

FRIENDS OF NETHER STOWEY LIBRARY NEWS & EVENTS

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We are waiting for a decision from Somerset County as to the future of Nether Stowey Library following a Consultation. The decision is due on 16th October 2018.

The Friends of Nether Stowey Library group was set up several years ago in response to the last steps taken by Somerset County Council to close our library. Once again, our local library is facing an uncertain future.

The Friends of Nether Stowey Library are working closely with the Library Service and Nether Stowey Parish Council to achieve the best possible outcome for our Nether Stowey Library.

A County-wide Consultation to determine the future of the library service in Somerset concluded on 13th June 2018. We await the outcome of the consultation shortly – recommendations from which will pass to the Scrutiny Committee later in the year.

FoNSL Committee comprises:

Chairman Roger Stacey
Secretary Mary Reece
Treasurer Geraldine Mayell

Committee members:

Christine Cook and Pat Pardoe have resigned from the Committee.

Sue Aubrey has been co-opted to the Committee which now comprises: Norma Frood, Sally Friend, Isabel Ham, Dennis Harkness, Margaret Harlow, Sue Aubrey.

Membership

If you wish to renew your subscription or join FONSL please contact the Membership Secretary (see below). Membership of Friends of Nether Stowey Library costs £2 a year (children free) and has the added benefit of discount to our evening talks (see below). If you would like to join, please contact the Membership Secretary nfrood99@btinternet.com telephone 01278 733208.

Alternatively, you can leave a sealed envelope clearly marked FONSL and your name(s) and the correct amount of payment with the Librarian at Nether Stowey Library,

Library Opening Hours

Mon	10.00 – 1.00	2.00 – 5.00
Tuesday	Closed all day	
Wed	10.00 – 1.00	2.00 – 5.00
Thurs	Closed all day	
Friday	10.00 – 1.00	2.00 – 5.00
Sat	10.00 – 12.00	

Free use of the Internet in the Library! All you need is to be a registered member of Somerset Library Service and to bring along your ID Pin number. This includes **Free access to Ancestry.com in the Library** for research into your family tree.

News

Monthly Coffee and Cake mornings 10.30-11.30 take place on the 3rd Friday of each month. We hope some younger members and children will come along.

EVENTS FOR 2018

Monthly Talks held on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm:

Sept 12 th	Jessica Tyson	Piloting the Parrett
Oct 10 th	Timandra Harkness	Looking into the Future (from Radio 4 <i>Futureproofing</i> series)
Nov 14 th	Steve Chambers	Writing for Radio
Dec 12 th	Christmas celebration -	share your favourite seasonal readings. Mulled wine and mince pies served.

Regular weekly groups in the Library

Rhyme and Story time for babies and young children, and their Mums, Dads and grandparents, is held each Monday at 11am.

Knit and Natter sessions – a social group held every Wednesday morning in the Library from 10.30am until 12.00.

You can bring your knitting, sewing, tapestry or current craft work along and get to know other people from Nether Stowey and surrounding villages. Attendance is free but we ask for a small donation towards the refreshments of teas and coffees.

Ancestry family history sessions - trained volunteers are available to help you research your family history.

Online access to Ancestry.com is free in the Library! Please contact Nether Stowey Library for more information.

A **Jigsaw Club** is ongoing in the Library. A jigsaw puzzle is always out on a table in the Computer Room.

Other groups:

Monthly

Play Reading Group – a friendly group of people who meet on the first Friday of each month at 10.00am in the Library to read parts in a chosen script. A small membership charge is requested in order to cover the cost of scripts obtained from the Performing Arts Library. Tel 01278 732519