

## What's On ~ May 2019

- 02/05** District and Parish Council Elections – 7.00am-10.00pm, the Hall  
**04/05** Shottisham WI Plant & Cake Sale – 10.00am-Noon, Trust Hall  
**04/05** Community Garden Plant Sale – 10.00am-1.00pm Hollesley Allotments  
**04/05** Bawdsey Market – 2.00-4.00pm, the Hall  
**09/05** Coffee & Chat – 10.30am, the Hall  
**09/05** OAP Lunch – Noon, Bawdsey School. Please pre-book on 411365  
**09/05** Parish Council Annual General Meeting - 7.00pm, the Hall  
**12/05** Recreation Ground & Play Area Working Morning – 10.00am  
**13/05** Village Hall & Recreation Ground Meeting – 7.30pm, the Hall  
**14/05** Craft Group – Acrylic Skins (cabochon), 7.30pm, the Hall  
**25/05** Sutton Spring Market – 10.00am, Memorial Hall  
**27/05** Bawdsey Fete & Fun Dog Show – 2.00pm, Recreation Ground  
**31/05** Knit & Natter – 2.00-4.00pm, The Anchorage, Bromeswell  
**31/05** Pudding Night – £5.00 prebook on 411793, 7.00pm, Sutton Bowls Club Pavilion

The Hall” – Village Hall, Bawdsey

**Deben Ferry** Every day 10.00am-5.00pm

**Boathouse Café** Open Thursday-Monday, 11.00am-5.00pm

**Shelby's**, Warren Hill Weekdays 8.00am-4.00pm/Weekends 8.30am-3.00pm

**Poppies, Sutton Heath** Monday-Friday, 9.00am-1.30pm

**Suffolk Punch Trust** Open Friday-Monday, 10.30am-4.00pm (Every day in half term, except Tuesday)

**Mobile Grocer** Every Thursday, 11.15-11.45am, the Village Hall

**Mobile Post Office** Every Thursday, 1.15-3.15pm, Alderton Village Hall Car Park

**Woodbridge & District Safer Neighbourhood Team** [www.suffolkpolice.uk](http://www.suffolkpolice.uk), email [woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk](mailto:woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk). Dial 101 when less urgent than 999

### MAY CHURCH SERVICES

|    | Alderton  | Bawdsey                | Ramsholt               |
|----|---|------------------------|------------------------|
| 5  | 8.00am Holy Communion<br>3.00pm Songs of Praise |                        |                        |
| 12 | 8.00am Holy Communion                           | 11.00am Holy Communion | 11.00am Matins         |
| 19 | 8.00am Holy Communion                           |                        |                        |
| 26 | 8.00am Holy Communion                           | 11.00am Morning Praise | 11.00am Holy communion |

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)

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**Meet Up Mondays** 2.00-4.00pm at The Shepherd and Dog, Hollesley

**Meet Up Wednesdays** 10.00-11.30am at The Swan, Alderton

## Bawdsey Bulletin

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### BAWDSEY FETE, WHIT MONDAY 27 MAY, 2.00PM

This is our main village fund raising event which we need to help cover huge ongoing expenses such as insurance (£1,400), maintenance, utility bills and improvements. This year, for instance, we have made a safe loft room in the Village Hall with stairs, and have a new shed to take all our fete equipment. We have also paid £300 to treat the play area for moss and, having had the war memorial refurbished, we now need to improve the surrounding area.

We are grateful for all the help we receive running this event, but this year we appear to be very short of helpers. We have been given a large amount of good quality bric-a-brac, books, cds and clothing which needs sorting and selling, and we have games and stalls to man. We also need people to help set up and especially for clearing up afterwards.

Items to sell such as cakes for the tea pavilion and cake stall, tombola prizes (including bottles of drink), toys, plants and garden items and anything else you can find will all be very much appreciated. We will be erecting the tent frames as usual 6.00pm on Sunday 26 May, and then start setting up the fete on the following day at 9.00am. PLEASE HELP US FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE VILLAGE.

Call Rawdon (411459) or Rob (411185) if you can offer any help/goods. Thanks.

### RECREATION GROUND & PLAY AREA WORK MORNING

**Sunday 12 May, 10.00am**

We have opened the play area again which was closed for most of the winter as it was so slippery. The Committee has spent some time sweeping the play area, and we have had it treated to kill the moss. However, the residue needs clearing, and we need some more painting done to the sheds and the area cleaned up around the tennis courts. So if you can help please come along.

### BAWDSEY RADAR SPRING EVENTS 2019

**“Life at RAF Bawdsey in World War Two”** Our first big event of the season will be at half term, Thursday 30 May and Sunday 2 June. Come and meet Warrant Officer Amies and learn about life at RAF Bawdsey during WW2. Handle uniform items and weaponry, find out how the staff lived, how station defence was organised and how to send messages in Morse Code.

On Sunday 16 June ... something for the boys! Micro drone racing will take place in our marquee. Come and try your hand?

All events are included in the museum admission fee. For more information please visit our website [www.bawdseyradar.org.uk](http://www.bawdseyradar.org.uk). We look forward to seeing you at the Radar Museum in the summer.

### SPRING MARKET AT SUTTON MEMORIAL HALL ~ SATURDAY 25 MAY 2019

10.00am-12.30pm ~ Selection of stalls, raffle and refreshments

## ST MARY'S CHURCH NOTES

**Services – Sunday 12 May** 11.00am, Holy Communion (CW), Bawdsey led by Revd Ruth. **Sunday 26 May** Bawdsey 11.00am, Morning Praise led by Joy Andrews and team. **Thursday 30 May Ascension Day** at St Gregory's Church, Rendlesham, Holy Communion for the Wilford Peninsula Clergy and Team Churches at 7.30pm.

**Messy Church** – May's session will be held at All Saints, Hollesley from Noon-2.00pm on Saturday 18 May. Craft and other activities involving parents and carers with families, enjoying a cooked meal for lunch. Contact Revd Michael on 412052.

**St Mary's Spring Fair & Grand Draw** – Many thanks to those who bought draw tickets and contributed to the cakes stall, book stall, bric-a-brac, tombola etc and ran the refreshments. The sum of £602 was raised towards the planned redecoration of the Church. The Draw was a very successful one this year, so particular thanks to all who took books of tickets and sold them to family and friends.

**Church Visits to St Mary's** – On Wednesday 24 April it was reported that the Church lights were on at 8.15pm and the door left open. The Church Wardens would request that such are switched off and the door left closed after visits. Contact 411011 or 411779 if necessary.

**Marriage Week UK** According to their website, [www.marriage-week.org.uk](http://www.marriage-week.org.uk), Marriage Week UK celebrates the diversity and vibrancy of marriage as the basis for family life in the UK. There is a particular invitation to engaged and married couples, widows and widowers to come to give thanks for marriage at our service at Sutton Church on 19 May at 11.00am. We do, of course, value all our loving relationships, and this special celebration in no way intends to make anyone feel excluded if they are not married. All relationships are fragile. Most of us, if not all, will have known breakdown of relationship within our families and none of our relationships are perfect. We nevertheless will be recognising in our Marriage Week services the value of the love we give and receive, and the healing power of God's love.

**Songs of Praise** - 3.00pm, Sunday 5 May, St Andrew's Church, Alderton, followed by refreshments. All Welcome.

**Come to our Big Brekkie!** Ready to change the world over breakfast? We'll be serving a delicious morning meal while raising money to fight poverty and help save lives. Saturday 18 May, 9.30am-12.00pm, Hollesley Village Hall. Community Café menu and stalls.

**Continued thanks to Chris Mann for the ongoing supply of fuel for the tractor mower that maintains Bawdsey Churchyard**

## EASTER EGG HUNT

We raised £180 for Save the Children. Thanks to Sue for donating half the hot cross buns, coffee, tea and milk. Thanks to Anne for being on the door and Rawdon for doing the draw. Thanks to the Lennard family for spreading the eggs on the Recreation Ground. Thanks to all those who donated eggs and raffle prizes.

## SORREL HORSE MUSIC, SHOTTISHAM ~ 8.30PM

Monday 13 May 2019 ~ John Ward Trio plus Merry Harriers  
Details from <http://www.thesorrelhorse.co.uk/>

## COFFEE & CHAT

This month we meet on 9 May due to Elections on 2 May and will be at the Village Hall for the rest of 2019. After discussion at the last meeting it was decided to revert to £1 entrance and everyone would bring their own drink to the Christmas party.

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

**Annual General Meeting:** Bawdsey Parish Council Annual General Meeting, the first in the new Financial Year, will take place on Thursday 9 May, 7.00pm in the Village Hall with a newly elected council. All are welcome. The agenda will be published at least three days before the meeting. All Parish Council papers are published on the village website [www.bawdsey.onesuffolk.net](http://www.bawdsey.onesuffolk.net).

**Local Elections:** Both District Council elections for the Deben Ward and Parish Council elections will take place on Thursday 2 May. Polling is from 7.00am-10.00pm. A list of candidates can be found on the village website or on the Parish Council notice board outside the village hall.

**European Elections:** If a withdrawal agreement from the EU has not been reached by the time of these elections, they will take place on Thursday 23 May. Seven members will be elected for the Eastern Region under proportional representation. The deadline for new applications to vote in this election is Tuesday 7 May. New applications for a postal vote (or to amend or cancel a postal vote or proxy vote) is 5.00pm on Wednesday 8 May. The date for new applications to vote by proxy is Wednesday 15 May. Those eligible to vote in this election includes EU citizens resident in the UK. Clerk will put up names of candidates on the website and notice board when they are published.

### Latest Planning Applications:

DC/19/1381/FUL: Crane's Garage, The Street, Bawdsey. Erection of 3 new residential dwellings with associated garages; extension and alteration of outbuilding to form 2 new holiday lets; conversion and extension to existing B2 commercial unit (old forge and carpenter's shop) to form 3 commercial units. Responses by Friday 3 May

DC/19/1560/FUL: Alma House, The Street, Bawdsey IP12 3AJ. Internal work to existing building; single storey rear extension and 2 storey side extension. Three bay garage to rear of garden. Responses by 10 May.

**Speeding Measures:** The council is pleased that the SID, together with the Speedwatch team, has had a positive effect on speeding through the village. The council has asked Highways for additional 30mph roundels to be painted on The Street, new 30mph repeater signs and for the Bawdsey sign to be given new legs.

## CYCLISTS AND POTHOLE

A plea from the Cycling Touring Club (CTC) to motorists to be more tolerant of cyclists especially on winding country lanes. The reason why cyclists ride out in the centre of the vehicle lane is not to get in the way of motorists and hold them up, but simply to avoid the pot-holes. Over the last 10 years at least 22 people have died and a further 368 seriously injured by pothole-related accidents. Pot-holes are now more prolific, bigger and found all year round so these figures are likely to rise.

## PROPOSALS FOR THE QUAY & AMENITY AREA

### Message from Andrew Block

**Problems relating to this area** The Quay and Ferry Rd have long been discussed by residents and the Parish Council because of issues of overcrowded parking; overnight stays by campervans; and ever increasing damage to the roadside/river bank. These are particular problems during the summer months, when the number of visitors increases dramatically. The quay and the short stretch of road fronting the river are naturally regarded as idyllic places to visit by all age and family groups, day-trippers, holiday makers and residents alike.

Views expressed over the years by residents vary a good deal – some want parking restrictions, some wish to leave things as they are; some wish to see repairs to the banks, others are happy to let them be in spite of the effects of parking. Various attempts have been made by the Parish Council to address these matters, but there have never been sufficient resources to deal adequately with them.

Through the summer there are safety concerns arising from unrestricted car parking right next to where people are sitting, environmental damage to the banks and the impact of refuse being left next to overflowing bins, all of which have a generally deleterious effect on everyone's enjoyment. This was once a fairly brief summer phenomenon, but is now steadily extending into other parts of the year as well. In fact, local policy on tourism is to increase visitor numbers during other seasons of the year.

**Economic considerations** The area is developing its own economy – the ferry attracts increasing numbers of visitors who travel back and forth between old Felixstowe and Bawdsey Quay, to get meals and drinks, buy fish, or just stroll and sit by the river. The Boathouse Café near the Quay is thriving, well used by locals and visitors alike. Trips on the river are offered as well the ferry crossing. The radar museum nearby has contributed to the increase in those who know about and visit the area, as has the arrival of the PGL holiday centre at Bawdsey Manor. The increase in cyclists coming to the quay has been noticeable. The steady increase of housing at Melton and Martlesham will continue to bring more people within easy distance of these riverside attractions. We are told that campervans share information about the desirability of Bawdsey Quay for overnight stays.

**Proposed improvements** It is fortunate that there exist drawings and outline costings that were prepared by the County Council Highways Dept at the time of the proposed visitor centre on the amenity site (2014-15). This scheme represented a carefully thought out way of dealing with the parking and erosion of the river bank problems, and indications of how parking in the existing car park might be improved and thus better used. While referring to possible yellow lines, it presents a more organised approach to parking rather than moving into the realm of legal restrictions. The Parish Council would like to see as much of this scheme put into place as possible, with some slight additions to respond to more recent concerns: White lines showing parking on the quay need renewing, and a block of parking spaces (herring bone pattern?) should be added in the central area.

An additional lay-by alongside the river shown on the plan should be established as far as the width of the bank allows for parking cars, and surfaced with permeable material, with a second smaller one nearer to the Quay.

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Protection of remaining sandy/grassed area next to the river could be through oak posts and curbing; sand and grass banks reinstated as far as possible.

Access to the steps down to the beach should be clearly established.

Disabled spaces should be re-thought and marked in light of above suggestions.

Clearance and surfacing to allow camper van spaces at the entrance to the amenity site; as much clearance as possible within the car park to increase parking spaces available (as per original drawings).

Finally, signage on quay and lay-bys to indicate no overnight camping, sites where campervans can park.

However it must be stressed that these proposals are all dependent on County Council Highways approval and funding from East Suffolk. They may not happen in the near future. Parishioners' thoughts are welcome.

## FREE SPORTS EQUIPMENT

As strong supporters of the communities, CPS Fuels have a scheme to give back to local kids and the communities that support them by providing them with sports equipment. If you know of any organisations that support active children through a sports club or similar who might wish to avail of support, see <https://www.cpsfuels.co.uk/supporting-local-kids>.

## THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

Alderton 01394 411641 & Orford 01394 450315 [www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk](http://www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk)

| DAY       | ALDERTON                | ORFORD                  | HOLLESLEY               |
|-----------|-------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| Monday    | 8.00am to <b>2.30pm</b> | 8.00am to 6.30pm        | 1.30pm to <b>5.30pm</b> |
| Tuesday   | 8.00am to 6.30pm        | <b>CLOSED</b>           |                         |
| Wednesday | 8.00am to 6.30pm        | 8.00am to <b>1.00pm</b> |                         |
| Thursday  | 8.00am to 6.30pm        | 8.00am to <b>1.00pm</b> |                         |
| Friday    | 8.00am to 6.30pm        | 8.00am to <b>1.00pm</b> |                         |

Please note when a surgery is closed during the day, your call will be automatically transferred to the other site without the need to re-dial.

**Reception Care Navigators** – We recognise how important it is that patients are signposted as efficiently as possible to the correct service. That is why we are training our Reception Team to be Care Navigators. Reception Care Navigators will make sure you get help from the right person at the right time. This could be arranging an appointment with your GP or Practice Nurse, providing information on services within your community or giving advice over the phone. To do this, Care Navigators will need to ask you why you are calling so they can arrange the right care or support for you. And don't forget you can seek online advice from your GP through eConsult via our website [www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk](http://www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk).

**Surgery Closures** – The surgery will be closed on Thursday 22 May at 1.00pm for training and on May Bank Holiday Monday 6 and 27. Please contact NHS 111 when the Surgery is closed.

**Citizens Advice Sessions at Alderton Surgery** - 1 May, 10.00am–12.00pm - Please book with Reception or drop in on the day and speak to an advisor.