

## WHAT'S ON?

- 5 Mar** Coffee & Chat – 10.30am, 43 Ferry Road, Bawdsey  
**7 Mar** Lent Lunch – 12.30pm, the Hall  
**7 Mar** Bawdsey Haven Yacht Club Winter Talk 2 – 7.30pm, the Hall  
**8 Mar** Holy Communion – 11.00am, St Mary's Church  
**9 Mar** Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall  
**10 Mar** Craft Group – 7.30pm, the Hall  
**14 Mar** Community Breakfast – 9.00am-12.30pm, Hollesley Village Hall  
**21 Mar** Bawdsey Market – 2.00-4.00pm, the Hall  
**22 Mar** Morning Praise – 11.00am, St Mary's Church  
**23 Mar** Pawns on the Peninsula Chess Club – 6.00pm, the Hall  
**24 Mar** Mobile Library 2.15-2.45pm The Street/Opp Red House Lane  
**24 Mar** Craft Group – 7.30pm, the Hall  
**26 Mar** Parish Council Meeting – 7.00pm, the Hall  
**23 Apr** Annual Parish Meeting – 7.00pm, the Hall  
**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  
**Bawdsey/Alderton Emergency Planning** Co-ordinator Tony Street 07764198759  
**Suffolk Police** www.suffolkpolice.uk email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk  
**Yoga with Darren** Suspended until May  
★ Copy for April Bulletin required by 22 March please ★

### HOLLESLEY GARDENING CLUB – DATES FOR 2026

**We meet in Hollesley Village Hall @ 7.30pm unless otherwise stated below**

Thursday 26 March: Speaker - Tim Fuller – New, Rare & Unusual perennials

Thursday 30 April: Speaker - Transition Woodbridge – Ponds

Saturday 16 May: Plant sale at Hollesley Village hall, 11.00am-2.00pm

Thursday 28 May: Speaker - Suffolk Prickles – Hedgehog friendly gardening

Thursday 18 June: Visit to Old Vicarage Garden, Norfolk NR12 9HN, 10.00am

Thursday 30 July: Speaker - Mike Abel – Soft Fruit

Thursday 27 August: Speaker - Stonham Barns - Owls

Thursday 24 September: Speaker - Stuart Philpot - Willow Weaving

Thursday 29 October: AGM

Refreshments and raffle. November to February – Gardening Club winter break.

Membership is £20.00 per year or guests pay £5.00 on the night. New members and guests are welcome. More information from Sue Barnes on 01394 411579.

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## THE 37<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT – GOOD FRIDAY 3 APRIL, 10.00AM

Eggs, hot cross buns, tea/coffee £3.00. Primary school children egg hunt at the Recreation Ground, children 5 and under behind the Village Hall. Coffee/tea, hot cross buns and raffle for everybody 10.30am at the Hall. To donate eggs or raffle prizes or if you can help please ring Anne Marie 07593 640487 or Rawdon 411459. A big THANK YOU to Brenda and Susan for organising the event for so many years.

### COFFEE & CHAT

March's Coffee and Chat will take place at Jane Tricker's home, 43 Ferry Road on Thursday 5 March at 10.30am. All welcome.

### Bawdsey Haven Yacht Club Winter Talk 2

7 March 2026 ~ 7.30pm ~ Bawdsey Village Hall

Coastal Erosion & Beach Sediment Loss referencing the Bawdsey Foreland  
By Helene Burningham, Prof of Geography University College London

Admission at the door £2.00 adults, 50p under 18's

Tea, Coffee and Biscuits served after the Talk ~ All Welcome

### BAWDSEY FETE, BAWDSEY MANOR, BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY 25 MAY

We need people to help set up, man the stalls and clear up afterwards please. We also need good quality bric-a-brac, cakes, plants, clothes, toys, tombola and raffle prizes. Please commit to helping. Rawdon 411459, rawdons@hotmail.com

Community Breakfast ~ Saturday 14 March ~ 9.00am-12.30pm ~  
Hollesley Village Hall

### ST MARY'S CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 8 March - 11.00am - Holy Communion

Sunday 15 March – 11.00am - Mothering Sunday Service – Shottisham Church

Sunday 22 March – 11.00am – Morning Praise

All welcome to Bawdsey's Lent Lunch on Saturday 7 March at 12.30pm in the Village Hall. Any money donated will be given to JUST 42, a rural community youth group charity. Hope to see you there for a soup and chatty lunch.

## THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

01394 411641, [www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk](http://www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk), [facebook.com/ThePeninsulaPracticeGPSurgery](https://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 days when surgery sites are closed from 1.00pm for training until the following day, all calls redirected to 111.

### BAWDSEY TENNIS CLUB 2026/27

New tennis memberships are available for 2026/27. Memberships run from 1 April 2026 - 31 March 2027

- £35 for an individual membership,
- £45 for a family membership (this includes anyone who lives in your house),
- PAYG membership is free, and then courts are £8 per hour per court,
- Part year memberships will be available for anyone joining after September.

Membership, court bookings and payments should all be done on line at [www.bawdseytennisclub.co.uk](http://www.bawdseytennisclub.co.uk), which can also be accessed via the village website [bawdsey-pc.gov.uk](http://bawdsey-pc.gov.uk) then select clubs/multi-sports club. Please note, all players are required to have a membership. Once you have paid, the code to access the court gates will be automatically emailed to you. Queries to [admin@bawdseytennisclub.co.uk](mailto:admin@bawdseytennisclub.co.uk)

### CLOTHING EXCHANGE /HELP YOURSELF

**All Saints Church, Hollesley ~ Saturday 21 March 2026 ~ 2.00-4.00pm**

What is it all about? We know we all struggle sometimes to make ends meet. With economical demands ever present, it makes sense that we share what we no longer have use for, to enable others to use it at no cost. It also is the "green" way forward for our planet! Making use of the resources we already have. We are holding a monthly clothing exchange for adults and children, whereby villagers can come and browse clothes in good condition, which no longer suit our needs. Tea and coffee will be available through the session. We will not take school uniform as we understand the schools do this fantastically well already. The scheme is totally free - please feel free to bring clothing as well as take, however if you are not interested in a clothes exchange just pop in to see what it's all about! Any queries or feedback would be most welcome as we are trying to find what day of the week and time is most convenient for prospective attendees. [allsaintshollesley@gmail.com](mailto:allsaintshollesley@gmail.com)

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 23 April in the Village Hall. Updates and/or Reports will be given by our County and District Councillors, the Parish Council, and representatives from organisations within the village. At each update there will be the opportunity to ask questions. Why not join us for the meeting and a glass of wine or soft drink after. This is not a Parish Council meeting, this is YOUR meeting and is a great way to get your thoughts and ideas over, so please join us. After five years as a Parish Councillor, Rob Thurkettle (having now moved from the village) has reluctantly stepped down from the role. During his time in the village, he not only served as a Parish Councillor and Vice Chair but was a long-standing volunteer with the Coastguard, a School Governor at Bawdsey Primary and a member of the Patient Participation Group with the local surgery. In all these roles, as anyone that worked alongside him will vouch, Rob has always given of his best and participates to the full. While sad to see him go, parish council colleagues would like to thank him for his hard work and commitment to all aspects of village life. We wish you all the best for the future Rob.

We have a Parish Councillor vacancy, which may be filled by co-option. To qualify you must be a British Subject over 18 years of age and an elector who resides in, or within, 3 miles of Bawdsey parish boundary. If you are interested in making a difference and influencing village decisions, contact the parish clerk, Tina by Email - [clerk@bawdsey-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@bawdsey-pc.gov.uk) for an information pack.

### BAWDSEY RADAR MUSEUM

The Museum re-opens on Thursday 2 April ready for Easter and we will be running the Easter Trail on each open day over the Easter holidays. Don't forget children get in free! The Museum will then open every Thursday, Sunday and Bank Holiday Monday until the end of October.

Tables are still available for our quiz on Friday 13 March at Newbourne Village Hall. Book via [info@bawdseyradar.org.uk](mailto:info@bawdseyradar.org.uk), entry £7 per person, paid on the night. A number of very informative podcasts about the history of radar at Bawdsey called "Echoes of Bawdsey – The Story of Radar" have been produced. The first series is now available on the website. Further details of all our activities may be found at [www.bawdseyradar.org.uk](http://www.bawdseyradar.org.uk) or contact [info@bawdseyradar.org.uk](mailto:info@bawdseyradar.org.uk) or phone 07821 162879.

After 25 very happy years the Good Friday Egg Hunt, Hot Cross Buns and Raffle are under new management. Brenda and Susan thank Bawdsey sincerely for such generous and enthusiastic participation, not to mention the monies raised for mainly children's charities over those years.