



Sutton Poyntz Society

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Forthcoming events

Society Walks 15th & 21st June
Victorian Street Fayre 4th July
Scarecrow comp'n..... 24th Jul to 7th Aug
Cream Teas.....31st July
Vegetable show 7th Aug
Village BBQ 7th Aug

Society Walks

1. Our first walk this year will be an evening walk on Tues 15th June starting at 6.30 from the Cart Shed. The walk will be gentle going along the valley to Osmington and on to Osmington Mills. From there it will progress along the coast path and finish at the Spice Ship covering about 4.5 miles. Menus will be available before we start to order any food for those that want to recover at the finish.
2. The **Day Walk** will take place on **Monday 21st June** starting at 10.00 from the Woodland carpark near Kingston (GR OS195 954795). The walk will go via Swyre Head along the coastal path to Hous Tout Cliff and back to Kingston – about 8 miles. Bring your own refreshments for coffee stop and lunch break. Cream Teas will be available on the journey back at Moreton Tea Rooms. The walk is gently undulating with a short steep ascent of 80m up to Hous Cliff.
– Keep an eye on the notices for any changes to this years walks being organised by Richard Backwell and Mike Haine.

The Village Victorian Street Fayre

Keep **Sunday 4th July 2010** clear in your diary to help and enjoy our biennial Fayre. Apart from the craft, charity and commercial stalls we will again have a Farmers market section and a group of village stalls will be sited adjacent to the pond provided and manned by us all. An area for childrens stalls will be set up in the Springhead car park. Some help by everyone will be appreciated to make the Fayre the success it has been in

previous years (see **helpers** below). In addition to the numerous stalls there will be a continuous entertainment programme at the centre of the village and in the waterworks. Food and drinks will be available to ensure that we can all last out the day.

A couple of special prizes this year will not depend upon the state of the ash cloud from Iceland although the both involve flying. A **Helicopter ride** will be the prize for person guessing the correct number of

balloons in the helicopter – in the event of a tie for there will have to draw for the winner. A second competition also involving balloons provides a **hot air balloon ride** as the prize for a raffle.

Finally, our local dogs will be glad to know that the have not been forgotten as Ann Bond (832569) will also be arranging a “Posh Pooch and Mutts” show.

Village stalls The Village Stalls will be situated around the pond and all money raised on these stalls goes to charity and local activities. We would be grateful for any items in good condition for the village stalls. Reminder of village stalls ----

Perfect presents – Any unused items that you would be delighted to receive or give – deliver to Pat Haine 832995

Accessories – Jewellery, scarves, bags to Ruth Davies

Gardening – Plants, tubs, tools, seeds, cuttings - Paul Nicholson 835681

Books – Books, DVDs, puzzles, games to Sue Locke 835116

Antiques / Bygones – Everyone enjoys browsing at this popular stall – Contributions to Vera Flower 833031

Christmas items – (not electrical) to Mo Martin 836322

Shabby Chic Furniture – The first successful painting day has been held – another on 26th May. Small carry away wooden items suitable for repainting – chairs, tables, bookcases, cupboards etc.

Vintage & Classical Clothes – Debbie D’Arcy 832153

Childrens – Another new stall - Toys, games, books + baby and toddlers clothes – please contact Suzanne Stracey 835353

American Stall - Another new stall for 4th July. Can anyone make some Muffins, cupcakes or Brownies that we would be delighted to sell on the stall? Also looking for a pop corn maker to borrow!

Fill a jar – Fill a jar with sweets (not chocolates) for the Brownies to sell - Maureen Bond 834012

Any queries on the village stalls – please contact Judy Backwell 833349.

Fayre Helpers - Your support will be essential to ensure that we have another successful day, hugely enjoyed and participated in by visitors and so many in the village. John Sutherland (832227) is arranging the rota (together with the stall organisers) – volunteers are preferred to press gang.

All Fayre helpers will be welcome to an evening fish and chip supper – space permitting. Contact Maureen Morris 835533.



Scarecrow competition

This competition runs for the two weeks before the Vegetable show – from **Saturday 24th July to Saturday 7th August** with the winner announced at the vegetable show. Our entrants are beginning to be part of the local tourist route. All entrants need to place their scarecrow visible from the road and advise John Crisp of their entry by the 4th July. As last year, the winner will be voted by the public using forms that will list the entries. Look out for notices of further details.



Cream Teas – We know that summer is really on the way when we start to talk of the Society Cream Teas. This year we look forward to a good sunny day, in the middle of the scarecrow competition, to enjoy cream teas in the Mission Hall orchard on **Saturday 31st July**. Reserve that day, it is often one of the best-attended events of the year. If we should get a wet day we will adjourn into the hall. Look out for notices for any more details.

Vegetable show – This years show will be on **Saturday 7th August** with any profits donated to Waves. Classes will be similar to last year

Longest runner bean	Longest cucumber
Heaviest marrow	Selection of herbs
3 carrots	3 tomatoes
Single lettuce	3 Courgettes
3 beans (of any type)	
5 Soft fruit (the same or mixed)	
Anything grown in a greenhouse	
A bunch of flowers (from your garden)	
A bunch of different leaves	
Plants growing in unusual container (children only entry)	
Spud in a tub (up to 15ins diameter x 15ins high)	



Village BBQ 7th Aug – Following the Vegetable show, the Mission Hall Trust will be organising a village BBQ. Watch for notices with more details on times cost and competition details.

Village Activities

- **Coffee mornings** The final coffee morning this session (in April - but to resumed in the Autumn) included an exhibition of photographs from around the village. Thanks to all who have helped and participated in any way to the make these monthly Fridays mornings so successful.
- **Society AGM and MHT AGM** - AGMs were held for the Mission Hall Management Committee and the Sutton Poyntz Society on the 21st April. Reports were published and new committees elected for the next year. Following the Society AGM there was the opportunity to look at material put together by the village History Group. The Society committee for this year is shown at the foot of this newsletter.
- **Village History** - We were afforded a second chance to see some of the material collected by the

Village History and Heritage group at the Society AGM.

- **Village Web Site** - Work is progressing to provide an active village web site to act as an additional means of communication for people in the village and for visitors to Sutton Poyntz. Led by Bill Egerton, funds for development of the site, which is aimed at being based upon a village map, are being provided from the South Dorset Ridgeway Project. We would like to assemble a library of attractive photographs to show the village off and to make the web site bright and interesting. If you have photographs (particularly digital ones) of the village and its surrounds, that you would be willing to have used in this way, please contact Bill Egerton on 832872 or e-mail at bill.egerton@tiscali.co.uk

- **Crime prevention** – Homewatch notifications for residents of the Puddledock Lane area will now be carried out by Peter Riley.

- **Biodiversity Group** John Newbould reports:- “The main event for the Biodiversity Group will be the walks and the opening of the Waterworks Museum on June 4th as part of the Dorset Flora Group *Wildflower walks week*. In the morning around 10.30am we will be looking at the flowers on White Horse Hill, whilst at around 2.00pm, Katherine Barker and I will be showing people the field boundaries of the area and how they fit in with the landscape.

We will endeavour to hold public moth trapping on Friday evening in the waterworks at dusk. Our report has finally been published and printed. An electronic version all in one file is available on application to John Newbould 837384. We also walk on Monday mornings from Fox Cottage at 9.30am. Finally if anybody finds some metal Longworth traps for catching small animals, please leave them outside the door at Fox Cottage. Three have disappeared.”

- **Sutton Poyntz Village WI** The Sutton Poyntz Village WI arranged a very successful Arts, Crafts and Heirlooms Exhibition in April. It is most stimulating to see the skills that exist throughout the village. The April and May meetings saw next years committee elected and agreement on the resolution for the AGM. Several members of all local WIs attended the Spring Council Meeting in Poole in April.

- **Theatre Group** The inaugural theatre trip of the recently formed Sutton Poyntz Theatre Group took place on Saturday 24th April when 33 people travelled to Bath. The weather was warm and sunny and everyone had an opportunity for a relaxing lunch and time to shop prior to the performance of Lord Arthur Saviles Crime. Everyone seemed to have a very enjoyable day and the group have further events to look forward to in the near future in Chichester and Bath. The next event will be a visit to Chichester on 5th June to see Yes, Prime Minister, the world premiere of a new stage production from the writers of the original TV series. Anyone interested in joining the group or who would like a seat on the bus to Chichester (shopping only - with the possibility of a last minute ticket) -please contact Colin Marsh on 833892 or at 2 The Puddledocks.

Your Committee Your committee are available for any items of interest or concern

John Crisp (Chairman) (832529)	Tony Bugler (832953)	Anne Bye (837139)
John Bellis (Treasurer) (837162)	Bill Egerton (832872)	Karen Phillips (836330)
John Sutherland (Secretary) (832227)	Peter Riley (834653)	Louise Sheaves (833338)