

WHAT'S ON?

2 July Coffee & Chat – 10.30am, The Chestnut Café, Sorrell Horse, Shottisham
6 July Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall
14 July Mobile Library 2.15-2.45pm The Street/Opp Red House Lane
18 July Bawdsey Market – 2.00-4.00pm, the Hall
20 July Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall
30 July Bawdsey Parish Council Meeting – 7.00pm, the Hall
No Craft Group until September
Mobile Post Office every Thursday 11.30am-12.30pm, Alderton Village Hall
Chair-based Exercise Class 10.30am, the Hall, ring Jane 411373
Bawdsey/Alderton Emergency Planning Co-ordinator Tony Street 07764198759
Suffolk Police www.suffolkpolice.uk email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk
Yoga with Darren returns from Wednesday 6 May, 9.30am, the Hall, £10/session
Deben Ferry 1 May-30 September daily, 10.00am-5.00pm, dependant on weather

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THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

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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 Thursday 17 September, surgery sites close for staff training from 1.00pm until the following day. All calls are redirected to 111. Please note a recent change to dispensary opening times: **Alderton Dispensary** Monday 9.00am-1.00pm, Tuesday-Friday 9.00am-1.00pm/2.00pm-6.00pm. **Orford Dispensary** Monday 9.00am-1.00pm/2.00pm-6.00pm, Wednesday-Friday 9.00am-1.00pm

HOLLESLEY GARDENING CLUB

Our July meeting takes place on 30 July at 7.30pm in Hollesley Village Hall. The speaker is Mike Abel who is going to talk about growing soft fruit. For more information contact Sue Barnes 01394 411579.

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BAWDSEY FETE

Just a few words about another highly successful fete, held for the second year at PGL Bawdsey Manor. A big thank you to all those who helped us - friends, family, Bawdsey villagers, our hard-working committee and, of course, PGL. Without their staff we would not have enough people to run a fete anywhere.

It was a hard day as it was so hot, and certainly affected the number of people coming, and the number of people wanting to play the games. However, many of the stalls were well up. The raffle nearly doubled the amount we took last year, helped by the generous cash prizes from Tich Baker, Chris Mann, Manor Farm Estate, and the 30 prizes donated by local people. The fantastic people on the BBQ doubled their takings from last year, as well as feeding the PGL staff, helped also no doubt by the earlier fete opening of 1.00pm. Plants, clothes, white elephant and tombola were all well up. Well done to the cake stall, the party barrow, books and entrance collection, and anything else I've not included.

A big thank you to Pat, as it was the last tombola she will do. She has raised thousands over the years but will continue to do the toy tombola.

The heat affected the numbers in the dog show. However, it was very pleasant in the shade with a cool breeze and most people have air conditioning in their cars to bring in the dogs. The greyhound rescue stand was not going to bring any dogs but as it was so pleasant, they went back and brought a greyhound along.

Again, a big thank you for getting involved, and we look forward to more village folk helping us next year.

JULY'S COFFEE & CHAT

This takes place on Thursday 2 July at 10.30am. This month we will be going to the Chestnut Café at the Sorrel Horse, Shottisham for the first time. All welcome.

POP-UP-PUB ~ VILLAGE HALL ~ 6.30PM-11.00PM
BBQ ~ Music ~ Happy Half Hour Drinks 6.30pm-7.00pm
SATURDAY 4 JULY ~ SATURDAY 8 AUGUST

ST MARY'S CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 12 July - 11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 26 July – 11.00am – Morning Praise

Churchyard teas and cakes will be happening again every Sunday in July and August from 2.00pm to 5.00pm. We hope you will be able to join us some Sundays for cake, tea and chat.

There is a food donation box in the church if you would like to donate tins and packets of food. The box is then taken to the Salvation Army in Woodbridge for distribution to those struggling with food bills. Thank you.

Car Boot Sale on Sunday 5 July from 10.00am at Sutton Memorial Hall
£6 per pitch, £5 if paid in advance ~ To book phone 01394 411793 or
01394 410279 or email susan.collins0911@gmail.com

BAWDSEY RADAR MUSEUM

Activities continue at the block this month. The Museum is open every Thursday, Sunday and Bank Holiday Mondays. Amateur radio station GB2BRS will be operational on certain days over the summer, including 28 June and 19 July. Come and say hello to the world or perhaps listen to the Universe!

Over the school summer holidays we will be again running our Spy Trail. Learn how to become a spy and how to communicate covertly. The virtual reality Climb the Radar Tower will also be available on 26 July.

Details of all our activities may be found at www.bawdseyradar.org.uk or for more information contact info@bawdseyradar.org.uk or phone 07821 162879.

KEY FOUND

Silver 'back-door' type key was found on The Street, near the Village Hall. Enquiries to Louise at louiselennard127@btinternet.com.

ALDERTON FETE – 11 JULY 2026 – 13:00-17:00 – ALDERTON REC

Fun dog show ~ Craft stalls ~ Tombola ~ Booze Wheelbarrow ~ Classic Cars
Bar Mann ~ Second Hand Clothes ~ Face Painting ~ Cakes ~ Teddy Tombola
And lots, lots, more!

BAWDSEY FLOWER FESTIVAL – 20TH & 21ST JUNE 2026

Thank you very much to everyone who helped make the Flower Festival such a lovely weekend. There was such a variety of arrangements on the theme of pastimes by those who decorated our church with beautiful flowers from the gardens of Bawdsey. We were delighted to have three gardens open on both days inspiring us and giving ideas of what to grow in our own gardens.

We had a variety of musical interludes - a violinist and cellist, the glorious ringing of the Phoenix handbells which resounded in the church, the lovely sound of a flute and piano to listen to while looking at the flower arrangements, the dulcet tones of the Hollesley Singers raising the rafters of the church and of course the Peninsula Pluckers who entertained us in the churchyard with music, songs and fun. On Saturday we were also very lucky to have the Barley Brigg Morris Dancers who wowed us with their colourful outfits and floral hats looking as if they were enjoying every moment.

As we stood in the glorious sunshine, watching children and adults alike join in with the Morris Dancers, it seemed that St Mary's itself, the glorious ancient building that we are privileged to guard for future generations, glowed and breathed in not just the light from the sun, but the joy emanating from the people surrounding it.

Many ventured up the tower to admire the view and of course lots of plants were sold. Finally, a big thank you to all those who made the wonderful selection of cakes and to all those who came and enjoyed the weekend. The income from the festival was over £2,700, a new record.

We had the buildings and grant officers from the diocese come and visit the church at the beginning of June to help us with the next steps of planning the redecoration process. We are currently awaiting a plan from them.

St Mary's is a medieval church of great character and charm, which demonstrates its chronology in a most graphic and impressive way (Quote from English Heritage Report) It is our aim to preserve that history so that future generations can continue to marvel at it for years to come