

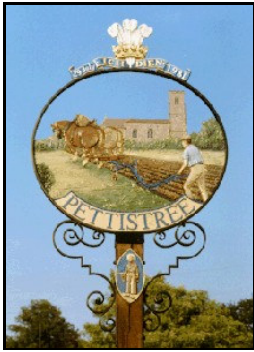


Pettistree People

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Village Hall News

The Annual General Meeting took place on Wednesday 14th July 2010.

Reports were received from the Chairman and the Treasurer and a copy of the Audited Accounts for the year 01.04.09 to 31.03.10.

The Committee were re-elected en bloc as listed below. Also shown are the elected officers and the nominated representatives from the organisations in the village. There are some gaps which it is hoped will be filled to give a representative group of people from the village.

Jim Jarvie	Chairman	Jennie Barnes
Steve Boardley	Vice Chairman	Mike Barnes
Eric Dowker	Treasurer	Dave Caudwell
Ann Sayer	Secretary	Kathy Hilton
Pauline Jarvie	Bookings Secretary	Mike Manning
Jenny Ayris	Pettistree People Contact	Clare Signy
Rita Smith	PCC Representative	
Brian Stollery	Carpet Bowls Representative	
Maureen Stollery	Parish Council Representative	

It is hoped that the Greyhound Inn and the Heritage Group may nominate a member to join the committee.

As the Chairman said in his report the hall is for all, and the committee would welcome suggestions for new events and participation of those events already arranged.

The hall now has the benefit of some new heaters, a new cooker and fridge thanks to securing £1500 "Locality Funding" with help from Suffolk County Councillor Michael Bond. The next project is to fit a new kitchen using some of the income accumulated from bookings and events.

For future events details on the website, in the church magazine and Pettistree People.

Ann Sayer Secretary



Fun Day
Hungarian
Hall
June 13th
2010



FUN DAY AT HUNGARIAN HALL

Following the roaring success of last year's event, the second Village Fun Day was held on 13 June at Hungarian Hall. Steve and David Boardley kindly allowed us to use the grounds and facilities at Hungarian Hall which allowed us to charge a significantly reduced entrance fee for adults and children. As with last year, the Pulse Ranger course in the forest, archery and laser clay pigeon proved really popular. This year, an inflatable 5-a-side human table soccer provided an amusing addition. If you can imagine a table soccer game where the players can only move sideways and kick a ball, it was the same, but with people.

Some of us tried Pulse Ranger for the first time and all agreed the effort was worth it although it was a bit strange being told to listen to instructions and not to mess about by Jimmy and Tom! Ducking and diving on the forest course and trying to shoot the 'enemy' proved really addictive for all ages (although the youngsters always won). A running BBQ helped to keep the energy levels up.

The weather was kind to us but it was a real disappointment the numbers were down on last year. We tried to arrange a day to ensure the event didn't clash with others but we didn't reckon on the Bentwaters having an air display. We will look to hold a similar event next year and although there is a risk with the weather late May could attract more people.

Thanks to all those who helped with the organisation, in particular the Boardley family for allowing us to use the fantastic facilities at Hungarian Hall.

VILLAGE HALL IMPROVEMENTS

No more Tchai Chilly, Burrrrrn's Nights and carpet bowls with bobble hats and gloves. The village hall heating system (or non heating system to most users) has been replaced. Thanks to Cath, Maureen and Jeff for helping us with the process, The Committee applied for funding from Suffolk Councillor Michael Bond's "Locality Budget". A grant of £1500 was secured which allowed us to replace the heating system and upgrade the kitchen. As well as the new heaters the hall has a new cooker and freezer.

The carpet bowlers were first to use the hall with the new system in place and were delighted with the balmy ambience (none of the team have told me if it made them play any better!). I understand that Eric complained it was too hot but no doubt his comment fell on stony ground.

The Committee is always looking for ways to improve the village hall for all the diverse groups that use it and we are hoping to replace the kitchen units in the next few months. Receiving the 'Locality Budget' funding was a real bonus but the profits raised from our events throughout the year will allow us to further improve the hall.

Keep supporting us.

Jim Jarvie Chairman

100 Club

Month	1 st Prize	2 nd Prize	3 rd Prize
May	Tony Franklin	Anna Ayris	Lynn Park
June	Mike Barnes	Eric Dowker	Cath Caudwell
July	Evelyn Whitfield	Eric Dowker	Mike Manning

John Woods Nurseries

A reflection of the hard work by all the staff

John Woods Nurseries, the Suffolk, indeed Pettistree, based national supplier of plants to garden centres and retail nurseries across the UK, won the coveted 2010 RHS Chelsea Flower Show Gold Medal for its Upwardly Mobile garden design and planting in partnership with DEAKINLOCK also based in Suffolk. The award recognised the development work and creative thinking behind the concept of an innovative front garden feature.

After the show, Upwardly Mobile relocated to the National Gardening Centre at Capel Manor College where key elements evolved into a family friendly back garden supported by the rear façade of a modern contemporary family home.

The theme of the Upwardly Mobile garden was to demonstrate how easy it is to create a garden and take your ideas with you when moving house during a lifetime.

This idea came from discussions between John Wood Nurseries and renowned gardening expert Peter Seabrook.

A broad collection of plants such as the Endless Summer® range of repeat flowering Hydrangeas including the new Twist 'n Shout™, the First Edition range evergreen Coprosma Pacific Sunset, and the first ever variegated Diervilla Cool Splash™ which brightens up dry shady areas; all complemented by Cornus Venus®, were some of the special plants used to show gardening need not be complicated.

Capel Manor College is in Enfield North London and the relocating of the Upwardly Mobile garden illustrates the flexibility and versatility of easy care plants and methods especially when moving house.

MATTOCKS launch three new roses

Mattocks Rose Nurseries were acquired by Notcutts in 1985 and in the takeover of 2007 became part of the John Woods Nurseries. At the RHS Hampton Court Palace Flower Show 2010 they were awarded a Gold medal for their stand . On the stand were three new roses.

The County of Staffordshire Rose. The Staffordshire Society founded by a group of London based Staffordshire gentlemen in 1905 discovered there was not a rose named for the County. This rose has won gold silver and bronze medals in international trials.

Joie de Vivre, a rose which lends itself to containers and was a silver medal winner at La Roelx Belgium in 2006 and has been made Rose of the Year for 2011.

Pomponella, a floribunda which won ADR in 2006 plus international gold silver & bronze medals.

For further information

www.johnwoodsnurseries.co.uk
www.waterersnursery.co.uk



www.mattocks.co.uk

St. Peter & St Paul's Church

Jottings

The weekend of July 3rd and 4th turned out to be another excellent time of celebration at Pettistree church. The visit of the Kirby Consort was notable not only for the quality of the singing and the well chosen blend of musical items, but also for the delicious canapes and Pimms provided during the interval.

On the Sunday the pew runners and new altar furniture was dedicated by the archdeacon, the Venerable Judy Hunt and after the service she was able to meet most of the congregation while refreshments were served, in the churchyard on another lovely fine evening.



One of the wonderful things we have always found about living here is how helpful people are. We were committed to too many events during that weekend and so were unable to help get things ready, but everything was sorted, our small marquee efficiently put up, and even better within an hour of the end of the celebrations everything had been taken down, tables put away and the church and churchyard left as neat and tidy as before. I hope everyone realises what a great community this is to live in, where people care about their neighbours.

Car Parking

Over the last couple of years it has become obvious that at times the parking situation at some services in the church is causing difficulties both for the congregation and local residents. The PCC has applied for planning permission to have a small car-parking area in the churchyard between the Parish room and the hedge around the current grave plots. The churchyard will not have to be dug up as the surface planned is a plastic mesh through which the grasses and flowers can continue to grow. There will have to be a break in the hedge but this is planned to be as unobtrusive as possible. The Diocese have already approved the plans subject to us obtaining Suffolk Coastal's permission, and we hope that if this is granted the work can be completed before the winter.

Important Events on the Church calendar Autumn 2010

Harvest Festival Evensong October 3rd at 6.30 pm

Remembrance Day November 11th at 10.50am Laying Pettistree wreath and 2 minute silence at the war Memorial

Remembrance Sunday November 14th joint service at All Saints Wickham Market 10.30 am (No service at Pettistree)

Maggie Hallett



Neighbourhood Watch News



Many of you will be aware that some Pettistree households and businesses have been the victims of crime in recent weeks. It is therefore a timely reminder that we should not be complacent in our efforts to protect our own, and our neighbours', properties. To help tackle these issues here are some suggestions:

1. Let your trusted neighbours know if you are going to be away. Advise them if someone is coming in to check your mail or water your garden, and which vehicles will be around.
2. Take down registration details of any vehicle that is not known to you – it may be completely innocent, but equally, it could be a vital clue if a crime is committed. A registration number can always be discarded if not relevant, but can't be recorded later. By all means email me with these, including vehicle type, date, time and place observed.
3. Register with Police Direct to receive emails, phone messages or text messages about local crimes. Log on to www.policedirect.suffolk.police.uk or telephone 01473 613997.
4. Join our email contact list for Pettistree & Loudham – messages about crimes committed in our area, or crime reduction information, will be circulated quickly and efficiently by blind copy by your local NHW co-ordinator. If you haven't already asked to be on this list, please contact me on: roguescottage@mypostoffice.co.uk
5. Be aware of your neighbours' usual routines so that you can log if something unusual happens – this doesn't mean you are being nosey, just observant and aware.
6. Always phone the police on 999 if an incident is occurring.

We have a supply of yellow NHW stickers advising that you do not buy or sell at your door, together with a list of useful contact telephone numbers to use if someone asks to enter your property to do work. Please let me know if you would like some.

As a registered Neighbourhood Watch Scheme we are eligible for a reduced charge for the following property marking product (details forwarded by our Community Watch Liaison Officer at the police). If you are interested please let me know – we have 5 interested households at the moment (Aug 2010). *Smartwater is a property marking product which helps link burglars to crime scenes and stolen property. It is a colourless liquid with a DNA-style code that is unique and permanent and can be traced back to the home it came from, forensically linking a person to a scene of crime. A separate batch is used at each address and details recorded for Smartwater's database.*

The solution is easy to apply to the backs of all types of property. If you move home Smartwater can be quickly updated with your new address by telephone. This enables a trail of evidence to be maintained.

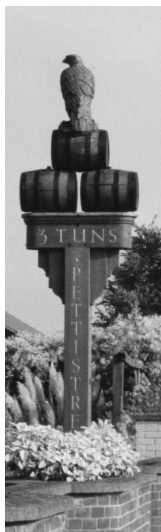
There is a special deal available to members of registered NHW schemes; if at least 10 members of a scheme wish to purchase a kit they can do so at the reduced price of £15 each and no ongoing charges. Otherwise it would cost them £60 and £60 per year to renew the licence.

Smartwater Tel. 0800 521 4561 - www.smartwater.com -e-mail "enquiry@smartwater.com

Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator, Dave Caudwell, Rogues Cottage. Tel. 747170

Heritage News

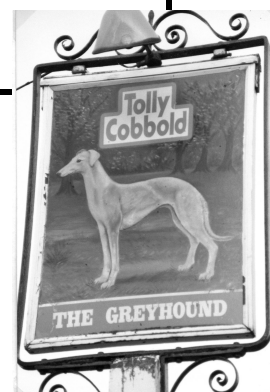
Pettistree Heritage, your local history & archive group,
will be hosting its annual talk on



**Friday 19th November at Pettistree Village
Hall.**

**Des Herring, of East Suffolk Morris Men
fame,**

**will be giving an enlightened talk on
Pub Signs**



Last year's event was a sell-out, so to avoid disappointment please book early

Telephone Cath on 01728 747170. Tickets are £5 and will include light refreshments – our usual home-made cakes and tea – very popular!!

Where shall we go next year?

Pettistree Ringers hold their AGM in November and every year the same question is asked. “Where shall we go next year?” This is referring to the annual **Coach Outing**. It is traditional for bands of ringers to hire a coach for their annual outing during which they visit about six different churches to ring, have a good pub lunch with plenty of time to talk in between and on the journeys. In the past we have visited Kent, Cambridgeshire, Hertfordshire and various parts of Norfolk and Essex, but this year was to be the area around Stamford in Lincolnshire. For various reasons this didn't work out and we visited the Halstead area in Essex, but a good time was had by all. The sun shone, the pub lunch was good and so were the bells.

I mentioned the **Ringers' Tea** in the last edition, and as I write this we have been planning for the forthcoming visit of the SE District of the Suffolk Guild on September 4th. Following ringing at Bredfield and a service in Pettistree Church, about thirty or forty people will descend on our village hall for tea and a meeting. These events occur every three months being held in a different part of the district each time. Pettistree is almost at the northern limit of the district, which extends to Offton in the West and includes Ipswich as well as towers north of the Orwell.

(If you would like the bells rung to celebrate a birthday, anniversary or another special occasion contact Mary on 746097, or come and see us ring any Wednesday between 7pm and 9pm. Perhaps we shall be able to persuade you to learn!)



Open Gardens



NEW DISEASE HITS PETTISTREE

In late 2008 the first cases of the disease were reported and by February and March of 2009 it was spreading significantly. The disease became known as 'Peter's Tree Green Finger'.

The disease escalated through Spring and early Summer and by the last weekend in June 2009 a full scale epidemic was reported, with some 400 people from surrounding villages realising they were afflicted.

Strangely after the weekend symptoms subsided but at a meeting in the Greyhound (where else!) in late November the people who were most badly affected by 'Peter's Tree Green Finger' agreed that the disease would surface again in about 18 months time, peaking on **25th and 26th June 2011**, and may even spread to Loudham.

You may have realised by now that I am referring to Pettistree with Loudham Open Gardens Weekend. It isn't too soon to be preparing ourselves as those wishing to participate will:-

- a) Need to keep the last weekend in June 2011 free.
- b) Start to redesign their gardens (only joking).
- c) Receive an inoculation at the Greyhound with an inaugural meeting on **Monday 1st November at 8.30pm**.

Those who can't make the inoculation session but feel they may want to participate or help generally should contact Dave and Cath on:

01728 747170 or email: roguescottage@mypostoffice.co.uk

The Open Gardens Weekend will support the Church and Village Hall.

Dave Caudwell

Planning

Application No: C10/1525

Location: Church Farm, The Street, Pettistree, Woodbridge IP13 0HP

Proposal: Alterations and additions to provide first floor studio over games room.

Application No: C10/1649

Location: St Peter and St Paul Church, Walnuts Lane, Pettistree.

Proposal: Construction of new entrance & provision of parking area.

Application No: C10/1881

Location; Flint Cottage, Presmere Rd, Pettistree Woodbridge. IP13 0HZ.

Proposal: Conversion of outbuilding to ancillary accommodation (annexe)

Parish Council

Parish Council News for Pettistree People August 2010

2010 has continued to be a remarkable year for weather. As this was first drafted the drought had broken with an inch of rain and our parched fields and gardens were starting to show some green again. Since then we have gone back to a more normal watery summer.

Roads in the village have suffered from the heat as they did from the ice and snow earlier. We had thought that the gritting of some of our roads would correct the winter damage but the grit appears to have not set well into the tar and some potholes were not filled before tarring and gritting. This is being taken up with the highways department as is the persisting sinkage of the central pothole in The Street near the Greyhound. We had suspected damage to the deep sewer but Anglian Water say that a video camera inspection of the sewer has not shown any damage or leakage.

Hedges that overgrow into the road are still a potential safety hazard and landowners must please ensure that their roadside hedges do not hang into the roadway. I am told that as a last resort the highways department will cut the hedges and charge the landowners for the work. We hope that our hedgecutter will be back this Autumn so let me know (Tel No 01728 746 210) if you want to be included in his round.

The Parish Council is sorry that our Parish Clerk, Mike Flanagan is leaving us. He and his wife are moving to Shropshire and we do of course offer our best wishes for their new life in a very different part of the country. Mike has helped us for the last two years with great good humour and has got the accounts and other formalities of running a parish council into good order. We have been very lucky in obtaining the services of Mr Clive Mann to replace Mike in this important part-time paid post.

In recent weeks we have had an unaccustomed mini crime wave with daytime burglaries in houses that were locked but left vacant for a short time. Some arrests have been made but it is too soon to say if this will bring the problem to an end. Please sign up for "Police Direct" to get the earliest informative e-mails, and remember to note details of any unfamiliar vans or other vehicles that you may see.

The Parish Council has decided that the question of affordable housing should be "put on ice" for the time being. Very little interest was shown in a new questionnaire and it seems unlikely that landowners would make land available. The money that would have been spent on preparatory surveys will now be spent on current village projects such as upgrading the Village Hall and perhaps a small "green" car park area near the Church (to reduce road blockage during village events).

The vacancy on the Parish Council will probably be filled by the co-option of Terry Rowles at the next Parish Council Meeting on 7th September. He has put his name forward, and nobody requested an election, so co-option is the correct procedure. Terry will bring a lot of useful experience to our discussions.

Jeffrey Hallett Chairman



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Why if you send something by road it is called a shipment but if you send it by sea it is called a cargo?

Notice in a farmer's field.

The farmer allows walkers to cross the field for free but the bull charges.

The Greyhound

Most of you will have heard by now that Margi and I have decided to retire. To facilitate this we have sold the business as a going concern to Tony and Karen Cousins who come from Hertfordshire but who are no strangers to the area having a holiday home at Tunstall.

The final message from both of us is one of gratitude and thanks to all our customers both new and old who have patronised the pub over the last two years. To say that most of you have become good friends as well is an understatement and it goes without saying that we will miss you all very much. We do not know at this time what the future holds but we would both like to say that the last two and a half years have been very happy times to which you all have contributed. We shall miss the banter and mickey taking that is all part of the ambience that has been created at The Greyhound but we are sure Tony and Karen will carry on to make the business even more successful.

When Margi and I first met Tony and Karen we took to them instantly, they made it clear that they wanted the pub to stay exactly as it was and that all the staff would be staying to ensure that would be the case. I will leave it to them to introduce themselves to you but suffice it to say both Margi and I fully endorse their custody of the little village pub we are so proud of and we would ask you all to support them in the same way that you made us so welcome and supported us throughout the last few years, again thank you all and take care.

With affection Paul and Margi.

Although Karen and I hail from Hertfordshire, we have had a cottage locally, in Tunstall, since 2005. Therefore we know the area, and love everything about it. We had been looking for a business in the area for some time, as leaving every Monday morning to go back to Hertfordshire was getting harder and harder!

In earlier days, I managed two pubs, before moving on and becoming Sales Director in a large company supplying Hotels, Restaurants and Pubs, so have had 30 years associated with the hospitality industry, whilst Karen managed the Administration and Customer Care team at the same Company.

When we discovered that The Greyhound was for sale, we knew instantly that we had found our reason to up sticks. We completed the purchase on June 14th, and at the time of writing this, have just completed our first 2 weeks. (We have loved *every* second of it!)

We are so grateful to Paul and Margi, who couldn't have been more helpful in the changeover, and gave us so much help and advice, simply because they cared so much about the Pub and the community, and we don't want to lose touch with them. Thank you also for the welcome that everyone locally has given us, which has made us feel at home so quickly. We know already that our decision was absolutely the right one, so thanks to you all.

Just a few notes which I hope will reassure everyone of our intentions.

We do not intend on changing the Greyhound, in terms of appearance or ambience. We are delighted that our Chefs, Jon and Sam, will be staying, and will continue to serve their excellent, freshly prepared menus. We also want to thank both of them for the great work that they do in producing food that Karen and I are proud of.

There will be no fruit machines, TVs, etc installed, which would be a disaster in such a lovely pub. There will continue to be regular bi-monthly special event nights, guest beers, and weather permitting, a few afternoon Barbe-ques before the summer ends.

Karen and I look forward to many happy years in the community, and serving you all at home in The Greyhound.

Tony Cousins

Congratulations



Fifth Generation

Finley George Ashton, arrived on the 7th June 2010 the first son of Oliver and Hayley, first grandson for Lesley and David and the first Great-Grandson for Brian and Maureen Stollery. Finley's arrival has given the family five living generation again, his father Oliver was a fifth generation until he was five, and his Granny Lesley was also a

fifth generation, quite a record and a very happy one.



Claudia Bo Frost

The Christening of Claudia Bo took 20th June 2010. Claudia is the daughter of Kennford Exeter, sister to Harry, and of Church Farm.



place in Pettistree Church on Sunday of Katharine and Richard Frost of Granddaughter of Dick and Rita Smith



Albert Webster

We were sorry to hear of the death of Albert Webster on June 20th 2010 at the age of eighty-five. He was a resident of Pettistree for many years, having helped with the re-location of British Telecom from London to Martlesham in the late 60's early 70's. Albert was an active member of the community. He was well known for his growing of sweet peas which he entered in the National championships.

He was instrumental, with the then Vicar, Rev. Edgar Pearson, in restoring the church bells in 1986 after a silence of nearly fifty years.

In his young days Albert was a keen athlete and ran in the 800 metres at the Olympics held in 1952 in Helsinki narrowly missing out on a bronze medal.



Our sympathy to Margaret

Welcome to Karen and Tony Cousins for a happy and successful time at the Greyhound



Best Wishes for
a
Happy
Retirement to
Margi and Paul

Parish Councillors

Jeff Hallett Chairman The Laurels	746210	Elaine Boardley 1 Hungarian Close	01394 461451
Maureen Stollery Vice Chairman I Presmere Road	746653	Peter Hayward Green Farm	746558
Mike Watts Burways	747202	Mary Chilvers Cooper's Cottage	746123
Vacancy			

County & District Councillors

Mr Michael Bond County & District Councillor
Mr Jim Bidwell District Councillor

Neighbourhood Watch

Dave Caudwell 01728747170
Rogues Cottage
Mike Sayer 01394 460 639
Hungarian Close

Pettistree Web Site

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Useful people to contact

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Vicar	Rev John Eldridge	01728746026
Bellringers	Mary Garner	01728746097
ChurchWarden	Brian Nobbs	01728746590
Village Hall Booking Secretary.	Pauline Jarvie	01728 745030
Local History Recorder	Joan Peck	
Age Concern	Maureen Stollery	01728746653
The Greyhound		01728746451
The Three Tuns		01728747979
Wickham Market	Health Centre	01728747101
Post Office		01728746201
Library		01728747216
Dial A Ride	Contact No.	01473281194