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BONFIRE NIGHT

This year Bonfire Night and Fireworks will be on Saturday 5th November Bonfire to be lit at 6.00pm BBQ all evening sponsored by DARREN WORNE PLANT OPERATOR Fireworks from 7.00pm'ish

We are holding a meeting on Friday 7th October at

Orford Sports and Recreation club at 8.00pm. If anyone has concerns or would like to help on the evening please come along to this meeting.

Nicky Ehlert

ORFORD SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB

There are just 2 dates this month.

Friday 14th October - Jimbo's bingo from 8.00pm Saturday 29th October - The Makeshifts from 8.00pm, Halloween costume optional

Club night is Friday night from 8.30pm.

Dawn Phillips - CLUB SECRETARY

OCTOBER AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

Sunday 2nd October - Trinity 19

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch 11.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev M Roberts

Sunday 9th October - Trinity 20

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev R Alderson

Sunday 16th October - Trinity 21

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

Sunday 23rd October - Last Sunday after Trinity

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

11.00am Village Service - Mr G Marshall

Sunday 30th October - All Saints Sunday

08.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

Sunday 6th November - 3rd Sunday before Advent

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Annual Team Eucharist (for all eighteen churches in the Wilford Peninsula Team) at Hollesley on Sunday 30th October at 11.00am - All Saints' Sunday. A very special service to be led this year by Bishop Tim Stevens, who is retired, and a former Bishop of Dunwich and then of Leicester (You may have seen him on TV at the re-internment of King Richard III). He will commission new people as Lay Pastoral Visitors, Eucharistic Assistants and Elders, including our very own Jacki Maslin and two new Elders for Iken.

PLEASE COME ALONG - YOU WILL BE MOST WELCOME

Rev David Murdoch

OCTOBER AT ORFORD METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday 2nd October

10.30am Stephen Caley (Soup & Pud afterwards)

Sunday 9th October Prisons Sunday

10.30am Mike Stock

Sunday 16th October

10.30am CAFÉ WORSHIP

October Dates for Your Diary

Saturday 1st October: *Museum Autumn Lecture* - Town Hall 6.30pm Thursday 6th October: *Gardening Club* - Town Hall from 2.00pm Friday 7th October: **Bonfire Meeting** - Recreation Ground Hut 8.00pm Sunday 16th October: Camerata - St Bartholomew's Church 5.00pm

Saturday 22nd October: *To Be Felt* - St Bartholomew's Church 1.00pm & 4.00pm

Sunday 23rd October Bible Sunday - One World Week 10.30am Rev Martin Dawes - Holy Communion

3.00pm CREAM TEA SERVICE

Sunday 30th October

10.30am SONGS OF PRAISE

Sunday 6th November

10.30am Stephen Caley (Soup & Pud afterwards)

Sunday morning services also include a 'Sunday School' time for any young children!

Monday's ever popular TEA ROOM is open from 12noon - 4.00pm with Lunch & Afternoon Tea menu - then a change to WINTER TIMING of 11.00am - 2.00pm on MONDAY 24th October and thereafter providing a Morning Coffee and Lunch Menu.

WEDNESDAY LUNCH provides a really excellent affordable meal which is served at 12.30pm - hoping to attend? Please let us know!

Another very happy Picnic Service was held at the end of August with plenty of 'Sunday School Songs' and some actions with another excellent picnic tea provided.

August Bank Holiday Monday kept us very busy with a packed Tea Room all day - with many conversations shared, greetings exchanged and the added bonus of some 'new' paintings of Orford Light House on display

You are invited to join us on WEDNESDAY 12th OCTOBER when we celebrate the 17th Birthday of the Wednesday Lunch Sessions. Is it so long ago when we first commenced these meals? - friends very welcome, however you will need to book this meal as you do each Wednesday!

HARVEST THANKSGIVING: This year the display formed a tea room and a shop complete with cash register - thanks for the many gifts of grocery, flowers, vegetables and wheat sheaves. Almost everyone stayed for and enjoyed an excellent Harvest Lunch after the festival service - it's theme 'the Water of Life'.

Stephen Caley

ORFORD MUSEUM AUTUMN LECTURE 2016

On Saturday, 1st October 2016, Dr. Richard Hoggett will give a lecture entitled A Portrait of the Artist: J.M.W. Turner In East Anglia in the Town Hall at 6.30pm. Dr. Hoggett will be looking at a series of sketches and paintings done of the East Anglian coast by Turner which included several views of Orford as well as Yarmouth, Lowestoft, Aldeburgh, Dunwich and Happisburgh. Dr. Hoggett gave us an excellent talk last October on Botolph, Bede and the East Anglian Conversion and I am sure this one will also appeal greatly to proceed the Museum though we are always bappy to welcome quests. the Museum though we are always happy to welcome guests who are not Friends. The entrance charge will be £5.00 for Friends of the Museum, £7.00 for non-members and there will be a wine bar with your first glass included in the price. The bar will be open from 6.00pm.

Elizabeth Spinney - Chairman, Orford Museum

STONY DITCH

I am not a parishioner of Orford and Gedgrave, but like many I have spent many happy days up Stony Ditch, so I would like to tell you that I am distressed that the Crown Estate has taken possession of the ditch when the rest of the River Ore is managed by the NOTT. The Crown Estate is no more worthy to own the ditch than the NOTT and I would say less given that the Crown Estate's purpose is to provide income to central government. It would be better that the resource be in the hands of the locals. It would be awful if, having claimed ownership, the Crown was to grant a lease to the National Trust. It is interesting that Mrs Poulter and Mrs Potter say that the peninsular was sold by the Clarkes by private treaty in which case the Crichel Down principle may not apply if the ditch was part of the sale. That principle is that land commandeered compulsorily during the wars has to be offered back to the original owners. Mr Davis, Mr and Mrs Murphy and Mr Oakes say that the ditch was "taken over" during the Cold War so this should checked properly. Nothing in the article by Mrs Poulter and Mrs Potter, erudite as it is, proves that the Crown has ownership. Would the NOTT publish the advice it has already had?

Yours faithfully

Sir James Pickthorn Bt. - THE ELMS, SUDBOURNE STONY DITCH

The letter describing the story of Stony Ditch, in the July issue of the Village Voice was most informative and made us realise the importance of the issue. With this in mind we do hope that the Trust will have taken some robust action to assure the return of this asset. We realise that this is not to be handled lightly and it may have to be put in the hands of experts to evaluate our chances to succeed. It would be unforgivable if this generation was the one to lose such an important part of our heritage.

Danielle Ernst STONY DITCH

I do hope NOTT restore the rightful ownership of Stony Ditch, a part of our local history and for future generations to come.

Gordon Wall

GARDENING CLUB

Date: Thursday 6th October 2016

Topic: "The Good, the Bad and the Ugly"

Leaders: Dr Tony Leech and Neil Mahler the County Recorder

for Suffolk

What and where: "A Fungus Foray" venue to be arranged

Time: 2.00pm - 4.00pm

Followed by: 4.00pm -6.00pm Tea and cakes in the Orford Town Hall. Also see photos from the Trip to Clare College Gardens, Cambridge provided by members

What and where: Talk "Diversity of Fungal Forms" in Orford

Town Hall

Time: 6.00pm - 7.00pm

Come to all parts of the event or make your choice ...

Dahlia Talk by Richard Todd, Head Gardener at the National Trust Anglesey Abbey

This was enormously successful and we had a really good turnout, considering it was still the holiday season. We were very pleased to welcome some new members too!

Richard has been Head Gardener at Anglesey Abbey for over 40 years and has developed many innovative ideas, most notably their spectacular Winter Garden. He also alerted us to his swansong for Cloud watching, opening soon, before his retirement.

He talked to us about growing Dahlias, the wide range of varieties, and how to take cuttings. He illustrated his presentation with many colourful slides. He also answered the questions we all had on how to 'do better'!!

Some of the up and coming events

Thursday 3rd November Alan Smith demonstrating how to make a Holly Wreath using various styles and methods -raffle of the wreaths too!!

It's not too late to become a member ...

We're offering a half price (£6.50) membership to anyone who would like to join for the remainder of the year. There are still all the above events to come. Or you can turn up to any event for £4 on the night \dots

Polly Sharkey - creativefutures98@btinternet.com 01394 450959

ORFORD WEBSITE

The Orford website went live in July 2012.

It was a cooperative project between Orford Business Association (OBA) and New Orford Town Trust (NOTT) intended to provide a free information and communication facility and indirectly promote local businesses. Set up costs were funded by the OBA with a contribution by the NOTT and other parties. The annual running costs for the hosting and maintenance of the

website have been covered by OBA membership fees and a small donation from NOTT since the system went live.

This year NOTT has decided to withdraw its financial support and OBA has canvassed its members to determine whether they are prepared to cover the full running costs to allow the free community services to continue to be provided. The bulk of OBA membership fees manage and support the Orford community website, and in addition we produce a bi-annual leaflet and map of Orford for distribution by members and local tourist organisations. This leaflet, provides a useful village map and lists the details of each member, what they do and where they are. We also produce the village map which is housed in a cabinet on Figg's Shelter on the quay. In addition, when funds allow, we have supported pro-bono activities in the village such as free admission for children to the film shows in the Town Hall and puppet theatre workshops for the pupils at Orford School. Individual members also support village activities such as donating to the cost of new play equipment, supporting activities at the school, providing prizes for the Flower Show, presents at the annual children's Christmas party and so on. Businesses in Orford also provide employment for a large number of local residents.

I am pleased to say that the members have confirmed that they believe that the website provides a valuable facility for the local community and that they are prepared to pick up the additional cost, possibly with a small increase in their annual membership fees, for the next year or so. As a result the website will continue as at present for the time being and we encourage all residents and businesses to make best use of this facility. Maintaining the web site and covering the funding formerly provided by the NOTT will fully utilise the existing resources of the OBA members and this may result in a reduction in other services currently provided to the community by OBA. For details of OBA membership please use the contact link on the website home page.

Roger Hipwell - Treasurer, Orford Business Association ORFORD WEBSITE

Members of the OBA in Orford, large and small, provide a valuable source of employment for local people and help ensure that local facilities can be maintained for the benefit of all. It is perhaps to be regretted that the NOTT, a wealthy registered charity, does not feel that our community web site is worthy of support even on the relatively modest scale hitherto provided. The writer wonders whether the substantial funds under the control of the trustees are indeed being put to their best use and encourages all residents not only to make full use of their community website but also to take an interest in how the parish council and NOTT trustees spend your money. It would be helpful if a full accounting of the NOTT budget was published annually in the Village Voice for all to see and by implication comment on.

David Watson - CHAIRMAN, ORFORD BUSINESS ASSOCIATION

TAKE A DIP WITH A DIFFERENCE

Are you brave enough to take a dip in the cold North Sea on Christmas morning for your local hospice?

Join hundreds of other supporters as they take a dip in the icy water on Christmas morning to raise vital funds for St Elizabeth Hospice.

Catherine Sheppard, St Elizabeth Hospice's events and challenges fundraiser, said: "The Christmas Day Dip is in its 13th year and it's still such a popular event, with around 400 people lining the beach each Christmas morning ready to take the icy plunge!

"There's always such a great atmosphere at the event, not only with the hundreds of people taking part, but with the thousands who turn out to watch. A lot of people do it in memory of their loved ones who were cared for by the hospice, and all the sponsorship money raised from the event goes towards improving life for local people living with a progressive illness."

You can save £5 if you sign up with the early bird offer before 5pm on 31 October 2016, after this registration will be £10.

Be part of the festive fun and sign up now at www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk/dip

St Elizabeth Hospice provides vital care and support to more than 2,000 patients and their families every year.

It costs millions of pounds a year to run the hospice and they rely on fundraising events, donations and the income generated from its shops to meet the majority of these costs.

Sophie Johnson - Marketing Assistant

KINGS HEAD NEWS

Well, September gave us a bit of a mixed bag of weather but it didn't stop us enjoying ourselves.

On the food front September saw us return to our food theme nights with the Taste of Suffolk, showcasing products from Pinney's of Orford, Paravanni's, High House Farm, Dingley Dell, Red Poll and others. It highlighted the fine produce we have on our door step. Another great job done by Suzanne, Zoe and the kitchen team.

We also kicked off our take away service - chance to have great pub food to take away - running from Monday to Thursday in the evening from 6.00pm til 9.00pm. Great for when you just don't fancy cooking.

October sees us continuing with the take away and bringing back our Wednesday night deal. We have gone away from the pies to bring you Curry and a Pint for £12 starting on Wednesday 5^{th} October and every week after that. The kitchen will conjuring a great selection of curries to entice you and what is better we include a pint of your choice or a glass of house wine to wash it down with.

The food theme night is Friday 28th October and the theme will be Halloween, with fancy dress optional. The kitchen witches will be coming up with some magical brews in their cauldron to tantalise your taste buds. Space for the theme nights are limited so booking early is recommended.

On the sporting front. Many congratulations to Alan Burt (Captain) and the players of Sudbourne Hall Cricket Club who secured promotion in the final game of the season. A season that created some fantastic performances by many of the players. We hope you enjoy your informal celebration meal with us on Saturday $1^{\rm st}$ October.

Real Orford F C have started the football season well and as always would welcome your support up at The Rec. Kick off is on Sunday Mornings at 10.00 and the fixture list is posted in our lobby. Good luck to all the players and management in the second season back.

On the darts front don't forget to contact Matthew Smy or Ian to let us know if you want to play in our team this season. It's a Wednesday night and a very social game of darts.

Now to news of live music. Steve Boyce is back with us on Saturday 8^{th} October at 9.00pm. The fantastic sound of classic rock and blues played by a man at the top of his field. Yes it will be loud but it will also be great. If you haven't seen him before then make sure you come along this time. Entry is free and everyone is welcome.

On the brain power front thanks to Ed's Lot for the interesting quiz they set in September and congratulations to Five Star who won the quiz, following a mental block by Potkins Planks on the running rounds. They will be presenting the next quiz and taxing your knowledge on Sunday 23rd October at 8.00pm.

Some of you will have seen planning notices attached to our window. This is some minor alterations to the kitchen layout and associated works, including ventilation. This has been passed by the conservation and planning officers. The work was scheduled to be throughout the month of November, but Environmental Health are asking for further measures which means that these works will be delayed until the New Year. Very frustrating, from our's and Adnams points of view, as they are committed to putting a major investment into the kitchen upgrade. Imagine how Zoe feels being told she can't have her new toys until after Christmas, fortunately Suzanne was the one to give her the news. We will keep you updated on this but are hoping it will be in January/February 2017.

Having already planned and committed to doing some decorating and flooring works in the bar during the original planned closure this will still go ahead. This does mean that we will be closed from after the evening session on Sunday 30^{th} October until we re-open for lunch on Friday 11^{th} November. Obviously, the take away service and the curry night will not operate during this period. We sincerely apologise to everybody for the inconvenience that this will cause.

Good news is that when we re-open we will have back Soul Serenity on Saturday 12th November at 9.00pm. So you can all come along and see what we have done and party the night away.

Ian & Suzanne Ballantine thekingsheadorford@gmail.com MUSIC IN COUNTRY CHURCHES (MICC)

Anyone who was in St Bartholomew's Church on 2nd and 3rd September will have said that the church looked beautiful, busy, and the three performances were electric. None of this would have happened without the wonderful Committee that I had. On Wednesday afternoon Guy Marshall and Mike Finney moved the chairs to accommodate 404. Then on Thursday came the numbering of all the seats, which Aldeburgh Music produced for us. The Committee consisted of: Peter and Annie Beaumont, Diana Paterson, Lizzie Fargher, Ana Sarginson, Marian Collins, and Nigel Maslin. Annie took the lead role in finding stewards, doing a rota, and assigning of where they would usher from. Ana Sarginson had the lead role for programme selling. Close to 1,000 people were at the three concerts. Then the Committee helped get the church back together on Sunday.

Without their help, it would not have looked as efficiently run, warm, helpful, and professional. Thank you so much.

Jacki Maslin

2016 ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

The Poppy Appeal will shortly be upon us with house-to-house collections starting on Saturday 29th October. Mike Finney has kindly agreed to take over as Poppy Appeal Organiser. As I hand over I would like to thank all Poppy Sellers and others most sincerely for all their support. It has been wonderful to have had so much help.

Remembrance Sunday is on $13^{\rm th}$ November with a service in St Bartholomew's Church, Orford. In addition there will be a brief ceremony with Two Minutes Silence at the Orford War Memorial at 11.00am on Friday $11^{\rm th}$ November.

Peter Hamilton-Jones

ORFORD TENNIS AUGUST 2016

This year the weather was beautiful, sunny and dry for both the tournaments.

The Ladies Doubles took place on Tuesday 9th August with a smaller group than usual, but still we all enthusiastically played and the winners were Gill Turner and Diana Paterson.

The mixed doubles on the following afternoon, 10th August, was as competitive as usual with 16 players. Lots of fun was had by all lubricated with some Pimms. The winners for the past three years, Nick and Jeanette Pearce, split up and played with their guests from Scotland, but this didn't stop Jeanette winning again with Craig Forster, though Ben Johnston and Lizzie Carr gave them a good run for their money in the final!

Thanks to everyone who came and played, we always have a lot of fun.

Diana Paterson

(This should have gone in the September Village Voice but overzealous editing meant it was omitted - Editor)

A TOMBOLA THANK YOU

Thank you everybody for helping make the Tombola such a success at this year's Flower Show and Fête by providing the prizes, buying tickets and helping in so many ways.

All together we had 398 prizes including over 100 bottles of wines, spirits and beers which enabled us to raise in total almost £900.

A special alphabetical thanks to the collectors and helpers on the day: Anna Toppin, Christine Bromley-Martin, Christine Murdoch, Daphne Gardner, Hilary Grogono, Imogen Barford, Mary Goldin, Melissa Billen, the Raison family, Patti Standen, Rio Mellor, Sue Johnston, Sue Snowdon, Susanne Hasting, Tony Hasting, plus Friend's Garage and The Orford General Store and to all residents who contributed such a huge number of prizes.

Thank you all again

Mike and Polly Sharkey - 450959 CAMERATA

The English Choral Experience is a series of choral courses of different lengths, locations and intention run by Paul Spicer in the UK and France. The Camerata weekends are intended for expert amateur singers who come together on Saturday and rehearse all day and through Sunday giving a concert on the Sunday afternoon. The concert will start at 5.00pm on Sunday 16th October, £5 entry on the door.

Programme

Byrd Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis (The Great Service)
Brahms Two Motets op.74

Britten Carry her over the water (from Paul Bunyan)

Jonathan Dove Into thy hands

Ola Gjeilo Ubi Caritas II: Through infinite ages Whitacre Sleep

Holst This have I done for my true love

If you need further information, please do call 450799.

Jacki Maslin

CHRISTIAN BLACKSHAW

Date October 14th

Time 7:30pm

Place Snape Maltings

Pianist Christian Blackshaw

tickets from: www.ormiston.org/christian-black.html

World renowned pianist, Christian Blackshaw, in his only UK performance this year, is giving a special concert with all the funds raised going to a Suffolk Charity, Ormiston Families He will be performing Mozart's Piano Sonata in A Minor, Schubert, Liszt and Chopin at Snape Maltings.

Tracy Rogers



'To Be Felt' is commissioned by DanceEast with generous support from the St Bartholomew's Church David Andren Legacy.

Tickets: £20 and £12

Aldeburgh Music Box Office 01728 687100 or Aldeburgh.co.uk

Performed as part of Britten Dances Weekend, 21-23 October, presented by Aldeburgh Music and DanceEast.

Further details: Jacki Maslin / 01394 450 799

Call for sites

If you own or know about a site which could be suitable for new development over the next 20 years, please let us know

Work is underway on a review of the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan. The new Local Plan will guide development in the District over the next 15 to 20 years.

We are looking for sites that have potential for new development. This includes new housing (5+ dwellings), employment and industrial, retail, community facilities, open space and more.

Sites received will be included in the first consultation on the new Local Plan in early

Please let us know about your site by 28th October 2016 by completing the form at www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/suffolkcoastalloc alplanreview or alternatively contact us by

suffolkcoastallocalplan@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

Telephone: (01394) 444550 / 444363

Post: Suffolk Coastal District Council, Planning Policy and Delivery Team, Melton Hill, Woodbridge, Suffolk IP12 1AU

www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/suffolkcoastallocalplanreview

If you have previously submitted sites to the Council for consideration, please resubmit these sites along with any new land you wish to promote

The size criteria is that a site should be able to accommodate 5+dwellings - be this one bedroom flats or mansions. The actual site size will depend on what density is appropriate for each individual site. We would not consider a single dwelling in someone's back garden. Sites of 1 - 4 dwellings would be considered as windfall and dealt with as planning applications.

Please call 01394 444550 if you have any other queries. *Andy MacGibbon* - PLANNING POLICY OFFICER

Joseph Toonga 'To Be Felt'

On Sat. 22 October at 1pm and 4pm, DanceEast and Aldeburgh Music revive their popular Snape Dances partnership with a ground-breaking afternoon of dance and live music in the spectacular St Bartholomew's Church in Orford.

Charismatic, rising star cellist Leonard Elsenbroich will be performing a programme of works by Bach, Volan, Lutoslawki and Benjamin Britten.

He will be joined on stage by a group of dynamic dancers choreographed by award-winning emerging contemporary dance-maker Joseph Toonga, one of only a small number of guest choreographers to have been invited by Richard Alston to produce works for his company.

Programme includes:

Bach Cello Suite No 1, 17' dance with solo cello Volan's Short Walk in the Garden of Solitude, 7' cello Lutoslawski Sacher Variation, 4' solo cello Britten Suite No. 1, 22' dance with solo cello

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