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Quote of the week

“Wedmore might become a paleontologist's paradise before long

Andrew Gilling, page 5

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The Cheddar Valley Foodbank raced round Budgens in Cheddar for a supermarket dash to collect necessities for the foodbank.

Supermarket dash bolsters foodbank

HOW well do you think you would do in a supermarket dash? Cheddar Valley foodbank treasurer, Yan Pietryga, put herself forward for the challenge

to race round Tout's Budgens in Cheddar on behalf of the Cheddar foodbank.

A spokeswoman for the foodbank said: "We had the

voucher donated by Budgens, which was extremely generous of them."

"Yan had three minutes to dash around the supermarket and

fill the trolley with necessities we need for the foodbank. "Budgens has continued their support with having a basket in the store for customers to fill."

Trial to start soon on changes to town's Square car parking

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estrians to get around the square, and the addition of bike racks, planters and benches.

The Big Lottery Fund is the major contributor with other donations from Sedgemoor District Council, The Jack Todd Bequest and The Action Group.

Donations have also been received from Axbridge businesses such as the Almshouse, Butcombe Brewery, Enable, the Lamb Inn and Ginkgo Projects.

Peter Harding, of Axbridge Action Group, said: "We are really excited to be able to start a trial on some changes that we hope will not only improve the balance between cars and pedestrians in Axbridge, but will also start a conversation about what the people who live in, and visit, Axbridge want to see in the future."

It was agreed the town council would match-fund and may take on some of the funds to purchase items such as benches which would then be owned by the council, risk assessed and insured.

A part of the funding is to pay for community facilitators to help with consultation and community engagement activities. The trial begins in April, and more details can be found at www.streetsofaxbridge.org.uk or on Facebook by searching for Streets of Axbridge. To find out how to be a facilitator, call Pete on 01934 733689.

Weather Provided in association with

Outlook for mid-Somerset

A BAND of rain is expected to spread across the region today, with further outbreaks of rain tomorrow.

Colder, more showery weather will follow on Saturday and it is likely to be windy at times.



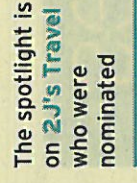
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The spotlight is on 2J's Travel who were nominated



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