

What's on ~ February 2017

- 02/02** Coffee & Chat with Bring-&-Buy – 10.30am, 1 Eastfields
07/02 Craft Group – Lampshades, 7.30pm, the Hall
09/02 OAP Lunch – Noon, Bawdsey School. Please pre-book on 411365
09/02 Bawdsey Bird Club – Nick Mason talks on Costa Rica, 7.30pm, the Hall
11/02 Community Café – 9.30am-12.30pm, Hollesley Village Hall
11/02 Coastal Partnership AGM – 11.00am, the Hall, Therese Coffey MP attending
16/02 Jazz Society – 7.30pm, the Hall
18/02 BHYC - Talk by Val Dudley, 7.30pm, the Hall
20/02 Village Hall & Recreation Ground Committee Meeting – 7.30pm, the Hall
21/02 Craft Group – Lampshades continued – 7.30pm, the Hall
22/02 Hollesley Gardening Club – Matt Tanton-Brown on Companion Planting, 7.30pm, Hollesley Bowls Club
24/02 Knit & Natter – 2.00-4.00pm, The Anchorage, Bromeswell
25/02 Jumble Sale in aid of Church & Village Hall – 2.00pm, the Hall “The Hall” – Village Hall, Bawdsey
Coffee Republic Warren Hill daily 8.00am-4.00pm/Weekends 8.00am-3.00pm
Poppies Sutton Heath Wed & Fri, 9.00am-1.00pm, Thrift Shop 9.00-11.00am. Both term time only
Mobile Grocer Every Thurs, 12.15pm-12.45pm, the Village Hall
Woodbridge & District Safer Neighbourhood Team Tel: 01473 613500, email: woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk. Dial 101 when less urgent than 999.
Zumba! Hollesley Village Hall, Thursdays **10.30-11.30am**. Sarah 07956 623228

FEBRUARY CHURCH SERVICES

	Alderton	Bawdsey	Ramsholt
5	8.00am Holy Communion		
12		11.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Matins
19	8.00am Holy Communion		
26	8.00am Holy Communion	11.00am Morning Praise	
1 March 12.00pm Sutton, Wilford Peninsula Team Holy Communion with Imposition of Ashes			

Also Morning Prayer - Mondays 9.00am Alderton/Wednesdays 9.30am Bawdsey
 For weddings, baptisms, visits, activities, or to tell us something – contact Rev Ruth Hatchett (01394 412052)

THANK YOU

Many thanks to Jane Famous who has been a fantastic helper and supporter of village functions during her time here. She also distributed the Bulletin at the Ferry end of the village. We wish her well with her impending move.

SHOPPING TRIP TO NORWICH ON WEDNESDAY 15 FEBRUARY

Norse Coach Company organised trip leaves Deben Pool, Woodbridge at 9.00am, departs Norwich at 4.00pm. Cost £9.00. Please contact Liz Mark, 22 Model Cottages, Bawdsey (411426) by Friday 3 February.

If you'd like your Bulletin emailed to you or if you have any future items please email louiselennard127@btinternet.com.

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JUMBLE SALE

25 February, 2.00pm in the Village Hall in aid of the Church and Village Hall. The Hall will be open 2.00-4.00pm on Friday 24 and from 10.00am on Saturday 25 to receive jumble and bric-a-brac.

ALDERTON SHOP/HOLLESLEY POST OFFICE

The new phone number for Alderton shop is 01394 411834. Judith Vaudry has said they hope to have a Post Office facility one day a week in the near future. The new till offers cash back.

Hollesley Post Office opens 9.00am-5.30pm every weekday except Wednesday when it closes at 1.00pm. Please note Tina has a one hour lunch break from 1.00-2.00pm. On Saturday the Post Office closes at 12.30pm.

NEW YEAR'S DAY AT THE QUAY

John White was extremely busy ferrying people across the Deben and his wife, Ann, plus helpers were busy in the hut serving refreshments. The grand total of £765 was collected for the Felixstowe Volunteer Coastal Patrol Rescue Service.

A great big thank you to all the swimmers and supporters of the New Year's Day Deben Dip and to the gallant coastguards and our local First Responder offering a reassuring presence! Together, we raised £245.05 for the East Anglia Air Ambulance. Well done everyone and happy New Year!

COASTGUARD ADVICE

After attending recent events at Thorpeness in relation to a tragic accident involving a significant section of cliff falling on to the beach due to erosion and killing a dog walker, it is worth reminding villagers and their relatives to take extra care when walking below and on top of the cliffs at Bawdsey. Always expect the unexpected, especially after heavy rain.

Peter Sproxtton
 Station Officer, Shingle Street Coastguard (Bawdsey)

BAWDSEY HAVEN YACHT CLUB, PUBLIC TALK, BAWDSEY VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 18 February 2017, 7.30pm ~ Adults £2, Under 18s 50p ~ Refreshments
 Maritime History of Orford Haven and Shingle Street by Val Dudley

PASTORAL VISITING TEAM

Starting this month the churches' team of pastoral visitors are offering to visit anyone who would like someone to talk to now and again. There is no 'hidden agenda' – we are not going to 'push' religion at you, try to persuade you to come to church or give money. We just offer a friendly smile and a listening ear. All our visitors have received appropriate training and DBS clearance. If you or someone you care for would like a visit, please contact Revd Ruth, 412052 ruth.hatchett@yahoo.co.uk

ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

Services – 12 February Holy Communion 11.00am led by Revd Ruth Hatchett, **19 February** Hollesley Café Sundae 9.30am led by Judy Foulger, **26 February** Morning Praise 11.00am led by Lydia Calvesbert/Joy Andrews.

Special Services – 5 February Sutton Heath Family Worship Candlemas led by Revd Ruth, **12 February** Sutton Morning Praise and **Christingle** led by Elder Mel Spurling, **19 February** Sutton Holy Communion for **Marriage Week** with Revd Michael.

Thanks from St Mary's – To Angela Vaux for all the cyclamen that decorated the window sills at Christmas. Thanks too for the extra flowers that made such a lovely show and to those responsible for getting the Christmas tree, erecting it, decorating it and supplying some new decorations. To all those who read passages at the nine lessons and carols and ran the drinks and refreshments at the Village Hall. The carol singing around the village, despite restricting it to The Street, raised £227.60 for the Children's Society and the refreshments supplied by Nuala, who hosted the group at the end of the evening, were much appreciated. Finally, on Christmas Day, the Family Service raised a congregation of 61 (including 12 children) - a record for this 21st century!

VILLAGE HALL & RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE - UPDATE

- We have replaced the large double fire exit doors at the back of the village hall, the old ones were getting rotten and difficult to open and shut.
- We have kindly been given some plastic chairs by the Radar Group which updated our old yellow ones, and we have bought some comfortable padded ones for the long Parish Council and other meetings.
- As you know we put in a gas cooker and fire and emergency lighting to cope with a possible emergency situation. They were nearly put to use when we had the recent tidal surge, but luckily it turned out to be not as bad as anticipated although the emergency group were on standby.
- We are having some stairs put in our store room in the hall up into a large attic space which will make it more convenient and safe to use.
- The support poles for the zip wire are coming loose in the play area on the recreation ground, so for safety reasons we have to have them re-cemented back in place at a cost of £1,000.
- We had a couple of work days at the recreation ground, cleaning the play equipment, clearing out junk and fixing things which had been vandalized. Our next work day is on Sunday 12 March – we would welcome any help please.
- A small allotment vacancy is available behind the Village Hall for anyone wanting to grow their own produce.
- There is a room in the pavilion which is now available to rent for storage, if anybody is interested.
- We are an independent charity which relies on the good will of voluntary helpers to assist us and help raise money to maintain and improve our facilities. We are splitting the secretary function and are in need of a minutes secretary to record our 10 comparatively short meetings a year. Come and join our merry bunch.

Thank you for all your help and support. Please contact Rawdon on 411459 if you can help or need information.

WHAT IS YOUR PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP (PPG)?

The Peninsula Practice has invited patients to form a PPG, something the NHS is keen to promote. We are lucky that the practice has been given an 'Outstanding' award by the Care Quality Commission, but the Doctors do not want to rest on their laurels and are looking to patients to suggest further improvements. To date the group has reviewed infection control and arranged the installation of hand gels, has looked at online access, reviewed the annual patient surveys and helped arrange the successful 'Help Yourself to Health Day' which we are planning to repeat.

The purpose of the group is to see the service from a patient's point of view and pick up on issues that might arise or ideas for improvements. We'd like to hear from all ages, but particularly people with children and those with mobility problems. An annual survey will take place but if you have a concern contact the Practice Manager. Amazingly, the practice covers 22 villages with over 3,900 patients - which could explain why it is not always possible to get an immediate appointment! The PPG are looking at producing a brochure detailing all the services available from the practice, together with other useful information. In addition, we plan to produce a quarterly article for local newsletters to give patients a variety of local and national information. These articles will also be available on the practice website: www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk.

To be able to do all this and to be effective we need a strong team. If you would like to help then please contact reception at either surgery. We meet four times a year for an hour or so - next meeting Monday 27 February, 1.30pm, Alderton Surgery.

More on Health Another local PPG has set up a walking group which is proving very successful, both for health and making new friends. Let us know if you are interested in joining a group in the peninsula. Please contact the secretary at Alderton on 01394 411641 for any further information on the above.

BAWDSEY QUAY AMENITY SITE

Progress on the transfer of the Amenity Site to the Parish Council has been upset by two developments. Firstly Government proposals to withdraw revenue grant from Local Authorities by 2020 to be replaced by local income from residential and business rates has forced SCDC to review its future expenditure and revenue sources. It has consequently withdrawn the grant offer to BPC which would have part funded building the proposed visitor centre/cafe. Secondly, the unexpected sale of the Bawdsey Manor Estate has undermined the PC's business plan, which had been accepted by SCDC. They are not willing to proceed with the proposed transfer of land to BPC at this stage. Future funding of the Amenity Site proposal is of concern to both SCDC and BCP. SCDC has said that any further decisions about the site will be deferred until the outcome of The Manor Estate sale is known. This also adversely affects BPC's grant applications. At the moment SCDC has only committed to fund the installation of a new water main to the site. The situation is hugely disappointing considering the amount of community effort and support, to say nothing of the enormous Council time expended. At the recent Council meeting thought was given to possible alternative ways of funding and sharing of ownership of the site including financial appeals. Discussion is continuing. Your views will be helpful (but will not be answered individually). You are invited to email your views to our Parish Clerk at bawdsey-pc@hotmail.co.uk.

