

# What's on in Bucklesham?

<b>Carpet Bowls</b>	Monday late afternoons from 4:30pm	Village Hall
<b>Bucklesham Players</b>	Tuesday evenings	Village Hall
<b>Bumps, Babies and Toddlers Group</b>	Thursday mornings 9:30am til 11:30am	Village Hall
<b>Ladies' Group</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday evening of month	Various Venues
<b>Church Lunch</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Friday of month 12pm for 12:30pm	Village Hall
<b>Community Singing Group</b>	Alternate Wednesdays 7:30pm-8:30pm	St Mary's Church
<b>St Mary's Church Library</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday of month 10am-12pm	St Mary's Church
<b>Women's Institute</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday evening of month	Village Hall
<b>Knit and Natter</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mondays afternoons of month	Village Hall
<b>Baby Sensory</b>	Tuesdays & Wednesdays various sessions	Village Hall
<b>Evolution Karate</b>	Thursday evenings various sessions	Village Hall
<b>Geology Group</b>	Monday mornings From 9:30am	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](mailto:buckleshampc@gmail.com)

## The Next Bucklesham Bugle

New Year 2022 (adverts needed by 1<sup>st</sup> December '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](mailto:buckleshampc@gmail.com)

## The Bucklesham Bugle ~ Autumn 2021



We are pleased to tell you that normal service has resumed and we are back with face to face meetings in the Village Hall, ensuring we are socially distanced and following all Covid Secure guidelines.

At the September meeting, the Parish Council undertook the annual review of all our Policies, Standing Orders, Risk Assessments and the Asset Register. All of

these documents are available to read on the village website.

We have recently purchased four new village signs which will be installed shortly. These new finger pointer signs are to 'The Church', 'Playing Field' and 'Village Hall', which will really smarten up the lanes by replacing the old rusty signs that are there at the moment.

We are a very proactive Parish Council, and over the last few years we have applied for several different grants for many village projects. The total amount of money received for the village, by way of 49 different grants, is £114,420. This money has bought sports equipment on the Playing Field, renovated the Village Hall, started up new village groups, supported existing village groups, purchased a defibrillator, signs, fences and picnic benches. We will continue to apply for any money available to us on your behalf, ensuring that we are doing our best for the village by providing facilities that improve the lives of us all.

We have been informed that in the next few years we should be receiving in the region of £60,000 Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) from East Suffolk Council. This money can only be spent on specific projects, and we have recently been investigating the installation of a Tennis Court on the Playing Field, following a request by a villager. There are ongoing cost implications for many projects which would have to be paid for via the precept from all villagers' Council Tax contributions. Once the money is received, and before any such project is undertaken, we assure you we will survey the village and hold a meeting to hear all ideas, listen to any concerns, and discuss all projects suitable for the CIL money.

This is the last edition of 2021. We thank you all for your support as we continue to work in this voluntary role on behalf of the whole village.

**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 Date 2021**

The last full Parish Council meeting of 2021 is on Wed 3<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2021 at 7pm in the Village Hall.

We occasionally have additional Planning Meetings which are advertised on the **Bugle Bulletin**. All villagers are welcome to join us. We will be adhering to all government guidelines to ensure we keep the public and Councillors safe.

For details contact the Parish Council Clerk  
buckleshampc@gmail.com

### **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>

The Parish Council has an email alert service called the **Bugle Bulletin**. It enables us 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, such as planning applications. 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](mailto:buckleshampc@gmail.com).

### **Carpet Bowls Club**



The Bucklesham Carpet Bowls Club are bowling again with a new time in the afternoons. It felt great to be back in the Hall and enjoying a sociable time with friends, and of course we strictly adhered to all Government guidelines to keep ourselves safe.

We are now meeting on **Monday** afternoons in the **Village Hall**.

There are enjoyable competitive games, but always with a smile on all our faces. Afterwards a tea is provided which is worth coming along for in itself! Come and join us, you would be most welcome.

Please telephone Derek Barrett 01473 659821

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### **Bucklesham, Brightwell & Foxhall WI**

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

20<sup>th</sup> Oct – History of Orford Ness by John Norman

17<sup>th</sup> Nov – Craft of comic verse, an entertainment by Erik Punaks

15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Social eve / quiz

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.**

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## Coffee Morning

for the



Blossom Appeal Ipswich Hospital Breast Cancer

**Fri 29th October 2021**

**from 10am to 12pm**

**Bucklesham and Foxhall Village Hall**

Please help if you can with Tombola and Raffle Prizes

We have a lovely morning so please come along and support us.



### **Knit and Natter**

**We're back!**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays in the Village Hall from  
2pm to 4pm

It was lovely to get back to Knit and Natter  
again on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> August, which was the

first time since the beginning of the first lockdown. It was great to see all the usual faces who were glad to be back, and also to see new faces coming along and hoping to join our happy crew. We are a friendly group who knit for various organisations and are always asking for any wool you may have to spare. We welcome anyone who wishes to join us, especially on the coming cold winter days. You would be very welcome to join us so bring your knitting, crochet or both - all ages welcome. See you there.

**Give me a ring ~ Kath Scarff 01473 659447**

### **Bucklesham Bus Service**

The Parish Council has been asked to remind villagers of the local bus service. At present the daily bus into Ipswich picks up outside The Shannon at 10am. It returns to Bucklesham from the Cattle Market Bus Station at 1:15 - Bus number 79.

First Bus links Bucklesham to Felixstowe and Woodbridge as it passes the Primary School from Monday to Saturday at various times during the day. All details can be found at [www.traveline.info](http://www.traveline.info)  
0871 200 2233 ~ Use it or lose it.

## **Playing Field News**

Calling all Gardeners: At 10am on the 22<sup>nd</sup> October we will be preparing the ground on the Playing Field (planning the layout and digging holes) for the 420 trees that will be arriving in November. We aim to make a woodland walk around the edges of the field. We would love villagers to take ownership of a tree or two, or maybe plant in memory of a family member. Hopefully, some of the older children from the school will be joining us, but do let us know if you are able to help too, even if just for a few holes or for half an hour – the more the merrier. Please do help out, your Playing Field needs you 😊

We were successful in our application for a grant from the 'Mrs L D Rope Third Settlement' and received £3,000 for 8 new picnic benches to replace the old wooden ones and add more seating areas at the top of the field. We have another grant application underway for the installation of 4 pieces of adult outside gym equipment for the Playing Field and we should hear if we are successful in the next few weeks. This will be free for all villagers to use and will be another asset for the village.

The football goals are kept locked when not in use to ensure that only villagers have access to them. Just email the Parish Council for the combination to the locks. Please ensure you lock them back up after use and please do not share the code with others if they don't live in the village. Due to the size and weight of the goals, young children are not permitted to use them unless with an adult.

### **Let's make Bucklesham Beautiful next Spring**

The Parish Council has purchased 2,000 daffodil bulbs and are calling on your help to plant them, for the benefit of all villagers. If your property has a kerbside boundary, if there is a suitable verge near your home, or if you are willing to plant them around the roadside signs in your Lane or Close, please get in touch and we will deliver a bag to you. They are going fast, so ask now before they are all gone. Alternatively, please join us in October Half Term when we will plant the remaining bulbs along the road towards the school, around all the village signs and at the Playing Field. Please contact the Clerk to ask for your bag at [buckleshampc@gmail.com](mailto:buckleshampc@gmail.com)

## St Mary's Church News

Our Church is now open each day for private prayer and Sunday Services continue to be held every two weeks. Sadly, at the time of writing, much to my dismay, hymns still cannot be sung by the congregation within the church – BUT – you may hear us singing outside after a service when weather permits. You are very welcome to join in! We are planning a Christmas Coffee



Morning and Sale on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November. Watch for details. It is far too early to know what the situation will be by Christmas but we are very optimistic that this year things will be back to normal. Therefore we can look forward to a Service of Nine Lessons and Carols, a Crib Service for the young ones and a Family Service on Christmas morning. All these details will be displayed well in advance on our Church notice boards, the Bugle Bulletin, on Facebook and in our Church Newsletter.

**David Wardle, Churchwarden**

## Jubilee Celebration Weekend June 2022

There will be a weekend of celebrations around the country to mark the Platinum Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II in 2022. The Parish Council have been asked to ascertain if there is a desire in Bucklesham to join in with these celebrations.

Cllr Lynda Seagroatt is interested in developing community engagement, and has offered to pursue the idea of a village celebration weekend. At this stage we just want to gauge interest and enquire if there are any villagers who would be willing to join Lynda on an organising committee. There are likely to be grants available to cover the cost of hosting any events and the Parish Council will investigate these if there is enough interest in the village. Please contact the Parish Council at [buckleshampc@gmail.com](mailto:buckleshampc@gmail.com) if you wish to register an interest in joining an organising committee headed by Cllr Seagroatt.

## Bucklesham & Foxhall Village Hall

We are really pleased to tell you that the brand new patio area is now complete and it makes a fantastic addition to the Hall's facilities. We were successful in our bid for a grant from the Local Connections Fund to purchase some picnic benches which will really finish it off. It will be a calm and quiet outside space, and we request that all users respect our neighbours and remember we are in a residential area.

We are so grateful to the mums from the Bumps, Babies and Toddler Group for generously sharing the proceeds from their Sale Trail which went straight into the New Roof Fund. Luckily for us, two of those ladies have agreed to become Committee members along with a well-known stalwart of the village. We know our three new members of the Committee will be a brilliant addition to the team.

We've had the old leaky garage roof removed and replaced by fellow villagers Felixstowe Roofing & Building Co. We've also had a smart new exterior light fitted and some wall lights fixed in the Committee Room by electrician and villager James Woods. Both did fantastic jobs, clearly at 'mates rates' for which we are extremely grateful. Selfless villagers like these, offering their expertise for very little (if any) gain really help us make the most of the Hall's limited finances.

**Evelyn Bloomfield, Chair of The Village Hall Committee**

*For Hall bookings contact the Secretary, Heather Owen  
[heatherjowen@hotmail.com](mailto:heatherjowen@hotmail.com) or 01473 659754*

## A quick message from the organisers of the Sale Trail

Firstly, I would like to say 'well done everyone', we raised £259.27. This was shared between the Bumps, Babies and Toddler group and the Village Hall New Roof Project. Thank you to each and every one of you who held a stall, donated, walked around or supported us from afar. I was busy on the playing field with the Tombola and selling maps with my wonderful helpers but I was told the Village was very busy. Thanks to everyone who shared the event with friends and family.

A few people have asked if this will be a yearly event and 'Yes' it will be. The date will be decided at the beginning of the year so lots of time for everyone to get it on their calendars. Next year we will go bigger and better!

**Kathy**