

Punch & Pie

10am to 3pm

Berners Hall, Woolverstone
CHRISTMAS FAIR

Friends of Woolverstone invite you to join us at Berners Hall, for the Punch & Pie Christmas Fair.

"The Punch will be festive and the Pies will be mince, you find plenty of crafts and gifts to give"

We will have stalls including Handmade Wreaths, Handbags, Woodcraft, Knitwear,, Quilts and Paintings amongst others.

SATURDAY 1ST DECEMBER

Woolverstone News

November 28th 2018

Dear All

There was a time, my father told me, when you swept up the last of the autumn leaves and put them on the bonfire on November 5th. And that was that. But, times have changed. Here we are near the end of November and there are still plenty of leaves on trees waiting to fall or be blown off. It has been a long, mild and pleasant autumn.

Winter starts on December 1st! This is also the day for our Christmas Fair - a must!

Twenty-one days until the winter solstice and the shortest day turning the only endless wheel back to summer. A few short days after that and it will be Christmas. This really is a season of delicious anticipation.

Parish News

Woolverstone Christmas Fair

Saturday 1st December

10.00 – 3.00

The traditional Woolverstone Christmas Fair will be held in Berners Hall on Saturday 1st December from 10.00 until 3.00 pm. It is a great chance to meet up with people from the ends and the middle of the village! Make a date of it!

There will be fabulous stalls offering a wide range of crafts: art/cards, jewellery, beaded creations, quilts, knitted & sewn presents, wreaths, pictures and textile art cards.

In addition, there will be refreshments throughout the day. Tea, Coffee, Gluhwein, mince pies, sausage rolls cake etc.

Tombola. Do you have anything you would like to donate for the tombola? Berners Hall will be open from 2.00 until late on Friday 30th for setting up. Please drop your donation in when you can.

Cakes etc. should be brought to the Berners Hall on Friday evening or Saturday morning.

Help with the refreshment area? The Christmas Fair is open from 10.00 until 3.00. If you feel you could help, please let Elspeth Iskander on 780751 know when you would be prepared to slot in?

Ipswich High School

IHS are kindly giving neighbours advanced notice that there will be two private fireworks displays taking place for weddings at Woolverstone Hall in December:

1. 9:30pm on Saturday 15th December 2018
2. 6:30pm on Saturday 29th December 2018

Local History

Have you looked at our Facebook page yet? If not, stop by and see how it is growing. This month we have added: Woolverstone United FC team pictures late 40s and early 60s, plus names; Photographs of local resident R S Jackaman; Photograph including John Anstruther Berners and (?) Major-General Cameron Shute preparing for the unveiling of the War Memorial; an account of a murder in Woolverstone in 1819; photograph of Mrs Mary Anstruther Berners funeral in 1911, who had died in Marseilles; photograph of the Royal Observer Corps outside Berners Hall; entry from Kelly's Directory for Woolverstone in 1904; photograph of the Woolverstone Hall with Nissen huts on lawns; photograph of barge on the Orwell; photograph of Woolverstone Village School pupils c.1920; history of the Dairy House. It has been another busy month. There are now 60 members. Why not find out more and contribute your local knowledge, too? Our 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! Someone may have an answer.

Sunday 23rd Dec	11.00	Holy Communion
Christmas Day	10.00	Family Crib service. Come and hear the story of that first Christmas; carols to sing, stories to hear, celebrations to share and festive fun to be had!
Sunday 30th Dec	11.00	Benefice Service in All Saints Church, Holbrook.

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.

Community Speedwatch

Community Speedwatch has carried out 4 sessions in the last six weeks. Most drivers slow when they see the signs and hi-viz jackets. Mostly good humoured! Six drivers have been sent letters following the survey as they were driving at over 35 mph.

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. Contact details below.

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. simonpearce@gmx.co.uk)