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A NOTE FROM OUR EDITOR



As I write this we are approaching Spring Bank Holiday which should bring some high temperatures. I wonder if there will be some practice runs down at the beach, in preparation for Southwold's new Sandcastle competition which takes place in July? Such a fun idea and I feel there will be some fierce competition and the 'best ball roll' may require some engineering skills! Why not get the family together and get involved? I look forward to posting some photos of your creations!


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Quote of the month

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Visitors can explore an inspiring mix of disciplines: watercolour, printmaking, sculpture, textile art, collage - alongside many more imaginative forms. And this isn't just a chance to browse: every piece on display is original art for sale, with work available for all tastes and budgets. Whether you're looking to add something meaningful to your home, buy a gift or simply fall in love with a piece that speaks to you, this is the place to find it.

Even better, the artists themselves will be there throughout the day, ready to chat, share their process, and bring their work to life. It's a rare opportunity to meet the makers behind the art and connect with the creative community that thrives here in East Anglia.

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SOUTHWOLD & REYDON SOCIETY

Sandcastle Competition: The planning for the Sandcastle Competition is progressing well. There will be 5 categories for the sandcastles.

- Best Southwold themed sandcastle
- Best animal sandcastle
- Best decorated sandcastle
- Best ball roll (for a tennis ball)
- The overall winner.

There is now a page on the S&RS website about the competition at: <https://sandsoc.org.uk/sandcastles.html>



Footpaths: There are two good pieces of news regarding the local footpaths. Firstly, Suffolk County Council are replacing the boardwalk between Benacre and Potters Bridge this year and secondly, one of the bridges across Reydon Smear between Cove Bottom and Frostenden Corner has already been replaced. This will make walking along these paths much easier and safer.

Our AGM: We had our AGM last month at the Southwold Arts Centre. Jeremy Taylor, Henry Walker and Paul Conroy of Southwold Sailing Club were our guest speakers and gave us a very entertaining and informative talk about the harbour and sailing club - both key aspects of Southwold life and history.

We learned something of the past as well as current challenges from an 1890's Regatta to the present day, with plenty of interesting photos to accompany the presentations. It was an evening not to be missed and many people stayed on to enjoy conversations over wine and nibbles.

Suffolk Council Reorganisation: In December 2024 the government said that it wanted to scrap two-tier council systems and replace them with unitary authorities that provided all services in their area. In March this year Steve Reed, the Secretary of State for Local Government, announced in a written statement that they had considered all proposals put forward on a 'case by case' basis and Suffolk would be getting three unitary authorities. Suffolk County Council had put forward a business case for one unitary authority.

Station Road complex: We were delighted to hear that the Station Road Express is now open in the Station Road complex. It offers a very wide range of products with a helpful and friendly staff. We recommend that you pop in and say hello.



Southwold Town Hall: Options are being considered to renovate the Town Hall to improve accessibility to the building and access to historic items that would be of interest to the community and to create a more hireable community space with better facilities.

Ian Lomas

SOLE BAY MEN'S SHED

The Southwold Men's Shed (Sole Bay Mens Shed) continues to grow, we now have 41 members. We have extended our open sessions to 3 per week. **Wednesday 18:30 - 21:30, Thursday 14:00 - 17:00 and Saturday 09:00 - 13:00.**

During the last month, we have made more animal and bird boxes for the Zoological Society of East Anglia, as well as making Swift boxes and Bat boxes for various customers.

We have undertaken to remake 'Ginger' Newson's memorial bench, as it has suffered from the elements over time and become unsafe to use.

We have received donations to cover the cost of materials and the members of the Shed will donate their time for the carpentry work. Many thanks to those who donated.

Completing the rowing boat/boat tender has continued and is now at the painting stage, ready for sale. It's a 2.35m rowing dinghy, if anyone is interested - Enquiries 07873 376168

John Huggins

Membership Secretary
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HALESWORTH ALE DAY

Halesworth Ale Day will take place on **Saturday 13 June 2026**, from 12noon - 6pm, bringing a full programme of events celebrating brewing, history and hospitality across the town.

Following last year's inaugural Halesworth Ale Day, the event returns promising to put the 'ale' back into Halesworth! The day will include a launch of a new Halesworth ale specially brewed by the local Tindall Brewery, along with other collaborations including handmade Ale Day Mugs from a local potter and Ale Bread made using the spent grains from the brewing process. The event will also offer brewery talks, beer-making demonstrations, ale trail, guided heritage walks, a 'Malt Experience' exhibition at The Cut Arts Centre and a brewing exhibition at Halesworth Museum.

New this year will be a 'Dwile Flonking' contest in the park - not seen in the town since 1970! Organising the event is Kelly Parker, Marketing and Events Officer at Halesworth Town Council. She says: "Halesworth has a great tradition of malting and a vibrant hospitality scene. The Halesworth Ale Day is a great opportunity to showcase the very best of our town. Visitors can take part in the festivities, while also visiting award-winning delis and cafés, and browse the town's independent shops."

"The event also shines a light on our local ales at venues including The Tap Room, The White Hart, The Angel and The Swan."

The event offers free family entertainment, which includes live theatre, giant bubble displays, stilt walkers, craft activities, face painting, drumming workshops and garden games. Visitors can also enjoy live music performances from brass, blues, folk and roots bands. Halesworth's Market Square will be turned into a drinks market, offering produce from local breweries, vineyards, cider makers and distilleries alongside food vendors.

Visitors can also enjoy scenic walks to explore the Blyth Road Navigation to learn how traditional wherry boats once transported malt along the river Blyth for beer production.

Halesworth Ale Day 2026 is funded and supported by the SZC Tourism Event Grant through East Suffolk Council and Halesworth Town Council.

'Dwile Flonking' Photo: Alan Hall



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- Halesworth Ale
- Drinks Market
- History Walks
- Beer Festival
- Street Food
- Beer Talks
- Ale Tastings
- Free Face
- Painting
- Live Music
- Ice Cream
- Games
- Ale Trail

HALESWORTH ALE DAY 2026

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Slaughter in Southwold

12th June @ 7pm: A Murder Mystery Dinner.

13th June:

10am: Millicent Binks

11am: Andrew Hunter Murray

2pm: Harriet Tyce



3.30pm: Elly Griffiths; 5pm: Julia Wassmer



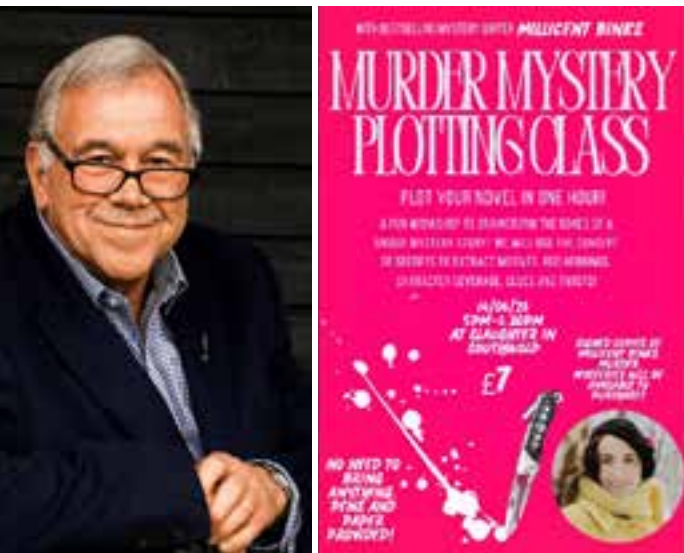
14th June: 10am: Salman Shaheen; 11.30am: Nicci French

2pm: Anna Mazolla and Abir Mukherjee



3.30pm: Simon Brett

5pm Writing Workshop



Saturday 20th June @ 7.30pm: 'It Comes In Waves - A new comedy drama by James Mcdermott.

Shakespeare in Southwold:

Sunday 21st June @ 11am - 'Why did Shakespeare write that?'

Sunday 21st June @ 2.30pm - RSC Twelfth Night

Tuesday 23rd June @ 2.30pm - RSC Romeo & Juliet

Tuesday 23rd June @ 6pm - 'How the past comes to life' with Professor Raphael Lyne



Thursday 25th June @ 2.30pm: RSC Henry IV Part 2

Thursday 25th June @ 6.30pm: Performing Shakespeare with Joseph Ballard

Friday 26th June @ 2.30pm: RSC All's Well that ends Well

Wednesday 24th June @ 3pm: Southwold Community Cinema: Hamnet

Saturday 27th June @ 7.30pm: Miss America - A Taylor Swift Tribute





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SOUTHWOLD FITNESS CENTRE

The Old Hospital team is delighted to announce that it has achieved over half the amount of money needed to pay the capital costs of our grand new project – a doorstep community fitness centre designed with the input and needs of our area's residents and employees in mind.

The fact that we have won two highly competitive grants gives us confidence that we will be able to deliver this new facility, which has generated so much enthusiasm and excitement in our local community. We have tasked a young East Suffolk company that is a strong supporter of the Old Hospital to design our branding and website.

In the meantime, in the background, the Old Hospital team is burning the midnight oil to meet grant application deadlines. For anyone who has not undertaken this arduous task, it can feel soul-destroying when you receive a 'Sorry, but no.' But when the answer is 'Yes', you are over the moon. At the moment we are working on an application to the East Suffolk CIL Community Fund, which Councillor David Beavan is supporting.

We also have the support of our GP surgery. In our early consultation with stakeholders, we wanted to make sure that we would be adding value to what is already on offer in our area. Our GP surgery assured us that our offer would be complementary and that they were very supportive of what we are planning for the Old Hospital.

The GPs' Social Prescribing Link Worker has written in support of our application to East Suffolk. She noted that, for her patients at the Bungay GP Practice, she is able to prescribe sessions at the Bungay Leisure Centre pool and gym. But there is nothing comparable in our area for Sole Bay patients.

As you can well imagine, we have had to do in-depth research to support our grant applications, and what we've discovered has been myth-busting. For example, I have always thought of fitness centres as being for younger people, especially muscular guys, but according to Nuffield Health Care, which runs fitness centres around the country, their keenest users, with the longest retention rates, are people aged 70–72!

On a journey like this, one is bound to have low days. What keeps us going is knowing that the community is behind us and that we are going to be supplying something that is valued and needed.

The other day, we were asked if we would have exercise regimes for menopausal women. This follows on from requests for classes for Parkinson's patients and women who have recently given birth. When the time comes, we will be recruiting a full-time manager/instructor whose enthusiasm for helping our community matches your needs.

Over the coming weeks and months, we will be sharing more details and answering all your questions: When will the gym open? What equipment will it have? How can I sign up? For updates, keep an eye on our social media channels and email newsletter. When our new website launches, it will become the central hub for everything related to the fitness centre. And remember – there is nothing more powerful than our community when it swings into action. That's how we persuaded the NHS to sell us the closed hospital. So - share the news about the gym with family, friends and colleagues to show the support that will strengthen our grant applications and prospects.

Jessica Jeans

Chair, The Old Hospital Southwold

FRAMLINGHAM & SAXMUNDHAM CATS PROTECTION

The first week in June is designated 'Volunteers' Week'. A week to recognise and thank everyone who gives their time to help out in their communities, with charities and other good causes. At Framlingham & Saxmundham Cats Protection, we take the opportunity to thank all who give their time to help and support the branch and the cats in our care. We appreciate every one of them. Without them, we couldn't continue with the vital work we do. Our volunteers include fosterers, fundraisers, transporters of goods, knitters of catnip mice and blankets, cat duvet makers, cat food collectors, those who handle enquiries, and very many more besides. We salute them all! If you would like to join our friendly and lively team, please let us know.

We are in particular need of a fundraising event organiser. We look forward to hearing from you!

Date for your diary: Fundraising stall at the Woodbridge Regatta, Ferry Quay IP12 1BW on **Sunday 19th June**

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VIEW TO THE NORTH

I often comment on Chaucer's reference in his prologue to the Canterbury tales about April's 'shoures soote' (sweet showers). However, they were very few and far between; I don't remember having to water the garden pots so frequently. It has been extremely dry. The spells of sunshine and clear sky at night have enabled me to capture deep sky objects. One of the more fascinating is the so-called Splinter Galaxy) 47 million light years away. In the past weeks a supernova, exploding star has appeared. The explosion only lasted seconds and its effects will only be visible for a few weeks. I have tried to highlight it in the photograph.



The migrating birds have started to arrive, sand martins followed by swallows and at the end of April the first swifts could be seen. I always enjoy seeing the wheatears appear on their way to the north of the country. This year there have been very few, but I did see one in Easton Bavents. It has been lovely to hear whitethroat and blackcaps singing along North Road. On one of my morning walks I was surprised to see a holiday outing. An adult pair of greylag geese were taking their goslings for an early swim on the sea.



The warmer weather has brought out butterflies, and I have seen peacock, orange tip and red admiral. We also have seen an influx of painted ladies. They come through Europe from North Africa and some years are far more prolific than others.



The bees have also been busy and the red mason bees are filling the holes in their 'hotel' in the garden. Early bumblebees like the blue ceanothus flowers.

I have also had several flights with the drone; one tricky one was to take aerial shots of the pillbox on Mights Bridge. Funding is being sought to restore it and make it part of a history trail. The difficulty in getting good images was a result of the overhanging branches which made direct line of sight shots from above rather difficult. There is no such problem when I fly above Town Farm marsh. The only problem I experience there is from the gulls but they soon lose any interest above 60 metres. The maximum height allowed by the CAA is 120 m. This altitude gives clear views up the Blyth estuary. In this shot, the allotments and Buss Creek can be seen.



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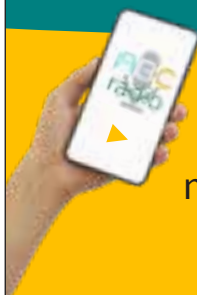
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HALESWORTH TO SOUTHWOLD NARROW GAUGE RAILWAY CHARITY

The railway charity is now well into its main season in its new role as a passenger-carrying heritage attraction. The next Open Day at Blythburgh Station is on **Sunday July 26th**, on which day our visitors will have the chance to ride along a short section of the original railway – 2026 is the first year that this has been possible since 1929. Site entry, light refreshments, and entertainment are all free, while there is a small charge for riding in the passenger train.

Volunteer work away from the main station has concentrated on The Folly at the beautiful Halesworth Millennium Green. Here, at the 1914 loco shed site, the demonstration contractor's wagon – No 1 – was cleaned of the coat of lichen and algae it had gathered over the winter, and the footpath edges also tidied. The section of main line that HSNR re-instated in 2019 has been cleared of brambles, and the two original bridges checked and de-ivied (ivy damages the Victorian brickwork). There will be guided walks to visit the restored track on Halesworth Ale Day, on **Saturday 13th June**.

Now that we are giving rides at Blythburgh (although very short ones!) we are looking to extend the railway westwards: we will need planning permission for that, and various ecological reports and an ecological improvement plan. We have also started building a second carriage, as the queues for our one small passenger coach on Easter Monday, were quite long! Our rolling stock engineer Jamie has re-made a Royal Navy wagon underframe from 2'6" gauge to 3' gauge (not at all an easy job), and this will become the underframe of the coach. This one will be enclosed and glazed, where our current one is open - so our passengers have the choice in inclement weather.

It will be designed to look like the original SR coaches, although of course much shorter. We don't currently have the £200,000 or so that a complete 35' replica SR coach would cost – nor anywhere to put it – but who knows what may happen in the future?

We now have expressions of interest and estimates from two well-respected locomotive building firms, to produce a replica of Sharp, Stewart 1879 'Halesworth', one of the steam locomotives that ran on the line during almost its entire 50-year life. (If you go to the Southwold Railway Trust's Steamworks in Blyth Road, you will be able to see their replica 'Blyth', which is almost identical to our planned loco). We expect to be having more parts made – probably the wheels first, to join the nameplate, number plate, works plate, and chimney that we already have. This will be a long project – but we have always hoped that a steam locomotive might be able to run again where its namesake ran until 1929.

James Hewett, Trustee



SOUTHWOLD RAILWAY UPDATE

If everything has gone to plan, by the time you read this article we will have had our first public outing of Blyth in full steam! Yes, this is our newish replica of the original Blyth loco which would have plied up and down between Halesworth and Southwold 100 years ago. This we expect to be a regular event at our site in Blyth Road, so keep an eye on our website for the dates of our open days.

In the build up to this momentous occasion 6 of our most experienced volunteers went through a vigorous training programme to become Drivers and Firemen (this term is still permitted within the industry).

Also trained were Guards, Station Masters and a Crossing Attendant, to ensure we meet all the requirements of running a heritage railway.

Our ponds are looking good, filled from our own newly installed borehole. The gulls and ducks are enjoying their new location.

Starting from a blank piece of land has involved a great deal of time by our few volunteers. It is also a very expensive project to recreate a railway from yesteryear, trying to keep the heritage alive. We would love to have a passenger carriage of a style that many locals would have travelled in, cost for this £100,000. As we acquire more rolling stock we need somewhere undercover to store them. A second engine shed would cost around £50,000. Also, replacing the existing volunteer welfare facility is overdue - cost £15,000.

Our only regular income is from our 15 Open Fays so we need donations, grants, legacies etc.

If you can help. In anyway, you can donate through our website or send an email to: treasurer@southwoldrailway.co.uk

Volunteers are also welcome on any Wednesday at Steamworks.

Our next Open Day is Sunday 7th June at Southwold.

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MICHAEL 12A

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Wed 17th June at 2.00pm
Thurs 18th June at 3.00pm

MY MOTHER'S WEDDING 15

Fri 19th - Thurs 25th June

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Unique Chance to Explore Whartons Garden Roses in Aid of Hospice

Whartons Garden Roses is taking part in St Elizabeth Hospice's Great Garden Trail 2026 offering a unique opportunity to discover the stunning range of roses grown by the UK's largest rose grower.

Taking place on 4th and 5th of July at Whartons Garden Roses in Rushall, near Diss, the open weekend offers the chance to explore 1.5 million roses in bloom across a 70-acre field at the wholesale nursery, which is not usually open to the public, with more than 300 varieties of roses on display to be enjoyed.

The event forms part of St Elizabeth Hospice's Great Garden Trail 2026, a much-loved annual initiative which sees more than 50 gardens across the region open their gates for the public to visit and enjoy throughout the summer in aid of the hospice's services.

Running from February to September, the Great Garden Trail features a wide variety of gardens, from those supported by whole villages to beautiful hidden gems, all welcoming visitors in return for a donation to the independent Suffolk charity which supports patients and families living with life-limiting and progressive illness.

Kelly Nekrews, community fundraiser at St Elizabeth Hospice, said: "We are so pleased to welcome Whartons Garden Roses to The Great Garden Trail for the first time, offering a special opportunity to see their beautiful collection of roses.

"It will be a real treat for Great Garden Trail enthusiasts to enjoy, while also raising vital funds to support our services across the local community at a time in people's lives when support matters most."

A third-generation family-owned nursery, Whartons Garden Roses has been cultivating roses in the Waveney Valley since 1947.

Visitors to the event, which runs from 10am to 5pm each day (final admission at 3pm), will also be able to purchase items from St Elizabeth Hospice retail and Thompson & Morgan trade stands.



Tickets are only available online on a first come first served basis. Parking is £2 per vehicle and can be purchased when booking tickets online.

Entry is not included in Season Pass; however Season Pass holders receive 10% discount for this event.

Purchase tickets to Whartons Garden Roses Open Weekend here - www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk/get-involved/events/all-events-challenges/the-great-garden-trail-whartons-garden-roses-open-weekend/

A full list of the gardens taking part in the trail can be found by visiting www.stelizabethhospice.org.uk/get-involved/events/great-garden-trail/, as can details regarding entry and tickets.

The Season Pass, which allows you to visit all the open gardens for just £30 this summer, can be purchased here - <https://register.enthuse.com/ps/event/GREATGARDENTRAIL2026>

Find out more about Whartons Garden Roses by visiting <https://whartons.co.uk/>

THE BRAIN TUMOUR CHARITY

The local monthly lottery for The Brain Tumour Charity took place on Sunday 3rd May with Fred & Kate Assmann being present to adjudicate. There were 230 entries, making a total prize fund of £115. 1st prize of £57.50 with ticket number 2 went to Sheila Brough, 2nd prize of £34.00 with ticket number 176 went to Richard Edwards and 3rd prize of £23 with ticket number 128 went to Penny Debenham.

Congratulations to each of them.

If you would like a monthly flutter, whilst supporting The Brain Tumour Charity, please email John Huggins: thebtclottery@btinternet.com or tel: 07873 376168.

The lottery is regulated and licensed by East Suffolk Council LOT02110.

The next draw will take place on Wednesday 1st July 2026.

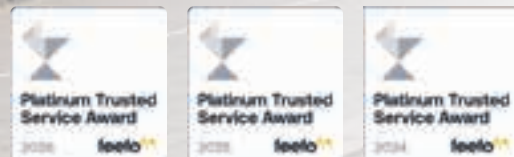
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Back for a fourth year! Join us on Saturday 12th September for Pier 2 Pier Suffolk, as we take on the challenge of walking 16 miles from Lowestoft Pier to Southwold Pier.

The route will take you along the coast to start and then heads inland along fields and country lanes. You will walk along multi-terrain (sand, footpaths, fields, roads) making this challenge physically demanding. Lace up your walking boots and start training, this walk is not easy! The sense of achievement will be amazing once you have completed the 16 miles!

Please be aware that all participants must be 16+ on the day of the event to take part in this challenge. Any participant aged 16 or 17 must be accompanied by an adult participating in the event.

The aim is to complete the walk within 8 hours.

Tickets: Standard ticket – £35; Ticket with travel – £45

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By taking part, you'll be helping to make a powerful difference to the children and young people supported by EACH. Your registration fee helps make Pier 2 Pier Suffolk possible, but it's your fundraising that ensures the vital care local families rely on can be delivered.

We ask each participant to aim to raise £150 — a target that can have a life-changing impact for a family in East Anglia. Thank you for your support — we can't wait to see you there!

HALESWORTH HARMONY

Halesworth Harmony invite you to join them for an evening of song and poetry celebrating summer and the natural world.

Some of the songs are arrangements of songs from the award-winning Spell Songs - "a musical evolution of both 'The Lost Words' & 'The Lost Spells' books by acclaimed author Robert Macfarlane and renowned author and artist Jackie Morris" – from the Choral Songbook Concert Programme.

Others are new to us, evoking feelings of summer, and some are from our repertoire.

Tickets £10 from The Cut Box Office (boxoffice@thecut.org.uk / 0300 303 3211)

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Saturday 13th & Sunday 14th June at Southwold Arts Centre, St Edmunds Hall: Friends of Southwold Library present Slaughter in Southwold: Southwold Library Crime Writers Festival. Authors Talks by: Millicent Binks, Simon Brett, Nicci French, Elly Griffiths, Anna Mazzola, Abir Mukherjee, Andrew Hunter Murray, Salman Shaheen, Harriet Tyce & Julie Wassmer. Tickets £7 per talk, £30 Saturday, £25 Sunday or £55 for the weekend.

Lunches with the authors

Plus: Kate Ellis' 'Murder at the Crippengate Hotel' Murder Mystery Night Friday 12th June @ 7pm

Fun Crime Quiz Night Saturday 13th @ 7pm

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Raffle for a Luxury Crime Related Hamper

Book at the library on the website www.ticketsource.co.uk/slaughterinsouthwold

Friends of Southwold Library: eBay Volunteer Wanted!

The role involves listing and monitoring a variety of items for sale on eBay and arranging pick up when they sell. All the funds raised go towards supporting Southwold Library. Our current volunteer will be able to give you some initial guidance to get you started. To talk through the role with Charlotte contact 01502 442817 charlotte.clark@suffolk.gov.uk

Wednesday 3rd June: Drop in 3.30 - 4.30pm: Come and Read to Amber! Meet Amber the Canine Concern Therapy Dog. Amber loves being read to by young readers. First Wednesday of the month. All children welcome!

Southwold Community Cinema

Wednesday 24th June @ 3pm: Hamnet (2025) 12A. William Shakespeare and his wife, Agnes, celebrate the birth of their son, Hamnet. However, when tragedy strikes and Hamnet dies at a young age, it inspires Shakespeare to write his timeless masterpiece 'Hamlet'. Tickets - £5 including refreshments. Book a ticket at southwoldartscentre.co.uk or visit the box office tel: 01502 722572 Southwold Arts Centre, Cumberland Road, Southwold IP18 6JP.

Thursday 4th & 18th June @ 2.15pm: Rummikub Klub. Usually the first & third Thursday from 2.15pm. Refreshments available.

Friday 5th June 2.15 - 3.30pm: Blyth Poets 'The isle is full of voices' - a poetry group meeting. All welcome to read or just listen. We invite contributions of original work or well-loved poems. Refreshment break in The Canteen. Free event, no booking required. First Friday of every month.

Friday 5th & 26th June @ 4.30pm: Chess Club. Free play every week for kids 7+ & adults. Beginners' teaching & assistance. Interested in other board/strategy games? Let us know & we can expand the group.

Thursday 11th & 25th June @ 2.15pm: Scrabble Club. All Equipment Supplied. Refreshment break in The Canteen. Free event, no booking required.

Friday 12th & 26th June, 2.15 - 4.15pm: Mah-jong Group. Can you play mah-jong? Do you want to learn? Second and fourth Friday of the month. £1 per person. Second & fourth Thursdays monthly.

Thursday 25th June @ 6.30pm: Southwold Library Reading Group. This month we are reading: 'The Killer Question' by Janice Hallett. Pick up a book at the library. Free event, no booking required.

Tuesday - Friday: 10am - 1pm & 2pm - 6pm; Saturday: 9.30am - 1pm & 2pm - 5pm; Sunday: 11am - 4pm: Weigh your baby. No booking required

Wednesdays, 10am - 12noon: Need help with tech? A drop-in advice session where we can help you with things like; Setting up email and social media accounts; Online shopping (Amazon, eBay and more); Basic support with smartphones, tablets and computers; Travel plans using Google Maps and similar tools; Staying safe online and avoiding scams.

Wednesdays 2.15 - 4pm: Crochet & Craft Club. A friendly group for all crafters as well as those who crochet (to any ability). Barbara will be on hand to teach crochet beginners, add to your crochet skills or troubleshoot problems, should you want to. Or just bring along your latest craft project and work on them together. Bring your own equipment or Barbara can supply crochet equipment at a price. Hot drinks supplied. £2 each.

Sundays 12.15 - 1pm: Lego Club. Open to kids (and adults) of all ages. This spring we're building: 'Wonderful Wildlife'. All donations of Lego welcome. Free event, no booking required. Adults: Would you like to help with Lego Club? Just ask staff

Sundays & Tuesdays, 10.30 - 11am: Baby Bounce & Tot Rock. Instruments, clapping, jogging & action rhymes. For babies & toddlers of all ages. Free event, no booking required.

Friends of Southwold Library 100 Club: Would you like to turn your £1 in £25 and support your library? For just £1 a month you could win £25 at our monthly draw. Southwold Library 100 Club is a fundraising club & money raised will be used to support the facilities and services supplied by the library. More members = more prizes!

Southwold Library Jigsaw Swap Shop: Come and help yourself to a jigsaw at Southwold Library completely free! You can take one and return it, take one and return a different one or just take one (we have plenty).

Charlotte Clark

Executive Library Manager
Southwold Library
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PROJECT UPDATE

JUNE 2026

The works on Sizewell C are progressing very well and on track. We have launched a new hybrid website comprising the Sizewell C Works Tracker and causeway one that can be accessed from the Works Tracker.



This new feature will give the community further information on traffic management and road works across the East Suffolk network which help people plan journeys and further improve accessibility. The site will include an automated table of works related to Sizewell C which is updated in real time: szcworkstracker.co.uk/causeway-one-network



Information on the business support service and tourism fund which are managed by East Suffolk Council can be found at: eastsuffolkmeansbusiness.co.uk/business-support/resources/sizewell-c-tourism-events-grant

Construction works around the Friday Street roundabout and Yoxford roundabout continue with the removal of the redundant parts of the A12 and building of the footways. Once these are complete later this summer, the landscaping work will begin with initial planting of new hedgerows, trees and grass in the autumn.

At Yoxford, the similar work will require a weekend closure 8pm on Friday 19 June - 5am Monday 22 June.

In early June, we will start the next phase of the A12 improvement works. This time in Marlesford, in which a new pedestrian crossing will be built along with road junction improvements. These works will involve night time road closures and day time traffic management. The Sizewell C Works Tracker will be updated throughout the works.

The Park and Rides are open with Sizewell C workers parking their cars and catching a bus to get to the Leiston sites. The road adjustments have been completed around the Wickham Market site, and the roundabout at the Park and Ride in Darsham continues to progress with the required traffic management removed, easing the traffic flow.

Finally, the Two Village Bypass at Stratford St. Andrew and Farnham is now in the full construction phase. Most of the works are carried out away from the existing road network, which will reduce disruption on the road network. The new works compound that will be accessed from the A12 is now operating and the speed limits along the A12 have now returned to normal (30mph through the villages of Farnham and St Andrew, 50mph on the A12 towards or coming from Ipswich).

Thank you for patience during these works. To find out more about the progress of the works the next round of community forums are listed below.

FORUM

SCHEDULE

Forum timings

18:00 - 20:00
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Southern Transport Forum Wednesday 3 June Stratford St. Andrew Riverside Centre

Main Development Site Forum Wednesday 8 July Leiston Town Athletic Association (LTAA)

For more information and for more forum dates visit sizewellc.com/community/forums

*Calls to 0800 numbers are free from UK landlines. Call costs from mobile and international numbers may vary.



Sizewell C

HALESWORTH BRANCH OF CANCER RESEARCH

We have two small events in June - a stall at The Classic Car Day on **June 21st** at Holton Village Hall and a street collection in Halesworth over two days. On Friday **26th June** we will be in the town outside The Angel and 'Coopers' and on Saturday **27th June** we will be at The Co-op.

We are very grateful for any amount you kindly pop into our collecting goblets as every penny really does count. Unfortunately, we can't do 'tap and go' payments.

We are sorry for any inconvenience. Please say hello to our volunteer collectors, it will brighten their day.

Our next big event is our week in the I-Chameleon pop-up shop - **2nd - 8th July**. We hope to have our usual extras each day outside the shop, cakes on Saturday, Ukulele on Tuesday, Jane's plants on Friday etc. We would welcome good saleable items of bric -a -brac so please contact me if you think you have anything suitable.

The Old Hall Cafe has very generously offered to do The Maze By Torchlight again for us this year. This is a really fun evening whatever your age. The date is **Friday 21st August**. Please check The Old Hall website nearer the time to buy tickets online.

Thank you all so much for supporting us! For more information, please contact me.

Dawn Davis
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ROS BIEBER SOLO EXHIBITION

'BOATS, JAZZ and GIRAFFES' - July 9th - July 14th - Open 11am - 5pm daily at Holton Lodge Stables, The Street, Halesworth IP19 8PN. Work spanning the last eight years, from 2017 when Ros relocated from London to Suffolk.

London is full of people... her first fascination, but she has gradually come to love the wildness of open skies, harbours, boatyards, tugboats, and *'The Harbour'* theme will form the main part of the exhibition. Ros will also be showing her vibrant series of *'Jazz'* pictures and some atmospheric images of *'Giraffes in Moonlight'* using sand and collage on wood panels. There will be a video of Ros giving a talk about her work and an interview she gave with the late Piers Plowright.

Growing up in Southport, Lancashire and then London, Ros became a concert pianist. Her career was cut short at age 27 owing to injury. Her subsequent training at the City and Guilds of London Art School imbued in her a love of drawing.

Following a near tragic accidental exposure to carbon monoxide gas twenty years ago, Ros became allergic to all conventional art materials. She was forced to experiment to find new ones and has found new inspiration through playing with sand, dental concrete, carborundum and, above all, collage. Nowadays she uses organic paint and collage.

Her work has been shown in exhibitions across the UK and in Europe for many years. These include The Royal Society of Portrait Painters, The ING Discerning Eye, Cleveland International Drawing Competition and The National Print Exhibition. Ros is also a member of Easterly Artists, regularly exhibiting with them.

Visit: www.rosalindbieber.co.uk



BAWDSEY RADAR MUSEUM

Activities continue at the block this month. The Museum is open every Thursday, Sunday and Bank Holidays.

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This tour explores the real-life backdrop used throughout the show. You'll discover how the production team transformed this historic town into Danebury, why Mackenzie Crook chose this location, and how the setting became such a vital part of the storytelling.

Along the way, you'll visit key locations featured across all three series and the Christmas special, hear fascinating stories about the cast and production, and uncover the real history behind the buildings and streets seen on screen.

Visit the exterior of the pub seen as the Two Brewers where Andy and Lance unwind after a day of detecting and the DMDC gather. Explore the castle and surrounding area that appears throughout the series and learn about its real-life significance, including its royal connections and links to modern pop culture. Discover many more filming spots, including Maggie's shop, the site of the open mic night and hear about the show's music, including the creation of its iconic theme song. See Framlingham College's exteriors, used for Andy's interview scenes and other key moments from the series.

End the tour at the home used for Terry and Sheila, where many memorable moments and meetings take place.

Whether you're a dedicated fan or simply love exploring scenic English towns with rich history, this tour offers a relaxed, engaging, and highly immersive experience.

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For further information about Trading Standards, see <https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/consumer/get-more-help/report-to-trading-standards/>

Contact us about this or any issue through our website: www.caes.org.uk/email-service. You can also phone us on 0808 278 7866 (lines open 10-2 Mon-Fri). Our website also gives details of our drop-in outreach sessions and how to make an appointment at one of our offices.

ALDEBURGH YACHT CLUB NEWS

It has been a busy time at Aldeburgh Yacht Club since the sailing season started in March. The moorings on the river have been filling up, as has the dinghy park.

The club is an RYA training centre which is run by our new full-time instructor Seb Garfield. Seb, who is from Woodbridge, has a busy schedule of courses running across the year, having already delivered instructor and power boat training in his first few weeks.

In June, we will be welcoming 13 of the local primary schools with up to 250 children joining in during our programme. This will be delivered by Seb with the backing of the Aldeburgh Schools Sailing Trust and numerous volunteer members whose long-standing support has brought over 2,000 children for sailing and water sports on the Alde in recent years. We will also host older students from South London alongside our partners, the BigKid Foundation.

Junior sailing started on Sundays in April. In July we will move to a daily programme, followed in August by our Junior and Youth Regatta and then our main Regatta. We are celebrating the achievements of Matilda Nicholls, one of our members who has been one of the British Sailing Team since 2019 and is now well into her Olympic campaign for Los Angeles 2028 and Brisbane 2032.



On the water, we have been racing on Saturdays and Wednesdays and have held open meetings and our annual two-day Spring Regatta.

We are expecting visitors throughout June including cruisers from the Royal Yacht Squadron and to join our Dragon class. Our Loch Long sailors are heading to Cornwall and Scotland over the coming weeks.

We are, of course, far more than a sailing club. Recent social events include an evening hosted by local entertainer Iestyn Edwardes, talks, dinners and a quiz. We have lots planned for 2026, so please visit our website to see what's to come. www.aldeburghyc.org.uk.

We pride ourselves on being a friendly and welcoming place. Anyone interested in joining or finding out more should get in touch via office@aldeburghyc.org.uk.



Aldeburgh Yacht Club is a great place to learn and develop new skills.

AYC is a Royal Yachting Association (RYA) recognised training centre running courses for every level from beginner to expert, including power and safety boating and first aid.

Our Summer sailing courses run through July and August, Monday to Friday. Whether you're new to sailing or if you already enjoy sailing and want to do more, book onto one of our RYA sailing courses.

Spaces are still available on some of our courses, please visit our website www.aldeburghyc.org.uk/book_courses_at_ayc to view the full programme. Book your course through the online booking forms.

Private sailing tuition is available for all throughout the season in dinghies and this is a great way to improve on water confidence, or work on specific skills – whatever level you are.

To find out more about training opportunities at AYC, please email training@aldeburghyc.org.uk.



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FROM JENNY RIDDELL-CARPENTER MP



One issue I hear about time and time again across Southwold and the surrounding villages is buses – or in many cases, the lack of them altogether. Suffolk Coastal really has become a ‘bus desert’. Whether it’s routes that have quietly disappeared over recent years, services that don’t run at the times people actually need them, or buses that are simply too unreliable to plan around, too many people across Suffolk Coastal are being left behind. For some residents, particularly older people, young people and those without access to a car, this creates very real barriers to everyday life.

It can mean struggling to get to work, college or medical appointments, or finding it harder to stay connected to family, friends and local communities. Reliable public transport is not a luxury – it’s essential, especially in rural communities such as ours.

That’s why I’ve launched a constituency-wide bus survey to gather direct feedback from residents about what is and isn’t working. I want to hear from people who rely on buses regularly, those who used to use them but no longer can, and those who feel local services simply don’t meet their needs.

What makes this even more frustrating is that Suffolk has received millions of pounds in Government funding intended to improve local bus services.

Between 2023 and 2025 alone, Suffolk County Council received almost £3.8 million through Bus Service Improvement funding - yet the total number of annual bus miles operated across the county fell by more than 1.1 million miles, from 9.18 million in 2022 to 8.01 million in 2025. Residents are understandably frustrated that despite repeated promises of improvement, many communities are seeing fewer services rather than more.

With a new Reform-led County Council now in place, I will be pushing hard to ensure rural and coastal communities are not overlooked when decisions are made about transport funding and service provision. Too often our villages and smaller towns are treated as an afterthought when it comes to public transport, and I will continue putting pressure on the County Council to deliver the improvements residents have been promised.

Later this year, I’ll also be bringing together operators, local decision-makers and residents for a roundtable discussion focused on practical improvements and long-term solutions. Good public transport helps keep communities connected, supports local businesses and reduces isolation – particularly in rural and coastal areas like ours.

If you’ve been affected by poor bus services, I’d really encourage you to take part in the survey by visiting my website: <https://www.jennyforsuffolkcoastal.org/buses> or scan the QR code below.

Together, we can keep building the case for the better, more reliable bus services our communities deserve.

As always, if there is anything I can do to support you, or if you have any thoughts you’d like to share with me, please get in touch.

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John Snelsdon



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Southwold Museum & Historical Society

BATTLE OF SOLE BAY DINNER

to commemorate the anniversary of the battle which took place
off the coast of Southwold on 7 June 1672

FRIDAY, 12 JUNE 2026

at Southwold Golf Club

6.30 for 7.00

After Dinner Speaker: Dr George Southcombe,
Wadham College, Oxford.

Specialist in late 17th century history.

Ticket Price : £45 per person

Please request a booking form from:
secretary@southwoldmuseum.org

JUN 13 The Lettering Arts Trust Pop-up Shop and Letter carving talk. 10am - 5pm at Aldeburgh Church Hall, Victoria Rd, Aldeburgh IP15 5DY. 11.30am Tour of letter carving in the church yard and talk; 12noon – 1pm. Drinks. Free event.

JUN 13 & 14 Westleton Garden Trail. 14 varied and interesting gardens will be open and the new Village Allotments. Large and small, old favourites and new ones too. Come and take a stroll through this picturesque village and enjoy the diversity of gardens and perhaps find some ideas to take away. Refreshments available at the Village Hall and a plant stall. All proceeds to local charities. Entry by programme from the Village Hall at £5 each on the day, accompanied children under 16 free. Programme covers both days and gives the opportunity to split your visit over the weekend. 12noon – 5pm at Village Hall, Westleton, IP17 3AD

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JUN 24 Free Health Walk at RSPB Minsmere. Meet like-minded people on a lovely walk around Minsmere, home to some of Suffolk's greatest wildlife. No dogs except assistance dogs kept on a short lead. These walks are run as part of the One Life Suffolk health walks programme. 11am – 12.30pm. Email: minsmere@rspb.org.uk, phone: 01728 648281

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JUN 26 Reydon Village Hall Golden Anniversary Appeal Fund Ceilidh! £15 per person including buffet. BYO alcohol. Book your tickets in advance with Charlotte 07715388916 frogclock@hotmail.com or online www.ticketsource.co.uk/reydonvillagehall. All funds towards the RVH Golden Anniversary Appeal Fund. 7-10pm @ Reydon Village Hall with the Once Bittern Ceilidh Band

JUN 27 Wenhaston Produce and Craft Market. Jewellery, handbags, our famous Dexter Beef, homemade jams, and much, much more. Tea, Coffee and Homemade Savouries and Cakes in the café. New stallholders welcome. Please park with due care and attention so as not to cause any obstruction. For further details contact Carol at: caz-mike@outlook.com. 10am to 12.30pm at Wenhaston Village Hall



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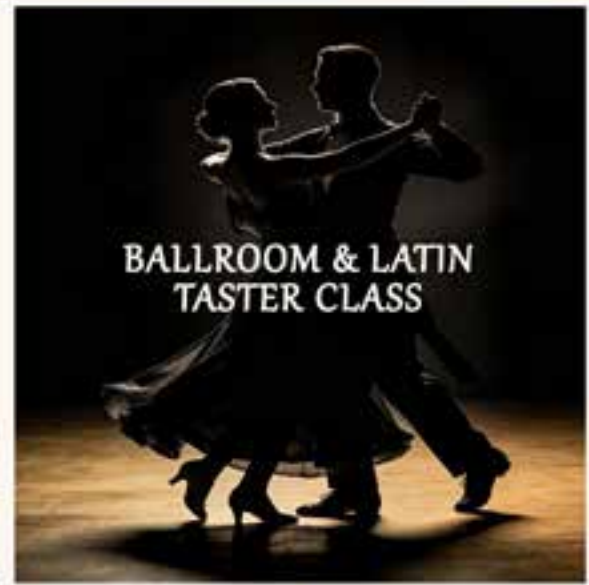
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SUFFOLK COUNTY MUSIC SERVICE

Next in our busy summer programme is our Annual WCIT Festival. 'WCIT Fest' celebrates a year of music-making in Suffolk schools, bringing together large numbers of young musicians. Events take place from **15 - 26 June** at venues in Bury St Edmunds, Ipswich and Lowestoft. Parents are invited to attend afternoon performances, giving children the opportunity to rehearse and perform together - often for the very first time.

Applications are now open for talented young musicians to join our County Music Groups, Suffolk's flagship youth ensembles offering a season of high-quality music-making. Open to brass, percussion, string and woodwind players, our County Ensemble programme offers a rich variety of opportunities throughout the year, including Suffolk Youth Orchestra, Suffolk Youth Wind Band and Suffolk Young Strings.

Participants can enjoy rehearsal days, prestigious concert tours (this year to Spain and Sweden), and performances at leading venues such as The Apex in Bury St Edmunds and Snape Maltings Concert Hall.

Remissions are available to support families who may need financial assistance, helping ensure that all young people have the opportunity to take part. To find out more about the wide range of activities available for children and young people across the county, please visit: www.suffolkcountymusicservice.co.uk/take-part



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HALESWORTH & DISTRICT U3A

On Tuesday **16 June** at 2 pm at the Cut Arts Centre, Halesworth, our monthly talk will be '*Garden Bugs: Cohabit – Control or Conserve?*' presented by Dr. Ian Bedford, a retired entomologist, known as the '*Norfolk Bug Man!*'

For over 42 years, Ian worked in plant science research at the John Innes Centre. Now, apart from giving talks, he regularly holds Plant Pest Clinics at Garden Centres and national flower/garden shows and appears on popular TV shows such as Gardeners' World and BBC Breakfast.

His talk will explain the importance of the insects and other invertebrates we find in our gardens. Biodiversity is declining rapidly throughout the world with Britain being one of the most nature-depleted countries. It's therefore vitally important that, where possible, we protect the wildlife within our gardens. The problem is that there are also many creatures that can potentially harm our garden plants so how do we achieve a happy balance?

Ian's talk will cover how we can effectively control these plant pests without resorting to killing them with the toxic chemicals.

The talk is free to current Halesworth and District u3a members and for non-members, tickets are available at £4 in advance, or, on the door at the Cut. Why not come along early and enjoy a delicious lunch in the Cut café?

Finally, our u3a is run by a small committee and we urgently need more volunteers in various roles, especially IT skills. So we would be delighted to hear from you. To find out more, please send a message to Rachael De Souza via the contact page on our website at <https://halesworth.u3asite.uk>

GOLFERS BATTLE IT OUT IN THE RYDER 'PUP'

Golfers from Suffolk and Essex are going head-to-head in a very special Ryder 'Pup' in June to see who really is top dog. While the Ryder Cup sees Europe take on the United States, this version is hosted by the RSPCA with money going to the charity in both counties. The event, on **12 June** will give golfers the chance to play on one of the best courses in the region – the Gainsborough course at the Stoke by Nayland Resort – set in 500 acres of Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The day-long fundraiser will see two-person teams from both counties go head-to-head, in a pairs match-play format. As well playing the 18-hole Gainsborough course, pairs will face other on-course challenges including nearest the pin and longest drive.

RSPCA fundraiser, Lorna Goodwin, said: *"Not only will this be a fantastic day out, players will be helping to fund vital vet care, safe shelter and rehabilitation for local animals in need across Suffolk and Essex."*

As well as an exceptional golfing opportunity, there will be a sausage bap and hot drinks on arrival, with a two-course barbecue lunch on a balcony overlooking the grounds. The day will also see a charity raffle and fundraising auction, before a final prize giving ceremony.

Lorna continued: *"What an opportunity to discover which county really has got what it takes when it comes to golf. Fingers crossed no one ends up in the 'ruff'"*

The prestigious Stoke by Nayland course has hosted multiple European Seniors, European Challenge and PGA Europro Tour events. Tickets are £200 per pair, with opportunities to sponsor a hole at the event. Registration on the day opens at 8.30am, with the putting green open from 9.30am ahead of the tee-off an hour later.

To book a ticket, sponsor a hole or supply a raffle prize, contact lorna.goodwin@rspca-suffolkcentral.org.uk or call 07842 93593.

For more details on this event visit: <https://rspca-suffolkcentral.org.uk/news-events> or scan the QR code:



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