

Sutton Poyntz Society

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SUTTON POYNTZ SOCIETY - Newsletter No 99 August 2002

Summer is here

It is lovely to sit out in the garden on a quiet Sunday afternoon listening to the wildlife. We are beginning to look towards Christmas for our

future events – even if many of you have not yet had your summer holidays. Remember mid summer was in June.

Pictures of the Jubilee Picnic and Victorian Fayre have been shown on the Notice Board over the last two months.

Forthcoming events

Summer Walk – July 30 Cream Teas – August 3 Christmas Coffee Morning - Dec Christmas Carols - Dec

Society Walks

The Society day-long Summer Walk on Tues 30th July will again be led by Richard Backwell. It will start at 10.00 am from the church in Hooke OS 194 GR 53501. We have booked some good weather for this 9.5 mile walk will take us over Warren Hill, through North Poorton, over Powerstock Common to Toller Porcorum where we follow the Hooke valley through Kingcombe back to the church. Bring your own refreshment for a picnic lunch en route.

Cream Teas

This years **Cream Teas** will be held on **August the 3rd** in the orchard at the Mission Hall. Cost will be £1.50, as last year, with teas being served from 3.00 – and of course there will also be a raffle. We hope to see all of you there.

Keep your eyes on the Notice Boards for any changed details nearer the events.

Recent Activities and Events

Jubilee Picnic

It seemed as if the whole village brought their lunch to the Village Jubilee Picnic on the 2nd June. There were between 150 to 200 of us enjoying a lovely day in the orchard which was re-opened by Doris Harbour. Our thanks to all those who helped make the afternoon a success, to Sue Branch for a fascinating Village Treasure Hunt won by the Emblens and lastly to all of you who shared the occasion. The reply from Buckingham Palace to our congratulatory letter to Her Majesty The Queen was pinned on the Notice Board.

Spring Walk

The Society **Spring Evening Stroll** took place on a cool and damp evening on **Wed Jun 12th**. Eighteen joined Richard at 6.30 at the White Horse Inn car park at Litton Cheney. A little rain reduced the views over the Fleet and the long grass towards the end of the walk ensured we were damp – but everyone appeared to enjoy the 2 hour 4.5 mile walk. A mobile phone proved to be of use to warn the publican of our imminent return which allowed everyone to be served their pre-ordered choice within 15 minutes of their arrival.

Victorian Street Fayre

Judging by the crowds, it looked as if most of you attended – together with your guests. Once again we were very lucky with the weather on the 30th June and I hope you enjoyed Fayre – we all did. A major thank you to all of you who helped the Fayre Committee raise over £8000 for the charities – an even bigger thank you to those who specifically helped on the society Tombola stall either by donating prizes or sharing the fun of selling tickets. Your efforts on the Tombola raised a magnificent sum of £844.40. (I'm not sure how we got the odd 40p.)

A Presentation Evening has been planned by the Fayre Committee for 11th Sept at 7.30 in the Waterworks.

Sutton Poyntz - Neighbours

I have been advised that we have had several moves over the last few months and we would like to welcome the Pages, Flynns, Fields, Adams and Roberts. We hope to see them all at the Cream Teas – bring them with you if they are your neighbour!

Please advise of any other new neighbours to the area that I might have missed.

Matters discussed by your committee

The following represent some of the items discussed by your committee since the May Newsletter:-

Planning Matters: Local applications reviewed since the last newsletter are – Applications for a rear extension at October Cottage, extension at 18 Verlands, extension at 9 Sunnyfields were discussed – no comments submitted.

Our general agreement was notified for applications for an extension to the Court House and 3 new houses in-filling the space between 25-31 Sutton Road.

Your committee commented that the rear car port at 113 Sutton Road appeared to be rather large.

It was noted that the request by the Waterside Caravan site for further static caravans had been refused.

Further to the AGM motion, Wessex Water advise that they have discussed the trees on the south boundary of the Waterworks with the local residents and W&PBC and are intending to fell two of trees and prune a third tree. They advise that they will need to keep the remaining under observation for stability.

You may already have noticed that the building works on the Waterworks extension have been delayed from their original planned June start date. Work is expected to start shortly.

Doorstep Green: Our thanks to David Emery who led the work in completing the orchard area in time for the Jubilee Picnic. Your Society donated a wooden bench seat to the orchard; it arrived just in time to be christened at the Picnic. Please advise a committee member if any local residents (or group) would like to donate a further seat of a similar type – the cost would be about £400 with a small plaque.

Simon Emblen led a small team who have cleared the brambles from the village stone in Sutton Road. It is hoped that the Council will keep it cut in the future.

Council for the Protection of Rural England (CPRE)

Peter Jones continues to represent the Society at the CPRE. Their future events are listed on the Notice board (Future Diary).

Weymouth Civic Society (WCS)

Both Tony Bugler and Richard Meech keep in contact with WCS and represent our interest with this body. WCS activities are shown on the Village Diary on the Notice Board.

Dorset Wildlife Trust (DWT)

Julia Allen represents us with the DWT with whom we are a member.

Contact Julia for any details of the DWT meetings shown on the "Village Diary" on the Notice Board.

Future Diary

An "end of July" version of the Village Diary of local events is on the Notice board as a record for general use. If you wish to add any items to the listing please call me.

Your CommitteeYour committee are available for any items of interest or concernJulia Allen (832759)Tony Bugler (832953)Simon Emblen (Treasurer) (832143)David Emery (832907)Vic Farrant (834595)Michael Haine (832995) Joyce Litschi (Chairman) (833303)Ken Knight (833549)Richard Meech (832680) Liz Randall (832155)John Sutherland (Secretary) (832227)



And Finally –where was this originally, where was the picture taken and where is it now? Advise Joyce at the Cream teas – no prizes, but it will show that you have read the newsletter.