

CHURCH SERVICES

July

2	11.00.a.m.	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	Sally
9	9.30 a.m.	"My Church" Morning Service	St. Mary's	John
18	11.00 a.m.	Holy Communion	All Saints	Dawn
23	9.30 a.m.	Service of the Words	All Saints	Dawn
30	11.00a.m.	Matins	St. Marys	David Lancaster

Saxlingham 2nd 11.00am, 9th 11.00am 18th 9.30am 23rd 8.00am HC
30th 18.00pm Evensong in the Ruins

August

6	11.00.a.m.	Holy Communion	St. Mary's	Sally
13	9.30a.m.	"My Church" Morning Service	St. Mary's	John
20	11.00a.m.	Holy Communion	All Saints	Dawn
27	9.30a.m.	BCP Matins	All Saints	David Lancaster

Saxlingham , 6th 9.30am HC, 13th 11.00am, 20th 9.30am 27th 8.00am HC

CHURCH FLOWERS

July Flowers – All Saints- Jennifer Walters / Joan Oldman

South Window Pat Harris

St. Mary's Valerie Crowle, Britt Riches

August Flowers- All Saints Sylvia Harmer / Jane Blease

South Window Ros Dix

St Mary's Fanny Wallis, Sandra Coles,

WHAT'S ON

July

2	Village walk- Lopham fen	10.00 Trinity hall
8	Village fayre	3-8.30pm Playing field
15	Village Market	10 – 12 Trinity hall
21	Garden group evening	7.00pm Rectory farmhouse
25	Mobile library	Afternoon
29	Church hill raking	from 9.30am All Saints'
30	Open garden	11-5 Brick Kiln House

August

19	Churchyard conservation	from 9.30am
22	Mobile Library	Afternoon

Please check our website www.shotesham.com for all the latest information

Thanks to Heather Madgett a former village resident who has kindly sponsored this edition of 'Contact'



SHOTESHAM CONTACT

July and August 2017

Thought from Dawn

I remember my parents telling me about how during the last war, there was a strong sense of community – a unique feeling of togetherness. As people stood with one another through difficult and dangerous times so new friendships were established and existing friendships deepened. We've seen something of this as people have responded with compassion and support following each of the tragedies that have been in the news recently. When evil strikes, most respond with overwhelming goodness and a desire to help those who have been affected. We want to put things right for people, to let them know that they are loved, valued and cared for. Perhaps these incidents help us to recognise our own vulnerability and remind us of the fragility of life.

Whenever there is suffering, questions are raised about the love and goodness – or even the existence - of God. Such questions cannot be fully satisfied in this life. Although there are plenty of sound theological arguments which can fuel endless debate and set us off in deep philosophical discussion. Perhaps a good place to start is to know that God sent his only Son out of his love for us, to show his love for us, to enable us to come to know him for ourselves and to give us the promise of a new and better life beyond this one. Meanwhile, he calls us to live our lives to the full – even while helping others to do the same.

May we all know the love and peace of God.

Dawn Team Vicar dawn@tasvalley.org 01508 498924

Thanks to everyone for their generosity and to Raz and Laura who organised the Big Breakfast which was such a successful community get together, enjoyed by all. An incredible amount of £745 was raised which will go to the Chernobyl Children's Helpline.

Parish Council

We have arranged another training morning on the use of the defibrillator. The date set is Saturday 9th of September from 10 am until 1 pm. Please just drop in and spend some time familiarising yourself with the machine, guided by an experienced trainer. Everyone is welcome- please try to come.

☀️☐Shotesham☀️☐Summer☀️☐Fayre☀️ - Saturday July 8th.

This year's Fayre is designed with families in mind, with some old favourites & new events and activities for children of all ages! See enclosed programme for full details. But we do need your help with marquees and tents before and after the Fayre, if you can offer assistance with this or in any other way, please contact razwoolacott@gmail.com
Other future events being considered are, a Children's Nature Walk, an impromptu picnic (weather dependant), a wine tasting evening and a possible day at the races. Look out for details on our website - www.shotesham.com.

Village Market Saturday July 15th 10-12 Trinity hall.

Lots of stalls selling Local pork, local veg, honey, lemon curd, cakes, craft, eggs, secondhand books, handmade cards, dressed dolls, avon. Bric a brac stall. Proceeds for the charity 'Nelsons Journey'. Any Bric a brac please drop off Hillside Farm, or contact Gwen Jackson 01508 550337 /07788932646 I could collect.

Shotesham Garden Group July Meeting

On Friday July 21st 7pm onwards you are invited to come and enjoy a summer evening, and a drink of something, in the Astbury's garden, **Rectory Farmhouse, The Street, Shotesham**. A chance to meet with other gardeners, exchange ideas and problems and put forward suggestions for next year's events. There may be plants available, and if you have any to donate please contact Sue.

We will be supporting Strong Roots, a Norwich based therapeutic gardening project. Everybody welcome, phone 550377 for more details.

Village walk- Picnic Walk 2nd July. Lopham Fen.

Tim and Helen have checked out the walk . It takes 40 mins to get there. Could we meet at 10 am Trinity for a prompt 10.15 am departure. The walk will take 1.5 to 2 hours. They request that dogs are kept on a lead. Don't forget your picnic.

OPEN GARDEN Brick Kiln House, Sunday 30th July 11-5pm.

Brick Kiln House, Priory Lane. We are opening again this year for the National Garden Scheme. Last year we raised an amazing £2,800 for the scheme which supports nursing charities. There will be homemade teas and plant sales. £5 admission. *Jim and Jenny Clarke*

Volunteers are needed to help with conservation cutting and raking up on the following dates (weather permitting):-

Church hill raking up **29th July from 9.30am**

St Mary's and St Martin's Churchyards **19th August from 9.30am**

3-Ponds Meadow - cutting **16th September**

- raking up **23rd September**

Refreshments and tools will be provided. Wear suitable footwear/gloves For further information contact Bernie Fenn 558407

email floracot@btinternet.com

Look out for further notification of dates in the autumn for sessions at Stubbs Green and the village pond.

A few of us braved the showers to collect seeds from the roadside banks on 17th May. These will be dried off and grown on for planting in various conservation areas in the village

A Trades' Directory for Shotesham with small personal ads.

is issued twice a year in September and March. The fee for a trade entry is £10.00 per year for both issues or £3.00 to place a small personal ad.

To advertise please contact Ruth Maddison 01508 558701 ruthemaddison@gmail.com . The entry should be up to 3 lines on A5 at this sized text (extra fee for more lines) Entries by 15th August please to be included in September "Contact".

Sponsored churches cycle ride Saturday 9th September

The Norfolk Churches Trust: Bike: Walk: Drive in the Norfolk Countryside. Annual Event on Saturday 9th September 9am to 5pm Details from Trish Leighton 01508 558487 should you wish to take part. Volunteers that can sit in Church for 1 hour on this day please contact Trish.

WEA Saxlingham Nethergate Village Hall.

Thursdays 1.30-3.00 for 9 weeks starting mid September Fee £48. All welcome. Contact Thelma hope for more details tel. 550368

SHOTESHAM SUMMER FAYRE

Saturday 8th July 3.00-8.30pm

(gates open at 2.30)

On the Village Playing Field

This year we're doing things a little differently with an exciting mix of old favourites and new attractions to create a real **Family Day Out**.

The Fayre will open at **3pm** with the arrival of **2 Western Horses and Riders**, and one will be offering **free Pony Rides for kids** for a limited time. **Please note-all dogs must be kept on leads while horses are on site.**

Throughout the afternoon there will be **Classic Cars, Plant Stall, a Jungle Run Obstacle Course** (bouncy castle). As well as **Face Painting, Helium Balloons and Ice Creams.**

Timings include:

3.00 - 5.00 - Face Painting

3.45 - Auntie Gwen's Story Telling (for kids of all ages!)

4.00 - The ever popular **Dog Show**, including the **best fancy dress** class

5.00 - Traditional Races, and a new addition....the **Slow Bike Race**...so bring your bike!

6.40 - 8.00 - to round off the day there will be a **Rounders Match,Tug of War** and a slippery **Water Slide** (bring a spare 'T' shirt!).

8.30 - All over till next year :((

Bring your Teddy Bear all dressed up and leave him/her with their friends to enjoy the **Teddy Bears Picnic** with judging at **5.45pm** and prizes for the best dressed bear!

Entrance to the **Fayre is free** for everyone, but for the hungry ones there will be a **Fish & Chip Van** on site from **4.30 - 6.30**, and to guarantee you can get some, you will need to **buy tickets:-**

Fish and Chips - £6.

Fishcake or Sausage and Chips - £4.00

Tickets available from Ken Munro **07880801674** or **Christine Howes 01508 558458** from 14th June onwards.

As always there will scrumptious **Cakes and Tea** available, and there will be a **Bar** open throughout the event.