

## WHAT'S ON?

**5 May** Coffee & Chat – 10.30am, Wild Blueberry Café, Swans Nursery  
**19 May** Parish Council Annual General Meeting – 7.00pm, the Hall  
**23 May** Village Hall & Recreation Ground Committee AGM – 7.30pm the Hall, followed by fete meeting  
**3 June** Fete & Jubilee Party – See notes for details/timings  
**25/26 June** St Mary's Flower Festival – Theme '70 Years of Fashion'  
**Boathouse Café** Open Thursday-Monday, 11.00am-5.00pm  
**Deben Ferry** Daily, 10.00am-5.00pm  
**Bawdsey Radar** Open Thursdays/Sundays/Bank Holiday Mondays, 11.00am-4.00pm  
**Suffolk Punch Trust** Open Friday-Monday, 10.30am-3.00pm  
**Poppys Café** Rock Barracks open Monday-Thursday 9.15am-2.00pm  
**Thrift Shop** Rock Barracks, open Wednesday/Thursday, 10.00am-Noon  
**Marsh Farm Café** RSPB Reserve Hollesley open 10.00am-3.00pm every day  
**Blue Rabbit Café** Shottisham weekend breakfasts 9.30am-1.00pm  
**Pete's Pizza** contact 07850 815486 ring for days and times  
**Mobile Post Office:** Every Thursday, 1.15-3.15pm, Alderton Village Hall  
**Mobile Library:** Tuesday 24 May, opp Red House Lane, 2.30pm-2.50pm  
**Yoga with Ellie:** Tuesdays, 9.00-10.00am, Village Hall, contact Rawdon 411459  
**Chair-based Exercise Class:** 11.15am every Tuesday, Village Hall, ring Jane 411373  
**Bawdsey & Alderton Emergency Planning Co-ordinator** – Rob Johnson 01394 411185/07851 211230 or email rob@bawdseyemergencyplanning.co.uk  
**Woodbridge & District Safer Neighbourhood Team** www.suffolkpolice.uk, email woodbridge.snt@suffolk.pnn.police.uk. Dial 101 when less urgent than 999  
★ Copy for June edition required by 24 May please ★

Thank you to all who attended the Easter Egg Hunt and Hot Cross Buns in the Village Hall on Good Friday. £200 was raised in aid of the Ukraine Crisis.

## A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!

Join us at Alderton Recreation Ground on Sunday 5 June, 2.00-5.00pm to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Everyone is invited to join the party on 'the rec'. You are welcome to bring a picnic, and we'll have plenty of tea, coffee, cakes, and soft drinks, with a decent helping of music and fun, and a smashing raffle. As the sun goes down, keep the party going by joining Kevin and Lynda at The Alderton Swan for an evening of 50's and 60's music and some serious drinking and dancing. See you there!

Thank you to all those who attended my 80<sup>th</sup> birthday celebration and for all your good wishes and gifts. I had a day to remember!

Liz Mark

# Bawdsey Bulletin

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## FETE/JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS, BANK HOLIDAY FRIDAY 3 JUNE

As mentioned in last month's Bulletin, the fete will start at 2.00pm and finish around 4.00pm, then a partial clear up, and the evening celebrations, including band, pop-up-pub and food, start at 7.00pm. The pop-up-pub will remain open for those who do not want to take a break in between the two events.

Tent frames will be put up at 6.00pm on Thursday 2 June, the erection of the rest of the fete, stalls and goods from 9.00am on the Friday, and clearing up afterwards at 4.00pm. The final dismantling of tents will be on the Saturday 4 June at 10.30am. Thank you very much to the people who have committed to help us. However, we at present only have enough helpers to do the bare minimum sized fete. We understand people have reservations because of Covid and holidays, however, if you are free to help us please contact Rawdon (411459) or Rob (411185) before the date, as we can only plan running a fete on those who have committed to be there to help. As a small thank you, helpers will be given a voucher for free food in the evening. Without more help the fete will not be able to be run in the future, and we will have to think of other ways to raise the necessary money to run the village hall, memorial ground, and the recreation ground.

## "70 Years of Fashion"

St Mary's Church Flower Festival ~ Saturday 25 and Sunday 26 June

All are most welcome

Please contact Marilyn (411011) or Susan (411382) for details

## BAWDSEY RADAR TRANSMITTER BLOCK

The Block is open for the 2022 season and we've already welcomed visitors from Bath, Scotland and Cardiff as well as a good many more who are holidaying much closer to home once again this year. The Block is open every Thursday and Sunday 11.00am -4.00pm.

The Platinum Jubilee celebrations will soon be here and we'll be celebrating with tea on tap, colouring for the children, music, and, of course, plenty of bunting. Looking further ahead to July, there will be a special talks day with guest speakers on Wednesday 13 July which will take an in-depth look at a number of radar-related stories.

For more information [www.bawdseyradar.org.uk](http://www.bawdseyradar.org.uk)

## ST MARY'S CHURCH NEWS

### Church Services

Sunday 8 May – 11.00am – Holy Communion

Sunday 22 May – 11.00am – Morning Praise

### Forthcoming Events

Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 June – Flower Festival

Saturday 3 September – Autumn Fair

## PARISH NEWS

**Local Recorder Report for 2021:** This annual report records the main events which took place in 2021 and can be read on the village website [www.bawdsey.onesuffolk.net](http://www.bawdsey.onesuffolk.net) under Our Village. Village recorder, Jenny Webb, is always happy to receive news and photos of village events which she hasn't heard about. Email: [Jenny.gm.webb@btinternet.com](mailto:Jenny.gm.webb@btinternet.com)

**Coffee and Chat:** May's get-together is at the Wild Blueberry Cafe at Swans Nursery on Thursday 5 May at 10.30am. Anyone intending to go should let Jenny know ASAP so that she can pass on numbers to the cafe.

**Suffolk Day Beacon Ride:** The Lord Lieutenant of Suffolk has organised a Suffolk-wide Beacon Tour ending in Ipswich at the Suffolk Show. It resembles the Olympic Torch relay although bearers will be travelling on an electric rickshaw! Jenny Webb has had her arm twisted to carry the Bawdsey Beacon on Tuesday 31 May and will travel across the river to Felixstowe Ferry and up to Felixstowe. Timings will be advertised on the village website. This is also to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

## VILLAGE HALL & RECREATION GROUND UPDATE

The artificial grass on the play area has to be replaced with something safe and easier to maintain. So, at the fete, we are asking for signatures to support grant applications to help raise the £32,000 needed for a new surface to enable the play area to remain open.

The Village Hall and Recreation Ground Committee AGM will take place on 23 May at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. New committee nominations need to be submitted to the Secretary, Rob (411185) by 9 May. This will be followed by a fete meeting. All welcome.

## COUNCIL TAX £150 ENERGY REBATE

East Suffolk residents who pay their Council Tax by Direct Debit should receive their £150 Council Tax rebate payment in week commencing 25 April. If your home is in Council Tax bands A to D, you are likely to receive a £150 Council Tax rebate from the Government. This is to help towards the cost of living now that gas and electricity prices are set to go up. More details at [www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk](http://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk)

## THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

Telephone: 01394 411641, Website: [www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk](http://www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk)

| DAY  | ALDERTON      | ORFORD        | HOLLESLEY     | ALDEBURGH     |
|------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|
| Mon  | 8.00am-2.30pm | 8.00am-6.30pm | 1.30pm-5.30pm | 8.00am-6.30pm |
| Tues | 8.00am-6.30pm |               |               | 8.00am-6.30pm |
| Wed  | 8.00am-6.30pm | 8.00am-1.00pm |               | 8.00am-6.30pm |
| Thur | 8.00am-6.30pm | 8.00am-1.00pm |               | 8.00am-6.30pm |
| Fri  | 8.00am-6.30pm | 8.00am-1.00pm |               | 8.00am-6.30pm |

**Surgery Closure Dates** The surgery will be closed on Bank Holiday Monday 2 May and on 18 May from 1.00pm for staff training. When the surgery is closed please call NHS 111.

**Text Messages:** Some patients have received duplicate text messages. If a phone number is on more than one patient's record, that number may receive multiple texts about the same subject. Please contact the surgery and check your contact details if this has happened to you.

## BAWDSEY QUAY

Residents popping down to Bawdsey quay have been provided with an enlightening guide to the area's fascinating history and environmental importance. An interpretation and information board has recently been unveiled in the car park area at Bawdsey Quay, explaining its context within an area of outstanding natural beauty (AONB). Another board was originally installed in 2003 and stood for several years before being damaged and removed.

The area includes a previously little-known tin chapel and was integral to the birth of radar, while the Deben Peninsula remains a key location for birds and wildlife. The freestanding board explains how Bawdsey fits into the wider sense of place, with text developed in partnership with the AONB, Bawdsey Parish Council and the Deben Estuary Partnership, illustrations by Steve Roberts, of Footprint Interpretation, and photographs by local drone image firm, Time Flies.

It is hoped that the provision of an information board will benefit visitors who use the car park, and local businesses that will benefit from the signage as people are encouraged to explore the area.

Meanwhile, three new picnic benches are soon due to arrive as part of East Suffolk Council's efforts to make the area more user friendly. The benches are more accessible to people with disabilities and will replace an ageing set of existing benches at the site.

East Suffolk Council also continues to work with Bawdsey Parish Council and Suffolk Highways to find further solutions to parking issues in the area.