

Long Sutton & Long Load

Community newsletter

June 2025

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Final deadline for submissions: 20th of every month

VE Day party a night to remember!



Friends of Long Sutton Church

Saturday 10th May was a night to remember - the sandbagged entrance was guarded by a brace of WWII US Army Jeeps and despite the 'All Clear' having been sounded the windows remained taped up, to avoid flying glass. The Wessex Big Band <https://www.facebook.com/wessexBB> delivered two very fine sets that had most of our guests dancing. Prizes awarded to the best period style dress. Catering team Martin and Lee delivered over 150 covers. Profit raised TBC.

Track day On 29th April saw 34 cars assembled on the grid of the Llandow race circuit with a fab day enjoyed by participants. Well done to Charlie Walford for organising as it will make a substantial contribution to the FOLSC fighting fund.

Summer Outing Saturday 12th July 'Opera in a Box' return to Long Sutton performing in English Mozart's 'Magic Flute'. Adults £20, children £10 available from the village shop, Upton Bridge Farm shop, David Aitken or any of the Trustees. Only 150 tickets which we expect to sell out early so don't miss out!

Holy Trinity Church, Long Sutton

PCC Members and PCC Secretary needed Please consider whether you could join Tim Creegan, Douglas Hamilton, Dan Shorland Ball, Jean Tulk and Revd. Judith Swan who meet 3 or 4 times a year as a PCC. Please speak with any of them if you feel you might be interested. A PCC Secretary is needed as Sue is stepping down - you do not need to be a church-goer to take over this role.

Coffee morning 7th June Funds raised will be donated to Holy Trinity Church. Please come along and meet up, enjoy tea/coffee/cakes and buy some items that we'll have on the produce stall. Any items brought along for the stall will be gratefully received.

Condolences Our village has been saddened by the sudden loss of Simon Scarborough. Simon headed up the Long Sutton table tennis club, and for a short period helped to manage and maintain the village hall. His contributions to our community were valued, and he will be deeply missed. We extend our heartfelt condolences to his wife, Bridget, and their family.

Sunday Services in the Benefice of Somerton, Long Sutton, Pitney, Kingsdon and the Charltons

Sun 1st June (7th Sunday of Easter)	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Kingsdon
	10.20 am	Morning Worship	Zoom *
	11.00 am	Morning Worship	Somerton
	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Pitney
	6.30 pm	Evensong	Long Sutton
Sun 8th June (Pentecost/Whit Sunday)	8.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Long Sutton
	9.30 am	Holy Communion	Charlton Adam
	11.00 am	Café Praise	Somerton
Sun 15th June (Trinity Sunday Father's Day)	9.30 am	Morning Worship	Kingsdon
	10 for 10.30 am	Café Church	Pitney
	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Somerton
Sun 22nd June (1st Sunday after Trinity)	9.30 am	Morning Worship	Charlton Mackrell
	9.30 am	Prayer & Care	Pitney
	11.00 am	Holy Communion /Baptism	Long Sutton
	11.00 am	Morning Worship	Somerton
Sun 29th June (2nd Sunday after Trinity)	10.00 am	Benefice Service	Charlton Mackrell

Wednesdays 10am: Holy Communion or Morning Prayer at Long Sutton

Fridays 6pm: Prayer meeting at Long Sutton

*Zoom - contact church office for details

	FLOWERS	BRASSES	CLEANING
May 31st	Mrs V McTernan		Mrs H Fry & Mrs L Reed
June 7th	Mrs A Stone	Mrs Y Aitken & Mrs M Shepard	Mrs A Wagstaff & Mrs J Pritchard
June 14th	Mrs A Stone		Mrs A Cox & Mrs K Judge
June 21st	Mrs J Minogue		Mrs A Agnew & Mrs G Crawshaw
June 28th		Wedding	Mrs L Hawkins & Mrs S Lyon
July 5th	Mrs J Walford		Mrs Y Aitken & Mrs V Pringle



Hope you like our new logo! A huge thank you to Hannah Marchant Ltd - she did a grand job!

June Meeting We are visiting Keinton Mandeville WI with guest speaker Cathy Hounsell from the School of Stitch, sharing insights into the Somerset & Devon textile industry. Lift sharing will be available.

Community Cream Tea Sat 26th July, 2-4pm, Village Hall. A relaxing afternoon of summer treats, and good company.

Summer Picnic Our annual picnic is being organised by the sub-committee, and promises a few surprises

Group Outing a return trip to The Sherborne, with the bonus of a couple of local stops ... Black Shed, and Story Pig.

Looking Ahead: Programme Planning for 2026 We're looking for local speakers, creatives, small businesses, or anyone with a story, skill, craft, hobby or passion to share. Could you offer a taster session, or host a visit?

Thinking of joining the WI? Become a member at any time during the year on a pro-rata basis. Your first visit is free, and your second just £5. We proudly welcome members from surrounding villages too—finding the right WI "tribe" matters! Questions, queries, and offers of help, or to join - email Longsuttonwi@gmail.com or ring Jane 07823 559175.

Long Sutton Primary School

All classes have enjoyed their cricket coaching this term. Cygnet class visited the Nature Reserve to help build bug houses and plant wildflower seeds. All the children took part in our Arts week and some of their work was displayed at the Bath and West show.

School and Church Fete Saturday 21st June 2pm on the school field and in the village hall. Raffle, entertaining stalls, delicious teas, a tasty BBQ with refreshing cold drinks and plenty of fun for all the family. There will also be an opportunity to view our bookable swimming pool. Please put the date in your diary and come along to support the event.

Toy Box Pre-school Open 8.45am-3.15pm for children aged 2-4. We have places for September. Wrap also around care for children of all ages 7.45am - 5.45pm. Call 241434 enquiries@longsuttonprimary.co.uk to look around www.longsuttonprimaryschool.co.uk

Long Sutton Environment Group

Long Sutton's new nature reserve is looking stunning right now in the sunshine, with the first glimpses of wildflowers starting to come through.

We have more than 800 saplings growing as well as three test beds for wildflower seed mixes and will be looking at how we can add more habitats to the site later this year. Come down and have a look but please take litter home and look after the new planting there.

The reserve is in Ilchester Lane What3Words: "twinkling.blunt.chicken"

Long Sutton Parish Council

Trees The three silver birch trees adjacent to the Village Hall and shop are showing early signs of disease so they will be monitored during the summer. The good news is that over 800 trees and hedging saplings have been planted by volunteers in the new nature reserve which will more than compensate for losses in the village.

Long Sutton PTFA

Pool open day Did you know that the school pool is open for private hire over the summer? It will be back open from 7th June with slots at weekends in term time and most weekdays in the school holidays too. Changing areas, toilet and seating. £43 for exclusive use for 2 hours - very cost effective for groups of families and friends. Also perfect for people who find the noise and environment of a public pool overwhelming. Booking slots will open very soon. To book online and view T&Cs: www.longsuttonswimmingpool.setmore.com

Want to see what it is like before booking or find out how you can volunteer to help? The pool area will be open during the school summer fete on Saturday 21st June 2-4pm so please come and have a look.

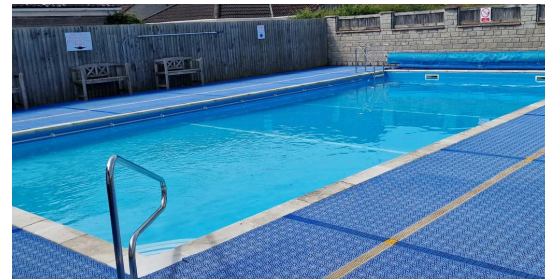
Coffee Morning Thank you to everyone who supported the coffee morning on Sat 3rd May raising a fantastic £715.68 for the PTFA & £131.22 for the church. Donations help us support the children's learning. Recently we funded a Shakespeare theatre workshop where the children performed scenes from Macbeth, music equipment, a comic art masterclass, sculpture workshop and subsidised coach trips.

Quick news bites



- **Harry's Cider** would like to thank everyone for joining them at our first events of the year. If you haven't already come and see the new taproom and shop open Mon-Sat. www.tinyurl.com/HarrysCider June events:
 - 7th June – Cider Saturday 12-6pm Music from Riley's Cove and food from Toff's Pasta
 - 13th June – Pizza Night 5-10pm Music from Jorden Lindsay and Pizza from Ethic St Pizza
 - 21st June – Cider Saturday 12 – 6pm Music from Sundog Slide and food from Sunflower Kitchen
- **Somerset Council's Flood Risk Management Strategy Consultation** Have your say on a new plan to manage flood risks www.tinyurl.com/SomersetFRM
- **Karate lessons** Great for physical and mental health. Long Sutton Village Hall, Tues 7-9pm. £3.50 per hour. Non-profit group. Families can train together. Free gradings, belts and certificates. Contact Terry 07749 849798. www.tinyurl.com/RyukyuKarate
- **Tennis** Don't forget to make use of our fantastic tennis courts. £5 per hour. Book online www.tinyurl.com/LongSuttonTennis

Let us know if you have any quick news bites to share in a future edition of the newsletter



Long Load news

Next Long Load Parish Council meeting at 7.30pm Tuesday 17th June 2025

Take Note Singing Group – every Monday afternoon at Long Load Village Hall practice with the aim of visiting various local care homes. Contact Julia Harvey on 01458 241472.

Wednesday Craft Club Long Load Village Hall 2–4.30pm. 11th June Event: Stamping. Everyone welcome, nice relaxed atmosphere. No previous experience required. Pre-book to ensure sufficient materials marsaannwhite2@gmail.com 07841341813 or angelamedwards@hotmail.com

Long Load Open Gardens 28th & 29th June. Gardens open 2-5pm both Saturday and Sunday. Teas available 3-5.30pm. Plant sales in some gardens.

Admission is by programme. £5 per person, payable at the first garden visited. Teas by donation to our Village Hall fund. If you can help with cake donations, please get in touch with Sally (07435972050 scbail697@gmail.com or Marsha (07841341813 marsaannwhite2@gmail.com)

Pinnacle Delivery in Long Load Are you able to help delivery a number of copies of the Pinnacle Magazine (31 Copies) in Long Load? A seasonal Magazine and is produced 4 times a year. Delivery route is

Resting Gate to Fairlight and then Findlater to Smithy Cottage. If you can help contact 07841341813 marsaannwhite2@gmail.com

Hedge Trimming A polite request from Long Load Parish Council to all residents. Please trim back any overhanging vegetation from your garden that may impede the pavement or designated walkways throughout the village. It makes walking very difficult and sometimes dangerous to people with poor eyesight. It is even worse after dark to come into sudden contact while walking along pavements regardless of one's vision. Thank you for your consideration.