



Shottisham Village Newsletter

Dear Friends

September is a busy month! Everything seems to start up again – not just schools and colleges but all sorts of other activities too. It is a time when many people’s thoughts turn towards harvest and to preserving and storing the food that has been growing around us. For us, in this part of the world, there is so much plenty, so much evidence of the goodness of creation.

While the account of creation in the Bible should not be taken as literally and historically accurate, it reminds us of two truths which most faiths agree about: that the universe has a Creator and that the natural world (including human beings) is, essentially, good. We see that spirit of kindness and compassion in the willingness of people to support those in need; in the coming together to stand in solidarity following the recent terror attacks in Spain.

The goodness of creation is something we can all celebrate – whether by sharing a meal with friends and family, coming to a service of Harvest Thanksgiving or taking time to look at the world around us.

“Go out into the natural world and look with God’s eyes; listen with God’s ears; know your place within God’s good creation.” *Fr Richard Rohr* Wishing you every blessing, Ruth.

Thank you to all who supported our summer fete – those who worked so hard on preparations and gave so generously, and those who came along on the day. A very enjoyable afternoon of fun and good company.

Our harvest celebrations in Shottisham take place on the allotments at 4pm on Sunday 8th October. Do join us for familiar harvest hymns and a thanksgiving for our food and those who produce it.

Hollesley Church are holding a flower festival on the theme of ‘Harvest’ over the weekend of 23rd & 24th September, 10am – 4pm each day with a Songs of Praise at 4.30pm on Sunday 24th.

Calling all knitters! Our travelling Nativity set will again be touring our 7 parishes during December. This year we expect there will be TWO sets and, as a sheep is left with each host family, we will need **50** sheep!! Pattern provided; wool and stuffing also available.

Contact Revd Ruth 412052

September 2017	SHOTTISHAM	SUTTON	HOLLESLEY	ALDERTON
3 rd 12 th Sunday after Trinity	11.00 am Holy Communion (Revd Judith)	9.30 am Sutton Heath Family Worship (Revd Andrew Thompson)	9.30 am Family Worship (Revd Andrew Thompson)	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) (Revd Michael)
Thursday 7 th			2.30 pm Glebe House, Evensong Pat S/Mel	
10 th 13 th Sunday after Trinity	6.00 pm Evensong (Revd Ruth)	9.30 am Holy Communion (Revd Ruth)	9.30 am Family Communion (Revd Ruth) 6.00 pm Reflection and Song Di Barnard	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) (Revd Ruth)
Saturday 16 th			12.00 pm Messy church	
17 th 14 th Sunday after Trinity		11.00 am Harvest Praise Revd Michael	9.30 am Café Sundae Judy Foulger/Revd Ruth 6.30 pm Evensong Revd Judith	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) (Revd Michael)
Thursday 21 st			10.30 am Glebe House Holy Communion	
24 th 15 th Sunday after Trinity	9.30 am Family Communion (Revd Ruth)	6.30 pm Evensong (Revd Judith)	4.30 pm Harvest Song of Praise (Revd Michael)	

Gardening gems from Ivan

The general growth rate remains high and it is difficult to keep on top of weeds, grass and crops. However, we should not complain as runner beans and raspberries etc continue to crop heavily. All crops seem to be doing well as are caterpillars, but not too many aphids this season. We’ve cleared our onions and potatoes and sown some green manure. We’re trying to keep the allotment as tidy as possible as it can very quickly become overgrown with weeds, and remember one year’s seeding means seven years’ weeding.

In the garden we must keep the hanging baskets watered, also plants for the greenhouse. Tomatoes have started ripening at last, and the grass continues to improve following the application of feed/weed, and I will give it another application when conditions permit. The garden is maturing quite well considering it has only been a few months since we took over. Try to keep on top of the weeds as this will pay dividends in the long run. Happy, healthy gardening. *Ivan*





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.

Shottisham WI Anyone interested in becoming a member please contact Trish on 411735.

SHOTTISHAM TRUST HALL CAKE SALE Saturday 16th September 10.30 am to 12.30 am and the launch of fund raising for the renovation of our hall. Everybody is invited (any donations of cakes would be very gratefully received).

Next WI meeting Beach Bonkers by Kate Osborne on Wednesday 13th September at 2.00 pm. Every beach treasure tells a story.

Sorrel Horse

You are always welcome to come and visit us to try one of our new chef Shane's delicious dishes. Also, don't forget our Sunday evening two for one roast offer.

Sorrel Horse Music

Our Monday night music programme recommences on **September 11th at 8.30 pm** with the amazing Harbour Lights who have performed at the Sidmouth and FolkEast festivals plus many local concerts – a very entertaining evening is promised. In addition we now have a support act as well! This month we have the incredible Millie Kirkpatrick who gave a splendid performance when she visited us a few months ago. Hope to see you there on 11th.

Chris Harvey

Quizzes Quizzes this month are on **13th and 27th** 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 – every Thurs 10.30 - 10.45am at Heath Drive and 10.50 am – 11.15am at the Knoll - tel Sonya 07810370314 for info

Mobile Library – Tuesday September 19th at the Knoll from 3.00 pm – 3.20pm.

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

Shottisham Campsite smallholding has been growing over the past few years and we now have rare breed pigs (large blacks), dairy goats (golden Guernseys), chickens (Ixworths and Marans), sheep (Jacobs) as well as ducks, bees and alpacas. Every day at 6.00 pm during the school holidays (and on Saturdays during the rest of the season) you are welcome to join us for *egg collection* – an extravaganza of alpaca feeding, piglet tickling, and goat cuddling and of course egg collecting. Come and see the animals and find out about small-scale food production. We also have our own very free-range eggs, honey and sausages/bacon from our free-range, rare breeds pigs for sale. At the end of September there will be half or whole hoggat for sale too. Email Claire or James (aji@me.com) or phone 411247. Dr Claire Norton.

Shottisham Photographic Book

Apart from the suggestions which I have already given you, here are two others from residents:

1. Start to raise money for a defibrillator for the village. I know that Bawdsey and Hollesley have one each, but that might take too long to reach an emergency.

2. Copy of the 1840 tithe map of Shottisham and a search for all the others of the pieces of land.

Revd. Ruth has stated that she would love a swift box for the Church and is keen on that idea.

Apart from the above, I have not heard from anyone else. Do please let me know what you would like the profits to go towards – it is important that I gain the consensus of the village. dianabickerton88@gmail.com

Local events in September

2nd Boyton Fete at Hall and Grounds 1.00 pm

7th Coffee and chat and bring and buy Bawdsey Village Hall 10.30 am

9th Open House at Beach House Shingle Street IP12 3BE 11 — 5 pm £5 for coffee, tea, cakes and exhibition + £5 for "conversations" - theme : the architecture of John Penn

9th Vintage Tea Afternoon Bawdsey Village Hall 2.30 pm. To book call Bev on 07867 335916 £9 per ticket in aid of "Rainbow Children's Charity"

15th Quiz with fish and chip supper at Sutton Memorial Hall 7.30 pm – to book ring 411530 or 384659

16th Bawdsey market Village Hall 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm

17th Bawdsey Village Garage and Car Boot Sale in The Street 10.00 am to 2 pm. To book call 411459 cost £5

21st Jazz Society 7.30 pm Bawdsey Village Hall

22nd Girls' night out at Sutton Memorial Hall 7.00 pm for 7.30 pm. Book on 411793

23rd/24th Hollesley Church Flower Festival

24th St Mary's Bawdsey Harvest Festival Service at 11.00 am

29th Knit and Natter 2.00 to 4.00 pm The Anchorage, Bromeswell

29th Charity Fundraiser Race Night – Alan Crompton Hall, Sutton Heath at 6.30 pm. For tickets ring 07387275595

Local Schools I would like to invite everybody to an open morning and Macmillan coffee morning at **Bawdsey School** on **Friday 29th September** from 9.30 am to 11.00 am. There will be a selection of delicious cakes, year 5 and 6 children will be waiters and waitresses and there will be guided tours to see the new building work and to see the school in action, Katie Butler, head teacher.