

Woolverstone News

June 26th 2018

Dear All

The longest day has come and gone! The explosive energy of Spring is metamorphosing into the slower processes of maturing and ripening. Most of summer, seems to me, to be a process of ripening. Beech mast, acorns, conkers, if you look, are all in the trees; the Sweet Chestnut only comes late to this celebration of life. Their beautiful flower spikes currently adorn the trees and must mature at a faster rate than the others to be ready for gathering in October. By then the evenings really will be drawing in!

Burglary

It has been reported, although I haven't the full details, that there was a burglary in Woolverstone in the last few days.

In this hot weather we have to remember that open doors and windows are also an invitation to opportunist criminals. Try to keep windows, especially on the ground floor, closed or on trickle if you are out. Remember not to leave valuables on the seats in your car with the window open. Keep an eye out for your neighbours, especially if you know they are out or away. Be vigilant for strangers and suspicious behaviour. If you are unsure, phone the Police on 101. (see attachment)

Local History

Did you know that the first V1 (doodlebug) rocket to land in Suffolk landed in Woolverstone in June 1944? Find out where on our new Facebook page. Did you know you can see the line of the old carriage way through Woolverstone Park when the weather is dry in summer? Did you know that Woolverstone Hall is aligned with the summer solstice? Find out more on our new Facebook page. Contribute your local knowledge, too. Our new Facebook page is called: Woolverstone: Notes and Queries. Here's the link:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/2044317292447243/

Please take a look at the site. It would be of huge interest if we gathered history of the older houses in the village and the memories of villagers of Woolverstone in the past before they are lost to us. Please join the group and feel free to add information and photographs about our historic village. Or, indeed, ask questions!

Some Dates for your Diary:

St Michael's Churchyard. Maintenance team. Friday 6th July. 10.00 -12.00

Restoration and maintenance volunteers: keeping our churchyard and open spaces beautiful. We are meeting at St Michael's at 10.00 a.m. Grass cutting and clearing around Headstones.

Classics on the Park, Church Field. Thursday 12th July Noon until 6.00 pm

Friends of Woolverstone are to have their first ever Classic Car and Motorcycle Event on the Church Field, Marina Road, Woolverstone (Sat Nav IP9 DQ) on Thursday, July 12 from noon.

This is a beautiful location set in parkland and close to the marina and it offers good access and hard standing.

Members of the Eastern Counties Motor and Motorcycle Clubs have been invited and it is hoped that there will be a good response to the invitation.

On the day refreshments will be offered in the dairy at the Dairy House on the edge of Church Field, where helpers will be pleased to offer you refreshments including delicious cakes and savouries. A beer tent and barbecue will also be available on the field.

A treasure hunt has been organised with a prize of dinner for two, plus wine, at the fabulous Red Lion in Chelmondiston.

Ipswich High School, who have generously agreed that Church Field can be used for this event, have also agreed that photographs can be taken of vintage cars in front of beautiful Woolverstone Hall and they would be pleased to receive any copies of photographs taken to commemorate the day.

Please bring your preferably manufactured before 1972 vehicle to display for everyone to see and admire. Or just bring your friends and family for a wonderful afternoon.

There is no cost to display your vehicle, but donations will be asked for to cover our costs and for our village.

If you have a car that you would like to bring please contact j_s_young@ icloud.com or just turn up on the day.

Monthly Morning Market at St Michael's Church. Saturday 14th July. 9.00 – 12.30

The theme this month is: 3rd Birthday celebration

There will be some unusual classic cars and other vehicles on display. Don't miss the bacon butties and Woolverstone sausage! East End Butchers are here. There will be local fruit and veg from Tattingstone, Game Keeper's Daughter with wild meat goodies, local crafts, plants and trees and much more.

Take a chance to catch up with friends and neighbours and buy some local produce in the most beautiful and peaceful surroundings.

Advance Warning: "The Great East Run"

"The Great East Run is returning to Ipswich on Sunday 16th September 2018.

The event is required to be undertaken on the public highway, which commences in Russell Road outside both Ipswich Borough Council and Suffolk County Council offices.

The event will require the following roads to be closed to enable the run to be undertaken, This will require some phasing of the road closure as detailed below:

The road detailed below will be CLOSED from 06:00 to 13:00

The Strand (B1456), Freston Hill (B1456), Freston Street, Unnamed road (Freston).

Palmer group assistance

When the event is in operation and the roads closed as per the times stated above, we will have the availability to allow public transport access / egress through section of the road closure up until 15 minutes prior to the commencement of the race at 10am.

At this point we will be required to commence a full closure with no access until such time as the event has passed and then section of the roads detailed will be open immediately to allow normal traffic flows.

Kevan Churchill General manager of Palmer (Fencing) LTD Suppliers of traffic management for the Great East Run 2018."

[I have attached the full email and map to this newsletter.]

Centenary of the end of World War One

11th November 2018 marks the centenary of the signing of the Armistice that marked the end of World War 1. As a village, we plan to mark this special anniversary in a number of ways.

There will be a Service of Remembrance at St Michael's followed by an Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial outside Berners Hall. In the evening, there will be a "Battle's Over" Beacon of Light commemoration on the lawns of Ipswich High School with the village sharing with the High School. This will ceremony will be repeated in over a thousand communities across the country.

During the weekend it is planned that there will be an exhibition of information and photographs about Woolverstone's role in WW1 and its naval/nautical connections.

If you have ideas about how we could further develop our commemorations, please get in touch with me.

Events: Church service at St Michael's 10.00 and Service of Remembrance at our village War Memorial 11.00 and "Battles Over" beacon and "Last Post" shared with Ipswich High School 7.00 pm in Ipswich High School grounds.

Exhibition to include: WW1 Memorial to the Fallen; WW1 "Woolverstone Park Hospital"; WW2 "HMS Woolverstone"; LNS Woolverstone.

We would really like to have family information and pictures that would help complete the story for each serviceman from Woolverstone that gave his life in WW1. This would help them be so much more than names on the brass plaque in the Church or on the Woolverstone's War Memorial outside Berners Hall.

Here is the list of names on the War Memorial and two additional names of Woolverstone WW1 "fallen".

Pte E Baxter; Capt. H H Berners; Pte G Cattermole; Pte M Damant; Corp H Damant; Pte H Driver; Pte W S Foreman; Pte E J Garnham; Lance – Sgt H A Jackaman; Lance Corp F Jackaman; Pte W Lait; Gnr B Moyse, Pte F Rowe; Pte W Rowe; Pte C Saunders; Pte D Southgate; Corp W Southgate; Pte L Surridge; Lieut J Spencer-Warwick; Gnr S Wright.

If you could help that would be so good. Please send any information (photos/biographical details) to me: simonrpearce@gmx.co.uk or Lorraine Wildbore: lorrainewildbore@yahoo.com

A word from our Rector, Geoffrey Clement

Dear Friends

It's true that often we don't see the wood for the trees.

We are surrounded by productive land, woods, streams, rivers, reservoir, we have lovely views across the countryside wherever we go. It is sometimes hard to reconcile the privilege we have of living in such a fertile and peaceful place with the scenes we have seen recently in Ipswich where knife crime has caused so much destruction to families, friends and the wider community.

We can often feel helpless in the face of such events and wonder what we can do. Jesus disciples once asked him to teach them how to pray, as they had seen Jesus praying on his own. The words Jesus taught them have become the Lord's Prayer, where we ask that God's will be done on earth. We know that Jesus teaches us that God's will is that we should love God and love our neighbour, wherever our neighbour might be in the world. When we see and hear about tragedy and disaster both near and far away, when we cannot find the words to express our sorrow, then perhaps we can pray as Jesus taught us, asking God to help us to do his will and find the way to bring peace to a troubled world.

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen. I remain

Your Friend and Rector

Geoffrey

Sunday Services at St Michael's.

Sunday 1 st July	10.00	**New** Holy Communion. A "said" Holy Communion in the traditional style using the Book of Common Prayer.
	11.00	Café Church
Sunday 8 th July	11.00	Worship the Woolverstone Way
Sunday 15 th July	11.00	Anniversary Morning Prayers
Sunday 22 nd	11.00	Holy Communion
Sunday 29 th July	11.00pm	Benefice service hosted by our friends at All Saints Church, Holbrook; followed by BBQ.

Helping our Community

Our community is stretched out in a ribbon or linear settlement, mostly along the B1456. People at No 1 are over a mile away from people at No 38. It is hard to stay connected. One of the ways to keep connected is through supporting local events, meeting and catching up with people. I hope you will be able to support the village through the different events that have been organised. We also need your help for some of the jobs that keep the community ticking away.

Booking Secretary

Berners Hall Management Committee are looking urgently for a new Booking Secretary:

Duties to include:

- 1. Taking telephone and email enquiries from new and existing Hall users
- 2. Arranging all bookings and viewings and advising hire charges
- 3. Completion of hire agreements
- 4. Showing the available facilities to new hirers
- 5. Collection of payments, issuing receipts, passing payments to treasurer
- 6. Unlocking & locking before and after an event
- 7. Liaising with other BHMC members on a regular basis
- 8. Maintaining current Booking diary

Some of these duties, i.e. unlocking & locking, collecting payments & issuing receipts may be shared with a member of BHMC. You will need to be prepared to use your own home phone and mobile to take telephone enquiries and also an email address to receive and send electronic data. Your telephone numbers and email address will be advertised, together with your name only (no address) as being the contact for all enquiries relating to Berners Hall. Although this is an unpaid voluntary position, any reasonable incurred expense will be reimbursed subject to prior agreement. For more info please contact:

Sarah Hutton on 077540 75684 or email sarahhutton7@btinternet.com

Community Speedwatch

In order to have a continuing presence we really need people who are prepared to give a couple of hours a month to support us.

If you would like to be part of the team to help keep the traffic flow through the village to safe limits, please make contact with me. We've got the kit but need to get this project moving and regular. (780009)

If you know someone who would like to be on the mailing list please ask them to send me an email to the address below and I will add them to the group email list. Many thanks.

Best wishes

Simon Pearce. Chairman, Woolverstone Parish Council (780009. simonrpearce@gmx.co.uk)