# Sulgrave News

# March 2020

**Regular Events** 

BB&C Service 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at Culworth church - 11.00am Circle Dancing 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday monthly at Culworth village hall 2.30pm-4.30pm

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Deadline for the April Newsletter is 20th March 2020

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



**Church News** 

# Services for March 2020

Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>	8.15am	Holy Communion - Sulgrave
Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Evensong - Sulgrave
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	10.00am	Mattins - Sulgrave
Sunday 29 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Benefice Holy Communion - Sulgrave

## Please note - Benefice Holy Communion is at 10.30am

March 22<sup>nd</sup> is Mothering Sunday and we will be holding a special service in the church at 10.00am to celebrate our mothers and thank them for everything they do. Please come along and join in. There will be small posies of flowers to give to our mums. After the service we shall "Clip The Church". If there are enough of us we'll all hold hands and encircle the church!

# Flower and Cleaning Rota

1<sup>st</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> March 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> March 29<sup>th</sup> March

LENT - No Flowers - Mrs Dixon & Mrs Apperley LENT - No Flowers - Mrs K Miles & Mrs C Miles LENT - No Flowers - Mrs Tattershall & Mrs Mason



Village Shop News Update

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Shop Telephone - 01295 760066

e-mail: svshop@hotmail.com

Shop opening hoursMonday 8 am - 1 pmTuesday to Friday 8 am - 6 pmSaturday 8.30 am - 3 pmSunday 9 am - 12 noon

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

They say of March - 'In like a lion, out like a lamb.' As we write this newsletter (mid-February) the lion has arrived early so we hope it has departed by the time you read this.

The planning for the redesign of the shop interior is still under way and we hope the changes will soon be apparent. With such a small space to play with, we have to be sure to gets things right the first time around so there has to be a lot of measurement and discussion before the carpentry starts.

There are quite a few new products on the shelves. These include some tasty nibbles in the form of Spicy Crunchy Broad Beans and Tortilla Kale and Spinach Crisps; a whole range of Minter's savoury sauces and preserves, and Tony's Dark Almond & Sea-salt Chocolate. RJ's Natural Liquorice Log is also back in stock. We are now selling a surprisingly ale-like Brew Dog Punk F alcohol-free beer but, for those who prefer the real thing, we have a new range of excellent bottled beers from Great Oakley Beer – a local independent brewery in Tiffield.

In response to requests for vegan products, we now offer a 'vegan lattice roll' and a Moroccan chickpea pie (which has had very positive reviews). These can either be bought frozen or cooked to order.

Digby has managed to get hold of two excellent wines from the famous Yalumba Family Wine Makers in Australia's Barossa Valley. The Yalumba 'Y' Shiraz Viognier and the Yalumba 'Y' Unwooded Chardonnay both usually retail at almost £14 a bottle. We shall be selling them at just £8.75 a bottle. There are only a few cases of each so you had better rush to join the queue.

Please don't forget last month's plea for feedback on the shop. We would welcome any comments as these will help us to tailor the shop to your needs. Our e-mail address is at the top of the page.

Happy St David's day to all fellow Welshmen.

Digby and Alison



The winter restoration is nearly complete and we're looking to welcoming you back to a newly refurbished Manor.

Summer Season 2020 starts from Thursday 2nd April to Sunday 27th September

Every Thursday, Friday and Sunday

11am - 5pm

(Manor open 12-4pm)

Coming soon......

Easter activities on our open days during Easter holidays

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April- Haunted Experience

See our website for further details

Contact information:

enquiries@sulgravemanor.org.uk

01295 760205

Office open Monday to Friday 9am-5pm

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Coffee Morning Fundraiser in aid of Shelter Saturday 28 March

I am doing a half marathon on Sunday 29 March in aid of Shelter, so please join me the day before on Saturday 28 March between 10-12.30 at Old Forge, Church Street for tea/coffee and a slice of cake.

As well as donations for your cuppa and slice, there will also be a small raffle and the opportunity to buy any unused cake.

Thank you so much to those of you who have indicated they will bake something, if anyone else is able to please contact me as below.

Paul Old Forge Church Street 07946 377557 Papshanley@yahoo.co.uk

# SULGRAVE VILLAGE LITTER PICK

# SATURDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> MARCH

10.00 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



Caryl Bellingham, Chair of Brackley Hospital Charitable Trust, will be attending the Parish Council meeting on March 5th to talk about the new hospital. Time 7.30.

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# **Greatworth Garden Group**

We welcomed new and previous members to GGG this year and have an exciting and varied programme to deliver. Our Big Trip is to Exbury Gardens on **Saturday**, **16th May** and is open to members and non-members (see other notice in Glimpse). This year's open gardens will be on a Thursday evening - June 11th; watch out for details on these. Next month we meet on Tuesday March 10th and for all budding flower and vegetable growers, we have Philip Aubrey talking on Growing for Showing - do come and join us - visitors always welcome - £4.



The fish & chip van will be visiting Sulgrave 14<sup>th</sup> March between 5.30pm and 7.00pm outside the village shop



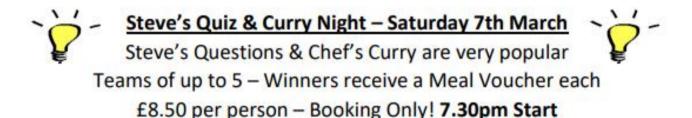
# The Star Inn - Support Your Local



WELL DONE ANT BARRETT the NEW 'Aunt Sally Team Captain' We all support you – CHEERS



Great evening entertainment in the pub garden if you would like to watch – Please ask for dates of Home Matches



Niki's Bingo Night – Wednesday 11th March – 7.30pm

Very popular – Again FULL in February!! £1.00 per card. Prizes for a Line. Full House wins the pot. I only have spaces for 28 – Spaces Go Quickly! <u>Booking Only</u>!

Lunch Bunch – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 12.30 - £8.50pp Chef's Homemade Cottage Pie <u>OR</u> Vegetable Cottage Pie AND Chef's Homemade Dessert of the day <u>OR</u> Ginger Sponge <u>Booking Only</u>!

lother's Day

<u>Food Night 2 for 1 Options – Friday 20th March</u> Options are: Homemade Burger & Chips / Scampi & Chips / Hooky Battered fresh Fish & Chips / Butchers Ham, Egg & Chips. Cheapest Meal for <u>FREE</u> – <u>Please Book</u>!

# Mother's Day – Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> March 12 – 3

Mum deserves Star treatment – All mums booked in will receive a **FREE** box of chocolates with love from The Star

Food Night £8.99 per person – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March Chef's Homemade Spaghetti Bolognese

## AND

Chef's Homemade Steamed Treacle Sponge & Custard (Vegetarian Spaghetti Bolognese option available) <u>Please Book</u>!

<u>Chef's Pie Night – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March - £9.99</u> Chef's Homemade Pie, served with Creamy Mash or Chips <u>FREE</u> Pint of Carlsberg or Medium White Wine with your Meal – <u>Please Book!</u>

# NEW - FOOD LOYALTY CARD

Great to see many of you using your Loyalty Cards already Remember you also get a stamp for Food Nights, Quiz & Curry Nights & Lunch Bunch - so don't forget to bring them!



# A COMMUNITY presentation supported by CINEMA





Thirty years after starring in "The Wizard of Oz," beloved actress and singer Judy Garland arrives in London to perform sold-out shows at the Talk of the Town nightclub. Starring Renee Zellweger

# CULWORTH VILLAGE HALL SATURDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> MARCH DOORS OPEN 7PM TICKETS £10 – INCLUDING SUPPER £5 – FILM ONLY CALL JUNE 01295 768184/JULIE 760855 OR EMAIL jules.tinn@gmail.com TO BOOK DON'T FORGET YOUR OWN DRINKS & GLASS







## Village Walk – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March



I have recently taken up the role of Village Footpath Warden and as spring is approaching I would like to offer the opportunity to resurrect the village walks, open to all and not overly strenuous.

Starting at 10.30 am at the village shop the idea is to walk along the footpaths towards Lower Thorpe, from there we head towards Culworth where we could stop briefly for refreshments. From Culworth, time permitting, we could head towards the Weston Road before returning to the village from Barrow Hill.

The walk is about 8 Km (5 miles), with very little height gain involved, overall about 3.5 hours at a leisurely pace

Stout boots are advised, as it is likely to be muddy given the recent weather and you may wish to bring a light snack and drink as I expect to return about 2.00 - 2.30.

As mentioned the walk is open to all, however youngsters under 15 should be accompanied by an adult.

I do need to mention that if you participate you must accept responsibility for your own safety as I cannot accept responsibility for any incident howsoever it occurs.

If you are interested in going please email me at <u>Grahamroberts53@hotmail.com</u> so I can have some ideas of numbers.

I hope you find this idea of interest



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At our February meeting we had a good turn out for a demonstration of techniques for Macro or close up photography. Examples of photographs of insects taken with specialist equipment where shown alongside the more typical methods of capturing close-ups using the standard lenses and equipment used by most keen amateur photographers. Focussing and depth of field were demonstrated and although the topic was quite technical there was a good exchange of questions and some new features discovered in the use of our camera equipment.

As spring approaches we have started to think about getting out and about on some photo shoots to make use of the lighter evenings for photography.

Our near neighbour, The Culworth Snappers, are hosting an evening with Wildlife Photographer Robert Harvey from 7.30 pm on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March in Culworth Village Hall for anybody interested, contact details in the enclosed flyer.

The next Sulgrave Camera Club meeting will be on 11<sup>th</sup> March, at The Star from 7.45pm.

The club is an informal gathering open to any person interested in photography, for details contact <u>grahamroberts53@hotmail.com</u>

# Culworth Snappers Camera Club

# Presents an evening with Professional Photographer Robert Harvey.

# Voter Harvay

# British Wildlife for all Seasons

Culworth Village Hall Friday 6th March 7.30PM

Tickets are £10.00 per person, and can be obtained from: John Emmett 07867918960 or johnemmett5@gmail.com Norman Green 07768230791 or ndgreen184@hotmail.com Margaret Watts01295768118 or margaretwatts59@gmail.com For further information contact John 07867 918960





# All - Tool Theft Prevention Techniques

Those of you who receive our alerts on a regular basis will have seen we have had a number of tool thefts recently from vans. With many of our South Northamptonshire villages and towns being targetted it makes it difficult to focus our patrols on one specific area.

We have recently been made aware of an application that has been developed that has been endorsed by "Secured by Design", the application is called <u>www.toolwatchapp.com</u>.

- A police affiliated, user-friendly web app designed to tackle the tool theft epidemic affecting tradesmen & businesses across the UK.
- The Tool Watch App database connects tool owners to local police forces. By registering your tool serial numbers within our app we're able to support you with recovering your tools if a theft occurs.
- In the event of a tool theft, simply mark your tools as stolen within the Tool Watch App and report your stolen tools to your local police force. Should the police recover your tools they can input the serial numbers within the Tool Watch App and return your tools to you.

Ideally prevention is better than cure, storing tools sensibly, taking them in overnight, or even parking for prevention (rear doors towards a strong sturdy wall) are all great tips. More ideas can be found at:

https://www.simplybusiness.co.uk/knowledge/articles/2017/06/8-step-guideto-recovering-stolen-tools/

Kind Regards,

#### Message Sent By

Matthew Taylor (Police, Police Community Support Officer (C7115), South Northants Neighbourhood Policing Team)

## Summary of the Meeting held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> February.

**Present**: Cllrs Richard Fonge (Chairman), Laura North, Anna Faure, Neil Higginson and Will Priestman.

Apologies: Cllr Mike Harmon. Graham Roberts and Janet Smith.

**Declarations of Interest:** Councillor Faure in respect of a planning application for changes to The Cottage, Magpie Road.

## HS2 (High Speed Rail)

There continues to be concern about the location of a concrete batching plant on the construction compound to be located near to the Magpie Farm. Further reassurances are being sought from the contractors.

Enabling works are continuing at the junction of Sulgrave Road, Greatworth with the B4525. These comprise earthworks and telecom diversion works which are expected to take another four weeks after which highway surfacing works will follow to reinstate the road. In addition a programme of archaeological investigation work is being undertaken in the Greatworth area. A number of trial trenches are being dug, which will be backfilled after the investigation works have been completed.

Councillor Faure reported that HS2 will be holding a presentation event in Chipping Warden Village Hall on 12<sup>th</sup> February.

## Allotments:

The Chairman has spoken with Dom North of the Allotments Committee with a view to expediting the re-letting of unused allotments.

#### Sulgrave Manor.

Councillor Priestman reported that interior works to the Manor were on schedule for completion in time for the new season, with penalty clauses in place. The Manor had agreed to have a participation in the Summer Fair on Castle Green.

#### Pocket Park:

The chairman reported that some seventeen adults and children had planted fourteen trees - two Rowans and two crabs by the pond, two poplars, two silver birches, two oaks, three hollies and five laurels in the wood. He expressed his thanks to all who came.

#### Castle Green:

Martin Sirot-Smith, Chairman of the Castle Green Committee, outlined the plans for the Midsummer Fair to be staged on June 21st. It will be an afternoon/ evening event, which will be raising funds on an equal basis for Castle Green and the Brackley Community Hospital. The fair will be a truly community occasion for all to enjoy. More specific details to follow. Martin also reported that the Committee had agreed a location for the kissing gate to be placed in the fence between Castle Green and Castle Hill. A notice inviting villagers to visit the hill itself via the gate had been prepared and was presented to the meeting.

## Vehicle Activated Speed Signs

Councillor Priestman reported on a meeting with Steve Barber from Northants Highways. Progress was being made, with a funding application for grant aid on the Hemdon road sign being submitted. He and the Chairman had looked at a variety of signs and recommended the one in use in Helmdon. This proposal was agreed unanimously. It was also agreed to proceed with an application for an identical sign in the Magpie Road.

#### Grass Verges:

Councillor Higginson reported that he and the Chairman had looked at three areas of concern. Council gave their approval for the removal of two Lilandii obstructing the path by Castle Hill house. Two other areas in need of repair, one in Towrise and the other by the shop, would be repaired in the spring. To avoid additional costs, this work will be done on a voluntary basis. The challenge will be to protect the areas from vehicles parking after re-seeding.

**Payments** were approved as set out in the Agenda for the Meeting.

## Planning:

It was agreed to defer a decision on the planning application for a garden room to replace the conservatory at The Cottage, Magpie Rd until after the site meeting on Saturday the 8<sup>th</sup> February.

#### Other Matters:

A thank you letter had been received from the Parochial Church Council for monies for the Church clock.

Councillor North proposed a village litter pick for Sunday March 29th. Volunteers to assemble in the Church Hall car park at 10 am. This was agreed.

The Chairman thanked Peter Ormond for making and fitting a bench in the bus shelter at no expense to the Council. He also thanked Councillor Priestman and Micaela Haslam for their continuing litter picking activities.

#### Date of Next Meeting.

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March when Caryl Billingham of South Northants Council will speak on the new Community Hospital in Brackley. The Chairman expressed his wish that as many villagers as possible should be encouraged to attend this meeting.

The Meeting closed at 8.30 pm.

# SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

# You are invited to

# THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

# To be held on

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March at At 7.30pm

In Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

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6	10	11 7.30pm Niki's Bingo Night, The Star 	12	13	14 5.30pm – 7.00pm Evensong Fish & Chips Sulgrave Outside Village Shop	15 6.00pm Evensong Sulgrave
16	17	18 12.15pm Lunch Bunch The Star	19	20 DEADLINE FOR FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER	21	22 10.00am Mattins Sulgrave Motheing Sunday
24 3	24	25	26	27	28 Chef's Pie Night The Star	29 10.00am Benefice HC Sulgravee Village Litter Pick Village Walk

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