

# LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 2008

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Date	Long Sutton		Long Load	
2 <sup>nd</sup> August	10.30am	Church Coffee Morning		
3 <sup>rd</sup> August	11.00am 6.30pm	Holy Communion with Baptisms Evening Prayer	9.30am	Holy Communion
6 <sup>th</sup> August	10.00am	MU Corporate Communion		
9 <sup>th</sup> August	10.00am	Parish Walk		
10 <sup>th</sup> August	8.00am 11.00am 7.30pm	Holy Communion 2nd Sunday Service & Communion at the <i>Village Hall this month</i> Open Door at St Mary's	11.00am 7.30pm	Morning Worship Open Door at St Mary's
17 <sup>th</sup> August	9.30am	Matins	9.30am	With Long Sutton
24 <sup>th</sup> August	8.00am 10.30am	Team Holy Communion at St Mary's, Huish Episcopi Team Holy Communion at Sts Peter & Paul, Muchelney	8.00am 10.30am	Team Holy Communion at St Mary's, Huish Episcopi Team Holy Communion at Sts Peter & Paul, Muchelney
31 <sup>st</sup> August	9.30am 11.30am	Matins Ecumenical Service at venue to be decided followed by Bring & Share lunch	11.30am	Ecumenical Service at venue to be decided followed by Bring & Share lunch

### THIS IS A HEARTFELT PLEA!!

*WE ARE MOVING AWAY FROM THE AREA AFTER 20 YEARS (EEK!) AND THEREFORE A NEW EDITOR FOR THIS NEWSLETTER WILL BE NEEDED, ALSO A CORRESPONDENT FOR THE ROUNDABOUT MAGAZINE. (IT MAKES SENSE FOR THIS TO BE THE SAME PERSON, BUT DOESN'T HAVE TO BE) IF SOMEONE OUT THERE FEELS ABLE TO TAKE THIS ON OR WISHES TO DISCUSS WHAT IT ACTUALLY ENTAILS, PSE CONTACT ANN KENT 241436. THANK YOU!*

Date	Flowers	Brasses
3 <sup>rd</sup> Aug	Mrs Kent	
10 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Mrs B Jones	Mrs D Cox
17 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Mrs J Wheeler	
24 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Mrs J Walford	Mrs J Taylor
31 <sup>st</sup> Aug	Mrs J Brand	
7 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Mrs R Cox	Mrs Pomeroy Mrs Kent

### Calling all local clubs & organizations!!

For Harvest Festival on October 5<sup>th</sup> this year, it would be lovely if clubs etc would produce an arrangement or windowsill to remind or inform us of their raison d'être or simply just help decorate the church! If you feel able to contribute & to book a particular spot pse contact Ann Kent 241436 or email me at the address at the end of the newsletter. **I HAVE ONLY HAD 2 RESPONSES SO FAR; PLEASE HELP US MAKE THIS AS GOOD AS IT CAN BE!!!!**

### Church Coffee Morning

The July coffee morning was moved to Vale House because of a wedding in the church. We welcomed several new people and it was particularly appreciated that Chris Cox of the Langport branch of the Red Cross spent the morning with us. We raised £250 for the Red Cross and the weather was just kind enough for people to enjoy walking round the garden. In August we will be back at the church as usual and raising money for Holy Trinity Church funds.

### Mothers' Union

No monthly meeting.  
Corporate Communion Weds 6<sup>th</sup> August to celebrate Mary Sumner Day.

### Long Sutton W.I.

August 9<sup>th</sup> - Flower Show – WI cups to be won!!

**EARLY WARNING! - EARLY WARNING! - EARLY WARNING!**

*At the invitation of Long Sutton W.I*

*Dr. Mark Baldwin will be in the Village Hall on*

**Thursday October 16th at 7.30pm**

*To talk about and give a hands-on demonstration of his*

### **ENIGMA MACHINE**

*Hear how the code-cracking machine changed the course of WW2*

*Tickets £2.50 for WI members and £5 for guests, to include delicious WI refreshments.*

*This meeting is OPEN to everyone. Tickets on sale to general public from 1st September in Long Sutton Stores.*

*For further information contact Marjorie Dams Tel: 01458 241797*

### Gardening Club

Calling all trophies - Your time is up. Come on in. My number is 241934 if you would like to pop it in to me. The night before does not give the Brasso lady time to give it a good shine.

**The FLOWER SHOW, AUGUST 9th** will soon be upon us and those entering should check dates, times and details on the schedule. My beans are still refusing to climb their frame thinking it too high, cold and windy up there so no entry from this garden. I'm also asking all entries for the flowers to bring with them if they could a coaster so that the cloth 'keeps neat and tidy'. A reminder that Doreen will be there collecting money for the Gants Mill trip in September. A quick "Thanks" to everyone who will be helping over the three days of the show. We hope that everyone who visits will have a good time and enjoy themselves.

**The Parish Walk** will take place as usual on the second Saturday 9th August. Meet on the Green at 10am.

**Friends of Somerset Churches & Chapels Sponsored Bike Ride & Walk – Sat 13<sup>th</sup> September**

The annual sponsored bike ride & walk in aid of Somerset historic Churches & chapels will take place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> September. You can help, either as participant, sponsor or as a steward. You do not have to be young to participate. Many people take part who rarely ride a bicycle at any other time. If you prefer to walk rather than ride a bike, that is fine. You can visit as many or as few churches as you like. This is a good-humoured & enjoyable day & the weather usually smiles on us. If you would be prepared to help, your local church representatives would be very pleased to hear from you. For Long Sutton please contact Dan Shorland Ball 241626. For Long Load, Mrs Nicki Collins 241306. Half the money we raise comes to Long Sutton/Long Load. Half goes to the Friends of Somerset Churches & Chapels. Thank you.

**Long Sutton Village Hall & Recreation Ground**

Adults have now been seen using the holes created by vandals in the recreation ground tennis court nets and not paying for use of the courts. This is dishonest and totally unacceptable behaviour from people of any age. The recreational facilities are provided and paid for by the Village Charity, which is largely funded by villagers who use the Hall. A Village Hall window has also been broken by vandals and there has been theft from a car in the car park. Additionally, the cricket nets have been damaged by people playing football around and inside them. Anybody witnessing any events in this epidemic of vandalism should report the matter to any member of the Village Hall Committee and/or the Police."

**FOLSC Summer Party** on the Knole on July 12<sup>th</sup> – well over 100 people of all ages attended this excellent evening. The site looked extremely pretty with fairy lights, straw bales, gazebos and a couple of small marquees, all providing a real country party atmosphere. The weather was kind, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed the delicious pig roast followed by ice-creams. The more energetic then danced the night away to Jonathan Tulk's disco. The committee are delighted to announce that the evening raised £890, and would like to thank all those who supported the event.

## **LONG LOAD**

**Saturday September 6<sup>th</sup>**

**ANNUAL FLOWER & PRODUCE SHOW**

Just a reminder – in the hope you are all thinking of things you could enter – perhaps even feeding your marrow plants right now. We always hope that new entrants will have a go and those of you who always support this event – this may be your year of fame!!

**Young People in Long Load!**

There is a small amount of money available which could be used for an event in the village which young people would enjoy.

So, please if you have a good idea, let us know and we will see if it can be arranged.

Contact Rob Mitchell or Ann Campbell

**Long Load Fete**

The fete proved to be a really fun afternoon for all ages. Children were walking around with beautifully painted faces and eating cakes they had iced themselves. There were lucky ducks – some children decided to paddle with them as it was so sunny – and even luckier cards. Lots of people won coconuts and many of us went home laden with cakes, strawberries, books, plants and knickknacks we shouldn't really have bought. Lovely cream teas were popular and the smell of sausages and burgers cooking, proved too tempting for

most of us. Once "spent out", people sat and listened to the Kingsbury Band, whilst indulging in ice creams. We had such a lot of really good help this year, with many new folk giving us a hand. A big thank you to all who joined in the fun and of course to the band of helpers. Ann C

**Wanted!! Land for trees.**

Thinking of planting native trees or shrubs on your land next winter? Live in Somerset?

For free practical advice on tree planting and available grants call the council's Tree Planting Project Officer, Barbara Collier to arrange a visit.

Tel 01935 462120

[barbara.collier@southsomerset.gov.uk](mailto:barbara.collier@southsomerset.gov.uk)

**Items for the September newsletter to Ann Kent, Copythorne, Knole, or to lsnewsletter@btinternet.com by 20<sup>th</sup> August please.**

NB the first letter of the email address is an 'l' (L) not an 'i'!

Congratulations! - We've made it!

How very true this is -

According to today's regulators & bureaucrats, those of us who were kids in the 50s, 60s & 70s probably shouldn't have survived.

Our baby cots were covered with brightly coloured lead-based paint which was promptly chewed & licked.

We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles or latches on doors or cabinets & it was fine to play with pans.

When we rode our bikes, we wore no helmets, just bumpers & fluorescent 'clackers' on our wheels. As children, we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. Riding in the passenger seat was a treat. We drank water from the garden hose & not from a bottle – tasted the same!

We ate dripping sandwiches, bread & butter pudding & drank fizzy pop with sugar in it, but we were never overweight because we were always outside playing.

We shared one drink with 4 friends, from one bottle or can & no-one actually died from this. We would spend hours building go-karts out of scraps & then went top speed down the hill, only to find out we'd forgotten the brakes. After running into stinging nettles a few times, we learned to solve the problem.

We would leave home in the morning & play all day, as long as we were back before it got dark. No-one was able to reach us all day & no-one needed to.

We did not have Play stations or X-Boxes, no video games at all. No 99 channels on computers, no internet chat rooms. We had friends – we went outside & found them.

We played elastics & street rounders & sometimes that ball really hurt. We fell out of trees, got cut & broke teeth & bones & there were no lawsuits.

There were accidents; we learnt not to do the same thing again.

We had fights, punched each other hard & got black & blue – we learned to get over it. We walked to friend's homes.

We made up games with sticks & tennis balls & ate live stuff & although we were told it would happen, we didn't have very many eyes out, nor did the live stuff live inside us for ever. We rode bikes in packs of 7 & wore our coats by only the hood. Our actions were our own.

Consequences were expected. The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law or upset a teacher was unheard of. They actually sided with them, not us...imagine that! This generation has produced some of the best risk-takers & problem-solvers & inventors ever. The past 50 years have been an explosion of innovation & new ideas. We had freedom, failure, success & responsibility & we learned to deal with it all.

And you're one of them – congratulations!

Please pass this on to others who have had the luck to grow up as real kids, before lawyers & government regulated our lives, for our own good.

(If you're not old enough, thought you might like to read about us).