

April 2020

SO WHAT'S BEEN HAPPENING AT THE VILLAGE HALL?

Where have had a busy time in the village hall in recent months. The hall is feeling its age more and more and a few things need replacing. We have looked at various aspects of the hall and made plans for some of them. We are starting to make improvements and that is already making a difference to its appearance.

The Marigold kitchen has now been replaced and it looks a very good job. The units were made at the factory, so they will be stronger. The quality is good, the colours are pleasant, everything fits well and works well and the overall effect is welcoming and attractive. The only down side to this picture is when you improve one thing, it shows up the rest! So we will have to do something about the rest of the hall.

We have also replaced the lighting in the main hall with new LED lights. These are much more efficient than fluorescent tubes and will save the hall on electricity costs. They are also very neat and look a definite improvement on the old lights. A lot of work has gone into finding out about and specifying the new tubes.

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ED's provide a different type of light than fluorescent tubes and one of the difficulties (and one of the beauties of the hall) is that it is used by so many different groups, each with their own requirement in terms of the amount of light they want. Sports groups need a bright light, for example, there are several badminton groups in the hall and they need a lot of light to see the shuttlecock early. Whereas other groups need less light and some only background light.

We know you can't please all the people all the time, but we try to satisfy as many as possible. We just hope all the hard work and effort that has gone into the preparation of the new lights is appreciated.

There are more plans to improve the appearance of the hall and one of those plans involves replacing the toilets and providing something more up to date. An early suggestion is to do this work during the school summer holidays when the use of the hall is much lighter than usual. This may mean that we can't take any bookings for the hall during school holiday time as we won't know exactly when this will take place.

Village Fete

Put the date in your diary. The Village Fete will be on Saturday 11th July from 1 pm to 4.30 pm.

s usual, it will it will take place on the school field. All your old favourite stalls will be there, plus some new ones and some new attractions in the arena. The whole village will be there, so it is a great opportunity to meet up with old friends and have an enjoyable afternoon.

We could always use some help on the day, so if you have half an hour to spare during the afternoon and you are happy to help us out, please get in touch with me (Derek Hughes 300185) or anyone else from the Fete Committee

Derek Hughes

Clubs and Societies

Cinema Club

Cinema Club have been unable to find a good screen for a reasonable price. The distributor wanted more than we used to pay, and a percentage of the ticket money. We would be doing it for nothing. However, we would like to fund the following VE Day Celebration.

VE Day 75th Anniversary – Bank Holiday 8th May 2020. Children, Families, Bouncy Castle and party food in the Marigold Room 2-4pm.

Evening Disco and Bar with Food for the Adults from 7.30pm. Food will be served at 8.30pm on a first come first served basis. All costs except drinks will be met by Cinema Club. Dress smart casual but with a Red White and Blue or Forties theme to get in the mood.

Trisha Paterson



Cestrian Art Group

The Cestrian Art Group meet every Wednesday during term time from 10.30 am to 3.30pm in the church hall. We use a variety of media mostly water colour but also pastel and acrylic. We are not currently looking for new members but anyone interested in our work is very welcome to visit between 11.30 am and 2.30 pm

For more information contact Chris Morley 01244 300952 or christine@gaseq.co.uk



Women's Institute

This year 2020 celebrates the Centenary of the WI movement in Cheshire. Several special events are taking place throughout the county.

The first event was a concert at Chester Cathedral in February, attended by several of our members. During the year other celebrations will be taking place which we hope members will also attend.

Our own celebration will be in June when we visit the Anderton Boat Lift and enjoy a sail down the canal before being taken on the lift itself. After, we will hopefully have a good lunch at a local hostelry; before paying a visit to a craft centre nearby.

We had a very informative talk by Clive Richardson on Beekeeping in February and a colourful talk on Kimono's by Mrs Keiko Gordon in March.

Our own programme for the next few months is:-7 April – Life of a Funeral Director – Mrs Jacqueline Wilson 5 May – Resolutions followed by a 'Bring and buy' 7 July – Modern Day Slavery – Mrs Anne Macdonald

Visitors are always welcome to attend our meetings. We meet in Guilden Sutton Village Hall in the Marigold Room on the first Tuesday of the month. For more information, contact Ruth Hughes on 300185 or Jill Beavan on 301015.

Ruth Hughes



Talkabout

The last couple of months of 2019 gave us a talk on the Romans in Chester and a Christmas celebratory evening.

In November we were taken back to Roman times with an excellent talk by Paul Harston, on the life of soldiers posted there. To make it more realistic we were able to observe the uniform a soldier wore as they stood for very long periods. Paul's son played this part very realistically and amazed us when we realised the weight of the uniform and the equipment carried.

December's party night was hosted by Ann, many thanks, and went very well with an abundance of delicious food and drink. A fitting start to the Christmas period.

It can be rather depressing in January, after all the Christmas and New Year celebrations, so we always hold our Christmas meal out in January! It brightens the month and venues are usually extremely accommodating. This year we went to The Inn at Huxley and it was brilliant! The food was superb, the service excellent and it was a real chance to chat and catch up on everyone's news. A big 'Thank you' to Joan for her organisation.

We hear a lot about refugees and asylum seekers arriving in Britain but other than newspaper or television reports many of us are rather ignorant on the details of what happens during the process. Well, we certainly had our eyes opened in February, when Julia, Sheena's daughter, who works with women and children refugees and asylum seekers, gave a riveting talk about her work with the charity 'Refugee Women Connect'. Her dedication, detail and outline of various cases kept us spellbound. It was certainly an eye opener into the problems faced.

We are now looking forward to Line Dancing with Lynda, for our March meeting. As you can see our group activities are very varied.

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

Ann --- 300178 Sheena--301286 Janet ---- 301362 Lynda----- 301924 Joan----07768093624 Val J -300823 Val C ---300345

Val Christmas

Our programme for the next few months is :-

Date & Venue	Subject/Activity
Wed 15 th April	A short walk followed by a meal at a local hostelry.
Venue tbc.	
Wed 20 th May	'The Life and Times of a Busker' a talk by Eric
7. Fox Cover.	Newton with jazz clarinet.
Wed 17 th June	Book review on 'Eleanor Oliphant is Completely
117. Oaklands	Fine' by Gail Honeyman. This is an award winning
	book.
Wed 8 th July * (1 week	Treasure Hunt followed by a meal at Chez Jules.
early!) Chester.	

Rambling Group

The year began with our usual January walk to Hilbre Island and fortunately the weather was ideal. February's more energetic walk took the ramblers on a circular walk to include the highest summit of the Clwydian Hills led by Richard. In March Janet has organised one for us.

We have planned walks for the rest of the year and the full details will appear on the Village website. You would be welcome to join us. We do not have the rambles on the same day each month to allow people who have weekly commitments to participate to suit their schedule. The dates of the walks are:-

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Date	Lead by
Thursday 25 th April	Edna and Peter
Friday 22 nd May	Trevor
Monday 22 nd June	Al
Tuesday 28 th July	Jim
August	No Walk
Wednesday 23rdSeptember	Jill and John
Thursday 22 nd October	Peter
Friday 27 th November	Sheena
December	No Walk





YOGALY Local, friendly YOGA classes Guilden Sutton Village Hall Fridays 9.15 - 10.30 am

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Indoor Bowls Club

We have had a successful season in the Cheshire Villages Bowling Tournament, finishing top of our league against Rixton, Padgate, Mere Tabley & Wincham. This qualified us for the quarter finals at Weaverham but our opponents Antrobus failed to turn up, so we had a walk-over to the semi final.

Eight members entered the Cheshire villages pairs competition where .players are paired with bowlers from other clubs and we had great success. Bill Peel won the competition, John Beavan was runner-up & Derek Oakley finished third. This is the third time in 4 years that one of our members has won this competition and the second time for Bill



Jill Beavan

Guilden Sutton Players

Our last production, 'Allo, 'Allo, was well received, playing to full houses every night and providing much entertainment and laughter. As always, thanks to all our audience members for attending and supporting the Players.

Our next production is:

"Wine and Wisdom" Wed 13th - Sat 16th May 2020 7.45 pm Guilden Sutton Village Hall

An evening of entertainment comprising two one act plays and a fun quiz during the interval.

Audience will be seated around tables, "cabaret style", with savoury snacks provided. The entertainment will consist of two one act comedies. The first one, "The Luvvies", is set at a regional quiz night for local drama groups, and the second, "Unexpected Item in Bagging Area" is set in the staff room of a supermarket. Both plays are by Lynn Brittney

During the interval, between the two plays, you will have the chance to take part in a fun film and theatre themed quiz, with each table of audience members making up teams. You won't need to get your own team together as you will automatically be teamed up with whoever else happens to have booked tickets for the same table as you. There will be a bar available before the performance and during the interval.

Tickets: £12/£10 from www.guildensuttonplayers.org or tel. 0333 666 3366

New members for acting, Front of House, serving teas/coffees, wine bar or back stage are most welcome. Please contact Anne Albany, Secretary (01244-851054) or Gillian Eyre, Chair (01244 -310174) for further details.

Vivian Downing



Exercise and Nutrition HEALTHY ACTIVE LIFESTYLE (H.A.L.) CLUB

Working out and eating healthy can have very positive physical as well as mental health benefits. So, why not forget the excuses and join our friendly group to get fitter, healthier and stronger for the spring and summer!

We meet every Thursday morning in the Village Hall (9.15 - 10.30 am) and new members of all ages are always welcome. There is no subscription or long-term tie-in, so you can try a session without any longterm commitment.

All fitness levels are catered for, with a range of high and low impact activities, including chair-based exercises. Our weekly workout is complemented by a discussion on healthy eating topics, as the best health and fitness results are achieved by regular exercise AND a healthy diet.

We have a really supportive group of people at the H.A.L. Club, all working towards a healthier and happier future. Why not come along with your friends to meet us?

The weekly membership fee of £6 includes:

- A cup of delicious, energizing herbal tea
- Healthy eating discussion
- Community workout (suitable for all fitness levels)
- Post workout protein-rich smoothie

For more information please contact Su Baird on 0777 195 1427.

Su also runs outdoor fitness sessions in Alexandra Park, Hoole every Saturday at 10am and Wednesday at 6.30pm for just £1 per session. Please contact her on the above number for details.

Su Baird

Badminton Club

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

Club nights are: Monday evening from 8.00pm - 10.00pm Tuesday evening from 8.00pm - 9.00pm (or later depending on number of players)

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME

If you have played some badminton before, or you would just 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 club please contact Peter Evans on 300890 or just turn up on a Monday evening to find out more.



Peter Evans

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 £2 per family.

Parents, grandparents, childminders are all welcome to join our friendly group, we currently have children ranging from a few months old to preschoolers, everyone is welcome!

We have a wide 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 mats 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. Children enjoy a healthy snack and drink and grown-ups have a drink and a biscuit too.

The Parent and Toddler Group is a great way to make new friends. Come along next Tuesday and give us a try!

Alice Hay

Around the Village

Green Space Update

As the legal process continues on the purchase of the fields off School Lane, we are working alongside it to ensure that we can get the green space up and running as soon as possible when the time comes.

Together with the parish council, we are looking in more detail at how the space(s) will be managed in the future, and what agreements need to be put in place to achieve this.

We are excited to have the offer of some wildlife habitat work being carried out to improve the pond at the far end of the second field. This has come about via the Environment team at CWAC, funded by Natural England, and could be carried out as early as September.

We have also been having a look at possible path surface/construction options. If time allows, we would like to be able to get the main paths constructed over the summer/autumn, ahead of the tree-planting – which will take place over the winter.

Do get in touch via the website (gsgreenspace.org.uk) or Facebook (Guilden Sutton Green Space) if you have any queries or suggestions. If you would like to receive regular updates on progress, just send us your contact details so that we can add you to the mailing list.

Guilden Sutton Green Space steering group

Results of the Village Lottery -Drawn 20 December 2019 for the quarter ended November 2019

The village lottery is drawn every quarter with proceeds used to help with the running of the Village Hall. The cost is $\pounds 3.25p$ per quarter which buys a number for entry into the draw which takes place every three months. Prizes start at $\pounds 100$ for the first number drawn, with other prizes ranging down to $\pounds 10$.

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

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St John the Baptist Church, Guilden Sutton

Discovering and sharing the transforming love of God in our communities





1st Sunday of the month:

May 3rd, 10.15am @ Guilden Sutton Village Hall

June 6th, 9.30am @ Mickle Trafford Village Hall **4**

July 5th, 10.15am @Guilden Sutton Village Hall



Children's groups

Every 3rd Sunday, 11am-12

March 15th, April 19th

May 17th, June 21st

July 19th

@ Guilden Sutton Church Hall

Café in the Church Hall

April 9th & 23rdMay 14th & 28thJune 11th & 25thJuly 9th & 23rd10am - 12 noon in the Church Hall, on Church Lane



Church Hall

The Church Hall is available for hire at very reasonable rates. It is fully accessible with modern kitchen and toilet facilities and offers a lovely warm, light space with seating for 50. Contact the booking secretary for further information: Adrian Bunnell, tel: 01244 300226, email: <u>bookings@stjohnsguildensutton.org</u>.

Other Enquiries

For any enquiries about the above, or to find out about baptisms, weddings, confirmation, pastoral visits... or to subscribe to the monthly newsletter... please contact Heather Carty, tel: 07484 515812, email: <u>heathercarty1@gmail.com</u>, website: www.stjohnsguildensutton.org

Guilden Sutton and Pipers Ash Mobile Library Service				
The library bus will visit on the following dates;				
4th May# 15th June 6th July 27th July				
Stopping at; • Hare Lane (post box) • Moorcroft Crescent • Village Hall Car Park	9.30 - 9.50 am * 10.00 - 10.15 am 10.30 - 12.00 noon			
The bus is very user friendly with a rising platform making it easy to access for people with walking difficulties and wheelchair users				
# Books will be valid for 6 weeks* Visits to Hare Lane may be discontinued due to lack of customers from that area.				

Sue Davies

GUILDEN SUTTON OLD SCHOOL HOUSE TRUST *Registered Charity No. 1066844*

<u>What is it?</u>

The Trust exists to support financially the education or personal development of children who attend or have attended Guilden Sutton Church of England Primary School. Grants can be made to the school as well as to individual pupils or former pupils who apply to the Trust.

Previous grants made to individuals have been in the range from £50 to £500. The trust has helped fund: the purchase of musical instruments, textbooks, sports gear or other 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.

How to Apply

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. Application forms can be downloaded from the Guilden Sutton website. Further information and application forms are also available from:

The Clerk to the Trustees, Dr Peter Reid, 48 Cinder Lane, Guilden Sutton, Chester CH3 7EN (Email: <u>pgeddesr@gmail.com</u>; Tel. 01244 300985) or Revd Heather Carty, The Rectory, 41 Oaklands, Guilden Sutton, Chester CH3 7HE (Email: <u>heathercarty1@gmail.com</u>; Tel. 07484 515812).

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.

Guilden Sutton Diary

April - July 2020

April					
1st	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Marigold Room)			
7th	7.30 pm	W.I Life of a Funeral Director (Village Hall)			
15th		Talkabout - Walk followed by a meal			
25th		Village Ramble			
May					
5th	7.30 pm	WI - Resolutions and "Bring & Buy" (Marigold Room)			
6th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Annual Meeting (Village Hall)			
8th	2.00 - 4.00 pm	VE Day 75th Anniversary (Marigold Room)			
13th - 16th	7.45 pm	Players - "Wine & Wisdom" (Village Hall)			
20th	7.30 pm	Talkabout - The Life & Times of a Busker			
22nd		Village Ramble			
June					
3rd	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)			
3rd		W.I Centenary outing to the Anderton Boat Lift			
17th		Talkabout - Book Review			
22nd		Village Ramble			
July					
5th	11.59 pm	Copy deadline for the next issue of the Marigold			
7th	7.30 pm	W.I Modern Day Slavery (Marigold Room)			
8th		Talkabout - Treasure Hunt and a meal at Chez Jules			
11th	1.00 - 4.30 pm	Village Fete (School Field)			
15th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting (Village Hall)			
28th		Village Ramble			

COMMUNITY PAGE

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