# Sulgrave News November 2013

### Regular Events

BB&C Service

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am

Book Club 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at the Star Inn - 8.00pm

Circle Dancing 3rd Thursday of the month at Culworth - 7.00pm

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### Deadline for the December newsletter is 22<sup>nd</sup> November

If you have information, articles or stories for the newsletter telephone Janet on 01295 760397 or e-mail janet\_m\_smith@btinternet.com. As always, articles can be left at Sulgrave Village Shop



#### Church News

#### Service for November

Sunday 3rd	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion - Sulgrave
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	8.15am	Holy Communion - Sulgrave
	6.00pm	Remembrance Service - Sulgrave
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Evensong - Sulgrave
Sunday 2 <sup>th</sup>	10.00am	Mattins - Sulgrave
Sunday 1st Dec	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion - Thorpe Mandeville

From December through to March we will change the time of Holy Communion on the second Sunday of the month from 8.15am to 4pm. Hopefully, this will make it more "user-friendly" for those who don't want to struggle through frost and snow during the winter months!

### <u>Safar Supper</u>

An executive decision was made to postpone the Safar Supper. It was clashing with too many other events - half term, when many families go on holiday - and Firework Displays. It has been decided that it will now be held in January, and will be something to look forward to in the early months of the year!

### <u>Harvest Supper</u>

We managed to squeeze nearly 60 people into the church hall! Everyone had a good time and enjoyed a super supper. Thanks go to all those who helped with the catering, and particularly to Ingram who helped set up the hall!

### Shrimp

Our Christmas Fayre will be held on December  $7^{th}$  in the church hall between 10.00am and noon. Please come and support us. There are always lovely gifts to be found, a super raffle and refreshments. If anyone can supply any feather-filled cushion pads I would be eternally grateful. We would welcome raffle prizes and cakes and preserves for our produce stall. Call Ingram on 760520 or Shrimp on 760214 if you can help.



### Flower and Cleaning Rota

November 2<sup>nd</sup> Mrs H Fellowes & Mrs 5 Blayney
November 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> Remembrance - Mrs B Walker

November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> Advent Dec 1<sup>st</sup> - No flowers - Mrs Bowen-Jones



# Janet & Maureen would like to invite you to our $Soup\ Kitchen$

at Sulgrave Church Hall on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November at 12.30pm



Leek & Potato Soup (v)
or
Carrot & Coriander (v)

Both served with croutons, bread rolls and butter

Sticky Toffee Pudding with Vanilla Icecream

Cheese & biscuits, celery & grapes

Cafetieres of freshly brewed coffee

£7.50

Booking is essential

To reserve your place please call

Janet Smith 01295 760397

Maureen Jeffery 01295 768268



### Village Shop News Update Telephone – 01295 760066 Shop email: – svshop@hotmail.co.uk

It's getting to that interesting time of year when Festive plans are being put in place; I see already that some companies have started their advertising campaigns which I'm trying to ignore but it will become more difficult as the weeks progress. That said, & I have to be careful of not having double standards here, I'm delighted to tell you that your Christmas Village Shop Order Form is included with this Newsletter Update. We really hope that you will be able to incorporate us in your plans for some really interesting fayre to treat yourself along with your guests at this special time of year. This will also be the last period of stress for David so, & please take this the right way David, let's make it as busy as possible for him!!

So how's the Shop performing? Takings for the 4 weeks of September were at exactly the same level as 2012. Cumulatively for the year to the end of September, we are still trading at 2% ahead of last year with notable contributions coming from sales of wine & beer (great job Digby, thank you), crisps & snacks and frozen foods. It seems that Sulgrave is developing a taste for curries as well. The Meah curry sauces are selling very well along with the three varieties of Naan bread; plain, peshwari & garlic & coriander. An interesting mix of year on year improvements within the Shop & a view of what we're buying in the village; I won't draw any obvious conclusions from this information!

Much work is still in progress behind the scenes with Michael, David & Robin moving us towards being able launch the new computer system & perhaps for you, our customers, being able to use debit cards as a payment method. I can't put a final date on this yet but I know that the Christmas period will be absolutely to the front of their minds. Continued thanks from us all in making this massive improvement to the way in which we can all shop locally.

Finally, & I'm humouring David here having suggested that we all add to his work load as he 'counts down the weeks', he has asked me to remind you that the cooler days are arriving & that we have boxes of kindling available to 'keep the home fires burning!'

Don't forget that we're always on the look out for new volunteers which, as we approach the end of the year will be much appreciated for spending time in the

Shop itself as well as helping to deliver those all important Christmas orders to everybody. If you can help then do please let David know; many hands make light work & all that.

Please also consider becoming a Member of our Shop Association? If you're a new resident to Sulgrave or were simply unaware that it existed, then you may not be aware that the Shop is operated on a not for profit basis & has sought support from the village residents to not only use the Shop for your purchases but to become a Member of the Sulgrave Village Shop Association. This helps broaden our community membership & supports the work that has been underway for 9 years plus by introducing new people & ideas to enhance the services that we provide from our small but very successful building. Anyone can become a Member for a one off £5 payment which gives them a share in our community project along with the right to vote at our AGM & stand for membership of the Management Committee. If you feel so disposed, then you can also make a donation to the Shop as well but this is very much down to you & is much appreciated as & when we receive one. Important though & our priority is to increase the Association Membership. If you would like more details about how to join then ask in the Shop the next time that you're visiting; you'll be given an 'Invitation to Subscribe' form which, along with your subscription / donation, should be given to our Secretary, Alison Lewis whose contact details are on the form.

'Mac' Macdonald 01295 760470



Sulgrave Village Shop Management Committee

Invites you for a drink and nibbles

at the Star Inn
Friday 6th December 6pm
to 7pm
to say good bye to David and to wish
him a happy retirement

RSVP by 2<sup>nd</sup> December 01295 760865

If you would like to join in giving David a retirement present please leave your contribution with Jane at Coombe Cottage, Helmdon Road, Kath at Blythe House, Manor Road Molly at Dippers, Little Street, or Shrimp at Wisteria Cottage, Helmdon Road.



### Sulgrave Pocket Park

Sulgrave Parish Council would like to remind all residents, guests and friends that there is a "No Dogs Allowed" policy for the Pocket Park. This area is for the younger members of our community so they can play in safety.

<u>Please do not take dogs into the Pocket Park</u>.

Thankyou

# Sulgrave Matters Education and Training Funding

- SEC has been helping Sulgrave village children since 1759, it was then called 'Timcocks & Walkers Gifts'
- Its purpose has always been to assist the children of Sulgrave in their education or acquiring work related skills
- It can contribute to educational needs or activities of local institutions or individuals
- In the past it has provided funding for Culworth school books; and Mini Meadows pre school - equipment
- Individual support has previously been for educational trips & tuition
- The scheme's remit allows for books and equipment as well as travel & tuition
- In return for funding we ask for the contribution to be acknowledged where possible, for example:
  - schools labelled the books and equipment
  - reciprocating by giving something back to the village such as a talk on a school exchange trip or tuition to others
- To read more about the fund and its history visit the village web site www.sulgrave.org
- To apply write to James Garnett Dove Cottage, Church Road, Sulgrave, OX17 2RP





### Coffee Ladies ?

Following the recent meeting to discuss opening a WI in Sulgrave and Culworth, a Coffee Morning has been organised, to be held at Oak Barn, Magpie Road, Sulgrave, starting at 11am, on Friday 22nd November.

Car parking, if required at the Church Hall car park, by kind permission of Mr Roger Cherry. All ladies most welcome. Looking forward to seeing you.

Jo Horne Tel. 01295 760227

## Wanted:

# Person or persons to organise the annual Village Carol Singing.

Due to increasing work commitments, unfortunately I will not be able to organise the village carol singing again this year.

It has been a long standing tradition for members of the community to come together and sing carols near Christmas. It would be fantastic if someone could take on the job of organising it- it isn't a big job and we have plenty of carol sheets available.

If you feel you could be the person or persons that could do this please give me a ring on 768840 and I can answer any questions you may have and make the carol sheets available.

Lis Stuart









#### The Christmas Wreaths

We shall be preparing our annual decorations on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>, from 9.30am onwards in the Church hall.

Do come and join us; enthusiasm is more important than expertise! You'll need secateurs, gardening gloves, and no best

clothes.

We can offer you a warm room, coffee & biscuits, and an ideal opportunity to meet new people, should you be a newcomer to the village.

We reckon to be finished by midday.

Do please phone me 01295 768103 if you are able to help

Julie Metcalfe

(Suitable greenery can be left outside the Hall on Thursday December  $12^{th}$ )



# B O B 'S B I G B I K E R I D E Oxford to Cambridge - Saturday, 28 September 2013 in aid of the British Heart Foundation

A very big thank you to all those who sponsored me on my 90 mile ride. Together we have raised nearly £1200.00 for the BHF.



Your support certainly helped to keep me going, against a very stiff breeze all the way. I managed to do the 90 miles in just over six and half hours of pedalling helped by three bananas, a litre of energy drinks, three nutty chocolate bars and a large mug of tea!

It was a lovely day for cycling. Fine and dry and just the right temperature. If there had been the normal prevailing westerly winds blowing from behind, it would have been perfect.

Starting from the famous OU Roger Bannister athletics club on the Ifley Road in Oxford at just after 8.00am, the route took the approximately 800 riders through Oxford, north to Kidlington and then to Marsh Gibbon and Winslow, crossing the Grand Union Canal near Stoke Hammond at the 40 mile marker. The

middle section was quite hilly and slow through Great Brickhill, Woburn and Ampthill. We rode through Woburn Abbey Park with the herds of deer well in evidence. At 60 miles, I passed close to Old Warden airfield with its Shuttleworth Collection of aircraft. Negotiating Ampthill and Sandy, with the busy Saturday morning traffic, was interesting! No one wanted to give way, especially at roundabouts, to mere cyclists who seemed to have become invisible! The finish was at Cambridge University's new Athletics Centre on the west side of the city. I was met by blaring pop music, banners and presented with my BHF event medal, before being welcomed by a huge hug from Libbie and a big congratulatory balloon. All in all a great day out in the fresh air.

However at the end, I must confess to feeling like Sir Steve Redgrave who famously said after winning his fourth Olympic rowing gold medal, "Please do not let me go anywhere near another boat ever again." But you may be pleased to know that I have been out on my bike again, just to check its (and my) joints and bearings.

If you have a spare moment do have a look at my special BHF website - www.justgiving.com/Robert-Foster6

THANK YOU ALL ONCE AGAIN

Bob Foster, 8 October 2013

# EVEREST 1921 to 1953 – An illustrated talk to celebrate the successful summiting of Everest 60 years ago.



Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November @ 7pm in the Church Hall. Wine and nibbles. Donations welcomed for St James the Less. All very welcome and do bring friends

Hywel Lloyd, will tell us about the nine expeditions organised by the Alpine Club in conjunction with the Royal Geographical Society, to reconnoitre the mountain and then find a climbing route to the summit of Everest.

The Alpine Club expeditions carried out reconnaissance, found climbing routes, tested oxygen methods, learnt logistics; all leading to brilliant mountaineering that achieved the first ascent in 1953, now 60 years ago.



Mallory & Norton North face of Everest By T Howard Somervell



Finch with oxygen set





Royal Jubilee Oak Tree Update

Our Royal Jubilee oak tree - looking good and doing fine

Sue McNally, head gardener at Sulgrave Manor sent this photo so we could all see how it's progressing.

### Sulgrave Manor



### **US Politics Today**

The Board of Trustees of Sulgrave Manor

Invite you to an evening of Dinner and Discussion with

### The Hon. Douglas Bereuter

Republican, Nebraska (1979 - 2004)
President and CEO, the Asia Foundation (2004 - 2010)

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Doug\_Bereuter

and

### The Hon. John S. Tanner

Democrat, Tennessee (1989 - 2011)

Chairman, the International Conservation Caucus Foundation

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/John\_S.\_Tanner

at Sulgrave Manor, 14th November 2013

Prior booking essential - 6.30pm for 7.00pm
Tickets £35.- Carriages 10.15
Available from Sulgrave Manor

Email: <u>enquiries@sulgravemanor.org.uk</u>
Telephone: 01295 760242 or 01295 760205



Sulgrave Manor, Sulgrave, Banbury, OX17 2SD

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# SALE OF PRE-LOVED MODERN & VINTAGE CLOTHES, JEWELLERY & ACCESSORIES

CLOTHES FOR LADIES, GENTS AND CHILDREN
PREVIEW WITH WINE FRIDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 6PM-8PM £5
SATURDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 10AM-4PM £2
SUNDAY 17TH NOVEMBER 12 NOON - 4PM £2

#### AT SULGRAVE MANOR OX17 2SD

SULGRAVE MANOR IS AN ELIZABETHAN HOUSE AND GEORGE WASHINGTON'S ANCESTRAL HOME. IT IS AN IMPORTANT HISTORICAL EDUCATIONAL RESOURCE FOR CHILDREN IN THE SURROUNDING AREA. CHARITY No. 1003839

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### Sulgrave Manor added to international list of endangered heritage sites

Sulgrave Manor Trust welcome the inclusion of Sulgrave Manor and its estate buildings in World Monuments Fund's Watch List of most endangered heritage sites in the world. This recognition and their generous support should help us find a sustainable future for this historic English manor house, home to the ancestors of America's Revolutionary War hero and first President, George Washington.

Saturday 9 November: Psychic and Holistic Fayre. 10am - 4pm, £1 per person (some activities may incur an extra charge).

Ghost Hunt: 8pm - 2am, £30 per person (Booking recommended, limited places available)

Soul Finders will be taking over the Manor for a day of fortune telling, holistic therapy and paranormal activity! And don't miss the night-time ghost hunt! Ghost Hunt bookings: Contact Sally at Soul Finders on 01295 768 216

Saturday 30 November: Christmas Market. 11am - 4pm, Entry £2 adults, Children FREE (some activities may incur an extra charge)

As the decorations go up in the house we celebrate the upcoming festive season with a Christmas Market in our grounds - come along and stock up on all the gifts, decorations, food and drink you'll need for the whole family. Meet Santa in his grotto, enjoy carol singing in the courtyard, food and drink in our cafe and lots more.





### Greatworth Pre-school

Open day Tuesday 5th November from 1.30pm



Open 5 days a week from 8.45am - 3.30pm (Morning and afternoon sessions availble) For children age 2 to 4 years

We are located in the school grounds, with good links to the school For more information contact Katy Emms 01295 713514 www.greatworthplaygroup.co.uk



### SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

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### **NOTICE**

### Withdrawal of Bus Services Operated by Tex Coaches

Tex Coaches are withdrawing their 3 commercially-operated bus services in Northamptonshire on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October. These services are as follows:

Service 508 Brackley to Banbury / Bodicote via Culworth Service T1A Banbury to Bicester via Kings Sutton Service T2A Brackley town service & Brackley to Banbury

However, in all cases the communities will continue to be served by public transport i.e. County Connect and service 499 (Brackley to Banbury via Kings Sutton). Full details of these bus services are shown on the Council's website at

http://www.northamptonshire.gov.uk/en/councilservices/Transport/pubtrans/Pages/bustimetable.aspx

## SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

## You are invited to THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

To be held on

THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2013 @ 7.45PM

In Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

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