



The newsletter for the community of Orford and Gedgrave

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QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

All over the United Kingdom and the Commonwealth beacons will be lit to mark the platinum jubilee, and Orford will be lighting its beacon on the Castle knoll at 9.45pm on Thursday 2 June. To continue the celebrations there will also be a street party on Market Hill on Saturday 4 June (further details are on the back of Village Voice). This means that Market Hill will be closed from midday until 6pm on that date, so please ensure that your car is removed by that time. We are sorry for any inconvenience caused, but hope that people will come along and join in with the fun!

Marie Backhouse, Clerk to Orford and Gedgrave Parish Council

VILLAGE FUND

The New Orford Town Trust has already made grants to several local organisations from its Village Fund. The next applications will be considered in June and should be submitted to the Clerk by midday on Thursday 9 June. Please contact the Clerk for more information and an application form.

Kara Reed, Clerk to New Orford Town Trust,
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JUNE AT ST BARTHOLOMEW'S

All are welcome to join us at St Bartholomew's, Orford for the following services in June:

- First Sunday: Choral Evensong, 6pm to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Note: Holy Communion is at Butley Church, 11am on 5 June.
- Second and Third Sundays: Holy Communion, 9.30am (Second Sunday, Book of Common Prayer)
- Wednesdays at 6pm: Evening Prayer (BCP).
- Fourth Sundays: we join Sudbourne and Iken congregations for Holy Communion at 9.30am at Sudbourne Church.

A CHURCH NEAR YOU WEBSITE www.achurchnearyou.com provides details of all church services and events in the local area. For further information contact the Team Rector: Rev Giles Tulk 01394 450610 revgileswtr@gmail.com

Events in Church in June

Platinum Jubilee Service on 5 June. Please join us for a special Choral Evensong on 5 June at 6pm to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. Music by the choir will include Herbert Howells' setting of

June dates for your diary

- Each Monday: badminton - Orford Town Hall, 10am-12noon
- Each Monday (except bank holidays): Coffee and Chat - Orford Sports and Recreation Club, 1-3pm
- Each Wednesday: chair pilates - Orford Sports and Recreation Club, 11am-12noon
- Each Monday and Wednesday: Methodist Chapel tea room, lunch, 11am-2pm
- Each Wednesday: badminton - Orford Town Hall, 7-9pm
- Each Saturday: Orford Country Market - Orford Town Hall, 9.30am-1pm
- Thursday 2 June: lighting of the beacon - Castle Knoll, 9.45pm
- Saturday 4 June: Clarinet quintet concert - Orford Church, 11am
- Saturday 4 June: Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations - street party on Market Hill, 2-5pm
- Sunday 12 June: T4Thomas - Chantry Cottage, 10.30am-4.30pm
- Tuesday 21 June: Suffolk Day: Community Day at Orford Ness (see article for further info)
- Thursday 23 June: Gardening Club Annual Garden Party
- Saturday 25 June: concert with organ and choir - Orford Church, 3pm
- Sunday 26 June: Orford Open Gardens (see article for further info)

the Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, and Hubert Parry's coronation anthem, 'I was glad'. Conductor Graeme Kay, organist Adrian Nichols. *Aldeburgh Festival Concert* on 4 June, 11am Britten Pears Arts presents the Mark Simpson and the Solem Quartet playing clarinet quartets by Mozart and Mark Simpson. Please note, access to the Church may be limited before and after the performance.

Visiting Bell Ringers, 11 June, 9.30am bell ringers from Tarporley Cheshire will be visiting the church to ring St Bartholomew's bells.

Wedding: Saturday 18 June at 12.30pm.

Aldeburgh Festival Concert on 25 June at 3pm Britten Pears Arts presents celebrated organist Anna Lapwood in a concert of music for organ and voices based on plainchant music by Bach, Britten and Tabakova. Please note, access to the Church may be limited before and after the performance.

Open Gardens Event 26 June, 11-3.30 tickets and maps available in Church. Delicious cakes and tea and coffee are served in Church. Don't miss this unique opportunity to wander round some of Orford's lovely private gardens. This event is organised by the Friends of Orford Church. For information about becoming a Friend pick up a leaflet in Church or contact us stbartholomewsfriends@gmail.com

Diary Date: Sunday 28 August at 3pm, Teddy Bear's Parachute Jump. Advance warning so that you can start preparing your bears! Brave teddies will once again be parachuting from the Church Tower in aid of church funds. Homemade cakes and tea will be served.

Caroline Gill

JUNE AT ORFORD METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday 6 June PENTECOST & JUBILEE SUNDAY

10.30am Rev Stephen Yelland – Holy Communion

Platinum Jubilee Lunch at 12.45pm

Sunday 12 June TRINITY

10.30am Service lead locally

Sunday 19 June 120th CHURCH ANNIVERSARY

10.30am Stephen Caley

Sunday 26 June 10.30am CAFÉ WORSHIP

Children stay in church for their own activities and assist the services. Refreshments are served afterwards.

CHAPEL TEA ROOM is OPEN every Monday and Wednesday from 11am– 4pm. Excellent menu for lunch and afternoon tea – no need to book, just turn up!

We are holding a Lunch to Celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee – with a Royal Quiz and sing-along at 12.45pm on Sunday 6 June.

On Sunday 19 June we celebrate 120 years of the opening of the present building (which replaced the former chapel of 1837) with a service at 10.30am followed by refreshments and lunch. There's a welcome to visitors and friends to join with us.

Stephen Caley

ORFORD SPORTS & RECREATION CLUB

Many thanks for your great support at our recent events, which has been so great that more are being planned for later in the year, and also into next year.

Events coming up:

- Thursday 9 June: bike meet night (bike optional), bbq and bar available from 6pm
- Saturday 11 June: live music from Rock Solid Alibi, from 8pm
- Friday 17 June: Bingo Night from 8pm

Plenty coming up, keep an eye on the board as well

Mark Smy, Secretary, 450358

ORFORD, GEDGRAVE AND SUDBOURNE HALL GOOD NEIGHBOUR SCHEME

The Good Neighbour Scheme can help with any of the following: friendship and companionship, collection of medication, shopping, dog walking, feeding pets, form filling and help with technology, one-off garden tidy, minor household repairs, a healthy meal, transport to Covid-19 vaccinations/boosters, hospital, and GP appointments, provision of a personal care alarm with key safe, supported by the Orford & District Surgery Charitable Trust, a Community Larder, located in the entrance to the Kings Head car park, other activities as requested and agreed, support for anyone who is impacted by a scam.

Helpline: 01394 450235

THE ORFORD, SUDBOURNE & GEDGRAVE FLOWER SHOW & FETE – NEW WEBSITE LAUNCHED

The show now has its very own website, which can be found at orfordflowershow.org. We hope you find the site useful and informative. Please continue to send in your photographs and any other contributions via orfordflowershow@gmail.com

In conjunction with the website the Show has a new Instagram account @orfordflowershow and you can follow us on Facebook too. We look forward to you getting involved.

The Committee would like to thank Chloe from Batterson Studio, who has generously given her time to build the website and set up the social media accounts for us.

Gary Wingrove

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CHORAL EVENSONG

Before the temporary Covid setback, cathedrals all over the country had been reporting increasing numbers of visitors for Choral

Evensong: attendance grew 34 percent in ten years, signalling that Choral Evensong's recitation of timeless, poetic words, combined with wonderful music, was able to reach into the hearts and minds of both the faithful, seekers after spiritual connection, and people who just come to listen.

In Orford we are tremendously lucky to have regular choral services with our fine choir and magnificent organ. St Bartholomew's Church welcomes you to a special Queen's Platinum Jubilee Choral Evensong with choir and organ on Sunday 5 June at 6pm. We will be singing exclusively British music, beginning with a short but spectacular anthem written in 1947 by Sir William McKie, Master of the Music at Westminster Abbey, for the marriage of HRH The Princess Elizabeth and Lieutenant Philip Mountbatten in the Abbey. It's short because the King had insisted that the wedding should last no longer than 55 minutes! There's music written by Herbert Howells for the Choir of King's College, Cambridge and the centrepiece will be the anthem 'I was glad' by Hubert Parry (with solo trumpeter in Orford), written for the Coronation of King Edward VII in 1902 and used at every British coronation ever since. The service will also contain well-known congregational hymns. After this service, the Choir takes its summer break, resuming in September. All are welcome to come and help mark the Jubilee in fine musical style!

Graeme Kay, Director of Music

T4THOMAS 2022

We are pleased to announce that the Thomas Marshall Education Fund (TMEF) is planning to hold an all-day garden party again at Chantry Cottage this year. Our traditional T4Thomas Garden Party is usually scheduled for early June to coincide with Thomas' birthday but that was reorganised to a home delivery service in 2020 and rescheduled to 31 July last year owing to the Covid restrictions. However, we have set a date of Sunday 12 June this year to welcome everyone back to the lovely garden at Chantry Cottage.

We cordially invite you to join us for our annual T4Thomas in the garden of Chantry Cottage on Sunday 12 June 2022 from 10.30am until 4.30pm. Bacon rolls will be served from 11am, lunch from noon and tea and cake all day long. We would love to welcome you to this friendly occasion this year.

The Thomas Marshall Education Fund, registered charity number 1154635, was formed to remember Thomas by raising funds to help advance the education, training and life skills of the young people of Mozambique to enable them to make a sustainable living and provide active support within their communities.

Roger Hipwell

SUDBOURNE HALL CRICKET CLUB

Aside from one delayed start after a heavy Saturday morning downpour, Sudbourne Hall have enjoyed a clear run of fixtures since the league season began on the Easter weekend. Unfortunately, the club have enjoyed a less than auspicious start to the season on the pitch, currently sitting near the foot of the Two Counties Division Six with one win and four defeats from their opening five games.

The stand-out display came at home to Felixstowe in late April, a thrilling game when Sudbourne chased down 184 with 2 wickets and 2 overs to spare. Richard Daykin with a hat trick and Charlie Jackson with 76 were the saviours for the home team. Fair to say the side have been dogged by inconsistency with both bat and ball so far. Skipper Ed Robson was more encouraged with the most recent showing, a 56-run loss away to league leaders, Bardwell. With Sudbourne staring down the barrel after Bardwell reached 90 for 1 off only 10 overs, they managed to restrict the home side to 199 all out with tight bowling and some excellent catches. In reply, a swashbuckling 48 from Sam Mann was sadly followed by wickets falling regularly. With Daykin unbeaten on 31, the away side finished the innings on 143 for 9. A more positive performance than recent weeks. Sudbourne will certainly be hoping to start climbing the league through the summer months.

Sudbourne Hall Cricket Club, June fixtures:

- Saturday 4 June v Braintree (home), 1pm

- Saturday 11 June v Kesgrave (away), 1pm
- Saturday 18 June v Melton St Audreys (home), 1pm
- Saturday 25 June v Chappel and Wakes Colne (away), 1pm

The club is always on the lookout for prospective new members from around the local villages and beyond. Please contact andyhalliday1@me.com if you are interested.

Andy Halliday

ORFORD OPEN GARDENS, SUNDAY 26 JUNE

Orford Open Gardens will be on Sunday 26 June with twelve beautiful gardens to visit, refreshments to enjoy, and a plant sale hosted by one of the gardens. Tickets with a map of the gardens will be on sale from 11am to 3pm in St Bartholomew's Church, and the gardens will be open from 11.30am to 3.30pm. Delicious home-made cakes and hot and cold drinks will be available to buy in St Bartholomew's from 11am to 3.30pm, to enjoy at café tables in church or take-away. We'd welcome donations of cakes/baked goods and plants for the plant sale. If you can help, please contact Libby on 0771 341 3494, or bring your donations to the church between 10am and 11am on the day. Open Gardens is in aid of the Friends of St. Bartholomew's Church, Orford charity.

Libby Archer, Susie Bridges, Sally Walton, Open Gardens organisers

ORFORD SAILING CLUB 'TASTER' SESSIONS

The sessions are open to everyone – no experience required – however children should be at least 8 years old and everyone must be able to swim and feel confident in water. These sessions are aimed at local families to create an opportunity to experience sailing on the river and meet others who like sailing. There is no further commitment. We charge £5 per session.

Dates:

- Wednesdays: 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29 June, 6 July. Meet at 5pm, sailing from 5.30pm to 6.30pm
- Sundays: 19 and 26 June from 10.30am to 12 noon

Should you be interested please contact **Sheena Barrow**, sheenamargaretbarrow@gmail.com, 07867 978770, 01394 450737

NATIONAL TRUST ORFORD NESS – SUFFOLK DAY

To mark Suffolk Day this year, we're delighted to be hosting our Community Day on Suffolk Day itself, Tuesday 21 June. This year we will be throwing open the doors to all Suffolk residents to come visit us and help mark this special day. It's our chance to say thank you for supporting us as well as highlighting this unique part of Suffolk's coast. Tickets for Tuesday 21 June are free to Suffolk residents (you'll be asked to show proof of address when checking in) and can now be booked via the What's On section of our website – www.nationaltrust.org.uk/orfordness

Boats will run every 20 minutes outbound 10am to 2pm, with the last boat returning to Orford at 5pm. Tickets are limited and do need to be booked in advance. We hope to see you there!

Glen Pearce, Property Operations Manager, National Trust Orford Ness

ORFORD HOUSING

Clear evidence of a failure to protect Orford as an important part of the Suffolk Coast and Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), which is the setting for Orford, is now clear to see. The development of houses on land North of Mill Close is taking shape and I understand it is not what Orford wanted or needed. The scheme appears to have no affordable houses or houses likely to be affordable to people with local jobs. This development should not have been the way to provide housing in Orford where many existing houses stand empty or not fully used. Infill schemes of houses on small sites would be preferable to this new 11 house scheme on what was open agricultural land.

The Planning Officer for the AONB said "We do not consider that as proposed the scheme will sit sympathetically within the AONB landscape", but her objection along with others was disregarded.

Valid objections by myself and others failed to stop this development but even the present scheme design could have been improved yet the Planning Authority failed to take note of our suggestions. I agreed with a suggestion that that there should be a focal open space with groups of houses around or terraces like other parts of Orford and the scale of building could relate to neighbouring houses to reduce overlooking and visual impact.

Local support is needed to protect this valuable part of the AONB which is intended to be as good as part of a National Park. Everyone living in or visiting Orford benefits from the AONB but if we all continue to ignore this gradual erosion by greenfield development along country roads it will inevitably end up becoming ribbon development.

This is an issue affecting many other villages. Is this what we want?

John Donnelly, retired architect

ORFORD AND DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

Peter Maddison Butterfly Conservation

Our May meeting, which was attended by a record number of current members, new members and guests, was a real education by Peter on Butterflies – what a lot we all didn't know! Apparently, there are 59 species in the UK of which we have 35 in Suffolk, and Orford and Sudbourne is the only place where you can now see the Wall Brown – particularly in the north east corner of St Bart's Churchyard! If you spot any, please record on www.butterfly-conservation.org

We can help maintain and increase the number and species of butterflies in our area by growing these particular plants: Verbena bonariensis, Sedum 'Spectacle', garlic mustard, buddleia Globosa Dartmoor Weyeriana', Erysimum 'Bowles Mauve', marjoram, lavender, Birds Foot Trefoil and willow catkins. Please keep your nettles – those that are in the sun and grasses for over the winter. Single flowers are best for butterflies. An area which is just left wild helps to support the caterpillars as they develop as they need food too! Late morning and lunchtime while it is warm are the best times to see butterflies – so far we've had the Orange Tip, Red Admiral, Peacock and Holly Blue in our garden. Peter said that 'Priors Oak' in Aldeburgh supports their work and will be open on 31 July – a great time to see the butterflies on the huge number of varieties of buddleias there.

Welcome...

Join us at any time, for a single event or as a full member. Fees: 1/2 price for rest of the year, £7.50, and come to Garden Party!

A taster of future events:

- Thursday 23 June afternoon (change of date!) – Our annual garden party
- Tuesday 5 July afternoon – car sharing trip to Fullers Mill near Bury St Edmunds
- Saturday 27 August – stall at the Flower Show
- Thursday 8 September – My family and other irises – Lucy Skelton owner of the National Collection of irises and working at Cedric Morris's Benton End
- Thursday 6 October – Plants for the dry garden – Matt Tanton-Brown

We hope to see you soon!

Polly Sharkey (Chair), creativefutures98@btinternet.com 01394 450959

CONCERTS IN ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH

The Aldeburgh Festival's first concert in Orford Church will be on Saturday 4 June at 11am, with clarinet quintets by Mozart and by one of this year's Britten Pears Arts featured artists, Mark Simpson, performed by Simpson and the Solem Quartet.

The second concert in the church features organist Anna Lapwood, Director of Music at Pembroke College, Cambridge, on Saturday 25 June at 3pm. Anna will be joined by singers from her choir to perform music based on plainchant alongside the original chants. Tickets for both concerts are available on brittenpearsarts.org or telephone 01728 687110.

Come and join us for the
QUEEN'S PLATINUM
JUBILEE
CELEBRATIONS

To be held on Saturday 4th June 2022

On the Market Hill between 2pm & 5pm.

There will be a BBQ, tea, coffee, cake, and ice cream.

The children can enjoy a craft table, and face painting.

Also, on Thursday 2nd June 2022 at 9.45pm

We will be lighting the Beacon on the Castle Knoll.



SUNDAY 12TH JUNE
 GARDEN PARTY
 10.30AM TO 4.30PM
 CHANTRY COTTAGE
 ORFORD IP12 2NG



THE OLD RECTORY, ORFORD IP12 2NN
GARDEN OPEN SUNDAY 12TH JUNE
11.00am ~ 6.00pm ENTRY BY DONATION
 in aid of the DISASTERS EMERGENCY COMMITTEE
 UKRAINE HUMANITARIAN APPEAL
 Car Parking for disabled. Plant Sale & cold Refreshments

THE PENINSULA PRACTICE

DAY	ALDERTON	ORFORD	ALDEBURGH	HOLLESLEY
Monday	8.00 to 14.30	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 18.30	13.30 to 17.30
Tuesday	8.00 to 18.30	CLOSED	8.00 to 18.30	
Wednesday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00	8.00 to 18.30	
Thursday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00	8.00 to 18.30	
Friday	8.00 to 18.30	8.00 to 13.00	8.00 to 18.30	

BANK HOLIDAY & STAFF TRAINING CLOSURE DATES

The surgery will be closed on Bank Holidays Thursday 2 June and Friday 3 June.

The surgery will be closed for staff training on Thursday 16 June from 13.00.

When the surgery is closed please call NHS 111.

Face coverings

Please can all patients be aware that they must continue to wear a face covering when attending the surgery, unless they are exempt. This is to protect our patients, many of whom are vulnerable, and our staff, who are essential to our service.

Practice news

Any updates regarding practice closures, Covid vaccine clinics and other varied information will be shared on our website and our Facebook page. <https://www.facebook.com/ThePeninsulaPracticeGPSurgery/>

www.thepeninsulapractice.co.uk or 01394 411641