





Shottisham Village Newsletter

Dear Friends, over the coming days of early November, most of us will observe a two minute silence to remember those who gave their lives in the service of their country. Keeping silence together to remember those who have lost their lives in tragic circumstances has become a tradition. The absence of noise – from guns and bombs or telephones and chatter – gives us space in an age of noise to reflect on the important things of life, its preciousness and value.

When there is so much noise all around us – both literally and in terms of the thoughts and concerns and pressures which are part of daily life – the value of silence can often be overlooked.

Norwegian explorer Erling Kagge has recently published a book* which seeks to answer the questions What is silence? Where can it be found? Why is it more important than ever? Erling once spent fifty days walking solo across Antarctica, his radio disabled. In the book he takes the reader on a journey to unlock the power of silence. And he shows us how to find perfect silence in our daily lives, however busy we are.

Humans are social creatures. Being accessible can be a good thing. We are unable to function alone. Yet it's important to be able to turn off your phone, sit down, not say anything, shut your eyes, breathe deeply a couple of times and attempt to think about something other than what you are normally thinking about. Yes, there will still be noises – just as there are during the two minute silence on Remembrance Sunday - but they need not intrude and with practice we may find an inner silence which could be life-changing.



*Erling Kagge,"Silence: in the Age of Noise" Viking 2017

November 2017	SHOTTISHAM	SUTTON	HOLLESLEY	ALDERTON
Thursday 2nd			2.30 pm Glebe House, Evensong Pat S/Mel	
5th All Saints'	11 am Holy Communion Revd Ruth	9.30 am Sutton Heath family worship Revd Michael	9.30 am Sung Eucharist (CW) Revd Ruth	8 am Holy Communion (BCP) Revd Ruth
Saturday 11 th Armistice Day				4 pm Act of Remembrance Revd Michael
12 th Remembrance Sunday	6 pm Evensong Revd Ruth	10.50 Remembrance Service for Sutton and Shottisham Will Richards	10.50 Remembrance Service for Hollesley and Boyton Revd Ruth 6 pm Reflection and Song Di Barnard	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) Revd Michael 10.50 Remembrance Service for Alderton and Ramsholt Revd Michael
Thursday 16th			10.30 am Glebe House Holy Communion Revd Judith	
Saturday 18th			Messy church Di Barnard and team	
19th Second Sunday before Advent		11 am Holy Communion Revd Ruth	9.30 Café Sundae Judy Foulger/Revd Ruth 6.30 pm Evensong Revd Michael	8 am Holy Communion (BCP) Revd Ruth
26 th Christ the King	9.30 am Family Communion Revd Ruth	6.30 pm Evensong Revd Ruth	9.30 am Sung Eucharist Revd Michael	

"Thank you for your generous gifts for the Woodbridge Salvation Army foodbank at our **harvest festival** when Capt Alan Hill gave an enlightening talk about the **foodbank**. They have nearly 100 regular recipients of food parcels and spend £1000 a week on food. People from our churches are now helping Woodbridge Salvation Army with foodbank deliveries in this area and as winter approaches, you can help needy local families by leaving items of non-perishable food, toiletries etc. in the basket in the church. These will be taken to Woodbridge Salvation Army for distribution to needy/homeless people in our area. If someone you know is in need, they can contact the Salvation Army on 01394 384967 to request support."

During the three weeks leading up to Christmas Eve, our **knitted nativity scene** will again be travelling around our villages looking for a stopping place each night. Each home will keep one of the little sheep until Christmas Eve when the sheep can all be brought to Hollesley or Sutton church for the Christmas Eve service to be reunited with their friends. Could you give Mary & Joseph, donkey & sheep, shepherds & wise men a place to rest for the night during December? Please get in touch with me via telephone, email or Facebook if you would like to host the travelling crib. I will need your name, address & telephone number and any dates which would not be convenient. You will need to make arrangements to pass the crib on to the next person on the list – after school perhaps?

We are planning a village Christmas Festive Fayre at the Trust Hall on Saturday 9th December 12 noon to 3 pm. There will be a planning meeting at 12 noon in St Margaret's Church on Sunday 5th November. Please come and help us shape and plan this community event.



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Gardening gems from Ivan

As we head into November, the season for bonfires is upon us, and all I would suggest is that you have due consideration for your neighbours watching both wind direction and strength and the material you are trying to burn. Planting time for some vegetables, namely asparagus crowns. Time to plant garlic and autumn planted onion sets, a few are worth a try, but bolting can be a problem in the spring, as well as disease levels in the stocks. I'm still hoping to get onto the allotment to make a concerted effort to clear and dig. Horse manure will soon be available on the allotments. When the asparagus has died off a little more, I need to cut it down, clean up any weeds and prepare for next season and a similar treatment for the rhubarb and fruit bushes. In the garden the patio/terrace continues to grow, albeit slowly. The RHS think that our fuchsia problem is due to fuchsia cull mite, which has caused severe distortion of the foliage and an absence of flowers. Geranium and regal pelargonium cuttings are looking quite well in the greenhouse and I have potted up some orchid plantlets. Grass continues to grow with warm soil, rain and heavy dews. Do as much as you can now before the weather takes a turn for the worst. Happy and healthy gardening, Ivan Clarke



PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Scottish Power has installed temporary traffic lights on Ford Hill to slow down traffic crossing the bridge. These lights may be removed shortly, when work shifts to the other side of the Deben. Scottish Power is working with Highways to establish a longer term solution and the Parish Council will be involved in any decisions. We agreed at the last meeting that we do not wish to consider any new sites for housing at the moment. We are pleased we were able to co-opt **Miranda Harrison** as a new Councillor. There are still two more seats available, so if you would like to serve the community in this way please make me aware of your interest. The council are currently preparing tenders for grass cutting and new fencing on the playing field. The next council meeting will be held on **Tuesday 14**th **November at 7.30 pm** in the Trust Hall.

SHOTTISHAM TRUST HALL - for Trust Hall hire please contact Terrie on 410134.

Cathy's Craft Group is held on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 7.00 pm in The Trust Hall, cost £2 which includes tea/coffee and biscuits. Proceeds all go to the maintenance of the hall. Any queries please contact Cathy on 411449.

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SHOTTISHAM WI Wednesday November 8th 2 pm AGM

THE SORREL HORSE

Everyone is welcome to come along to our friendly pub and enjoy a good quality meal or just a drink if you prefer. We look forward to seeing you. The AGM this year is being held in the church on **Saturday 4th November** commencing at 10.30 am. Anyone in the village is welcome to attend. We are holding our annual **bonfire night** event on **Sunday 5th November**, commencing at 5.30 pm. Please look at our facebook page for more details. All the usual fun so please come along and enjoy the BBQ, outside bar, fireworks and music from Flaming Cheek.

Our **music night** on **Monday 13**th **November** features the wonderful Honey and the Bear with support from Alderton's own Ross and Eliza Burkitt starts at 8.30 pm. It is best to book a table in advance if you wish to dine beforehand. Free admission.

Chris Harvey

Quizzes Quizzes this month are on 8th and 22nd starting at 8.30 pm.

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 – From Thursday 2^{nd} November Heath Drive 10.55 - 11.15 and The Sorrel Horse 11.25 - 11.45- tel Sonya 07810370314 for info **Mobile Library** – **Tuesday 14**th **November** at the Knoll from 3.00 pm - 3.20 pm.

CATS Link Bus can be contacted on 01728 635938

Fresh fish - Cath from Lowestoft visits the village weekly on Tuesday afternoon. Tel 01502 530965 Mobile 07971 970836

LOCAL EVENTS IN NOVEMBER

4th Rainbow café Bawdsey Village Hall 9.30 am to 12 noon

11th Hollesley Community Café Hollesley Village Hall 9.30 am to 12 noon

11th – 12th Christmas gift fayre Sutton Hoo 10.30 am to 4.30 pm

12th Music for an Autumn afternoon Hollesley church 2.30 pm in aid of Marie Curie nurses
17th Girls' night out Sutton memorial hall 7 for 7.30 pm Bloody Mary - book 411793 £6 each

25th Sutton Christmas Market Sutton Memorial Hall 10 am to 2 pm

25th CPR and defibrillator training Bawdsey Village Hall 10 am enquiries 01394 410198

IKEA TRIP 9.11.17 Coach leaves Bawdsey Village Hall at 8.30 am picking up at Alderton/Sutton/Melton Railway Station. Another coach leaves Woodbridge Pool at 8.45 am (£12 per person). Leave IKEA at 3.15 pm. To book call Sue 411758 or Jenny 411813.

LOCAL SCHOOLS 29th September Well done Farlingaye students and staff who walked at least 8 miles round Woodbridge for charity and the school and especially Corey who added Bethany's miles on to his own, knowing she was upset to miss it.

Bawdsey School Seniors lunch is on the second Thursday of the month during term time – please phone to book for a lovely roast dinner. Our successful Nursery is now accepting 2 year olds and 3 to 4 year olds. Baby and toddler group is 1.30 every Friday and anyone looking after a baby or toddler is welcome. (There are no costs). Katie Butter, Head.

For further information about 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 Nicky Beaven 411861 or nicky.rosecott@gmail.com by **20**th of previous month.