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#### FROM ORFORD AND GEDGRAVE PARISH COUNCIL

Well, the summer season is finishing and once again the same issues in the village have been highlighted - the HUGE number of cars and the lack of parking. The Parish Council is still in consultation with Suffolk Coastal District Council and Suffolk County Council Highways trying to get to a solution to ease the problem if not solve it altogether. Hopefully more information will follow.

I have had a rather disturbing report of a man dressed as a woman behaving inappropriately. If you do witness this, please report the sighting to the police on 101 - they are very keen to get this type of crime reported.

With regards to the ongoing saga of the mobile phone mast round the Broom, Gedgrave, I am still trying to find out when it is likely to go live, however this is easier said than done. I would urge anyone who is a customer of O2 to report this mast to them and perhaps if we go to them *en masse* we might stand more chance of getting some response!

**Michelle Golder, Chairman, Orford and Gedgrave Parish Council**

#### SEPTEMBER AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

Sunday 2 September – Trinity 14

8.00am Holy Eucharist – Rev J Andrews

11.00am Holy Eucharist – Rev Dr J Hare

Sunday 9 September – Trinity 15

8.00am Holy Eucharist – Rev D Murdoch

10.30am Family Service – Mr G Marshall

Sunday 16 September – Trinity 16

8.00am Holy Eucharist – Rev D Murdoch

11.00am Holy Eucharist – Rev D Murdoch

Sunday 23 September – Trinity 17

8.00am Holy Eucharist – Rev R Alderson

6.30pm Harvest Festival – Rev D Murdoch

Sunday 30 September – Trinity 18

8.00am Holy Eucharist – Rev D Murdoch

A warm welcome awaits you at our Harvest Thanksgiving Service on Sunday 23 September at 6.30pm, followed by

#### September dates for your diary

- Sunday 2 September: Authors v Sudbourne Hall cricket match - Sudbourne Hall Cricket Club, 1pm
- Friday 7 September: String Quartet concert - Orford Town Hall, 11.30am
- Friday 7 September: Firework and bonfire Committee meeting - Sports and Recreation Club, 8pm
- Sunday 16 September: Band of the Royal British Legion - St Bartholomew's Church, doors open 2pm

Harvest Supper. Details of Harvest Services in the Rector's other churches are in 'The Link'.

**Rev. David Murdoch**

#### SEPTEMBER AT ORFORD METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday 2 September 10.30am Stephen Caley & Picnic Lunch

Sunday 9 September 10.30am Service lead locally

Sunday 16 September HARVEST FESTIVAL/THANKSGIVING

10.30am Stephen Caley & LUNCH

Sunday 23 September 10.30am Rev Martin Dawes – COMMUNION

Sunday 30 September Back To Church Sunday  
10.30am Stephen Caley/Songs of Praise

4.30pm TEA TABLE SERVICE

*All the usual weekly events continue:*

Monday's Tea Room Open 12noon– 4pm – visit with us – excellent food and much more – no need to book your table!

Wednesday Lunch served at 12.30pm – bookable for this meal. Inspirational Painting sessions will commence again early October.

There will be a picnic lunch provided after the Sunday Service on 2 September – next month we will commence the Autumn/Winter Soup and Pud on the first Sunday in October.

HARVEST THANKSGIVING – Sunday 16 September – as always donations of grocery, produce and flowers greatly appreciated. The 10.30am service will be followed by Harvest Lunch to which you are invited.

**Stephen Caley**

### **30th ANNUAL QUAY SERVICE – 5<sup>th</sup> August**

Another fine evening with sunshine, warm breeze and a crowd of Quay Service supporters. Thanks to Revs David Murdoch, Martin Dawes leading and Father Tony Rogers (Aldeburgh Roman Catholic Church) as guest preacher. Thanks too, to Ruth Jermy bringing us news from the Jubilee Sailing Trust and to the Suffolk Phoenix Brass for their music, the New Orford Town Trust and Quay Warden for help given, and Nathan and Nicola for sorting out the chairs. The collection for the Jubilee Sailing Trust amounted to £540 – which the JST have acknowledged with their most grateful thanks to all who supported. NEXT YEAR'S SERVICE, SUNDAY 4 AUGUST 2019 – supporting the RNLI (Aldeburgh Boat).

**Stephen Caley**

### **POPPY FESTIVAL**

Alongside the amazing support received from Poppy Knitters, the Methodist Church will hold a Poppy Festival to mark 100 years of the end of the First World War. The Festival will be held on Saturday, Sunday and Monday, 27–29 October. There are lots of developing ideas and further contributions/ideas toward the Festival are most welcome. Proceeds together with the continuing sale of knitted poppies will go to The Royal British Legion and Help for Heroes.

**Stephen Caley**

### **ORFORD SPORTS AND RECREATION CLUB**

As we move from August into September and the evenings start to draw in, why not pay a visit to the club on one of our club nights. Club nights are currently on Friday and Sunday nights, 8.30pm onwards for darts, pool, table tennis, snooker, wi-fi, music and chat.

*Coming up in September*

- Thursday 13 September, Bike Meet Night from 6.00pm onwards, bike not compulsory, burger and chips are available.
- Friday 28 September, Bingo night, 8:00 pm onwards.
- Saturday, 29 September, live music from Flaming Cheek, 8:00 pm onwards (free entry for members)

Many thanks for your ongoing support.

**Mark Smy, OSRC Secretary, tel 450358**

### **ORFORD WEA**

The WEA has been providing high-quality educational opportunities to communities since 1903. Today their vision is "A better world – equal, democratic and just; through adult education the WEA challenges and inspires individuals, communities and societies".

Our Orford branch is part of the WEA Eastern Region. The full range of courses can be viewed on the WEA website. In Orford, the autumn series of lectures will start on Monday 17 September at 2.30pm and will be given by Fiona Fitzgerald: Architectural Appreciation – A Century of Mainly British Building. The course will run for 7 weeks, ending on 5 November with no lecture on Monday 22 October.

Fiona will be telling us how to look at buildings, to read plans and photographs to understand what they are and why. She will look at buildings over the last 100 years and particularly focus on housing, civic buildings and the workplace. Finally, she will use Orford to illustrate her approach. Learn to read plans, elevations and photographs of buildings from pre-World War 2, 1940 to 1980 and the present day, studying humdrum or even 'hideous' structures in order to re-evaluate them in a wider context.

The lectures will be held in Orford Town Hall and the fee for all 7 lectures is £52. Payment will be taken at the second lecture, so why not come along to the first talk to see what it is all about! To see if you may be entitled to help with course fees visit the WEA website.

To enrol, please either come along to the first lecture or contact **Sue Snowden** on 01394 450430.

### **GARDENING CLUB: COMING NEXT!**

HALF PRICE MEMBERSHIP (£7.50) for the rest of 2018! Please contact me or come along to our next meeting to join us.

*Friday 7 September* – Foraging for lunch at the Froize with Vivia Bamford and David Grimwood – a few places left for the talk and lunch but the foraging walk is full. Members only.

The Flower Show Saturday 25 August

As I write this, The Flower Show will not yet have taken place but we already have promises of support for being on the stall and for bunches of flowers, fruit, veg and other gardening pieces from many members and non-members so – thank you all in advance! It's always great to meet each other in an informal way and exchange idea and solutions and the Show provides this opportunity for us all.

### **Tasters for the Autumn**

- Tuesday 18 September – Launch of our new 'Pop-up Open Garden' at Iken in the afternoon! Members sharing their gardens with other members... More info later to members only.
- Thursday 4 October – Drought Resistant Planting with Ben Potterton of Blacksmiths Nursery. A must considering this summer... Everyone welcome! Guests £4
- Wednesday 10 October – Afternoon car-sharing trip to Orchard Barn Ringshill for members only... This is a social enterprise specialising in traditional building projects, large and small. We will have a tour of their site, look at their composting, planting and sustainable vegetable beds plus tea and cake of course!
- Thursday 1 November – Colour Theory for Gardeners with Neil Ludmon and the Eric Mason Shield Competition.
- Thursday 6 December – AGM and Social Evening Supper. Always great fun!

Thank you all for reading our articles and we hope to welcome you in the future to an event or as a new member!

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

### **REFRESHMENTS AT ORFORD FLOWER SHOW**

The refreshment team at the Flower show would like to thank everybody who donated cakes and everyone who supported us and enjoyed the refreshments on Saturday. We made a total of £650 which will be put towards getting the flood lights on the tennis and multi-play courts working again.

**Anne Macro**

### **TOMBOLA AT FLOWER SHOW 2018**

Although this event won't yet have happened at the time of writing, Mike and I would like to thank everyone for their donations for the prizes on the Tombola which are already coming in despite it only being mid-August, and we hope they will continue to do so. Thank you also to the continuously growing queue of you who buy the tickets and win the wonderful prizes even if all you get is a tin of sardines! Also for entering into the spirit of the stall when you don't get the

prize you were hoping for! The funds raised from this stall go a long way towards paying for the Flower Show to continue in the future.

**Mike and Polly Sharkey**

### **ORFORD FIREWORKS AND BONFIRE**

There will be a committee meeting to discuss the annual fireworks and bonfire in Orford. The meeting will be held at the Sports and Recreation Club at 8pm on Friday 7 September, and everyone is welcome to attend.

**Nicky Ehlert**

### **ORFORD AND SUDBOURNE W.I. DAY TRIP TO NORWICH**

A day out for Christmas Shopping. Thursday 15 November 2018. Pickups in Sudbourne, Orford and Snape to arrive outside John Lewis about 10.30am and depart from there at 4pm. Cost: £14.00 per person.

To book a seat contact **Louise Schofield** 01394 450108, [louiseschofield0104@gmail.com](mailto:louiseschofield0104@gmail.com)

### **ROYAL NATIONAL LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION**

We had a very successful collection on 4 August at the Town Hall, Pump Street Bakery, Orford Stores and the Quay and raised £454.18 for the Aldeburgh Lifeboat. This is more than last year when we received £418. Thank you to all the helpers who collected for me and all the generous shoppers and visitors who contributed. We now move to the RNLi stall at the Flower Show and hope to get our usual support to increase our annual total.

**Diana Grayburn**

### **CALLING BOOKWORMS**

Are you an avid reader? Made the most of the heatwave to indulge your habit? Scan the book reviews for new titles, or follow the recommendations of newspapers? Read your way through the Man Booker shortlist each year? (No, neither do I, but I do try one or two). I know people in book groups elsewhere who love their book group, so I wonder, is there scope for a book group in our area (Sudbourne/ Orford)? We would need about 6 people, who would take it in turns to choose a book, read the same book and meet up in each other's houses, say once a month, to discuss the book (and possibly other things) with coffee and cake (or possibly even a glass of wine). Sound good to you? If so, please ring me. I can host the first meeting in Sudbourne to discuss how we would want to run the Book Group.

**Kay Briggs (01394 459874)**

### **CARPET BOWLS**

A new season commences in September with the Orford Club meeting on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> in the Town Hall and the Sudbourne Club on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> in the Village Hall, both at 7.00pm. Both clubs will be very happy to welcome new players of any age. For further information, the contacts are:

Orford David Emeny, tel 01394 450687

Sudbourne Terry Bugg, tel 01394 450543

([gwenandterry@btinternet.com](mailto:gwenandterry@btinternet.com))

**David Emeny and Terry Bugg**

### **SUDBOURNE HALL CRICKET CLUB**

Our topsy-turvy season continues with a few wins and a few losses – two of each to be precise since the last update. This

secures us in sixth position in the league currently with two games in hand, so we're looking good for the business end of the season. There are only three more league games to go at the time of writing, and only one away, so we'll end up with the final two games at home which has proved slightly more advantageous this season!

We have a charity match v Celebrity Authors XI on Sunday 2 September, with a 1pm start following our penultimate league game v Yoxford on Saturday 1 September. So, there is double cricket that weekend for those who wish to come and support. The celebrity Authors XI should be a great event with monies raised going to the Alde & Ore Estuary Trust (AOET). We expect the EADT to be there too reporting on the game with a photographer following their recent article on 15 August. Please see [www.eadt.co.uk](http://www.eadt.co.uk) for further information. Final report for the season next time, so wish us luck for the remaining games!

**Scott Hunt – Club Captain**

### **CRICKET FANS**

The Authors v Sudbourne Hall Cricket Club will be playing cricket in aid of the Alde and Ore Estuary Trust on Sunday 2 September.

Some of our best-known authors including Sebastian Faulks, William Fiennes, Anthony McGowan, Richard Beard, Ben Falk, Matt Thacker, David Owen, Tom Holland, Jonathan Wilson, Jon Hotten and Andrew Lycett, captained by Charlie Campbell will be taking on Sudbourne. All welcome. Afternoon tea, proceeds for Alde and Ore Estuary Trust. Anyone who would like to donate a cake or sandwiches would be very welcome.

Contact **Clare Greenwell, 450440**

### **ORFORD SUMMER TENNIS TOURNAMENTS**

We were lucky with the weather for both of the tennis tournaments this year and also had the pleasure of playing on the newly resurfaced court. The Ladies Doubles took place on Tuesday 14 August and much to my surprise, after only a few weeks of playing again after having my shoulder replacement, I won with my excellent partner, Jeanette Pearce. The following afternoon six mixed couples competed and even though they had not met or played together before, the winners were Jeanette Pearce and Martin Fletcher. This is always an enjoyable event to organise eased along with a little Pimms. Both cups were presented at the Flower Show.

**Diana Grayburn**

### **ORFORD ORGAN PROJECT**

Readers of Village Voice will recall that in March 2017 the University of Southampton made a gift of the 1977 Peter Collins organ formerly housed at the Turner Sims Concert Hall – now redundant following a change of use at the Hall – to Orford Church. Last December the case, console and display pipes were installed in the church to allow the organ to be seen in its preferred location.

Following the decision of the Diocesan Advisory Committee not to recommend the granting of a Faculty for the installation, the PCC petitioned the diocesan law officer (Deputy Chancellor His Honour Judge Leonard) for this advice to be set aside. In doing so, the PCC had received widespread and fulsome support not just from the Orford community, but also from music organisations, and from public institutions such as the Church Buildings Council (the Church of England's own conservation

body). We have now received the welcome news that Judge Leonard has ruled in our favour – the necessary Faculty will be issued and the project can proceed.

The organ case will now be removed to the organ builder's works near Leicester, where it will be reunited with the pipework and mechanism. The organ has been in store for some years – therefore, following a detailed survey, it will require to be fully restored before being returned to the Church where it will be specifically voiced for its new home. Unlike its former concert hall location which had a rather dry atmosphere, the perfect acoustics of Orford Church will allow the brilliance of what will in effect be a new organ to be heard as never before.

The only physical changes to the church occasioned by the installation will be the removal of two benefactors' boards to a more prominent position in the church, and some strengthening of the floor in the north aisle which will be invisible to the naked eye.

In the meantime, a committee will be convened to manage the fundraising for the restoration. We hope that the organ will be returned to the church in early 2019 and fully commissioned by Easter.

Further details of the project, including opportunities to donate, can be obtained from me.

**Graeme Kay**, [kaysorford@pobox.com](mailto:kaysorford@pobox.com)

### POSSIBLE FUTURE PLANNING IN ORFORD

A site for new houses has been identified by Suffolk Coastal District Council. It forms part of the field on the right, as you enter Orford just before Mill Close (ref. SCLP12.53). Suffolk Coastal is asking for views on the proposal (part of the Draft Local Plan) **by 5pm on Friday 14 September**. (There is a notice about this along the path between Mill Close and the field though not many people might have seen this).

We accept that Suffolk Coastal District Council is required by the Government to build 545 dwellings a year and that Orford must take its share. Our concern is that Orford has already lost so many houses to become second homes and people buying to let – including many ordinary properties and former council houses. Whilst welcoming weekend and holiday visitors, too many second homes sap the sustainability of the village – the school, shops and transport all depend upon a viable permanent community.

What a dreadful mistake it would be to lose valuable farmland to a housing development only to see local people priced out by more second homes or people buying them as investment properties. Any new building should be done to keep the village alive at all times of the year. Other seaside towns and villages (in Cornwall and Northumberland) have already faced up to this problem.

We urge you to support our plea to Suffolk Coastal to impose a restriction that this and any other similar development should only be for people who will live in them full time and not for second homes. Do you agree? Please e-mail your views to [suffolkcoastallocalplan@eastssuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:suffolkcoastallocalplan@eastssuffolk.gov.uk), or write to Suffolk Coastal District Council, East Suffolk House, Riduna Park, Station Road, Melton, Woodbridge IP12 1RT. Please quote Suffolk Coastal District Council's reference which is SCLP12.53.

Views on the allocation can also be submitted online at <http://consult.suffolkcoastal.gov.uk/consult.ti>

Further information about the consultation on the First Draft Plan can be found at

<http://www.eastssuffolk.gov.uk/planning/local-plans/suffolk-coastal-local-plan/local-plan-review/>

For more information email: [suffolkcoastalplan@eastssuffolk.gov.uk](mailto:suffolkcoastalplan@eastssuffolk.gov.uk), or call 01394 444567

**Richard and Wendy Roberts, Gordon Wall, Johnny Oakes, Adrian Moss, Jamie Roberts, Frances Wardale, Matthew Smy (as a Parishoner), Richard Murphy, Katherine Murphy, Mary Iliff (as a Parishoner), Mary Birkett, Maggie Beale, Sylvia Maitland, Lindsey and Michael Bradshaw, Anna Hills, Louise Quirke, Andrew and Theresa Curtis, Audrey Boyle and Charley Beardall**

### THE PENINSULAR PRACTICE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER Health and Wellbeing Open Day

We are delighted to announce that The Peninsula Practice and our PPG will be holding our third event day at Hollesley Village Hall on 10<sup>th</sup> October 2018 between 2 and 5pm. There will be interactive stands from services available to all patients:

Healthwatch, One life Suffolk, Cruse Bereavement, Citizens Advice, St Elizabeth's Hospice, Mental Health Advice, Parkinson's Advice, a walk-in flu clinic, refreshments

*Please note no prescriptions will be available for collection at the event. Please look out for posters advertising the event.*

### **Surgery Closures**

Staff Meeting – Wednesday 5 September 2018 – 13.30-16.00,  
GP Closure PM – Thursday 13 September 2018 – 13.00-18.30

### CHAMBER MUSIC CONCERTS AT ORFORD TOWN HALL

I'd like to draw your attention to an exciting new series of chamber music concerts featuring outstanding professional musicians in Orford's beautiful Town Hall. Join us once a month this Autumn on Friday lunchtimes and enjoy superb performances of some of the greatest classical music. The performers have worked with the finest orchestras in the country. Why go to the Wigmore Hall when it's here on your doorstep!

*Dates for your diary:*

Fridays from 11:30am–12:30pm

7 September – Sudbourne Quartet – Mozart and Debussy

5 October – The Amaryllis Quartet – Britten and Brahms

2 November – The Ward Quartet – Haydn and Shostakovich

7 December – The Anime Trio – Music for flute, viola & harp

Tickets: £10, only £30 if 4 concerts booked in advance.

**Wendy Gudgin** E-mail: [gudginw@gmail.com](mailto:gudginw@gmail.com) Tel: 07903 269520



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