Sulgrave News

August 2019

Regular Events

BB&C Service 2nd Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am

Circle Dancing 1st Thursday monthly at Culworth village hall 2.30pm-4.30pm

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Deadline for the September Newsletter is 23rd August 2019

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 August

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

The Vicar will be away in August so our Evensong Service on the 18^{th} at 6pm will be taken by Shrimp.

September

Sunday 1st 10.00am Benefice Holy Communion - Morton Pinkney

Flower and Cleaning Rota

4 th & 11 th August	Mrs Ormond & Mrs Tims
18th & 25th August	Mrs Christy & Mrs R Shillito
1st September	Mrs Bates & Mrs Harrison



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

Natasha has now joined the crew at the Shop & Post Office and shares the supervisor role with Jeanette. Welcome to the shop Natasha.

Summer weather is here at last and the ice lollies and ice-creams are again in high demand. The slices of chilled water-melon have also been attracting customers in search of a cool refreshing nibble.

Quite a few new lines have hit the shelves over the last few weeks so check out Minters jams, chunky piccalilli, sweetcorn relish, Elizabeth Shaw mint crisps and some new chocs including Beeches luxury dark chocolate ginger and dark chocolate brazils. Organic brown 6-seeded rice cakes also look very moreish. The new fresh rolls from our Brackley baker have been a big hit and so we have added to the range. They come in fresh every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. Everyone says our strawberries are the best in the area and they come in fresh every Tuesday and Friday.

With the barbecue season upon us, Digby has just ordered two excellent new Chilean reds both of which would make a perfect accompaniment to the inevitable charred sausages, incinerated steak and undercooked chicken legs. Both wines come from the stable of multi award winning Chilean wine-maker Luis Felipe Edwards and are great value at £7.25 (instead of the recommended retail price of £9.99). The Cabernet Sauvignon is a medium-bodied dry red with rich blackberry, blackcurrant and savoury flavours while the Malbec is rather more punchy and full-bodied with flavours of juicy plums and blueberries. Both make great barbie wines so we suggest you get a bottle of each to see which you prefer. For an outdoor Summer sipping white, a well-chilled bottle of Nande's Viñho Verde takes a lot of beating.

Sadly, we didn't scoop first prize in the Post Office Retail Awards ceremony, but it is good to know that, as finalists, the Awards Team considered us one of the top performers in the small retailer section. Many thanks to our post-mistresses for all their efforts in promoting this side of our business.

We shall be holding our AGM on Tuesday 17th September at 7.30 pm in the Church Hall. Everyone is invited but note that only members may vote.

Fingers crossed that we have lots of nice sunny weather for the school holidays.

Alison and Digby



Free season tickets for villagers:

If you are living in Sulgrave you can claim a free season ticket - simply pop down with your proof of address. We have some new members of the team so why not pop in and say hello?

What is new?

There have been some changes in and around the Manor this month and we are excited to announce our new play equipment in the family area! Pop down and enjoy the space.

Upcoming events:

Family friendly activities in the summer school holidays only £2.00 per child! (Plus entry for non-season ticket holders)

Coming soon....

Archaeology Week - 25, 26, 28th July Wild Art Week! - 15th, 16th, 18th August

Opening days and hours:

Open every Thursday, Friday and Sunday - 11am - 5pm until Sunday 29th September 2019

Look forward to seeing you soon and giving you your season pass!





The Star Inn - Support Your Local



Fish & Chips Night - Friday 9th August

Fish & Chips with a Pint or Medium Wine £13.99 per person

Quiz & Curry Night - Saturday 10th August

General Knowledge Quiz & Curry £8.50 per person

Lunch Bunch - Wednesday 14th August

12.15 to eat for 12.30
2 Courses for £8.50 per person
Ham, Egg & Chips OR Vegetarian Sausage & Chips
And
Cheesecake OR Spotted Dick & Custard

Classic Car & Vintage Tractor Day - BBQ Saturday 17th August - From 11am

Please let us know if you wish to bring a vehicle

<u>IMPORTANT - PLEASE NOTE - OPENING HOURS!</u>

Closed – Tuesday 6th August
Only Open for Evening Drinks 7th and 8th August
Due to Essential Maintenance



SULGRAVE PRODUCE SHOW

SUNDAY 1st SEPTEMBER in the CHURCH HALL

Looking forward to as many villagers as possible taking part in our annual Produce Show, the aim of which is to enjoy with others what we have been busy growing, making or photographing this year. The show is always a lot of fun and we hope you can join us - details of the event are in the attached schedule along with an entry form. Exhibits are set up in the morning in the Church Hall by entrants and after judging has taken place all villagers are welcome to come and see what talent there is within the village from 2pm - 4pm. Refreshments will be available for purchase along with raffle tickets for a "produce" themed raffle and prize winners will be announced towards the end of the afternoon.

Please make the most of this event.... if you have any queries please contact us.

Kate Miles (760957) & Janet Smith (760397)"



At our last meeting Camera Club members were once more "on Location" for a practical evening of photography, to take advantage of the evening light and to find some interesting compositions. We also had some demonstrations of the use of remote flash coupled with long exposure settings on the camera, it was interesting to see how the use of the flash gun could create depth within the photograph without adding excessive glare.

After a good hour and half in the Manor grounds, for which we must thank the Manor staff for permission to use the location, we retired to The Star to discuss future plans and to look at the images taken for the June Project, the subject this time was "water".

The July Project is called "Summer". Photographs to be taken prior to the next meeting to represent the Summer season. We are also planning a further "on location" visit, this time to Oxford on Sunday 4^{th} August.

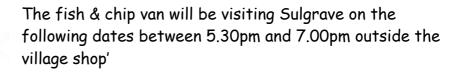
Finally, not to forget the Sulgrave Annual Produce show on Sunday 1^{st} September has a section for photography this year. Details elsewhere in the newsletter. The club members are hoping to be well represented but the competition is open to all, you do not have to be a member of the Camera Club to participate.

Once more, grateful thanks to Steve and Nicky for hosting us in The Star.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday 13th August. 7.30 pm.

For more information contact grahamroberts53@Hotmail.com







31st August

28th September

26th October

23rd November

21st December



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION Quiz Night At The Star

A heartfelt thank you to all who took part in the D Day quiz. Through entry fees and your generous donations, we contributed £82 to the Poppy Fund.

As Niki and Steve were members of the winning team, they gave their prize meal voucher at The Star to RBL in order to raise ever more funds.

These 2 vouchers will be won by the first person to answer the question below.

Written answers plus name to The Star please. CLOSING DATE Friday 16^{th} August. There is no entry fee but contributions to RBL will be much appreciated.

Question - Hobart's "funnies": speciality tools and weapons were developed under the aegis of Major General Sir Percy

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Summary of the Parish Council Meeting: 4th of July 2019

The Parish Council's final meeting before the summer recess was well attended by villagers. Many of whom were interested to hear from the meeting's guest speakers, Ability Northants.

<u>Guest Speakers - Ability Northants</u>

Ability Northants (a social enterprise in Northamptonshire) discussed their community bus service. Ability Northants' aim is to reduce loneliness and isolation across the county by providing a bus service for those who need it to reach services.

The community bus service requires users to register and then subscribe to a service which varies from Basic (no annual charge, £2 booking fee and fare costs) to Gold (£36 per year, no booking fees, and fare costs). Valid Concessionary Bus Passes are accepted, but if you do not have a bus pass, the normal fare rate applies. The scheme also requires the Parish Council to pay a one off subsidy of £500 to establish the scheme in the village.

Ability Northants has recently commenced services to Thorpe Mandeville, Culworth and Eyedon.

Council will consider joining the scheme and will discuss this at the next Council meeting.

Matters Arising

Pocket Park - While a bin has been placed in the Pocket Park for the convenience of park users, it has been reported that soiled nappies are being left in it. As this bin is emptied by a volunteer from the village, Pocket Park users are reminded to take soiled nappies home to dispose of them.

Bus Shelter - Villagers will have noticed that work on repairing the bus shelter has commenced, with rotten weather boards having been recently replaced. These boards will be stained and painted to match the existing boards. The interior of the shelter will also be painted before the end of the summer.

Councillor Responsibilities

Council discussed the various roles that were needed to support activities in the village. Councillors agreed the following responsibilities:

Cllr Priestman - Castle Mound/Castle Green, Sulgrave Manor liaison, Flashing Speed Sign Project;

Cllr North - Pocket Park:

Cllr Faure - HS2 and HS2 related activities;

Cllr Higginson - Grass cutting, trees, roads and drainage;

Cllr Harmon - Community engagement, communications and newsletter updates;

Responsibilities still to be assigned include: Sulgrave Village Shop liaison, bus service liaison;

Mr. Troy Daniels will remain the village's defibrillator warden.

Should you have any questions about activities in these areas, please contact the relevant councillor.

HS2 Update

As ClIr Faure was an apology for the meeting, the regular HS2 update was held over until the next Council meeting. Councillors did discuss the offer from HS2 to provide a number of ornamental cherry trees. Council agreed to take up the offer from HS2 and to request 4 trees in the first instance to be planted in the village and Pocket Park. Concerns were also raised regarding the safety of the 5 ways intersection at the end of Magpie Road once HS2 construction commences. Council agreed to send a letter to HS2 asking them to review the safety of the intersection

Trees on Stocks Green

The trees on Stocks Green were last assessed in 2012, however recent concerns about the extent and safety of the branches and overhang onto Magpie Road has meant that Council has had a number of specialists look at the trees and provide advice and quotes on their maintenance. Council will receive at least 3 quotes on the maintenance of the trees and will agree a course of action at its next meeting

Castle Mound

The Castle Mound Committee has been busy rectifying fencing within the Castle Mound precinct and will be erecting fencing and signage in relation to the continued use of livestock on the site. This will help to ensure that visitors can safely visit the mound.

Public Participation

Concerns were raised that there had been an increase in villagers not picking up after their dogs and not disposing of their bags of dog waste appropriately. Council agreed to remind villagers to pick up after their dogs, and also thoughtfully dispose of their dog's waste after they picked it up by taking it home and putting it into their own bin.

Finally, Parish Council Chairperson Cllr Daniels announced that he was stepping down from Council at the conclusion of the meeting. Cllr Daniels who has been a Parish Councillor since 2016 and Vice-Chairperson and Chairperson since 2017 was stepping down due to work reasons. Cllr Daniels thanked the Parish Council and the villagers for the opportunity to serve the village during his time on Council and wished the Parish Council all the best for the future.

Matters for the Next Meeting

At its next meeting, the Parish Council will select a new Chairperson and co-opt a new Councillor. It will also discuss HS2, the flashing speed sign project, the trees on Stocks Green and the community bus service.

Next meeting will be held on 5th of September at 7.30pm.

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

You are invited to THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

To be held on

Thursday 5th September at At 7.30pm

In Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

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