

Sulgrave News

November 2018

Regular Events

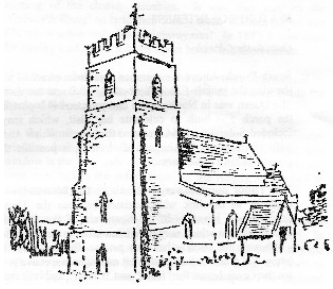
- BB&C Service 2nd Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am
Book Club 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Star Inn - 8.00pm
Circle Dancing 3rd Thursday of the month at Culworth - 7.00pm

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If you have information, articles or stories for the newsletter telephone Janet on 01295 760397 or e-mail gypsysmith7@gmail.com
As always, articles can be left at Sulgrave Village Shop



Church News

Services for November

Sunday 4 th	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion - Culworth
Sunday 11 th	8.15am	Holy Communion - Sulgrave
	6.00pm	Remembrance Service - Sulgrave
Sunday 18 th	6.00pm	Evensong - Sulgrave
Sunday 25 th	10.00am	Mattins - Sulgrave

December

Sunday 2 nd	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion - Chipping Warden
	3.00pm	Christingle - Sulgrave

Flower and Cleaning Rota

We are in the middle of organising the Flower Rota which will cover the next 12 months. Please bear with us, it will be delivered to you as soon as it is completed.

Shrimp Christy & Linda Harrison



We often say, "Give us today our daily bread", but man cannot live on bread alone, and as part of the Brackley Deanery, your PCC has decided to offer residents of Sulgrave a dropping off point for donations to the Brackley Food Bank. This is run by the Churches in the Brackley area, and on a recent visit I was informed of the items that would be most appreciated and are often not donated. They have many tins of beans and soup donated, so would particularly like toothpaste, shower gel, body wash, sanitary towels, and other items that we all take for granted each day, but are expensive to buy on a very restricted budget. A box will be in the Church for your donations, regularly emptied and items taken to the food bank.

Thank you,

Jean Bates Deanery Synod Representative



Village Shop News Update
Shop Telephone – 01295 760066

Find us on Facebook

Shop opening hours Monday 8 am – 1 pm Tuesday to Friday 8 am – 6 pm
Saturday 8.30 am – 3 pm Sunday 9 am – 12 noon

Post Office opening hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 am - 1 pm

Winter draws on. The summer fruit may now be at an end and ice-cream sales have taken a dip but the village shop still buzzes with activity and sales creep ever upwards. Our treasurer Robin had a big smile on his face after completing last month's sales report – which is always a good sign.

Jackie and new-girl Alice have been having lots of fun going through all the catalogues and have picked out some great new products for the Christmas season. There are too many to list so do keep your eyes on the shelves (or on Facebook or Nextdoor) over the next month. New lines this month include a delicious paté, sorry – terrine, which we slice and wrap in the shop and a range of super new cakes.

Apologies for mentioning the C-word so early but these days Santa's sleigh and artificial snow start to appear in shop windows straight after Halloween so we can't escape. Christmas stamps will be on sale from the beginning of the month and we already have a good selection of wrapping paper and other festive stationery in stock.

We regularly praise the volunteers who put so much effort into the running of the shop but in some areas we just manage to hang on by the skin of our teeth. We have a small group of old-faithfuls who know how to cash up and close at the end of the day but if, for any reason, one or two of them are not available we can run into trouble. So could some of the volunteers who are already familiar with till operation please put their hand up for some training in the art of closing. It really isn't that daunting and you will have lots of lessons from our experienced 'closers' before being let loose on your own. A simplified instruction sheet is being prepared which will be very easy to follow and make closing little more than a box-ticking exercise.

We are also short-handed in the baking department. Again, this is not brain surgery and having an extra one or two volunteers prepared to pop sausage rolls and pasties in and out of the oven would be very useful.

Finally, can you spread the word that any young folk looking to add 'community service' to their D of E applications would be very welcome in the shop. Young limbs able to crawl into the store cupboard and reach high shelves are much appreciated by the many less nimble volunteers who struggle with such athletic demands.

Happy Halloween if the newsletter hits the streets before the end of October and happy Bonfire Night if it doesn't.

Digby and Alison



SAFARI SUPPER



We decided to postpone the Safari Supper which was due to be held in November, The run-up to Christmas is always a busy time and so many of you were unable to take part we felt it wouldn't be viable. It will now take place on February 2nd 2019.

Please put the date in your diary and contact either Anne Dyde on 760634 or Shrimp on 760214 if you wish to take part.



Christmas Fair

This year we will be "popping-up" outside the village shop on Saturday December 8th at 10.00am. We will be selling beautiful cyclamen and Christmas arrangements, plus a few other surprises. Please come and support us!

Shrimp



FISH & CHIPS

The Fish & Chip van will be visiting Sulgrave village on the following Saturdays between 5.30pm and 7pm outside the village shop

3rd November 2018

1st December 2018

29th December 2018

SULGRAVE PRODUCE SHOW 2018



We would just like to thank all who entered, visited, purchased raffle tickets, bought tea and cake and helped us clear up at the end of the day. You all contributed to another great Produce Show.

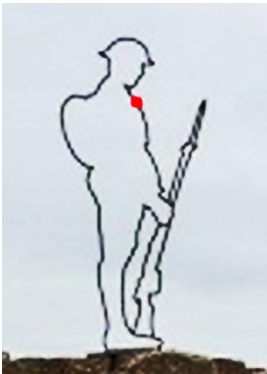
As announced at the end of the show this year, this was the last show that Maureen and I will be organising. However, there is good news!! Kate Miles and family have volunteered to take over this event and will be organising the Produce Show 2019.

Maureen and I wish them luck and look forward to a great Produce Show next year.

Janet Smith & Maureen Jeffery

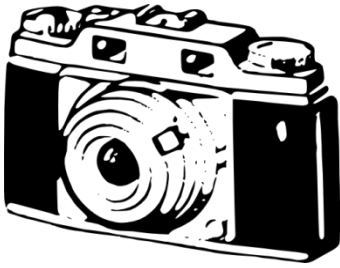


Celebration Bells



The Armistice to end the First World War took place at 11.00 am on 11th November 1918. Bells all over the UK rang to commemorate and those who died, and to celebrate the new peace.

100 years later, these bells will ring again across the country. Sulgrave will ring at 2.30 pm on Sunday the 11th. If you are a bell ringer and would like to join us, please contact Hywel Lloyd on 01295 760520



At our October meeting our camera enthusiasts took part in a relaxed evening of Q and A exploring the various settings on the camera relating to aperture, shutter speed and sensitivity (ISO), with a brief sidestep to white balance. All of these settings are adjustable on a DSLR camera and allow for taking an image which can be more creative than that taken with the camera set on "AUTO". We had a useful, entertaining and on occasions humorous meeting and came away with a little more understanding of the capabilities of our cameras.

The next meeting, on 13th November, will be more practical, we intend to have a go at portraiture. The meeting will therefore be in the Church Hall, starting at 7.30pm, bring your camera and take part.

As a group we are also setting out some fun challenges - we are going to be producing images of Sulgrave for each month of the year starting in October and in addition trying to produce a set of images to represent the elements, Earth, Wind, Fire and Water, over the next 6 months.

As the club grows and we gather more photographs into our portfolios there could well be an opportunity to display in a future exhibition and on the village website

If you have an interest in photography and would like to join us, you are welcome.

Contact Graham Roberts grahamroberts53@hotmail.com



To All Our Friends in Sulgrave

It is with a heavy heart that we have left Sulgrave but we have so many wonderful memories of you all and such happy times. We'd like to thank you all for the kindness and friendship you have shown us over the last 14 years.

We may be in Yorkshire but there will always be part of Sulgrave in our hearts. It is not goodbye just 'au revoir'.

Best wishes to you all,
Terry and Joan
Ivy Barn,
Kirby Underdale,
York
YO41 1QY



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Quiz Night At The Star

As part of the commemoration of the 100th anniversary of the end of the *Great War*, a WWI themed quiz will take place at the Star on Tuesday, 6th November 2018 in aid of RBL. Teams may enter free of charge but an RBL collection box will be present for donations.

Members of the winning team will each receive a voucher for a free meal at the Star.

There will be some related artefacts on display and a few anecdotes.

Come and enjoy, you are sure to know some answers and guess some, but not many will know all of them! There's a challenge, it will be fun!

Donald Taylor



SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Free Village Event

Everyone is welcome to join in with the annual leaf collecting at The Stocks area on Sunday 28th October and again on Sunday 25th November. Please bring your freshly emptied Green Wheelie Bin and a leaf rake. Your parish council is in the process of encouraging the grass to grow under the two large trees so your help in clearing the fallen leaves will be greatly appreciated.

Thank you for any help you can give.

Neil Higginson.
Sulgrave Parish Council.

Sulgrave's Advent Calendar 2018



I realise that it's only just beginning to feel autumnal let alone Christmassy but, yes, it's time to think about the village Advent Calendar again.

If you would like to offer a window for decoration or would like more information please contact either Shrimp, Ingram or Annie. This will be the fifth year and hopefully the windows will be as creative and imaginative as previous years.

The original idea was to have 24 houses with a window which is visible from the road/pavement and that the window would have a simple (or highly decorated) picture/scene similar to those depicted in an Advent calendar. However, if your window isn't visible from the pavement but you would still like to join in that will be fine and we do need approximately 20 other venues. Last year the bus shelter, the Carol Service, Christingle and the Midnight Mass contributed to four of the openings

The unveilings are 6.30/7.00pm and involve a small mulled wine and a nibble of something while dropping a few coins in the collection box. Last year over £400 was donated to the Breathing Charity. We seem to be standing in a lot of gutters during December but it is an enjoyable event and all are welcome to attend.

Please see Colin's pictures of the previous openings on the village website. <https://sulgrave.org/2017/12/december-1st-sulgrave-advent-celebrations-begin-the-village-bus-shelter-is-transformed/>

If you would like to join in or would like more information please contact either Ingram: 760520. Shrimp: 760214. Annie: 768346

Castle Green Management Committee



A big, big thank you to all who helped, and all who came to the highly successful

Michaelmas Fair

held on Castle Green on Saturday 29th September

It proved a wonderful village occasion. The weather absolutely perfect. The scene, with the Marquees, Stalls, Exhibitions, Activities, Events & Happenings,

all adding to the ambience of a traditional event, the like of which, could well have graced the scene in times gone by. It all showed what a lovely venue we have in Sulgrave for such events. Thus it gives me great pleasure to announce that we have now reached our target to be able to add the Castle Hill site to Castle Green, making it an even more attractive place to enjoy future such occasions.

Once again, thank you to those who contributed, not just to the Fair's success, but to those of you who gave generously to the Castle Hill Appeal. Your generosity will be enjoyed by all present, and future Sulgravians.



The Story of Sulgrave Manor and the Washingtons

Please Note - Due to the lack of support for the first in the series, it has been decided to cancel the rest of the presentations due to take place in the Church Hall through the winter months. We will look at other ways to present the past history of our lovely parish.

Martin Sirot-Smith, Chairman Sulgrave History Society



THE STAR INN
EVENTS
BUSY – BUSY - BUSY

GROWN UPS HALLOWEEN PARTY ON SATURDAY 27TH OCTOBER
TICKETS ON SALE BEHIND THE BAR

&

HALLOWEEN FOR EVERYONE ON WEDNESDAY 31ST OCTOBER
OPENING EARLY AT 5PM FOR SUPPER – FUN & GAMES WITH PRIZE
BAGS FOR LITTLE SPOOKS

&

DONALD'S ARMISTICE QUIZ IS ON TUESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER – IF YOU
DO NOT WISH TO JOIN IN WITH THE QUIZ, WHY NOT POP ALONG TO
SUPPORT DONALD IN HIS FUND RAISING? – RBL COLLECTION TINS
WILL BE ON THE BAR

&

DID YOU KNOW WE NOW DO A TAKE AWAY SERVICE?

AVAILABLE LUNCH TIMES AND EVENINGS

ADULTS £7.50 – CHILDREN'S £5.50

FISH & CHIPS / 5oz BURGER & CHIPS / SCAMPI & CHIPS / SAUSAGE & CHIPS /
BATTERED SAUSAGE & CHIPS

&

OUR CHRISTMAS MENU WILL BE AVAILABLE SOON

&

LOOK OUT FOR DETAILS COMING UP FOR A WEEKEND OF SANTA IN
HIS GROTTO -15TH & 16TH DECEMBER

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NOW THE NIGHTS ARE DRAWING IN IF ANYONE WANTS TO SET UP A
CLUB ALONG THE LINES OF GRAHAM'S SUCCESSFUL
PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB? PLEASE FEEL FREE TO COME AND HAVE A
CHAT

**TAKE
AWAY!**



THE STAR INN – SULGRAVE

01295 760389

LUNCH BUNCH

WEDNESDAY 14TH NOVEMBER – 12.30

A CHANCE TO LUNCH WITH A FRIENDLY BUNCH – TABLES ARE
PLACED TOGETHER IN OUR RESTAURANT SO NOBODY EATS ALONE.
JOIN IN AND MEET PEOPLE

CHICKEN & MUSHROOM PIE

OR

MUSHROOM & SPINACH TART

'ALL SERVED WITH MASHED POTATO & STEAMED GREENS'

INCLUDES

GINGER SPONGE

OR

CHEESECAKE

TWO COURSES FOR £8.50 PER PERSON

PLEASE BOOK





Saturday 15th December 3pm -5pm in The Star

Can you sing or play an instrument, read a poem or present a drama? Would you like to join us for a night of village Christmas talent?

Contact Mike and Lynne Harmon on 07970 872685 or e mail lynneharmon2@gmail.com and chat about what you can add to the event.

As children see Father Christmas, we would like there to be group/individual songs or players.

Buy your drinks and any food from the pub and if you want to donate to the Church Hall fund.

Thank you
Lynne and Mike



Christingle Service

Sunday 2nd December 3pm



All villagers, from the youngest to the oldest, are warmly invited to join us for the traditional annual Christingle Service which makes a lovely start to the Christmas season with Christmas carols, a festive play and Christingle oranges light by candle light.

Refreshments will be provided at the end of the service and all monies raised will be sent to The Children's Society which helps support vulnerable children throughout England and Wales.

Kate Miles (Local Box Secretary for The Children's Society)

Sulgrave Parish Council Meeting Update 4 October 2018

Darker nights greeted the October Parish Council Meeting, which was attended by five villagers and Councillors (Cllr North sent her apologies).

Matters discussed at the meeting included:

Speed Signs

Cllr Priestman has researched the installation of an electronic speed sign in the village, holding discussions with Northants Highways and Hemldon Parish Council about their experience of installing a sign. Councillors agreed to progress the project and arrange a site visit to determine where a sign might be located and to obtain quotes. Council also agreed to write to Northants Highways to request that the 30 mph speed limit sign be placed further out of the village along Helmdon Rd to ensure that more of the village's residences are included within the 30 mph zone.

Pocket Park

Mr. Richard Fonge raised concerns about the Pocket Park pond area and the need for a long term commitment to keeping the area trimmed and tidy. Mr. Fonge offered to keep the area cut back and tidy. Council gratefully accepted the offer, but noted that it was an activity that the community could be encouraged to help with. Mr. Fonge will also be removing a large and potentially dangerous tree bough within the Pocket Park. Council again expressed its thanks to Mr. Fonge.

Sponsoring Street Signs

Following the successful restoration of the Park Land street sign, Mr. Robin Prior raised with Council the potential for people within the village to sponsor the restoration of other street signs around the village. Possible signs for restoration may include the Little Street, Helmdon Road and Manor Road signs. Council agreed to canvass this idea with residents.

Council further discussed encouraging the village to work together to address other issues around the village. An Autumn leaf pickup on Stocks Green will be organised. Council will start gathering ideas for activities and issues which can be addressed in 2019.

Purchase of Castle Green

Council has appointed a solicitor who is working through the legal requirements to transfer the title for the Castle Mound to the Parish Council. To date, Council has received £6,000 in donations from the community.

Council also received an update on the successful Michaelmas Fair from Mr. Martin Sirot-Smith of the Sulgrave History Society. He offered thanks to all involved in the organisation and running of the Michaelmas Fair and advised that an update would be provided in the village newsletter.

Grass Cutting

Cllr Higginson reported that there are two more grass cuts remaining for the current year. He reported that overall, the quality of the grass cutting has been excellent and the Parish Council offered their thanks to the contractor for his work. The grass cutting contractor has provided feedback that cars parking up against or on grass verges has made the mowing difficult at times. Council will consider ways of making villagers aware of when grass cutting will occur to help with the grass cutting.

Update on HS2

Cllr Faure provided an update on the meeting with HS2 representatives which was well attended by villagers. Cllr Faure advised that the HS2 representatives were committed to doing more work in the community and would like to come back to the village with further answers and ideas. Council has agreed to keep communications open with the HS2 representatives. Council will peruse a further meeting with the HS2 representatives early in 2019. Cllr Faure also reported that work was continuing on the grant application for improvements to the Church Hall.

South Northants Council Local Plan Part 2

Mr. Colin Wooton advised Council that he would be working on drawing out the implications for the village from the SNC Local Plan Part 2. He will put these on the village website for the village's attention. Council will consider the Plan and respond as necessary.

Community Bus Services

Council has agreed to follow up with surrounding villages to see how we can work together on providing a village bus service that will meet the needs of the village. Council will also look at other alternatives to meet any demand for a bus service through the village.

Pot Holes

Council noted that although some pot holes had been filled in recently, the roads within the village were deteriorating. Council agreed to keep up pressure on Northants Highways to fill in the remaining pot holes and improve the condition of the village's roads.

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

You are invited to

THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

To be held on

Thursday 1st November at
At 7.30pm

In

Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

November 2018

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
			ncil1 7.30pm,	2	s3 5.30pm/e HC4	10.00am
5	Quiz Night6	7	8	9	10	mmunion11 8.15am
12	aphy13 8.00pm	ch14 12.30pm	15	16	17	vensong18 6.00pm
19	20	21	22	23	24	ttins25 10.00am
26	27	28	29	30		

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