

What's on in Bucklesham?

Carpet Bowls	Monday Evenings from 7:30pm	Village Hall
Bucklesham Players	Tuesday Evenings	Village Hall
Bumps, Babies and Toddlers Group	Thursday Mornings 9:30am til 11:30am	Village Hall
Ladies' Group	2 nd Thursday evening of Month	Various Venues
Church Lunch	4 th Friday of Month 12pm for 12:30pm	Village Hall
Community Singing Group	Alternate Wednesdays 7:30pm-8:30pm	St Mary's Church
St Mary's Church Library	1 st Monday of Month 10am-12pm	St Mary's Church
Women's Institute	3 rd Wednesday evening of Month	Village Hall
Knit and Natter	1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays afternoons of Month	Village Hall
Baby Sensory	Tuesdays & Wednesdays Various sessions	Village Hall
Evolution Karate	Thursday Evenings Various sessions	Village Hall
Geology Group	Monday Mornings From 9:30am	Village Hall
Pilates	Sunday Mornings From 10am	Village Hall

To ask for your details to be passed on to the relevant group please contact the **Parish Council Clerk** at buckleshampc@gmail.com

The Next Bucklesham Bugle

Autumn 2021 (advertised needed by 1st September '21)

This newsletter is the grapevine for the whole village. If you would like to advertise your event or group in future editions, inclusion will have to be on a **first come, first served basis**. Contact the **Parish Council Clerk** at buckleshampc@gmail.com

The Bucklesham Bugle ~ Summer 2021



There have been many changes on the Parish Council in the last year and we owe a huge thank you to a very experienced Clerk, Judi Hallett, for stepping in for a year and guiding us through. We are extremely pleased to have appointed Ruth Johnson as our new Clerk and she will take up the role in July. Many of you know, Ruth used to be our Parish Council Chairman, and was first elected to the Parish Council in 2003, so she has many years' experience of Council business. We are also very lucky to be able to call on the services of Judi again should we need to, while Ruth is learning the ropes as Clerk. We have been contacted again by several villagers with regards to dog fouling around the village. One villager often has mess left in their front garden. The Parish Council completely understand the frustration it causes. We are all villagers too, and see the issue ourselves all over the lanes and paths, on the Playing Field, or decoratively adorning the trees and bushes in plastic bags. It has been suggested that it is dog walking visitors to the village who are to blame, and also dog owners who lose sight of their dogs when they are off the lead. We implore you, if you walk with your dog off the lead, especially if you walk more than one dog, please be absolutely certain that you are watching where your dog fouls and that you clean it up. Dogs that race ahead or lag behind have been seen fouling while their owners have not noticed. Suffolk Norse will not hesitate to prosecute anyone caught not cleaning up after their dog. Finally, we say a very big thank you to our retiring County Councillor, Patricia O'Brien. Patricia always pledged her Locality Budget to Bucklesham projects and was a very proactive, supportive Councillor to the Parish Council. We welcome our new County Councillor, Patti Mulcahy, following her successful election in May. Bucklesham has a long tradition of an excellent working relationship with our District and County Councillors and we very much look forward to this continuing with Patti.

Bucklesham Parish Council

A Defibrillator is situated outside the Village Hall

12 Levington Lane - **In an Emergency Dial 999**

The Emergency Service Operator will instruct you and give you the keycode to unlock the cabinet and release the defibrillator

Remaining Parish Council Meeting Dates 2021

The next full PC meeting is on Wed 7th July 2021 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

We also have an additional Planning Meeting on Wed 23rd June at 6pm. We look forward to welcoming villagers who wish to join us. We will be adhering to all government guidelines to ensure we keep the public and Councillors safe.

Last two meetings of the year will be Wed 1st September and Wed 3rd November 2021.

For details contact the Parish Council Clerk

Bucklesham Village Website

For information on Bucklesham Parish Council, Clubs and Societies, Amenities, Reporting Problems, News and all things Bucklesham visit

<https://bucklesham.suffolk.cloud>

Please do have a look at our village website. If you are a Tradesperson who lives in Bucklesham and you would like to advertise your business on the website please contact the Parish Council Clerk at buckleshampc@gmail.com

Archer Cartwright Bucklesham Charity

The trustees of the above charity hereby give notice that they will be meeting soon to consider the annual distribution of finances for fuel and other qualifying expenses from the charity funds.

They invite all persons over the age of 60 years **resident in the parish of Bucklesham** who wish to be considered for assistance from the charity, and receiving in addition to the state pension a private pension of no more than £1000 per annum, to apply **in writing** to any of the trustees listed **no later than 30.09.21**

Mrs H. Owen, Potash, Main Road or Mr A. Smith, Steeles Farm or Mr M. Cook, 3 Green Crescent or Mrs R. Gardner, 6 St Mary's Park

Carpet Bowls Club



The Bucklesham Carpet Bowls Club are hoping to meet again at the end of June. This will be the first time since March 2020. We are just waiting for confirmation of the lifting of restrictions from the Government.

We usually meet on **Mondays at 7:30pm** in the Village Hall

There are enjoyable competitive games, but with a smile on all our faces. Afterwards a tea is provided and it will be a chance to meet up again with people who we haven't seen since last year. Come and join us as it is a very sociable evening.

Please telephone Derek Barrett 01473 659821
d.barrett50@btinternet.com



Bucklesham, Brightwell & Foxhall WI

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

23rd June ~ Frolics, Fervour and Fornication

21st July ~ Chris Parfitt talks about his travels

18th August ~ Fish and Chip Supper

For details call **Rosemary Farrow** on **01473 659676**



Bucklesham Bumps, Babies & Toddlers Group

The Bumps, Babies and Toddlers Group is open to all under 5s and their parents (or soon to be parents!), grandparents and carers of preschool children and babies who live in Bucklesham.

We have a large range of toys and resources for 0-5 years and we ensure we stick to strict Covid-19 guidelines.

We meet on Thursday mornings in the Village Hall from 9:30am until 11:30am. It is a time to socialise and make new friends, share experiences or ask for support, and a chance for our children to meet the friends for life they will start school and grow up with.

Entry to the group cannot be permitted without prior booking.
Contact buckleshampc@gmail.com for your details to be passed on.

Playing Field News

Now that the football season is over for the final time here in Bucklesham, the Parish Council would like to sincerely thank David Riddleston for the more than 30 years' service he has given to the field management. Whatever the weather, for no personal gain, David has been marking the pitch and ensuring everything is ready for the teams to play. Although we will no longer be hosting external teams, if any villager wants to restart a Bucklesham Football Team the field will always be available.

We are very pleased to inform you that we were successful in our request for some free saplings from the Woodland Trust. This is part of the 'Plant a Tree for the Jubilee' project celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II, in 2022. We will be receiving 420 trees in Autumn, and under the guidance of our village Tree Warden David Butcher we will be working with The Sicon Foundation to plant trees on the Playing Field in October Half Term. Along with the trees, the Parish Council are also purchasing daffodil bulbs to plant in various places in the village. We will plant them around road signs, grass verges and on the path to the school. If you would like to help join in with this village project please do let us know.

There is also a grant application underway for new picnic benches to add more seating areas at the top of the field. We have started to investigate the installation of some adult outside gym equipment and would be interested to hear of any suggestions for the type of equipment you may like, or any you think we should avoid if you have experience of this sort of facility.

Now the football has finished we will be removing the old container that once housed all the football equipment as it is no longer used.

We will also be removing the old flood lights and old goals.

The new football goals on wheels will remain on the field for all villagers to use and the car park may also be unlocked for villagers to use whenever they need to. Just email the Parish Council for the combination to the locks and please ensure you lock them back up again after use. **buckleshampc@gmail.com**

St Mary's Church News

Things are changing – so from 21st June we really hope our Church can be open again each day and our Church Library and Coffee Mornings can resume together with the monthly Church Lunch in the Village Hall.

There has been a countrywide appeal to the Government to allow singing for amateur choirs, but as yet to no avail. There is **little** evidence to support the theory that singing is a spreader of Coronavirus, however there is **much** evidence to support the theory that singing is good for you.



Professionals in Theatres and Concert Halls are now allowed to sing once more and we are full of hope that before long congregational singing will once again be allowed in all Churches. I love it and I can't wait for it to return.

David Wardle, Churchwarden.

Speed Indicator Device (SID)

The SID has now been in place for 6 months and the downloaded reports make for very interesting reading. Many villagers were keen for the Parish Council to purchase the SID and we have received a lot of positive feedback about the effect it is having on traffic passing through the village. We remain very grateful to the three village volunteers who are managing it on behalf of us all. We hope that it continues to encourage all motorists to abide by the speed limit, and that Bucklesham villagers are only triggering a 'Happy Face' emoji 😊

Now that the poles have been installed and villagers can see how inoffensive they are, it is possible that those villagers who did not give their consent to the third pole installation previously, will now change their minds. If this happens we may be able to install the third pole on the west of the village as requested by many of you. For more information on the SID or to see a copy of the latest report please contact the Parish Council Clerk at **buckleshampc@gmail.com**

Bucklesham & Foxhall Village Hall

Meetings, Exhibitions, Clubs & Societies, Parties, Dances

Hall Suitable for all Social and Professional Functions

Unlike many other Village Halls in Suffolk, the Bucklesham and Foxhall Village Hall has remained open this year mainly thanks to our fantastic member of staff Bridget for ensuring the hall was Covid Secure with a strict and comprehensive cleaning routine. We had many groups who were exempt from the lockdown restrictions and they were permitted to meet as long as we followed strict Covid-19 guidelines. Now restrictions have eased for all other groups we are able to welcome them back too if they wish to resume meeting.

We have been busy with our plans for updating the garden area at the back of the hall and were successful in our bid for a grant to lay a patio which will be completed by the end of June. The patio area can be reached through newly fitted French doors. We are very lucky to have been offered the services of the Felixstowe Men's Shed who are making planters for us so the Toddler Group can plant some vegetables and sunflowers. They've also promised to make us some bird boxes, feeding stations and bug hotels to encourage wildlife into the area. This should prove a huge asset to the Hall and will make the most of the space which had been unusable for years.

Many thanks to David Riddleston and Tim Howard for repainting the white lines in the car park one sunny Sunday morning for us, ensuring their line painting skills are not going to waste. Thanks too to Phillip Westwood for spraying all the weeds in the car park and to Georgie Allum for then weeding and clearing the whole outside space.

Lastly, we owe a huge thank you to all the hall user groups who contributed to the New Roof Fund and those individual villagers who so generously donated money privately. Our application for a Biffa Award has been submitted and we should hear by the end of July if we have been successful. It is clear that the hall is run with the help of a great number of villagers and the committee is extremely grateful to you all.

Evelyn Bloomfield, Chair of The Village Hall Committee

**For hall bookings contact the Secretary, Heather Owen
heatherjowen@hotmail.com or 01473 659754**

Bucklesham Bumps, Babies and Toddlers Group are organising a

SALE TRAIL

Saturday 26th June

Starting from the Playing Field

From 10am to 1pm

Would you like to sell your items from the comfort of your driveway, front garden or garage? No need to set off to a

Car Boot Sale - the buyers will come to you.

£5 donation for your stall to be included.

Come to the Playing Field to collect your map.

Contact Kathy Selwood 07775 332703

Raising money for the Bumps, Babies and Toddlers Group
and the Village Hall New Roof Fund



Parish Council have an email alert service called the **Bugle Bulletin**. It was designed to distribute important news around the village. It could be to inform you that a tree has come down and the road is blocked or major road works are planned, maybe a cat is missing or there is a stranger acting suspiciously in the village. We have also been able to inform villagers of important messages from East Suffolk and Suffolk County Councils.

Any urgent village news that cannot wait until the next edition of the Bugle can be sent out on the **Bugle Bulletin**.

Whatever the news, we will keep you informed so why not add your name to the growing number of villagers receiving the **Bugle Bulletin**? Please email the Parish Council Clerk at **buckleshampc@gmail.com**.