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### **NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST AND ORFORD AND GEDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL**

The Parish Council is the Trustee for the New Orford Town Trust and therefore the elected Councillors automatically become Trustees of the Trust.

However, it is important to recognise that the two bodies operate and are administered as entirely separate entities. The Trust is controlled by its Trust Deed and Charity Commission rules whereas the Council operates under Local Authority legislation. Separate meetings with specific agendas are held for each body.

All financial matters including accounts and bank accounts are kept separately with specific audit arrangements for each.

### **ORFORD AND GEDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL**

#### **RECREATION GROUND DAMAGE**

There has been a small vandalism problem on the Recreation Ground. This is taking place on the children's play area, with people breaking off the wooden slats that surround this area. This fence was purchased with help from generous donors and is a necessary safeguard to allow the play area to remain accessible to children. It is a Health and Safety requirement that the area is fenced in to exclude dogs and to keep the children in a safe environment. With the damage to the slats, small children are able to climb through the fence and as the slats are broken off this exposes nails. Should the damage continue once the fencing is mended, this popular play area may have to be closed down.

If anyone knows anything about this vandalism on the play area, please could they contact the Clerk to the Orford & Gedgrave Parish Council.

**Anne Macro** - CHAIRMAN ORFORD AND GEDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

### **NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST**

#### **BAKERS LANE COTTAGES TO RENT**

The New Orford Town Trust owns 6 cottages in Bakers Lane, Orford, which are let to people with a local connection and a need for housing in Orford.

Vacancies have arisen for two 1-2 bedroom cottages. Previous applicants have been written to direct and the cottages have been advertised on the village notice board, Quay Office, shop and garage. If you missed these notices and wish to be considered as a tenant for one of these properties, you still have time to apply. Please write

### **July Dates for Your Diary**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July: **Bingo/Raffle** - Recreation Ground Hut

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July: **Huge Garage Sale** - Rock Barracks 10.30am to 3.00pm

Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July: **Fun Day** - Recreation Ground from 12.00pm

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July: **Jazz at The Pavilion** - The Pavilion Daphne Road 12.00pm to 6.00pm

detailing:

- your housing history (including whether you own any property, and/or details of current landlord)
- current employment details,
- your local connection
- your reasons for wishing to be considered for a tenancy.

You should also provide details of 2 referees with your application. One referee should be a previous landlord or current employer.

Any queries can be directed to the Trust Clerk at the address below, or on 01394 459172. Any letters of interest should be sent to the following address, to arrive by 5.00pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2013:

Trust Clerk - New Orford Town Trust

Town Hall

Market Hill

Woodbridge

Suffolk IP12 2NZ

### **NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST VILLAGE FUND**

As reported at the Annual Parish Meeting the aims of the Town Trust are to:

- Look after and maintain Trust Assets
- Pay the running expenses of the Trust
- Maintain and where possible improve the quality of life for the community
- Use surplus income for the benefit of the Community

The Trustees have set up a Village Fund account into which surplus funds, after reserving money for significant future expenditure on Trust assets (Estates, Highways and Riverside), are to be placed.

For the year ending on 31<sup>st</sup> March 2013, the Trust had a surplus of £47,589. The Trustees have decided to place £37,500 into the Reserve accounts, allowing £10,089 to be added to the Village Fund Account which now stands at £20,134.

After discussion the Trustees have decided to look into using some of this surplus for :

1. Enhancement of the Recreation Ground facilities through installing an outdoor gym incorporating an all-weather table tennis table
2. Offering sponsorship for young persons to partake in activities designed for personal development such as Outward Bound Activity, Voluntary Service Overseas and Tall Ship crewing
3. A fund of £5,000 to be used for bids from the local community for local causes or activities - it is anticipated that this fund would be divided between a number of individual bids and not used on one application
4. To assist the redevelopment of the Recreation Ground Hut when further details are available and funding grants are in place
5. To assist in obtaining apprenticeships, training, retraining and employment (and related travel)
6. To support volunteers in on-going village activities

Applications and suggestions are invited for items 2 and 3 please contact the Trust Clerk at the Town Hall office for an application form.

**Michael Pearce** - CHAIRMAN NEW ORFORD TOWN TRUST

### **MORE STORIES WANTED**



Orford Museum continues to collect stories for the World War I centenary exhibition to be staged next year.

We particularly want to look at the stories of those families left behind.

- What effect did the war have on everyday life in our villages?
- Who were the local policemen; postmen and clergy?
- How did mothers manage with husbands gone?
- What happened when the men left?
- How did life go on without them?
- What was life like for the men who returned?

Do you have such a story, would you like to be part of this project and research it with the help of the museum volunteers? We need you! If you would like to help, contact:

**Jennifer Hall:** [curator@orfordmuseum.org.uk](mailto:curator@orfordmuseum.org.uk) or

**Jane Allen:** 01394 450789

### **ROCK BARRACKS GARAGE SALE**

I am organising a huge garage sale at Sutton Heath, Rock Barracks for fundraising to help the charity SSFA who support all soldiers and their families when they are in need. The money raised at this event will not leave Rock Barracks, it will directly help us here.

To be held Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July from 10.30am until 3.00pm

I will be selling maps of the estate for £2 near the Mace shop, they will show all the houses taking part and of course map the route around the estate.

**Mrs Abbi Barnard** - 07784142518

### **ORFORD COMMUNITY WEBSITE**

The Orford website [www.orford.org.uk](http://www.orford.org.uk) is now active and has been operational for roughly 12 months. We have most of the local businesses and community organisations loaded as web pages and we are getting up to 4,500 hits per month.

We have now asked the developers to add an events page to allow local activities to be promoted through the website.

The members of the Orford Business Association have been allocated web pages in very much the same way as their previous web site and OBA membership fees cover the cost of one standard page for each member. In addition, business organisations may pay for additional facilities on the website including editable blackboards and news panels.

Community organisations including the Parish Council and the New Orford Town Trust have been allocated webpages without individual charges. The Village Voice and parish minutes as well as Town Hall and Quay booking details can now be viewed online.

If you are a local business and would like a page on the website simply join the OBA and your annual membership charge of £35 will cover the design and hosting cost of a standard page.

If you are a local community organisation and would like a free page on the website simply contact the webmaster through the website with the details of the information and images you would like displayed on your page.

**Roger Hipwell**

### **FOOD REVOLUTION MARKET DAY**

Orford Food Revolution Day raised a fantastic £1,700 for the Kitchen Garden Project at Orford Primary School. The school launched their new "YUM!" Strawberry Jam on the day and it was literally "flying" off the table! The jam and their "YUM!" Tomato Pasta Sauce (both selling locally direct from the school and at Pump Street Bakery), together with plants from the school garden and plants kindly donated by the community, helped to raise these much needed funds, together with very kind donations from the local community and producers.

The school would like to thank everyone involved in making it such a successful day for the school and for the community as a whole.

Anyone wishing to have lunch (for a small donation), prepared by the children in their cooking lessons, are very welcome. Please call the school to book 01394 450281

**Kate Kilburn**

### **KING'S HEAD**

We are delighted to announce that following the unexpected closure of the King's Head, Orford and the Ship Inn, Levington, the insolvency practitioner has completed the administration process and the keys to both pubs were returned to Adnams. We are working extremely hard to get both pubs open and fully operational as soon as possible.

The bar at the King's Head opened from 6.00pm Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June under the management of Matt Jackson who previously worked at the pub. Food and accommodation will follow in the coming weeks as the rest of the team is put in place.

Thank you for your patience during this process and we look forward to welcoming you back in the near future.

**Adnams Tied Estate Team**

### **BRITTEN'S SUFFOLK HERITAGE COAST**

If you have enjoyed the Benjamin Britten exhibition staged in the church by Orford Museum including many photographs by Clive Strutt, you may like Clive's newly published book 'Britten's Suffolk Heritage Coast' which celebrates the beautiful coastal area in which we live, in both pictures and words, and, as one would expect, Orford features prominently as the village where Benjamin Britten staged many of his early productions.

Details can be found at [www.clivestrutt.com](http://www.clivestrutt.com)

**Maggie Strutt**

Not everyone may realise what the library service in Suffolk has to offer them.

As well as books you can also hire CDs and DVD titles for a small charge. You can get online for free in all libraries - ideal for filling out job applications or keeping in touch if you've not got a computer at home.

There are a wide range of activities - Bookstart, Baby Bounce and Tot Rock story sessions for young children and Top Time groups for older people.

We also provide free Bookstart packs for babies and three year olds.

From 21<sup>st</sup> July to early September all of our libraries will be offering children the chance to take part in the Summer Reading Challenge which is a fun and rewarding way of encouraging children to keep reading during the holidays. You can find out more at your nearest library.

The library is a great place for the community to come together to share information and even if you can't get to your nearest library easily, it can come to you!

The mobile library visits 200 villages and hamlets and 475 stops in Suffolk. Each stop is visited every four weeks. There is also an At Home Library Service which involves volunteers delivering books to people who find it difficult to get to a library or mobile library stop - usually because they are older or disabled.

You can also access and browse the full library catalogue from [www.suffolklibraries.co.uk](http://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk) and we even offer access to a range of free eBooks and eAudio books. It's free and easy to sign up to be a library user and if you have any queries about any of our services or activities you can find plenty of information on our website or call Suffolk Libraries Direct on 01473 584563.

All of Suffolk's library services are now run by Suffolk Libraries which is an independent and charitable organisation supported by Suffolk County Council.

You can also follow Suffolk Libraries on twitter @SuffolkLibrary or Facebook at <http://facebook.com/suffolklibraries> to keep up to date with news and activities and you can sign up to our newsletter on our website.

**Laura Sampson and Sandra Brown - SALC ADMIN**

### **ORFORD TENNIS TOURNAMENTS 2013**

**THE LADIES DOUBLES** will take place on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August at 9.00am

Partners will be drawn on the day so you can enter as an individual. The cost will be £3 per person.

**THE MIXED DOUBLES** will take place on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August from 4.30pm

The cost will be £5 per couple.

Please let me know if you would like to enter by 8<sup>th</sup> August.

**Diana Paterson - 01394 450771**

email: [dianampaterson@btinternet.com](mailto:dianampaterson@btinternet.com)

### **2013 SUDBOURNE CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL**



#### **"OUR FUTURE"**

We would like to thank all the people who made the Sudbourne Flower Festival held at All Saints' Church on 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June such a success again this year. Every two years at our Festival so many generous people contributed in many different ways to make it a delightful country event. All our visitors, many of whom had

travelled some distance, enjoyed it enormously and appreciated the efforts of everyone. An unexpected visit by The English Baroque Choir was a real bonus and compensated for the chilly weather. We are very pleased to say the weekend made just over £2,500 from donations, refreshments and produce sale, which goes towards the maintaining of this delightful church.

Thank You

#### **The Organising Committee**

#### **JULY SERVICES AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S**

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July - Trinity 6

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July - Trinity 7

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

11.00am Family Service - Mr G Marshall

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July - Trinity 8

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev Dr J Hare

11.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev Dr J Hare

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July - Trinity 9

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev J Andrews

11.00am Village Service - Mr G Marshall

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August - Trinity 10

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

11.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

#### **Rev David Murdoch**

#### **RNLI HOUSE TO HOUSE COLLECTION 2013**

The collection this year will be made in Orford between 20<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> July. We shall be collecting on the Quay on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July.



If there is anyone who would be willing to help please contact me on 01394 450771

or email me at [dianampaterson@btinternet.com](mailto:dianampaterson@btinternet.com).

There will also be an RNLI stall at the Flower Show on Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Diana Paterson**

#### **JULY SERVICES AT ORFORD METHODIST CHURCH**

Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 10.30am Praise & worship

6.30pm Strawberries & Cream Service

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July 11th Church Anniversary

10.30am Celebration Service and Lunch

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July 10.30am Praise & Worship

5.15pm Informal Tea Table service

Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 10.30am Praise & Communion

Monday's Tea Room (open usually between midday & 4.00pm) has grown in popularity with friends & visitors enjoying Lunch or afternoon Tea. Throughout the summer there is a bigger Art Exhibition with crafts, cards, preserves and more for sale.

Wednesday Lunch continues to be served at 12.45pm - a great way of meeting friends and enjoying a wholesome and delicious meal - booking is essential for this.

Why not come along? You will be pleasantly surprised!

**ANNUAL QUAY SERVICE** will take place on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> August at 6.30pm - weather permitting on the Quay. (In St Bartholomew's Church if the service is prevented from being held outside) The Rev Bryant Smith, Chaplain to the Norfolk Broads, is the preacher and the Aldeburgh Life Boat will receive our support.

**Stephen Caley**

picnic



at the pavilion

2013  
Now in our 11th year!

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|--|---|------------------------------------|---------------------|
| 2003<br>Jamie Cullum                   | 2004<br>Jacqui Dankworth                | 2005<br>Gwyneth Herbert            | 2006<br>Sarah Moule |
| 2007<br>Joanna Eden                    | 2008<br>Liane Carroll                   | 2009<br>Clive Carroll & Toby Allen |                     |
| 2010<br>Gwyneth Herbert                | 2011<br>Tina May & The Tony Coe Quartet |                                    |                     |
| 2012<br>Anthony Strong & Melissa James |   |                                    |                     |

# Georgia Polly Mancio plus Gibbons

Natasha Hodge with Jazz Bazaar and Nick Raison

## Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> July 2013

Adults £15 Children free

Orford Suffolk IP12 2NY Gates open 12.00

Details and tickets from Jacki Maslin 01394 450799 or orfordjazz@wellassociates.co.uk

Tickets still available

Join us for Picnics and Pimms

at Suffolk's most relaxed event

All proceeds to local good causes

Gateway to HOMECHOICE



All social housing in the Suffolk Coastal District is now advertised through a system called Gateway to Homechoice. The system is operated in partnership with 7 other councils. Applicants can see details of all vacancies each week and apply for specific properties to meet their needs.

There are 4 easy ways to register for housing:

- Visit the website at [www.gatewaytohomechoice.org.uk](http://www.gatewaytohomechoice.org.uk) it takes about 30 minutes to complete the registration.
- Call Suffolk Coastal District Council's Homechoice Team on 01394 444822 (if you are unable to register online). They will arrange for someone to call you back and take your application.
- Use the computers at the Council Offices in Woodbridge Monday to Friday or Felixstowe open on a Monday and Wednesday.
- Visit your local library to access computers on-line.

[www.gatewaytohomechoice.org.uk](http://www.gatewaytohomechoice.org.uk)

Gateway to HOMECHOICE



After you've registered:

All available social rented housing is advertised weekly. Once registered, you can 'bid' for up to 2 properties each week. You can see details of available housing in the following places:

- Online: on the web-site below
- Libraries: to use computers to bid or to view properties available.
- Council Offices in Woodbridge and Felixstowe where computers are available to bid and view.

Bids can be placed on-line, or by automated telephone service 0845 2700724

If you have urgent housing problems:

Some housing problems are very urgent or cannot be dealt with by applying to our register. We offer a comprehensive, free housing advice service which includes advice for:

- People at risk of losing their home
- Owner occupiers and tenants
- Private sector landlords
- People living in housing that is in need of repair or renovation

If you would like to speak to a Housing Options Officer, please call 01394 383789 or visit our website for further information of this service.

[www.gatewaytohomechoice.org.uk](http://www.gatewaytohomechoice.org.uk)

[www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk](http://www.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk)

# SEAFARING DAY



## ORFORD

### SATURDAY SEPT 14<sup>TH</sup> 2013

## IN COMMEMORATION OF ORFORDNESS LIGHTHOUSE

A day of music, dance and story telling on the Quay with a procession through the town

Music by  
**Syzewell Gap Ceilidh Band**  
**River Hundred Folk Band**  
**'6 in a Bar'**  
(and more to be advised)

Do come along and join in the fun – dancing starts at 2pm  
No charge  
Seafaring food & drink available in local pubs/cafes/club



## ORFORD SPORTS AND RECREATION CLUB

*Dates for your diary*

**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July - Bingo/Raffle**

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July - Fun Day** from 12.00 onwards with Tombola, Raffle, Bric-a-Brac, Car Boot, Archery, BBQ, Bouncy Castle, Classic Bikes etc. Disco in the evening.

**WANTED** - Donations of raffle prizes for 27<sup>th</sup> July raffle can be left at Friend's Garage or 6 Peacocks Pyghtle, Orford or ring 450226 or 450538

**WORLD RECORD ATTEMPT - Snooker Marathon**

Mark Lambert and Nigel Read will attempt to break the world record of playing snooker for 50 hours, by playing for 55 hours. They start on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 10.00am and aim to finish on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July at 5.00pm. Sponsor forms for this are at Friend's Garage or at the club. Money to go to the re-build fund.

We have raised enough money now for a memorial bench for Steve Richardson, over £700, which is fantastic. Thank you to all. A bench will be sorted in due course.

To hire the club, contact Mark Lambert at Friend's Garage or Tina Moss 450226. £30 with or without bar.

To become a member of the club see Mark or Tina.

Fees are:

Adult £10, 16/17 years £6, 12/15 years £2

All for a full year from when you join. Non members welcome at all events.

**Tina Moss** - SECRETARY