

Village Newsletter September 2024 Issue 273

If you have any updates for the October newsletter, please send to me by the 27th September warm wishes, Natalie Nataliebrett64@gmail.com



Shottisham Church Fete

Parish Council

PLAY AREA

The PC has a scheduled inspection of the play area in September and anticipates a number of problems. Some of the equipment is suffering from excessive wear and tear mainly due to the fact it is wooden and will need to be replaced in the immediate future. Councillors James Campbell and David Wass are looking at the situation and will come up with recommendations for replacement. We anticipate a cost of £10,000 to £20,000 and the Chairman Councillor Ray Kay is looking to obtain grants.

SPEEDING

The PC is aware of concerns over speeding in some areas of the Village and is pursuing the possibility of a 20mph limit, Councillor Peter Widdup is looking into this, but the process is long and extremely costly.

The next Parish Council meeting is on the 10th September at 7:30 in the Trust Hall, Villagers are very welcome.

Ray Kay

Shottisham Parish Council

Dave Chattenton 27.11.1939 - 21.08.2024



I am sad to inform you of the passing of Dave Chattenton. He passed away peacefully in hospital with his family around him. Dave and his family moved into the village in 1983, his wife Pat and Dave had four children of their own and fostered and adopted many more. Dave had worked for London Transport for many years, they moved from Bexleyheath to Suffolk. They took over the village PO and shop and ran it until it closed in the mid 90's. They continued living there until 2007 when Paul and his family moved in.

The Chattenton family were a breath of fresh air to Shottisham, all the children including the fostered ones who came and went, enriched the lives of our village children and all of us in the village.

The Chattenton's always hosted a New Year's Party, everyone was invited, the memories will live on for many of us for ever!!

Rest in peace dear Dave, you were our Postmaster, Shopkeeper and Friend. Reunited with your beloved Pat.

Dave's funeral is at St Margaret's Church on Thursday September 19th at 2pm Pat Bendon

Shottisham WI

Shottisham WI have enjoyed various walks and outings recently, all with lovely sunny weather.

A trip to RHS Hyde Hall Gardens near Chelmsford. Boat trip from Beccles Lido with the Big Dog Boat Company to Geldeston, with lunch at the community pub, The Locks. A walk and bird watching at RSPB Hollesley Marsh and Rendlesham forest, successfully seeing Spoonbill, Barn Owl, and Nightjar. At an outing to Sutton Hoo, we shared a picnic and bottle of Prosecco, followed by a performance of A Midsummer Night's Dream by The Red Rose Theatre Group.

It's not all jam and Jerusalem at Shottisham WI! If you would like to join us, new members are always welcome.

The next project we hope to tackle at the WI Trust Hall will be to upgrade our kitchen facilities. This will be a large project and will need serious consideration to comply with regulations for the grade 2 listed building.

Amanda Dufour will be starting an evening Yoga class on Thursday evenings from 6.15pm to 7pm. Classes will commence next Thursday 5th September. A class will still be held on Tuesday lunchtimes, starting at 12.15pm. All welcome. £5.00 per class.

Diane Fleming Secretary Shottisham WI. 01394 411870

New Yoga Class Times

Following popular demand, we will be adding an evening yoga class starting in September!

Join us each week at the WI Trust Hall:

Tuesdays, 12:15pm Thursdays, 6:15pm

£5 per person (cash preferable). Please bring your own mat. If you have any questions, contact Amanda (amanda@amandadufour.com)

Pastoral letter

Where does the year go?

As I write we are being treated to a summer, hot days, no rain, even though this year the mornings and evenings are now beginning to pull together, but traditionally September has always been the month to celebrate harvest.

We all know that harvest is continuous from month to month and season to season. Also, that we give thanks for a variety of things, yes, the corn harvest, but also for the workers, our families and friends, our health and all those who help all of us with our problems, for food from earth and sea and all the workers.

As I write the Olympics are taking place to be followed by the Paralympics. We are grateful for the athletes and their trainers and associated staff around the world, but also for the teams who work with youngsters encouraging and supporting, spotting talent and raising funds to enable many to achieve their potential.

But, behind all this is the God who created the world, the animals and the people who participate in all of the above. He loves and guides each to play their part in the enormous layout of growth, harvest and consumption.

Early civilisation discovered certain grasses had big reach – the origins of our current corn species.

Since these times all the above ground part of the plant has been harvested with the grain being separated from the straw at a later date. The grinding of the grain to produce flour for bread was also discovered by these early civilisations.

Since then the principle has remained the same although the means and tools used has changed as new technology has been discovered.

Flint cutters and wooden flails gradually gave way to metal sickles and so on to the reapers and threshers of the industrial revolution.

The one big recent change has been the separating of the corn and straw in the field by combines.

Prior to that the whole was carted and stored for later separation. This meant that the crop had to be dry before storage to ensure it did not go mouldy.

Whilst we are fortunate to have the technology and the improving tools we have no control over the weather.

We read in the bible that God, through Jesus could control the wind and waves. That is His divine power, He could make a bush burn and He could make the clouds cover the sun to produce darkness. But we are

mere humans, yes, made in His image but we are not blessed with divine powers.

Many may suggest the Vicar prays for a fine day for the village fete, but although it may come true it is pure luck!!!. Sometimes with praise for the Vicar and other times just the lack of reference!!!!

I consider this time of the year to be a celebration of recognising our blessings and giving thanks for them. We all have so many, I suggest counting as you wake in the morning or even as you fall asleep. This is so effective!!!

God Bless you all as you observe the fields change from carpets of gold into furrows of brown. As you shop and appreciate the produce that has appeared in your favourite shop or the people you meet from hospital consultants to the men to mend the potholes.

Rev Judith Andrews Retired Priest

Church service dates attached with these changes.

Here are some dates that you may not have and on the sheet I sent earlier the Shottisham Harvest time was wrong it is 4pm not 3pm

Suttons Harvest Festival is Sunday 8th September 4.30pm in the Church followed by refreshments

Saturday 14th is Suffolk Historic Churches Trust

Annual fund raising event for sponsorship forms contact Helene Berry

Sunday 15th Shottisham Harvest festival in the allotments at 4pm



Allotments are a great resource for your physical health as well as your mental health. As a village we are lucky to have our allotments, but the annual rent has to be paid whether the plots are all taken or not. There are still some plots that are empty and in previous years I have personally covered the cost of these. Going forward it would be nice if all the plots were allocated. If you wish to have a plot please contact me, terriesbsl@hotmail.co.uk thank you. *Terrie*

What's on

7th Sept Summer Party Disco/BBQ/Bar 7pm-11pm Bawdsey Village Hall
10th Sept Craft Group 7.30pm Bawdsey Villagge Hall
13th Sept Guitatar Recital St Mary's Church Bawdsey tbc
15th Sept Village garage Sale 10am-2pm Through the Bawdsey Village & at the Hall

Coach Trip to Norwich for shopping or visit to the Shrine of Julian of Norwich. Saturday 16th November £15.50 per head £5 deposit required. Contact Judyfoulger02@gmail.com to book

28th Sept. Michaelmas Fair 11am-2.30pm at All Saints Church Hollesley - Light Lunches/Craft & Gift Stalls & Raffle

Stay & Play: Big Bears children walking–4 years Baby Bears babies, non-mobile to crawling. Both Wednesdays 10.00-11.30am, Bawdsey School. Booking essential.

Deben Ferry runs daily 1 May-30 September, 10.00am-5.00pm

Boathouse Café open Thurs/Fri/Sat/Sun/Monday 11.00am-5.00pm Suffolk Punch Trust open Friday/Saturday/Sunday/Monday 10.00am-4.00pm Poppy's Café, Rock Barracks, Monday-Thursday 9.15am-2.00pm Thrift Shop, Rock Barracks, Monday-Thursday 9.00am-4.00pm Marsh Barn Café RSPB Reserve, Hollesley 10.00am-2.00pm daily Mobile Post Office every Thursday 11.30am-12.30pm, Alderton Village Hall Yoga with Darren on Tuesdays 9.00-10.00am, £10 per session Chair-based Exercise Class 10.30am, the Hall, ring Jane 411373

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Bawdsey CEVCP School





At Bawdsey CEVCP school we were so proud of our GOOD Ofsted result last term:

'Bawdsey Primary School is a nurturing place to learn. Pupils have respectful relationships with staff, who care for them well. Staff are committed

to helping pupils gain a strong sense of community and belonging. Pupils are happy and safe. The school has high expectations for all pupils to achieve. Pupils apply themselves to their learning. They get the support they need to learn well.'

Bawdsey school had a tremendous last week of term hosting the Circus Ferrel. The children were able to learn circus skills, watch the big top being erected, have a circus assembly in the big top with the performers showing their skills and have a circus dressing up day too! Everyone who was able to come to the public performances were encouraged to show their circus skills as part of the show with the professional performers. Class 3 went on a trip to Rendlesham forest and found out about the UFO story and the whole school had James Campbell (a famous children's author) visiting. James was so funny he had children rolling with laughter as they learnt about how he writes his books and at the end we got our James Campbell books signed too.

During the Autumn term we have a lot planned including another author's visit and a book fair, while we launch our new year of reading for pleasure! There is an exciting academic year planned at Bawdsey CEVCP School as we need to live up to our Ofsted

praise: 'Pupils benefit from a wide range of trips and visits. A range of well-structured opportunities help pupils to learn about life beyond their community.'

We are looking forward to the Autumn term where also we have our Macmillan coffee morning and open school tours on Friday 27th September, from 9.30-11.30. We would love you to come and support this worthwhile cause and see the school in action. The children love serving and being tour guides for the morning. The range of cakes are outstanding each year and cater for most allergies and preferences!

If you are interested in a Nursery or a School place for your child, or you came to Bawdsey school yourself in the past, or you just love looking around buildings we would love to give you a tour! We look forward to welcoming you on Friday 27th September from 9.30-11.30.

Katie Butler Headteacher



DAY	ALDERTON	ALDEBURGH	ORFORD
Monday	8.00 to 14.30	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 13.00
Thursday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00
Friday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00

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 11 th September Aldeburgh
- Thursday 17th October 2024 Alderton

All calls will be redirected to 111.

Pharmacist appointments

When you contact our surgery, our highly trained staff triage your concerns to the most appropriate clinician. This can be many of our staff, such as nurses, health care assistants, doctors, or one of our pharmacists.

Our pharmacists are trained to prescribe certain medications, treat seven specified ailments, and provide the care that patients expect. They train for 5 years to be able to treat minor illnesses and to become experts in medicines.

This enables GP appointments to be available for people with more complex health needs and ensures that everyone gets treated at the right time, by the right healthcare professional.

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