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DOG FOULING

It has been brought to the attention of the Parish Council that there is a considerable amount of rubbish and dogs' mess on the path to the North side of Mill Close. This also includes bags of dogs' mess which has been left hanging in the bushes. Could everyone please ensure that any rubbish is taken home with them or placed in the appropriate bins. Bagged dogs' mess can be placed in any public bin, or in Fido bins, which can be found in Orford: on the river wall near the Sailing Club, on the fence at Quay Meadow, at the bottom of Bakers Lane, on the Castle green, Orford Recreation Ground, at the top of Doctor's drift, and at the bridleway between Town Farm Estate and Ferry Road. Thank you.

Marie Backhouse, Clerk to Orford & Gedgrave Parish Council

ROAD REPAIRS IN ORFORD

The Parish Council has received the following information from Suffolk Highways:

Broad Street and Gedgrave Road repairs, February 2019

Phase 1: Broad Street, Orford

Broad Street will be temporarily closed to through traffic for the duration of the works and the road will be left part barriered overnight for residential access, if safe to do so we will remove the barriers overnight. Access to properties and businesses will be available but controlled by staff on site. Please speak to one of our staff who will provide access as soon as it is safe to do so.

Phase 2: Gedgrave Road, Orford

Gedgrave Road will be managed by staff on site, please be aware that due to the type of works, access may be delayed by around 15-20 minutes to allow our staff ensure the site is safe for you to travel through.

The work is planned to take place in the period between Monday 11 February and Friday 15 February 2019. Work will be carried out between the hours of 7am and 4:30pm. Access for emergency services will be maintained at all times.

Phase 2 will commence on completion of Phase 1

During the period of the closure, traffic will be diverted via Castle Hill, Market Hill, Church Street and vice versa.

On street parking will be restricted to allow the repairs to be carried out unobstructed.

These temporary traffic management measures are required to allow the works to be carried out safely and in accordance with current health and safety guidelines.

HOUSING IN ORFORD

As I reported in an article in January's Village Voice, the New Orford Town Trust has started a housing/property fund which is designated for the purpose of purchasing affordable houses or land on which to build affordable houses. It would be NOTT's intention to administer these in the same way as the cottages in Bakers Lane - i.e. at a reasonable rent for people with an affinity with Orford.

February dates for your diary

- Thursday 7 February: Gardening Club - Orford Town Hall, 7.30pm
- Sunday 10 February: Valentine's Tea: Bart's Hall, 2.30pm and 4.15pm
- Thursday 21 February: Flower Show and Gardening Club Q&A evening with SHAPA - Orford Town Hall (New Room), 7.30pm

The NOTT Clerk keeps a list of people who wish to be considered if a property in Bakers Lane becomes available. This is not a waiting list, and all applications for a vacant property would be considered. The Bakers Lane Cottages are 1/2 bedrooms, and if the Trust were to obtain any further housing these would probably be 2/3 bedrooms. In an effort to establish the requirement for this type of housing would anyone interested Bakers Lane or others, please contact the Clerk, Kara Reed, on 459172 to register their name. This will not happen overnight so anyone aged 16 and over, who may become eligible in the near future, is also invited to register interest. This information will be kept in the strictest confidence and not passed to anyone else.

Ian Thornton, Chairman, New Orford Town Trust

FEBRUARY AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

Sunday 3 February - Candlemas Sunday

8.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev S Affleck

11.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev S Affleck

Sunday 10 February - 4 before Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev S Affleck

10.30am Family Service - Mr G Marshall

Sunday 17 February - 3 before Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

11.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev D Murdoch

Sunday 24 February - 2 before Lent

8.00am Holy Eucharist - Rev R Alderson

10.30am Village Service - Mrs J Maslin

Rev. David Murdoch

FEBRUARY AT ORFORD METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday 3 February

10.30am Stephen Caley

Sunday 10 February

10.30am Service arranged locally

Sunday 17 February

10.30am CAFE WORSHIP

Sunday 24 February

10.30am Rev. Martin Dawes - Communion

3pm Cream Tea & Sing

Sunday 3rd March

10.30am Stephen Caley

MONDAY TEA ROOM open from 11am-2pm (ish) with a menu choice for LUNCH and morning coffee.

WEDNESDAY LUNCH – a two-course meal at just £6.00 and served at 12.30pm – you are welcome to join with us, however, you do need to book for this meal.

SHROVE TUESDAY, MARCH 5th – SOUP & PANCAKES from 12noon–2pm
Advent and Christmas 'round-up': once again the church looked stunning with decorated trees and lights, candle ring, 'Glory to God in the Highest' Angel banner and much more which set the scene for worship. On the third Sunday of Advent, Ellen, Sofia and Felicity presented the 'Animal Nativity' with a little help from Angus, Liovet, Louise and Pam. Family visitors came along to encourage the children and did so with much hand clapping! Afterwards everyone stayed to enjoy a 'party' lunch. Then on to the fourth Advent Sunday, Christmas Communion followed by mince pies, Congelton gingerbread and chocolates after which, tables were set ready for tea for the late afternoon Candlelight Carol Service – many lit candles helped to make this a joyous occasion. All the centre candles were lit again for the Christmas Morning Service and also on the last Sunday of the year when a Christingle Service was appreciated. And then to Epiphany! We have been delighted to see visitors join us for worship.

A head count at the Wednesday Christmas Lunch held on 19 December realised 33 who enjoyed a full and traditional Christmas lunch with the opportunity to sing carols afterwards. Added to the tea and mince pies was a large birthday cake – with 'Happy Birthday' sung for three attendees, all with birthdays from 19 to 24 December. The large food hamper was won by Olive (Framlingham) – Sincere thanks to Karen, Pam P, George, Mark, Pam C, Lorna and Louise for all their help and in making this another wonderful and enjoyable day. The 'regular' Wednesday staff were presented with Christmas gifts which were much appreciated. Monday Tea Room and Wednesday Lunch took a well-earned break for two weeks!

Stephen Caley

ORFORD AND GEDGRAVE EMERGENCY COMMITTEE

The Committee met recently to review emergency risks in the village, emergency contact details and arrangements in the light of the closure of the garage. It was suggested that if anyone in the village has equipment or skills that might be useful in an emergency they should pass details to Kara in the office (tel 459172). It was agreed to publicise the location of the defibrillator which is located on the wall outside the fire station. If there is a danger to life you should dial 999 and if appropriate the ambulance service would provide a code to open it.

Contact details for members of the group are being reviewed and will be published in the next Village Voice. They are also available on the village notice board both outside and in the Town Hall.

The following equipment is kept in the Town Hall for use by the Emergency Committee who have access: torches, high visibility jackets, space blankets, camping stoves and kettles, first aid kits, megaphone, name badges, basic telephone, name badges, whistles etc.

Michael Pearce, Chairman, 01394 450011 07785 575250

ORFORD SPORTS AND RECREATION CLUB

A lot of people have been enquiring re membership and prices, so here is a recap:

- Adult membership £10 per year
- 16 to 17 years £6
- 12 to 15 years £2
- Under 12s free (must be accompanied by an adult)
- Club hire for members £30 with or without bar
- Non-members £50 without bar, £75 with bar.

Events coming up:

- Club nights every Friday and Monday evenings from 8.30pm
- Friday 22 February, Bingo night from 8pm
- Friday 29 March, Bingo from 8pm

During February some refurbishment work will be taking place on the kitchen to improve this particular area (worth considering when looking at venues to book for your private parties etc.)

Mark Smy, OSRC Secretary, tel 450358

FRIENDS GARAGE – THANK YOU

Mark, Jamie and I would like to say a big thank you to all the customers we have served at Friends Garage over the years – we have enjoyed being part of the friendly and supportive community in Orford. Thank you also for all your good wishes since the closure of the garage was announced – they are very much appreciated.

Laura Gillespie

...and a massive 'thank you' to Laura, Mark and Jamie for everything that they have done for the village over the years. Ed

FAREWELL TO FRIENDS GARAGE

So the doors have closed at Friends Garage for the last time (for now at least) and we feel it's time to reflect on what we have lost and to thank the staff for what has been a truly exceptional facility.

Apart from the normal petrol and vehicle servicing/repairs, we have to thank Laura, Jamie and Mark for amongst other things:

- Searching endlessly for every size of screw, nut, bolt or fixing to remedy almost every problem
- Believing us when we say that the car has a rattle, even though it stubbornly refuses to do it on a test drive
- Squeezing in a last-minute MOT when we have forgotten to book
- Fixing the mower instantly so the grass doesn't grow faster than we can get to cut it
- Providing a collection/delivery point for parcels and goods of all shapes and sizes (and reminding us when we forget to collect!)
- Providing a one-stop information point – How many times in the last year have you thought – I don't know the answer, but I will ask Laura!?
- Keeping us up-to-date with village happenings

Joking aside, we can imagine that the last few months have been difficult for you all (including Tom), but still you have carried on in the same vein, right up until the day that you closed the doors. We will miss you all and I suspect many people will not realise how much you provided until you are no longer there.

Our thanks and very best wishes to all of you for the future, whatever it may bring.

Judith Golder, Kara Reed and Marie Backhouse, on behalf, we are sure, of many hundreds of local people and visitors to Orford

SAVE FRIENDS GARAGE PETITION

Friends Garage is subject to an inappropriate planning application for housing development, application DC/18/5246/FUL. A petition campaign is underway to make Suffolk Coast District Council aware of the depth of concern in Orford and surrounding villages over this application.

If you've not done so already, you can read about and support the campaign very simply by signing the online petition at www.gopetition.com/petitions/retain-retail-and-fuel-services-orford-friends-garage-site-orford-suffolk.html

Thank you for your support.

Harry Cole

DANNY DAVIS

Liz, Amanda, Emma and Daniel would like to say a huge thank you to all friends, family and associates that supported them through the ill health and the sad loss of Danny Davis. This has been an extremely tough time for us all and we are still coming to terms with the loss of Danny but it is comforting that we have had so much support. Danny sadly lost his battle to stomach cancer in November and as a family we have been left devastated by his loss. Through our journey we received overwhelming support and comfort from friends, family and well-wishers. During his battle Danny always had a steady stream of visitors, and people lending their support to both him and his family. His funeral in December was heavily attended and we were both overwhelmed and humbled by the amount of people that turned out to pay their respects. We would just like everybody to know how grateful we are, we really can't thank you all enough.

Liz Davis and family

FROM CHRISTINE BROMLEY-MARTIN

I want to thank all my friends and acquaintances in Orford, and anywhere nearby, for the huge number of wonderful letters and cards I have received since Christopher's death 2 months ago. I am quite unable to thank you all personally, but you have given me the most enormous comfort, and pride in realising how very much he was thought of. Please accept this as though I am thanking you individually; and also those of you who were able to come to his funeral, (for which I had not got enough Orders of Service printed!) I shall read and re-read every card and letter with great gratitude, for a long time.

Christine Bromley-Martin

GROWING FOR SHOWING... AND MAKING AND BAKING!

The Flower Show and The Gardening Club invite you to a Q and A evening hosted by Jan Lovell, Secretary of SHAPA – Suffolk Horticultural and Produce Association. SHAPA was originally founded as the Village Produce Association in 1941 to support the war effort when people were encouraged to 'dig for victory'. Its main role now is to support its member horticultural societies across Suffolk. Jan will be taking and answering questions relating to the 2019 show schedule, giving advice and tips for newcomers and experienced competitors alike, to help them create the best impression on the showbench. It is often the quality of presentation

that can make the difference between first and second, but the taking part is just as important, so this talk is open to all.

FREE SEEDS! We will also be giving away a limited number of packets of seeds so come and join us on Thursday 21 February 2019 at 7.30pm in the back room of the Town Hall, free entry. Advance schedules will be available from the end of January at the newspaper kiosk and Village Store.

Alex Smith, Flower Show

Polly Sharkey, The Orford and District Gardening Club

ORFORD GENERAL STORE NEWS

Response to the closure of Friends Garage

Following the sad news of the impending closure of Friends Garage here in Orford we have been asked by many in the community whether we would be able to stock some of the additional lines that the garage currently retails. Plans are in place at the moment to commence stocking many of the animal products, coal, compost etc, that Laura currently stocks, hopefully from the beginning of February. Coal, compost etc. should all be on daily display but animal foods will be stored off the shop floor due to our floor space restrictions so please do ask us when you need them.

The one facility we are unable to offer, however, is parcel storage, other than for goods delivered by Royal Mail (Local Collect) and Parcel Force. This situation cannot be changed as we would be in breach of our Post Office Licensing. However, please bear in mind when ordering and selecting delivery methods that Local Collect and Parcel Force are both permitted options for storage up to 14 days within our small branch.

Countryside Alliance Awards

Thank you to everyone who nominated us in the 'best village shop and post office' category – I'm delighted to report that we've made it into the Eastern Region final three. Thank you for your support!

Sue Gadd, Shop Manager

ORFORD & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Our next open event

Talk topic: The Wonderful World of Salvias

Speaker: Janet Buist

Venue: Orford Town Hall Back Room

Date and time: Thursday 7 February 2019, 7.30pm

Janet is a specialist in growing salvias and had her own nursery in Colne, Cambridgeshire for many years. She comes recommended by the well-known salvia specialist William Dyson of Great Comp Manor who no longer gives talks although he writes many articles and has a presence at the big horticulture shows. She will tell us all there is to know about them and answer our questions. Her talk will include the following: the genus as a whole; the hardy and the less hardy; more about shrub salvias; propagation; pests and diseases that affect them.

Most of us have come across the familiar shrub salvias such as 'Hot Lips' and are getting to know the lovely 'Amistad' and other less hardy plants but it will be illuminating to have a professional overview. I've certainly got lots of questions ready.

A Year in the Apothecary's Garden

Over 40 members, including many new to the club were welcomed to listen to Margaret Beveridge's presentation on 10 January 2019. A number of visitors also attended and we hope to see them again in the future. Margaret gave us an illuminating talk about the time she spent volunteering at The Chelsea Physic Garden and inspired many members and friends to make a visit there in the future. She illustrated her talk with lovely photographs and brought a vintage trug of medicinal plants and herbs to inspire us. She also tested our knowledge of the medicinal properties of many of the plants which grown at Chelsea Physic and we didn't do too badly in our responses! Thank you to the audience as well! Margaret has her own business, Margaret Beveridge Garden Design and specialises in planting design, working in London and Suffolk. We could all see why one would want to involve her in our own gardens.

2019 Programme

We will still be collecting the new year's membership fees in February and that remains fixed at £15 for the year, with a £4 fee for those who prefer to come to specific events. DO JOIN US and get the whole programme. A taster for 2019...

- 7 March 'Climbers, Creepers and Crawlers' plus photographic tips for gardeners – Michael Warren horticulturist, writer, lecturer and photographer.
- 4 April 'Shade loving plants' Melanie Collins – Mickfield Hostas and owner of the National Collection, and RHS Gold Medal Winner. 1st Competition: Photo of winter in my garden
- Wednesday 10 April afternoon visit to Wyken Hall Gardens Hoping to see you soon...

*Polly Sharkey, Chair, 01394 450959
creativefutures98@btinternet.com*

ORGAN NEWS:

Orford is pulling out the stops for its 'new' Organ!

Organ projects often take decades to complete, so Orford can be very proud of the turnaround of this project to date. It is only eight weeks since we launched the fundraising and that included the Christmas break. Everyone in the village or with a strong connection to it, has been included in the appeal and visitors have been able to pick up a brochure with some donating via text there and then.

In this first phase of fundraising we have raised over a third of the target with donations from almost one hundred generous souls. On behalf of the Organ Fundraising Committee, a huge thank you to all of you who have supported the project to date. You are helping to usher in the arrival of a beautiful and productive asset to Orford Church. Apart from enabling more music for church services, there will be an opportunity for more performers to do more concerts. Two benefit concerts have been offered, post installation, encouraging confirmation that the organ is welcomed by musicians as well as parishioners. Over time, any additional activity will help to sustain the fabric of the church, keeping it more alive.

The organ will be installed in March and will be dedicated on Easter Sunday. An organ festival is taking shape for May, and an organ school is also being explored. We have come across no less than 3 organ scholars in the area and as Orford will have one of only two parish church concert organs in Suffolk, it will create much interest for educational purposes including masterclasses.

If you want to see under the hood of the instrument before it arrives in St Bartholomew's, do have a look at the Galleries on the website at www.orfordorganproject.com It's amazing!

We have much work to do but thank you so much for all the moral and financial support given during this critical stage of bringing the Orford Organ Project to fruition.

Ciara Scallon, Fundraising Manager

THE PENINSULAR PRACTICE FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER

Travel Vaccinations: Thinking of booking a holiday?

If you are travelling beyond Europe on holiday please allow more than 6 weeks when booking to have your travel vaccination consultations with our nurses. This will allow the surgery to assess your risk and ensure we have the correct vaccinations available for you.

GP Closure Afternoon: the surgery will close on Wednesday 13 February at 13.00 for training.

FEBRUARY AT THE KING'S HEAD

Wow, a nice chilly start to the year, but we do have the wood burner blazing away to keep you all warm. Now we have we all got through the January Blues we are full steam ahead in to our February and March activities.

Friday 22 February – Steven Lay Open Mic Night – 9pm – the normal (if that is a term to describe what is never normal) night of fun, music and good evening entertainment that never fails to please. Everybody welcome, whether to play, sing, recite, participate or just be the audience that enjoys, applauds and experiences.

Saturday 23 February – Curry Night – serving from 7.30pm onwards. Our Chef Daniel Bunce is preparing several curries for you to choose from. So it will be poppadom, accompaniments, curries, rice, naan and all for £15 per head. Booking is strongly recommended.

Saturday 16 March – Live Music – Silbury Hill – after last year's fantastic performance, we are delighted to have the acclaimed duo of Scott and David, playing their own combination of rock, folk, prog, ballads, instrumental and everything else they want to throw in to the mix. They got everyone up and involved last time and we hope you come along and enjoy this gig. Entrance as always is free and everyone welcome.

Friday 22 March – "A Bad Vintage" – Murder Mystery Dinner Party – strictly limited to 16 people. You are invited to attend and fully participate in an intriguing night of fun, food and entertainment. You need to be fully prepared to be involved and be a character in the plot. Early booking strongly recommended. There will be a suitably themed spectacular three-course meal and every clue to help solve the murder, through the scripted and guided evening. Just £25 per head.

As always we are trying our best to provide you with entertainment, in addition to the warm welcome to the pub. We hope that you are pleased with what we are doing and looking forward to seeing you all.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Ian and Suzanne Ballantine, thekingsheadorford@gmail.com

ORFORD CASTLE NEEDS YOU: Make history and volunteer!

As an English Heritage Volunteer at Orford Castle, you can:

- Meet new people
- Be part of a friendly team
- Learn new skills
- Gain valuable work-related experience

- Receive training and support
- Indulge in your passion
- Engage with your local heritage

If you would like to find out more about the volunteering opportunities at the Castle you can pop in any weekend from 10am-4pm, or email elaine.ellis@english-heritage.org.uk and information is available on line at www.english-heritage.org.uk/volunteering

Elaine Ellis

2018 REPORT BY THE COMMITTEE ON CLIMATE CHANGE: Managing the coast in a changing climate' – a summary compiled by Stephen Worrall

What does this 2018 report by the Committee on Climate Change, chaired by Lord Deben, have to tell us about the future of our Suffolk coastline? In a nutshell, our current policy, planning and practice of 'retain the status quo' is environmentally unsustainable, prohibitively expensive and is increasing our vulnerability to catastrophic floods and storms for the current and next generation. The report's Executive Summary on page 9 recognises that: "Understandably, people living on the coast more often than not prefer to retain the status quo, but building ever bigger defences to protect all coastal communities in the future would be prohibitively expensive. It would also detract from the coastal landscapes that people treasure and further interfere with the coast's natural adaptation to sea level rise."

The context is set out in Chapter 3, The effectiveness of current policies to manage coastal change, page 41: "A further 1,460 km of the coastline designated as 'hold the line' to the end of the century (71% of the total designated as 'hold the line') achieves a much lower benefit-cost-ratio than the flood and coastal erosion risk management interventions that are government-funded today. On this basis, funding for these locations is unlikely and realistic plans to adapt to the inevitability of change are needed now."

Therefore the focus in rural areas, such as our Suffolk coastline needs to be one of long term adaptation to increasing flood risk. We cannot put this off. Our allies in this goal are the natural coastal features on the seaward side of our present walls. However, Chapter 2.3, Environmental and socioeconomic components of coastal change, page 36, confirms that: "The coastal environments that can provide natural flood defences are deteriorating. Coastal environments have significant value to people and wildlife:

– They act as a buffer in front of sea defences by reducing the wave or tidal energy that impacts those defences. Around half of England's sea defences benefit from this buffering effect.

– They act as carbon sinks. Coastal margin habitats store at least 6.8 Mt C, which is equivalent to approximately 10% of the UK's GHG emissions in a single year.

– They support biodiversity. Coastal margins support many rare species such as internationally important populations of seabirds as well as commercially valuable populations of fish.

– They have an important role in tourism and providing cultural services. There are around 250 million visits to the UK's coast every year, which have an approximate value of £17 billion (ibid)."

So we should be doing all we can now to avoid accelerating the loss of these natural beneficial features, which plans to 'hold the line' cause. Page 37 explains: "In the future, up to three-quarters of intertidal coastal environments and habitats may not be able to adapt naturally to sea level rise where they are blocked from migrating inland by hard sea defences, a process known as 'coastal squeeze'. This reduces the ability of these environments to protect sea defences (ibid)."

It is therefore vital that when, as a community, we are asked to support plans for the future management of our local coastline, we make sure the plans adopt the latest national expert science and guidance on coastal adaptation. Burying our heads in sand now may mean we have no sand in the future!

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<https://www.theccc.org.uk/publication/managing-the-coast-in-a-changing-climate/>

Stephen Worrall

A WINTER'S EXHIBITION AT GREAT GLEHAM

Great Glemham Village Hall IP17 2DH, Saturday 23–Sunday 24 February, 11am–5pm, FREE ENTRY. For the fourth year the village hall at Great Glemham is the venue for an art exhibition of paintings and crafts by 22 local artists, featuring paintings, drawings, prints, fused glass, ceramics, lampwork glass, jewellery, and pinneedle weaving.

PROMETHEUS WIND ENSEMBLE CONCERT

Sunday 24 February 2019 at 4pm in Aldeburgh Jubilee Hall. Programme to include Beethoven's Octet, Op. 103 in E flat, Francaix's Concerto for Trombone and 10 winds, Stravinsky's Octet for Wind instruments. Solo Trombone: Owen Dawson
Tickets £15, Under 18s £5. Available at Snape Maltings box office or on the door.

BECOME ONE OF THE FIRST EAST SUFFOLK COUNCILLORS

Local people who want to make a difference in their community and play a key role in the new East Suffolk Council are being encouraged to consider standing for election as a District Councillor.

On 1 April 2019, East Suffolk Council will be formed – a new 'super district' authority, serving the residents, businesses and communities of both Suffolk Coastal and Waveney.

The new district will be served by 55 councillors, each representing a 'ward' – the boundaries of which were recently published by the Local Government Boundary Commission for England.

There are 29 separate wards in total and some wards will be larger than others, with eight of them represented by three councillors, ten represented by two councillors and finally eleven wards with one councillor each.

Stephen Baker, Chief Executive for Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils said: "We are looking for people who are interested in the exciting challenge of becoming one of the first ever East Suffolk councillors. Our new councillors need to be passionate about local issues, energetic and committed to making a difference to the lives of local people.

"Councillors play an important role in making sure the voices of a community are heard and the needs of local people are met. There are no formal qualifications needed and we would encourage anyone meeting the eligibility criteria to consider standing for election; anyone elected for the first time will be given all the training and support they need."

To be eligible to stand for election, applicants must be:

- 18 or over
- and a UK, EU or Commonwealth Citizen,
- and either be registered to vote on the current register with the local council
- or have either worked or lived in the council's area for one year
- or have been an owner or tenant of any land or premises in the council's area for one year

Elections to the new Council will be held on 2 May 2019.

Anyone interested in finding out more about becoming a councillor should visit www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/beacouncillor or contact the Democratic Services Team on democratic.services.wdc@eastsuffolk.gov.uk or democratic.services.scdc@eastsuffolk.gov.uk

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SUNDAY 10TH FEBRUARY

TWO SITTINGS

2.30PM TO 3.45PM AND 4.15PM TO 5.30PM

£12.50 PER PERSON

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