

Village Hall News

Rehearsals for the next Kettleburgh Players pantomime, Snow White & the Seven Dwarfs, are well under way. There are several new members of cast and backstage helpers this year. A reminder of the dates of the production: 10, 11, 12 February 2011.

The latest fund raising event was an Olde Tyme Music Hall evening on 23 October. The stage was set with potted palms and fringed scarves, the hall was decked with flags and bunting, and the audience entered into the spirit of the evening by dressing in all manner of period costume: hats of all descriptions, dazzling waistcoats, bow ties and breeches — there was even a pearly queen. The entertainment encompassed singing, musical interludes on flute and ukelele, monologues and some good Suffolk humour. The community singing went with a swing, the sausage and mash supper sizzled and the chairman comported himself with the expected hyperbole and exaggeration. The sum of £700 was raised for Village Hall funds. Thank you to all who supported the evening or helped in any way.

The annual Christmas tree lighting will take place on Saturday 11 December, with the countdown at 5:30p.m. Come along to the hall from 5:00p.m onwards to sing a carol or two, to watch the lights being switched on and to enjoy (maybe your first) mince pies and mulled wine.

Maintenance — Exterior: there are plans to make a pathway around the side of the hall to improve access from the car park. Interior: the floor by the kitchen door has been strengthened after it was discovered that the concrete pillars supporting the joists had sunk.

You can read the minutes from Village Hall Committee meetings, and lots more Village Hall news on the website:

Kettleburgh Terminal Pumping Station—update

Representatives from Anglia Water are planning to attend the next Parish Council meeting which will be held on 12 January 2011. They will tell us their plans for minimising the problems of effluent discharge and would like to hear views of Councillors and any villagers present. You are encouraged to attend the meeting and make your views known.

Local events

Mondays at 8:30p.m.—Salsa Classes

12 November – Quiz evening IAO St Andrews Church

11 December—Treelighting, mulled wine and carols at the Village Hall

24 December—Candle lit carol service at St Andrew's Church

Monday mornings from mid January—Keep fit (*see inside for more information*)

See the 'Events' page of the website or the village notice board for more details.



PARISH COUNCIL NEWSLETTER

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Report from Kettleburgh Parish Council meeting held on 8 September.

Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Durbin and Garland. The report from our District Councillor, Bob Snell, included an update on the status of the Local Development Framework, some details of cost saving joint working between Suffolk Coastal and Waveney District Councils, a plea to use telephone or online services for the electoral register return and notice of the annual Beachwatch event at Bawdsey Quay. Our County Councillor, Peter Bellfield, was able to give more background to a recent news article that the County Council was about to break up, explaining that it is planned to make savings by large scale outsourcing and devolving of services. He admitted it was possible that in time all schools will become independent of the local authority.

Kettleburgh Terminal Pumping Station: following the dismissal of the appeal by Anglia Water to allow effluent discharge, the situation has not yet been resolved. The Parish Council has written to Anglia Water and the Environment Agency, expressing its concern and requesting that Anglia Water's system be sealed from the ingress of surface water and that the two replacement pumps should be effectively maintained. Cllr Germain will also write to Anglia Water.

Parish Tree Scheme: Cllr Chase will organise this year's order: to enhance the landscape at the end of Church Road, two trees are to be planted on the small area of grass by the bus shelter.

Councillors considered the proposal to allow referendums to veto excessive council tax rises and decided that this was not appropriate at parish council level.

Clerks Report:

- Councillors agreed with the Clerk's suggestion to make planning applications available at the monthly coffee mornings.
- Cllr Chase will return an amended map showing street names in Kettleburgh to SCDC. The District Council is attempting to ensure that they have the correct names for all streets in the Suffolk Coastal District. The Clerk will retain a copy of the corrected map for the Parish Council's records.
- The Clerk drew Councillors' attention to a leaflet from the Debenham project, a voluntary organisation that seeks to offer support to carers of those with dementia.
- SALC has produced a short survey on public services. Councillors will return their completed forms with the correspondence pack, so that the Clerk can consolidate the responses before returning the survey.

The next meeting will be held on 10 November at 7:15p.m in the Village Hall.

Parish Council Meeting Dates for 2011

12 January

16 March

18 May – Annual Parish Council Meeting

All meetings start at 7:15p.m, with refreshments served from 7:00p.m. You are warmly invited to attend.

Village Green News

Halloween: this was an evening of fun on 31 October for all on the Village Green. Adults and children alike dressed for the evening. The artistic among the village lit up the Green with some amazing pumpkins designs. Whilst the children ate from the BBQ and enjoyed the sweets, the adults kept warm with a glass of mulled wine. It is hoped to add this as an annual event.

Keep Fit 2011

Suffolk Sport is the organiser of the 'Fit Villages' initiative, which aims to make use of Village Halls as a base for activity sessions. The project focuses on ensuring that living in a rural area presents an opportunity rather than a barrier to accessing sport and physical activity. Several villagers have already expressed an interest in this scheme. The sessions are open to men and women of all ages.

Beginning in mid January and lasting for six to eight weeks, the Village Hall will be the venue from 10:00—11:00a.m to provide taster sessions for a variety of physical activities. Suffolk Sport will bear the cost of the hall hire and provide qualified local instructors. There will be a small fee to cover the cost of refreshments. At the end of these taster sessions, it is hoped that those participating will want to continue with regular meetings in the Village Hall.

The beginning of a new year is the ideal time to start a new activity. If you would like more information, contact Liz Marzetti on 621053. There will be posters and website information giving full details at the beginning of January.



The 2011 Census questionnaire will be coming through your letterbox next spring. On 27 March 2011 all residential households in the United Kingdom will be taking part in a census. Since 1801 (apart from 1941 during the war) a day has been chosen every ten years for this purpose. The census provides an excellent source of information about the population. This enables central and local government, health authorities and many other organisations to plan housing, education, health and transport services for years to come. The census statistics feed into resource allocation for local authorities and play a major part in their ability to provide local services, so it is crucial the population estimate is as accurate as possible. When the questionnaire envelope comes through your door you will easily recognise it by the purple 2011 Census logo. If you want to complete the questionnaire online, your individual internet code will be on the front of the questionnaire. More information about the 2011 Census is available online at: www.census.gov.uk

The census is also recruiting staff to help ensure a high census return rate. There are part-time and full-time jobs and you would be able to work close to where you live. To find out more visit www.censusjobs.co.uk or contact your local Jobcentre.