

Sulgrave News

April 2019

Regular Events

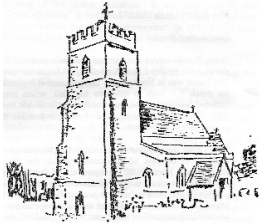
- BB&C Service 2nd Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am
Book Club 3rd Tuesday of each month at the Star Inn - 8.00pm
Circle Dancing 1st Thursday monthly at Culworth village hall 2.30pm-4.30pm

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Deadline for the May Newsletter is 19th April 2019

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As always, articles can be left at Sulgrave Village Shop



Church News

Services for April

Sunday 7 th	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion - Culworth
Sunday 14 th	8.15am	Palm Sunday Holy Communion - Sulgrave
Friday 19 th	2.00pm	Good Friday Time for Prayer and Contemplation - Sulgrave
Sunday 21 st	11.00am	Easter Sunday Holy Communion- Sulgrave
Sunday 28 th	10.00am	Mattins - Sulgrave

Please Note: The Easter Day service begins at 11am and will be taken by Reverend Arthur Hughes from Towcester..

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Sunday 5 th	10.00am	Benefice Holy Communion - Edgecote
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Safari Supper

Once again, we had a super evening and the feedback has been fantastic! Huge thanks go to Paul and Brian who welcomed ALL of us into their home for drinks and canapes and to Julian who hosted the pudding course. We raised £1,200 which will be used for work that needs doing in the church.

Shrimp & Anne



The Henn family would like to thank everybody who attended the service of thanksgiving for the life of Rodney, and for all the numerous cards and letters of sympathy we received. A total of around £800 (final figure yet to be confirmed) has been raised for Katharine House Hospice and Lions Club chosen charities.



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

There has been a lot of activity centred around the Countryside Alliance Awards over the past two months. As you know we were selected as one of five finalists for the Village Shop and Post Office section for the Midlands region and the media have been queuing up to knock on our door. Articles about the shop were published in the Banbury Guardian and the Brackley and Towcester Advertiser and both Radio Northampton and Radio Oxford dropped in on us to conduct live interviews for their breakfast shows. There is also an article on the Shop in the March issue of the Four Shires Magazine. Within the next couple of months, all regional finalists will be visited by CAA judges who will choose the regional winners to go through to the final. Fingers tightly crossed.

In the last shop report we suggested that you try the Nande's Viñho Verde which had been rather slow to sell. Well - you did and, as expected, kept coming back for more. The power of advertising! There had been good feedback on our Princesse de France Champagne which at £16.45 a bottle (£6.50 below the recommended retail price) is a bargain. It doesn't pretend to be Bollinger Special Cuvée but, at one third of the price, it is a steal.

If Sulgrave News comes out early you may be just in time to nip into the shop and pick up something for Mothers' Day (31 March). We have some new chocolatey lines from Bendicks and Summerdown on the shelves plus a wide range of our best-selling Monty Bojangles boxes of luxury chocolates to choose from - and a bottle of fizz never goes amiss. Look out for Easter specials nearer the time.

The shelves are again well stocked with the full range of Grumpy Mule coffee and the deli section is looking really good with a great range of cheeses, cold meats and the ever popular De Spiegeleire Campagne Terrine.

The Shop Committee has decided that, as a small 'thank you' to our volunteers, the names of all volunteers will be entered into a monthly draw and, as from April, at the end of each month, three names will be drawn from the hat. The lucky winners will be invited to choose a bottle of wine or any other items of their choice up to the value of £7. So - if you are not yet on the volunteer list, here is a tasty inducement to sign up.

Please make a note of the opening hours over Easter:

Good Friday (19 April) – open 9am – 12 noon

Easter Monday (22 April) Closed all day

Happy Easter

Digby and Alison

Shop note from the Shop Management Committee **Chairman**

I'm sure everyone is now aware of the robbery that took place in the shop on Friday 15th March. Although this was a shocking event for Joanna and Jackie who were in the shop at the time, no serious harm was caused. Our thoughts are with both of them for their courageous response to this violation of village life.

On Saturday 16th March the shop Management Committee met to consider our response. As it happens we are in the process of upgrading to a security system at the shop that will incorporate working CCTV cameras both inside and outside the premises. These will be in place in the very near future. We are also reviewing volunteer procedures and will provide new guidelines imminently.

The Management Committee was heartened by messages of support for the shop, a real coming together of the village - and a commitment to 'business as usual' as we recover. We would like to express our gratitude to Jackie and Joanna for their brave response and to thank the many people who have expressed ongoing support for the shop.

We will keep you all updated on further developments.

Alison and Digby



THE STAR INN – SULGRAVE

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FRIDAY 12TH APRIL – LIVE MUSIC NIGHT



WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL – LUNCH BUNCH

A CHANCE TO LUNCH WITH A FRIENDLY BUNCH – 2 COURSES £8.50 pp

Shepherd's Pie & Peas or Aubergine, Tomato & Cheese Stack with Salad

AND

Ginger Sponge & Custard or Berries Summer Pudding & Cream



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TUESDAY 23RD APRIL – 7PM START

Quiz Only £3.00 pp – Quiz & Curry £8.50 pp



EASTER WEEKEND – DETAILS TO FOLLOW

JOIN OUR LITTER PICK

SATURDAY 13th APRIL

11.00 AM

CHURCH HALL CAR PARK

**PLEASE VOLUNTEER AN HOUR TO COLLECT LITTER FROM IN
AND AROUND THE VILLAGE**

Family groups and individuals welcome.

An event organised by Sulgrave Parish Council

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fish & chip van will be visiting Sulgrave on following dates between 5.30pm and 7.00pm outside the village shop'

13th April

11th May

8th June

6th July

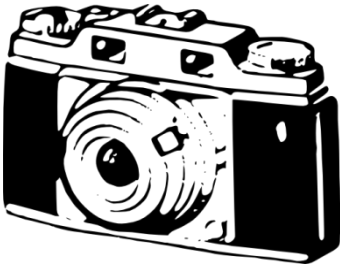
31st August

28th September

26th October

23rd November

21st December



Another enjoyable evening at The Star for members of the camera club. Neil had taken a number of photographs around the village to demonstrate composition and we decided the "rules of composition" should really be guidelines, in many cases the objective should be to produce a photograph that is pleasing, sometimes taking the image a few paces to the left or right, or up or down, will make a real difference and this is not always following the "rules"

Each month we have a project, March was "animals" and the pictures brought to the meeting were all very good indeed, lots of "Ahhs" accompanied the photographs of lambs, cats and dogs.

We intend to get better at sharing some of these photographs on the village web-site, which Colin is pressing us to do, so look out for the page on the website soon.

The next meeting will be on Thursday 11th April in The Star at 7.30 pm

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Summary of the Parish Council Meeting: 7th March 2019

The last ordinary Council meeting for the 2018/19 year was well attended by villagers. The next Council meeting is Council's Annual Meeting on 4 April 2019. Items discussed at the Council meeting included:

Bus Shelter

Quotes have been sourced for repairs to the bus shelter. Council will try to maintain the look of the shelter as it is repaired.

Purchase of Castle Mound

Following representations from Council, the solicitors handling the transaction on behalf of Council have revised their fees to a reasonable amount. The purchase of the castle mound by the Council is now being finalised.

Village Bus Service

Meetings have been occurring with neighbouring Parish Councils regarding replacement bus services for the area. However, there are concerns about the sustainability of the proposed replacement services. Further meetings are to be held with neighbouring parishes.

HS2

Construction plans continue to progress. Council will provide updates as they become available.

Funding for the renovations to the Church Hall has been secured from HS2. Additional funding will be sought from South Northamptonshire Council through the New Homes Bonus Grants to assist with the costs of the renovations.

Church Street Wall

Part of the Castle Green retaining wall has been reported as requiring attention. Council will seek quotes for its repair.

Council Changes

Council Chairperson Cllr Chris Jackson announced that he would be stepping down from the Parish Council at the conclusion of the meeting. Councillors expressed their thanks to Cllr Jackson for his outstanding work during his time on Council and as Council Chairperson.

Council's next ordinary meeting will be on 9th May 2019.

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

You are invited to
THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

To be held on

Thursday 4th April at
At 7.30pm

In
Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

APRIL 2019

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1	2	3 Council	4 7.30pm	5	6	7 10.00am
8	9	10	11 8.00pm	12	13	14 8.15am
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 11.00am
22	23	24	25	26	27	28 10.00am
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