

LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – JULY 2009

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Date	Long Sutton		Long Load	
1st July		Mothers Union Outing		
4th July	3.00pm 10.30am	WI Garden Tea party for Hospice Church Coffee Morning		
5th July	11.00am 6.30pm	Holy Communion Evening Prayer	11.00am 6.30pm	Holy Communion with Long Sutton Evening Prayer with Long Sutton
8th July 11th July	7.30pm 10.00am 10.30am	Gardening Club Display of WI Archives in the Court House Parish Walk		
12th July 15th July 16th July	11.00am 10.00am 7.30pm	2nd Sunday Service in the School MU Corporate Communion WI Meeting		
19th July	8.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion at St Mary's Team Holy Communion at St Catherine's Drayton	8.00am 10.30am	Holy Communion at St Mary's Team Holy Communion at St Catherine's, Drayton
26th July 28th July	9.30am	Holy Communion	7.00pm	Martock History Group Tour

Date	Flowers	Brasses
5th July	Mrs J Vaux	
12th July	Mrs G Sargent	Mrs J Thomas
19th July	Mrs J Bond	
26th July	Miss H Pyke	Mrs J Tulk
2nd August	Mrs B Jones	

Church Coffee Morning

The June coffee morning in aid of the Christian Blind Mission in Malawi raised £273: thanks to all who donated produce and cakes and of course to all who came and gave generously. The coffee morning year runs from July to June so this was the end of our third year – during the past twelve months the coffee mornings have raised a total of £3,315 for the various charities we have supported. On July 4th we begin our fourth year and will be raising money to donate to church funds. Our church finances are constantly stretched to the limit to cover costs over which we have no control and we rely on extras such as donations to keep solvent. Please come along to support the event and help to keep your church a viable centre of the village.

Mothers' Union

Wednesday 1st July - No meeting – Annual Outing to Dowlish Wake Church with afternoon tea
Corporate Communion: Weds 15th July

Long Sutton W.I.

Thursday July 16th at 7.30pm
Speaker: Miss Catharine Fortlage – Traditional English Pot Pourri

Competition: A perfume bottle
Tea Hostesses: Jackie Sherlock, Betty Walter

Tea at 3 in aid of St Margaret's Somerset Hospice

Long Sutton WI is holding a Garden tea party at Forge Cottage, Back Street, Long Sutton, on **Wednesday 1st July at 3.00pm**. Do come & join us.

Saturday 11th July, 10am - 5pm.

Display of WI Archives in the Court House. (In celebration of our 85th Birthday)

Do come and spend an interesting moment or two looking through our archives, dating from 1924, depicting life in Long Sutton through the eyes of WI members. Members' craftwork will also be on show and light refreshments will be available. If you have ever wondered what the Court House and Spigurnal Hall look like, this is an opportunity not to be missed. The Society of Friends have kindly agreed to open the Quaker Meeting House for the day; another fascinating building for you to view.

Gardening Club

Hello trekkies! Glad you all made it back to the coach after our lovely trip to Mapperton last month. This month's talk on the 8th July will be given by Mr and Mrs E Wells. The subject is Bats and will include a short ramble around the center of the village. The walk will only happen if it is not raining as I am reliably informed that bats cannot fly whilst holding umbrellas. Then back to the hall for tea and biscuits. During the evening there is still time to sign up for the September half day trip to The Bishop's Palace and Gardens, Wells, where we will be taken around the site. Those who have already signed can, during the evening, pay the £9.50 to Ann or pay Doreen during the Flower Show in August. Which quite neatly brings me to The Flower Show and you should by now have received your schedule and entry form. Please read this as every year entries are disqualified because entrants have not read the descriptions carefully. Could all trophies be returned to either Val or me by the end of July please, so that they can be given a bit of a shine for the day. The FLOWER SHOW is on 15th August, 2009 in the village hall and we look forward to seeing you there. Liquid dispenserers: Mrs B Gasson, Mrs H Pomeroy, Mrs P Storey. Chairs: Mr J Lewis

Parish Walk

We are walking to Ilchester this month on 11th July. Meet on the Green at 10.30am. As usual pse can walkers arrange transport home after the walk & don't forget to be prepared for long wet grass & mud if it's been raining. Contact Nicky Jones 241559 with any queries.

Long Sutton Village Shop

For environmental reasons, Long Sutton Village Shop wishes to inform their customers that with immediate effect, carrier bags (plastic) will only be issued on customer request. Please help recycle used bags. Thank you.

Long Sutton Church/School Fete

The Churchwardens would like to thank the stallholders, those running the side shows, and all involved in the fete for their magnificent effort in raising in excess of £2,000. Many thanks also to all those who attended and who gave so generously making such a wonderful sum possible.

The roses bloomed, the rain held off, the car park temporarily overflowed and the **N.S.P.C.C. garden coffee morning** made £1,250!! It was a terrific sum in this credit crunch year - many thank yous to all those who supported it.

PCSO message I will be with Willow class Long Sutton School on 15 July giving a talk on summer safety and the pupils will be doing a poster competition on this subject. Then on Saturday 1st August I will be at the Church in Long Sutton for the coffee morning from 10.00 -12.00 if any one would like to meet me and have a word. And just a reminder that the post box is still in the spar stores for the community to leave me information but not to report a crime, for this they will need to ring the 0845 456 7000 number.

I am also still looking for volunteers to start up a Community speed watch for Long Sutton anyone interested can leave there details at the post box or email me at melanie.austin@avonandsomerset.police.uk any one over 18years can apply. *Melanie Austin*
PCSO 8707 Somerton

FOLSC Summer Party at Charity Farm Old Barn, Upton, Saturday 1st August 2009.

We are pleased to announce our major social fund raiser of the summer season which commences at 1930 on Saturday 1st August. This will be a family event and will appeal to all ages. Entertainment for the evening will be provided by the excellent Long Sutton Over-Dramatic Society who will be putting on a topical review; anyone who has seen them perform at previous events will know we are in for an evening to remember! Food will be in the form of a hog roast complemented by wine and beer from our local Long Sutton brewery which will be available at a pay bar to provide liquid refreshment on what we hope will be a balmy summer's evening. A disco is being run by Jonathon Tulk to enable the young (and young at heart!) to bop the night away. The event is being staged at Old Barn, Charity Farm (on the Upton Road) by kind permission of Sir Anthony Jay. Entry tickets are priced at £10.00 per adult which will include the hog roast and accompanying children (under 16) are free. Tickets will be available from the Long Sutton village stores. Please put the date in your diary now and why not invite a bunch of friends over and make up a party for a night to remember!

FOLSC - A tour of Wells Cathedral for FOLSC members.

Wednesday 16th September 2.00pm.

A fascinating tour around the upper levels of the Cathedral not generally open to the public. For those with a head for heights, who are reasonably fit and would like to visit contact Robert Fry, tel. 241 234.

Advertisement for a Clerk to the Governing Body

Long Sutton School is seeking a Clerk to the Governing Body. The Governing Body, through its appointed and elected governors, plays a distinctive and essential role in the continuing success and development of the school.

The clerk's job is to work with the head teacher, chair and other governors, dealing with administrative matters for the governing body and advising on legal issues of governance. Central to the role is preparing for, taking notes at and producing minutes for meetings. The post involves some evening work and the successful candidate should be available at times during the day. Good keyboard skills and the ability to write agendas and produce accurate concise minutes are essential. Integrity and the ability to maintain confidentiality are essential.

New clerks receive support and training from the Somerset Governor Services Team and all clerks are encouraged to attend termly briefings in their locality to update themselves on the latest developments in governance.

The post will initially involve 10 hours work for each meeting and, typically, there will be two meetings each term. The clerk may/will be asked to take on additional work according to need.

The post of Clerk to the Governing Body has been evaluated using Somerset's Job Evaluation Scheme at Grade 13: £15,372 - £17,469 full time equivalent salary.

Further information and an application form can be obtained by contacting: *Wendy Toy Chair of Governors 07778 520248*

Somerton Beekeepers Annual Honey Show We will be holding our Annual Honey Show in Long Sutton Village Hall on Saturday 26th September, doors open at 2.00pm, and hope you will come along. In addition to a fine display of honey and associated bee products, we will be adding some new classes this year which will be open to the public. I will post more information next month, but there will be classes for preserves, cakes, and an Art & Craft class. The WI will also be holding a trading stall in the Hall in the afternoon, and we are very grateful to them for all their enthusiasm and support for local beekeeping.

In September we will be visiting some of the classes at Long Sutton Primary School to talk to the children about the importance of bees in the environment. We will also invite them to enter a special Painting Competition, and all their pictures will be on display at our Show.

We are living in a time when there is huge interest in locally-produced food, and high quality food. We are living in the absolute heart of the English countryside with a wealth of these products on our doorstep. So we are inviting some local producers of these superb products to our Show where they will have market stalls on the grass area adjacent to the Hall.

So please, make some chutney and enter it in our Show; come to the Show and see you children's pictures; come and taste some of the best honey that can be found ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD; come and buy some high quality locally-produced food; come and see what's available on your doorstep!!

If you would like any information about the Show please contact me on 01458 - 210119, and I look forward to meeting you there!

Stuart Dennes *Somerton Beekeepers*

Do you know about the Friends of Long Sutton Church (FOLSC)?

FOLSC was formed in 2004 when it became clear that the small and declining congregation of our church, despite generous donations from individual members, could not afford to maintain our fine medieval church building. FOLSC has already paid for numerous repairs including essential weatherproofing to the windows and roof but there is more to FOLSC than this. Please consider becoming a member of FOLSC and so support their work whilst also having fun!

LONG LOAD

Martock History Group

Tour of history and buildings in Long Load led by Fergus Dowding on Tuesday 28th July 7pm. Meet at Crown Inn, Long Load. All welcome!

Rob Mitchell Chairman, Long Load Parish Council

Items for the August newsletter to Ann Kent, Copythorne, Knole, or to lsnewsletter@btinternet.com by 20th July please. NB the first letter of the email address is an 'l' (L) not an 'i'!

Smiling is infectious – you catch it like the flu:
When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too.
I passed around the corner & someone saw my grin.
When he smiled, I realised I'd passed it on to him!
I thought about the smile & then I realised its worth:
A single smile like mine could travel round the earth.
If you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected,
Let's start an epidemic quick & get the world infected.