



CHURCH SERVICES

5 11.00a.m. Holy Communion St. Mary's Dawn
 12 9.30a.m. 'My Church' Service St. Mary's John Torbitt & Dawn
 19 11.00a.m. Helpers Service All Saints Dawn
 26 9.30a.m. Word Service All Saints Sally
Saxlingham services – 5th 9.30am, 12th 11.00am, 19th 9.30am
 26th 8.00am HC 11.00am

CHURCH FLOWERS

All Saints- Trish Leighton, Britt Riches
South Window -Sue Astbury / Christine Burton
St. Mary's- Christine Howes, Bernie Fenn,

WHAT'S ON

31	May	Mobile library	3.00-4.25pm
7		Walking group	10.00am Trinity hall
8		Garden group	7.00pm Skeets hill farmhouse
10		Nick Astbury talk	7.30pm Trinity hall
11		Art workshop	11.00-2.00pm All Saints Church hill
12		Queen's 90 th afternoon tea	3.00-5.00pm Grove farmhouse
18		Saxlingham Ceilidh	7.00pm Hall farm
25		Educate Peru event	7.00pm Saxlingham
26		Walking group	10.15am Trinity hall
28		Mobile library	3.00-4.25pm

www.shotesham.com for all the latest information.

The next 'Contact' will be a joint July /August issue - items to the editor Pat Harris, Hill Cottage, Rogers Lane- 01508 550672 by the 15th June please. Or e-mail at hill.cottage@btinternet.com

The June edition of Contact is sponsored by the Yuill family in celebration of their daughter Jemimah's 18th birthday this month, with thanks to God.



SHOTESHAM CONTACT

JUNE 2016

Thought from Dawn

Happy Birthday your Majesty!

You cannot have failed to notice that Queen Elizabeth recently celebrated her 90th birthday. Her actual birthday was on 21st April - her official birthday this year falls on 11th June. In a year when we've had a large number of celebrity deaths, it's encouraging to see our Queen still going strong!

Elizabeth is now the longest reigning monarch in British history, having just overtaken Victoria by one year. She has been (and is) a wonderful ambassador for our nation and an inspiration to her people. She is Supreme Governor of the Church of England but more than this, she is a woman of faith.

In her 2014 Christmas broadcast she spoke of the life of Jesus as being: ...an inspiration and an anchor in my life. A role model of reconciliation and forgiveness, he stretched out his hands in love, acceptance and healing. Christ's example has taught me to seek to respect and value all people of whatever faith or none.

Before her Coronation, Elizabeth asked the people of the United Kingdom and Commonwealth to: Pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be making, and that I may faithfully serve him and you, all the days of my life.

Recently she wrote: As I enter my 91st year, I remain eternally grateful for those prayers, and to God for his steadfast love. I have seen his faithfulness to me, as I have sought to serve.

God save our gracious Queen! **Dawn**

Don't forget the invitation to tea at the Jackson's garden on the 12th June 3-5pm to celebrate the birthday.

Parochial Church Council At the Parochial Church Council annual general meeting in April churchwardens elected were John Torbitt and Jane Blease. The treasurer is Bob Harris.

Shotesham Parish Council

Please see the attached flier for details of the Queen's birthday celebration. The annual Parish Meeting was held on the 4th of May, and a copy of the minutes including the Chairman's annual report is on the website. www.shotesham.com We had two presentations at the meeting and as a result the P.C. will discuss the possibility of a link with Five +, a voluntary group based in Poringland. In addition we will be seeking to identify those who would be particularly disadvantaged during a power cut. This would be with a view to registering them with the U.K.powernetwork so that they would receive prompt support if the occasion arose. For any more information on the above you can speak to a Parish Councillor- Their names are listed on the village notice board or on the website.

Shotesham Garden Group June meeting.

June 8th Wednesday. 7pm in Gill and David Tewson's garden. Skeets Hill Farm, Shotesham St Mary, NR15 1UR Tel: 492424. Chat about the experience of gardening for television with Monty Don. Glass of wine and donation to charity.

Shotesham Village Association – We are busy preparing for the 2016 summer fete on **Saturday 2nd July**. The theme this year is Shotesham heritage. There will be an exhibition of photographs and archive information, a display of artefacts collected by a local metal detectorist as well as the usual ever-popular dog show, games, races, tea tent, tug-of-war and fish and chips and beer tent. Look out for more details on the shotesham.com website. The Heritage Trail, which was so successful in 2000, is being updated and will include more interesting properties around the village. Information boards will be appearing soon. We will, as usual, be looking for volunteers to provide cakes, help on the day and strong people to help erect the marquees. **Contact Bernie Fenn floracot@btinternet.com to volunteer.**

We are also preparing for an art competition and exhibition of local artwork at The Old Methodist Chapel. In preparation, we are organizing a workshop on **Saturday 11th June** to inspire people of all ages to take part. See separate flier and website for information.

On Friday 10th June Nick Astbury will be giving a talk at Trinity Hall 7.30pm. Nick will be telling us all about his work at St John Eye Hospital in Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza. There will be food and a collection for the eye hospital.

Bellringing: We need more bellringers. If you may be interested to learn, visit one of our practice evenings to see what we do. Age 14 to 60+ Monday evenings starting at 7.30pm at All Saints church (Go up the spiral staircase at the **back** of the church.) More info. Bob Harris 550672

Walking group

Tuesday 7th A walk led by The Upton (Nr Acle) Walking Group with lunch at The White Horse Community Pub in the Village. Meet for car share at 10.00 a.m. at The Trinity. More details later.

Sunday 26th. SUMMER PICNIC WALK. Ronnie to lead – walking around Loddon. Meet at 10.15 a.m. for lift share.

Saxlingham Midsummer Ceilidh Hall Farm, The Green, Saxlingham. Sat. 18th June 7pm - 11pm Hog roast and pudding Bar, Raffle and Skittles Children 12yrs+ (under parental supervision) Tickets £12.50 from Carolyn Rush 01508 498248 familyrush@hotmail.com Jo and Alec Stevenson 01508498470.

Educateperu's June Jaunt on Saturday June 25th

This is a safari style supper where we start and finish at Saxlingham village hall but eat in different venues in Saxlingham for each of the 3 courses. Don't worry, I organise it - all you have to do is buy your ticket for £16 from Jill - 498050 (or call at Nurses Cottage) and this includes a glass of wine. All proceeds go to support Educateperu

Trustees of Shotesham Common

As we have been unable to complete necessary repairs to the internal fencing on the south end of the Common, due to the very wet conditions this spring. There will be no cattle on this end (nearest All Saints' church) until the repairs have been done, probably towards the end of the summer. There is no need, therefore, to make sure gates are secured on this part of the common.

Mobile Library 31st May 28th June There have been some slight changes to the times of the mobile library. The new times are 3.00pm Trinity, 3.25pm Grove, 3.45pm Church hill, 4.05-4.25 The Street

April Piano Concert. Thanks to Shell UK who have given us a "Community Support Grant" of £250 as an additional donation to E.A.C.H. in recognition of the money raised by the audience at the concert.

