



Pettistree People

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An Update on PP



In 1995 three people, Tony Franklin, Ann Sayer and Joan Peck, two parish Councillors and the Clerk wanted a way of keeping the whole village informed as to what was happening. After discussion and the fact that Tony was one of the few people with a computer at that time, Pettistree People was born. The first issue, both sides of an A4 sheet of paper, was delivered free to all residents in January 1996. This continued until 2002 whenever Tony had enough material to publish.

In 2002 Maureen and Joan took over as joint editors. Maureen, mainly as the roving reporter cajoling people to write articles and to keep information rolling in. This has continued ever since on a quarterly basis. Now with fifty four issues behind us we have kept a complete set in the village archive and deposited a duplicate set on loan in the Ipswich Record Office under the following reference:-

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The following letter was received from the record office :-

Dear Miss J Peck

PETTISTREE PARISH COUNCIL

Thank you so much for the newsletters, deposited at the Ipswich Record Office, as detailed on the enclosed receipt.

I'm sure they will be of great use to searchers both now and in the future - it is just this kind of material that often doesn't make its way into the Record Office and yet has a very important story to tell. Once again, thank you for taking the trouble to arrange to have them brought in.

Yours sincerely

Louise Clarke Archivist



Wedding
of
Rebecca Westrope of Park Farm Loudham and Andrew Greenwell of Boyton
June 25th 2011



Andrew's & Rebecca's Wedding

Andrew Greenwell and Rebecca Westrope were married at St. Peter and St. Paul's Church on Saturday 25th June, 2011. 270 friends and family attended the 3 p.m. service taken by Reverend Dr. John Eldridge. A marquee was erected at the front of the church to take about 110 guests and extra seating in the church and using the choir stalls enabled us to seat 160 in the church. A TV screen and speakers relayed the service into the marquee. The bells were rung at the beginning and end of the ceremony. Rebecca made her entrance into the church to Jeremiah Clarke's Trumpet Voluntary, the organ was played by Andy Greaves and the trumpet played by Peter Holloway. John helped to make it a very lovely and happy wedding ceremony, with a very good Address. Thomas Westrope read from Colossians 3 verses 12-17, and a very good friend of Andrew and Rebecca's, Clare Allison, read Mother Theresa's Meditations from a Simple Path for the second reading. During the signing of the register in the marquee, Laura Wright sang two solos Pie Jesus and Ave Maria, which was very moving and beautiful. The newly married couple left the church to Handel's Queen of Sheba.

Rebecca wore an ivory silk dress with lace caplet sleeves; the bodice was decorated with lace. She wore a full length veil and a family tiara. The four bridesmaids; Davina Greenwell, Elizabeth Pipe, Alice Westrope and Emma Wilson wore sage green silk dresses with ivory sashes. The flower girl Alice Trotter wore an ivory silk dress with a green sash, and the pageboy Theo Logan wore sage green silk shorts and an ivory silk tunic.

Andrew had chosen to have two Bestmen, Alex Greensit and James Reeves and there were six ushers.

Rebecca carried a bouquet of roses, Singapore orchids, freesias and greenery. The bridesmaids carried posies of roses and sweet peas and wore a few Singapore orchids in their hair. The church was beautifully decorated in shades of creams, pinks and greens. All flowers at the church, the bouquets and at the reception were arranged by Jenny Dow of Clopton Flowers.

All guests attended a drinks and canapés reception in the garden at Park Farm. Thankfully the weather was perfect for the day, dry in the afternoon, not too hot and a very warm evening. Speeches took place at 5.45, and then family and close friends went into the marquee at the front of the house for the wedding breakfast, and dancing until Andrew and Rebecca left the reception at about midnight to a firework display.

The marquees at the church and reception were provided by Anglia Coastal Marquees of Hungarian Hall.

Andrew and Rebecca spent their honeymoon in Bali, and are now settling into married life at Boyton, Suffolk.

Caroline Westrope

Welcome

We should like to Welcome Alan and Judy Steventon who will shortly be moving into the village from Woodbridge.

THANK YOU

Carol Speedman would like to thank all who purchased her hand made cards in aid of the Treehouse Appeal for the new children's hospice in Ipswich. The collection box was sent to them uncounted and to her delight, when opened, it contained £151.00. See letter of thanks below.

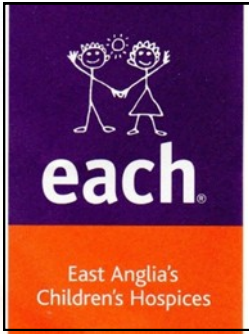
Carol is now planning future cards to help the continuation of this good cause and would appreciate your further support.

Dear Ms Speedman

Thank you for your donation of £ 151.00 for East Anglia's Children's Hospices - your kind gift is very much appreciated.

Following the launch of our Treehouse Appeal last year we recently reached our £3 million target to build and equip our new Treehouse Hospice for life-threatened children and their families in Suffolk and North Essex.

The new purpose-built, single storey, wooden clad building is in a tranquil woodland setting. It is a wonderful place which allows end of life care and short break care to be delivered simultaneously, provide private overnight accommodation for family members and thanks to the inclusion of dedicated facilities, offers specialist therapies including hydro, physio, music and play. Most importantly, the new hospice allows families greater choice and flexibility in the way they access our care and support.



We have now welcomed the first families in to the new hospice and the building is full of noise, excitement and spirit. It is lovely to see such a huge project come to life.

We continue to rely on voluntary donations for the majority of our income to enable us to continue to deliver care from The Treehouse and your support is as important as ever and very much appreciated - thank you!

Yours sincerely **Sarah Clarkson**
Supporter Services Administrator



Bottle Banks

There are new bottle banks available for everyone to use outside the Greyhound. These are helpful to the village as the proceeds are ploughed back into the Parish Council coffers.



This helps to keep our village precept down through the kindness of first Paul and Margi Whayman and now Tony and Karen.

THE STORY SO FAR

PROPS was set up in February 2011 by Mike Barnes, Tony Franklin & Steve Wassell, to arrange the supply of heating oil, at bulk prices, for the residents of **all** the villages in the **wider** area around Pettistree. In that short time our members have taken delivery of nearly **1/3rd MILLION LITRES** of heating oil, at a saving of **£24,500*** in just three placements, i.e. February, March & July. (*on national average prices)

The Principal Benefits can be summed up as follows:-

Lower prices & Stabilised deliveries.

Less impact on local roads, reduced Carbon Footprint for the area.

Everybody pays the same price. No surcharge for small amounts (500 litre min delivery).

Less Hassle – we phone round, fix a price & delivery, choose supplier and place your order.

The original intention was just to cover Pettistree, Loudham & Wickham Market, and the immediate neighbouring villages, but it seems that the word got out and we now cover some 30 other villages within a 5 mile radius of the hub of Pettistree.

During this time we have created a page on the Web, www.pettistree.suffolk.gov.uk/PROPS.html and our thanks to the good offices of the Parish council and the sterling efforts of Chris Garner dealing with the technical stuff, Additionally we have also moved on from hand written registration forms to the ability to 'join on line' and also to request oil from the web page, making it easier for both existing members and potential new members alike.

PROPS International??

Seriously? Well no, not really but we must be getting something right!! for as well as several enquiries from neighbouring regions on '**how do we do it**' we have also been getting enquiries from other parts of the country e.g. **Mid Wales!!** Where next we wonder?

Mind you some members have finalised their delivery requirements with the supplier from abroad, whilst on holiday, in France, Spain, Crete to name but a few locations.

What's behind the GREEN door

We now understand that the oil delivery companies normal carbon footprint will reduce by around 66%, for bulk orders in the PROPS area, so that's a plus for the environment as well.

'CutOff' dates

Currently we place the members request on 6 dates during the year and as a suggestion, we currently say, that as the price is likely to rise after September, the next time you place an order **Fill right up for the winter**, and then **keep your tank topped up to full** with 500 litres at each date (or more if you can) till late Spring/early summer. **You don't pay more for 500L!!** **The next PROPS CutOff date is 13th Sept 2011.**

The Community Spirit

PROPS really only works for those who have at least e-mail, but for those who haven't we have a system called E-mail 'Buddy' (friend). We find an existing member, who lives close by the prospective member who doesn't have e-mail, and ask them to receive and place e-mails on their behalf. So far we have 15 members who benefit from this arrangement.

e-mail: props11@btinternet.com

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS FOR “PETTISTREE PEOPLE”

The **Annual Parish Meeting** was held on 24th May at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall so that anyone in the village could meet their parish councillors and help plan the future of the village and its facilities. Despite the attraction of Mary Chilvers' sausage rolls attendance was at its usual low level, perhaps indicating that everyone is happy with the way things are going! Several reports were given but I gave the Chairman's Report that summarized parish council and village events over the last year. The full report can be found on the Pettistree web site <http://www.pettistree.suffolk.gov.uk/> under Parish Council but I think my conclusion is worth repeating here.

“Our village, including Loudham forms a very attractive and effective community. There is a good mix of residential and business property with little absentee accommodation. Community activities are varied and well supported and there is little crime or antisocial behaviour. The website and the Pettistree People newsletter rank second to none of their kind. The Parish Council can probably take some credit for all this and it is pleasing that we have been able to recruit new council members to fill gaps and bring fresh blood as others have had to leave us.”

One of the main items for discussion was whether the village wanted to celebrate the special events in 2012. It was agreed that the **Queen's Diamond Jubilee** on 5th June should be marked and a street party at Stump Street was suggested. Roger and Mary Chilvers will be busy as they are already organizing a **New Year's Eve Party** for the end of this year. The London Olympics give another excuse for a village event and it was agreed that a **Village Sports Day** should be organized. Please watch for details of these and other events in future editions of Pettistree People and be ready to help as well as participate.

Many people will have noticed that the **glass recycling bin** in the Greyhound car park has been changed for two new bins that are a bit more obtrusive. This is because Suffolk Coastal Council is now running its own glass recycling service. It is worth remembering that the Parish Council (not the Greyhound) receives a small sum of money every time the bins are emptied. Therefore do please use these bins for your glass rather than taking it elsewhere.

At our most recent Parish Council meeting on 19th July the importance was stressed of not letting dogs run loose outside householders' properties so that they become a road safety hazard or damage livestock. The **Dog Warden** has already been involved in giving guidance on this matter.

Guidance has also been given by the police **Safer Neighbourhood Team** in view of concerns about an increase in minor crimes locally and in surrounding villages. We are reminded to take care to lock our cars and outbuildings as well as ensuring sensible house security. We should also be on our guard for distraction burglaries and should tell the police if there is any hint that a “rave” is being planned on any open spaces, buildings or fields.

As a follow-on from the Annual Parish Meeting the Parish Council will lead an **Open Village Meeting** in the Village Hall on Thursday 22nd September starting at 7.30 pm. Refreshments will be provided as this will be a community activity. We hope that all village groups will participate and say what they will contribute for the 2012 events. Please keep the evening free and come along with your ideas or just to enjoy a village get-together, especially if you have moved in to the village in the last two or three years.

Jeff Hallett, Chairman of the Parish Council. August 2011.

PETTISTREE HERITAGE WALKS

The small village of Pettistree hides a number of secrets which are revealed in a leaflet encompassing three circular walks and some local history.

On each walk the places of significance are highlighted.

It is hoped that this will be of interest to residents and visitors alike.

Did you know that the Ashes have a close connection with a house in the village or that the local benefactor Thomas Mills lived in Pettistree with his wife and small daughter until tragedy struck.?



Do you know where to find the Great Mount of Pettistree?

Walking has long been promoted as a healthy activity, combining wellbeing and fitness. Never more so than recently as organized 'health walks' have become popular.

You will be able to use the leaflet to enhance your walking experience and also become more familiar with the locality. Hopefully you will find a route that suits your particular needs. You may need to walk the dog, find some less demanding terrain after an injury, or just enjoy the ambience.

Sometimes we see footpaths signed but are hesitant to try them if they are unfamiliar and may lead us into the unknown!

It is hoped that questions are answered with the information supplied on the map. Details are given on the routes, plus the length of the walk and the terrain. In addition the local heritage is brought out of the archives.

The Pettistree Heritage Walks group have compiled the leaflet with the help of the printers, Sharwards of Westerfield, the Pettistree Heritage Trust and the Local History Recorder.

The group are indebted to Michael Bond SCC Councillor and The Parish Council for help with funding.

The launch of the leaflet will take place in Pettistree Village Hall on Saturday 17 September from 10.30.-12.30.

Join us for coffee and cake and an optional guided walk which will reveal the secrets of the Great Mount.

Rosie Hayward

A detective keeps his hand in by keeping his eye out.

Alternative title for the film "Shakespeare In Love" - "Take the ruff with the smooch".

Sent in by Ted Jarvis who loves making up his jokes!

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWS

There have been several reported incidents of 'Break-ins' during the last couple of months in Lower Ufford, Byng Hall Lane and Pettistree Village Hall. Also at this time the Police were advising people that Yellow Pages were due to be delivered and suggested that they are removed from doorsteps as soon as possible. This also applies to any postal or doorstep deliveries you may receive while you are on holiday, try to arrange for either family, friends or neighbours to check for anything left outside your door. It is also a timely reminder not to leave small windows open or leave ladders in view.

Simple common sense measures could make the difference and put off an opportunistic thief.

This report written at the end of July will be a little dated by the time you read it but the theme is relevant at all times.

Mike Sayer

22.7.2011

SNT (Safer Neighbourhood Team) CURRENT PRIORITIES from Victoria Gilmore PC 797

The last Community Panel Meeting was held on 12/05/ 2011. The three priorities set by the general public were as follows;

Priority 1: To reduce instances of Anti Social behaviour and vehicle nuisance in the area of Costcutters, Walnut Tree Avenue, Rendlesham. IP12 2GG.

Priority 2: To publicise and enforce the new parking regulations in Woodbridge town centre IP12 4LP following the implementation of the Woodbridge Traffic Order.

Priority 3: To increase police presence in Wickham Market IP13 0RA centre following a seasonal increase in Anti Social Behaviour, litter and nuisance.

The next Community Panel Meeting will be held on Wednesday 10th August 2011 at 1900 hrs in the Rock Barracks Welfare Unit, Eastern Road, Sutton Heath.

ADVICE REGARDING RAVES

Recently a resident of Pettistree called Police to make us aware of a young male who had been enquiring about use of farm land for a camping party of approximately 40 people. The land owner called the SNT for advise and we recommended he refuse.

The SNT had prior knowledge of this person in similar circumstances and were able to stop a party/rave of over two hundred people which was being advertised on Facebook.

Please contact the police if you have anyone approach you to hire your land for a party, and if possible please get their details.

WICKHAM MARKET LIBRARY

Leading the way for libraries in Suffolk

Are you under the impression that libraries are saved? Many people are, but in reality, the need for local communities to take on the running of their local library is still very high on Suffolk County Council's agenda – it has to be as they still need to save 30% of their costs over the whole service.



So what is happening to Wickham Market? In the latest round of cabinet discussions our close neighbour has been designated a Key Service Centre (KSC), with four options available to its library service:

- Option 1. A co-located library in shared space, supported with Council Grant and community contributions which could include local fund raising, volunteers and self-service. Taking outreach library services to adjacent villages is likely to be a welcome contribution to reducing costs.
- Option 2. A mobile library service, changed to once a month subject to consultation. This would be the default position in KSCs.
- Option 3. Community outreach, that is, taking library services out to people in their community, or bringing them to a library. This could be the preferred long term option for KSC s.
- Option 4. A collection/drop off point.

Clearly it fits option 1 perfectly – but only if a community group takes it on. Step in the Wickham Market Partnership, a charitable company that has a track record of implementing successful community projects and which operates from the other half of the building. Together with interested people in the form of Wickham Market Library Forum there is a strong chance that a real difference can be made, and that our library can develop into a community hub.

Wickham Market has been put forward as one of six pilot schemes in the county, to test the sustainability of being run by a community group, and to 'go live' in April 2012. A Business Plan now needs to be drawn up that identifies all costs and potential savings, staffing levels, volunteer roles and new services to operate in the library space.

This is where you can help. Do you have skills in marketing and communications or with developing services for adults, families and older people? Could you volunteer to help in the operational side of the library once it goes live? Only with the involvement of committed volunteers can we make this work – please do contact me if you can help in any way.

You can find out more about the work of the Wickham Market Partnership on its website: www.wickham-market.org.uk or contact:



Cath Caudwell, Trustee of the Wickham Market Partnership
E: roguescottage@mypostoffice.co.uk, or tel. 01728 747170.

WILD FLOWERS



This has been a remarkable year for certain wild flowers in the village. This was the scene on the Mount in April. It was not a late snow storm but wild white violets. Blue ones were also prevalent as well but the white made a spectacular show.



In June Bee Orchids and Pyramidal Orchids appeared where they had not been seen for many years, if ever, before. These grow on old horse pastures and true to form were discovered near the old horse pond at Green Farm



Later Ann & Mike Sayer discovered six magnificent Southern Marsh Orchids growing in the damp area near their small garden pond. Although they have had a Bee Orchid previously and have lived in their house for several years, they were unaware of these pretty flowers.



In early June I went to Wink's Meadow at Metfield, an old meadow owned by the Suffolk Wildlife Trust and saw a Frog Orchid. This is the only place in Suffolk where it grows.

Have you noticed in Java Lodge lane this Presmere Pond, the lovely display of blue ly found on chalk soils but the soil here is ger of vehicles scraping the verges? can generally withstand the verge cutter.

Joan Peck



year, a few yards along from Field Scabious? These are usual- mainly clay so why there in dan- Happily they are perennials and

PETTISTREE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 2010-2011

The Village Hall continues to be used for various diverse activities for Pettistree & Loudham and the surrounding community. There have been a steady number of bookings throughout the year although the Quilters Club decided to find another venue due to the hall being cold during the winter. The number of party bookings has decreased since the decision was made to limit children/teenagers events to under 12s. However, the Art Club and carpet bowls has ensured a steady income throughout the year. The Committee also arranged a variety of events throughout the year including Quiz Night, Pub Games & Burns' Night and a fun day on the field adjacent to the hall which included archery, giant 4 in a row and table soccer. The event on Dick Smith's field attracted a number of new participants and a family that just happened to pass by.

In addition to this source of income, the Committee received a grant from the Ganzoni Charitable Trust for £500 which will assist with the improvements to the hall in the coming months. The general state of the hall and the problems we have had, particularly throughout the winter has resulted in the loss of some income. The committee is currently seeking funding to replace the floor, insulate the walls and roof which will ensure the hall is in a fit state throughout the year. It is our intention to upgrade the kitchen and then overhaul the crockery and possibly the chairs.

The Committee has worked tirelessly throughout the year to ensure events are staged and the hall and grounds are in a suitable and safe condition for all those who use it.

I would like to thank all the Committee Members and other helpers from within the Community that have made this all possible. We would really welcome suggestions as to what we can do this coming year, not only from our regulars but from everybody in the community.

The hall is for us all.

Jim Jarvie Chairman Pettistree Village Hall



The Annual General Meeting took place on Tuesday 12th July 2011 and the Committee were pleased to welcome five residents to the meeting. The committee were re-elected en bloc, as listed below, also shown are the elected officers and the nominated representatives.

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

ART & SPIRITUALITY EXHIBITION



The Exhibition in the church during the weekend of July 30th and 31st was a rare opportunity to see the work of Margaret Blackall and Dick Smith. Margaret showed her collection of paintings, mainly worked in oils but also acrylic and watercolour, while Dick was showing Wood-prints. Both artists were present at various times during the weekend and it was very interesting to learn from them how they develop their work. It was good to see small red dots appearing on the frames as these showed that that particular picture had been Sold. After deducting costs (materials etc. and framing) both artists have generously donated their profits to Pettistree church funds.

Margaret also staged an exhibition in the chancel (up near the altar) of what she called a Spirituality Section, these paintings were not for sale and with the accompanying notes were a thought-provoking group. I think if they had been available for purchase several would have attracted buyers, and I know that Margaret (by popular demand) has agreed to have prints made of at least one, my personal favourite 'The steps through the Wood'.



I think this Art exhibition was a first for our church here in Pettistree, we have had well attended Flower Festivals and Heritage weekends, so I hope that people took the opportunity to visit . We all know that neighbours do have hobbies but unless it involves making music, restoring machinery or exercising animals are unaware of what is involved. Hopefully now we have been informed about some of the artists within our community we can appreciate the time they spend perfecting their work.



“Hatch, Match and Despatch”

This is the well-known phrase used to mark the traditional functions of the local Parish Church, the work of the spiritual care of the community tends to be glossed over! Pettistree is a small village so it has been rare during the last 30 years or so for the three traditional services to be asked for within a three month period. This year is turning out to be a very unusual year, two baptisms, two weddings and two funerals between two consecutive editions of Pettistree People.

‘Hatching’ Mike and Sheila Manning’s grandchildren Mason and Lani were christened on August 8th in a service taken by Rev Margaret Blackall, which was another lovely family occasion to be held in the parish church.

‘Matching’ June 25th was the wedding of Rebecca Westrope (of Park Farm, Loudham) and Andrew Greenwell, probably the largest number of guests to any wedding that has ever been held in Pettistree Church, extended for the occasion by a marquee, with the service relayed on a big screen to those guests seated in the marquee. The second wedding was on August 6th when Gill Irvine married Neil Dinwiddie

who live in Wickham Market, but nowadays anyone who lives in one of the villages in a joint benefice may marry in either church. Both these weddings although of different size and styles were joyful family occasions which all present will remember for a long time.

Despatching the funeral of Susan Schurr was held on July 14th. Since she and Peter retired from London to make their home in Ufford they have become a very important part of the Pettistree congregation. Her death although not unexpected, has left a gap in our lives, but we do have many happy memories. Susan was always ready to help in any way she could and appreciated village life happily participating in many Pettistree events, and being an enthusiastic member of the Bell-ringers. July 18th was the funeral of Sarah Elizabeth Peck (the Halletts' 'Aunt Elizabeth') who had lived in Woodbridge for the last 14 years. She was latterly in a nursing home but until then had regularly attended Pettistree church, and always came to events in the village when possible. Although at a sad time these services give the opportunity for friends and family to come together to give thanks for fulfilled lives, and in sharing reminiscences at the 'funeral tea' can again become happy and long remembered occasions.

The Parish Church is not a 'members only' establishment, and we are there to extend a welcome for everyone at every stage in their life. We are very lucky this summer that retired clergy Rev. Margaret Blackall and Rev Rob Rose have made themselves available to conduct these important services during Rev John Eldridges 3 month sabbatical, John's first service after his break will be the Harvest Festival on October 2nd.

Maggie Hallett

A welcome return



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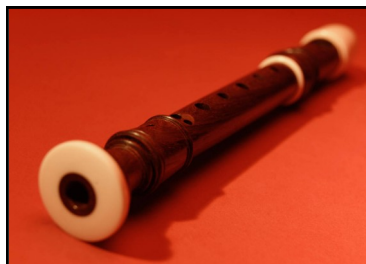


The popular Woodbridge choir is returning
to Pettistree Church to give a concert
on

Friday 30th September at 7.30 pm

Everyone is invited to this special evening of song

The concert is free of charge. Refreshments will be available
Donations may be given towards the Church decoration fund



PETTISTREE HERITAGE

This issue of Pettistree People will be our last chance to advertise our forthcoming annual talk to the whole of the community. The date for your diary is:

**Friday 11th November, 7.30pm,
Pettistree Village Hall**

and we hope you will join us for what promises to be an enjoyable and humorous evening.

Tickets can be ordered (you are advised to book early to avoid disappointment) by contacting Cath on 01728 747170, or email: roguescottage@mypostoffice.co.uk and cost £5.

Our talk this year has the intriguing title of

‘Frolic, Fervour & Fornication’

Pip writes: ‘The registers and papers that once lay in the parish chests of Suffolk villages contain all kinds of items that could so easily have been thrown away or never written at all. The surprises they reveal about the people of Suffolk in past centuries are remarkable.’

Pip Wright gives talks to groups of all kinds and all ages across East Anglia and is a writer of local history books. He has a passion for newspapers of the 18th and 19th centuries and has spent a number of years gathering information on Suffolk social history from these and other sources.

For more details on Pip Wright, his talks and his books, go to www.pipwright.com

GREYHOUND NEWS

We have just celebrated our first Year at The Greyhound and John and Saska very kindly opened up their home to us and many locals for a BBQ to mark the occasion. Many thanks to them and all that took the time to attend and bring along such yummy food.

Our 2 Petanque teams have had mixed fortunes with Karen's team fighting for the title and Tony's to stave off relegation!!! Considering past years performances, both teams have done remarkably well and we are very proud of them both. Please feel free to come along and join in as the more players the better.

Many of you have asked after our chef, Sam. He has now started a 6 week course of radiotherapy which commenced on 25th July. We are all looking forward to a positive outcome and wish him a speedy recovery.

We will be holding a special food night on Thursday 6th October. Details to be confirmed - check out the blackboards in and outside the pub in due course.

Although it is still early, preparations are under way for Christmas and New Year. Details will be published in the pub nearer the time and will feature in December's Pettistree People.

Kind regards to all Karen & Tony

PETTISTREE PETANQUE AKA BOULE

Ever thought about spending an enjoyable, relaxed summer's morning among locals and at the same time making new friends from other villages in the region, with a little friendly competition followed by light refreshment and glass or two of what you fancy?

Of course there is the actual game itself where you throw, lob, roll, or otherwise project a 6cm diameter steel ball at a 2.5cm wooden ball - called a cochonette, (little pig in English,) to see who can get it closest.

Well that just about sums up the game of Petanque, which locally has been played for the past three years under the banner of the Greyhound Inn, Pettistree, who now have two teams, GP1 & GP2 playing in a local league.



As we approach the end of another season we thought it might be interesting to reflect on the past few months and talk about the future.

GP1 are currently top of the Orwell Division and will go through to the league play offs leading up to the finals. Whoopeeee!! A far cry from last year when our one and only team just managed to avoid the 'wooden spoon'.

GP2 have not fared quite as well so far, being one place above the 'timber' slot but there are still chances to improve.

We shall be having some "Introduction to Petanque" open days after the season has finished in September - we'll put the dates up in the pub porch - so why not come along and 'have a go' then have a bevvy or two (as of course we play at the Greyhound Inn).

Come and join us, young & old, lads & lasses, meet the other members and see what you think.

Steve Wassell E: stephen.wassell@btinternet.com tel. 747640

FIT VILLAGES



You may have received a leaflet through your door from Suffolk Coastal District Council relating to the Fit Villages scheme which the three Suffolk District Councils are promoting under the umbrella Suffolk Sport.

The aim is to enable villages to set up fitness classes in their own halls or centres and funding is available to support projects for a trial period, with Suffolk Sport providing an instructor and paying the hire of the venue, with the participants paying a nominal fee of around £2 per session and providing the post exercise refreshments.

Some residents have already expressed an interest for having a weekly fitness class of some type and Pilates has been mentioned. If you would be interested in joining in such an activity, please contact me by the **end of September 2011**.

Ann Sayer – Telephone Number 01394 460639



County & District Councillors

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