



# Pettistree People

*A newsletter for all the residents of Pettistree and Loudham*  
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## Parish Chairman's Report

As I write this England has just started enjoying easing of Covid lockdown measures that will allow us to drink and eat inside pubs and restaurants. There are however still significant restrictions on our activities. Those of us who have had both doses of the Covid vaccines are feeling much safer but still need to be careful. I hope that by the time this is published in June we shall be allowed further easing of restrictions to near normality.

The Parish Council has been surprisingly busy in recent weeks. An extra meeting was held by Zoom on 11<sup>th</sup> March to discuss a proposal to change the parish boundary around the new Hopkins Homes development. We agreed that Pettistree Parish Council would support Wickham Market Parish Council in its proposal to submit a petition to East Suffolk Council for a Community Governance Review (CGR). This can lead to a change in the parish boundary. Our condition was that any change should be restricted to the area of the new development. This process is going ahead but may take a year which could still be in time for any new residents to feel that they know where they belong.

On 20<sup>th</sup> April the Annual Parish Meeting (APM) was held on Zoom with a rather small attendance despite parishioners having been given the access code for this internet meeting. The usual reports for village organisations were summarised and the full reports are available on the Pettistree village website. <http://pettistreesuffolk.org.uk> There was general agreement that footpaths needed more attention, that setting up SIDs would be welcomed to help reduce traffic speeds, and the village marquee should be replaced.

The APM was followed on Zoom by the Annual

General Meeting of the Parish Council. I was re-elected as Chair and Sue Jones as Vice-chair. James Hayward will be Tree Warden and Sue Tansley will continue as Footpaths Officer. James Clarke will have a general view on Highways Safety.

In the previous issue of this newsletter, I described the serious damage to the village marquee due to heavy snowfall while on loan to the Greyhound Inn. When we took it down it was beyond economic repair. Fortunately, we had followed the correct procedures and had not only included the tent in the Parish Council insurance but had obtained the agreement of the insurers that it could be used by the Greyhound as a community asset during the Covid restrictions. Our claim for the marquee was honoured and we have received payment that we can use for most of the cost of a replacement. We are now looking at whether we should re-order the same tent or look at what others may be available.

On 6<sup>th</sup> May the Village Hall was in use as the polling station for the Suffolk Police Commissioner and for our County Councillor. It was a cold and windy day, and we felt very sorry for the election officials who had to sit all day with the doors wide open to give good airflow as a Covid precaution. Tim Passmore was re-elected as Police Commissioner and Alexander Nicoll was re-elected as our County Councillor. **Cont page 2**

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Our most recent meeting of the Parish Council was on 19<sup>th</sup> May. This had to be held in person because the High Court had ruled that all council meetings must now be held where the public have full access, but still with social distancing. At the meeting we covered the usual agenda items and I also asked councillors to list what they felt was most important to explain to the Government Planning Inspectorate that would be likely to affect Pettistree and the local area, as well as general concerns, about the plans for the Sizewell C nuclear generation plant.

The “Open Floor” hearings by the Planning Inspectorate to receive the spoken opinions for organisations and individuals about the final plans proposed for Sizewell C started on 18<sup>th</sup> May. As Chairman of the Parish Council I had registered to speak, and my turn to do so came on the 20<sup>th</sup> May with a 15 minute slot on-line via “Teams” I explained that our main concerns were about

traffic congestion in Wickham Market from construction traffic causing rat-runs to develop through our lanes, causing damage and blockages. The full text of my comments will be available on the Parish Council part of our website.

A more pleasant part of the recent Parish Council meeting was to consider what events the village might like to plan for the rest of this year. Suggestions included something connected with Suffolk Day on 21<sup>st</sup> June, joining in with Apple Day on 21<sup>st</sup> October, barbecues at the Village Hall and perhaps another stew and dumplings meal under the guidance of Mary and Roger Chilvers. All this would of course be conditional on Covid restrictions having been lifted. Please let any councillor or Village Hall Committee member know of any comments or suggestions.

**Jeffrey Hallett,**

**Chairman, Pettistree and Loudham Parish Council**

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## Covid-19 Government Road Map

I came across this link to a useful poster that explains in basic terms what you can and can't do as from 17<sup>th</sup> May. I hope you find it useful.

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Best wishes, **Cath Caudwell**

I was not able to reproduce it here for the size of the lettering would have been too small. Sorry.

**Mike Watts**

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## Welcome to Pettistree

It was sad to say goodbye to Jeff and Maggie, although we hope to see them at various village affairs.

Now we welcome Alun and Zoe Davies and their children to The Laurels.

Zoe was born and bred in Woodbridge so knows the area. She was a GP with a special interest in paediatrics and Alun is an accountant who hails from Bristol originally. They are really keen to get to know everyone. Like some others in the village

they have a Labrador- plus two puppies. More importantly they have four children -Dom who is a professional sailor on racing super yachts, Pippa has an English degree and is now transferring to law at London University, Kia who is doing A-levels at Woodbridge and Sasha who is also at Woodbridge School.

We are really happy to have them here and hope they enjoy being “Pettistree People”

**Pat Deliss**



## A new face for the parish council

Hi all, I'm James Hayward and I'm excited to join the parish council this year. I live in Wickham Market and my family have farmed in the area for generations – many of you probably know me and will recognise the green Land Rover doing laps of Pettistree – someone has got to make sure the fields haven't run off!

Away from the farm, I hold a Master's degree in Aeronautical Engineering from the University of Southampton and work for a cyber security company – Darktrace – in London; so I split my time between two very different professions!

I love sports and try to get out to the Alps skiing most winters, as well as enjoying Cricket, Rugby, Tennis and Squash. I also represented Great Britain at Junior and Youth categories in dinghy sailing prior to going to university.

I'm looking forward to getting stuck in and doing what I can to help the people of Pettistree and make this lovely village an even better place to live.

With a bit of luck, I'll see you all in the Greyhound for a pint. very soon!



## New traffic safety officer

A business and legal consultant who has lived in the village for four years has joined the parish council as traffic safety officer.

James Clarke has lived in Suffolk most of his life, growing up in Ipswich before moving to Pettistree in 2018.

Since then the 41-year-old, who works from home, has become heavily involved in village life, taking part in community events including litter picks, VE Day celebrations, Christmas fairs and Burns Night.

He has become a familiar face at the Greyhound and you may have spotted him out jogging or enjoying one of many long walks in the countryside surrounding his home.

James, who lives by Gelham Hall, brings a number of skills to the council including excellent business acumen, impressive legal know-how and a can-do attitude.

His career started in insurance before he moved into shipping where he worked in development and sales. He now manages the business development of a number of legal firms.

Outside of work James enjoys spending time with friends and family, a work out at Ufford Park gym, meals in the many restaurants and pubs in this part of the country and DIY projects.

He is also a keen golfer, enjoys a game of football and is a dab hand with the barbeque.



## Smile everyone; it's the Countryside

I was recently amused by some of the phrases and wording of the newly published (1<sup>st</sup> April 2021) Countryside Code for England & Wales. But then I decided to look into it more thoroughly. The Countryside Code was first published in 1951 and most of us grew up knowing and believing in the strong ethics of this code; to protect the land we have around us.

Even those of us that grew up in suburbia, towns or cities had this instilled into us, or at least this used to be the case, I'm not sure it is as much now, judging by the littering and disregard we see on occasion. The new additions of smiling could be seen as somewhat trite but it is certainly something that I have experienced, since moving to more rural locations. Everyone always says hello and smiles or waves, even just a very British nod of the head. But if we did this in town we would be forever nodding, waving and saying hello, so I do understand the differences. It was a surprise to me, in my twenties when visiting friends who lived in more rural locations, that people would say hello, I would ask who they were afterwards and my friends would say "I don't know, they are just being friendly". People of the Countryside have always said hello, I don't think they needed to be told to do this, but maybe visitors do. This kind of friendly acknowledgement goes a long way to making people feel welcome in this environment and into our community.

Our recent litter pick on 27<sup>th</sup> March was a tremendous success. While those gathering rubbish on the Main Road found some unpleasant items and a lot of recently thrown rubbish Darren and I, doing Byng Lane and Grove Farm footpaths, did realise that the majority of the rubbish on our route was not actually recently thrown. The energy drinks, lager cans and sandwich wrappers were far outweighed by things like vintage Lilt cans, with old fashioned ring pulls, and deeply embedded glass bottles, with their own ecosystems. It made us realise that the majority had been there for decades or longer. We found ourselves giggling about sounding like a script from the TV show *The Detectorists* as we shouted with glee at a find in the undergrowth and declared its ancient status.

Sadly some of the rubbish was more recent, mostly plastic items that just do not decompose including takeaway coffee lids, the cup having decomposed but the lid remaining, lots of bits of plastic sheets and compost bags, some ploughed into fields which we pulled out like

a magician revealing a string of handkerchiefs, plastic bottles often carefully stuffed with crisp packets or other items. All were safely brought home, washed and recycled where possible. We were conscious of trying to remove even small items of plastic because the danger of microplastics in our waterways is very real; something Darren is dealing with every day in his job. On our way home with two massive bags we rummaged under spiky hedges and trampled down bramble to reach recently thrown muffin and croissant packets from the Coop and a cast away Gin and Tonic can, these last items along Thong Hall Road, seemed like a posh picnic! But why did the purchaser of these feel the need to chuck it all into our hedges? But that orange plastic baler twine is also everywhere, as are shotgun cartridges so we cannot blame it all on visitors to the Countryside, some of these are homegrown discarded items. We couldn't pick up some of the larger items like car parts, of which there are many- especially after the snow- bits of bumpers, tyres and hub caps. We found a short scaffolding pole and an electronic type writer. How we clear the Countryside of these larger items I do not know? The corner of the footpath off Byng Lane into the Grove Farm meadow has various pieces of dumped carpet and many compost bags, but we'd be trespassing to fetch them, but also how do we dispose of them? As I write this the typewriter is still there on the bridge at Byng Brook; does anyone have a skip they could throw it in?

Ever since the litter pick we have carried on, taking a "bag for life" and gloves out on our daily dog walk to fetch newly discarded items or items not spotted on the 27<sup>th</sup>. The adjacent parishes of Dallinghoo and Ufford are starting to benefit from our walks as the longer days and better weather allow us to walk further afield. I'm pleased to say new items have not been too frequently found, which is great to see, though as we all know the occasional litter bugs on the village green are a cause of upset.

It made me realise that we are all owners of the countryside. By this I mean we should all take responsibility to looking after it in whatever small way we can. If this means popping a small piece of rubbish in our pocket or swinging by in a car to collect something larger, that we know we can dispose of safely, then we should do it. We all, no matter our status or where we live, should feel a sense of responsibility to look after our



Countryside. It feeds us, it enables us to breathe, it helps our wellbeing, it heals us, it looks beautiful and we all need it. Don't just expect the current landowner to do it, or to even be aware of an issue, don't just expect the Parish Council to do it or even Suffolk County Council. If you have the ability to do just one small thing like grab that can out of a ditch and take it home to put in your recycling bin then please do it. I sometimes take my secateurs on my walk if there's a spiky bush that has encroached onto a footpath, I give it a quick prune to allow access to continue unimpeded. Who else is supposed to do this? If you walk the path daily and something impedes your access, as yourself can you do something about it? If you can then do it, if you cannot then report it to someone who can; this could be the landowner, the Parish Council, Suffolk County Council or even me and I will pass it on.

On one occasion on our litter pick we were on a public footpath, on private land, and were congratulated on our kindness to pick up on private land. As footpath officer/warden I have had to find out a lot more about what a footpath is, than I previously understood, and the history of these public rights of way. We, as the public, have a right of access to walk on our public highways. A footpath is a public highway. Therefore we need to ensure that we, as members of the public, look after it; not just the landowner. Many public highways predate current fences, even hedges, division of land between one owner and another and the designation of whether that highway became a footpath, a byway or a road; by definition all are public highways. As such we, as the public, should be mindful of them, look after them and use the Suffolk County Council website to report any issues with them when we find them; if that includes pot holes on a road, fly tipping or obstructions on a footpath, maintenance or anything you notice, it won't get changed unless you tell someone.

Obstructions on a footpath include broken or inappropriate/unsafe stiles, therefore an impediment on the access, or locked gates if there is no other access, and overgrown plants so please let the SCC know. I do try to report as many of them as I can or hear about but I do work full time, and beyond, so it is limited to my holidays to look into any matters that require more time.

You can report any issues at: <https://highwaysreporting.suffolk.gov.uk/> You can make your report even better by taking a photo, with a smartphone or camera, when you come across anything you think might not be quite right. If you want to also let myself and/or the Parish Council aware to then feel free, it will all help. What I am saying is be aware, look out for the environment and community around you and do not always expect someone else to do it. If you see it then act upon it or report it. I use the SCC highways reporting tool from my phone but it works well on a computer, tablet or anything you can use. Action might not be quick but nothing will happen if no one says anything; far better that SCC are aware than are not.

I realised, with further research, that some of the implications of the new Countryside Code will probably lead to further reporting of issues to the local councils. If you would like to read it then please take a look at: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-countryside-code> It is the first update in over a decade in the document's 70<sup>th</sup> year. It includes some obvious advice like not feeding livestock, taking litter home (including dog poo), dogs under control (especially near livestock) and closing of gates but also the suggestion to be nice and say hello, which I know we already do in friendly Pettistree.

**Sue Tansley**

## Another successful litter pick

The litter picking party on 27 March was happily quite large, about 14 people volunteered. We spent a couple of hours cleaning roads and footpaths across the parish. Usual stuff: energy drink and beer cans (Stella Artois in particular), wine bottles, take away food cartons and car parts???

Darren and Sue Tansley have pix of their exploits and have suggested keeping litterpickers in the village hall for independent forays. I'm hoping 'rubbish walks' just become popular!

**Sue Jones**



Mary and Chris Garner, Maureen Stollery, Jacki and Tony Franklin.



## The ringers are back!

When churches reopened in mid-December once again service ringing was allowed. We rang three or four bells for 15 minutes before services, observing the Covid rules in place. Ringing heralded the indoor Carol Service on the Sunday before Christmas and on Christmas Day. The rules changed again and we were only allowed to ring as a bubble or singly before services. There was no ringing until Easter when services were once more preceded by a single bell. Special permission was given to ring a single bell on the day that HRH Prince Philip passed away, and again on the day of his funeral. A bell was struck 99 times on both occasions, on the day of the funeral with the bell half muffled. Since Easter Day a single bell has been rung before services.

Despite the very cold weather maintenance was undertaken in the bell chamber during January and February. With thanks to Ralph Calver the board above the louvres which had fallen away was fixed back, the jackdaw nests removed and the major holes in the netting repaired.

When the bells were checked for ringing early in May it was decided that a small working party should finish tidying the bell chamber and ensure that all the netting covering the inside of the louvres is birdproof!

During all of this time many of the ringers continued to meet weekly using Zoom and Teams, with a short quiz to get the conversation going. Many thanks to Hilary for sorting these for more than six months. In December we held our AGM using Zoom.

### **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> May – the bellringers are back – a group of six on real tower bells!**

This was a really exciting day. First thing in the morning the bells were raised in anticipation of the evening. Six very excited, invited ringers met at 7pm and rang a quarter peal to celebrate the resumption of ringing

The last time six bells were rung at Pettistree was March 15<sup>th</sup> 2020. Some in the band had not touched a rope since and none had rung a method or for any length of time.



We made a nervous start but were thrilled to complete the 1296 changes of Cambridge Surprise Minor with hardly a mistake.

In the meantime others from the band met in the churchyard before we all retired to the pub garden for a drink on The Greyhound's opening night.



On Whit Sunday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, the five bells were rung for service.

Mary Garner, Tower Captain



## Church news

A good piece of news is that the church building is once again open during the day but we are asking people to visit alone or within your family/friend group. Also I am pleased to be able to say that from Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup> the Pettistree morning service is back to a 9.30am start. Sufficient technically minded volunteers are now trained in the complications of live You Tube, meaning that the Vicar does not have to race from Pettistree to Wickham Market to organise the system for the 11.00 am service. Since March 2020 a benefice service has been on YouTube at 11.00 am every Sunday and from August 2020 the service has been broadcast from All Saints Church. The plan is to continue this broadcast long term as churches are still asked to maintain sensible social distancing.

At present congregational singing in the church is still not possible but a small choir (no more than 6) is allowed. As yet there is no guidance for when we can all sing in the church building again. I suspect we will have to continue to maintain social distancing and mask wearing in the church building for several months.

The Covid regulations now allow for singing in the Open Air, and since the beginning of May the congregation have left the church to sing the final hymn in the churchyard, which has been most enjoyable. On Easter Sunday an afternoon service was held in the churchyard and many members of the two churches in the benefice were delighted to be able to sing the traditional seasonal hymns and see so many friends.

The Annual meeting of the Parochial Church Council was held in the church building maintaining social distancing easily. The Vicar expressed his and the PCC's thanks to Brian Nobbs (retiring churchwarden), Martin Corral (retiring treasurer) and Linda Merriam (retiring secretary, for all their hard work over many years. He welcomed Carolyn Westrope, Gerry Smith and Mary Garner who have taken on the vacant roles.

Sadly the Summer annual walk and tea in a garden is once again a victim of the pandemic, but hopefully we will be able to meet together soon as vaccination levels increase, and the threat to the NHS decreases.

Maggie Hallett

## Garden raider

During the past several months I have not been able to be very active in my garden. As a result wildlife has taken over!

Not least muntjac.

They have not been too destructive, except for their liking for marsh marigolds around my pond. Not this year their bright yellow flowers to

brighten the dull spring days. I have been able to witness the elegance of the muntjac and their ability to clear a fence from standing still! High jump specialists!

In addition I saw for first time a grass snake zig-zagging across my decking. Alerted to my presence it dived into the pond and disappeared out the other side. Moorhens roam flicking their white rumps and Mallards have a nest by the pond. All told, welcome distractions from lockdown.

Mike Watts





## Halletts move during March 2021

When we suggested a Sale completion date of March 29<sup>th</sup> for The Laurels to the estate agent way back in November, we had not appreciated how difficult an undertaking this was going to be. The fresh 'lockdown' in January meant that the Saleyard was closed, as were the charity shops and our children were unable to come and rescue any of their 'treasures'! I don't think we had appreciated just how much we had accumulated during our 38 years in Pettistree. We were extremely fortunate that good friends offered to help, and we were able to rent a pair of 20 foot containers at the Fenridge site on Bentwaters.

On March 15<sup>th</sup> the necessary building work was finished at our new home, Pooleys removals men arrived and during the next 8 days The Laurels was packed and emptied, the bungalow and containers filled, a rubbish skip and also metals recycling one filled, and for several evenings Jeff lit large bonfires on the field as well. All the buildings were cleared and swept and I don't think anyone has seen the big barn looking like this, ever!



We are now happily settled in Featherbroom Gardens and although the garage remains fairly crowded, (photograph) there is still room for Jeff to do a bit of tinkering there. The spare room was also a bit full for a few weeks, but we can now have overnight visitors as the bed is made up and although there isn't a curtain that is coming soon! (Photograph)

Thankfully the Saleyard and Charity shops are

working again and we aim to sort the rest of the 'treasures' and dispose of things that are no longer needed during the next few months.



The moral of this tale is that people should:-

1. Be ruthless when their children leave home and make sure they take everything with them.
2. Don't hang on to things 'in case they are needed'
3. Recycle regularly.

We are very grateful to all our friends who came to help, those who have rehomed some of our treasures, and all those who have sent cards to welcome us to our new home. Thankyou.

**Maggie Hallett**





## Loudham Lakes

As I write this, at the end of an unseasonably dry and cold spring, it's our cat's first birthday. What do you buy the kitten who has everything? Well, a packet of exotically flavoured chew sticks, some dental tablets, a toy mouse and a new scratching post, that's what. The day has been much the same as ever for Misty, a mixture of sleeping, eating and sitting on the windowsill fixing local wildlife with a beady eye.

The human inhabitants of the house all went off to work, school and college today, leaving me alone in the dining room with a long list of urgent articles to write. Heartened by the mild temperature, I put on a wash and took a break from writing to water the garden. I never like to miss an opportunity, so laying down the watering can, I took a couple of pictures of the suddenly darkening sky, thinking to myself, "They'll be good for the Pettistree People piece."



The minute I went back inside and closed the door the sky went black, there was a clap of thunder and a violent hailstorm commenced. Within minutes, much of the front garden and all of the drive was under water and the internet went down. I love living in the middle of nowhere, but it does have its drawbacks.

Hailstones hurtled from the skies and bounced merrily up and down on my hanging baskets and

window boxes. Tiny spheres of ice came roaring down the chimney and ricocheted on to the hearth rug, much to the cat's delight. With the exception of being presented with a new raffia mouse, this was the most exciting thing that had happened to her in quite a long time.

I had a Zoom meeting at 1.30 and by 1.20, no amount of turning the router off and then on again was working. Thank goodness for our supportive local community. Since it opened, I've got to know Ros, Bob and the team at the Station House, Campsea Ashe, quite well, going to my Pilates class in one of the meeting rooms, having the odd coffee and piece of cake from the lovely café and chewing the fat with them on my many college runs to the station



As the hail hammered violently on to the ground and the thunder rumbled around Loudham, I packed up my laptop, donned my coat and waded out to my car across the waterlogged garden and drive. It was at this moment that I discovered there was a hole in my boot.

It doesn't take much rain to produce the stunning natural wonders known around these parts as the Loudham Lakes. Sure enough, as I indicated right at the end of our lane, the vast coffee-coloured sheets of water were in place. Splashing through them, I made for Campsea Ashe, driving down the hill in tandem with merrily bubbling runnels of rainwater.

Squelching my way into the café, the following



conversation ensued:

Me (muffled as wearing mask):

“Bob! Hi! Listen, my internet’s gone down, and I’ve got a Zoom meeting in one minute. Can I use the café please?”

Bob: “Sorry? I can’t hear you properly

Me (louder): Got a Zoom meeting. Like, in a minute. Could I possibly have it down here?”

Bob: “You’ll echo all over the ground floor. Tell you what, come upstairs and I’ll set you up in a meeting room.”

Steaming slightly, I galloped up the stairs to the delightful surroundings of the Station House’s meeting room, had my coat hung up for me and managed to connect just a few minutes late. I love the Station House and everyone in it. They saved my bacon today.

Meeting done and noted up, I drove back up the hill again towards the Loudham Lakes, now deep and even murkier. Charles and Camilla, the ducks from our next-door neighbours’ pond were having a lovely time floating about on the surface. The sky was still dark but at least the hail had stopped. By the time I set off for the school run, the sky was innocently cerulean and dotted with huge, fluffy clouds.

I took some more pictures. Today has been all about Pettistree People.. !



By the time I had to pick up the eldest from the station, see my parents and pick up the youngest from dance, the sky was black again and the Lakes were filling up. It’s been quite a day. As I write, the sky is blue, the garden filled with birdsong and the cat fast asleep on the chair, worn out with chasing hailstones. Only two more weeks and we’ll be into our second lockdown summer. Whether it’s wet or dry, sunny or rainy, I’m thankful to be living in such a beautiful spot, where help is never far away.

Unfortunately I lost my pictures so I “borrowed” these from Pixaby.

**Ruth Leigh**

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## Village Hall post lockdown update

The village hall has been mothballed the majority of the time since March 2020. We did open briefly at the end of the first lockdown 21 September 2020 but after a few weeks, lockdown two kicked in. Cath and Dave Caudwell ensured the hall was Covid compliant and created specific Risk Assessments and Terms and Conditions for hirers. Sanitising stations both indoors and outdoors were fitted and the fabric chairs taken out of use. The best-laid schemes o’ mice and men as Robert Burns penned, proved to be aptly relevant and the hall went into ‘hibernation’.

Having no income for 15 months and outgoings, albeit less than when we were at full speed, meant we were having to dip into our savings. As with many charitable organisations we were able apply for a grant to tide us over (again Cath and Dave identified the process and completed the forms). We received an initial £10,000 which allowed us to cover all of our outgoings and have a surplus.

17 May 2021 saw the easing of restrictions and we were able to open the hall to our regular customers. The Risk Assessments and all Covid precautions are to remain in place until society has fully opened up.



# Find the birdies Word Search

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| Robin        | Law        | Weed              |
| Rook         | Ling       | Will              |
| Snipe        | Lull       | Wince             |
| Starling x 2 | Nazi       | Wolf              |
| Swallow      | Ouse       | Wok               |
| Swan         | Opal       | Writ              |
| Swift        | Pope       |                   |
| Teal         | Pot        | <b>Pat Deliss</b> |

The diverse organisations using the hall have been delighted to return and although the numbers, due to social distancing, are not as high, we are gradually returning to the new .

Currently, we have the following activities:

Monday Evenings – Pilates (two sessions) Contact Sam Whitfield - [sn.w@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sn.w@hotmail.co.uk)

Tuesday Daytime – Willow Weaving Contact Coastal Leisure- alternate weeks [coastalleisurelearning@gmail.com](mailto:coastalleisurelearning@gmail.com)

Wednesday Evenings – Rock Group practise!

Thursday Daytime – Patchwork and Quilters – alternate weeks [coastalleisurelearning@gmail.com](mailto:coastalleisurelearning@gmail.com)

We are awaiting confirmation from the Art and Architect group and to date we have no party bookings.

The Committee has not been hibernating and you will notice the hedges surrounding the hall and car-park have been trimmed. Our thanks go to Louis Deliss for arranging this, not just for the hall but the whole village. We are also looking to improve the car-park, particularly the entrance, in the coming months.

We are hoping the remaining restrictions will be lifted on 21 June and we will be having a village get-together. Depending on the weather this will either be a BBQ, bring a dish or coffee and cake gathering.

We are all looking forward to seeing you all.

**Jim Jarvie**  
**Village Hall Chairman**



### DIARY DATES

Covid has continued to wreck forward planning of events



### Rat

Oh I can't believe my luck!  
It is a special day  
For I have found a place  
Where I can eat and play

It's nice and warm and cosy  
The food just drops right in  
I think I've heard it said  
That it is a compost bin

I've made a little tunnel  
Where I can come and go  
So if I'm very careful  
No one needs to know..

Olivia M J Smith

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Mike Watts and Pat Deliss