Stay
Village Hall
RESTARTS 8TH SEPTEMBER
Thursday mornings during school term time
10 – 11.30am for all pre-school children and their
parents/grandparents/carers.
Cost £2 per child.
For more information contact
Allison on aroutledge7@sky.com

Note that the hall will still be open every Thursday 10-11.30am throughout August

SEAMER VILLAGE HALL 100+ CLUB

June winners were (126 members)

1 st	£20	50	Kay Rees, Leconfield
2 nd	£15	22	Christine Prendergast, Holme Lane
3 rd	£12	143	Walter Pattison
4 th	£10	63	Jane Donaldson Allen, Leconfield
5 th	£ 6	77	Margaret Grimston, Stokesley

July winners were (126 members)

1 st	£20	61	Louise Egan, Stainton Road
2 nd	£15	58	Allison Routledge, Stainton Road
3 rd	£12	4	Barbara Hutchinson, Hilton Road
4 th	£10	118	Sandra Burgess, Tame Bridge
5 th	£ 6	35	Sue Walton, Stainton Road

For those members who joined last August/September, this means that you are due to join again. I will contact you by email, phone or call and

see you. If you are not at home, I will leave a letter with contact details.

To help me to remind you when your renewal fees are due, could you please let me have your e-mail address or telephone number. This is easier than me coming to see you.

If you have recently moved here and would like to become a member, it costs £12 a year per number and each month half the monthly money is given out as prize money and the other half goes to the village hall funds.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Christine Cooper , chris_cooper1@hotmail.com, 01642 701733

HALL TIMETABLE

Monday	<i>10 - 12 am</i>	Pop-In <i>Restarts Monday 12th Seprmer</i>
Tuesday	Carpet Bowls <i>10.00am</i>	Pilates Class 6 - 7 pm Hall Committee meeting 7.30pm <i>(1st Tuesday every second month)</i> Seamer Parish Council 7.00pm <i>(3rd Tuesday every second month)</i> Book Club 8—9.30 pm <i>(4th Tuesday)</i>
Wednesday		Table Tennis 7.00pm
Thursday	Play and Stay <i>10.00am</i>	Bridge Group 7.00pm

JAM JARS

Please **DO NOT** save your jam jars for my friend Jenny Firman until further notice. Unfortunately, due to the cost of electricity she isn't making any jams and chutney until later in the year when she will use her log burning stove instead. Thank you

RECYCLING PLASTIC MILK BOTTLE TOPS FOR CHARITY

Rea Funeral Services, 10 Three Tuns Wynd, Stokesley, are collecting all different coloured plastic milk bottle tops to recycle to raise money for Marie Curie and The Firefighters' Fund.

If you would like to help them, you can leave your bottle tops (washed please) at the village hall when it is open for activities or take them direct to Rea's in Stokesley – there is a collection box outside the door.

Christine Cooper

SEAMER METHODIST CHURCH

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

A great time was had by all who attended and the Methodist Church was happy to sponsor the medals for the children's sports events.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Our Harvest Festival will be held on the 18th September at 10.30 led by Peter Jackson from Great Ayton. All are welcome to come and celebrate.

WORSHIP (all at 10.30 am)

7th August led by Congregation*

14th August led by Ron Kirk

21st August led by Rev Rob Weir (Holy Communion)

28th August led by Congregation*

4th September led by Rev Rob Weir (Holy Communion)

11th September led by Ron Kirk

18th September led by Peter Jackson (**Harvest Festival**)

25th September led by Congregation.

* Please note that due to the low numbers regularly attending during the August period, these services are subject to possible cancellation. If they are, we will leave a notice on the board outside the chapel.

CHARLES PETER JOPLING R.I.P.



I am sorry to report the sad death of Charles Peter Jopling who died peacefully at Stainton Lodge Care home on Friday 24th June 2022, aged 90.

He was born on 24 September 1931 and started life in Nunthorpe, where his parents farmed at Grange Farm. He got married to Jane, who he met whilst on a young farmers exchange in Israel. After getting married they moved to Lodge Farm in Seamer where they raised a family- Lynn, Tim, Mark and Ian and

ran many other business enterprises. They moved to Stokesley in 2006.

Peter had many interests outside of farming including: Sailing, Skiing, Model Engineering, Motorsport, Wildlife, Music and Tall Ships. With Jane he managed to travel and pursue these interests well into retirement. His last 5 years were spent at Stainton Lodge where he enjoyed reading and watching TV. He lived a long and happy life and told his children he had no regrets.

Tim Jopling

Editor

Peter was a well respected and popular village resident for many years and will be sorely missed and our condolences go to his family and friends

It is also sad to report that **Barbara Phillips died** in May (too late to go in last Grapevine) and **Ann Startin** has now **moved** after 56 years living in Seamer to be close to her daughters. Both were regular contributors and helpers with Grapevine as well as other village activities. They too will be missed by those that knew them and we wish Ann all the best in her new home.

QUEEN'S JUBILEE

THANKS

I and the other committee members would like to thank everyone for their support at our Jubilee event back in June. We had over 150 in attendance and the day was a great success. The fancy dress was outstanding and the whole day was filled with fun. The children in the village all received a special commemorative medal to mark the occasion.

Congratulations to all who entered into the cake competition - we had many delicious and fantastic looking entries.

Many thanks to all who helped out on the day, from the archery to the bouncy castle, the free ice creams and the decorating of the village and the village hall. Special thanks to Ann Thomas for her organisation of the event.

Faye Aspinall.

REPORT OF EVENT

What a fantastic day we had on June 4th. As the day started off rather dull and cool it was decided to have the Jubilee picnic in the village hall which was decorated for the occasion. At 12 o'clock in a packed hall we started off with the National Anthem which was followed by the fancy dress competition with 11 entrants. Residents then tucked into their indoor picnic. The day brightened up and more residents with their families and friends came and enjoyed their picnic on The Green. The children had great fun on the bouncy castle and then joined in with the sports. The adults were also competitive in their races and all joined in the tug of war to finish. Rosettes were given out to the winners and sweets for all competitors. Mark Murphy was also kept busy with his archery target. The ice cream man arrived and gave out 150 ice creams and lollies which were enjoyed by all as Faye Aspinall sang for us.

In the village hall the Jubilee cake competition was being judged. This

was not only on appearance but taste as well. There were 11 entries so the judge had a difficult task.

Afterwards the cakes were put out for everyone to have a piece of their choice with a cup of tea, coffee or juice.

The children from the parish were given a Jubilee medal as a keepsake of the day, which were kindly donated by the Methodist Church. The younger children also received a knitted Queen's corgi dog.

We hope you all enjoyed your day. It was funded by The Community Fund via the Parish Council and the total cost was £402. It was certainly worth it to see so many of you enjoying yourselves and maybe meeting neighbours you didn't previously know or seen for a while.

We would like to thank the Bainbridge family for kindly allowing us to use The Green and for them mowing it to perfection for us.

Prize winners (see photos next pages)

Fancy dress: Ladies 1st Anne (Princess) 2nd Allison Routledge (Queen)
Gents 1st Royal Snail Mail (Post Box).

(All entrants highly commended and received a sweets prize)

Jubilee cake: 1st Nicolle Pascall 2nd Kay Sanderson
3rd Christine Cooper

Highly commended Sandra Ayre

Seamer Village Hall Committee

Jubilee medals



The Jubilee medals were given out to all the children in the parish who attended the celebrations. We know that some children went home before the medals were given out. If you did and have not received one, please contact:

Christine Cooper
01642 701733 or ***chris_cooper1@hotmail.com***

Lost property



A pair of sunglasses were left in the village hall after the celebrations. Do they belong to you?

Please contact:

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SEAMER PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

The *May meeting* of the Parish Council was held at Seamer Memorial Hall. Two members of the public were in attendance. The following matters were reported: Planning application had been submitted for a 2-storey four bedroomed managers dwelling at Seamer Grange Farm and for a 2-storey rear extension at Pheasant House in Seamer. An application had been approved for variation of planning conditions following approval of a dormer bungalow and new access at The Hawthorns Tame Bridge. Annual governance of the Parish Council required approval of the Annual Governance Statement, Accounts and Auditors Report although VAT was outstanding. Village tree planting had taken place at Manor Farm with saplings and wildflowers. Other planting had taken place in other locations, including trees for the Queens Jubilee. The Annual Chairman's report was made available, and the acting Chair advised that the role of permanent would not be confirmed in the short term, noting there were still vacancies for a Parish Councillor and for the permanent Clerks role. It was noted that two councillors had not yet returned governance forms that needed to be sent to the Local Council and this was now deemed urgent. Village maintenance works by the village handyman and village gardener were now underway. District Councillor Fortune gave an update on local government reorganisation, as well as contact details at Hambleton Council for possible grant funding and match funding. Parish Councillor Mark Murphy gave an update on the Village Hall Committee and its work, including the Queens Jubilee celebrations. It was noted that the mobile speed camera was operational, and this would be made available to the Parish Council periodically along with Crathorne and Potto Parishes. Ideas were put forward for the Community Fund. The Police did not attend the meeting and the Clerk would secure an update for the next meeting.

Minutes of this meeting (and agendas prior to meetings) are displayed on the noticeboards and on the website. An update from the May Parish Council meeting will appear in the next Grapevine once ratified following the next Parish Council meeting. The Parish Council meeting on Tuesday July 19th will take place at the Village Hall, commencing at 7pm and will include the AGM.

Residents can access information about Parish Council and Community Fund matters in the following ways:

- a. Attendance at the bimonthly Parish Council meetings, details of which are publicised in various locations: e.g., Parish Council noticeboards, website.
- b. The Grapevine, where articles are regularly published.
- c. Parish Council minutes; these are displayed on noticeboards and on the website.
- d. Residents can contact the Parish Council via email or telephone to discuss any matters that are of concern to them.

All matters concerned with the Community Fund are discussed as an agenda item at Parish Council meetings. Any residents who attend form part of the discussion and all viewpoints are taken into consideration when making a final decision.

Maureen Marshall, Acting Chair of the Parish Council
Email: glenn.mcgill57@gmail.com (Parish Clerk)
Seamer Parish Council encompasses Seamer and Tame Bridge.

Seamer Parish Council urgently needs a new Parish Clerk

Can you spare approx. 8-10 hours per month?

Do you want to help your community?

Do you have experience in an admin role or are keen to learn?

Role details are:

- Receive emails and action or distribute as required
- Ensure any bills received are paid
- Keep accurate records of financials
- Prepare agenda for bi monthly meetings and take minutes at these and distribute as required.

This would ideally suit someone who is retired or currently working part time and is keen to be involved in village affairs. An online tutorial is available for this role and would be funded by the PC if required.

The role is supported by a modest stipend of £300 pa.

Our current clerk works very long hours in his own business and only took it on initially on a temporary basis.

If you can help please contact glenn.mcgill57@gmail.com

PARKING NEAR VILLAGE GREEN

At the July meeting of Seamer Parish Council, a parking problem was reported on village green land perimeter roads fronting residential properties opposite the village hall. This is in spite of the residents having alternative parking provision. This makes ingress and egress more difficult and potentially dangerous and it blocks the passage of emergency vehicles. Please remember this road is a right of way and access road and no vehicles should be parked there except for loading / unloading. The PC asks politely that residents please ensure this road is kept clear.

Residents responsibilities re overgrown gardens/ hedges: .

Residents are requested to please ensure that if their garden is at the edge of a public highway or footpath that no overgrown vegetation causes any obstruction to the public areas. If the PC have to cut areas back for safety reasons this may incur a charge.

VOLUNTEERS FOR WATERING TUBS REQUIRED

Apparently, we now have 64 planted tubs in Seamer and Tame Bridge in use during spring and summer.

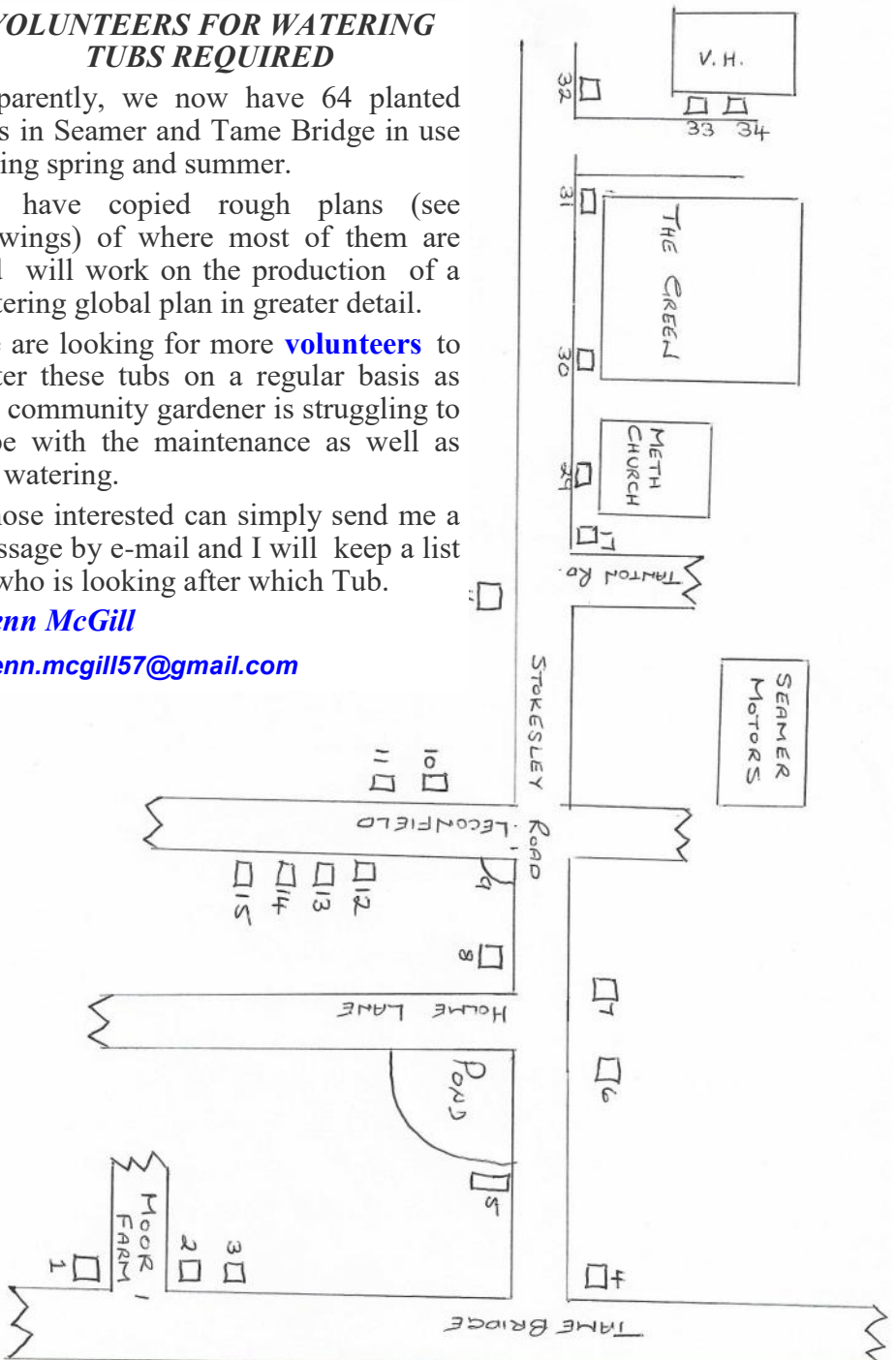
I have copied rough plans (see drawings) of where most of them are and will work on the production of a watering global plan in greater detail.

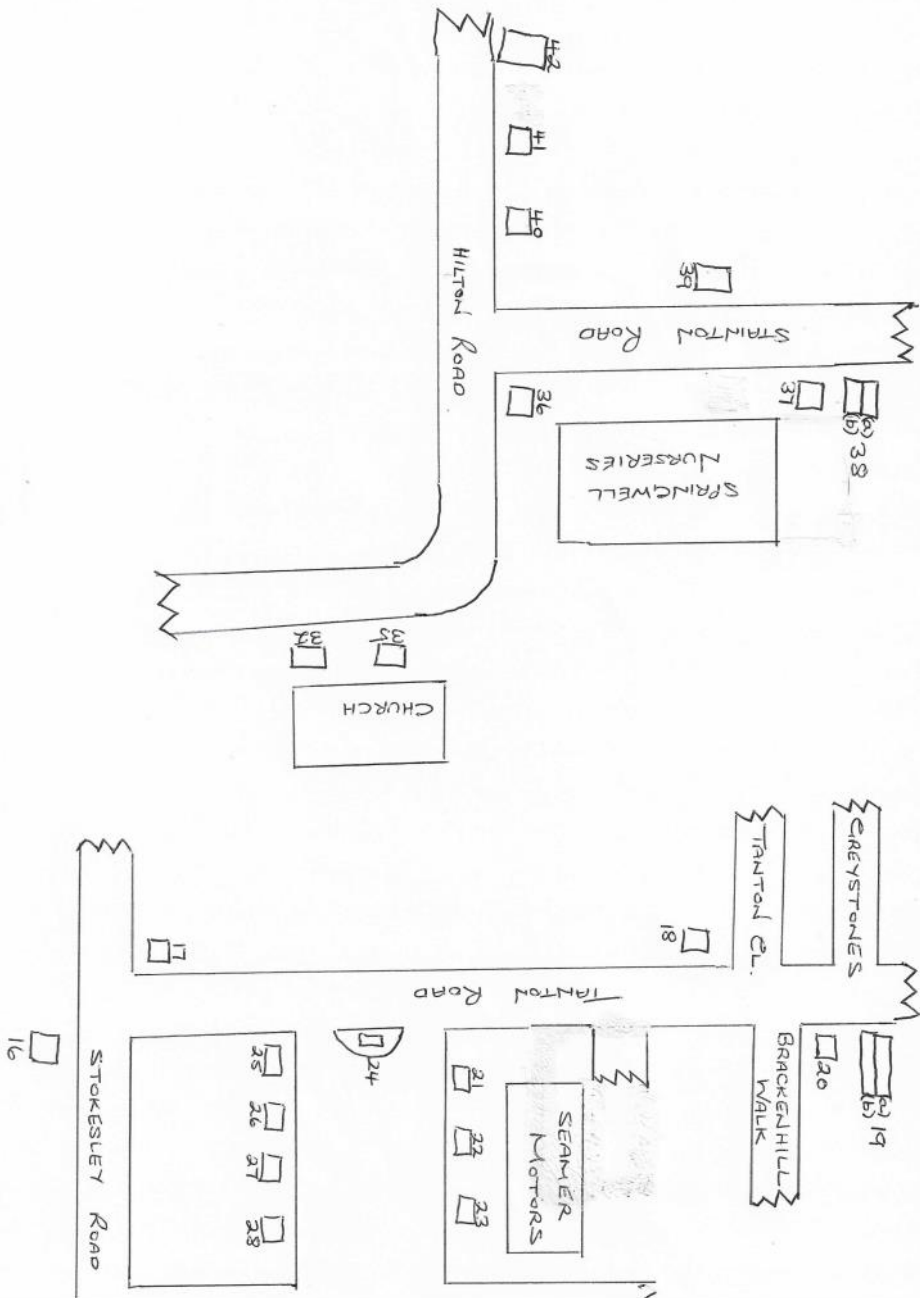
We are looking for more **volunteers** to water these tubs on a regular basis as our community gardener is struggling to cope with the maintenance as well as the watering.

Those interested can simply send me a message by e-mail and I will keep a list of who is looking after which Tub.

Glenn McGill

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NEW COUNCIL TAX REDUCTION SCHEME

From next year there will be a new single council in North Yorkshire. The new North Yorkshire Council will replace the seven district and borough councils as well as the county council. All eight councils are working together to make sure that the services people value continue as usual when North Yorkshire Council comes into being on 1 April 2023.

Having one council means services can be strengthened and joined up to improve the quality of life and opportunities for people across North Yorkshire. It will also save money by reducing duplication to put back into frontline services and support local priorities and decision-making.

Currently the seven borough and district councils all have slightly different Council Tax Reduction schemes, and by law North Yorkshire Council must introduce a single scheme covering the whole of the North Yorkshire area. Council Tax Reduction is a discount that helps people on low incomes pay their Council Tax bill. The proposal is to introduce an income banded scheme that is more supportive, with the maximum level of reduction for the people most in need.

The changes to the Council Tax Reduction Scheme will affect working age households in the North Yorkshire area who will get Council Tax Reduction from 1 April 2023. Pension age households will not see any change as the scheme to support this group is set out by Central Government.

Most applicants will get the same support as they do now and many will be better off. Although some households will have a little more to pay, the proposals set out plans for a hardship fund so that anyone affected who needs additional help will be supported. People are invited to share their views on the proposed changes as part of a consultation. A link to take part in the consultation and more detailed information can be found at www.northyorks.gov.uk/CouncilTaxReduction. The consultation closes at midnight on 18 September 2022. All comments and feedback will be considered in October, before a final decision is made in November.

BIRD WATCH



The Moorhens have five chicks on the village pond. Unfortunately one of the parents has been killed by passing traffic whilst trying to cross the road. We hope the other one can manage to rear the chicks on her own.

A juvenile Great spotted Woodpecker has started to visit my garden.



Leconfield's House Martins have had a very successful breeding season and a lot of the young birds have left for Africa already.

Tony Barnes

The Ultimate Chill Out Session to be held on the 12th September in the village hall. All money raised will be in aid of the village hall funds.

Gong Relaxation Experience

Great introduction to the benefits of Sound Healing and Sound Therapy. The Gong is played gently along with Himalayan & Crystal Singing bowls and drums. The captivating tones will lull you into a deep, restorative relaxation.

There are a number of health benefits associated with achieving this state: deep relaxation: lower blood pressure, increased blood circulation, balancing of the nervous system, reduced mind chatter, better sleep patterns. Some people gain mental clarity or feel very energised by the sessions. The session may even enhance creativity.

Participants generally leave with a feeling of inner peace tranquillity and a reduced sense of stress, anxiety or worry.

Gong Relaxation works on all levels of your being – mind, body, soul, spirit. The sound vibrations will provide a ‘sonic massage’ to your physical self and subtle energy fields, leaving you feeling relaxed, refreshed and restored.

YOUR INVITATION

Everyone is welcome, sessions are open, informal and light hearted. Wear warm comfortable clothing. No special skills required, just bring a smile and let the sound work its magic!

If you have one, please bring your own yoga mat/ blanket/ pillow for your comfort. We do have some spares if you need to borrow them. And a bottle of water to sip.

£8 per person.

Prompt start at 6.30pm. Finish 8pm

Unfortunately, due to the nature of the event, late arrivals are unable to join partway through.

Please let me know if you would like to come to this event by sending me a message on **07710631241** and I look forward to meeting you at the session

Christine Prendergast

OIL CLUB

Order dates, 1st week of September and November.

Delivery, approximately 3rd week in the month.

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