

LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – July 2023

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Sunday Services in the Levels Arc Benefice

2 nd July	10am for 10.20am Zoom service(*) 11.00am Holy Communion at St John the Baptist, Pitney 6.30pm Evensong at Holy Trinity, Long Sutton
9 th July	8.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Long Sutton 11.00am Holy Communion at St. Catherine's Drayton
16 th July	10.30am Café Church at Pitney Village Hall 11.00am Holy Communion at St. Peter and St. Paul, Muchelney
23 rd July	11.00am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Long Sutton
30 th July	11.00am Holy Communion at St. Catherine's Drayton

* 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 mornings at Holy Trinity Church, Long Sutton

Thank you to all who came and supported the June coffee morning on **Saturday 3rd** which was in aid of a new Charity called **WHY – We Hear You**. **WHY** have their office in Frome, but provide counselling services throughout Somerset to those affected by Cancer and especially those who are bereaved through cancer. Thanks to Stephanie Sales and Douglas Hamilton who ran the produce stall, together with Gemma and Lucy from **WHY**. The total sum raised was **£574.00**. This resulted in £465.50 being given to **WHY** (including £140 in Gift Aid) and £108.50 to Long Sutton Holy Trinity Church. Thanks to all who supported this event, helped with the arrangements and also those who made donations to the produce stall and thanks too to the lovely ladies (Marian, Shirley, Jean and Geri) who bake and run the tea/coffee and cake stall each month.

Next month's coffee morning will be held on **1st July** and will be in aid of our **Long Sutton Village Hall & Recreational Ground***, helping them raise funds towards upgrading the children's playground. This is being organised by Ruby Coombes and her team. Please support them by bringing produce for their table and coming along to the event, partaking of some delicious cakes and buying some amazing produce.

On August 5th, we will be supporting the Friendly Society*.

*25% of non-gift aid donations will be used to support the running costs of Holy Trinity Church

Flowers and Brasses rota

July 1 st	Mrs Shepard	
July 8 th	Mrs Huggard	Mrs R Cox and Mrs Sale
July 15 th	Mrs Huggard	
July 22 nd	Mrs R Cox	
July 29 th	Mrs R Cox	
August 5 th	Mrs Jones	Mrs A Cox and Mrs Judge

Long Sutton WI

On Thursday 20th July, at 12.30 for 1.00 p.m. outside the village hall, we will be having our next exciting meeting - My Big Fat Greek Picnic. Please bring a picnic lunch, as Greek as you like and the competition is an unusual tea towel. There will be food and merriment. Sunny weather is booked and toilets are inside the village hall, as usual. N.B There is no W.I meeting in August, as only the Committee will be meeting, to plan the 2024 programme for your delectation.

On 21st September, the meeting is entitled: Anyone for Canapes?

A big welcome to all our new members, who are now coming from far afield, as our reputation grows. Walking netball continues until Monday 17th July, 5.00 - 6.00 p.m. every Monday and is open to any female over 18 in the village at Long Sutton School and will then recommence in September. No experience required! 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.

LONG SUTTON FRIENDLY SOCIETY:

A big thank you to everyone who supported the walk this year, we do appreciate that the sound of bells at 6.00 in morning is a bit of a shock to some who have only just moved to the village, but this tradition has been going on for over 205 years. The society has again supported village organisations with funding which includes the provision and lighting of the Christmas Trees both inside and outside of the church, new bell ropes for the tower, and we have made provision to support the replacement of the children's play area.

The coffee morning in August is being supported by us to help raise further funds enabling us to repair and replace some of the Christmas tree lighting which is in need of repair. If you have supported the produce stall at these coffee mornings we hope you will be able to continue by donating or purchasing items for the stall.

Once again a big thank you to all in the village who support the society.

News from Long Sutton C of E Primary School

Summer Term

The children have been as busy as ever enjoying key school events. You may have heard the squeals and cheers of many excited children in recent weeks, as our annual Sports Day took place on a very hot morning with many families spectating.

The oldest children have been busy rehearsing their school production 'The music of the musicals' ready to perform in the village hall. They are looking forward to performing to a full audience and we hope that the experience will be rich and memorable for them.

Many thanks to our community for supporting the School and Church fete which was a great success and so well attended. The funds raised are very much appreciated and enhance the children's school experience.

As we come to the end of the academic year we would like to wish our Year 6 children all the very best for the future as they leave to embark on the next step of their learning journey. We also look forward to welcoming new children into the school and welcoming back remaining year groups in September. 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.

FOLSC Midsummer Breaking news!

We are delighted to officially announce, after some months of negotiations (and several teaser messages to 'save the date') we have finally secured a confirmed booking for players from the **Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra** to perform for us in the Long Sutton Village Hall on **Saturday 9th December**. Our event will form part of the BSO's 'On Your Doorstep concerts' that bring specially designed mid-scale chamber ensembles to venues and audiences across the West Country and are specifically designed to present an engaging programme for families, new audiences and seasoned concertgoers alike. Whilst the play list has yet to be revealed, we are advised it will offer an entertaining blend of music ranging from classical treats to more up-to-date favourites and seeing the date is just 2 weeks before Christmas we understand the set will include some festive favourites. The Company's website states 'Fun for all the family with the BSO and concerts that bring music to communities and venues near you - on your doorstep! Working with our rural touring

partners, we travel to venues across the Southwest, from village halls to community spaces in Cornwall, Devon, Dorset and Hampshire' and to that list we can now proudly add Long Sutton, Somerset!

This booking is a real coup for FOLSC and the village and is almost certainly going to be a sell-out event. Whilst many will be concentrating on their forthcoming summer holiday, we recommend you save the date now and watch out for further news in due course and we hope you will join us for a night to remember. In the meantime, we wish you 'joyeuses fêtes'!

Sports Pavilion & Play Area Fund

The Village Hall & Recreation Field Trust and working in conjunction with the Cricket Club to raise funds for the extension & refurbishment of the Sports Pavilion and play area. The original anticipated budgets were an underestimate of works required meaning we must double our efforts in making these investments a success. With this in mind, the following fundraising events have been planned and it is hoped that they will provide some fantastic community enjoyment while raising funds at the same time.

Saturday 18th November sees a welcome return to the village of an exhilarating "OOM-PAH NIGHT" with the Sherborne Town band. Great entertainment with Oktoberfest-style food, booze & dancing.

Friday 12th December will be the night of the Cricket Club's Annual BINGO night for the whole family with great Christmas prizes

Saturday 27th January we will experience a giant AUCTION of PROMISES with something for everyone

April 2024 (date to be confirmed) we will enjoy the delights for a BEER, CIDER & GIN FESTIVAL plus entertainment.

More details will appear in the next newsletter, but if you would like to help us organise any of these events, or would like to sponsor an event please contact Rupert Cox on 07503 547074 or email rupertandangie@btinternet.com

CRICKET CLUB NEWS

The cricket season is well underway with much of the season so far bathed in sunshine. On the field of play this has resulted in both the senior teams at the top of their leagues with the juniors and women teams enjoying similar success.

We would like to invite the community to attend one or more of the events during the Cricket Festival Week from 24th to 29th July.

There will be cricket every evening at the recreation field with the highlights being the Chairman's XI v The Club on Thursday 27th where we welcome our Vice-Presidents, Sponsors & supporters, and the junior Awards Night and giant family rounders match on Friday 28th. BBQ refreshments and a bar will be open throughout. Thank you to Yvonne Vigar of Astara Consulting for sponsoring the cricket festival

Our end of season Awards Night Dinner & Boogie is open to everyone in the community. This event will be held on Friday 29th September at 7pm at Long Sutton Golf Club – another of the Club's sponsors. More details to follow next month.

Follow us on Facebook or look at our website

<https://sutton.play-cricket.com>

HELP our Village Hall

One of our greatest assets in our community is the Village Hall - but it doesn't run itself! We are looking for a new Treasurer to take over from Graham Stoddart-Stones who has been managing the role stoically while now residing on the Isle of Wight which is not sustainable.

Thanks to technology that includes an on-line booking system managed by Heather Wootton, our brilliant Booking Secretary and online banking, the role has been simplified - and if you are worried about endless committee meetings, they take place every other month on the first Monday for about an hour, and we utilise WhatsApp to communicate in the intervening time. If you feel you have the skills to help us with this role, then we'd love to hear from you, so email chair@longsutton-pc.gov.uk or call 01458 241616 - and if you don't have the skills for this role, but would like to help out, then you should still give us a shout!

Harry's cider

We shall be holding our 3rd Cider Saturday on 1st July, from midday until 5pm at Harry's Cider, and are joined by "Alimentos" serving up a tempting array of Spanish Street Food, with live music provided by "Around About Dusk" from Bristol.

The next Pizza and Cider Night will be taking place on Friday 21st July from 5pm until 10pm, with the delicious range of pizza's prepared and served by the team at Ethic Street Pizza. Thank you to everyone for coming to our June events, and we look forward to seeing you again soon.

Somerton concert band summer concert Saturday

1st July, 7:30pm. Long Sutton village Hall

Tickets on the door, £7, under 16s free, refreshments included.

Message from Avril Brake

Michael and Avril Brake would like to thank all the people in the village for their kind letters, cards and flowers following the loss of their grandson Samuel, aged 21.

This has been a great help to all the family at this very sad time.

LONG LOAD

Next Long Load Parish Council on 18th July at 7:30pm

<https://longload-pc.org.uk>

Next Village Hall Meeting Tuesday 4th July at 6pm in Long Load Village Hall

Wednesday 12th July Craft Club

Long Load Village Hall 2pm – 4:30pm

Card Making

Please book your place with Marsha 01458 241415 email

Marsha.White2@btinternet.com

Refreshments available as usual

Saturday 29th July Village Summer Tea Party 2:30pm – 5pm

Donations in aid of Village Hall Maintenance

Cake Donations would be very welcome.

(Please contact Ann Campbell 01458 241202 if you can donate a cake)

Sandwiches, Cake, Jellies and Ice-cream.

Additional News

URGENT The Village Hall Committee are looking for additional Committee Members to help with cover at organized events and work alongside the existing Committee Members. Please don't be shy Your Village Hall is in need of your help Please contact Ann Campbell on 241202.

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW)

Many thanks to Olwen Herridge who has now relinquished the post of Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator after several years. Lots of residents in the village will have seen Police Alerts forwarded to them and found them to be most useful.

This task has been taken on by Val Paddi and 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 and give her your email address.

Thanks to Val.

Long Load Annual Flower & Produce Show

Saturday 2nd September

Get your entries ready for another show of Flowers, Vegetables, Home cooking and produce, photography, Crafts and Creative Writing. Back by popular demand is the end of show auction of surplus produce.

More details in the August Newsletter – watch this space!

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