

LONG SUTTON AND LONG LOAD NEWSLETTER –

February 2018

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Long Sutton W.I.

FEBRUARY 15th

Herd and Harvest in Somerset

Competition: Farm picture/photo

Tea: Sandie Appleby, Jill Huggard

Our January Social evening passed with chatter and buzzed with ideas for the year ahead. Bumper raffle, bulging sales table and rewarding refreshments helped the meeting along. Monthly competition results for 2017 were announced. Angela Ayre and Heather Wooten shared top scores, with Trish Crossman second and Helen Pyke and Jacqueline Roberts joint third. Throughout the year 25 members had taken part - brilliant!

During February we have two meetings during half term week. On Tuesday 13th at 3pm in the School Hall we will be having a cream tea party for members, using money donated by Doreen Cox from the sale of her 'Village Book'.

Kate Lynch is our speaker on Thursday 15th (7.45) - title 'Herd and Harvest in Somerset'. We are excited to have Kate, a well known artist, who has completed several projects documenting rural communities. This illustrated Talk promises to entertain members and inspire all budding artists.

Appropriately the competition is a Farm picture or photo. If you are not a member and would like to come along you are very welcome.

Skittles has begun with two more matches fixed for Feb 27th and March 20th.

A mention of the March meeting(15th) on 'Horse Welfare' with follow up visits to the Horse Welfare Centre for walk and refreshments TBA and tour of the Horsehair Factory at Castle Cary on 22nd March.

Long Sutton C of E (VA) Primary School and Toybox pre-school

As we enter a new year the children at school have plenty to look forward to. We are fortunate to have the support of a very successful PTFA who raise funds to enable the children to take part in a range of activities throughout the year. We are grateful to all our volunteers for all their efforts and appreciate the time that they give.

We would like to give a special thank you to our PTFA for their amazing efforts raising money with a Santa's sleigh float which raised £1500 for the school and £1000 for the Dorset Air Ambulance.

Our Senior citizens' Christmas party is a school tradition which started shortly after the Second World War and is always appreciated. We were delighted to welcome 70 guests in to school this year which was a record in recent times. We were very proud of our eldest pupils who 'waited' on our guests and prompted many comments about their excellent manners and great team work. Thanks again to the PTFA for organising this popular event.

In December the school choir spent a wonderful day at Wells cathedral rehearsing with Pete Letanka, a charismatic composer who wrote a carol that the children subsequently performed in the evening. It was a great opportunity for the children to sing as part of a large children's choir under the baton of inspirational musicians. The concert was part of the Cathedral school's outreach programme for local primary schools.

Our 'Music Buddies' group for 0-4 year olds continues every Monday from 9.30a.m until 11am term times only, which includes a sing, play and snack in the school hall. It costs £2.00 for the first child, £1.00 for other siblings. Please note that the new term starts on Monday 15th January. All welcome.

If you would like to find out more about our fantastic school do get in contact and come and visit. We have spaces in all year groups including the pre-school with wrap around care from

Date	Long Sutton & Long Load Calendar	
3 rd	10.30am	Coffee morning in the Church
4 th	6.30pm	Evening Prayer
11 th	8.00am	Holy Communion
14 th	11.00am	At Long Sutton School Second Sunday Service
	2pm	Ladies' craft club LONG LOAD village hall
	7.45pm	LS gardening club LSVH
15 th	7.30pm	WI LSVH
18 th	9.15am	Holy Communion
19 th	7.30pm	FOLSC AGM LSVH
21 st	10am	Corporate Communion LS Church
25 th	3.00pm	Holy Trinity, Long Sutton Benefice Service
		Licencing of Jane as Vicar - Archdeacon
26 th	7pm	History of art lecture LSVH

Flowers & Brasses Rota

Date	Flowers	Brasses
Feb 3 rd	Mrs Roberts	
Feb 10 th	Mrs Jones	
Feb 17 th	Lent – No Flowers	
Feb 24 th	“	Mrs Ellis & Mrs Hall
March 3 rd	“	

Coffee Mornings in the Church

The January coffee morning raised £500 for St Margaret's Hospice. Thank you to everyone who turned out on such a cold morning.

Future Events:

- **On Saturday, 3rd February** we will be raising funds for Long Sutton Cricket Club. Our local club has an excellent reputation and offers opportunities for all ages. It has a particularly strong youth section.
- **On Saturday 3rd March** we will be supporting the Stroke Association. This charity aims to reduce the number of people suffering from strokes and to provide support services for families affected by strokes.

Advance Notice

APCM on Tuesday 17th April at 7.30pm in the Church. All welcome.

Report on the Wine Tasting & Auction in aid of Holy Trinity Church Long Sutton

On Friday 1st December last year there was a good turnout for the fund raising wine tasting in the Village Hall.

Once again, much of the credit for the success of the evening was due to the support of Andrew, Chris & Claire from Quantock Abbey Wine Cellars in Weston Bampfylde who generously provided many tasting wines including a welcoming glass of (non-alcoholic) fizz.

In addition a big thank you to the volunteers who helped make the evening a success. That includes the ladies who provided food and nibbles, Val Pringle who produced tickets and posters, Long Sutton Stores who sold tickets and Phil Godfrey in organising arrangements at the Hall.

Finally, thank you to all those who bought tickets and came along on the night. The evening raised a total of £737.50 for Holy Trinity Church.

Mothers Union

February 21st Corporate Communion @ Long Sutton Church

7.45 to 5.45. Toy Box pre-school is now open all day from 8.45 to 3.15 and parents are able to access the wrap around care too. Should you wish to look around please make an appointment and contact us on 01458 241434
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Website: <http://www.longsuttonprimaryschool.co.uk>
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Long Sutton PTFA would like to invite you all to attend our valentines big breakfast on 11th February at the Village Hall. Please do come along and enjoy your breakfast with us and even have a glass of fizz. Breakfast will be from 8.30am to 11.30am.

Please look out for our posters around the village in the lead up to the event for more information or contact the school.

Many of you may have seen the wonderful Christmas cart around Long Sutton and surrounding villages in the lead up to Christmas.

Long Sutton PTFA and villagers where out in force over 7 evenings collecting money for Long Sutton Primary School and Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance.

We have raised a staggering £2508.50 in total, £1000.00 for the air ambulance and the remainder for the school. I think you will all agree this is absolutely brilliant.

We would like to thank you all for donating and hopefully Santa and his elves will be out and about next year again.

Long Sutton Gardening Club

February 14th: Joanna Cobb Art historian and gardener "Flora gave me fairest flowers"
Flower competition
Teas: Valerie Burdett, Christine and Shirley Shire

FOLSC into February!

Just a quick reminder the **FOLSC AGM** will be taking place at the Long Sutton Village School on **Monday, 19th February** with doors opening at 7.00 PM and meeting starting at 7.30. The meeting is very informal and is open to all (non-members in a non-voting capacity) and gives everyone an opportunity to meet, hear what we have been up to in 2017 and have a preview of our plans for the current year. Whilst the Trustees keep trying to ring the changes in regard to the entertainment offered, we are always open to new ideas. So, if you have seen an act locally that you think we could afford and would appeal to a FOLSC audience, please drop by and share your insider information! If you are new to our community you are particularly welcome and this is an excellent way to meet many of your new neighbours and what else do you do on a dull Monday evening in the middle of February?!

Whilst still a little way off, make a note of our first outing of the new season. **'Elvis'** will be in the building (AKA Long Sutton Village Hall) and performing for us on **Saturday, 21st April**. Whilst the first set will be 'The King' solo after the interval we will be entertained by 'the Bassett's Allsorts' with some fantastic covers from the 1950's through to the 1980's and likely to include many of your favourites by the likes of Cliff, Johnny Cash, Mud, Showaddywaddy, Everly Brothers, Bryan Ferry, Neil Diamond, Tom Jones, Roy Orbison and more. We are offering two great shows on one night so keep an eye open for further publicity as this one is certain to be 'SRO' and a sell-out gig!

'History of Art; the Bigger Picture'

with Joanna Cobb, MA, independent art historian, lecturer and researcher. **Monday 26th February 7-9 pm Long Sutton Village Hall**. This month's lecture is entitled **'William Hogarth and the Foundling Hospital. A pioneering double act'**. The

series can be joined at any time, so **no problem if you have missed previous lectures and no obligation to book the whole series**. In the next lecture we will look at 'Thomas Gainsborough and the Royal Academy. In and out of harness'. The series continues in the summer term and ends in November with 'Art of the Great War across the Divide' to coincide with the centenary of the armistice in 1918. Tickets £8 per person or £15 for two to include a fully illustrated lecture, refreshments and handouts. **Bookable in advance or on the door**. The lectures are also available at West Street Church Somerton. Tickets **available from Long Sutton Village shop or by phone or email**. For more information please feel free to contact me on **01458 832178** or ericjoanna@waitrose.com

Mid Somerset Riding Club – Annual Charity Quiz Night

Friday March 9th at Long Sutton Village Hall
General Knowledge quiz – first question 7.30 pm
Teams of 4 or 5. Great prizes. Superb raffle and delicious supper.
£10 per head. Entry forms in the village shop – or details from Marian Draper 07885 301 898
Supporting World Horse Welfare and the Injured Jockeys Fund

Entries Close March 3rd. Come and enjoy a really fun evening.

LONG LOAD

Long Load Parish Council meet every 3rd Tuesday in the month in Long Load Village Hall starting at 7:30 pm with the exception of August when there is no meeting at all.

All residents are welcome to attend these meetings to have their say and to keep up their knowledge of what is happening in Long Load

Crafty Lady's Craft Club

14th February Long Load Village Hall 2pm – 4pm
Flowerpot Decorating

You are welcome to just come along and have a cuppa in a nice relaxed atmosphere

Refreshments available. Everyone welcome

Small (5 x 8 mtrs) cultivated allotment plot in Long Load for rent from 1st January 2018 for more details please call Marsha White 01458 241415.

Health and Wellbeing Group Will meet Wednesday 28th February 2:00pm and Wednesday 28th March 2:00 pm
Exercise/flexercise And tea and biscuits ALL WELCOME.
Carol Singing and Christmas Eve Carols

Many thanks to everyone who supported the carol singing round the village and the Christmas Eve celebration. A total of £88.22 was collected for St. Margaret's hospice.

Whist Drive at the Village Hall

There will be a whist drive at the village hall on Saturday 24th March at 7.30 pm. Players of all abilities are welcome, singles, couples and whole families. There will be light refreshments served but please bring your own drink. The cost will be £4 per person.

Items for the March newsletter to Lieve Cousins, Spring House, Shute Lane, Long Sutton TA10 9LU or preferably by email to lsnewsletter@btinternet.com by 12th February please. For more information call 01458 241450