

Shottisham Village Newsletter

FROM THE CHURCH

Dear Friends

As I write this, we have begun our journey through Lent. We will travel through the lengthening days into March and our celebration of caring on Mothering Sunday (6th March) then turning our attention to Jesus' journey into Jerusalem, to his Last Supper, death, and finally to his resurrection, on Easter morning. The 'journey of life' is a familiar theme and reminds us that change, moving on, is inevitable for human beings, just as it is for everything that is alive.

Lent (from an old English word meaning 'spring') and Easter, though, remind us that our journey can be not just 'of' life but *into* life. All around us we see evidence of new life and growth, particularly in the natural world at this time of year. One of the blessings of living in a country where we have relatively clearly marked seasons of winter, spring, summer and autumn, is that we are more aware of the cycle of death and life; that new life does come after a period of cold and apparent barrenness.

Through Lent we move from cold and darkness to warmth, colour and light. Mothering Sunday provides an opportunity to say 'thank you' to those who nurture and care for us and reminds us of our dependence on other people to help us flourish and grow, not only during our childhood but at every stage of our lives. Easter is our great celebration of life which we traditionally mark with eggs, lambs, chicks and bunnies – all symbols of new life. In the Christian church Easter has traditionally been a time for baptism (christening) and this year it is our joy to have a baptism at Ramsholt church on Easter Day and celebJesus said 'I have come that you may have life in all its abundance' and by rising from the dead he demonstrates that death is not the end; that life and love are stronger than death and evil. A real cause for celebration.

Wishing you the blessing of new life this Easter

Ruth Hatchett

March 2016	SHOTTISHAM	SUTTON
Sunday March 6 th Lent 4 Mothering Sunday		9.30am Mothering Sunday Praise Rvd Ruth Hatchett
Sunday March 13 th Lent 5 Passion Sunday	11.00am Holy Communion (BCP) Revd Michael	6.30pm Evensong Mel Spurling
Sunday March 20 th Palm Sunday		11.00am Morning Praise Revd Ruth Hatchett
Friday March 25 th Good Friday	12.30pm Shottisham to Sutton Prayer Walk	2.00pm Good Friday prayers Rvd Ruth Hatchett
Sunday March 27 th Easter Sunday	9.30am Family Communion Rvd Michael	11.00am Holy Communion Rvd Philip Merry

Each Wednesday at Noon at Sutton – a quiet reflective service of Holy Communion

Wednesdays at 1.30pm Bible Study in the Prayer & Community Room in the Barnsdale Centre at Sutton Heath.

Friday March 4th Women's World Day of Prayer Service which this year is being held in Eyke School at 2.30pm

LENT LUNCHES

Our series of Lent lunches continues with a short service of midday prayer at 12 noon each Saturday followed by a light lunch of homemade soup and bread with donations going this year to the Churches Urban Fund.

5th March at Hollesley Church

12th March at Bawdsey Village Hall

19th March at Bromeswell Church

Money raised will be used to help support people struggling to put food on their tables – those who rely on food banks and people on low incomes who skip meals so that their children can eat.

DEANERY LENT COURSE

St Felix Church, Rendlesham are hosting a series of talks for Lent on the Five Marks of Mission, with some excellent speakers at 7.30pm on Tuesday evenings.

March 1st TEND— respond to human need by loving service.

Speaker: the Revd. Canon Paul Daltry, Minister for Church and Community Engagement

March 8th TEACH— teach, baptise and nurture new believers.

Speaker: the Very Revd. Keith Jones, former Dean of York

March 15th TRANSFORM— seek to transform unjust structures of society.

Speaker: the Revd. Canon Clare Sanders, Woodbridge Rural Dean

All welcome to any or all sessions. No charge. Lifts available. Contact Rev'd Ruth for further details

SHOTTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

SCDC have now responded to the Parish Council's request for clarification on preferred location for any new housing and will be designating the Sorrel Horse field as the preferred site. This has the advantage of providing housing in the centre of the village, to meet the needs identified in the survey, and also providing additional parking for the Sorrel Horse. The trustees of the Adeane Estate continue to express an interest in building on the land east of Heath Drive, but I indicated that it was unlikely this would be supported by the parish.

The Parish Council is keen to co-opt two new Councillors. We did receive an application from outside the parish, but could not accept it since the applicant had not been resident for the required period. Be aware that if we do not receive applications from the village we may be required to accept future applications from outside.

To date we only have one respondent willing to support the Speedwatch initiative. I will continue to pursue the activity, but it would be helpful if others were willing to support us.

You may be aware that the WI accepted a donation from a local business in exchange for displaying a banner on their property. Sadly, somebody took it upon themselves to remove the banner. This is clearly unacceptable behaviour, so I would ask that the person responsible please return the banner to its rightful owner.

MEETINGS are usually held on the 2nd Tuesday of alternate months in the Trust Hall. If you would like an email or hard copy of the minutes of the last meeting please contact the Parish Clerk shottishampc.clerk@gmail.com. The next Parish Council Meeting is Tues **March 8th at 7.30pm** in the Trust Hall. All welcome. The Agenda will be put up on the Parish Council notice board at least three days before the meeting or can be viewed on the Shottisham website www.shottisham.onesuffolk.net which has recently been revived.

Mike Hazelwood, Chairman

ROAD CLOSURE B1083 from the junction with The Walks to the Broxtead Estate, due to carriageway repairs from 11 March to 21 March, 0800-1800 hours. Alternative road to be used, The Walks, Woodbridge Airfield Road, Heath Road, Hollesley, The Street, Bushey Lane Hollesley, Hollesley Road, The Street, Fordhill, Shottisham B1083 to Sutton, and vice versa. Any enquiries to 0345 6066171 enquiries@suffolkhighways.co.uk

SHOTTISHAM WI TRUST HALL

The Parish Council continues to support the hall improvements and has put aside £500 for 2016 / 2017

Trust Hall Orchard – there will be a tree planting session on **Sat March 5th** at 10.30am, come and help with the planting of the Community Orchard at the Trust hall – everyone welcome and refreshments will be served.

Shottisham WI - meet at the Trust Hall at 2.00pm on the second Wednesday of the month. Anyone interested in becoming a member please contact Terrie on 410134. The programme for 2016 is now available or please look at sefwiorg.uk/institutes/shottisham.

Trust Hall hire please contact Terrie on 410134 *Shottisham WI Committee*

THE SORREL HORSE

Sunday March 6th is Mother's Day we will be offering a mouth-watering array of roast dinners at lunchtime, all served with roasted potatoes, vegetables, gravy and a homemade Yorkshire pudding, and delicious desserts. Just like mum used to make!

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt (including the famous pink rabbit) will be held on **Sunday March 27th**. Plenty of chocolate, fun and running around for the little ones. Please be with us for 12.45pm

A much-anticipated kitchen renovation begins on **Monday, 7th March**. Unfortunately, due to the work being carried out, we will not be serving food for approximately ten days henceforth. We plan to re-open the new kitchen by Saturday 19th March, but please check on our Facebook page or website, or ring us (411617) to check – just in case! We are also taking the opportunity to do some re-painting in the bar and restaurant, and the pub **will be closed** for business on Monday 7th and Tuesday 8th March. The pub will be open for drinks for the rest of the time the kitchen is closed.

Sorrel Horse Music at 8.30pm

Monday March 14th : Warm Country Blues with The Twisty Turns Whilst walking in the Thoroughfare in Woodbridge one day during the summer I stopped dead in my tracks upon hearing this excellent duo doing some busking. *The Twisty Turns* play their own blend of warm country blues, country, bluegrass and Americana music. With a mixture of traditional songs, and their own original material, they have an honest and home-grown sound with exciting and sympathetic instrumentation that supports both heartfelt and laid back vocals. The Twisty Turns will put the fire in your hearth and the rum in your punch!

Hope to see you there. Why not come early and enjoy a meal as well? *Chris Harvey*

Regular Village Services

Community Car Service for Doctor/Hospital appointments Woodbridge and Ipswich. Part Funded by Suffolk County Council. Cost Woodbridge £5 / Ipswich £10. Colin Beecroft Tel 411794

Mobile Grocer – every Thurs 10.30 - 10.45am to Heath Drive and 10.50 – 11.15am at the Knoll For more information Tel Sonya 07810370314

Mobile Library – Tues March 8th at the Knoll from 3pm – 3.20pm.

Wilford Link Bus can be contacted on 0845 6041802 or www.suffolkonboard.com

Would you like to be able to buy your fresh fish weekly? Cath from Lowestoft visits the village weekly on a Tuesday (except Bank Holiday weeks). To place an order or arrange a delivery contact Cath on Tel 01502 530965 Mobile 07971 970836

SUTTON, HOLLESLEY (ORFORD) AND BAWDSEY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat March 5 th	Bawdsey Bird Club Annual Public Talk on "The Wildlife of the South Atlantic" by Suffolk Naturists Anne & Dennies Knell. 7.30pm at Sutton Memorial Hall. Admission: Adults £3, under 18's £1.50. Refreshments served in interval.
Thurs March 11 th	Girl's Night Out – Alice in Wonderland - Sutton Memorial Hall - 7 for 7.30pm - tickets £6 - book via Mel 420398 or Sue on 411793
Sun March 13 th	"Out of the Case", Sutton Hoo, 1.30pm to 2.30pm
Fri March 18 th	Knit in at The Anchorage, Broomswell 2-4pm
Sat March 19 th	Community Coffee Morning - Hollesley Village Hall - 9.30am to noon
Sat March 19 th	Broomswell Annual Jumble Sale 2-4pm at Village Hall
Sat March 19 th	The Wild Man of Orford - St Bartholomew's Church, Orford - 3pm and 7pm
Sat March 19 th	Spring Concert by the Sutton Heath Singers and Friends at 7.30pm in Sutton Memorial Hall. Tickets £6 each, to book please phone 01394 411793, or 412035 or 384659. Joint fundraiser in aid of Church Funds and Recreation Ground New Play Equipment Fund.
Sun March 20 th	Spring Equinox Sunset Tour - Sutton Hoo - 4.30 to 6.30pm

Bawdsey Quay Boathouse Café now OPEN Fri, Sat, Sun and Bank Holidays 11.00am to 5.00pm. Ferry running weekends 10.00am - 5.00pm from Easter

Suffolk Punch Trust OPEN Friday to Monday 10.30am – 4.00pm from March 18th

BROADBAND

Although Broadband fibre is coming to our area I am hearing about more and more problems that people are experiencing.

I think that it would be worthwhile to explore the extent of these difficulties and take some action if necessary. So please let me have the details of any problems that you do have. Please include a description of the current position and the date of your original request or report as well as any other relevant facts. Regards *Fred Stentiford* (email fred.stentiford@btopenworld.com)

SUFFOLK WILDLIFE TRUST, WOODBRIDGE WILDLIFE GROUP**Discover the secret world of Suffolk's Bats....**

Secrets from the world of bats will be revealed when Duncan Sweeting from the Suffolk Bat Group gives a talk at Woodbridge Community Hall on **Thurs 24th March** at 7.30 pm. The talk has been organised by Suffolk Wildlife Trust's Woodbridge Wildlife Group and chairman Phil Smith said "The Suffolk Bat Group have done some excellent work conserving and surveying the bats of Suffolk and I feel sure this is going to be a fascinating evening. The evening is open to all, with admission £2.50 for adults and children under 16 free. There will be refreshments served during the evening and a raffle." For more information please telephone 01473 625630 or email swtwoodbridge@outlook.com

WOULD YOU LIKE TO CONTRIBUTE TO YOUR VILLAGE and compile the monthly newsletter? After three years I am looking for someone to take over from me with new ideas and enthusiasm. If you think you are that person please contact me – details below. *Diana*

For further information about any church related items please contact Revd. Ruth Hatchett 412052 or email ruth_hatchett@yahoo.co.uk

For future contributions to the Shottisham newsletter please contact Diana Bouscarle 411215 or diana@bouscarle.co.uk by 20th of previous month