

Sulgrave News



August 2020

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

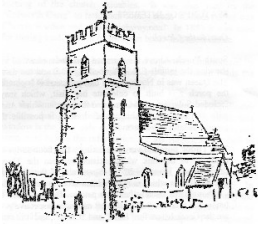
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Deadline for the September Newsletter is 21st August 2020

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

Due to the Coronavirus church services will cease until further notice. We hope to keep the church building open, but this may well change.



SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Sulgrave Parish Council invites all residents and friends to a Pop up Picnic on Castle green on the afternoon of September the 19th. The occasion is a get together for us all after six months of restraint. Dan Webster will be catering, with his excellent teas, which can be pre ordered or bought on the day for £8 or £15 a double. Alternatively, bring along your own picnic. The Star will be running a bar.

The new community hospital being built in Brackley is now near completion, and this event will be an opportunity to make a contribution to the charitable trust who are raising funds for the many extras needed. We hope one of the trustees will be present on the day to say a few words.

Obviously the event will be subject to the guidance in force at the time. Further details to be given in next months newsletter, but do put that afternoon aside and be part of a unique occasion .

Councillor Richard Fonge (Chairman)



Village Shop News Update

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No sooner do we report on the state of play at the shop than the rules change and our fine words are out of date. So if Boris comes up with yet more new directives between the time of writing and this issue of Sulgrave News hitting the streets – please bear with us.

The latest regulation about customers having to wear facemasks when entering a shop will, of course, impact upon us but, as always, I am sure the shop will cope. For customers that do not have their own facemask, we shall have some for sale at a nominal price at the shop door, though, if possible, please bring your own.

Since the easing of regulations, the shop and Post Office have been extremely busy and our volunteers and staff have really been burning the calories. Yet again we would like to ask those volunteers who followed lock-down advice and stayed at home during the peak of the crisis, to consider returning to duty – you would be extremely welcome. The shop now has Perspex screens in front of both the shop and Post Office tills - and plastic face visors can be issued to any volunteer who offers to serve. Please come back, we need you!

Although we are still operating a system of one customer in the shop at a time, this has not impacted on sales and for the past month the shop has been buzzing. Thanks to the genius of our volunteer handy-man Clive Nicholls and the display skills of our supervisors, the shop is looking fantastic and many customers have commented on how good it looks and how lucky we are to have such a brilliant shop on our doorstep. Lucky indeed!

The move to a daily collection of fruit and vegetables by our volunteers means that all our produce is super-fresh and this has met with wide-spread approval. The fresh strawberries have been particularly appreciated and just fly off the shelves.

The epidemic appears not to have impacted on our wine consumption and the sight of Digby pushing a wheel-barrow piled high with wine to restock the shelves has become almost a daily event in the village. We try to ring the changes on the wine front and this month there will be some new toothsome and great value Spanish reds which would make a perfect choice to accompany a barbecue - to which end we now have bags of charcoal back in stock.

Some new lines this month are a tasty looking range of Farmhouse Biscuits, Nevis Sultana cake, two flavours of Olinas seeded toasts for cheese or dips and some fancy crisp flavours. How does 'smoked pheasant and wild mushroom' grab you?

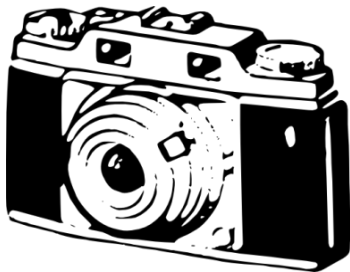
After disappointing weather throughout July, let's hope that the sunshine returns in August. The seventh of August is International Beer Day so do take advantage of our splendid range of locally brewed beers to celebrate the event.

Digby and Alison

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



August 1st
August 29th
September 26th
October 24th
November 21st
December 19th



At our last meeting the weather was kind enough to allow a club portrait shoot in The Manor grounds, a welcome change to get outside as a group after many weeks of ZOOM meetings. We started earlier than normal to take the best possible advantage of the evening light and, with some members volunteering to be models, the plan was to exploit the location as creatively as possible. We intend to review the resulting photographs at a future meeting, but if

the weather continues to be on our side we will be taking advantage of some more outdoor photo-shoots in future weeks, carefully managed to respect social distancing.

At an earlier meeting we held a technical talk on focus and reviewed the monthly challenge, "Colours of Choice". We had a lot of entries from members and some of these will be posted on the Sulgrave Village Website in the near future, look for them on <https://sulgrave.org/sulgrave-camera-club-home-page/>

If you have an interest in photography and would like more information about Sulgrave Camera Club, contact below:-

Grahamroberts53@hotmail.com



Sulgrave Allotment Society

Grow Your Own!

A single plot has recently become vacant. The plot has been cleared and is ready for cultivation.

If you are interested in taking on a plot, please contact Sharon Ford on +44 (0)7801 345000



Our Dine to Door offering seems to be getting more and more popular, this service is here to stay and we have lots of new themes to share with you over the next few months.

August Offerings are as follows: -

Bank Holiday 1-3 August - Afternoon Tea - The Chocolate Edition, we will also have Picnic Boxes Available, all of your savoury favourites in one box both available to order on the Website.

15 – 16 August – By popular demand Tapas is back and better than ever. Orders and Menu will go live Friday 7th August at 6pm.

Bank Holiday 28 – 30 August - Afternoon Tea - The Favourites. Our last Summer Afternoon Tea, Bringing back the Favourites from each offering since April. Orders will open Friday 7th August at 6pm.

All orders go through our new website: www.websters-events.co.uk/dinetodoor
If we sell out of any products online please email as we only limit order numbers to our delivery slots outside of the village. We can always fit Sulgrave orders in if possible.

Any alternative enquiries please email danny@websters-events.co.uk.

Thanks again for your continued support.

Danny and Ryan.



01295 760389

It has been wonderful to welcome our loyal customers back as well as new faces to The Star. Below are our initial opening hours.

Please note: We will close The Star early if we are empty on quiet days, this will help reduce high running costs!

Bar

Wednesday 6pm-close

Thursday/Friday 12pm-3pm & 6pm-close

Saturday 12pm-close

Sunday 12pm-3pm

Kitchen

Wednesday 6pm-8pm

Thursday/Friday/Saturday 12pm-2pm & 6pm-8pm

Sunday 12pm-2pm

These hours will be revised regularly if demand increases/decreases

We hope to resume Quiz & Bingo shortly outside if the weather improves

Please rest assured we have strict Covid-19 measures in place to safeguard our customers, staff, and family. The Star Team have been fully trained and as always will greet you with a smile and help you if needed. We have worked extremely hard to ensure The Star is still a welcoming environment for all, despite the new measures needed.

'The Gallery' initially is a strict 2m (no less) zone for those of you who like to dine inside but are nervous about venturing out



BOOKING REQUIRED PLEASE AT 'THE STAR'
As always Dogs & Children welcome



Waggy Walks Of Sulgrave

Professional dog walking and pet feeding service for Sulgrave and surrounding villages

If you are returning to work after being at home for many weeks and you're worried how your dog will cope with being left alone again, let them enjoy a walk with me!

Individual crates fitted in my air conditioned van to ensure your doggy travels to their walks in comfort and safety!

Also available for cat feeding and small animal feeding in your own home. I am fully insured and Dog First Aid Trained.

Waggy Walks Established 2013, 7 years experience.

New Covid 19 procedures in place.

For more information, pick up the 'dog and bone' and contact **Claire Sadler** on **07990 570034**

or **01295 768739** or e-mail **Sadler0340@hotmail.com**

or visit **www.waggywalksofsulgrave.co.uk** or visit my Facebook page 'Waggy Walks of Sulgrave'



Laura North

Massage Therapist

I am re-opening from Monday 20th of July in compliance with Government guidelines. All new protocols will be discussed upon booking of appointments.

I am looking forward to seeing you, it's been too long. X

Bentley's Farm Bungalow

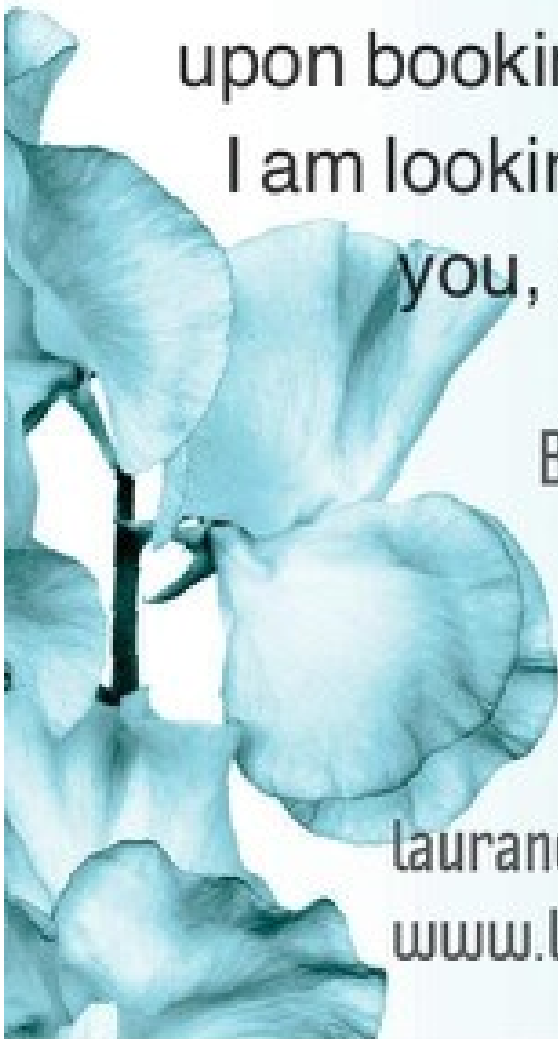
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We are delighted to be re-opening the manor garden on Monday 20th July.

Special 2020 Garden Season Tickets are now available, free of charge, for Sulgrave village residents.

To open safely, visitors will need to book a timed entry visit, in advance. You are able to book your visit by clicking on the Book Your Visit Now button on the website, choosing your day and time of entry and then selecting the Sulgrave Village Resident Season Ticket. You will need to bring a proof of address with you to gain entrance, along with your ticket.

Sadly, if you don't book, you'll be turned away, even if you're a season ticket holder.

There will be garden trails each week to keep the children entertained. Further details can be found on our website.

We look forward to seeing you soon.

Contact information:

www.sulgravemanor.org.uk

enquiries@sulgravemanor.org.uk

Summary of Parish Council Meeting conducted by "Zoom" technology. Thursday 2nd July

The chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Mr Mike Powell of 9 Spinners cottages to the meeting, and he was duly co opted on to the council. The parish council has now it's full compliment of six members.

The model standing orders, and financial regulations were then approved.

The idea of a village library had the full support of the council. The chairman reported that the P.C.C had agreed to have the library in the Church. Two volunteers had come forward to set it up and Councillor Priestman would be the council representative. So a library run by the council with the full support of the Church. To be proceeded with when Covid restrictions allow.

An event for the whole village to be held on Castle green on the 19th of September, was agreed. Websters to put on a village picnic. Further details in the August newsletter. An event that not only brings the village together, but will act as a fundraiser for Brackley Community Hospital.

Great improvements to the allotments, with only one unused plot. The council had paid for the ditch to be cleared out. The chairman thanked Graham Trower for getting the small digger and with his many helpers getting the job done.

Councillor Priestman reported that the solar speed sign would soon be installed in Helmdon Rd

Pocket park to be opened on July 4th with appropriate signage.

Street signs to be re painted in Helmdon Rd and Spinners cottages. New sign to be asked for Manor Rd

Church Hall improvements. Andrew Dixon, on behalf of the Parochial Church Council, had sent a comprehensive report, updating the council on progress. Grant from HS2 soon to be released enabling estimates to be got for work..

Neil Higginson reported on grass cutting . All agreed on the excellence of our contractor and will sign him up for another three years on the same terms. N.C.C will come and tidy up ash tree in church lane. All other trees under care of council to assessed under duty of care. The Council unanimously expressed its thanks to Ingram Lloyd for her work in reseeding the grass triangle at the junction of School Street and Church Street.

Richard Fonge. Chairman.

SULGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

You are invited to
THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

To be held on

CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

In
Sulgrave Church Hall



We look forward to seeing you there

AUGUST 2020

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