



# COKER CORONA



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Our Community Working Together

Issue Twenty Eight

## IT'S SUPER SUNDAY

All the plans for the celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in East Coker are almost complete. So we can announce what is set to happen over the 4 days of the Jubilee Holiday. Attached to this Coker Corona are details of the programme for each day of the festival. You will see on Super Sunday there is The Big Lunch in



the Recreation Ground and we are really excited to announce that the Military Wives Choir from Yeovilton are to be the main attraction on this day. They will be giving 2 performances during the afternoon the first a selection of songs for a

good traditional singalong and then a second performance which will be all the best of the Last Night of the Proms. In addition to the Military Wives, the children from East Coker School will present their Commonwealth Flags and they will show what their thoughts and dreams are for the future. For all the great cooks there is going to be a best dessert pudding competition. More details on how to enter later. The programme for the celebration is packed with entertainment - There is something happening every day of the 4 day holiday. To start things off there will be the grand opening of the Jubilee Natter Garden followed by the lighting of the Jubilee Beacon in the Recreation Ground with hot soup and snacks. East Coker joins the whole Nation in lighting a chain of Beacons across the country - make sure you are there! Friday in the Pavilion will see the opening of the Past and Present East Coker History Exhibition with, in the afternoon, a presentation by Martin Salzer and an exchange of memories to help add to the historic records of East Coker Parish.

## Commemorative Garden & Tree



As a permanent reminder of this very special time it has been decided to open a Jubilee Natter Garden - a place where people can meet, relax and have a chat. After much discussion, it was decided that the best place for this special area should be the corner of Long Furlong Lane and Mill Close. Associated with this is the planting of a commemorative tree. Binny Bennett and his 2 children Sophia & Tobias have now planted the tree to get things started and in accordance with tradition, placed a coin and a time capsule under the tree.

## Get Involved

If you would like to help at this very special time that would be great, because there is going to be lots to do - also we are looking for decorations & bunting so if you have any or would like to make some that would be a big help -

please contact -  
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## A Celebration at St. Michael's Church

From the Friday to the Sunday there is to be a Festival of Flowers at St Michael's Church - See the beauty of the Church - "Dressed to Impress".

If you would like to help with the arrangements you need to be at the Church on Thursday morning at 11.30am. On Sunday 5th at 10:00am there will be an ecumenical service. This is a chance for everyone of every faith, and none, to come together as a community and to reflect on the Queen's remarkable life of service.

## Poetry Competition

Now is the time to start thinking and putting pen to paper for the Jubilee Poetry Competition. The theme is naturally 'The Queen's Platinum Jubilee'. All entries to be sent to - sandra.snelling@googlemail.com Entries must be with Sandra by the 20th May and the winner will be announced on Super Sunday at The Big Lunch - Good Luck Everyone.

## The Queen's Canopy

Over 650 trees are to be planted in East Coker at Pin Cushion Corner, which is just across the road from the Goose Slade Farm Shop. This is part of the Queen's Canopy an International movement to plant trees and help, in some way, to combat the effects of global warming.



# East Coker Jubilee Programme



## Thursday 2nd June



Opening of the Jubilee Natter Garden  
*Long Furlong Lane - 8.00pm*



Lighting of the Beacon with the East Coker Players  
*Recreation Ground - 8:15 to 9:15pm*  
*Soup & Snacks - Bring your own drinks*

## Friday 3rd June

Festival of Flowers - St Michael's Church  
*10.00am to 4.00pm*



Opening of the Jubilee Walk  
*Village Hall 12.00 noon*  
*Walk the Walk*



East Coker Past & Present Exhibition  
*Pavilion Recreation Ground - 12.00 - 4.00pm*

Talk and Share - Help to add to the History of Our  
Village *2.30pm*



## Saturday 4th June

East Coker Past & Present Exhibition Pavilion  
*Recreation Ground - 12.00 - 4.00pm*

Talk and Share - Help to add to the History of Our Village  
*2.30pm*



Festival of Flowers St Michaels Church  
*10.00am to 4.00pm*

## West Coker

West Coker 1950's Dinner & Dance  
*West Coker Village Hall 7pm*





# Sunday 5th June



## St Michaels Church

A Celebration for a Life of Service  
Planting commemorative Tree

10:00 am



### The Big Lunch



12:00 Field opens for you to set-up

12:30 Welcome everyone

Wine & Beer Bar opens

12:45 Start Your Picnic

Name the Corgi Contest Starts 1:30

2:00 Fun & Games with the Scouts

2:00 Disco Music - Face Painting

2:15 Judging the Best Crowns

Best Crown & Best Decorated House prize giving

Prize giving Poem Competition

Military Wives Choir 3:15 to 3:45

3:45 Disco

4.45 Raffle

Find the Corgi & Best Pudding prize giving

5:00 Military Wives Choir - Last Night of the Proms

5:00 Thank You and Good Bye

### Other Events on the Day



Vintage Car Display    Name the Corgi

Pudding Competition    Ice Cream Van

Wine & Beer Bar    Plant Sale

Raffle - With £100 1st Prize

Donkey Rides    Mrs Miggins Pies

Fun and Games with the Scouts



This Programme may be subject to small changes as we get closer to June 2nd