

Regular Events

BB&C Service2nd Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00amBook Club3rd Wednesday of each month at the Star Inn - 8.00pmCircle Dancing3rd Thursday of the month at Culworth - 7.30pm

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Deadline for the February newsletter is 18th January

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

Sunday January 6 th	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion at Chipping Warden
Sunday January 13 th	8.15am	Holy Communion at Sulgrave
Sunday January 20 th	6.00pm	Evensong at Sulgrave
Sunday January 27 th	10.00am	Mattins at Sulgrave

A huge "Thankyou" to all those who came and supported us in the Church Hall at our Christmas Fair. In the course of two hours we made just over £1,000!!

On the same day we held a festive concert in the church and our thanks go to Judith Baxter and her singers.

The church was busy again the following day at the annual Christingle service. You can't say nothing happens in Sulgrave!!

Flower and Cleaning Rota for January

January 5 th & 12th	Mrs J Prior & Mrs I Lloyd
January 19 th & 26 th	Mrs M Mordaunt & Mrs J Smyth-Osbourne



Janet & Maureen would like to invite you to our Soup Kitchen

> at Sulgrave Church Hall on Tuesday 15th January at 12.30pm



Spicy Parsnip Soup (v) or Winter Vegetable Soup (v)

Both served with croutons, bread rolls and butter

Treacle Tart with Custard

Cheese & biscuits, celery & grapes

Cafetieres of freshly brewed coffee

£7.50

Booking is essential To reserve your place please call

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Sulgrave Aunt Sally

The Star Inn Aunt Sally team has had an enjoyable season, despite it raining nearly every Thursday evening! When the league matches are played, we play in the fifth division of the league, there being eight divisions in total. This year we finished mid-table, winning eight of our sixteen matches. The season runs from mid-April to mid-September with practice on Wednesday evenings. Whilst we always want to win our matches and the beer leg especially, (a rare occurrence) our aim is to enjoy ourselves on both evenings, with good humour and banter.

Congratulations go to Claire Sadler for winning the Ladies Individual League Cup. Claire only moved to Sulgrave with husband Jon this last year, so it was her first season as a player.

Thanks must go to Tom Russell, our Captain, for organising match day and in particular Will, Mandy and Antony at the Star for their great support and excellent refreshments after the matches.

Richard Fonge

FURTHER THOUGHTS ON ASH DIEBACK

After I had written the article on this subject for December's newsletter, I received from a member of the Botanical Society of the British Isles interesting information which may give reasons for a more optimistic view on the outlook for the ash.

Experience in Denmark and elsewhere seems to show that some 10% of mature ash trees have some resistance to the Chalara fungus, and that in any case the disease may not actually kill the trees. What happens often is that the trees suffer some dieback of new growth, while younger trees die. What may then happen is that in the course of time the more vulnerable trees will disappear from the scene, while those which are disease-resistant will prosper - a form of evolution by natural selection. Thus eventually the ash will resume its important position in our landscape.

It is well known that plants, whether in woodland or on the vegetable plot, usually grow healthier in mixed plantings - that's what biodiversity is about. Ash trees in mixed woodland are probably less likely to succumb than those in single-species plantations, but time will tell. In the meantime, if ash trees are to be planted at all, it would be wise to choose saplings of strictly local provenance, that is, seedlings from a neighbouring tree rather than those cloned or grafted and brought in from elsewhere. Otherwise, just let nature take its course; left to itself, it'll sort things out.

George Metcalfe

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

<u>HS2</u>

Sulgrave Parish Council wishes to make residents aware of the Consultation being undertaken on the matter of compensation along the proposed HS2 route.

Details of this can be found on the website:

http://highspeedrail.dft.gov.uk/consultations/property-compensation-london-to-westmidlands

Paper copies have been made available at the Village Shop.

Residents are also reminded that the South Northants Action Group against HS2 are seeking donations for funding their activities. Details can be found on the following website: <u>http://snag-against-hs2.org/</u>

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

You are invited to <u>THE PARISH COUNCIL</u> <u>MEETING</u>

To be held on

THURSDAY 10th January 2013 @ 7.45PM

In Sulgrave Church Hall

n Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

		January 2013
FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
4		5Chipping WardenCommunion atBenefice Holy6 10.00am
11	12	SulgraveHoly Communion13 8.15am
18	19	SulgraveEvensong 20 6.00pm
25	26	SulgraveMattins at278 10.00am
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WEDNESDAY	ω	9 Church HallMtg Parish Council10 7.45pm	16 17	23 . 24	30	
MONDAY TUESDAY WI		x	14 Church HallSoup Kitchen15 12.30pm	22 22	28	