

WHAT'S ON?

- 2 Dec** Mobile Library 2.15-2.45pm The Street/Opp Red House Lane
2 Dec Craft Group – Macrame - 7.30pm, the Hall
6 Dec Bawdsey Christmas Market – 2.00-4.00pm, the Hall
7 Dec Christmas Tree Lights Switch On – 5.00pm, the Hall
8 Dec Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall
11 Dec Village Christmas Lunch – 12.30pm, the Hall
13 Dec Craft Group Christmas Coffee Morning – 10.00am-1.00pm, the Hall
16 Dec Craft Group – Christmas Wreaths, 7.30pm, the Hall
20 Dec Carol Singing with Rev Cake, Tea & Cake – 2.00pm, the Hall
22 Dec Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall
6 Jan Mobile Library 2.15-2.45pm The Street/Opp Red House Lane
8 Jan Coffee & Chat – 10.30am, 1 Laundry Cottages, Bawdsey Manor Estate
9 Jan Craft Group – 7.30pm, the Hall – TBC*
12 Jan Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall – TBC*
24 Jan Bawdsey Market – 2.00-4.00pm, the Hall
26 Jan Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall – TBC*
? Jan Parish Council Meeting – 7.00pm, the Hall – TBC*
- *Dates to be confirmed. Please see www.bawdsey-pc.gov.uk for PC meeting date.
Suffolk Punch Trust see www.suffolkpunchtrust.org for days/times
Marsh Barn Café RSPB Reserve, Hollesley 10.00am-2.00pm daily
Mobile Post Office every Thursday 11.30am-12.30pm, Alderton Village Hall
Chair-based Exercise Class 10.30am, the Hall, ring Jane 411373
Yoga with Darren Wednesdays, 9.00-10.00am, £10.00, the Hall
Bawdsey/Alderton Emergency Planning Co-ordinator Tony Street 07764198759
Suffolk Police www.suffolkpolice.uk email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk
★ Copy for February Bulletin required by 22 January please ★

CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF JILL MERCER ~ 10/12/1929-24/08/2025

There will be a celebration of Jill's life on 10 December 2025 at the Village Hall, Noon–2.00pm. The family would be delighted if you could join them for a light lunch and to remember a long life well lived! RSVP carolyndicken394@gmail.com

MELTON LEVEL CROSSING TEMPORARY CLOSURE FOR TRACK WORK

The level crossing will be temporarily closed from 2000 on Friday 5 December to 1800 on Saturday 6 December. A signed diversion will be in place.

Yoga with Darren will take place throughout December on Wednesdays 3rd, 17th, 24th and 31st at 9.00am in the Village Hall, £10 per session

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BAWDSEY CHRISTMAS LUNCH

This village event is taking place on Thursday 11 December, 12.00pm for 12.30pm. Everyone is very welcome. Please bring a plate of hot/cold food to share, mains or dessert. Brenda Butterworth is once again organising the Christmas Hampers raffle. Any seasonal donation for the hamper can be delivered to Brenda at 1 Eastfields. Please also bring a small wrapped gift for the Secret Santa, one per person, to the value of around £5. Bring your own drink of choice. Tea and coffee will be served after the meal. For any further information, contact Jenny on 410198.

BAWDSEY CHRISTMAS MARKET

This will be taking place earlier than usual on Saturday 6 December. Come along to stock up on Christmas gifts from all the usual stalls plus decorative greenery and wreaths.

Carol Singing with Rev Cake with Tea & Cake provided by Di
Saturday 20 December, 2.00pm, the Village Hall



ST MARY'S CHURCH SERVICES – DECEMBER/JANUARY

Sunday 14 December 11.00am - Holy Communion
Sunday 21 December 3.00pm - Carol Service followed by tea/cake in Village Hall
Thursday 25 December 10:30am - Christmas Day Service
Sunday 11 January 11.00am - Holy Communion
Sunday 25 January 11.00am - Morning Praise
Thank you to Bawdsey school children for decorating the East Window.



CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS SWITCH ON

Sunday 7 December, 5.00pm, Village Hall



Come and enjoy a glass of mulled wine (alcoholic and non-alcoholic) and a mince pie with your neighbours

CRAFT GROUP CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 13 December, 10.00am–12.00pm
Cakes, hamper raffle, crafts, raffle, teas & coffees
Please come and support us in Bawdsey Village Hall

THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

01394 411641, www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk, facebook.com/ThePeninsulaPracticeGPSurgery

DAY	ALDERTON	ORFORD	ALDEBURGH
Monday	8.00am-2.30pm	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-6.30pm
Tuesday	8.00am-6.30pm		8.00am-6.30pm
Wednesday	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm	8.00am-6.30pm
Thursday	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm	8.00am-6.30pm
Friday	8.00am-6.30pm	8.00am-1.00pm	8.00am-6.30pm

On the following days all surgery sites close from 1.00pm until the following day for staff training 12 February. All calls redirected to 111.

CHRISTMAS FUN DAY ~ 20 DECEMBER ~ ALDERTON SWAN

Christmas Fun Day including craft stalls, outdoor food from Real Thai Food, Hadleigh, and fun stalls (tombola, teddy tombola, make your own Christmas card). We will also have a memory tree for you to remember your lost loved ones. All fun stall proceeds will go to St Elizabeth's Hospice in honor of my best friend Mel Brighton of Shottisham and Andy Rankin of Sutton who were helped by the hospice in their final days. Donations of teddies, tombola/raffle prizes gratefully received. Help us raise money in honor of two wonderful people. Joanne Butler, 411094

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Urgent Care Dental Service appointments are available across Suffolk within 1 to 7 days by contacting NHS 111. Adults and children experiencing dental pain, infection and other urgent issues can access NHS care seven days a week, including evenings. Go online at 111.nhs.uk or call 111 for an appointment.

Bawdsey Parish Clerk: Please note the new email address clerk@bawdsey-pc.gov.uk - the previous inbox will be monitored, but not as often as the new one.

Suffolk Police – Vulnerable Road Users: Incidents involving pedestrians, horse riders and cyclists often occur when a motorist has failed to slow down and allow sufficient space to go around them. In 2024, 58 horses died and 97 were seriously injured on UK roads. 81% of incidents recorded were as a result of motorists passing too closely or too quickly. Nationally, eight pedestrians die every week and more than 100 are seriously injured. Being aware of pedestrians crossing and walking along roads, particularly in the countryside, is something motorists should be alert to and allow time and space for. Mobile phones can be a major distraction for both drivers and pedestrians.

Christmas Tree Collection: Suffolk's Emergency Medical charity SARS will collect old Christmas trees between 7-12 January 2026. To book a collection please look out for the poster on our noticeboard, or contact the clerk for further details.

COFFEE & CHAT – THURSDAY 8 JANUARY 2026

Hosted by Clare Walker, 1 Laundry Cottages, Bawdsey Manor Estate, 10.30am.

BE READY IN AN EMERGENCY

Back in September, our local First Responders (Dave Coyle and Colin Davis) provided some excellent CPR training to a group of local villagers. Whilst none of us want to imagine a medical emergency happening at home, taking time to prepare now will help the emergency services reach you, and provide care, as quickly as possible. Every second counts and a few simple steps can make all the difference:

- Make sure your house number/name is clearly visible from the road, both in the day and at night.
- Use the “what3words” app to give your exact location, particularly if you're in a hard-to-find area or vehicular access to your house is not obvious. Look up your home what3words, share them with your family and keep them where you can find them quickly.
- Keep your driveway/access clear so emergency vehicles can get close to your property.
- Know where your nearest defibrillator (AED) is and how to access it.
- Get basic first aid and CPR training - it could save a life.
- If you have to start CPR at home, unlock your door first so help can get in quickly.
- Keep a brief list of medical information (such as medications and allergies) somewhere easy to find - the fridge is ideal and emergency services know to look there.
- Add ICE (In Case of Emergency) contacts to your phone.
- Stay calm, follow the 999 operator's instructions, and don't hang up until they say it's okay.

A few small preparations today could make a huge difference tomorrow and might even save a life. In Bawdsey, there are defibrillators in the following locations:

- On the outside front wall of the Village Hall. No code required.
- On the gatepost of Bawdsey Manor at Bawdsey Quay. No code required.

In Shingle Street, a defib is now available in the telephone box (second car park). No code required.

If you need help with What3words or other information contact Sue Tappenden, Parish Council Emergency Planning Group rep sue.tappenden@bawdsey-pc.gov.uk

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR BIN COLLECTIONS

Thursday 25 December will be collected on Wednesday 24 December

Thursday 1 January will be collected on Friday 2 January