

### Village Newsletter December 2024 Issue 276

If you have any updates for the January newsletter, please send to me by the 28th December. Have a lovely Christmas and warm wishes, Natalie Nataliebrett64@gmail.com



Three wise men, Sorrel Horse, November 2024

### Sorrel Horse

Saturday 30th November, Karaoke & Disco, 7.30 Wednesday 4th December, Carol singing mince pies, mulled wine, 7pm Saturday 7th December, Christmas Craft Fayre in the barn, 10am-noon. Thursday 12th December, Quizmas night, 7pm Saturday 21st December, Best mulled wine & mince pies competition, 6pm New Year's Eve 6pm- 1am. (Finger buffet & Disco bookings only) We also still have some space for Christmas parties. And, we have started advertising Burns Night Saturday 25th January 7pm 3 course set menu bookings only.

### CHRISTMAS FOOD BANK

Thanks to all those who have already contributed items for the Christmas Food Bank for Salvation Army at Woodbridge. If anyone still wishes to donate it is not too late. The final date we can accept items is the 16th December. We can collect, call us on 01394/410332 or leave at Brook Cottage.

Thank you Dawn & Ray

### PET OWNERS

There will be fireworks at Woodhall Manor on New Years Eve at 10pm.

### **DIARY DECEMBER**

1st Dec Craft Fayre - Gelebe House Hollesley 2-4pm 1st Dec at St. Andrews Church Alderton - Christmas Tree Display from 11am-5pm Craft Activities and Seasonal Refreshments. Any profit will be split between Woodbridge Salvation Army Christmas Apeal and East Anglian Air Ambulance. 7th Dec Craft Fayre - 10am-12pm Sorrell Horse Shottisham 7th Dec Bawdsey Market - Bawdsey Village Hall 2-4pm 7th Dec Pop-up-Pub & Christmas Lights Switch On 6-11 pm Bawdsey Village Hall 7/8th Dec Christmas Craft Fair & Grotto 12-6.30pm Suffolk Punch Trust 14th Dec Carols & Cake Pop-up-Boathouse Cafe Bawdsey Village Hall 2pm 15th Dec Christmas Fair at The Swan, Alderton 2-5pm 31st Dec New Years Eve Party 8-1am Bawdsey Village Hall Tickets £20 includes buffet food, all drinks & fiz at midnight (Ticket only /No Tickets on door) to book by CHRISTMAS EVE call Caroline on o1394/410069 or 07999235094 Boathouse Cafe - Closed Suffolk Punch Trust - open 7/8 otherwise closed Marsh Barn Cafe RSPB Reserve Hollesley open daily 10am-2pm Yoga with Darren - Tuesday 9-10am Bawdsey Village Hall £10 per session Chair-Based Exercise Class 10.30am Bawdsey Village Hall ring Jane on 411373 Suffolk Police www.suffolkpolice.uk email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk

### **Parish Council**

TO: ALL RESIDENTS

SHED AND OUTBUILDING SECURITY: There have been a few Burglaries in the area of Outbuildings including the Church in Shottisham recently. Suffolk Police's advice for keeping items safe is:

KEEP SHEDS LOCKED AND SECURED AT ALL TIMES CHECK INSURANCE COVERS SHED AND OUTBUILDINGS GOOD PADLOCKS WITH NO EXPOSED SCREWS CHECK HINGES, THESE CAN EASILY BE REMOVED WINDOWS CAN BE VULNERABLE, SECURE WITH WIRE MESH OR GRILLS ALARM - CONSIDER A BATTERY-OPERATED SHED ALARM CONSIDER LOCKING TOOLS AWAY INSIDE A LOCKER/BOX OR SECURED WITH CHAIN SECURE BIKES TO THE GROUND OR LOCKABLE STAND WITHIN A LOCKED

### SHED OR GARAGE KEEP MOWERS HIDDEN FRON VIEW MARK YOUR ITEMS AND TAKE PHOTOGRAPHS OF THEM ALWAYS REPORT ANY INCIDENTS TO THE POLICE 999 FOR EMERGENCY 101 NON-EMERGENCY

RAY KAY ON BEHALF OF SHOTTISHAM PARICH COUNCIL

### **Church Pastoral Letter**

### Greetings!

You may be wondering who I am and why I'm writing something for this edition of your newsletter so before we go any further let me explain. My name is Edith and as well as being newly ordained and continuing my curacy at Framingham with Saxtead, I am also the Anglican Chaplain for the 2 prisons located in the Orford Cluster - HMPPS Hollesley Bay and Warren Hill.

I have been doing this job since August 2021 and I can honestly say that at the ripe old age of 61 I finally found my vocation in life! At the time I started I was a licensed Reader but through the encouragement of my Rector and others, I started on the path to Ordination and was ordained as a priest by Bishop Martin in June of this year.

Christmas is for many Christians a joyful time when we celebrate the birth of Jesus, God coming to us in human form, as a helpless babe. But sadly, in our country today, much of that meaning of Christmas has been lost. We are bombarded with adverts on our screens and hard selling in the shops encouraging us to spend, spend, spend with the implication that we'll have a miserable time if we don't. Many of us get sucked into that way of thinking but it really isn't what the season is all about and that is easy to forget.

Since I've been working in the prisons, I have come face to face with the joy and the sadness of Christmas time for those who are separated from all the hullabaloo surrounding the season. Don't get me wrong, the decorations go up, Christmas dinner is served and there are activities and fun going on in the units with staff and prisoners alike. But in a way, it is a blessing to have to focus on what really matters and what you really miss at this time of year, when you don't have an option to buy all the things you want, and give them to loved ones in person, or to stuff yourself silly with the latest offering from Marks & Spencers food hall. When you realise that all you really want to do is spend time with your loved ones and build memories with them.

Loneliness and separation from friends and family have a real impact on the mental health and wellbeing of people in our jails and at Hollesley Bay and Warren Hill lots of things are put in place to ensure the wellbeing of the prisoners is kept at its best. This takes a lot of commitment from the staff who also have to work over the Christmas period. We, as a multi- faith Chaplaincy, are part of that team of people and are there to support and encourage those who profess any kind of faith whether they be staff or prisoners. There are many different celebrations for different faiths throughout the year and each one is a time of joyous sharing of food and fellowship. Christmas is the same and the prisoners enjoy coming together and sharing what they have with each other. Some do have visitors and quite a lot of prisoners at Hollesley Bay will be allowed home, but for those who are left inside, the Chaplains and other staff support and spend time trying to make it special in a different way.

Wherever we are and whoever we are with this Christmas season, may we know God's presence with us as we remember the greatest gift of all and with all the uncertainties around us may we continue to sing with the angels,

"Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace among those whom he favours." Joy and Peace to you all from the Chaplains at HMPPS Hollesley Bay and Warren Hill.

## *Rev. Edith Peck.* **Church service dates attached.**

### A message from the Revd. Capt. Simon

### Carol Singing in the Villages

Thursday 12th December 7.30pm The Swan Alderton Saturday 14th December 2pm Pop-up Café Bawdsey Village Hall Tuesday 17th December 7pm The Plough Sutton Friday 20th December 7pm The Shepherd and Dog Hollesley Come and sing carols with our villagers and visitors. Help everyone enjoy the Christmas Spirit.



# The Peninsula Practice

| DAY       | ALDERTON             | ALDEBURGH     | ORFORD               |
|-----------|----------------------|---------------|----------------------|
| Monday    | 8.00 to <b>14.30</b> | 8.00 to 18.30 | 8.00 to 18.30        |
| Tuesday   | 8.00 to 18.30        | 8.00 to 18.30 | CLOSED               |
| Wednesday | 8.00 to 18.30        | 8.00 to 18.30 | 8.00 to <b>13.00</b> |
| Thursday  | 8.00 to 18.30        | 8.00 to 18.30 | 8.00 to <b>13.00</b> |
| Friday    | 8.00 to 18.30        | 8.00 to 18.30 | 8.00 to <b>13.00</b> |

Staff training is important for our practice. On the following days, surgery sites are closed from 13:00 until the following day. The specified site is open for booking future appointments and accessing repeat prescriptions.

□ Wednesday 12th February 2025 – Alderton

All calls will be redirected to 111.

We offer an increasingly wide range of NHS services to our patients:

- Memory checks (if worried about dementia)
- Menopause management
- Paramedic appointments
- Same day physiotherapy for acute

musculoskeletal symptoms

• Minor surgery including moles, skin tags & lesions

- Steroid joint injections
- Ultrasound (by referral)
- Mental health and wellbeing support
- Single skin lesion clinic
- Travel health
- Social prescriber support for non-clinical

health and wellbeing needs

- Compassionate Companion service to
- support end of life choices and care
- Full contraception services (eg coils) and

sexual health

Also available at our practice are non-NHS services (charged):

Chiropody – foot care appointments & home

visits

• Ear care – wax removal (see website)

### Happy Holidays and New Year

We want to wish all our patients and their loved ones a happy winter holiday and happy new year.

We will be closed on the bank holidays over Christmas and the New Year (25th & 26th December 2024, 1st January 2025) – please call 111 if you need medical help, or 999 in an emergency. We will be open as usual over the rest of the festive period; you can call us for an appointment, or log into your online account – please see our appointments page on our website for more information about these options.

### East Anglian Air Ambulance

We are very proud to continue supporting East Anglian Air Ambulance with collection points for clothes and shoes. We have these points available at our Alderton and Aldeburgh surgeries where you can bring bagged clothes and shoes to donate. They are very visible in bright yellow!

### X-ray at Aldeburgh Cottage Hospital

With special thanks to the League of Friends Committee, Aldeburgh Cottage hospital's xray has been replaced and patients are now able to get x-rays completed at the hospital. We now request that patients/carers order what they need between 7-10 days before their prescription is due.

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