

# LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – August 2023

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## Sunday Services in the Levels Arc Benefice

6 <sup>th</sup> August	10am for 10.20am Zoom Service(*) 11.00am Holy Communion at St John the Baptist, Pitney 6.30pm Evensong at Holy Trinity, Long Sutton
13 <sup>th</sup> August	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Long Sutton 11.00am Holy Communion at St. Catherine's Drayton
20 <sup>th</sup> August	10.30am Café Church at Pitney Village Hall 11.00am Holy Communion at St. Peter and St. Paul, Muchelney
27 <sup>th</sup> August	11.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Long Sutton

\* Morning Prayer on Zoom – contact Sue Creegan on 241554 for details.

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

Coffee morning at Holy Trinity Church, Long Sutton

The coffee morning held in June raised £712.35 for the Village Hall & Recreation Ground (to assist with the refurbishment of the Children's playground) and £102.45 for Holy Trinity Church, totalling £814.80 for the event.

Thank you to Ruby Cox and her friend for running the produce stall and the wonderful ladies who run the tea/coffee and cake stall, and thank you to all those who came along.

Next month, the coffee morning on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August will be primarily in aid of the Long Sutton Friendly Society, and the produce stall will be run by Tommy Tulk and his band of helpers. Please come and support them, and don't forget, if your garden is producing a surplus of veg, you could donate to the stall. Any baked items will be gratefully received as well. We look forward to seeing you from 10.30am-12noon on Sat. 5<sup>th</sup> August.

The following month, on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, the produce stall will be run by members of the church in aid of Holy Trinity Church funds.

## Flowers and Brasses rota

August 5 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Jones	Mrs A Cox and Mrs Judge
Aug 12 <sup>th</sup>	Wedding	
Aug 19 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Walford	
Aug 26 <sup>th</sup>	Wedding	
Sept 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Mrs Brand	Mrs Aitken and Mrs Shepard

## Long Sutton WI

There is no W.I meeting in August but we look forward to welcoming all members back on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September at 7.30 p.m. in the village hall for an evening of canapes (following on from our very successful dessert evening last year.). There is a competition for the best canape recipe. The W.I also have maps of the parish for sale - these make lovely gifts and you may have one that is faded and needs replacing, only £5, available to buy at the next meeting. Next year, 2024, is the W.I Centenary, we would welcome ideas on how to celebrate this special occasion, please let a Committee member know or phone the number/s below or if you have an idea for an outing or meeting for the programme next year. Walking Netball starts again on Monday 11th September 5.00 - 6.00 at the school, £2 a session. We are also collecting shoeboxes, ready for the September meeting. Please contact joint presidents Jane 07823 559175 or Caroline 01458 241159, if you are interested in a free taster evening or just turn up on the night - all ages welcome, still spaces available!

## Long Sutton Flag

The eagle-eyed amongst you will have noticed the Long Sutton flag flying from the flag-pole at the Village Hall. Some parishioners have asked if they could buy one for their own flag-pole and of course the answer is YES! It is a white flag with the Long Sutton logo in black and measures 5' x 3' with an eye-let top & bottom to allow easy clipping to the rope. The logo is printed on just one side

If you would like to buy such a flag, then please contact me by email, by 30<sup>th</sup> August, and I will get a bulk order from my supplier at a cost of circa £25-£30 each – depending on numbers ordered

Rupert Cox

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## Footpaths

Long Sutton is so lucky to have such an extensive footpath network throughout the village.

We are also indebted to Rich Fell and Dick Shepherd who maintain the footpaths as volunteers, and with the support of our landowners, try to keep the network in tip-top condition.

The Parish Council has a good track record of working with our landowners, but we all have a responsibility to not only keep the footpaths in usable condition, but to also adhere to the Countryside Code when using the network – [www.countryside-code.org.uk](http://www.countryside-code.org.uk). Landowners get frustrated when walkers don't shut gates, don't stick to the footpath, or do not keep their dogs on leads that then disturb livestock or finally, do not pick up their dog's poo, which if inhaled or ingested by ovine or bovine animals can kill them.

The Council, in conjunction with Somerset Council and some of the landowners, has invested in maintaining the network and will continue to do so with a rolling programme of work. With this in mind we need help from our community. Firstly, to report an issue with the footpath network that you think needs addressing,

please email the Parish Clerk, ideally with a reference point, footpath number or photograph, and then most importantly, if you would like to join the band of volunteers supporting Rich & Dick then we would also like to hear from you by emailing [clerk@longsutton-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@longsutton-pc.gov.uk) or 07561695671

### **Roadside & Pavement Over-hanging Hedges**

Parishioners whose properties adjoin the road, lane or pavement are reminded that greenery from the hedge should not overhang onto the public highway or path. As the summer growth has exploded since the mid-summer rains, the overhanging has become a real issue around the village so the Parish Council reminds those with this issue to cut back over-flowing foliage as a matter of urgency as you could be legally responsible for any accident caused by any overhanging material from your property that might cause an accident. If you do not have the time or inclination to undertake such work, please get in touch with the Parish Council who can recommend local businesses to undertake the work for you.

### **MID WESSEX SINGERS**

Do you love singing? We are a mixed group choir (soprano, alto, tenor, bass) who enjoy a wide repertoire of music under the Directorship of Alice Dicker and accompanist Sheena Smith. We would love to recruit new members to this fun group. No auditions are required.

We hold an annual concert in the Spring and a Christmas concert during December. Rehearsals are held on Tuesday evenings at 7pm in West Street Church, Somerton. Our Christmas Concert rehearsals begin on Tuesday 5th September. For further information please contact Pauline Stephens on 07743131094 or Brenda Meaden on 01458 241468. We would love to hear from you.

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# **LONG LOAD**

**Next Long Load Parish Council on 19<sup>th</sup> September at 7:30pm** <https://longload-pc.org.uk>

### **Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August Craft Club**

Long Load Village Hall 2pm – 4:30pm

#### **LEAF PRINTING**

Please book your place with Marsha 01458 241415 email [Marsha.White2@btinternet.com](mailto:Marsha.White2@btinternet.com)  
Refreshments available as usual.

### **URGENT**

The Village Hall Committee are looking for additional Members to help with cover at organized events and to work alongside the existing Committee Members. Your Village Hall is in need of your help. Please contact Ann Campbell on 241202.

### **Long Load Annual Flower & Produce Show**

### **Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> September**

Please take your entries to the village Hall on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> 6pm to 7:30pm or Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept morning from 9am – 10am.

Get your entries ready for another show of Flowers, Vegetables, Home cooking and produce, photography, Crafts and Creative Writing.

Don't forget Prizes for Lego entries children Under 5 years and over 5 – 11year olds

Back by popular demand is the end of show auction of surplus produce.

### **Neighbourhood Watch (NHW)**

Neighbourhood Watch Alerts will be posted on Long Load Village Facebook page but if you prefer to receive NHW Alerts by email please contact Val Paddi [curly.paddi@ntlworld.com](mailto:curly.paddi@ntlworld.com) and give her your email address. Thanks to Val.

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