# Sudbury Sketch

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Bringing you news and information about forthcoming events, local clubs and organisations in the Sudbury area



The Old Gasworks

It would be appreciated if all contributors could get their items to me by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August for the September edition.

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#### All Saints Church Sudbury

Please note that the pattern of services could be subject to change

July	<sup>7</sup> / <sup>ui</sup>	United Benefice Service at Alkmonton at 10.30am		
	$14^{\mathrm{th}}$	Family Service at 11am		
	21 <sup>st</sup>	Morning Prayer at 11am		
	$28^{th}$	Common Worship HC at 11am		
Aug	$4^{th}$	Open Air Service with Longford 8 at Dalbury Lees at 11am		
_	$11^{\rm th}$	Family Service at 11am		
	$18^{th}$	Morning Prayer at 11am		
	$25^{th}$	Common Worship HC at 11am		

#### Church Fete 2019

Not a great day for the Church Fete but at least it didn't pour with rain during this event. We missed Tutbury Band and the fly-past, the bowls and the outdoor games but as usual people came and spent generously and enjoyed themselves. The weather plays a large part in making the church fete a success, however, the generosity of the many people who stock the stalls, sell the raffle tickets, help set up and clear up afterwards, together with the hundreds of people who come from far and wide all makes it well worth while. Thank you one and all.

#### **Goodbye to the Parish Church Organist**

We shall be sad to say goodbye to Jeremy Dutton, who for the past four years has been the organist at the parish church. Jeremy has moved back to Stafford and has found the weekly commute too much. Thank you Jeremy. If anyone knows of an organist who is looking for a position, we can offer them a wonderful organ and visit fee. Mr Alan Smith, the Churchwarden, would be pleased to hear from them. His number is 01889567437

#### **Valuation Event**

Mrs Wendy Sevier arranged for Charles Hanson to visit the parish church on May 20<sup>th</sup> to give valuations on items brought in exchange for a donation for church funds. Mr Bagshaw (also from Hanson's) came to the Church Fete and was kept busy for most of the afternoon. This was a new venture and something that we will repeat.



Simon Goodwin with Charles Hanson at the Valuation Event

#### **CONGRATULATIONS**

I would like to say congratulations and thank you to the hardworking teams involved with both the Church Fete and the Long Table Lunch over the weekend of June 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>. Their work and commitment was very much appreciated by all who attended these events which, despite the vagaries of a British Summer. Turned out to be highly successful, most enjoyable, and more importantly, profitable for both Church and the Gasworks Restoration Trust Fund. It does just prove that Sudbury can do it when asked to!

Wendy Sevier.



# Sudbury Gasworks Restoration Trust Awarded Lottery Funding

Within a week of the successful Long Table Lunch; the highlight of the Gasworks social and fundraising calendar, the Trust directors were delighted to hear that the Heritage Fund, a beneficiary of the National Lottery, had agreed to pay for the next three months of development.

With designs for the renovated, improved and enlarged gasworks already approved by the county's planning department and having been given the go-ahead to work on the grade II listed building by the conservation officer, these funds will allow the Trust to prepare the complex application pack required to enter the race to fund this great project to completion. The deadline for entries is in August and the Heritage Fund will decide when they can fund the project to rescue the Gasworks Building at Christmas time.

The trustees of SGRT announced: it is great to have this news right now. It takes so much work to prepare for our Long Table Lunch, and our guests have been so generous; it feels like a fantastic reward. If you would like to be updated on progress with the project to restore the building, or get involved in some of the great social events the Trust organises, search www.sudburygasworks.com

#### Tim Webber Chairman







#### JOHN BRASSINGTON (30/06/1944 – 23/06/2019)

The Sudbury Estate is very sad to report the death of John Brassington.

John was born at Hill Somersal and educated at Sudbury School and Hatton. He started work for the 9<sup>th</sup> Lord Vernon on the Sudbury Estate in 1959 as a teenager and worked for the Estate all his life. He officially retired in 2009 but continued to help out in all sorts of ways and was always a highly valued member of the team.

John's particular expertise was in woodland management and all forms of tree care. He was an expert on the countryside in general and a lover of wildlife.

He was a loyal and generous employee of the Sudbury Estate and will Be sadly missed by us all, as well as by his many friends in and around Sudbury Village

#### SUDBURY WI NEWS

Our May meeting was held in the Old Village Stores because the Parish room was being used as a polling station. We were made to feel very welcome by Julie White in what is a very comfortable room. The President expressed her thanks to Julie.

We had a very good resolution meeting. The two resolutions this year being "Don't fear the Smear" and "Road Transport". Jane Latham, the delegate, was asked to vote in favour of both on our behalf.

Also, in May Sudbury WI were hosts to the Appletree Group meeting which was held at Hanbury Village Hall. The speaker, Jo Golby, had us in stitches at times with her anecdotes as t Tour Guide. We provided our guests with excellent food followed by a rousing sing a long with the Uttoxeter Ukelele Band. It was a very successful evening and we received some very favourable comments.

In June we met at the Tenpin bowling alley in Uttoxeter, arranged by Carol Hogan. President, Pat Gaskin, was unable to attend because she had broken her foot in an accident. We all wish her a very speedy recovery.

At our meeting on July 4<sup>th</sup> Chrissy Whereat will give a talk entitled "Barking Mad", how does she already know us? The competition is animal ornament.

Plans will be made that night for the craft display we are staging at Ashbourne Show on August 17<sup>th</sup>. Several members of the Knit and Knatter group are entering the competition for a knitted baby blanket at the show.

We will also decide how we spend our holiday month of August. It is bound to include a trip out with afternoon tea.

You are welcome to come and join us. Why not give either Anne on 585367 or Jane on 585041 a ring and they will tell you all about the WI?

#### SUDBURY SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

Our guest speaker on 4<sup>th</sup> June was Juliet Short of Connex Community Services outlining the services available to seniors. Juliet told of how to access these, and of help available to carers.

The Coach outing on 18<sup>th</sup> June to Lytham St Annes took us to a wonderful day with bright sunshine, good company and delicious food.

Our speaker on 9<sup>th</sup> July will be "Mr Simms" of sweet shop fame, and Monmouth is the destination of our Coach trip on the 23<sup>rd</sup> July.

On the 5<sup>th</sup> August we will be joining with other seniors for the annual Thanksgiving service which is to held this year at Hulland Ward Church followed by Tea. Cost £5.00

Our Coach journey for August is on the 20<sup>th</sup> and will take us to Harrogate. You are welcome to join us, the fare is £12 per person.

#### PARISH ROOM NEWS

Our coffee morning in May raised £140 which was donated to the Church to cover some of the expense of the Church Fete. We didn't hold a coffee morning in June, but we will be holding our next one on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July followed by another on Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August.

Please come and join us.

#### ST PAUL'S CHURCH SCROPTON

St. Paul's Church, Scropton will be staging a concert by The Breakaways on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> July commencing at 7.00pm, Entrance to the concert is £5.00 per person, this includes light refreshments. For advance tickets please ring 01283 815063 or alternatively you can pay on the door.

#### **SUDBURY HALL**

What a dismal June we've had so far! Visitors to the Hall and Museum have generally braved the rain and our visitor numbers remain strong, but we're certainly looking forward to brighter and warmer days to come.

We held our mid-season briefing for staff and volunteers last week which was a lovely opportunity to thank everyone for their hard work. The team have been hugely successful so far this financial year and we are beating all of our key measures of success. This is due to a wonderful, engaged and hard-working team. We always have opportunities to join our volunteer team, with roles across the property, from the Hall to retail, to visitor services and many, many more. If you, or someone you know, might be interested in joining our lovely team, please do get in touch with the office.

The other key update since my last Sketch contribution is a change to our policy on dogs. In a bid to be more welcoming to dog owners, we're now happy to allow canine friends across all the grounds and gardens, provided they are well behaved and on a lead. I've already enjoyed the results of this change of policy when I picnicked here with my family and their dogs a couple of weekends ago. I hope you get chance to enjoy it too.

In less happy news, we had a break in at the shop a few nights ago. Luckily, nothing was taken and the security measures did their work, but it was a reminder to us all to be vigilant for any suspicious behaviour. If you spot anything happening in or around the Hall that you think we should know about please do email sudburyhall@nationaltrust.org.uk or give us a ring.

I hope you all enjoy a warmer end to the month and look forward to seeing you around the Hall soon.

ΑII	the	best,

Nikki

#### SUDBURY BOWLS CLUB

What a great start to the season we are having. Two in house trophies have been played so far to the final which will be held in September. The next in house competition will be for the Doug Ratcliffe Cup which will be in July followed by a BBQ courtesy of Stan and me.

The Sudbury Vets B team are through to the semi-final of the Charity Shield Competition beating both Barton and Hatton who are in much higher leagues. Well done all, as the team has only six players meaning each member has two games to play and this sometimes is a great struggle, but, as long as there are plenty of tea and biscuits all is well.

The green looks great, we have received many compliments from visiting teams as most greens are in terrible condition. As usual thanks is due to our great team of green keepers.

Just a reminder that Wednesday evening is club night. Everyone is welcome. The kettle will be on and biscuits a plenty. Why don't you come and join us and give bowling a try?

Sue Harvey

#### WELLIES PROJECT

The WELLIES Project is ten years old this year and to celebrate this will be holding an Open Afternoon on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July at WELLIES HQ, Chapel on the Hill. Somersal Herbert to which all are welcome.

We'll be having mini demonstrations and workshops of some of the activities we take part in and our volunteers will show visitors around and explain how the project works. There will be a sale of some of the woodwork pieces we've created, a raffle. Hot dogs and cream teas.

WELLIES project offers therapeutic learning activities with animals, plants, and the countryside for people with poor mental health, typically anxiety and depression.

#### PARISH COUNCIL

Our meeting held on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> May was the first following the recent local elections. As previously reported there were only three candidates put forward for election, Duncan West, Terry Harvey, and John Ingram who were all on the previous Council. All three were therefore automatically reelected to serve as Councillors. Ideally the Council should have six members and we are pleased to report that we have now been successful in co-opting two new members, Mrs Susanne Harvey and Mrs Jay Beeston and are very hopeful of having a sixth member on board for our next meeting on the 15<sup>th</sup> July.

We were also joined at our May meeting by Jacqui Allison who is our new District Councillor. Among the items discussed at the meeting were the mowing of the Sportsfield, which is being carried out under tender by SJL Landscapes, The lease on the Playing Field as we believe the Pavillion has finally seen better days and to obtain a grant for a replacement a longer lease from the NT would be required. We are having positive correspondence with the Trust over this. A different site was tentatively offered but was not deemed suitable.

We have been in touch with the Traffic and Road safety team at Derbyshire County Council asking for the pedestrian signs at the either end of the hall be changed to show pedestrians crossing rather than the no footpath ones we currently have. The survey on the proposed Marchington Bridge did not receive favourable support from this Parish and we therefore resolved that this matter should be closed.

We have been in correspondence with the trust re Parking for Church Cars and requesting a sign at the bottom of the Church Drive pointing to the Parish Church. The trust replied to say that the parking issue has been agreed with the Church and that they would make arrangements for a suitable sign to be erected. We also received a letter from a resident to say visitors were missing the Car Park and turning round in their gateway, We have therefore asked the Trust if improved signage to the Car Park could be installed. We are also pleased to report that our accounts for the last year have been audited and approved.

Our next meeting is Monday 15th July at 7.30 in the Parish Room.

#### **BIN DATES**

5<sup>th</sup> July Grey Bin and Food Caddy

12<sup>th</sup> July Blue Bin, ,Green Bin and Food Caddy

19<sup>th</sup> July Grey Bin and Food Caddy

26<sup>th</sup> July Blue Bin, ,Green Bin and Food Caddy

2<sup>nd</sup> August Grey Bin and Food Caddy

9<sup>th</sup> August Blue Bin, ,Green Bin and Food Caddy

16<sup>th</sup> August Grey Bin and Food Caddy

23<sup>rd</sup> August Blue Bin, ,Green Bin and Food Caddy

31st August Grey Bin and Food Caddy

#### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

4<sup>th</sup> July Women's Institute Meeting in the Parish Room 9th July Senior Citizens Meeting in the Parish Room

12<sup>th</sup> July Coffee Morning in the Parish Room

15<sup>th</sup> July Parish Council Meeting 19<sup>th</sup> July WELLIES Open Afternoon

20<sup>th</sup> July Concert at St Paul's Church, Scropton 23<sup>rd</sup> July Senior Citizens Coach trip to Monmouth

5<sup>th</sup> August Senior Citizens Thanksgiving Service at Hulland Ward

16<sup>th</sup> August Coffee Morning in the Parish Room

20th August Senior Citizens Coach trip to Harrogate

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