

What's on in Bucklesham?

Carpet Bowls	Monday Evenings Village Hall	Derek Barrett 01473 659821
Bucklesham Players	Tuesday Evenings Pantomime and Variety Show Annually	buckleshamplayers @hotmail.com
Bucklesham Playing Field	Bucklesham Playing Field Manager	David Riddleston 01473 659760
Ladies' Group	2 nd Thursday Evening of Month Various Venues	Trudi Woollard 01473 659654
Church Lunch	Every 4 th Tuesday of Month Village Hall	Elizabeth Fern 01473 659457
Community Singing Group	2 nd & 4 th Wed 7:30-8:30 St Mary's Church	Rosemary Watson 01473 659505
St Mary's Church Library	1 st Monday of Month Except B Holidays 10am-12pm St Mary's Church	David Butcher 01473 659260
Village Hall	All events and private hire bookings	Evelyn Bloomfield 01473 659504
Women's Institute	3 rd Wednesday Evening of Month Village Hall	Sue Brown 01473 736519
Knit and Natter	1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays of Month Village Hall	Kath Scarff 01473 659447
Parish Council	6 Public Meetings a Year Bi-Monthly 1 st Thursday 7pm Village Hall	Angie Buggs, Parish Clerk 01473 635341 angiebuggs@yahoo.co.uk

To advertise your event in the next edition contact Ruth Johnson
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Parish Council Website ~ buckleshamparish.onesuffolk.net

The Bucklesham Bugle ~ Autumn 2019



The Parish Council have been contacted by Hastoe Housing Association, who you may recall had plans for a small housing development in the bottom corner of the field behind Green Crescent. We have had confirmation from their Project Manager Neil Salisbury that *'the previously available site is no longer available'* and *'we are unfortunately unable to progress further'*

We do not know at this stage whether they will pursue other sites around the village, but it appears that this particular scheme is no longer a proposal. On a separate note, we have been approached by another local developer with regards to the building of 30 homes opposite numbers 70 to 92 Levington Lane. We informed you last year that this parcel of land was identified for housing in the Local Plan by East Suffolk District Council. The developer will hold an exhibition in the Village Hall on Thursday 3rd October from 4:30pm to 7:30pm, in order for local residents to see the plans, comment and ask any questions. At this very early stage we have little else to tell you with regards to details. We are aware that the prospect of a development here may not be welcome by some and we will of course do everything we can to represent your views and concerns.

We have heard from Richard Kerry our District Councillor that the Orwell Green Garden Village proposal in Foxhall has been withdrawn. He feels it is unlikely to be put forward again as the District Council informed the planners that it was an unnecessary development with many planning flaws. Suffolk Police inform us that there has been another burglary in the village and the theft of a car. Please remain vigilant and if you see or hear anything suspicious call the police on 01473 613500 or in an emergency dial 999.

We have been asked to remind car drivers to please park according to the Highway code. Parking on the pavement prevents pedestrians, including wheelchair users and parents with pushchairs, from passing safely. We do have narrow lanes in Bucklesham, and parking on Levington Lane is especially an issue. Please be aware that emergency vehicles will struggle to pass if vehicles are parked on both sides of the road.

We have been unsuccessful in our request to have the pavement outside no 1 Levington Lane repaired. It has been reported to Highways several times but their inspector deemed it was not dangerous enough to require attention. It has been a very busy year for the Parish Council. This is the last edition of 2019 so thank you all again for your support of us as we continue to work in this voluntary role on behalf of the whole village.

Bucklesham Parish Council



Bucklesham, Brightwell & Foxhall WI

New members always welcome. We have a fun programme planned for the Summer.

16th Oct ~ Heather Prince Folk & Decorative Art
20th Nov ~ AGM /John Hammond 'St Elizabeth's Hospice'
18th Dec ~ Christmas Meal

For details call **Sue Brown** on **01473 736519**

Bucklesham Ladies' Group

Bucklesham Ladies' Group is for women who live in Bucklesham or have affiliations with the village, for example their children go to the school.

10th Oct ~ Race Night

21st Nov ~ Wreath Making

12th Dec ~ Christmas Meal at the Shannon

New members always welcome

For details please phone **Trudi Woollard 01473 659654**

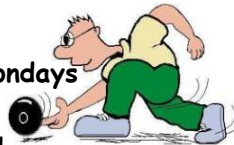
Suffolk Mobile Library Service



The Mobile Library visits the village once a month. It parks at The Shannon at 11:10am on a Tuesday. The last 3 visits of 2019 are Tue 15th Oct, Tue 12th Nov & Tue 10th Dec

Carpet Bowls Club

The Bucklesham Carpet Bowls Club meets on **Mondays** at **7:30pm** in the **Village Hall**
phone **Derek Barrett 01473 659821**



The Bucklesham Players

MacMillan Coffee Morning

Friday 27th September ~ from 10am til 12 noon
Bucklesham Village Hall

Reporting Problems in the Village

For reporting general highways matters such as footpaths, blocked gullies & drains, potholes, anything to do with the highway, go to suffolk.gov.uk and select **Report** and then select **Show All** scroll down and select **Highway Reporting Tool** and complete the form
Or telephone 0345 606 6171

For fly tipping, rubbish collection, environmental issues, go to eastsuffolk.gov.uk select **Environment** and select fly tipping or grass cutting etc. or telephone 01394 383 789

Remaining Parish Council Meeting Dates 2019

1st Thurs of month at 7:00pm in Village Hall

Thursday 7th November 2019

First meeting in 2020 will be Jan 2nd

Reporting Heavy Goods Vehicles

HGVs are **not allowed** along Nacton Lane (between Bob Nicholls and Seven Hills roundabout) unless of course they are farm machinery accessing the fields.
If you see HGVs taking short cuts down our restricted

6ft 6" lanes, please report them here ~

www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/lorry-management/report-a-heavy-goods-vehicle-incident

It's a quick and easy online form. Just take a note of their number plate or if you have a dash cam or phone take a photo. We have had some good results and positive responses from Suffolk County Council who do follow up all reports

The Next Bucklesham Bugle

New Year / January 2020 (adverts needed by 1st Dec '19)

Spring / April 2020 (adverts needed by 1st March '20)

This newsletter is the grapevine for the village. If you would like to advertise your event or group in future editions, **please** make sure you send us the details **as soon as possible** since space is limited and inclusion will have to be on a **first come, first served** basis.

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St Mary's Church News

With the evenings drawing in so quickly, our thoughts are turning to autumn with first of all the very popular Plough Sunday, which we are privileged to share with the Suffolk Horse Society.

Sometimes on a Wednesday evening you may hear the sound of singing from within the Church as you pass by. We are fortunate to have a very enthusiastic 'Singing for Fun' group in the village who meet in the church every fortnight on a Wednesday from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Even I have joined in and enjoy it very much. We are not a choir; we just enjoy singing popular songs for fun. It is a great therapy and good for the soul. Please contact me if you are interested or just pop in and listen. If you would like to come along all you need is the love of singing – anything from folk songs to songs from the shows. For details call Rosemary Watson on 659505

Our Christmas Services will be as follows:

Sunday 22nd December 6pm Carol Service

Tuesday 24th December 3pm Crib Service

Wednesday 25th December 10:30am Christmas Day Family Service

David Wardle, Churchwarden

St Mary's Church Christmas Fayre & Coffee Morning

On November 30th at 10am

Crafts, home baking, food, stalls

Please bring along all the family

Purchase locally-made crafts and food for Christmas presents.

St Mary's Church Library

Mon 7th Oct, Mon 4th Nov, Mon 2nd Dec

10am-12pm

borrow a book, make friends, enjoy a tea or coffee and cake

Bucklesham's Biggest and Most Successful Event

Bucklesham Plough Day 2019

Vintage Tractor Plough Day

& The Suffolk Horse Society Ploughing Match

Sunday 6th October 10am til 4pm

at The Bungalow, Red House Farm Tenth Road Bucklesham



A chance to watch working Suffolk Punches,
working vintage tractors & machinery,
and a display of dancing by Morris Men.

There will be a barbeque, refreshments, trade & craft stalls,
and several classic cars to enjoy and this year we are
thrilled that there will be mares with foals in attendance.
We are greatly indebted to Bob and Ann Ramsey for their
kindness in allowing the event to take place on their land.

A feature of Plough Day is the Blessing of the Plough
which takes place in the Paddock at 11:30am. This is a
short celebration for the Gathering in of the Harvest led by
Reverend Ian Wilson.

Adults £5, free entry for those under 15 years old

For further details please telephone 01473 659486

St Mary's Church Harvest Supper

Saturday 12th October at 7 for 7:30pm

Bucklesham Village Hall

£8 per head bring your own drinks

Tickets from Elizabeth Fern 659457 or Sally Voelcker 659572

Bucklesham Croquet Tournament

It looked as though our luck in the eleven years that Bucklesham has held this event without any rain was coming to an end, but a heavy shower on the morning of Sunday 18th August was blown away by the wind that came with it. The hours of Andrew Smith mowing the grass, from Steele Farm's neat garden to the sometimes-marshy adjoining fields, were rewarded. Thirty-six players, ageing from 6 to 86, spread across the six courts, each playing three short games and competing (with varying levels of seriousness) for the silver cup presented by Aspen Jewellers. All were residents in the village or had strong Bucklesham links, past or present. Tea and other refreshments were available to go with the home-made cakes, making it as much a social get-together as a sporting occasion. The £5 per head tickets and donations raised £350 inc. Gift Aid to go towards the costs of repairing the village church. The winning pair was Matthew Watson and Jonny with the record score of 19 out of a possible 21.

Tim Voelcker

Bucklesham Garden Club

I am sorry to say we have had to announce the closure of the Garden Club because of failure to get anyone to take on the roles of Secretary or Treasurer. I would like to thank members for their support over the years, especially the committee members who have always been there to help. We have also had to end the Produce Show, this for financial reasons, but we would help in any way if anyone else wished to take this on.

Ann Ramsey, Chair 01473 659440

Bucklesham Primary School News

We are thrilled to report that our recent Ofsted inspection rated us as a 'Good' school. Strengths of the school included 'Children's enthusiasm for learning' and 'children make strong progress in the core curriculum' and 'pupils behave well and work in a calm and orderly environment'. We welcome 15 new children into our Reception class. We hope they are very happy during their time at Bucklesham.

Mrs Lea, Head Teacher

Coffee Morning

All money raised in aid of

Blossom Appeal Ipswich Hospital Breast Cancer

Fri 25th October 2019 from 10am to 12pm

Please help if you can with Tombola and Raffle Prizes

For more info contact Kath Scarff 01473 659447

Bucklesham & Foxhall Village Hall

Cordially invites all villagers over the age of 60 to a

Christmas Supper

Thur 5th Dec at 6pm for 6:30pm at Bucklesham Village Hall

All costs covered by Village Charities

but booking essential to allow for correct catering

by 29th Nov please

Evelyn Bloomfield 01473 659504

Bucklesham Playing Field News

Sadly, Bucklesham Football Team folded last season after many years in the league. David Riddleston has been working very hard in his voluntary role as Playing Field Manager and has secured 3 new teams to play on our field. The revenue generated from these teams helps to pay for the cost of servicing the field with regards to grass cutting and the maintenance of the children's play area etc. A lengthy and ambitious maintenance programme of hedge management and tree planting around the edge of the field will be underway soon and we are hugely grateful to those villagers who have volunteered to undertake such a mammoth task. More details will follow in future editions but if you would like to get involved and offer some help with any of the jobs on the field please contact David Riddleston 01473 659760.

One of our Saturday teams asked us to include this message...

"AFC Kesgrave Boys Under 13 Football Team are pleased to be playing all home league games at the excellent venue of Bucklesham Playing Field. The club would like to thank all volunteers involved at Bucklesham, and our new team sponsors Associated Trainers Ltd (ATL) of Sudbury. We would love to see any Bucklesham Villagers who want to come and support us at our home matches"

Kevin Holland