

LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – May 2024

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Sunday Services in the Levels Arc Benefice

Sunday 5 th	09.30 Morning Worship 11.00 Holy Communion 11.00 Morning Worship 18.30 Evensong	Kingsdon Pitney Somerton Long Sutton
Thursday 9 th Ascension	19:00 Holy Communion	Charlton Adam
Sunday 12 th	19:00 Holy Communion 9.30 Holy Communion 11:00 Morning Worship	Long Sutton Charlton Adam Somerton
Sunday 19 th Pentecost	09:30 Holy Communion 09:30 for 10:00 Café Church 11.00 Holy Communion	Kingsdon Pitney Somerton
Sunday 26 th	09:30 Morning Worship Mackrell 11:00 Holy Communion 11:00 Café Praise	Charlton Long Sutton Somerton

On Wednesdays at 10am, Holy Communion or Morning Prayer at Long Sutton

On Fridays at 6pm, informal prayers at Long Sutton

Please note that there will not be a Zoom service on 5th May - normal service will resume in June.

Coffee Mornings at Holy Trinity Church, Long Sutton

Thank you to all who came and generously supported the April coffee morning on Saturday 6th April which was in aid of Helen Lazenby's London Marathon fundraising effort for Alzheimer's Research UK. We are delighted to announce that the total sum raised was £1139.65. This resulted in £926.49 being given to Alzheimer's Research Limited (including £287 in Gift Aid) and £213.16 to Long Sutton Holy Trinity Church.

A huge thank you to all who supported the event, including the stall helpers and those who made donations of produce. As ever, thank you also to the amazing team of ladies (Marion, Shirley, Jean and Geri) who bake and run the tea/coffee/cake stall every month.

Next month's coffee morning will take place on Saturday 4th May and will be in aid of Yeovil Street Pastors. June's coffee morning will take place on the 1st June and will be in aid of Somerset Sight.

APCM

Please don't forget the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Thursday 9th May at Holy Trinity Church, commencing at 11am. Come and hear what has been going on throughout this last year and ask any questions you want to.

Plea for helpers

As many of you know, Joan & Nick Bond have moved out of Long Sutton, and although continuing to be involved in the village through friends and various events, they are busy looking for a new home into which to settle. Joan has been amazing with her work for the church, sitting on the PCC for several years, being PCC Secretary and organising many things, in particular the flower rota, church and brass cleaning rotas, to name but a few!

Joan has already organised the cleaning rota through August, however, we really need someone to take up this co-ordinating/organisational role asap please. Please contact Joan (07890 992 408) or Sue Creegan (01458 241 554) if you are willing to consider this task (either yourself or with someone else.)

Thanks.

Another request!

The School Fete will be on Saturday 13th July. The Church is responsible for organising the 'Nearly New' stall, the Bookstall,

Teas/Coffees/Cakes in the Village Hall and also providing some people to help with the Raffle. The 'Nearly New' stall was another of the tasks that Joan did. She is unable to do so this year. Are there others who would take up this role please? Also, anyone interested in taking over the Book Stall? Also helping with the Teas/Coffees/Cakes and/or selling raffle tickets (or even just folding them) – any help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Douglas Hamilton (07859-934718) or Stephanie Sales (07792-652503) or Janet Brand (01458 241268) or Sue (01458 241554) if you are able to assist, or if you want more information.

Flowers and Brasses rota

May 4 th *	Mrs McTernan	
May 11 th	Mrs McTernan	Mrs R Cox and Mrs Sale
May 18 th	Mrs Lyon	
May 25 th	Mrs Lyon	
June 1 st	Mrs Walford	

Long Sutton WI

THANK YOU to everyone who supported the St Patrick's Night WI Quiz. It was great fun, and with your support we raised £386.50 toward the WI centenary fund. The WI sub-committee worked hard to bring everything together, ably assisted by Quiz Master Extraordinaire George, and our generous hosts Sheila & Phil at the Dev. Thank you one and all.

HELP! We have a picture of the Jerusalem lyrics, beautifully written by a Hilda Beighton, dated 1936. Does anyone in the village know the history of this picture, or Hilda?

16-May: 100 Years of Jam & Jerusalem. An evening celebrating and reminiscing early WI meetings, and members memories. If you have mums, or grandmas WI memorabilia, or photos please get in touch - we would love to see them, and hear about their memories too.

Why not join us - first meeting free, second visit £5.

CENTENARY PROGRAMME

Date: Third Thursday of the month

Venue: Long Sutton Village Hall

Doors Open: 7:20pm. Start: 7:30-9:15pm

Summer Events:

Thurs 16-May: 100 Yrs of Jam & Jerusalem

Thurs 20-June: Midsummer Solstice

Sat 22-June: Walk & Tour of Spigurnel Hall, The Court House.

Sun 23-June: WI Community Treasure Hunt

Thurs 18-July: Caribbean Picnic (afternoon)

Weds 21-Aug: Centenary Afternoon Tea - *members & invited guests*

Contact: longsuttonwi@gmail.com or ring Joint Presidents: Caroline: 07971 275975 or Jane 07823 559175.

Midsummer Opera with FOLSC

On Saturday 29th June we are offering a fantastic evening of live Opera and no need to go to Glyndebourne for this one, as the performance will be right here in Long Sutton's Village Hall! What better way to celebrate the arrival of midsummer?

Hansel and Gretel, first performed in December 1893, was composed by Engelbert Humperdinck, and retells the timeless fairy tale of two siblings lost in the forest. Follow Hansel and Gretel as they discover a house made of gingerbread and fall into the clutches of a wicked witch. There will be a talented ensemble of musicians, artists, and a top-notch production team, who will deliver a fully staged experience as part of a tour of just eight contrasting venues, and we are delighted to be one of these. Immerse yourselves in the magic of opera with Bristol's 'Opera in a Box'. We invite you to join us for a delightful performance, sung in English, and perfect for

audiences of all ages. Experience an unforgettable evening of opera that we are assured will leave you spellbound!

The production takes place on **Saturday 29th June 2024** with doors opening at 6.30pm and performance at 7.30pm, Adults £15, under 18 £7.50

Tickets are on sale now and can be purchased from Upton Bridge Farm Shop, Langport Road, Long Sutton, TA10 9PZ or phone David on 01458 241335. Tickets are also available from any of the FOLSC Trustees, but if you have any queries or require further information email enquiries to geoff@pring.org.uk

A fully stocked pay bar will be available (closed during the performance). We anticipate this one will be another sell out FOLSC event, so we recommend securing your tickets early to avoid disappointment!

LONG SUTTON FRIENDLY SOCIETY:

The Annual walk this year takes the route to Knole and then lunch at the Golf Club. Roll call at village hall at 9.00 followed by parade to Holy Trinity Church.

New members welcome if you are interested in discovery about the society, please ring the secretary David Crossman 01458 241465 for information.

The Annual Parish Meeting for Long Sutton

is taking place on Wednesday 1st May 2024, at Long Sutton Village Hall, 7.30pm. Hosted by Long Sutton Parish Council, this is an opportunity to hear what the Parish Council have been upto in the past 12 months, to view the plans for the play area refurbishment, to chat to councillors and other residents. Local organisations will also be there, and there's an opportunity towards the end of the evening for a short question and answer session. There will be refreshments available (tea, coffee and cake). See you there!

Long Sutton Village Hall Committee announcement.

The playground at the recreation field was subject to a spot inspection on 19th April which resulted in several of the apparatus being evaluated as unsafe and the playground being closed. These items have been removed and we were able to open what is left of the playground for the children to use. We hope to have the playground replaced before the summer holidays and due to this proposed work, it has been decided not to carry out repair work to the existing equipment in the meantime. We are still £18k short of our £65k budget, so if you can continue to support the new playground project at: <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/longsuttonvillagehallplayarea> where any amount is very appreciated.

If you have any questions then please contact Ruby Coombes on ruby.coombes@longsutton-pc.org.uk

Long Sutton Cricket Club

Wow! - what a day Thank you to everyone who supported the very successful Beer & Cider Festival on 20th April - it was an amazing event with hundreds of attendees throughout the sun-drenched day! Special thanks to all the wonderful sponsors in our community as well as the band of dedicated volunteers who pulled the event together that raised in the region of £7,000 - although it is too early to give a definitive figure. This money will be ring-fenced for the extension & refurbishment of the sports pavilion to provide facilities for multi-genders, ages and abilities - the first such refurbishment since it was built back in 1978.

A special named thank-you to the small organising team of Jon Jensen, Chris Vigar, Luke Bissett and Martin Underwood together with the main sponsor, Craig Brayshaw of Eurilait, who provided all the food.

BINGO NIGHT

At Long Sutton Golf Club
Friday 24th May

Eyes Down at 19.00
Raising Money for the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance
£10 entry includes 1 book (10 games)
Further books available to purchase on evening.
To book a table e-mail events@longsuttongolf.com

LONG LOAD

Next Parish Council Meeting will be on Tuesday 21st May at 7:30 in Long Load Village Hall

There is now a Defibrillator situated on the side wall of Long Load Village Hall.

Please follow the instructions on the front of the cabinet in order to receive a code allowing you access to the Defibrillator when needed.

Wednesday 1st May Chinese Brush Painting

Long Load Village Hall 2pm – 4pm

If you think you would like to give it a go, pop in and speak with Barbara

For more details please contact Barbara Nieto on 01458 241284 or Jane on 01458 250145.

Refreshments available

Wednesday 8th May Craft Club

Long Load Village Hall 2pm – 4:30pm

Bring your own projects and share with others

Tea & Biscuits included

Saturday May 11th Table Top Sale at Long Load Village Hall

2:30pm – 4:30pm

Hire a Table £10 and sell your unwanted Items and Paraphernalia, including Plants and related items Clothes / Books / China / Glass / Produce / Homemade Marmalade / Craft / Fabric/ and anything else you have a surplus of or just want to sell.

Come and Hire a Table for your own items or come along and buy something you didn't know you needed or takes your fancy.

Tea & Biscuits Available

Doors open to vendors for setting up 1:30pm. Open to the Public at 2:30pm

Please book your table with Ann Campbell on 01485 241202. Limited Spaces so book early.

Proceeds from Table Hire to aid the Village Hall restoration

Annual Good Friday Walk

Good Friday Walk was cancelled due to the weather and concern for Safety of Walkers

The Scheduled Quiet Hour took place at on Good Friday 3-4pm

Impact of Gloving in Somerset and Surrounding Area

Joseph Lewis from the Yeovil Heritage Centre gave an animated and very interesting talk on Gloving in the Somerset areas. Tea and Buns were served prior to the start of the talk to add to the ambience and relaxed event.

Everyone who attended enjoyed it and Josephs animated explanation of the various artefacts brought with him from the Heritage Centre was source of amusement among the audience.

It was a very well received evening and worth another visit from Joseph later in the year with one of his many other presentations.

Defibrillator Training April 24th

The list of people who signed up for the defibrillator training was very disappointing after the comments made earlier in the year about not having an appliance in the village.

Thank you and congratulations to those who completed the course.

Please send your contributions to lsnewsletter@btinternet.com **by the 20th of the month.** For more information call 01458 241450