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# Shottisham Village Newsletter

Dear Friends

Some of you may have watched the recent TV series following several ‘celebrities’ as they tackled the pilgrimage route to Santiago de Compostela in Spain. In recent years this route has seen greatly increased numbers of pilgrims and has inspired the Hollywood movie, *The Way*. Pilgrimage can be a way to re-centre ourselves on that which is truly important in our lives.

As you read this I hope I will be undertaking a pilgrimage of my own – walking the St Cuthbert’s Way from Melrose in Scotland to Holy Island (Lindisfarne) and then down the Northumberland coast along part of the St Oswald’s Way – a total of 130 miles.

However, it is not necessary to travel to distant lands – or even many miles - to be a pilgrim. We can, in fact, do so on our own doorstep and turn any journey into a pilgrimage if we adopt the attitude of it being for a deeper purpose. In this part of Suffolk we are blessed both with an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and with many historic church buildings which have witnessed prayer and worship for many hundreds of years.

Over these next three months, while I am away, I hope to share through these pages something of what it might mean to be a ‘pilgrim’, breaking pilgrimage down into three essential parts – the journey, the destination and the going home.

Wishing you every blessing, *Ruth Hatchett*

Rev Ruth is away on extended study leave until 31st July. All enquiries about parish/church activities including christenings, weddings etc. should be directed to Revd Michael Hatchett (07801 655199/01394 412052, [michael.hatchett@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:michael.hatchett@yahoo.co.uk)). For pastoral support, please contact Revd Judith Andrews 01394 411642 [judith.andrews@btinternet.com](mailto:judith.andrews@btinternet.com).

June 2018	SHOTTISHAM	SUTTON	HOLLESLEY	ALDERTON
Sunday 3rd	11 am Morning Praise Revd Judith/Helene Berry	9.30 am Sutton Heath Family Worship and baptism Canon David Lowe	9.30 am Sung Eucharist Revd Judith	8 am Holy Communion (BCP) Revd Judith
Thursday 7th			2.30 pm Glebe House Evensong Pat S/Mel S	
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>		6.30 pm Songs of Praise Will Spurling/Will Richards	9.30 am Family Communion Revd Judith 6pm Reflection and Song Di Barnard	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) Revd Judith
Saturday 16th			12.00 noon Messy church Di Barnard and team	
Sunday 17th		11 am Holy Communion (CW) Revd John Hare	9.30 am Sung Eucharist Revd John Hare	8 am Holy Communion (BCP) Revd John Hare
Thursday 21st			10.30 am Glebe House Holy Communion Revd Judith/Pat S	
Saturday 23rd			11 am Baptism of Evalyn Kember Revd Michael	
Sunday 24th	9.30 am Family Communion Revd Michael	6.30 pm Evensong Mel Spurling	9.30 am Café Sundae Judy Foulger 2 pm Baptism of Benjamin Lummis Rev Michael	

## Street Party Saturday 19th May ‘It brought joy to our hearts’ Leila.

After much Media interest on Friday our Street Party got underway at 3pm on Saturday. It was a fantastic day with lovely weather and approx. 200 people attending Villagers/Relations/ Guests & Children. This was a joint venture between the Sorrel Horse and the Parish Council, the BBQ being provided by the Pub and all the Salads/Puddings & Cheese and Biscuits being provided by the Villagers, also a fantastic celebration cake made by Pauline Malster. After the Street Party ended many of us retired to the car park of the Sorrel where music had been provided, so a good day was had by all. Thanks to all those who helped in any way and to the Sorrel Horse for being so generous. Thanks also to Ian Murray for taking photographs. Ray & Dawn Kay (On behalf of Parish Council).



**SHOTTISHAM CAMPSITE NEWS** [www.shottishamcampsite.com](http://www.shottishamcampsite.com) **The Blue Rabbit Café** is now open at Shottisham Campsite serving real, local food. We are open every weekend and school holidays between 8.30am and midday. Come and have breakfast or brunch and then wander round and visit the animals. All our sausages and bacon are from our outdoor reared, rare breed pigs; eggs are from our free-range, heritage chickens, and fruit and vegetables are grown here on the smallholding. Come sit under the cherry tree and eat delicious breakfast baps, home-made cakes and savouries. Contact Claire@bluerabbitcafe for more details (or 411247).

After last year's success, **Pete's Pizzas** are back cooking in their new wood-fired pizza oven at the Blue Rabbit Cafe, Shottisham Campsite on Fridays from 5pm-9pm (and Saturday 30th June). Everybody is welcome: eat in or take away - gluten free and vegan options.

I am also looking for someone (any age) to occasionally milk my two beautiful goats (Elsie and Iggy Pop) when I am away for the odd few days (for my day job). They are super-friendly and easy to milk - I can show you how. Happy to supply goat's milk, home-made cheese, eggs, bacon, sausages or cakes in exchange for help. Please contact Claire for more details 411247. *James and Claire*



**CONGRATULATIONS Terrie and Bethany** on completing the 6 mile midnight walk in the rain for St Elizabeth Hospice.

#### Gardening gems from Ivan

The combination of sun, wind and lengthening days makes for rapid soil moisture loss. To obtain maximum benefit from watering plants ensure that you apply sufficient to soak the soil profile right through. At this time of the year weekly irrigation is about right to maintain growth and ultimate crop quality. Keep the hoe going particularly when conditions will give a quick weed kill ie sun and wind. The difference to growth that warm nights makes is obvious. Runner beans turn green, rather than the slow growth and yellowing leaves and all crops respond to higher night temperatures. We are receiving some irrigation from the potato field, mainly spray drift, but all donations gratefully received – thank you Mr Paul. Don't forget, good dust mulch will help to retain soil moisture. Strawberries are swelling nicely so will get covered soon to keep the birds off. The asparagus continues to produce good spears and the sweetcorn in the greenhouse is growing nicely. There is a 'new build' known as Grumpy's Grotto – the grand opening ceremony date and time tba. Expose the courgettes from their fleece - time spent now will pay massive dividends in the weeks ahead.

 Ivan Clark

NB 'A certain gentleman would like to apologise to a certain lady for making adverse comments about her rhubarb.'

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

#### Shottisham Trust Hall Renovation Launch and Open Evening

**Wednesday, June 13th at 6.45 pm.** Everyone is invited. Richard Daniel our local television reporter, environmental journalist and radio presenter will be giving a talk. This will be followed by the presentation of the renovation plans and the opportunity to view them whilst light refreshments are served. The Sorrel Horse is sponsoring the evening by giving everyone a glass of Prosecco to celebrate!

#### Renovation fund-raising

The volunteer project team have been working with the architect and the conservation department and are now applying for grants. It is also very necessary to fund-raise to meet the target amount needed. As part of this fund-raising effort a raffle will be opened at the Launch with tickets costing one pound each. The prize will be on display and is a framed Suffolk landscape which has been donated by Gill Moon, local fine art photographer. The WI will continue holding fund-raising events and once the renovation work is completed Shottisham villagers and the peninsula community will have the benefit of a sympathetically updated hall for the present and future generations

#### Shottisham Plant and Cake Sale

Over £750.00 was raised to go towards the Trust hall's annual insurance. Thank you very much to everyone for the contributions of plants, cakes and raffle prizes. Shottisham campsite's Blue Rabbit Cafe, the Ramsholt Arms and the Sutton Plough gave very generously to the raffle which was much appreciated.

#### THE SORREL HORSE in June - [www.thesorrelhorse.co.uk](http://www.thesorrelhorse.co.uk)

Having enjoyed a wonderful Street party in May with tremendous village support, June also promises to be an exciting month at the Sorrel Horse. This month Norman is welcoming Ashley as his number two in the kitchen and to celebrate that fact a seasonal menu change will be introduced - so if you have any items that you would like to see on the menu then please don't be shy and let us know.

We plan a **Beer Festival** opening on World Beer day the **15th June** with frivolities continuing throughout the weekend. BBQ Ben Chairman of the UK BBQ Association will be our guest Chef for the weekend along with an array of local beers and ales we shall ensure that there is plenty of entertainment on offer for both the younger and elder visitors to the pub.

**The World Cup** will begin in earnest in **June**, we hope to host the majority of the matches outside in the barn currently under renovation, and for the England Games we will produce national dishes of the opposition. We will also be launching our World Cup Predictathon which promises large cash prizes, as well as a contribution to our Charity. If all goes to plan we will also host our own mini table football world cup competition. Lastly we should not forget to recognise and celebrate Suffolk Day on the **21st June**, all suggestions are welcome!

#### Monday music – following another great evening in May on **Monday June 11th 8.30 Bards of the Heath plus Meg Burrows**

The Legendary **John Goodluck** of Trunkles fame with his band **Bards of the Heath** and **Meg Burrows** - a singer/songwriter who recently launched her debut album celebrating Suffolk's scene. Please book your table if you wish to eat beforehand. 411617. *Chris Harvey*

????? **Quizzes** this month are on **6th** and **20th** starting at 8.30 pm Best wishes from The Sorrel Horse *Gary and Leila Miller*

**Mobile grocer Every Thursday at Heath Drive 10.25 – 10.50am The Sorrel Horse 11.00 – 11.15am For info contact Sonya on 07810 370314**

**Mobile Library – Tuesday 26th** at the Knoll from 3.00 pm – 3.20pm.

#### LOCAL EVENTS IN JUNE

**1st** - Girls Night Out "June is Busting out All Over" 7-7.30pm Sutton Memorial Hall £6. Pre-book only 411793

**10th** Sutton Open Gardens 12 noon to 5 pm from Memorial Hall Sutton £3 per person plus £3 for cream tea from 3pm at Old Vicarage

**16th** Bawdsey market at Bawdsey Village hall 2 to 4 pm

**17th** Yard sale coffee morning 9 am at Alderton Village hall

**17th** Bawdsey open gardens 12 to 5pm start at Bawdsey Village hall

**20th** Sea-wall, See Wildlife -meet at 11 am at East Lane car park, Bawdsey for a walk led by Tim Gardener from the environment agency.

**23rd-24th** Gems & Jewels, Bawdsey Church Flower Festival 12 to 6pm Saturday, 11 am to 5 pm Sunday – teas, plant sale

**24th** Transmitter block Bawdsey at 2 pm RAF 100<sup>th</sup> birthday relay baton

**29th** **HERITAGE GARDEN PLANT SALE** SUFFOLK PUNCH TRUST raising funds for the garden and Suffolk Punch horses. 2 to 4 pm

**30th** Hollesley Fete 12.30 to 4pm

**30th** Afternoon Tea Party in aid of Blossom Appeal - Sutton Memorial Hall - 2pm for 2.30pm

For further information about church related items please contact Revd Michael Hatchett (07801 655199/01394 412052, [michael.hatchett@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:michael.hatchett@yahoo.co.uk)). For contributions to the Shottisham newsletter (preferably Calibri 9 font) please contact Nicky Beaven 411861 or [nicky.rosecott@gmail.com](mailto:nicky.rosecott@gmail.com) by **20th** of previous month.