

LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – April 2022

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Sunday Services in the Levels Arc Benefice

Sunday 3 rd	09.30 am Informal (Lay Led) 10.20 am Zoom 11.00 am Holy Communion 06.30 pm Evensong	Pitney Muchelney Long Sutton
Sunday 10 th	8.00 am Holy Communion 11.00 am Holy Communion	Long Sutton Drayton
Good Friday 15 th	02.00 pm Vigil in Church	Long Sutton
Easter Sunday 17 th	11.00 am HC & Baptism 11.00 am Family HC 11.00 am Holy Communion	Long Sutton Pitney Muchelney
Sunday 24 th	11.00 am Morning Prayer	Long Sutton

During Holy Week at 08.00 pm on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday there will be Compline (night prayers) via Zoom. On Maundy Thursday at 07.00 pm there will be a service in Pitney church.

Wednesdays – 10.00 am HC or Morning Prayer at Holy Trinity Long Sutton

Fridays – 6.30 pm informal prayers at Holy Trinity Long Sutton (except Good Friday)

The church is open daily during daylight hours for visiting.

For information to join the Zoom services, contact Sue on 241-554 / suecreegan@outlook.com

Flowers and Brasses rota

Date	Flowers	Brasses
April 2 nd	Lent	Mrs Ellerbeck and Mrs Bond
April 9 th	Lent	
April 16 th	Easter Flowers	
April 23 rd	Mrs Ellerbeck	
April 30 th	Mrs Ellerbeck	
May 2 nd	Mrs Shepard	Mrs Walford and Mrs Brake

Coffee Mornings in the Church

On Saturday 5th March we held our Coffee Morning for the Charity **Age UK Somerset**, and raised **£740.65** for this local Charity. A really BIG thank you, to everyone that supports this monthly event, especially the Village Bakers, who provide wonderful cakes and produce. The well-known “Marmalade Maker” from Shute Lane, products, are often the first to be snapped up! Delicious Fayre. So don't miss out on catching up with Villagers and Friends, all are most welcome, at our next **future events below**.

- On Saturday 2nd April, we will be supporting the **Devon & Somerset Air Ambulance** who rely on the generosity of the public for support.
- On Saturday 7th May our Charity will be **Christian Aid**, who work with the World's poorest people, to tackle the causes and consequences

CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

– If you wish to be included on the Church Electoral Roll (& aren't already on it), please ask Douglas Hamilton (241-855) for a form (or pick one up from the church). These need to be completed &

returned to Douglas **before 15th May please**. **Note:-** The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held on **Tuesday 31st May** – you need to be on the Electoral Roll in order to vote!

Saturday 9th April – **CHURCH SPRING CLEAN** – 10am onwards. Please come and help – even if only for a short time. All volunteers hugely welcome!

Long Sutton WI

On Thursday 21st April at 7.30 p.m. we will be having a wooden flower making workshop with Sandie Appleby demonstrating her talents. The competition is for an unusual coin or money related item on that evening. Subs are also due of £44 for the year. On the 19th May we will be having a Jubilee Celebration evening, details to follow in next month's newsletter. We would also like to thank all the speakers, for making our International Women's Day event so special in March. We welcome all new members, so please do come along for a free taster. Contact Jane 241237 or Caroline (after 6.00p.m) if you would like to find out more and have a chat about what we do.

Long Sutton Cricket Club celebrates its 50th Anniversary during the 2022 season and would like to share our success with the village.

As we come out of the restrictions that the pandemic placed on all walks of life, we can reflect with pride on what has been achieved in the last two years. The 1st XI are now playing in the Premier Division of the Somerset Cricket league; the 2nd XI and Sunday XI continue to flourish; the Junior section, now in its 32nd season, coaches cricket to young people from 5-16 years of age with matches across a range of age groups; with the major on-field success being the evolution of the women's section that now attracts interest from over 20 women from the area. Over 130 players of all ages and genders are now involved with the Club that can be witnessed most evenings during the season as well as every Saturday, with the highlight being the Friday Night BBQs, where everyone is welcome.

We would like to thank all our Vice-Presidents and Sponsors for supporting the Club and look forward to welcoming new supporters this season. If you would like to know more about becoming a Vice-President, Sponsor or a Player, then please contact the Chairman, Rupert Cox on 241616 or by email to rupertandangie@btinternet.com

Community Platinum Party

Plans for our **Platinum Party**, to be held at the Long Sutton Village Hall on **Saturday 28th May**, are now taking shape. We hope this will be the perfect precursor to a week of local and national events to celebrate Her Majesty's 70 glorious years. Whilst not a fancy dress party, if guests would like to reflect either the platinum or Royal aspect of the event (or both!), this will all add to the fun. Live music will be provided by our local band **'Twisted Vinyl'**, the boys are already in rehearsal and have been briefed to provide a play list to appeal to all generations! Tickets, priced at £15 for adults and £10 for children are now on sale and are available from any of the FOLSC Trustees or from the Upton Bridge Farm Shop and entry will include a cold table supper. What else should be on offer but “Poulet Reine Elizabeth” now more widely known as “Coronation Chicken” that was created by Le Cordon Bleu Cookery School and was the main dish for the Coronation Luncheon in 1953? We expect this event to be an early sell out so don't delay in securing your tickets.

Please also remember that every pound raised by our Charity goes directly towards maintaining the fabric of Holy Trinity and the PCC are again in need of financial support from FOLSC, as much of the Church wiring has been found to be unsafe and needs to be urgently upgraded. In addition to supporting our social events we would love for you to become members, if you are not already. Just ask any of the Trustees when purchasing your party tickets for details or grab a membership form from the FOLSC noticeboard in the church entrance.

Tickets will also be on sale at the very social LS coffee mornings in both April and May. We look forward to seeing a wide cross section of our communities on 28th May for what we are assured will be a night to remember!

WEA Long Sutton

Booking is open for our **Day School** on **Saturday 30th April 10am to 4.30pm** at the village hall via this link <https://enrolonline.wea.org.uk/Online/2021/CourseInfo.aspx?r=C3533522> or quote the course Reference number **C353352** if you would rather book by telephone on **0300 303 3464**. The topic is **The Medieval Church** and the tutor is **Nick Griffiths**. Fee £25. (cheaper than previously quoted!) Full details about the course are on the WEA South West Website or contact Doreen or Stevie. It does look an interesting course, the tutor has a fascinating CV. which you will not find online, if you are interested in reading it please contact Doreen. We do want to get back to face to face courses so do come and join us.

Any Questions?

Doreen Harvey doreenharvey243@gmail.com or 01458 241711
Stevie Sales stephaniesales@btinternet.com or 01458 241855

Follow-up from the November Showcasing Exhibition.

The compilation album of photographs from the exhibition is available for you to borrow. Contact Doreen or Stevie. It will also be available shortly on the village website.

Long Sutton Parish Council meeting dates have changed for the next two months. The Parish Council will meet on Wednesday 13th April, and the agenda will be posted on the parish website approximately a week before. The following month, the Parish Council meeting will take place on Tuesday 17th May. Meetings take place in Long Sutton Village Hall, in the committee room, and the meetings are open for the public to attend.

Local Elections take place on Thursday 5th May 2022. Find out more about being a Parish Councillor, and how to stand for the election, by contacting Lisa Newby, Long Sutton Parish Clerk, at clerk@longsutton.org.uk or phone 07561 695671.

Classic cars

Village hall. Starting 13th April then 2nd Wednesday of the month

Singing through Time

Mid Wessex Choir are doing a Concert in Long Sutton Village Hall on 7th May 7.30
Tickets £10 available from Cobbs in Somerton or on the door.

BETTER BUS CHARTER FOR SOMERSET

We need to do something about improving our buses in Somerset. Our county currently has the second lowest level of bus journeys per resident of all the counties in England and Somerset's bus services have the very lowest level of passenger satisfaction in the country.

Residents of Somerset experience this every day, whether it's with difficulties getting to health services, reduced opportunities for those seeking work and further education or just the limited (if any) evening and Sunday bus services. As a result, we see ever increasing numbers of cars on our roads which causes higher levels of local air pollution and increase our carbon emissions.

Somerset Bus Partnership was formed just a year ago to campaign for better bus services across our county and already we have a Somerset-wide network of 115 town and parish transport representatives who share our passion for better buses.

Somerset residents have every right to expect better, but it will need funding.

We have developed a Somerset Bus Charter and invite not just Councillors but community groups, churches & residents to join with us & endorse it. Get in touch somersetbuspartnership@gmail.com

Please see the Long Sutton website for further information

LONG LOAD

LONG LOAD VILLAGE HALL EVENTS APRIL

There is No Parish Council Meeting in April.

Next meeting will be Tuesday 17th May 7pm for the AGM and 7:30pm for the General Meeting.
All are welcome.

Chinese Brush Painting Afternoon Wednesday 6th April 2:00pm – 4pm

Please contact Barbara Nieto for further information 01458 241284 if you would like to try it out

Crafty Folk Club Wednesday 13th April 2pm - Diamond Art

Please book for this event in order to make sure there is enough material for all.

Marsha 01458 241415 or email Marsha.White2@btinternet.com

Easter Events in the Village Hall

Good Friday April 15th

Riverside Walk with Victor & Nicola Slawski. 2.5 miles starting from the Village Hall. Stout footwear recommended. Hot Cross buns served from 10.45am, walk starts at 11am. Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome to accompany owners. Hot soups will be available on return from the walk.
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Good Friday April 15th 3pm – 4pm Quiet Hour time to meditate and relax.

All are welcome.

Sunday 17th 3pm – 4:30pm April Family Easter Egg Hunt to be linked with an around the Village Quiz.

Return to the hall with the clues and claim your Easter Egg (*Adults to be accompanied by a child*). Children pick up your clues for Village Hall at 3pm

Tea & Cake will be available to purchase for everyone in the village.

As always, donations of Cake would be warmly welcomed.

Please note that the hire charges for Long Load Village Hall will be £10 per session for Village Residents and £18 per session for non Long Load Residents. Effective from 1st April 2022

For more details or booking please contact Ann Campbell on 01458 241202

Are you community minded and would like to be involved with your future Village Hall events in Long Load. If so please contact any of the following committee members for further details.

Andy McKay, Ann Campbell, Nicola Slawski, Barbara Nieto, Marsha White Sophie Turpin, Sarah Badger.

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