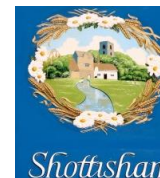


Shottisham Village Newsletter



Already, as I write this, it seems that Autumn is on its way. After so many long, sunny days, it's suddenly time to close the windows and doors and even think about lighting a fire. Animals and insects are clearly preparing for winter, the evenings are drawing in and, by the time you read this, we should have hacked down the forest of buddleias in our front garden that the bees and butterflies have so enjoyed.

We may feel sad but there is also much to celebrate particularly if we are fortunate enough to have warm homes and clothes and enough to eat. We can enjoy the respite from outdoor chores (oh, the relief of not having to water the allotment or garden every day!), closing the curtains earlier and appreciating home comforts – warm fires or radiators, hot drinks, steaming soups and stews. We are fortunate in this country to have the contrast of different seasons of the year, an awareness of the cycle of growth and decline, of life and death. It helps us to understand the rhythms of life; that rest and re-creation are essential not just in our lives but to life itself and built into God's amazing creation.

The writer of Ecclesiastes assures us 'there is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens... a time to plant and a time to uproot... a time to weep and a time to laugh, a time to mourn and a time to dance' but such a concept often seems foreign to us. Our technological advances have made us believe that we have the right and the duty to overcome natural processes. We can be uncomfortable with mourning, and may be terrified of growing old.

Our culture tells us that youth is precious and desirable, while age, illness and infirmity are to be feared and despised. Yet just as every year goes through its seasons, so must every life. And just as each season of the year brings its joys along with its sorrows and its unique beauties along with its unique challenges, so does every season of life. Our culture tells us that change is to be feared, but God tells us that 'He has made everything beautiful in its time'. Wishing you every blessing,

Robin Hatfield

DEBEN CHURCH SERVICES

October 2019	SHOTTISHAM	SUTTON	HOLLESLEY	ALDERTON
Thursday 3 rd		12.00pm Holy Communion <i>Revd Ruth</i>	2.30 pm Glebe House, Evensong <i>Pat S/Mel S</i>	
Sunday 6 th	11.00 am Morning Praise <i>Helene Berry</i>	9.30 am Sutton Heath Family Communion <i>Canon David Lowe</i>	9.30 am Thanksgiving for Harvest, building renovation & dedication of kneeler Sung Eucharist with guest preacher <i>Acting Archdeacon Janette Gosney</i>	8 am Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Revd Michael</i>
Sunday 13 th	6 pm Evensong <i>Mel Spurling</i>	9.30 Harvest Festival <i>Revd Michael</i>	9.30 am Family Communion <i>Revd Ruth</i> 6 pm Reflection and Song with prayer for healing <i>Revd Ruth/Di Barnard</i>	8 am Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Revd Ruth</i>
Thursday 17 th	10.30 am Glebe House, Hollesley Holy Communion <i>Revd Judith/Pat S</i>			
Saturday 19 th	12pm – 2 pm Hollesley, Messy Church <i>Revd Michael & team</i>			
Sunday 20 th		11 am Holy Communion (CW) <i>Revd Ruth</i>	9.30 am Café Sundaes <i>Judy Foulger</i> 6.30 pm Evensong <i>Gill Whiffin</i>	8 am Holy Communion (BCP) <i>Revd Ruth</i>
Saturday 26 th				12.30pm Wedding <i>Revd Michael</i>
Sunday 27 th	9.30 am Family Communion <i>Revd Ruth</i>	6.30 pm Evensong <i>Mel Spurling/Helen Shand</i>	9.30 am Sung Eucharist <i>Revd Michael</i>	

ANNUAL CHURCH RIDE AND STRIDE Anne Buswell and I would like to thank those who sponsored us on our individual bike rides, *Nicky Beaven*



Operation Christmas Child As a community we usually support Samaritan's Purse by sending shoeboxes that are filled with gifts for children caught up in conflict or natural disaster across the world who would not receive anything else. This year we thought that in addition to asking for boxes to be filled and left in we would offer the opportunity to leave something from the list of suggested items in the box that will be in each of our churches for this purpose. Please leave items by 25th October. Each box also requires £5 towards delivery costs, so donations towards this would also be very welcome. Leaflets will be available as well if you wish to fill a box yourself. Completed boxes need to be left in church before 11th November. *Judy Foulger*

SHOTTISHAM TRUST HALL: For Trust Hall Hire please contact **Terrie on 410134.**

Heating & French Drains : Good news, our new heating has been installed, and the French Drains are now in place. Thank you to all of our WI members, their partners, and villagers who kindly gave up their time on Sept 7th to dig our French Drains.

Shottisham WI: The next meeting is on **Oct 9th at 2pm, speaker Kris Marriott on 'Life on a Canal Boat'**. For Shottisham WI Membership please contact Robin on 411260. Shottisham WI would also like to extend an invitation to any villagers (and well behaved dogs) who would like to join us on a social walk every third Thursday starting at 11am from The Sorrel Horse returning about 1.00pm. Our next walk will be on **Oct 17th.**

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS We have experienced some problems with Playing Field Maintenance due contractors letting us down, this has now been resolved. There has also been a considerable amount of work done by Councillors to ensure the field and equipment is safe for use. Although regular inspections take place if you have any cause for concern please let one of the Councillors know. The next Parish Council meeting will be on Tuesday **12th November**, one of the items we may be discussing is funding for 2020/2021 and the possible impact on the precept. All are very welcome. We are still short of two Councillors, please let Ray know if you are interested in joining us. (kayrymnd@aol.com)

On Thursday 10th October in Hollesley Village Hall 14.00 -17.30 *The Peninsula Practice is hosting a Wellbeing & Health Event* with a walk- in flu clinic, and interactive stands from: Citizens Advice, Physiotherapy, Suffolk Family Carers, Onelife Suffolk, St Elizabeth Hospice, Wellbeing/Shaw Trust, Good Neighbourhood, Social Prescribing, Healthwatch and Compassionate Communities.

THE SORREL HORSE IN OCTOBER A huge thank you to the Church and the entire village for supporting the renewal of our wedding vows and contributing to ensure that the day was a huge success, thank you all *Leila & Gary*



OKTOBERFEST Friday 4th to Sunday 6th bringing Munich to the Deben Peninsular with music including Peter Hepworth, Urban Myth and exciting food and drink

Monday Night Music - Act tbc - **Monday 14th**

German Themed Buffet Night - **Wednesday 16th**

Bonfire Night - **Friday 1st November** - Volunteers welcomed with open arms!

??? **Quizzes** this month are on **9th** and **23rd** starting at 8.30 pm <https://thesorrelhorse.co.uk/events/> *Gary Miller*

Shareholders and villagers are invited to attend the AGM of The Sorrel Horse Shottisham Ltd in Saint Margaret's church at **11am on Saturday 2nd November 2019**

Blue Rabbit Cafe: The Blue Rabbit Cafe will be open 9-11.30 Sat/Sun for home-grown, homemade breakfasts, brunches and cakes from **28th September until the third weekend in October** - we will be closing on Sunday 20th October. The cafe will also be **closed on Saturday 12th October** as the Blue Rabbit has a hospital appointment! Pete's Pizzas will be serving their delicious wood-fired pizzas every Friday in October

REGULAR VILLAGE SERVICES

Community Car Service for Doctor/Hospital appointments Woodbridge and Ipswich. Woodbridge £5 / Ipswich £10. Colin Beecroft Tel 411794

MOBILE GROCER TUESDAYS at 12.50 - 1.20 pm at Heath Drive. Thank you, Sonya 07810 370314.

Mobile Library – Tuesday 15th 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

IKEA TRIP Thursday 7th November £12 per person. One Coach will leave Bawdsey at 8.30am calling at Alderton/Sutton/Melton Railway Station. Another Coach will leave Woodbridge Pool at 8.45am. Return at 3.15pm to be home 5.30pm. To book call 411758

KNIT AND NATTER For the past 10 years this has been hosted by Jan Wilson in Bromeswell. We have made many hand knitted items for Premature Babies/Refugees etc., and eaten delicious cakes. We have now moved to Alderton Swan in the afternoon 1.30-3pm on 1st Thursday of month. Thank you Jan, we will never forget you and wish you all the best for the future, *Liz Mark*

LOCAL EVENTS IN OCTOBER

Sat 5th Annual Jumble Sale on Saturday 5 October at Sutton Memorial Hall IP12 3JQ from 2pm to raise funds for new item of play equipment.

Sat 5th Harvest Thanksgiving Supper 7pm at Hollesley Village Hall with Shingle St Folk Band. Tickets £10 from Gill Whiffin 410057

Sun 6th Coffee morning Alderton Village Hall 10 am to 12.30 pm in aid of Scouts' Jamboree

Tues 8th Coffee Morning Glebe House Residential Home Hollesley 10.30am

Sat 12th Quiz Night - Hollesley Village Hall - 7.45 for 8pm start

Sat 12th Return of Community Café at Hollesley Village Hall 8.30 am to 12 noon. Breakfast, stalls and more

Sat 12th Hollesley Concert WI Choir 7 pm Hollesley Church

Sat 19th Bawdsey Market 2-4pm Bawdsey Village Hall

Sat 19th Boyton Harvest Supper 7pm Boyton Village Hall. Guest speaker Richard Daniel. Book with Isobel 411409

Sun 27th Autumn Craft Fair at Suffolk Punch Trust 10 am to 4 pm

Meet up Mondays 2-4pm Shepherd & Dog, Hollesley and meet up Wednesday 10-11.30am at The Swan, Alderton

Deben Ferry – Weekends 10 am to 5 pm. Boathouse Café, Bawdsey - Thur.-Mon. 11am-5pm. Radar Museum - Thur-Sun. 11am to 4pm

Suffolk Punch Trust - open Fri-Mon 10.30am-4.30pm and Shelby's, Warren Hill Weekdays 8am-4pm/Weekends 8.30am-3pm

Poppies, Sutton Heath - from 29th Mon-Fri. 9am-1.30pm

WELCOME to John and Matthew in Corner Cottage – 'My partner Matthew Earnest and I are delighted to be in the village', *John Lynch*



For information about church related items please contact **Revd. Ruth Hatchett 412052** or email ruth.hatchett@yahoo.co.uk.

For contributions to the Shottisham newsletter please contact **Nicky Beaven 411861** or nicky.rosecott@gmail.com by **20th** of previous month.