

LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER – MARCH 2010

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Date	Long Sutton & Long Load	
3rd	2.30pm	MU meeting
5th	2.00pm	Women's World Day of Prayer
6th	10.30am	Church Coffee Morning
7th	11.00am	Holy Communion
	6.30pm	Evening Prayer
10th	7.45pm	Gardening Club
11th	6.00pm	Beat Surgery
12th	7.30pm	FOLSC talk by Tony Ellerbeck
14th	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Mothering Sunday Service
17th	10.00am	MU Corporate Communion
18th	12 noon	WI Meeting followed by lunch at the Lime Kiln
21st	8.00am	Team Holy Communion at St Mary's
	10.30am	Team Communion at Holy Trinity, Long Sutton
28th	9.30am	Family Service & Baptism
	8.00pm	Toybox Quiz

Date	Flowers	Brasses
7 th	Lent	
14 th	Lent	Mrs M Shepard
21 st	Lent	
28 th	Lent	Mrs J Bond Mrs Ellerbeck
4th April	Flower ladies	

Easter lilies

If anyone would like to 'buy' Easter lily/lilies in memory of loved ones, I need to know names, quantities & have the money - £3 each – by 24th March please.

These will be used to decorate the church for Easter & a list of those remembered will be put in the church.

Ann Kent 241436 or address at end of newsletter.

Church decoration

We will decorate our church on Saturday 3rd April from 12 noon-ish as there will be the usual coffee morning. Please can I ask our flower ladies, who always do a sterling job, to let me know if they can't help asap & any other offers of help, or indeed, greenery or white/yellow flowers would be fantastic!!

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Church Coffee Mornings

On 5th February we had an extremely successful coffee morning in aid of Long Sutton Cricket Club Youth Teams. As well as regular supporters the cricket club played a first class game, delivering cakes and produce, making coffee, helping on the stall and coming along to enjoy the event. A sincere thank you to all for making the event such an enjoyable one. At close of play we had raised £374.

On 6th March the coffee morning will be in aid of Vision Aid Overseas (www.vao.org.uk), an international charity which recycles donated spectacles and with the aid of volunteer optometrists enables many people in the developing world to have the sight which enables them to learn, to work and to live safely. Our local link with this charity is Nina Carlisle who is the optometrist at David Kneebone in Somerton. She usually goes out to one of the needy countries once a year with one of the teams. If you are coming to the coffee morning and have any unwanted spectacles please bring them along and we will pass them on to Nina.

The April coffee morning will be in aid of St. Margaret's Hospice.

Church Electoral Roll: As we prepare for the Annual Parochial Church Meeting on Wednesday, 21st April, we need to revise the roll which was compiled last Spring and is posted on the church noticeboard in the porch. If anyone who is not on the Roll would like to be included, a notice of eligibility is on the church notice board.

Application forms are on the table just inside the church door or from Jenny Bell (241438)

Mothers' Union

Wednesday 3rd March at 2.30pm - Branch Meeting at Miss Helen Pyke's - Lenten Service with Canon Grant Welch

Friday 5th March Women's World Day of Prayer 2.00pm at Holy Trinity Church

Corporate Communion: Weds 17th

Long Sutton W.I.

Thursday March 18th at the Lime Kiln Meeting at 12 noon followed by lunch Good Cause Dip

Gardening Club

Our meeting this month is on the 10th, same time and place as usual, folks. This month we have Chris Ireland-Jones from Avon Bulbs talking about the business and hopefully having a selection of bulbs to sell afterwards, so mind my elbows if he does. It is also the month when we donate the money raised by our raffle to charity so any extra prizes will be welcome. A date for everyone's calendar is May 8th when we shall be holding our annual Plant Sale in the village hall (starting earlier at 10am by the way) and the revised schedule for this year's Flower Show will be on the notice board from the March meeting with changes highlighted.

Nippies 1,2,3 this month are Mrs S Bailey, Mrs J Trood, Mrs I Neil

Seating factotums: Mr J Gilliam, Mr J Lewis

See this stunning trip! FOLSC has invited Tony Ellerbeck to tell us about his visit with Janie in 2001 to the Last Continent, Antarctica, and other islands in the Southern Ocean, to show her some of the places he had been to in 1982. With spectacular scenery and wonderful wildlife photography this promises to be a fascinating evening, but the last leg of the voyage could also have been the most interesting! **In the Village Hall on March 12th 7pm for 7.30pm. Tickets £5 for the village shop or on the door.**

Toybox Pre-school will be holding a fund raising quiz night on 28th March at the Unicorn Pub in Somerton. The quiz will start at 8:00pm. Entrance is £10 per table of four, with all funds raised being put towards a permanent cover for our outdoor play area.

We hope to see you there - it will be lots of fun!

Long Sutton Cricket Club pre-season indoor practice net sessions will take place at Huish Episcopi Sports Centre on the following dates:

Fri 12th March 6pm - 8pm

Fri 19th March 6pm - 8pm

Fri 26th March 6pm - 8pm

Fri 9th April 6pm - 8pm

The first hour of each session is aimed at juniors (aged 9 to 13), which will be followed by a session for senior players including any of the older "juniors" who wish to join the adult session.

Outdoor practice sessions will commence in late April (weather permitting) and will be held every week at Long Sutton Recreation Field on the following days:

Seniors: Every Tuesday from 6:15pm - 7:45pm

Juniors: Every Wednesday from 6pm - 7:30pm

Long Sutton Cricket Club would like to welcome anyone with a cricketing interest to join the Club, regardless of age or ability. This is a great way to meet new friends, keep fit, and to enjoy playing cricket together. We have players from many surrounding villages so please extend this invite to friends and family or anyone you know who may have a cricketing interest!

Please feel free to give me a call if you wish to have an informal chat. I look forward to seeing new and regular members soon.

Fingers crossed for good weather this summer!

Chris Vigar LSCC Chairman

Tel: 07776 427 154

Forthcoming Event!

A bit of a laugh, a bit of a song, a bit of supper.

A Bit of a Do for St George on Friday 23rd April in the Village Hall - watch out for details in April's newsletter & be ready to act fast!!

24th April 2010 - St George's Day

To assist the School with fundraising for the costs of a new study space, we are helping organise a series of events for St George's Day within the village. This will include a series of events on the village green and a party in the evening. Please save this date for your diary and more information will follow in April's newsletter.

Wine evenings

We would like to thank everyone who supported the Burgundy Wine Evening in January. With gift aid, over £300 was raised for Church funds.

Nick Gould, Long Sutton House.

Message from PCSO Melanie Austin

1) To remind everyone to be aware that we have had a lot of attempted and actual theft of lead from buildings over the last couple of months.

2) Theft of quad bikes in and around the area

3) Any reports of suspicious vehicles near agricultural machinery, ring feeders etc as these are also being targeted by thieves.

4) We are taking details of anyone wishing to join Farm Watch and or Horse Watch.

5) I am still looking for someone to be the Coordinator for the Long Sutton Community Speed watch it would be a shame for this to fail before it has had a chance to begin.

Myself or the beat Manager PC Stewart Brand can be contacted at Somerton Police station via Email or by phoning 0845 456 7000 or leaving a note in the post box in Long Sutton stores.

*Melanie Austin
PCSO 8707
Somerton*

FOLSC 2010 PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

Now with Spring in sight the FOLSC trustees have been hard at work putting together a full programme of events for 2010 which we hope will be both enjoyable as well as raising funds for the fabric of our church. While full details of each function will be published nearer the time, can we ask you to get your diaries out and reserve these dates to avoid any possibility of a double booking!

Friday, 12th March

Antarctic Talk by Tony Ellerbeck

Venue: L.S. Village Hall

Doors open: 7.00pm. Presentation commences 7.30pm

Saturday, 26th June

Long Sutton Village Fete

A Summer of 1940 display with photo opportunities - to put you in the mood for our Summer Party - see below!

Saturday, 17th July

1940's Themed Summer Party and Disco with pig roast.

Venue: Charity Farm Upton, Grain Store.

Saturday, 11th September

Grand Mouse Race evening

Venue: L.S. Village Hall

Saturday, 27th November

BBC Young Folk Musician of the Year - Jackie Oates in Concert

Venue: L.S. Village Hall

A few words of good news. My name in Lynn Shorthouse - having moved into Friends Bungalow at the end of last year and working in Somerton (fixing stiff necks, backs and headaches), my own headache was leaving my new laptop on the A372 this week when I managed to forget it!

Living in Long Sutton is clearly a place of great kindness

and honesty when Dave, the local farmer and my neighbour, spotted it near the roadside, took care of it and in the rain and dark that evening, came door to door to find who had left it on the road. I am very, very grateful to be living in such a good village and for all the trouble Dave took returning the laptop that I was daft enough to leave. With thanks, *Lynn Shorthouse*

Roundabout & Newsletter Deliverers urgently needed!!

Many of the people who deliver this newsletter to you are now in their more mature years. Each month they brave the wind, rain, snow & sometimes the heat (hard to imagine at this time!), to keep you in touch with what is happening in our community. Some of them would now like to hang up their postbags.

It is perhaps time for others to seize this opportunity to take over the reins of this community spirited task.

If you can spare a little time (approx. one hour) once a month to assist in the delivery of the Roundabout & newsletters to your neighbours in the Long Sutton area, please contact Tim or Sue on 01458 241554.

Thank you!

*We have taller buildings but shorter tempers
Wider motorways but narrower viewpoints
We spend more, but we have less
We buy more, but enjoy it less
We have bigger houses & smaller families
More conveniences, but less time
We have more degrees, but less common sense
More knowledge, but less judgement
More experts, but more problems
More medicine, but less well-being
We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values
We talk too much, but lie too often
We've learned how to make a living, but not how to live life
We have added years to life, but not life to years
We've been all the way to the moon & back, but can't cross the street to help a neighbour
We write more, but learn less
We plan more, but accomplish less
We have higher incomes, but lower morals
We have more acquaintances but fewer friends*

*These are times of world peace but domestic warfare
More leisure & less fun
More kinds of food but less nutrition*

*These are the days of low incomes but more divorce
Of fancier houses but broken homes*

It is a time when there is much in the shop window & nothing in the stock room. Anon

Just so that you don't think I've lost my sense of humour.....

A very rich man died. He was famous for his magnificent collection of art treasures, antiques & silver. After the funeral a journalist whispered to the vicar, 'How much did he leave?' 'Everything,' whispered the vicar.

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