

# LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – May 2023

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## Sunday Services in the Levels Arc Benefice

Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	10.30am Coronation celebration service at Holy Trinity Long Sutton 11.00am Service of Praise to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III (without communion) at St John the Baptist, Pitney
Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> May	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Long Sutton 11.00 Holy Communion at St Catherine's Drayton 12 noon Baptism at St John the Baptist, Pitney
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> May	10.30am Café Church at Pitney village hall 11.00am Holy Communion at St Peter and St Paul, Muchelney
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May Pentecost	11.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Long Sutton with Pentecost refreshments after the Service

Every Wednesday at 10.00 am – Holy Communion or Morning Prayer at HT LS

Every Friday at 6.30 pm – informal Prayers at HT LS

## Church Flower Festival

From Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May, Coronation Day, you will be able to view the Flower Festival in the Church. The main body of the Church will be decorated by Joan Bond and her team.

Gordon and Thea Miles have designed and made a special Coronation Altar cloth. The windows will be decorated by six Village organisations – the School, FOLSC, WI, Cricket Club, Friendly Society and the PCC.

The church will be open all week for you to view.

Please come and join us for the Celebration Service on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> at 10.30am and also the coffee morning on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May.

## Commemoration Mugs to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III

Gordon & Thea Miles have also designed a beautiful Coronation Mug. The Parish Council have arranged to give a mug to each of the 135 children attending the School and Toy Box. Special thanks to Rupert Cox and Lisa Newby (Clerk to the Parish Council) and to Stevie Sales for coordinating this. The PCC will have some mugs to sell. Please contact Stevie Sales if you would like to purchase one of the bone china mugs for yourself or for a gift. They are priced at £10 each and are boxed. Tel – 01458 241-855

## Other Events

On Bank Holiday Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May, Muchelney Church is providing afternoon teas outdoors at Muchelney Abbey, raising money for 2 charities: - Toilet Twinning and the Prince's Trust – as part of the King's Big Help Out Day. Hope as many can go along as possible!

Let's hope for good weather!

## Coffee mornings in the Church

Please see below (Long Sutton Cricket Club) regarding the April coffee morning.

NOTE: - The coffee morning will not be on the first Saturday of May (as it's Coronation Day), but on the following Saturday, i.e., 13<sup>th</sup> May, from 10.30am to 12noon. The main charity benefiting will be the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance and the produce stall will be run by Prue and David Furse-Roberts. Please bring produce for them to sell and please come along and enjoy a tea/coffee/cake whilst chatting with friends and buy some goodies to take home.

## APCM

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May at Holy Trinity church commencing at 7pm.

This annual meeting provides an opportunity to hear what's been going on in the church and what is being considered for the future.

## CHURCH of ENGLAND CHILDRENS SOCIETY

Thank you very much to all box holders who this year Have managed to raise £431.74 for the society.

## Flowers and Brasses rota

May 5 <sup>th</sup>	Coronation Decorating	Mrs Brake and Mrs Walford
May 13 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Ellerbeck	
May 20 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs McTernan	
May 27 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs McTernan	
June 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs Lyon	

## Spring into Summer with FOLSC

Whilst these words are being written on another rather grey April day, it is hoped our much-anticipated summer sun will arrive here soon!

Those of you who attended our first outing of 2023 will already know the Wessex Big Band certainly hit the spot and the musicians gave us all a night to remember. The play list offered a wide variety of numbers, opening with 'The Woodchoppers Ball' and in the second set a classic interpretation of 'The Girl from Ipanema' and finished with a medley of Village People hits as a second encore! It took a little persuasion to get folks up and dancing, but encouraged by some from our Trustees, by the third and final set and in Caribbean parlance, we had a real 'jump up' on our hands! As well as a brilliant night out, we are delighted to report the evening delivered a fabulous £900 profit. This seemed entirely appropriate, as work on the rather tired wiring in Holy Trinity has already started, an essential update that FOLSC have already agreed to fund. Thanks to all who generously supported us, and the evening matched our two aims in life of making money for our charity whilst having fun with friends! But don't just take our word for it but check out the event pictures now featured on the revitalised LS Parish website: <https://www.longsutton-pc.gov.uk/folsc-wessex-big-band>

In conclusion our Trustees are now working on ideas for the rest of this year and negotiations are now well advanced for a pre-Christmas show that will most certainly hit the spot. We hope to have arrangements finalised by next month but in the meantime and as a teaser, can we suggest you keep the evening of Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December free?

Finally, we hope to see our members turn out in force and celebrate with the whole community the Coronation of King Charles III on the LS village green on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May and God Save the King!

## News from the school

A date for your diary is the Long Sutton C of E Primary School and Church fete, which is taking place on the school field on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> June from 2pm onwards. There will be lots of stalls, activities and children performing.

In the week beginning the 22<sup>nd</sup> May, the children will take part in our annual Arts Week. They will have the opportunity to develop new skills and explore different aspects of the Arts. Once again the children will exhibit their work in the school tent at the Bath and West Show from 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> June.

We are looking forward to another warm summer so that the children can make the most of our outside swimming pool.

If you would like to find out more about our school, please do get in contact and come and visit. We have spaces in all year groups including the pre-school with wrap around care from 7.45 to 5.45pm. Toy Box pre-school is now open all day from 8.45 to 3.15 and parents are able to access the wrap around care too. Should you wish to look around please make an appointment and contact us on 01458 241434 or email: [enquiries@LongSuttonPrimary.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@LongSuttonPrimary.co.uk).

### Long Sutton School and Church Fete

A date to save - the Fete will take place on Sat 17<sup>th</sup> June at 2.00 on the School field

### Long Sutton WI

On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May, at 7.30 p.m., in the village hall we are having our A.G.M. and Fun with Clay evening. The competition is an item made on the night. Then on 15<sup>th</sup> June, we have our Open Meeting - lots of women came along last year to our International and inspiring Women's Day Open meeting, so we look forward to the same response with our Speaker- Emma Britton, who you may have heard on Radio Bristol in the past. Her talk is called: Radio to Funerals, as she is now a Celebrant. It promises to be both funny and enlightening! Also, our many Congratulations to Doreen Cox for her 60 years as a W.I member on 20<sup>th</sup> April. We certainly celebrated in style and with a delicious cake, made by Anthea.

Walking Netball recommences in June - anyone can come to this, you don't have to be in the W.I. £2 a session on Mondays from 5.00-6.00p.m.

Our Spring outing will be to Dorchester Sculpture Park - dates tbc.

Please contact joint presidents Jane 07823 559175 or Caroline 01458 241159, if you are interested in a free taster evening or just pop along on the night - all ages welcome.

### Long Sutton Cricket Club

*is looking forward to another successful season that kicked off with a tremendously successful coffee morning in the Church on 1<sup>st</sup> April*

Thank you to everyone who attended and contributed to help us raise £890 to support the extension & refurbishment of the pavilion and an additional £183 donated back to the Church.

We are also indebted to the supportive Vice-Presidents and Sponsor who contribute each year to help the Club remain sustainable as we endeavour to run 3 senior men's teams 2 women's teams and 4 youth teams as well as encouraging youngsters from as young as 5 years old.

The season is fast approaching so if there are any parishioners who would either like to play, support or become a Vice-President, should please contact our Chairman, Rupert Cox on [rupertandangie@btinternet.com](mailto:rupertandangie@btinternet.com)

### Coronation Celebration

Long Sutton will once again come alive as we celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III with a street party bring & share lunch around the Village Green on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May. We had a fantastic turnout for the Jubilee last year and we know a lot of people wished they had attended, well, here is your chance to join in as we try to fill the roads on two sides of The Green and to spend the afternoon having food, fun & games together as one community. If wet, we will adjourn to the village hall for our party.

There will also be a Flower Festival in the Church during the week and the WI are asking everyone to suitably decorate their wheelbarrows and exhibit them outside their properties – and anything goes!

God Save The King!

### LONG SUTTON FRIENDLY SOCIETY

The Annual walk this year takes place on Saturday June 3<sup>rd</sup>. Members to assemble at Village Hall for roll call at 9.00. This year's walk takes the route along Langport road returning To the Golf Club for lunch at 2.30.

### Harry's Cider

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the first Cider Saturday of the year. We shall be holding two events in May: -

- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May – Pizza & Cider Night, with a range of delicious pizzas from Ethic Street Pizza, 5pm until 10pm
- Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May - Cider Saturday, with music by Stormforce 10, a Sea Shanty Band, and an array of

tasty eats from The Gamekeepers Larder, midday until 5.00pm.

There is no charge for admission, so do come along and join us with your families and friends. We'll look forward to seeing you! Information on our future events can be found at [www.harrycidercompany.co.uk/events](http://www.harrycidercompany.co.uk/events).

### Mid Wessex Singers

Somerton-based Mid Wessex Singers would like to invite you to our Spring Concert at 7.30pm on Saturday May 13<sup>th</sup> 2023 at Long Sutton Village Hall. Entitled 'A Choral Ark', the programme will include a variety of choral works with some additional solo or small group items of light entertainment, all on an animal or bird theme. Tickets, priced at £10 which includes interval nibbles, are available from Cobbs in Somerton or Long Sutton Village Shop. If any are left they will be on the door but be advised.....we sold out last year!

## LONG LOAD

Next Parish Council Meeting will be Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 7pm followed by the Parish Meeting at 7.30 in the Village Hall

Long Load Village Hall AGM & Committee Meeting Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May at 6pm

Coronation Event 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023 In conjunction with the Long Load Garden Party at Days House, Long Load Village Hall will be open to view some exhibits of Teddy Bears, Local Art, Photographs and the Village Timeline.

If you are entering Exhibits in the Village Hall, please bring them along to the hall between 10am and 11am on the 7<sup>th</sup> May

### Crafty Folk Club Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2pm – 4:30pm

Iris folding with Sue McGregor £5 per person including materials and refreshments. Please book for this event to make sure there is enough material for all.

Marsha 01458 241415 or email [Marsha.White2@btinternet.com](mailto:Marsha.White2@btinternet.com)

### Report on Good Friday Walk

As always, the walk was supported and enjoyed by enthusiastic villagers. It was a lovely day enhanced by Hot Cross Buns prior to the walk, Refreshments at the bridge during the walk and Soup at the end back at the village hall. Thanks to all who helped make this a lovely part of the day.

LONG LOAD VILLAGE HALL is in need of two more Committee members to be part of the team.

If you can spare a couple of hours per month to come to a meeting at the hall where events will be discussed and arranged, we would be more than pleased to see you. Your views will be very welcome.

Please contact Ann Campbell 241202 or Marsha White on 241415 if you are interested in joining the team.

Please send your contributions to [jsnewsletter@btinternet.com](mailto:jsnewsletter@btinternet.com) **by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month.** For more information call 01458 241450