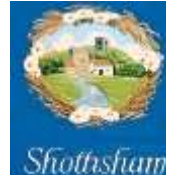


Shottisham Village Newsletter



Well here we come again - just coming to the end of Lent and the start of Holy Week and Easter Day and we start eating Chocolate, cheese and all these other things we have given up. Perhaps as we have learnt to do without them over the past 40 days we can continue. Or if you have decided to do something extra for our community that too might continue. Sometimes there are things we want to hang on to and never give up.

I remember when I was a Hospital Chaplain I spent many hours sometimes with people who really found that impending news was often not what they wanted to hear. Especially if it was a diagnosis of a terminal nature. Or the loss of movement in the body or had something taken away. Either way it's not hard to accept.

- People often turn to prayer even if they have never had anything to do with Faith/ Religion.

It's almost as if it's a just in case prayer or please put time back to those happy times before this happened. But Easter reminds us that Christ came to us to die and rise again for us and have new life with him. Resurrection does not just mean a New Life in Heaven with our Father God. It's also a time for us to realise we can have a new way of coping with our new situation, and we can continue to find new ways to cope with what and where we now find ourselves. Because in Christian Belief we are no longer on our own. God is there walking with us and alongside us in all our situations.

Even though we may not see him. Take confidence that he's there for you and me always. New Life begins when we can see this is not the end, but a new beginning.

An Ancient Prayer to end with.

Father. Teach us to pray, Teach us to look at the world through your eyes To see Hardships and obstacles with deep compassion and Love for others. So, your will may be done through us today, Amen.

Rev Simon Cake

Services in April in Shottisham

April 2nd Family communion 9.30

April 9th holy communion 5pm tbc

April 16th Evensong 6pm

Bark and brunch at The Rectory **Wednesday 26th 9 to 11 am**

St Margaret's Campsite and The Blue Rabbit Cafe

The early signs of spring are here on the smallholding and I have started growing veggies and fruit for the blue rabbit cafe. The cafe will probably open the first weekend in May - a bit later than usual as the blue rabbit is having an operation. But there will be the usual delicious coffee, new homemade cakes and of course our home-reared rarebreed bacon and sausage buns available in may, as well as quiches, tarts, toasties and homegrown salads. Looking forward to seeing you all again.

This will also be an exciting year on the smallholding with baby goats expected in May or June and baby alpacas in July. Keep a look out for some special pop-up tasting events as well. Happy spring everyone,

Claire xx





	ALDERTON	ORFORD	ALDEBURGH	HOLLESLEY
Monday	8.00 to 14.30	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 18.30	13.30 to 17.30
Tuesday	8.00 to 18.30	CLOSED	8.00 to 18.30	CLOSED
Wednesday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00	8.00 to 18.30	CLOSED
Thursday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00	8.00 to 18.30	CLOSED
Friday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00	8.00 to 18.30	CLOSED

STAFF TRAINING DATES

Alderton and Orford surgeries will be **closed** for staff training on **Thursday 20th April** from 13.00. Aldeburgh surgery will be open for booking future appointments only. All calls will continue to be redirected to 111 for this afternoon

This means that there will be no clinical staff available during this afternoon at any site.

When the surgery is closed please call NHS 111.

East Anglian Air Ambulance

We are very proud to continue to be supporting East Anglian Air Ambulance with collection points for clothes and shoes. You will find the bright yellow collection bins in Alderton and Aldeburgh car parks where you can drop off bagged clothes and shoes.

The money raised from these donations goes straight to helping the Air Ambulance serve our local area.

Menopause webinar – Tuesday 9th May 2023

On Tuesday 9th May 2023 at 7pm, Dr Crockett will be holding a Menopause webinar. Involving a presentation followed by open questions, it is everybody; male or female, patient of Peninsula practice or not, during- or post-menopause.

You can join anonymously – no camera or mic is required, and add any questions or comments in the chat which will be by Dr Crockett during the session.

We have a webpage on the menopause on our website, which is regularly: <https://www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk/menopause>

To join on the date, please enter the following into Zoom:

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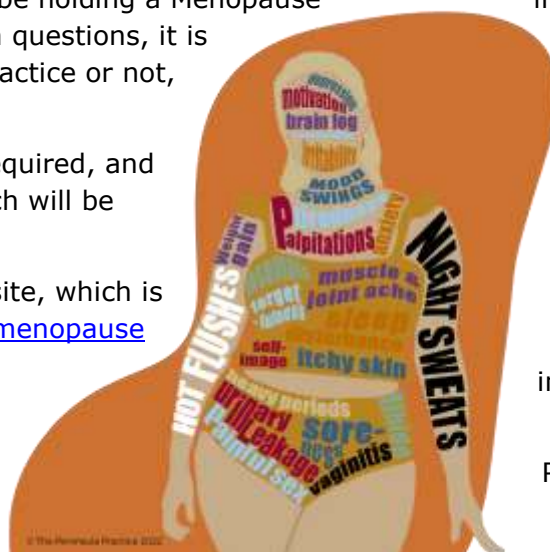
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Hello Neighbours!

*It's that time of year again - Livingston (our peacock) is looking far and wide, and very vocally, for a female friend. He will look in gardens, greenhouses, allotments, under rocks and maybe even your windows (until he realises he is actually just looking at a reflection of himself). As you will all know by now, he does not care about seedlings, beautiful flowers or the fruits of your labour, as he struts around blinded by his rose tinted glasses. Please **do not** feed him or share with him your luscious greens, unless you want him to stick around. He will take this as a permanent invitation and quite literally make himself at home destroying your garden and eating all the things he shouldn't .*

Rather spray him with a hose as a gentle reminder that he does not own your garden.

We would prefer to avoid any complaints - friendly & formal.

You have been warned! ~ Lotti

Bethany and Terrie are supporting St Elizabeth's Hospices by doing the **Midnight Walk** in May and they would be grateful for any sponsorship. This can be done on their fundraising page <https://stelizabethhospice.enthuse.com/pf/terrie-cornwell-dunnnett> but they're happy to take donations directly too. Thank you in advance. Kind Regards, *Terrie Cornwell-Dunnnett (she/her)*

Shottisham WI

The front of the Shottisham WI Trust Hall is looking very colourful, with the bulbs and spring flowers planted last Autumn now fully in bloom. Trees in the orchard are about to burst into flower too. Spring is definitely here.

Some of us went together on a guided walk around Orford this week, finishing at the Jolly Sailor for lunch and a natter. We have an outing or walk most months, as well as our monthly meeting at the hall. The Plant and Cake sale will be at the hall on **Saturday 29th April**, between 10am and 1pm. If you would like to hire a table for this event, please contact me. Our membership runs from April 2023 to March 2024. New members would be made to feel very welcome. We have lots of interesting speakers, entertainment (the Shanty Folk are returning by popular demand in June), walks and outings organised for the coming year. We will celebrate the King's Coronation together in a special way at our monthly meeting on **Wednesday May 10th**. *Diane Fleming*. Shottisham WI Secretary. 01394 411870. dillypal@outlook.com



The Sorrel Horse

EASTER WINE TASTING! Join [@smashingwines](https://www.smashingwines.co.uk) in our pizza barn next weekend (**1st & 2nd April**) and try our new Spring wine collection! 11 – 4 pm – no need to book.

WINE TASTING - APRIL 27th, 7pm - Smashing Wines will be offering a selection of 6 wines to try with accompanying dishes. £25 per person - sorry fully booked. Many thanks, *Rebecca*

SHOTTISHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Highways

A live ANPR device was installed on Ford Hill for the week commencing the 27th February and recorded traffic coming into the village from Sutton. Anyone caught speeding during this period should have received a warning letter from the police and the results will go to Andrew Reid once they have been collated.

Playground

- The contract for grass cutting and weed control has been signed and accepted by CGM. The grass is scheduled for cutting in 2023 on May 15th; June 12th; July 10th; August 7th; September 4th and October 2nd. If possible the first cut will be made before the 7th May to ensure the grass is short for the Big Lunch celebration.
- Peter Whiddup reported that the mole man has caught two moles on the playground already but expects to catch more after setting some new traps. Mole activity has been high recently with over twenty mole hills reported.

- Pat Southgate was given a big vote of thanks for all her hard work in looking after the playground over the last eight years. Her support has been invaluable and her contribution will be much missed on her retirement from the council. Pat Southgate has been invited to attend the AGM where a small retirement celebration has been planned.

King's Coronation Celebration

Feedback received from the village in regard to how Shottisham should celebrate the King's Coronation in May confirmed that the preferred option is a 'Big Lunch' type event to be held on the playing field. Every household attending is required to bring a dish to share, along with their own drink. This type of event is suitable for people of all ages and provides a safe play environment for children too. Requirements would be minimal but would probably include tables, chairs and gazebos/marquee although people might prefer to bring their own chairs and picnic blankets. Hopefully you will have received your invitation by email or hard copy. If anyone has been missed please email kayrymnd@aol.com or call 410331. The parish council has offered to provide ice-cream for children and a prosecco toast for adults. The event is planned to go ahead on **Sunday 7th May** depending on sufficient numbers responding to the invite.

Defibrillator

The parish council have agreed to take over the responsibility for the defibrillator located at the Sorrel Horse and have now purchased new defibrillator pads for it and registered it with The British Heart Foundation. The access code can be retrieved by dialing 999. If any Villagers would like to know the code this can be passed on individually by contacting one of the councillors or clerk.

Food Bank

Thank you to those who continue to contribute to the box for the Food Bank.

As it is Easter, apart from the normal box I am trying to put together a small box for the children. If anyone could donate a small Easter Egg a Bar of Chocolate or Cream Eggs etc. by Wednesday 5th April please either drop them off or call me on 410331 to collect. Thank you, *Dawn Kay*

The next **Annual Parish Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday 16th May at 7:00 pm** in the Trust Hall followed by the **Shottisham Parish Council Annual General Meeting at 8:00 pm**. All are welcome to attend.

Full minutes from the January meeting can be found on the Shottisham Village website at <http://shottisham.suffolk.cloud>

Lesley Roberts, Clerk to Shottisham Parish Council Shottishampc.clerk@gmail.com 01394 410581

LOCAL EVENTS IN APRIL

Saturday 1st 2-4 pm Bawdsey Jumble Sale Bawdsey Village Hall

Saturday 22nd 2-4pm Yard Sale and Car Boot Sale on Sutton Recreation Ground, £5 per boot. To book phone 01394 411793 or 384659. If wet the event will be held in the Memorial Hall. Refreshments in hall.

Mobile library at The Knoll, Shottisham 3 to 3.20 pm on **Tuesday 25th**

Quizzes – Quizzes are at The Swan, Alderton on **Wednesday 5th and Wednesday 19th at 8 pm**.

Alderton Swan is open Thursdays/Fridays/Saturdays 6-10pm, and Sundays 12-3pm

For events at Sutton Hoo <https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/suffolk/sutton-hoo>

Boathouse Café Open Friday-Sunday, 11.00am-5.00pm **from Friday 3rd March**

Poppy's Café Rock Barracks open Mon-Thurs 9.15am-2.00pm

Marsh Farm Café RSPB Reserve Hollesley open 9.00am-3.00pm daily

Suffolk Punch Trust/Café open from 29th March, 10.30am-4.00pm, not open Tuesday

Thrift Shop Rock Barracks, open Mon-Fri, 8.00am-4.00pm (closes Noon on Fri)

Mobile Post Office Every Thursday, 1.15-3.15pm, Alderton Village Hall

Qi Gong Classes Weds 10.00am/Thurs 7.00pm, Bawdsey Village Hall, call Chris 0771 3637841

Yoga with Ellie Tuesday, 9.00-10.00am, Bawdsey Village Hall, contact Rawdon 411459

Chair-based Exercise Class Tuesday 11.15am, Bawdsey Village Hall, ring Jane 411373

Woodbridge & District Safer Neighbourhood Team www.suffolkpolice.uk,

email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk. Dial 101 when less urgent than 999

For contributions to the Shottisham newsletter please contact **Nicky Beaven 411861** or

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