

Guilden Sutton Community Association Marigold

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A NEW CALENDAR FOR THE VILLAGE HALL

ne of the things we have not been very successful with for some time is a calendar for the village hall, showing the groups who use the hall and when they are there. We used to have a printed one on the notice board at the hall (old fashioned, I know), but it was difficult to keep up to date.

ost of our Users have regular bookings, so there is not much change to the calendar. But there are some changes from time to time. And some Users have regular times and dates, but there are gaps now and then.

or example, the Players have 2 regular bookings a week throughout the year to rehearse for the plays they put on. However, after the plays have finished, they have a rest before starting rehearsals again for the next play. In the few weeks they are not using the hall, other people can book the hall and take advantage of the short time the hall is not being used for those days. Those booking slots would still be used by the Players when they started rehearsing again.

oading the data onto the website is a long-winded process and it may take some time to enter all the times into the calendar. However, all the Regular Users are co-operating marvelously in updating the information.

The calendar is the brain child of one of the Players, Clive Albany, who had the original idea and has worked through the problems he met when setting it up. The calendar has now been set up on the village website for all to see. It is a very professional entry: it is clear to read, colourful and attractive.

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I f you go on the village website, you will be able to see the excellent job done by our Webmaster, Brian Lewin. The website is a great advertisement for the village. Brian has also been very helpful in enabling Clive to add the hall calendar to the website for the village.

The process will be to look at the hall calendar and check if the hall is available when you want to use it. If it is, you then send an Email to Matt, our Booking Secretary on swillagehallbookings@gmail.com or ring the mobile on 07967 361452. Matt will then get back to you as soon as he can and arrange for the calendar to be updated with your booking.

ake sure you have a look at the new calendar. It will tell you what is going on at the hall and give you some ideas of the many groups you could join and when they operate. The hall is an excellent asset for the village and provides first class facilities for lots of different groups. Hall rates to book it are very reasonable and I am sure you will be delighted, if you haven't used it before.

Derek Hughes

Results of the Village Lottery -Drawn 14 January for quarter ended November 2016

The village lottery is drawn every quarter with proceeds used to help with the running of the Village Hall.

The cost is £3.25p per quarter which buys a number for entry into the draw which takes place every three months.

Prizes start at £100 for the first number drawn, with other prizes ranging down to £10.

For further details please contact the promoter:- John Riley, 8 Wood Croft, Tel: 01244 300849

£100	219	Mrs H Duffy	£10	128	J Baird
£10	13	M Meynell	£10	85	R M Armitage

Clubs and Societies

Cinema Club

Unfortunately, we were unable to get the film "Moanna" for our February film due to the late release to our supplier. So instead we showed "Trolls" on

Saturday 4th February 2017. Numbers were again down, possibly to do with the rugby, which was disappointing.

We cannot keep operating at a loss so please support our efforts as it is great seeing the children watching the films with their friends. Our Cinema company are unable to match with the hall on dates for the next term, so we are unable to have another cinema this term. So we will be looking for September/October before half term

We could do with some assistance, so if you are interested in helping out please contact any of us.

Trisha Paterson 300307, Sue Davies 300320, Sue Ringstead 303125



Indoor Bowls Club

Our indoor bowling season has now finished for the summer break. The team have had mixed results in the Cheshire Villages Indoor Bowls Tournament with some good wins & narrow defeats.

We reached the quarter finals and drew 3-3 with Rixton who went through to the semis with a better aggregate score. However we did have something to celebrate when Bill Peel, partnered by a lady from Latch Dennis, won the pairs competition

We will start again at the beginning of September on Friday evenings, in the Village Hall from 7.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

Jill Beavan (Secretary) Tel: 301015

Talkabout

Last year's programme went very well with November's craft evening being well attended and lots of fun. Making candle holders, cards and various decorations got us in the Christmas mood and the wine helped! A big 'Thank you' to 'Totallyintoart' in Vicars Cross.

December was our annual Secret Santa evening which, as usual, was well attended and proved to be a great fun evening.

We held our after Christmas meal at the Cheshire Cat and it was a good choice. They were more than helpful in arranging tables, brilliant service and super food. An excellent evening so thanks to the organisers Val and Lynne. Also in January, several of us went to Manchester to see 'Billy Elliot' in the Palace theatre. It was a super production with some stunning dancing.

As I write we have just had February's meeting, organised and delivered by Janet. Wow! It was brilliant! She had baked various Turkish foods for us to sample, dips, breads, sweets, etc. We also had a quiz to complete, the answers to which were given in Janet's talk about Turkey. I, for one, didn't realise that Turkey borders 8 countries! Check that out. It is certainly a fascinating country with so much history, sites of interest, gorgeous coastline, good food and bargains to be found in markets.

Our March event is a talk by David Cummings entitled 'The Story of Bridge Street', giving 2000 years of change. It should be good.

Our spring and summer meetings are listed below and of course we will be active at the Village Fair in July with the cake stall as usual.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact any committee member listed below.

Ann ---01244 300178 Val J ----01244 300823 Val C--01244 300345 Janet ---01244 301362 Lynne ----01244 300890

Val Christmas

Our programme for the next few months is:

Date & Venue	Subject/Activity	
April 19th 33. Oaklands.	Hospice fundraising evening – beetle drive, raffle, bring and buy.	
May 17th 9. The Dell.	Talk by Aileen Dunlop on Ladies Barbershop singing.	
June 21st 3. School Lane	Strawberries, wine and a quiz.	
July 19th	Treasure Hunt, details to follow.	

Women's Institute

Our last Speaker for 2016 was Keith Birkett who enlighten members on the history of Roberts Bakery" of Northwich, from its early beginnings, as a small village shop, to the successful large factory, supplying wholemeal bread, white bread and their own Little Treats far and wide in the UK

Our new year started in January, with our annual and very enjoyable lunch at the Mill Hotel in Chester.

In February we visited Little Stanney WI to see their brilliant and hilarious annual pantomime "Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs" and four members took part in Cheshire WI's annual Quiz competition at Tarvin. Unfortunately they didn't win, but enjoyed the evening.

Our February speaker was Chris Quartermaine from the Granary Health Shop in Chester. Chris brought an array of heath products to show members and informed us of all the vitamins and health products we should be taking to keep us fit and healthy

In March, Peter Solan from "The Lion Salt Works" in Northwich, gave us a very interesting insight and history of the salt works, and which after a four year project, with the aid of Lottery Money, has been restored to a top tourist venue.

Forthcoming meetings:-

4th April "Anecdotes of a Registrar" by Mrs Carol Codd

2nd May Resolutions evening

6th June "Bloodbikes"

4th July "The Servants of Erddig" by Jill Burton

Visitors and new members are always welcome. We meet in the Marigold Room on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm.

For further information please contact Jill Beavan on 01244 301015.



Rambling Group

The year started with a walk on Friday 20th January to Hilbre Island off West Kirby. This is becoming traditional for the first walk of the year.

Following an inauspicious start, leaving Guilden Sutton in very misty conditions, the mist lifted as we approached West Kirby and we were greeted with bright sunshine, as predicated by the weather forecast! The sun stayed out for our entire walk. It was cold but none-the-less very enjoyable, there were significant numbers of birds to be seen from the main island. We returned to go for lunch to Tanskey's restaurant in West Kirby.

Our next venture on 15th February started from Frodsham, taking in the Sandstone Trail up to the obelisk on the top of Frodsham Hill, then through the woodland trails to Woodhouse Hill and on via Snidley Moor Wood, still on the Sandstone Trail, to a path up to Manley Road. We then went further up the hill to join the Delamere Way, then back to Manley Road, cutting off across the fields past the golf course to return to Frodsham. All in all a very interesting walk.

By the time this is published we will have been on our next walk from Conwy Castle up onto the hills behind Conwy, which promises glorious views of Conwy and across the estuary to Llandudno.

The developing programme of walks for 2017 is published on the Guilden Sutton website (follow link to Ramblers from the Living Here link on the Home page), all the dates for 2017 are listed and walk details are being added as they are developed.

From April there will be walks every fortnight with breaks during the school holidays. There will be a mixture of short, easy walks and others of a longer and/or more challenging nature.

If you would like to join us you can email us at <u>rambling@guildensutton.org.uk</u> or via contact details available on the Ramblers webpage.

Richard Batterham



Badminton Club (Seniors & Juniors)

The Badminton Club plays in the Village Hall from September until the end of April.

Club nights are:

Seniors - Monday and Tuesday evening from 8.00pm - 10.00pm

Juniors - Wednesday evening from 6.30pm - 8.00pm

The Seniors continue to have good membership support for Mondays but we are still struggling to attract new members to play on Tuesday evening. So if you have played some badminton before, or any other racket sport and would like to give it a try you will be made very welcome.

We have a great facility in the Village Hall so why not come along and enjoy the social nature of the club whilst taking some gentle exercise. It's a very enjoyable way of keeping fit.

If you are interested in joining the Senior Section please contact Peter Evans on 300890 or just turn up on a Monday evening to find out more.

The Junior Section is currently running at capacity with 11-12 junior members playing regularly. However, it's always good to have a waiting list ready as members move on, so please do ask to add your child's name, if they're interested – Year 5+.

The weekly sessions are run by parents on a rota, but we're keen to increase the amount of coaching, so we'd also welcome further help from experienced badminton players.

Please call Dave Hudson (07850 819393) if you can help with any coaching for the Junior Section or to add your child to the waiting list.

Peter Evans Dave Hudson



Guilden Sutton Preschool

Guilden Sutton preschool has a brand new team after saying Goodbye to both Caroline and Alison at the end of January.

Recently we held a Stay and Play session to properly introduce ourselves and so parents could see what we get up to at preschool.

Charlotte, the new manager holds her Early Years Teacher Status and has over 12 years experience in childcare. Jules has over 10 years experience in a variety of child based settings. This month we also welcome our other new assistant – Jane, previously a teacher, has worked in private day nurseries for the last 18 years.

For the rest of term, at the children's request, our topic is Fantasy - therefore we will be looking at things like princesses, knights, dragons, castles and pirates! We plan to transform the role play area into a castle, provide lots of opportunities to dress up, design and build our own 3-d castles using a variety of materials, create treasure maps, count gold coins and much more! We will also be getting ready for Easter by making our own Easter bonnets and having a little parade. The date for our annual Spring fair is to be announced soon and is not to be missed!!

We also hope to have a real fire engine to visit in the coming weeks, as well as author Darron Rogers who is visiting to read his new book 'Shout out to Boo2!' Other plans for the future include; developing our outside area with the addition of a water wall, music area, planting potatoes, tomatoes and herbs and the children will be planting Spring flowers in the raised beds outside the post office.

We aim to expand our community network by visiting the local church and develop stronger School links in order to support the children who are going to school in September.

Please contact the Preschool on 07717942843 (session time only) or guildensuttonpreschool@gmail.com for more details if you are interested in your child attending this lovely local setting.

Charlotte Venables



Guilden Sutton Players

As always, Thank You to everybody who came to see "Separate Tables" last November. It is a thought provoking play, and although it is set in the 1950s, the message about tolerance and bigotry is just as relevant, if not more so, for today. It was well staged and performed by the Players, and received many compliments.

Our next play is very special, and we are delighted to be the first amateur group in the North West of England to be granted a Licence to perform the wonderful:

"One Man Two Guvnors" By Richard Bean Directed by Anna Morris and Sarah Bell Wed 17th - Sat 20th May 7.45 pm Guilden Sutton Village Hall

It is an hilarious English adaptation of "The Servant of Two Masters" by Carlo Goldoni, and is a glorious celebration of British comedy: laugh-out-loud satire, songs, slapstick and glittering one-liners.

This play has won many awards and has had a long and highly successful run on the professional stage, including the West End and Broadway (even Hong Kong!) and the version with James Corden in the lead part was particularly brilliant. After the production in the National Theatre, the Guardian newspaper described it as "A triumph of verbal and visual comedy, one of the funniest productions in the National's history".

It is set in Brighton in the early 1960s and features Francis Henshall, an out of work skiffle band player, who ends up being employed by two different men. Francis has to stop them from meeting each other to avoid either of them learning that Francis is working for someone else. Chaos results!! We even have a live band playing for your entertainment, so do come along and enjoy a great night out. There will be the usual wine bar and all seats have an excellent view.

Tickets are now on sale from: www.guildensuttonplayers.org Cost – Adults £10, Concessions (65 and over, 18 and under) £8.

Tickets can also be booked by telephone (0333 666 3366) with calls charged at the normal rate from both a landline and mobile. Please note that telephone bookings are subject to a £1.50 service fee which is added to the total bill. This service fee includes ticket delivery either by e-ticket, mobile or by post.

New members for acting, Front of House or back stage are most welcome. Please contact Anna Morris (01244-791267) or Anne Albany (01244-851054) for further details.

Vivian Downing

HEALTHY ACTIVE LIFESTYLE (H.A.L.) CLUB

Why not join our Thursday morning H.A.L. Club in the Village Hall? We are a friendly bunch aiming to embed the habits of healthy nutrition and regular exercise into our lifestyles. New members are always welcome to join us. We have a pay as you go approach, so no need to commit for an extended period. Don't worry about the exercise – it's not scary at all! Much of it is low impact and can be adapted for those with limited movement. However, there are also options to really go for it and get a more intense work out. We meet every Thursday in the Village Hall from 09.15 - 10.30. Weekly membership (£5) includes:

- A cup of delicious, energizing Herbal Tea
- Weigh and measure (optional)
- Nutrition discussion
- Coaching and motivational support
- Healthy Nutrition Shake
- FREE 30 minute Community Workout (suitable for all fitness levels)

For more information, and to book your place, please contact Wellness Coach Su Baird on 0777 195 1427. Su also runs a outdoor fitness sessions in Hoole every Wednesday 6.30pm and Saturday at 10am for just £1 per session.

Please contact her on the above number for details

Parent and Toddler Group

The Parent and Toddler Group meet term time only every Tuesday morning between 10.30 and 12.00 in the Village Hall. We charge £1.50 per session.

Parents, grandparents, childminders are all welcome to join our friendly group which is suitable for babies and children right up to school age. We have a good selection of toys and play equipment. Our ride on toys are always very popular with the older children. The babies enjoy socialising on the play mat and are able to explore new toys in a safe environment.

Painting, play dough and other craft activities are carried out each week sometimes themed on seasonal or festive events that take place throughout the year. We all enjoy a drink and a biscuit during the morning session.

Before we go home we all gather around to sing our favourite nursery rhymes and action songs. The Parent and Toddler Group is a great way to make new friends. Come along next Tuesday and give us a try!

Sarah Carswell-Peers

Around the Village

GUILDEN SUTTON OLD SCHOOL HOUSE TRUST

Registered Charity No. 1066844

What is it? The Trust supports financially the education or personal development of young people who attend or have attended Guilden Sutton Church of England Primary School. Grants can be made to the school as well as to current or former pupils who apply to the Trust.

Previous grants to individuals have been in the range from £50 to £500 and have helped fund: the purchase of musical instruments, textbooks and other items of equipment; gap year projects; higher/further education expenses; voluntary work; overseas study, etc. The trust was set up in 1997 by the Diocese of Chester using the proceeds of the sale of the Old School House, situated at the west end of the village.

<u>How to Apply</u> Applications should be submitted by 30th April for consideration in May or by 31st October for consideration in November each year. Applicants must be under 25 on 1st May or November as appropriate. Further information and application forms are available (SAE welcomed) from: Rev Mark Hart, The Vicarage, 41 Oaklands, Guilden Sutton, Chester CH3 7HE (Tel. 01244 300306) or: The Clerk to the Trustees, Dr Peter Reid, 48 Cinder Lane, Guilden Sutton, Chester CH3 7EN (Tel. 01244 300985).

Application forms can also be downloaded from the Guilden Sutton website. All information supplied in applications is treated in confidence. Repeat applications will be considered but priority is given to first time applicants. Unfortunately retrospective applications cannot be considered.

Village Quiz

After a couple of years break, we were again able to hold the village quiz this year on Saturday 4th March. There was a bar and cheese and biscuits. It was a good turn out, with 13 teams competing. Well done to the Gregg's and friends who were this year's winners. Our thanks go to Al Christmas for setting the questions, his team of scorers and to Alan Davies for use of his PA. We will be looking to set one again next year, so get your teams of 6 ready.

Trisha Paterson, Sue Davies, GSCA Executive

St. John's Church Hall Upgrade Project Update

We would like to update you on the St. John's Church Hall Upgrade project.

We hope that you have all received the fund raising leaflet (A copy of the leaflet can be found on the church and village website)

We are happy to announce that our principal contractor will be Middleton Construction LTD.

The project will greatly improve the access to and the facilities in the Church Hall meaning that it will truly become a space for the whole community.

A big thank you to those of you who have given feedback and contributed so far. At present we have managed to raise over £38,000 with £14,500 being received from grant making bodies. We have submitted an application to a major funding body and are targeting to raise another £20,000 from other funding grants, fundraising and donations.

If you feel you would like to support the project donations would be extremely welcome

Please visit the Church or Village website page for details of upcoming fundraising events and further information.

Rev. Mark Hart - rector@stjohnsguildensutton.org

Dr. Peter Reid – <u>pgedders@gmail.com</u> (Churchwarden)

 $Mr.\ Bob\ Williams-bob.willams 490@gmail.com\ (Treasurer)$

<u>www.guildensutton.org.uk</u> www.stjohnsguildensutton.org

GUILDEN SUTTON VILLAGE FETE – ON SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD, ARROWCROFT ROAD – SAT 8TH JULY 2017 – 1.PM TO 4.30PM

This year's fete is still in the planning stage and the committee are always happy for volunteers to help in the planning, or on the day, please let us know. The arena will include goose herding, and attractions will include Donkey Rides, Bouncy Castle and a Helter Skelter. There will be stalls for tombola, raffle, cakes, and many more. There will be Refreshments, Ice Cream Van and a Beer Tent. See more on our website – www.guildensutton.org.uk or facebook page at www.facebook.com/Guilden-Sutton-Village-Fete-365099204731/

St John the Baptist Church

Holy Week & Easter

Palm Sunday, 9 April	9.30am	Holy Communion
Maundy Thursday, 13 April	7.30pm	Holy Communion
Good Friday, 14 April	11am	Devotional Service
Easter Sunday, 16 April	11am	Holy Communion

Normal Service Times

1st Sunday of month 11am Family Service in the Village Hall

(some months: Messy Church at 9.45am)

2nd Sunday of month 9.30am Holy Communion 3rd Sunday of month 11am Morning Praise

4th Sunday of month 9.30am Holy Communion (1662)

Occasionally time/venue subject to alteration. See Monthly Newsletter or Website for full details.

Children & Young People

Sunday Club (4-11s), Aqua (12+) Group, meet on 2nd, 4th, 5th Sundays in term at 9.30am.

St John's Café

Café in St John's Church Hall—open on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month 10am-12noon. Drinks, cake, biscuits. Exhibition of local art, crafts, photos etc—contact Peter Reid to enter items.

Music

The Choir practices on Wednesday evenings in St John's at 7.30pm and sings at various services. There are currently 13 members and new members are always welcome.

The Music Group is for young and old who play any instrument. They play at Family Services and occasionally at other times. New members would be very welcome.

Other Enquiries

For any enquiries concerning the above, or to find out about baptisms, weddings, confirmation, pastoral visits... or to subscribe to the monthly newsletter... please contact Mark Hart (Rector), tel. 300306, email: markhart61@gmail.com

Website: www.stjohnsguildensutton.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/stjohnsguildensutton



Guilden Sutton and Pipers Ash Mobile Library Service

The bus is very user friendly with a rising platform making it easy to access for people with walking difficulties and wheelchair users

The library bus will visit on the following dates;

27 March 2017*

17 April 2017 (No service-Easter Monday)

8 May 2017*

9 May 2017 (No service-Bank Holiday)*

19 June 2017

Stopping at;

 $\begin{array}{lll} \text{Hare Lane (post box)} & 9.30 - 9.50 \text{am} \\ \text{Moorcroft Crescent} & 10.00 - 10.15 \text{am} \\ \text{Village Hall Car Park} & 10.30 - 12.00 \text{ noon} \end{array}$

S M Davies, Tel 300320



www.guildensutton.org.uk

NEW WEBSITE

- All about Guilden Sutton NEW H. Arthur's The Growth of a Township, the history of Guilden Sutton
- See what's happening live What's-on calendar, Village Hall booking system and activities calendar, news and events
- Full Parish council info meetings, agendas, minutes, contacts
- Advertise you club, society, business, 'what's on' or event now

Visit: www.guildensutton.org.uk

For more info Tel 301501 or visit the GS Facebook page

Brian Lewin

^{*}any books borrowed on these dates will be valid for 6 weeks until the next scheduled visit

Guilden Sutton Diary

April - July 2017

April		
4th	7.30 pm	W.I "Anecdotes of a Registrar" (Village Hall)
12th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
12th	9.30 am	Ramble - Sandstone Trail (6 miles)
19th		Talkabout - Hospice fundraising event
May		
2nd	12.30 pm	W.I Resolutions (Village Hall)
3rd	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
12th	9.30 am	Ramble - Bryn Alyn (7miles)
17th		Talkabout - Talk - Ladies Barbershop Singing
17th-20th	7.45 pm	Players - "One Man, Two Guvnors" (Village Hall)
27th	9.30 am	Ramble - Whitegate Way (6.5 miles)
June		
6th	7.30 pm	W.I "Bloodbikes" (Village Hall)
7th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
21st		Talkabout - Strawberries, wine and a quiz.
28th	9.30 am	Ramble - River Dee (5miles)
July		
2nd	11.59 pm	Copy deadline for the next issue of the Marigold
4th	7.30 pm	W.I "The servants of Erddig" (Village Hall)
8th	1.00-4.30pm	Village Fete (School Playing Field)
12th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)
13th	9.30 am	Ramble - Bickerton & Sandstone Trail (5 miles)
19th		Talkabout - Treasure Hunt

COMMUNITY PAGE

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