



## Swanton Abbott Newsletter Autumn Edition

### Village Yard Sale

Thank you to everybody that took part in the Village Yard sale we raised £100 which was split between Swanton Abbott School and Pre-School whom were very happy with the donation. Going forward we will be holding a Village Sale on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in July, so next year's is planned for Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2019. The thought process behind this is that if we keep it at the same time each year everybody can plan for the day if they wish to take part and also it doesn't clash with other Village activities.

If anybody has any ideas or would like to get involved in helping to organise the day please contact Debbie at [debbiesharp@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:debbiesharp@hotmail.co.uk). We would ideally like to make it a bigger event so any suggestions would be gratefully appreciated.

### FMNC- Swanton Abbott Walking Club



Ever seen the Dilham Pleasure Gardens? Or “possibly the most interesting roof in Norfolk”? Why not join us on the first Sunday of every month for a 5 mile amble through local countryside?

Usually we get between 8 and 12 walkers; while we have some “regulars” we are always ready to welcome new people. It is a great way to find out what is going on in the village as well as seeing some unusual sights and beautiful countryside within a few miles of Swanton Abbott. The next date is Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> September (a slight departure from the usual first Sunday) and then 7<sup>th</sup> October and the 4<sup>th</sup> November. Go on; put it on the calendar now! For more information, keep an eye on the FMNC monthly bulletin, NextDoor or contact Steve Day on 538919 or [sasocial@btinternet.com](mailto:sasocial@btinternet.com)



## The Forget-me-Not Club

*Making the most of your Village*

### Past events



Flower arrangements



Sylvia Vaughan 105 items in a matchbox!

Past events have included a flower arrangement competition, afternoon tea, a soup-and sandwich lunch and a trip to Wroxham for fish and chips.

If you would like to meet more villagers and get involved with activities for all the local community, please come along to The Swanton Abbott Village Hall on the second Monday of the month and join in!

### Coming Events for the Forget-me-not club at the Village Hall

#### September 10<sup>th</sup> 10.30am: Gardening

Perhaps a chance to pick up a few tips on growing vegetables and plants. Bring your home-grown produce for tasting and flowers for display. Anything you have grown basically- we hope to have sufficient of some varieties to award a prize or too- nothing serious! And of course the regular cup of coffee and chat and book swap. All are welcome.

#### October 8<sup>th</sup>, 10.30am: Saul Penfold

New NNDC Councillor for the Worstead ward will be coming to speak about his experiences. He is our councillor, has had links to the Big Lottery Fund and was also Education officer for Norwich Cathedral. Come along and meet our local representative- we are sure it will be of interest to everyone, whether or not you are a regular FMNC attendee.

#### Tai Chi

Don't forget the regular and remarkably successful Tai Chi classes every Monday in the Village Hall from 9.30am. If you don't know how to "Shoot the Turkey", come along and find out!

£3 per person, including a cup of tea.

No meetings on Bank Holidays.

### Mobile Library dates

The mobile library will be in Swanton Abbott on the following dates:-

(Please note this information is subject to change or amendment both on a permanent and temporary basis)

14<sup>th</sup> Sept 2018, 12 Oct 2018, 9<sup>th</sup> Nov 2018, 7<sup>th</sup> Dec 2018. 4<sup>th</sup> Jan 2019, 1<sup>st</sup> Feb 2018 and 1<sup>st</sup> Mar 2019.

9.30 - 9.50 Abbotswood Lodge

14.30 - 14.45 Ex Weavers Arms

15:25 - 15:55 Swanton Hill

9.55 - 10.10 The School

14.50 - 15.10 The Poplars.

## Village Hall Hire

The Hall is available for hire at very competitive rates. Booking for the Hall can be made via Christine Gilbey or Roger Gilbey on 01692 538377.

Session	Weekdays	Weekends
Morning 9.00am to 1.00pm	£12	£17
Afternoon 1.00pm to 6.00pm	£12	£17
Evening 6.00pm to 1.00pm	£17	£22
Double session	£22	£30

*Tables and chairs available for hire from £5 per day (subject to a refundable deposit)*

## Swanton Abbott Bowls Club



Back row left to right: Val Moore, Bridget Fryer, Sue Lee, Emily O'Hanlon, and Judy Gott

Front row left to right: Anna Chalk, Linda Blake, Rose Howard, and Doreen Neild

The bowls season is nearing completion and what a wonderful summer it's been for outdoor bowling, sometimes we've complained that it's been too hot, especially for day time games, the evenings have been more comfortable.

With some fixtures still to play Swanton have already been declared County League Area B winners and will play in the Premier League in 2019. The ladies lost out to Norfolk Bowling Club in the final of the Ladies County Cup staged at Great Plumstead on 27/7/18. In the final of the Men/Mixed County Cup Final Swanton are scheduled to play Acle at North Waltham New Road. The club still has a chance of league honours in both the City League and NWTWL and still involved with the Knock Out Cup and Durham Centenary Trophy.

With all league games scheduled for completion by 17/7/18 this will only leave friendlies and Club competitions to play for.

In the County Championships there were successes for Ian Wones, men's 4 bowl singles, Sophie Blanche and Anna Chalk, open under 25 pairs, and Linda Blake, senior singles. These players will represent Norfolk at the National Championships to be held at Skegness.

Other club members reached the latter stages of the County competitions.

## **Macmillan Coffee Morning**

**Friday 28th September between 8.30am - 12.00pm**

Jenny and The Forget-me-not Club of Swanton Abbott are hosting a coffee morning at Swanton Abbott village Hall, Coffee, tea, cakes, raffle, tombola, bric a brac and more. Please come and join them and support Macmillan Cancer care.

For more details contact Jenny on 01692 538939 or [Jenvaughan47@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:Jenvaughan47@yahoo.co.uk)

If anybody has any raffle prizes they can donate please contact Jenny also.

### **Number 210 bus**

Sanders coach firm are concerned with the drop in number of passengers on the 210 bus from Norwich to North Walsham and there has been some talk of us losing this vital transport link. Please try and support the service when you can so it continues to run.

### **Dog fouling**

This appears in the newsletter on every edition but unfortunately it is getting worse instead of better with dog mess being left all around the Village and not just on the footpaths. It may be holiday makers that are staying in the area but we need to be vigilant and report anybody not cleaning up after their dogs to the Parish Council. If it is down to holiday makers then we may be able to target the rental properties to advertise in their information sheets that all dog mess must be cleaned up.

### **Swanton Abbott Parish Council**

The North Norfolk District Councillor can be reached by e-mail:-

[saul.penfold@north-norfolk.gov.uk](mailto:saul.penfold@north-norfolk.gov.uk)

At the recent Parish Council meeting various Highways issues were raised including potholes, drainage problems and street signs.

The new notice board is in place on The Hill.

Three members of the Parish Council will come up with a revised plan for the upgrade to the play equipment and this will be discussed at the next meeting.

New Standing Orders are also being discussed which govern how the Parish Council is run. NNDC Cllr. Penfold raised the issue of charges at Waste Disposal sites. There has been an increase in fly-tipping incidents and some sites have reported a drop in re-cycling since the charges have been introduced, this will also be discussed at the next meeting which is on September 11th.

### **Parish Council members**

Christine Belsham - Chair email [parishcouncil@swantonabbott.co.uk](mailto:parishcouncil@swantonabbott.co.uk) or contact 01692 538993

Clive Haden – Vice Chair email [parishcouncil@swantonabbott.co.uk](mailto:parishcouncil@swantonabbott.co.uk)

Gill Kimmerling Clerk email [loomscot@live.co.uk](mailto:loomscot@live.co.uk) or contact 01692 538971

Councillors, Sharon Underwood, Sam Howlett, Sheila Taylor, Rosemary Gee and Malcolm Vaughan.

The following dates were set for the Parish Council meetings for 2018:-

Sept 11<sup>th</sup> and Nov 13<sup>th</sup> and in 2019 Jan 15<sup>th</sup>

All meetings will be held at the Village Hall at 7pm.