



CHURCH SERVICES

2 nd	11.00am	Palm Sunday Holy Communion Service	St Marys	Dawn
4 th	19.00pm	Compline	St Marys	Coryne
7 th	20.00pm	Good Friday Tenebrae Service	St Mary's	Dawn
9 th	9.30am	Easter Holy Communion	All Saints'	Dawn
16 th	11.00 am	Communion Service	All Saints'	Coryne
23 rd	11.00am	Morning Service	All Saints'	Coryne
30 th	11.00 am	Benefice Service	Saxlingham	Dawn

Saxlingham church services

2nd 9.30am 9th 11.00am 16th 9.30am 23rd 8.00am HC 11.00am

Church flowers

All Saints Susie Hill, Kim Dyke South Window Trish Leighton

St Mary's Julia Moncrief, Christine Howes

What's On

2	Village walk	10.15am	Trinity hall
5	Parish Council meeting	7.30pm	Trinity hall
8	Burgers	1.00pm-9.00pm	The Globe
10	Easter funday	3.00pm	Church hill
14	Shotesham Film - Living	7.30pm	Trinity hall
16	Tour de Shotesham	11.15am	The Globe
18	SVA AGM	7.30pm	Trinity hall
19-22	Saxlingham play	7.30pm	Saxlingham village hall
20	Parochial Church Council AGM	7.00pm	All Saints church
22	Bowls afternoon	2.00-4.00pm	Bowling green
26	Mobile library	10.15am	Grove, 10.40am The Street
26	Garden group garden visit	10.00am	Trinity hall
28-5 th May	Art exhibition	10.30am	Earsham Mill
29	Bowls afternoon	2.00-4.00pm	Bowling green
30	Willow weaving	10.00am	Hillside
30	Village Walk	10.15am	Trinity hall

This month's Contact is dedicated to Raz, a great friend of Shotesham who'll be missed by all who knew him.



SHOTESHAM CONTACT

April 2023

Thought from Dawn

Easter is the time when Christians celebrate the good news at the heart of the faith. On Good Friday we remember the crucifixion – the death of Jesus as payment for the sins of the world....followed by Easter Sunday as we celebrate the resurrection – the gift of new life. God reveals his love in new beginnings, transformation, and hope.

The season itself joins the celebration as countryside and gardens are festooned with buds, and new shoots rise from the inertia of winter.

Those who investigate Christianity a little further – and enter a relationship with the risen Lord – will discover a whole range of resurrection experiences along the way. God delights to bring new life out of death...

the death of old destructive habits, the new life of better things. The removal of the burden of guilt, replaced by the freedom of forgiveness. A joy which becomes a real strength for all of life's challenges and makes the good times even better. We gain a security in knowing we are loved by God, who is always good and who will always be with us. And we are blessed with an inner tranquillity, that 'peace which passes understanding.'

The message of Easter is eternally fresh – the invitation of Christ is open to all. Will you accept the invitation and discover the gift that awaits....?

Please join us at one of our church services over Easter and find out more!

With every blessing

Dawn Team Rector dawndavidson@btinternet.com **01508 498924**

To allow efficient Air-source heating to be installed, St Mary's church Shotesham will be closed to visitors after 10th April. It will open once more for the service of Holy Communion at 11.00 am on Sunday 7th May.

Shotesham Parochial Church Council

"The Annual Meeting of Parishioners" and the "Annual Parochial Church Meeting" will take place on **Thursday 20th April at 7.00pm in All Saints church**. All parishioners are warmly invited but only persons whose names are entered upon the Church Electoral Roll of the parish are entitled to vote at the election of parochial representatives of the laity.

Shotesham Parish Council

Thank you to everyone who went litter picking again for the village. As always a large amount was collected-objects of all sizes-and this has now been taken away by SNDC.

If you are interested in applying to be on the council at the up and coming election, the deadline to hand in nomination papers at the district council offices at the Broadland business park is the **4th of April at 4pm**. The next **meeting of the Parish Council is on the 5th of April**.

A newly proposed bus timetable has been published and is available for comment. There is a copy of the proposed changes in the book box-telephone box -at the Grove. If you have feedback please send it directly to the bus company. details within the notice.

Raz Woollacott worked with the council for many years as the village tree warden. He will be missed.

Shotesham Village Association,

Along with all his friends in Shotesham and surrounding villages, the SVA committee and members were extremely saddened to hear of the death last month of our very good friend Raz Woollacott, following his relatively short battle with MND. Raz was at the centre of the SVA committee and its activities and all other things Shotesham for many, many years, giving happily of his time and array of skills to enhance the life of the village and its people. We have much to thank him for and he'll be very sadly missed by many, not least by his wife Laura and his family and our thoughts are with them.

One of Raz's legacies will be Shotesham Screen which this month shows the acclaimed and poignant 'Living', see below for details:

Shotesham Screen presents

Living - Starring Bill Nighy

A simple, beautifully made film on the meaning of life - 102mins
Led by Bill Nighy's perfect performance, *Living* is a movie that will leave you reflecting on the things you appreciate in your own life.

Friday 14th April 7.30 Trinity Hall, Ice cream on sale.

Tickets £5 from Ken - 07880801674 or resotan@aol.com

Please book beforehand as it's likely to be busy.

Shotesham Village Association,

April's normally a busy month and this one is no exception with something for everyone, and hopefully one thing for everyone!

The SVA AGM will be on **TUESDAY 18TH APRIL** (not the Thursday as reported last month!). Come along to the **Trinity for a 7.30 start** and share your views, ideas and a glass of wine. It's also contribution time again and, despite of rampant inflation all around us, it continues to be recommended at £3 per person. See attached leaflet for details and methods of payment. Thanks in advance, the SVA.

Not quite SVA but on **Easter Saturday 8th April at The Globe**, we have the **Return of the Burger!** Simon & Martin will be cooking and serving their very own burgers, with flavours and fillings to suit everyone. Serving from 1pm - 9pm or when they run out!

Easter Monday - 10th April at 3pm will see the usual Easter activities for the children (and adults!) at All Saints Church, with eggy hunts, crafts and races. And our annual village bike ride - **The Tour de Shotesham** will be on **Sunday 16th April** and once again there'll be a category for E-bikes! Register from 11.30 for a 12am start, or register with Simon in advance, email - simonnisbet27@gmail.com

On **Coronation day**, the intention is to set up a screening of the ceremony on Saturday 6th May in the Trinity, actual timings yet to be announced but probably around 10am. Tea, coffee and cake will be served, and we'll toast the newly crowned King at the appropriate time. On Sunday 7th (weather dependant) we will have a 'bring your own picnic' evening starting around 6.30pm at St Mary's Church, where we'll light our Beacon and also drink a toast, but mostly it'll again be a time for neighbours and friends to gather and celebrate. Bubbles will be provided for both toasts.

Shotesham Bowls Club OPEN DAYS

Bowls is the game where everyone has an equal chance regardless of age or gender. We are lucky in Shotesham, we have a green in Brooke Road much admired by visiting teams. We start the season with **open days on Saturday 22nd and 29th April at 2pm** when everyone is welcome to come and meet club members over a cup of tea, and those who would like to try the game can borrow woods and be shown how to bowl them. All you need to bring is a pair of shoes with flat soles. We hope to see you there. For more information see www.shotesham.com

Garden Group

Two things to tempt you this month.

Firstly, on **Wednesday April 26th** we have organised a guided tour of the lovely gardens at The Place for Plants, East Bergholt. The tour costs £10 per person. We will be car sharing so meet outside the Trinity at 10am. This is open to everyone, but we need to let them know numbers so if you would like to come, please contact Sue Astbury on 550377 or

susan.astbury49@btinternet.com

Secondly, on **Sunday April 30th 10am** onwards Christine Burton will be running her spring willow weaving workshop in her Potting Shed, Hillside, The Common, Shotesham. We will be providing soup but any cakes, flapjacks etc would be very welcome. Don't forget secateurs. Cost £5 Contact Christine for more info on 550364

Saxlingham Players 'And Then There Were None' by Agatha Christie 19th to 22nd April

The play takes place on a fictitious island off the coast of Devon. It is a very exciting murder mystery with multiple 'bodies'! The performances are **Wednesday 19th April to Saturday 22nd April at 7-30pm** Saxlingham Nethergate village hall. Please book by telephoning Paul or Amelia on 01508 498 392 between 9am and 9pm. Tickets £8

An update from Jill who is in Turkey regarding the Turkey earthquake victims appeal

We went to a local school with an English friend who lives here to meet Ozge, a teacher who is directly involved with supporting the earthquake victims, in particular children from a school in the affected area of the earthquake. She was delighted with all the bags for children that we gave her and thanks all who donated towards them. She said they will go on one of the lorries and she will make sure she sends some photos when the children receive them. She became quite emotional about it all. We have made a donation to the organisation she is involved with as well because they work directly with supporting the victims of the earthquake.

Walking group 2nd & 30^h April 10.15am Trinity hall

No leaders as such, so just turn up at the Trinity at 10.15 with any ideas of routes we might take. As usual, no need to book! **No walk in May**, so next walk is **June 4th** - a walk around Southwold with lunch at the Sail Loft for those that fancy it. I will need numbers in order to book a table! Please contact me on judieharrison52@aol.com

Shotesham Art Group Exhibition: "People, Places, Things" April 28th-May 5th Merlina Arts Gallery Earsham Heritage Mill Church Road Earsham NR35 2TQ

An exhibition of work by the Shotesham Art Group will be held at the Merlina Gallery in Earsham, close to Bungay (at the site of the old mill, formerly Atlantic Country Store). The Gallery will be open for viewing from Friday 28th April until Friday 5th May from 10:30 am. A large variety of work will be on show, so please come along! This is a new gallery on an industrial site undergoing development so the more support the better, particularly for artists in the area. There is also a café close by overlooking the old mill race. Wally and Nick

Shotesham Park – Venue Open Day, May 7th from 11am to 2pm

After many years of planning, the Grade II listed Stables at Shotesham Park have been transformed into a wonderful new venue. Kelly and Ed Bailey invite you to join them for a cup of tea and cake to celebrate the launch and have a look around. The event will be held at The Old Stables, NR15 1UX from 11am to 2pm. There is no charge and all are welcome. Please RSVP to info@shoteshampark.co.uk. We look forward to seeing you there.

Thanks to Trish Leighton who has compiled the Shotesham Trade Directory which is included with this issue.

SHOTESHAM VILLAGE **ASSOCIATION**

Membership Application – 2023

I/We apply for annual membership of the Association (minimum donation of £3.00 per person per annum)

Name(s) (in block capitals please):

Address:

Tel No:

E-mail:

If possible, can you please pay your membership contribution by bank transfer to account name Shotesham Village Association, A/C no. 23782145, sort code 60-15-31. Please use reference of your surname & SVA (e.g. Munro SVA).

Or return the completed form to Ken Munro, Flint Cottage, The Common, Shotesham All Saints. NR15 1YD with cash subscription or a cheque payable to Shotesham Village Association.