

# LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – DECEMBER 2009

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Date	Long Sutton & Long Load	
2nd	2.30pm	MU meeting
	12.30pm	Quaker Bring-&-share lunch at Meeting Hse
	7.00pm	School Gov's Christmas Craft Fayre
4th	3.00pm	School Christmas Fair
	7.00pm	Christmas Concert in Church
5th	10.30am	Church Coffee Morning
	4.15pm	Gardening Club outing to Westonbirt
6th	11.00am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer
9th	2.45pm	School 'It's a Baby' Matinee Performance
	6.00pm	Gardening Club at Brimsmore
	6.00pm	Rotary Club Evening of Carols
	7.00pm	Hospice Carol Service at All Saints Church
10th	6.30pm	School 'It's a Baby' Evening Performance
11th	2.00pm	Senior Citizens' Christmas Party
13th	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	2nd Sunday Service with Baptism in School
16th	7.45pm	Gardening Club
	10.00am	MU Corporate Communion
17th	2.30pm	School Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church
	7.30pm	WI Christmas meeting
20th	8.00am	Team Holy Communion at St Mary's
	6.30pm	Carol Service
24th	3.30pm	Crib Service
	6.00pm	Long Load Candlelight Carols & Readings
	11.30pm	Holy Communion
25th	10.45am	Christmas Celebration
27th	10.30am	Team Communion at St Mary's

Date	Flowers	Brasses
6th Dec	Mrs M Dams	Mrs D Cox
13th Dec	Mrs J Bond	
20th Dec	Flower ladies	Mrs M Dams
27th Dec	Flower ladies	
3rd Jan	Mrs J Walford	Mrs J Thomas

We will be decorating our church for the carol service & Christmas on Saturday 19th December. Pse can I ask the usual flower ladies to contact me to discuss – thanks! – Ann K 241436

## Church Coffee Mornings.

It was clear from the attendance at the November coffee morning in aid of Help for Heroes that there is huge public support and sympathy for our troops in the field, for the injured and for their families. The event raised the excellent sum of £489 (£100 of this was a donation from the Helicopter Engines Project Team at Yeovilton, via Pamela French). As always grateful thanks to all who attended, helped, produced, bought and donated. The day was greatly enhanced by the exhibition in the church - 'Not Just Names'. This tribute to the young men named on our war memorial was researched and compiled by Pamela Storey.

On 5<sup>th</sup> December the coffee morning will be in aid of the local branch of the Alzheimer's Society: there may well be some suitable items on the produce stall for Christmas catering or gifts.

## Mothers' Union

The Long Sutton with Long Load Mothers' Union Branch will be holding their **December** meeting @ Mrs Heather Pomeroy's @ Knole on Wednesday 2nd December 2.30pm. **This will be an open meeting** with Advent / Christmas hymns and readings, followed by refreshments - why not join us? A warm welcome awaits.

*Helen Pyke Branch Leader [241586]*

Corporate Communion: Weds 16th December

## Long Sutton W.I.

Thursday December 17th at 7.30pm

Competition: A top of the tree decoration

Tea Hostesses: Sandie Appleby, Helen Pyke

## Gardening Club

Seasons greetings to all my 'little twinklies and sparklies on the christmas tree' members. As the year ends darkness does not descend quite as quickly on those of us visiting the Westonbirt

'Enchanted Evening' on Saturday, 5th December with the coach leaving the village green at 4.15pm. The next week all other nuts and baubles will gather ourselves around the tables at Brimsmore Garden Centre on the 9th December at 6.00pm with the meal starting at 6.15pm where we meet for our annual Christmas dinner and 25% discount shopping spree. These are new arrangements so please take note. To everyone else in the parish may we wish you all the season's greetings with a good new year to come.

**On Friday 26th February 2010** the club is holding a special event in the village hall. Starting at 8.00pm Anne Swithinbank the well known gardener, TV and radio broadcaster will be presenting a talk on "My life in Gardening". Tickets will be available from January at £5 each.

**Annual St Margaret's Hospice Carol Service** for our area will be held in All Saints Church, Langport, on Wednesday, 9th December at 7.00 pm. Please come.

## Parish Walk

The Parish walk is now suspended until the Spring. May I take this opportunity to wish all those who walked over the last year and every one in the parish a Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year. Thanks for taking part. Nicky Jones. 241559

## Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December, 7 for 7.30pm in Long Sutton Church.

Sherborne Town Band is returning to the village by popular demand to perform a Christmas Concert in the Church. Music will include suitable festive tunes many seeking audience participation and optional toe-tapping! Refreshments will be served in the interval. Tickets are priced at just £10 and are available from Roger Cox 241252, Heather Pomeroy 241737, Rupert Cox 241616 or at The Village Shop

## The Rotary Club of Somerset Levels present

An Evening of Carols on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> December  
In the Long Sutton Village Hall.

Doors open at 6pm.

6.30 – 7.00 The Long Sutton Primary School Choir

7.00 – 7.30 Live Wires Folk Group

7.30 – 8.00 Seasonal Refreshments

8.00 – 8.30 Street Salvation Army Band

There is no charge for the evening and it is hoped that as many people as possible will be able to attend.

This year the Club is collecting for the Polio Plus appeal and donations are most welcome.

## Long Sutton Carol Choir

The Village Carol Service will be on Sunday December 20. There will be rehearsals for the Carol Choir on Tuesday 8/12, Thursday 10/12, Monday 14/12, Wednesday 16/12 and Friday 18/12, all at 7.30 pm in church. Anybody who would like to sing, whether they have before or not, please contact Christopher Dams on 241797, or [chd34@btinternet.com](mailto:chd34@btinternet.com). Everybody with a voice is welcome, especially tenors and basses.

## Long Sutton Website

A new website to replace the current one is shortly to be launched. The aim is to offer village organisations, clubs and societies an opportunity to promote their interests by giving each of them a dedicated webpage. It is anticipated this will make the new website more community focused and serve the interests of the village to greater effect.

All village organisations are invited to use this facility where they may describe their activities and seek new members; and via the Parish Diary page give notice of any events scheduled for the year. Organisations having an existing webpage are invited to revise their contribution if desired. Village organisations are urged to send details listed below to [enquiries@longsutton.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@longsutton.org.uk) **as soon as possible**:  
A short description of the organisation and if appropriate its history  
Any other relevant information

A photograph that captures the essence of the organisation

A schedule of future events – if any

A named contact and e-mail address for all communications

Webpages will be drafted for inclusion in the new website and circulated to the Parish Council for approval. Any questions please direct them to the above address.

If an organisation doesn't have e-mail facilities please send details to Steve Sensier, Shute House, Shute Lane; and a webpage will be produced containing the key information

**Long Sutton Quakers** welcome all comers to a bring-and-share lunch at 12.30pm at the Meeting House, on Weds December 2nd. We regularly hold these gatherings on the first Wednesday of each month, in our children's room. We start with a short period of thoughtful silence, followed by our shared meal & an informal discussion.

**Christmas Craft Fayre**

At  
Long Sutton Village Hall  
Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 7.00-9.00pm  
Come and shop for Christmas  
Local craft and produce  
Mulled wine – mince pies – raffle  
Entrance to include refreshments  
*Proceeds to Governors of  
Long Sutton Primary School*

**Long Sutton C of E Primary School PTFA**

Announcing Long Sutton's answer to the National Lottery!  
The 100 Club will be starting again from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2010.  
£20 per year – application forms available from the Village Shop and School.

**Latest news**

Willow Class and Rev Jane survived their week at Mill on the Brue during October. We also had a Healthy School Week from 12<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> October where we learnt, tasted and made lots of healthy food.

Carryn & Heather returned from their visit to our Partner School in India, we will be holding an evening event/curry night in the near future to learn all about their trip.

Thank you to everyone for sending in the Tesco Vouchers, we were able to buy lots of items including, microscopes, camera, eco equipment and painting equipment

**School Christmas Fayre – 3.00pm Friday 4<sup>th</sup> December 2009.** We would *very* much appreciate any donations of craft items, cakes, raffle prizes etc. All funds raised help the children throughout the year. Please bring to school during the morning of 4th December. Thank you.

**Other Forthcoming events:**

Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 7.00-9.00pm	Governors Christmas Craft Fair – Village Hall
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> December 3.00pm	School Christmas Fair
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 2.45pm	KS1 Nativity 'It's a Baby' Matinee Performance
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm	Choir Performing at Village event – Village Hall
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> December 6.30pm	KS1 Nativity 'It's a Baby' Evening Performance
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> December 2.00pm	Senior Citizens Christmas Party
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> December 2.30pm	Carol Service at Holy Trinity Church

**Folk with FOLSC**

The Reg Meuross Folk Concert took place in Holy Trinity Church, Long Sutton on Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> October and despite the heating breaking down, the near capacity audience enjoyed an evening to remember! Reg's vocals and guitar were complemented by Bethany Porter who was superb on cello. In an evening of beautiful songs, the highlight was "And Jesus Wept", a tribute to Private Harry Farr who was executed in WW1, but recently pardoned. The event, the last in FOLSC 2009 season, raised in excess of £650, so many thanks to all those who attended.\*

**FOLSC AGM**

A note for the diary! The FOLSC 2010 AGM will be held on Wednesday, 10<sup>th</sup> February at the village school starting at 7.30pm when we hope to see as many members as possible.\*

\*Sorry – this should have been in last month's newsletter! AK

A cross (of the type to hang on a chain or Rosary) has been found on the Village Green in Long Sutton. It is being held at the Vicarage; if you have lost it, please contact the Vicar on 241260 with a description of the cross, so it can be returned to its rightful owner.

**Percy Scriven**

Val & John Chick & family would like to thank all who sent cards & donations in memory of Dad who passed away peacefully at The Rosary Nursing Home, Durleigh, on 23rd October. Also many thanks to all who attended the funeral on November 3rd.

**NSPCC – advance notice**

A special plant sale to be held at Upton Bridge Farm on Sunday May 23 2010.

**LONG LOAD**

'Twas the night before Christmas! - Carols & Readings by Candlelight on Christmas Eve @ 6pm!  
Join us for mince pies & a glass of mulled wine, sing some Carols & feel good!! Some Christmas readings & a little gift for the children!! HELP KEEP THIS VILLAGE TRADITION ALIVE!

An evening of great fun again at the latest whist drive! our thanks go to Susan & Paul Fielden for the use of College farm, this really is an excellent way to have a game of cards with nibbles & get all the gossip.

Long load village email address is;

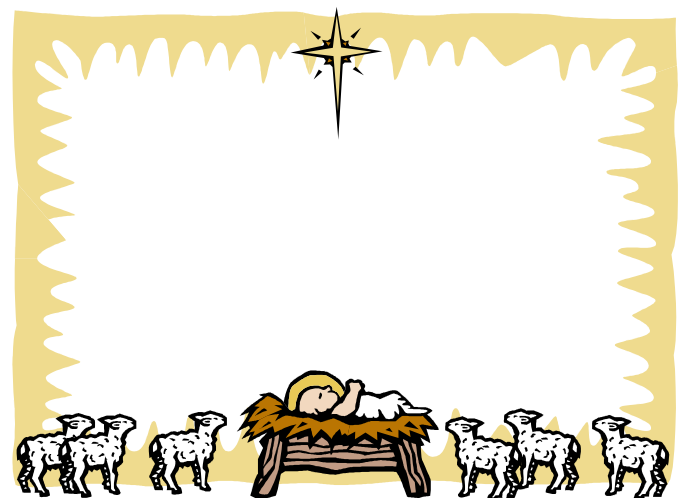
[longloadvillage@live.com](mailto:longloadvillage@live.com)

**Table Tennis - Long Load Village Hall**

Every Sunday evening 7.00pm onwards. All ages and abilities welcome.

Please contact: Paul Fielden (01458) 241051 or John Lewis (01935) 823906 for more details.

*Items for the January newsletter to Ann Kent, Copythorne, Knole, or to [lsnewsletter@btinternet.com](mailto:lsnewsletter@btinternet.com) by 20<sup>th</sup> December, please. NB the first letter of the email address is an 'l' (L) not an i*



*WISHING EVERYONE A PEACEFUL & HAPPY CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR*