

What's on at Tunstall Community Hall?

An Evening with Chuck Dalldorf

Saturday 12 October at 6pm at Tunstall Community Hall.

Chuck is the author of 'Notes from the Green Man' which recounts his time living in Tunstall whilst stationed at RAF Bentwaters.

Tickets are just £5 and proceeds will go to the children's play area.

There will be light refreshments and a raffle.

To book, email

Tunstall.communityhall@gmail.com

Quiz Night

Friday 25th October 2024 7.30pm - 9.30pm at Tunstall Community Hall

Bring your own snacks and drinks.

Please email tunstall.communityhall@gmail.com to secure your ticket.

Advance payment by bank transfer of £10 for a table of max six people will be required. Got a group of more than 6? Tables with over six people, will be charged at £2.00 per person.

There will be a small prize for the Winning Team!

All funds raised will go towards improving the children's play ground.

Jefferson County 70's & Country Music Band

Saturday 23rd November at Tunstall Community Hall

Doors open 7.30pm.

Start at 8.00pm.

£5.00 a ticket.

Bring your own snacks and drinks.

Please email tunstall.communityhall@gmail.com to secure your ticket.

Tunstall Community Hall Trustees look forward to your support!



Tunstall Bowls Club Christmas Craft and Gift Fair

The Annual Christmas Craft and Gift Fair will be taking place on Sunday 8th December, 10am – 3pm. Limited spaces for stalls are available. For further information please email tunstallcraftfair@gmail.com.

Diary dates

Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 6 November 2024 at 6pm in the Community Hall.

The Mobile Library

Wednesday 16 October 2024
Tunstall Green 10.10–10.25am
Tunstall Common 10.30–10.50am

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Tunstall BULLETIN

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Tunstall Bowls Club - We are going up in the world!



The summer bowls season has now finished and the results are in.

We came second in the Woodbridge League, which means we gain promotion to the First Division, for the first time. It's been a long and hard fought season with a mixture of results but our players have all played their best bowls and achieved a terrific result. This will mean that next season we will be playing against some of the top teams in the league, which will add to our knowledge and experience.

We also came second in the Fynn League, which is a big improvement on last season, so all in all the Club has gone from strength to strength. This has largely been the result of some new coaching and being able to keep our teams of players together, so that they learn from each other and become familiar with their strengths.

Over the last few years we have made significant improvements to the Club's facilities and have a bowls green that is continually improving and is one of the best in the area. As a result of this, we were invited to host the Suffolk County and Woodbridge and District League finals earlier in the Summer.

We could not have done this without the continued support of Stephen Caulfield and Son Garage, Suffolk County Council, East Suffolk District Council, Tunstall Parish Council and Tunstall Community Hall Trustees and we would like to take this opportunity to thank them all.

As ever, we would like to encourage new players to come and join us and enjoy our new found successes, everyone is welcome and we hope to see some more of you when the new season starts in April.

Stephen Caulfield Memorial Shield

On a warm September afternoon members of the club took to the green for the last time to compete for the Stephen Caulfield memorial shield. It was a great day enjoyed by all, followed by a superb BBQ with plenty of compliments to the chef!

Congratulations to the overall winners Steve and Mac who received the shield from Martin Caulfield.





“A lot to do”

A few weeks ago, a significant event took place in the world of space travel. For the first time ever, a rich individual spent 5 days, with 3 friends, orbiting the earth at his own expense! The highlight of the trip was the first space walks by people who hadn't spent years training as astronauts.

The guy who funded the trip was the first out of the capsule and had obviously been thinking for a long time about what to say in his “Neil Armstrong - One small step for man – moment”.

“Back at home we have a lot of work to do, but from here, Earth sure looks like a perfect world”

He was right! Earth is a wonderful place, and if you can get far away enough to miss the mess we have made, it looks perfect! But from most of our perspectives, often wading through the muck of life, there is a lot to do.

Grace Church is holding a Charity Quiz Night at 7:30pm on the 12th October in Rendlesham Primary School as part of an event that hundreds of churches around the country are joining in with. All proceeds will be given to TearFund, an organisation that we support that is working hard around the world to improve the lives of people suffering from the effects of climate change and war.

Please join us for a fun evening that also does a lot of good!

Having said that, the real problems of this world are not only seen in famine areas and war zones, and are not ultimately solved by quiz nights and charitable giving. The Bible does command Christians to try and do practical good, but it also provides the only solution to the biggest problem in this world.

That solution is what we focus on as a church as we “Open the Bible and get to Know Jesus”. We would love to welcome you as we do that. Please see our website for more details.

DAVE RUSHBROOK

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Tunstall Parish Council

Finances for 2025/26

At the Parish Council meeting in November, Tunstall Parish Council will be discussing finances for the year 2025/26. If you are aware of a project that might need supporting during that period, please let the Parish Council know as soon as possible. The final budget will be set at the January 2025 meeting.

Conclusion of 2023-24 Audit

Just a note to let you all know that a ‘Limited Assurance Review’ has been carried out on our 2023/24 accounts by PKF Littlejohn LLP. They passed and are, as always, available for inspection at a mutually convenient place and time. They can also be found on the website at <https://tunstall.suffolk.cloud/parish-council/accounts/>. If you would like a hard copy, please call the Clerk on 01728 688816.

Grants

Is your village organisation in need of a grant? Through S. 137 Local Government Act 1972, Tunstall Parish Council is permitted to give small grants to village organisations for the benefit of all or a substantial number of residents. If you would like to request a grant, please contact the Parish Clerk. Applications must be in before 31st October and grants will be paid in May 2025.

Activities

Coffee Cake and Chat

For all, including Toddlers -
Every Wednesday during School term time at Tunstall Chapel
9:30am -11:30 am

Friday Club

For Primary School Children –
Every Friday during School term time at Tunstall Chapel, 6:30pm -7:30pm

Youth Group

Secondary School Young People
– Every Friday during School term time at Tunstall Chapel, 7:45pm-9:00pm

Women’s Fellowship

For all women – Every
3rd Tuesday of month at Tunstall Chapel 1:45pm

Charity Quiz Night

Saturday 12 October, 7:30pm,
Rendlesham Primary School

The Vicar’s Voice

“For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven”

These are some verses from the book of Ecclesiastes (3:1-8) in the Old Testament of library of books in Bible. Words which are well-loved and familiar, they are often chosen at times of significant life events. Attributed to Solomon, the king of Israel who built the first Temple in Jerusalem, the son of King David, who wrote many of the psalms, (the most famous of which is the 23rd Psalm, “The Lord is my Shepherd”), Solomon, particularly known for his wisdom, this 3rd Chapter of Ecclesiastes tells us how life is divided into seasons and activities.

At this time of year as autumn approaches we are reminded again that we live in the rhythm of time and the season, and that through faith will can see everything happen in its rightful time according within God’s great plan.

Solomon tells us “*there is a time to be born and a time to die, a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing, a time to break down and a time to build up, a time to mourn and a time to dance, a time to weep and a time to laugh*”. These times are all appointed by God and involve a variety of experiences and activities. However, it is up to us as to how we respond to these times. Weeping may be part of life, but life is not all weeping; laughter has a place too because God’s plan for our lives involves a variety of times and seasons.

This brings to mind one of my most favourite hymns, “Brother, Sister, let me serve you” written in 1976 by the composer Richard Gillard.

Brother, sister let me serve you. Let me be as Christ to you; pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, and companions on the road; we are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you in the night-time of your fear; I will hold my hand out to you, speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping; when you laugh I'll laugh with you; I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven we shall find such harmony, born of all we've known together of Christ's love and agony.



The words of this hymn came to Richard after he had reflected on the story of Jesus washing his disciples’ feet following the last meal they shared together, and which we celebrate and often re-enact on Maundy Thursday. The words speak of how Christians should be alongside one another through all the changing times and seasons of life, not just as individuals but also as communities.

I especially love the verse which encourages us to hold the Christ-light for each other, encouraging us to pray together and come together through the good and bad of life, through all those changing times and seasons. Maybe if we do this more often, we can bring about a peace which is much needed in these changing times in life.

May the light of Christ ever shine brightly in your life, and in the lives of all you love.

With Love and Blessings, Rev Mandy xx

THE REVEREND MANDY REYNOLDS

St Michaels and All Angels Church

The next service at St Michaels and All Angels Church will be on Sunday 27th October at 11am with Reverend Mandy Reynolds.

Tunstall Bowls Club Short Mat Bowls

Although the outdoor green has officially closed, we will be recommencing Short Mat Bowls every Thursday afternoon, 2pm – 4pm in Tunstall Community Hall. Our first session will be held on Thursday 3rd October, sessions are just £4 per person, all ages and abilities very welcome, we look forward to seeing you there.

Anyone for Table Tennis?

If you are looking to join a new local Table Tennis Club, then look no further!

We hope to create a new club in Tunstall Community Hall

Please call John if you are interested in joining us on 07802 935375