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Welcome to The Chard Flyer for Autumn 2023.



Our new front cover photo is very recognisable – Cricket House, at Cricket St Thomas. There is so much history attributable to the estate, both recent and ancient.

The estate was listed in The Domesday Book of 1086, and in 1775 it was sold to Admiral Alexander Hood, 1st Viscount Bridport, 1st Baron Bridport, and an officer of the British Royal Navy during the French Revolutionary Wars and Napoleonic Wars.

The Hood family had long associations with The Cricket Estate, before it changed hands to the Fry's Chocolate family. The estate has been in the safe hands of The Taylor family since 1967. Cricket House is now one of the many "Warners Hotels", and a major attraction for visitors to Chard and South Somerset.

For other local news, on **Page 20** we have our regular contributor Craig Hussey with his photos of Old Chard. Then on **Pages 26 & 27**, our maps of the town and local postcode. Chard Carnival is not far away - read Jason Baker's introduction to this year's event on **Page 28**.

The intrepid Cambodian venturers from Holyrood Schol bring us a lovely update on their trip on **Pages 36 & 37**. Chard Football Club are very confident about the new season, read all about it on **Page 42**.

30th September is the date for Chard Community Showcase, run by The Inner Wheel. Full details on **Page 46**.

For the past few years Chard Carnival has held a "Chard Carnival Street Fayre". Full details on **Page 49**. Finally on **Page 50**, Chard Carers Group offer one-to-one support for local people coping with care at home.

Please send us your feedback on what you would like to see in future editions of The Chard Flyer.

Best wishes,

Anthony Bucke Editor.

Email; chard@theantiquetourist.com

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Tackle the dreaded topic

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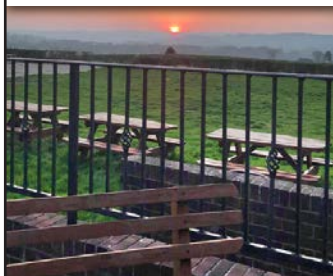
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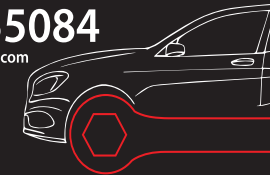
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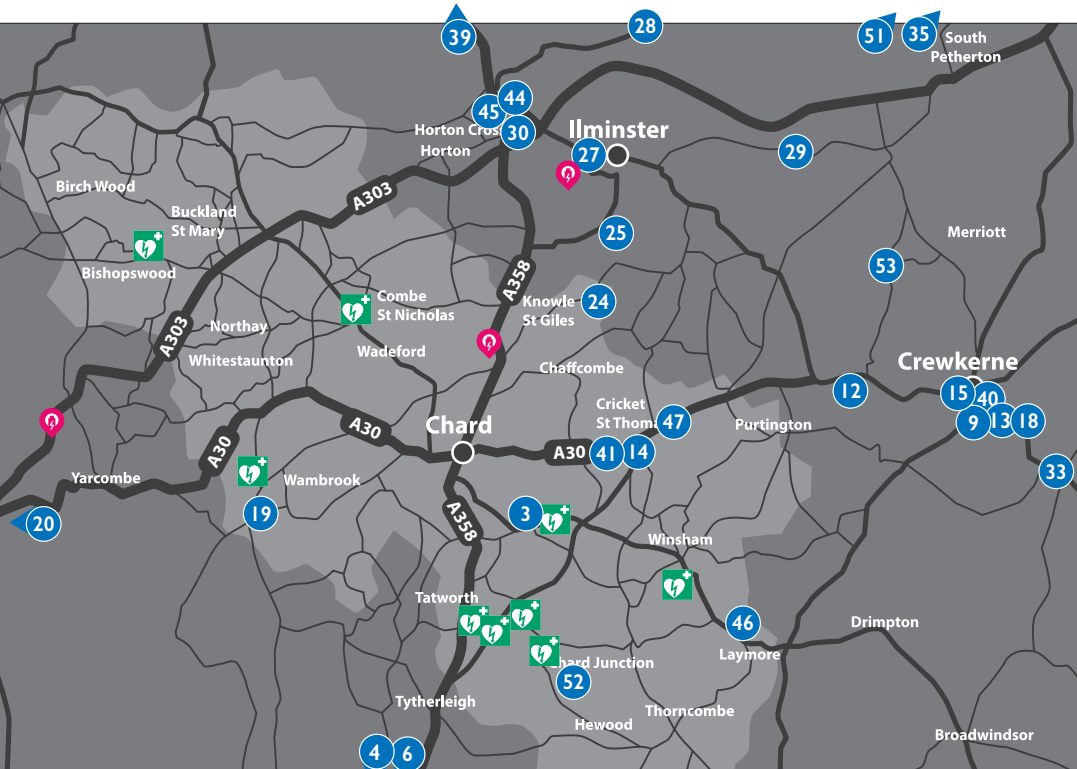
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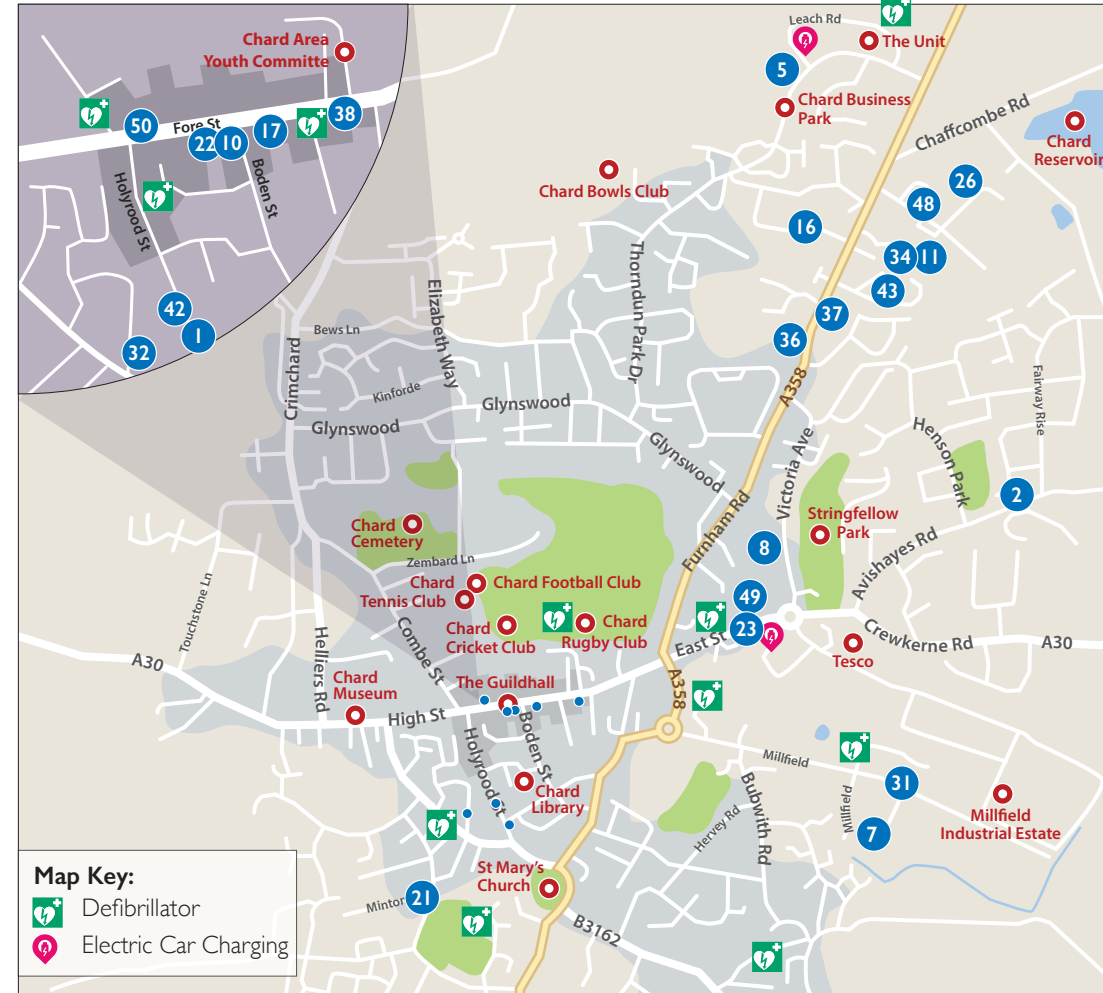
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This Year's Carnival will take place on Saturday 14th October, the Children's Carnival will be at 12pm followed by the evening illuminated procession at 7.30pm. The week leading up to these processions is full of things to do. We will be holding a quiz, bingo, "spot the wrong 'un" and much more. Please give our website, or Facebook page a look to see everything that is taking place during Chard Carnival Week. If you would like to enter either carnival please get in contact.

Carnivals are sociable affairs that start with Clubs meeting together to build entries right through to the huge public spectacles with thousands of spectators lining the streets. Many friendships and skills are made at clubs and committees, that last a lifetime. We need to support our local clubs and committees to keep this great tradition alive. Chard Carnival is now in its 56th year and has raised tens of thousands of pounds over the years for local charities and organisations including Chard Christmas Lights, Children's Hospice Southwest, Chard Hospital, Air Ambulance, Chard Rugby Club, Scouts, Brownies and all the local schools and many other good causes.

We have made a change to our route this year as the procession has now become so popular that the beginning meets the end at the Convent Link. This year we will start our procession at Millfield and then follow the usual route around Old Town, Crowshute Link, down The High Street and finish in Tapstone Road. We will be spreading the word as much as we can as we know East

Street is a popular place to watch the start of the carnival.

Keep an eye on our website and check the Chard Carnival Facebook page where you will find more details on this year's event. Our week will start with the beacon lighting as well as our popular "Spot the wrong 'un" competition and several shop windows will be decorated. You will see our collecting tins in many of the local shops throughout the coming weeks and we ask you to donate any loose change in both these and the collecting floats.

We would love to have some new members on the committee to help organise and keep Chard Carnival going. If you can spare a few hours to help out, have good IT and social media skills or would like to volunteer to help on Carnival Day we would love to hear from you. Please contact us via our Facebook page.

We are aiming to bring the Santa Float out in December to as many of you as possible and I am looking forward to seeing many of you lining the streets on Carnival night.

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It's been a little over a week since the group embarked on their adventure on July 12th, and they've already accomplished so much! In just seven days, they've significantly impacted the lives of people in the community by installing wells and new toilets and providing access to clean drinking water for families. They've also had the opportunity to meet some wonderful people and assist children with their schoolwork. Additionally, they've learned about the local culture and received blessings from the Monks, making this experience truly remarkable

and positive. We are immensely proud and excited for them as they continue on this journey of personal growth, cultural immersion, and unforgettable experiences.

With three more weeks to go, they will undoubtedly accomplish even more. Their projects include ensuring food and water security by creating traditional rainwater storage pots for families and providing small chicken farms to supplement income. They are also working on environmental projects such as planting trees and tending to a jungle garden. The focus is on improving the living conditions of the community's poorest members. Additionally, the group will have the opportunity to visit several temples, including the famous ruins of Angkor Wat, and explore the night market for souvenirs.

We would like to express our gratitude to Mr Webb, Miss Harrar, Mrs Gilbert, and The Holyrood Academy for their exceptional contributions. Their dedication and guidance have been instrumental in making this adventure a reality for the students. We would also like to thank Camps International for providing this opportunity and everyone in our community who has supported our boys, including

The Chard Flyer. Your belief in them has played a significant role, and we are truly grateful. Let's wish them safe travels, remarkable experiences, and a journey that will leave an indelible mark on their lives.

You can follow their journey on their Facebook page at www.facebook.com/CambodiaExp23, where we share glimpses of their adventure through photos and stories. This keeps our community connected and lets everyone participate in their incredible journey from afar.

As a side note, If you are a parent considering sending your child on an expedition, we highly recommend it. There has been some debate about the Ecuador trip. Still, as a parent who assisted with the Cambodia expedition, I can assure you that it's a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity for your child to experience something extraordinary with their friends. I have come across some negative feedback regarding the cost of this trip. Some people suggest that the same money can be used for a family vacation or to buy their first car. However, there will be plenty of other opportunities for these things. The idea is to fundraise the money, and if your child is willing to try and work hard for it, all they'll need is your support. This trip will have a positive impact on their lives that will last a lifetime. Don't let controversy or misinformation stop you. Ask the organisation and the school for any questions; they have done an amazing job helping us. It will be worth it. Good luck!

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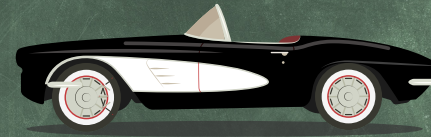
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Chard Town FC are looking forward to the new season with a young squad mixed with experienced players. Jason Hutchins the manager has managed to get Tim Legg and Jamie Brown into the squad and has promised more new faces will be added soon. One player they are desperate to find is an experienced goalkeeper as Jason had a freak accident at Beer in a pre season friendly.

Due to deadlines by the time you read this the season will have kicked off and three games will have passed, maybe even four. 26th August we face Chilcompton Sports at home. The first two fixtures are away at Clevedon on the 5th August then Wells City during the week on the 9th August. Two hard fixtures to start with before we have the first home game v Nailsea 12th August.

The first pre season game was away at Street FC, despite losing 2-0 at one time during the game, they fought back to win 2-3. Then at home they faced Lyme Regis after 30m of the game they were already 3 goals to the good, with a lot of u18s making their home debut for the first team. After an hour it was 5-1 after Lyme Regis got a goal in the first half. In the last few minutes Lyme Regis got another goal. FT 5-2. The next game was against Gillingham a tough fixture losing 0-2. The final game away at Beer, with another tough game the defence held firm and after 22m a great cross from Fin was met by Conor Fielder who cushioned a nice header into the net. Seven minutes later a hopefully long ball over the top beat

the defenders, as Jason rushed out he collided with their attacker, so a penalty was given. Half Time 1-1 with Jason being unable to continue Conor Richardson went into goal. Several chances for both sides in the second half didn't produce any goals so it finished 1-1.

Off the pitch our new Chairman Mark Parris is building a strong backroom committee, most of our long term sponsors have renewed and some new ones have been added. New sponsors are always welcome as they are vital to the successful running of the football club. Also we have a patrons club and a social membership scheme so you can get involved.

Volunteers are always needed for several jobs during matchdays, if you can help contact the football club.

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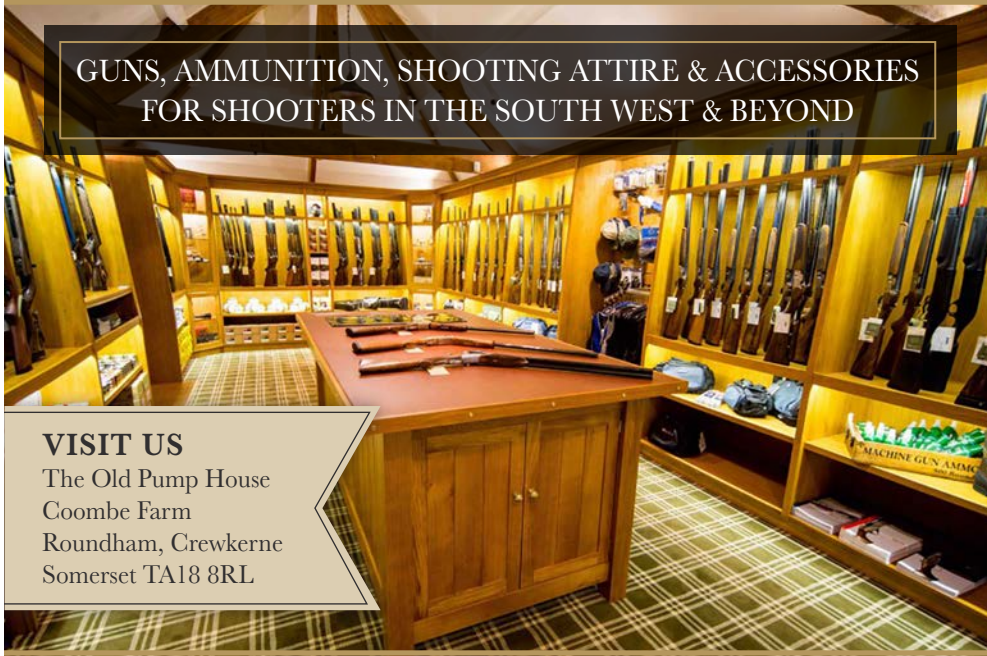
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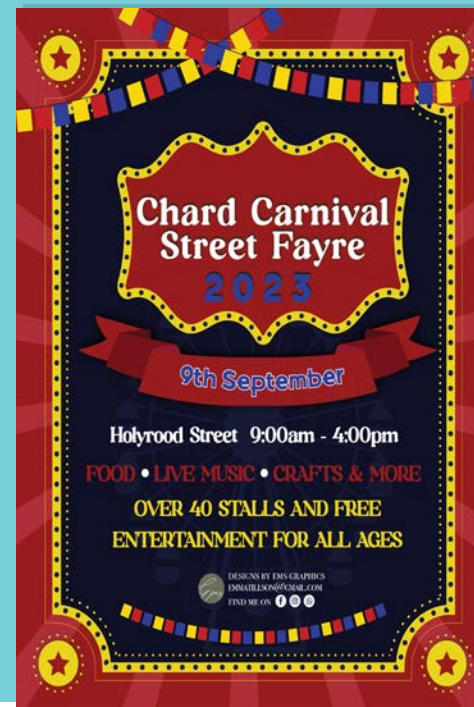
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Level: **Easy**
 Date: _____
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 Time to solve: _____

SUDOKU 2

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Level: **Hard**
 Date: _____
 Start time: _____
 Time to solve: _____



This Year will be the 3rd Chard Carnival Annual Street Fayre and it will take place on Saturday 9th September.

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