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Welcome to the Village, Births, Marriages, Deaths - free of charge, just let the editor know.

Check out our **website** at <http://www.lawshallvillagehall.co.uk>

To discuss anything about the website
please contact Jenna Kitchen on 01284 830022

The proceeds from this magazine will go towards the upkeep and improvement of Lawshall Village Hall, registered charity number 304911

VILLAGE HALL HIRE CHARGES

Lawshall residents... £15 per hour Other users..... £17 per hour
Groups regularly using the hall on a weekly or monthly basis... £12 per hour
Groups that are not regular users... £17 per hour
Children's parties £47 for four hours, to include setting up and clearing away.
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Michael Holt. email: Michael.Holt@babergh.gov.uk

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Village Clubs and Organisations - held in the Village Hall

Lawshall Carpet Bowls: every 1st and 3rd Mon 2-4pm ; contact 07976 313 137

Lawshall Ladies : meetings once per month, days vary, 7pm for contact see p29

Table Tennis Wednesdays 7.30pm, Contact Julian on 07976 313 137

Not in VH: Coldham Hall FC / Cricket - Contact Chris Toole; loftytoole@yahoo.co.uk or
Ben Atkinson on 07921 837296 www.hartestandcoldhamcc.blogspot.co.uk

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Route 10: Tuesdays, 1 July, 29 July, 26 August - Melons Green, 12.50-1.05pm

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**Friday 25th
July**

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7pm

**Film starts
7:30pm**

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The village hall committee would like to thank Lawshall Garden club for organising the hanging baskets again this year.

Lawshall Ladies

Lawshall Ladies meet once a month to take part in a wide range of social activities. Our next meeting will be a boat trip to the Swan at Henny.

For any further information about Lawshall Ladies, please contact:

Sarah Warboys 07885 470385 or Claire Ramsey 07415 195289



District Councillors for Chadacre Ward:



Stephen Plumb stephen.plumb@babergh.gov.uk and

Michael Holt Michael.Holt@babergh.gov.uk



DcIrr **Stephen Plumb** holds a Ward Surgery in **Glemsford** every 3rd Friday and everyone is welcome to attend with any queries or questions.

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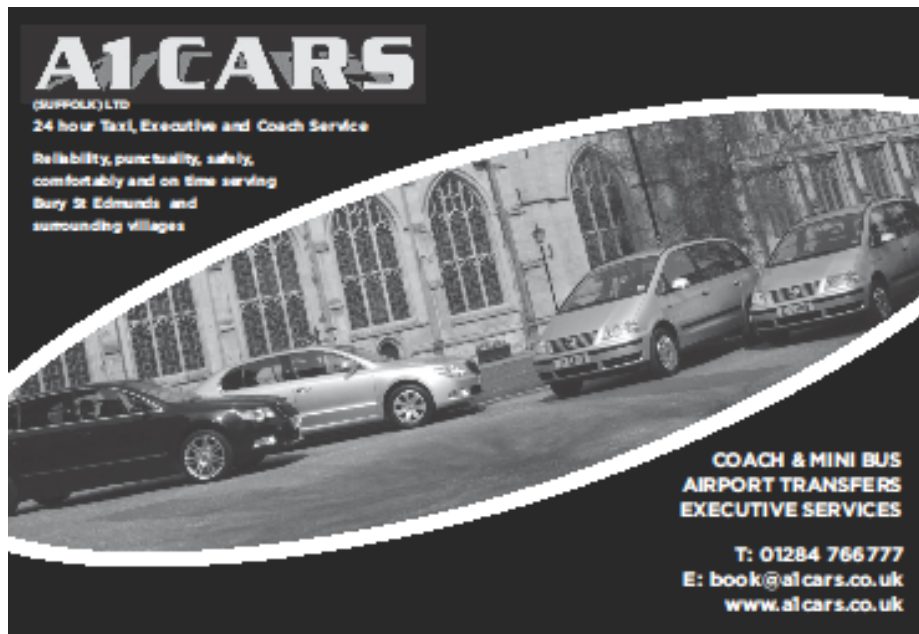
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What's On in Lawshall in July 2025

Coming up...		
Saturday 5th from 2pm	Lawshall Flower Show in All Saints' Church	p21
Sunday 6th 4pm	Pet Service, All Saints' Church	
Tuesday 8th 7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting in the Village Hall	p9
Tuesday 15th	Footsteps in the Forest - Film at LVH	p19
Wednesday 16th 10.30am - 12.30pm	Community Café in the Village Hall	p12
Friday 18th 7pm	Bingo in the Village Hall	
Friday 25th 2pm - 4pm	Community Friday in the Village Hall	p18
Saturday 19th 2-5pm	Strawberry Cream Tea in the Village Hall	p9
Sunday 27th 9.30am - 12.30pm	Lawshall Community Woodland	p29
Regular events...		
Monday 2pm	Carpet Bowls in the Village Hall, July 27th and 21st	
Monday and Wednesday 7.30 - 9.30pm	Table Tennis in the Village Hall	
Tuesday 10 - 12.15am	Pilates in the Village Hall	p18
Wednesday - fortnightly	Knit, Knot & Natter at the Swan	p23
Friday 3-4pm	Fresh Fish Van - John Skelly visits Lawshall	
Dates for your diary...		
Wednesday 20th August	Community Café in the Village Hall	
Friday 22nd August	Community Friday in the Village Hall	
Saturday 4th October	Barn Dance in the Village Hall	

LAWSHALL VILLAGE HALL

IS PLEASED TO PRESENT THE FOLLOWING EVENTS...

BINGO

Monthly on the third Friday of each month 7-9pm. Next session Friday 18th July. £8 entrance (cash only) to include one book of four games, cash prizes. 18+. Refreshments and BYOB.

TABLE TOP SALE - Saturday 28th June 10am - 2pm

STAWBERRY CREAM TEA - Saturday 19th July 2pm - 5pm

DUCK RACE - Saturday 13th September, 7pm - 10.30pm

BARN DANCE - Saturday 4th October 7pm - 10.30 pm

After the success of last year's barn dance, the committee is delighted to have secured the return of the Catch the Pigeon caelidh band.

QUIZ - Saturday 22nd November

More details to follow. Everyone welcome! We look forward to seeing

Following the retirement of John Payne as Chairman of Tuesday Club and the inability to obtain the services of a volunteer to keep the Club in operation the Club itself has closed and funds totalling £1,155.52 donated to Lawshall Village Hall for the benefit of the community.

The easiest way for Lawshall residents to support their village hall is to participate in the monthly lottery. A ticket costs just £2 per draw and setting up payment using your banking app could not be easier. You just need to create a payment of £2 payable to:



Account: **Lawshall Village Hall**
Sort Code: **20-16-12**
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Account type - business



When asked by your app whether this is a regular payment, opt to pay monthly on the 1st. To complete your application, email Leanne Hornby your address so that she can register you and allocate your all important lottery number. leanneandpeter2@gmail.com

Lawshall Evangelical Free Church

Hanningfield Green,
Lawshall,
Ip29 4qd



Just a Thought....

The American science fiction writer Octavia E. Butler said;

"Religion is everywhere; there are no human societies without it, whether they acknowledge it as religion or not."

Human societies are made up of individuals and every adult in that society is religious in the sense that we all live by what we believe, particularly by what we believe happens to us after death.

However, our difficulty is that by nature we have a deceived heart that leads us astray so that we cannot recognise by ourselves when we are believing a lie. (Isaiah 44 v 20). We are alienated from God which has caused our understanding to be darkened (Ephesians 4v18). Because we are in darkness, God in His love for us has given us the truth about life in His word, such that it is said to be 'a lamp to our feet and a light to our path' (Psalm 119 v 105). Jesus declared Himself to be 'The Truth' (John 14 v 6); 'The Light of the world so that anyone following Him would not walk in darkness but have the light of life' (John 8 v 12); and that 'everyone who was of the truth would listen to Him' (John 18 v 37)

We have the choice of either believing and living by our own deceived thinking or submitting our lives in trust to Him.

God so loved the world that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. (John 3 v 16)

We invite you to our Sunday morning service 11.00 to 12.00 to find out more about the Lord Jesus Christ and why He came to earth. We also run a 'Little Treasures' parent and toddler group on a Thursday morning 10.00 to 12.00 during school term.

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Lawshall Village Hall Draw Results
June 2025 Draw

1st Prize £50	A Robson	119
2nd Prize £20	A Walters	318
3rd Prize £10	Mr/Mrs Prout	59
4th Prize £10	K Parish	169
5th Prize £10	N Whatley	403

If **you** would like to support your Village Hall lottery download an application form from the village hall website at
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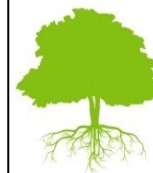
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Lawshall Community Woodlands Forest for Our Children

For frequent walkers in Golden and Crooked Woods, the slow rhythms of the year can be taken for granted as, day by day, the seasons unfold imperceptibly. For others, whose visits are less frequent, the changes can be quite drastic, but often pleasingly so.



On a recent visit to Golden Wood willow warbler could be heard once again after an apparent absence of a year. The meadows, ablaze with buttercup and ox-eye daisy looked stunning, although closer examination revealed many other species, as well as butterflies, day-flying moths and other insects among the flowers.

The small pond which had been of concern because of drying up is still holding a good amount of water in spite of the months of spring drought. The reward is that large red and azure damselflies along with four-spotted and broad-bodied chaser dragonflies were present in numbers on my visit. The latter male chaser is a very handsome creature with the blue pruinescence of the abdomen edged with small cream-coloured scallops. The males rarely rested because they were busy defending their territories against the other males. I sat watching the aerial combat and my patience was rewarded with a visit by a female of the species, surely the most stunning of all dragonflies; an apparition of burnished gold, a seemingly priceless artefact from the tomb of Tutankhamun, dropping eggs willy-nilly into the water before leaving behind the squabbling males.

On a more sombre note, some idle minded individuals decided that the removal of the information board at the Hauswin would be amusing. It is a pity that such energy cannot be channelled into somewhat more useful outcomes.

As always, the management morning takes place on the last Sunday of the month. All welcome.

Adrian Walters



Willows

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Willows Residential Home

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Web: www.willowshome.co.uk

Email: willows-manager@extrafriend.co.uk

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We had an excellent couple of days at the Suffolk Show, where we got to speak to lots of people about what we do and spread awareness about GLT. We were running a range of engaging activities like leaf bashing, wool weaving and demonstrations of a shave horse!

It was wonderful to see so many people curious about the vital work we do.

We also celebrated Volunteers' Week and hosted a stand at the Volunteers Extravaganza in Norwich. Our volunteers are incredibly important to allow the work we do, and we would love to encourage more people to consider volunteering for Green Light Trust. We welcome any skills, whether it's out in the woods or in the office, we can always find a job for you that needs doing.

In other news, we are well underway with our fundraising efforts and staff have been getting creative in ways they can raise important funds for GLT. We have some staff making keyrings, others making homemade dog treats and some growing plants to sell. The ideas are endless, just get thinking and start fundraising.

Please get in touch with any questions you may have from reading this. We would love to hear from you!

Call us on 01284 830829 or email info@greenlighttrust.org.

Phoebe Lucas, Marketing and Fundraising Officer

All Saints' Church

July services at All Saints' Lawshall:

- Sunday 6th July, 4pm: Pet Service at All Saints, Lawshall - bring your furred/feathered/scaly friends along for a blessing
- Sunday 27th July 6.30pm: Evening Communion at All Saints, Lawshall



Please keep an eye on the website and Facebook page for details of services at other churches in the Benefice.

For general enquiries please contact: Revd. Matthew Lawson 01787 310 845 or Jean Clements Churchwarden 01284 828 423. For more information on the services and other events being held by All Saints' Church in Lawshall, please check out:

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PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Planning applications are discussed in meetings, but the Parish Council can only submit their own comments. There is an 'Application search, track and comment' tool at www.babergh.gov.uk/planning which residents can use to find out more detail and make their own comments.

APPLICATION FOR PLANNING PERMISSION - DC/25/02356

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As we approach the end of the school year, we wanted to let you know a little bit about what the school community has been up to and also introduce those who are new in the village to our wonderful school.

All Saint's is an OFSTED outstanding (Jan 2024) Church of England voluntary controlled primary school admitting children aged 4-11. We currently have 175 children across 7 classes. Each class is very lucky to have our experienced and talented teachers and teaching assistants.

Our children love to venture outside. So far this year, all of the children have taken part in Forest Schools sessions and each class has completed their step in the 'Seed to Tree' programme run by village organisation 'Forest for our Children'. Years 3,4,5 and 6 have visited Shimpling Park Farm as part of an annual programme helping the children to understand farming's role in our food production.

Sport and the Arts also continue to be popular. The children are able to take part in a number of extra curricula sports clubs and our ever-popular sports day will take place this month. We have a thriving theatre club which is currently working on its third production of the year and a pottery club run by local artist, Cally. One of the highlights of the year is when the children enter a piece of artwork in the village show - they all wait eagerly the next week to see who will get the first prize! Not long to wait now!

Staff at the school have been busy too. In May, our headteacher, Clare Lamb, was invited to the King's garden party at Buckingham palace in recognition of her services to Education. All of us at the school agree that it was thoroughly deserved. We have also recently been awarded the Research Mark Plus which recognises our engagement with research and evidence - informed practices and acknowledges that we use them to inform how we teach.

One of our last events of the year will be our summer fair on Friday 11th July at the village hall - everyone is welcome. Please do pop along and see us.

Finally if you have a little one and would like to find out more about our school, please get in touch for a chat or tour- 01284 828223.

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Bird Notes

Looking back to the lovely warm, dry spring and early summer that we have had this year, it seems that the birds have fared much better for their breeding. They were able to get nesting underway a bit earlier due to the more clement weather, also the insects started hatching in response to the higher temperatures. Last year it was so cold and wet that there were not enough caterpillars and grubs to feed the young birds. Last year our garden blue tits lost nearly all their brood due to the lack of food (I cleared out the corpses of the poor babies and cleaned the nest, but there was no second attempt). A different story this year though - the first brood was a total success with many young blue tits being fed in the garden, and the nestbox is now in use for a second time. The birds in general seem to be much more successful this time around.



Blue tit

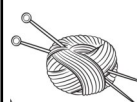


Swift

We are seeing more house martins around this summer too. My neighbours on both sides have martins on the nest. They still won't use my artificial nests though! There is a small flight of swifts (up to six individuals) using the air above the Glebe and Walcher's meadow to gather insects. I just love the sound of their screeching as they call to each other.

The months of July and August tend to be quiet for the birders among us as there is no migration happening, hence very few vagrant rarities turning up unexpectedly. Also the resident birds are too busy raising their families to do much singing to give away their presence. At this time I use my garden relaxer and watch the sky, mainly for birds of prey gliding over. As well as kestrel and sparrowhawk, we get buzzard, red kite and hobby over our head here in Lawshall.

Cliff Cooper



Knit Knot & Natter

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Charity Bike Ride

Friends of Coldham Hall football club are organising a charity bike ride on 19th July in memory of Paul Parish. The ride will start from Cambridge United football ground and take in Coldham Hall ground. The ride will cover approximately 35 miles through the back roads. Money raised will be split between Alzheimers Society and club funds. Transport for bikes to Cambridge is available. Finishing at the Red House Stanningfield where you can purchase a drink and a burger. The Maglia Rosso Hawstead have kindly offered to do free bike safety inspections. Any work would need to be paid for if advised.

For more details or donations contact Ian Copping.

iancopping18@gmail.com



Lawshall Garden Club

As an enthusiastic but amateur gardener I have, over many years, tried to plan and plant my own garden, with varying degrees of success and failure. However, after all the hard work, the best moments are when I can just sit in my garden and appreciate what has been achieved.

I am currently re-vamping an area, which I have allowed to get a little overgrown, but I can already see the benefits of our hard work (I could not have done any of this without the assistance of my 'willing' husband). I am now more determined to get to grips with other areas in the garden that need revitalising! Armed with a list of monthly jobs, and things I would like to achieve over the next few months, it's time to put in the effort required.

Things to do

- Cut lavender for drying (choose newly opened flowers for the best fragrance and hang up in a cool, dark place).
- Plant autumn bulbs, including Nerines, Colchicums and Sternbergia, in pots and borders
- Cut back early summer perennials, such as hardy geraniums and delphiniums, after flowering for a second flush.
- Take softwood cuttings from shrubs such as Pyracantha, Cotinus, Hydrangeas and Spiraea.
- Feed and deadhead roses to keep them flowering strongly.



Things not to do

As always, try not to waste water and where possible avoid using sprays to control insect pests - let nature's predators help you.

Whatever needs doing in your gardens, take time to enjoy them!

Meeting with likeminded people at the Lawshall Garden Club meetings, is really enjoyable, swapping ideas and helping each other where we can, as well as organising visits etc. to other gardens or nurseries.

We are currently having a number of meetings in members' gardens. If you are interested in joining our group, please email (below) and we will include you in our emails.

Debbie Parker LAWSHALL GARDEN CLUB TREASURER

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From the Archives July 2025

The Harrow Pub

It was great to meet and welcome the new owners of Harrow House last month. The last time I was there was on Friday 31st July 1970, having a drink before my wedding the following day. We once had five pubs in the village and this was the last one to close. Thank goodness The Swan has survived!

Just a few snippets and photos

From the Bury Free Press, September 5th 1891: 'Messrs. Biddell offered for sale on Wednesday evening the well known hostelry known as the Harrow Inn together with a lucrative baking business. It passed into the hands of Messrs. Mauldon of Sudbury for £760.'

From the BFP November 3rd 1860: 'Robert Bruce, labourer of Lawshall, was summoned for an assault on Mrs. Elizabeth Frost, landlady of the Harrow Inn, the defendant admitted the charge. Mrs. Frost said that he brought an empty bottle and demanded some beer. She gave him a glass of beer and he asked if he might be trusted with a pint, which she refused. He then shook his fist in her face, using very abusive language. The Bench said that the young men in that parish seemed bent upon such misconduct, but they were determined to stop it. A fine of £1 with 6s/6d costs! In today's money about £205, a lot for a village labourer!



Regulars signing a petition to Greene King to keep the pub open. Sadly the pub closed in 1971. Left to right, Basil Wilding, Eric Bates, Toby Thompson Roy Paine and Landlord Jimmy Mapston,

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This postcard of The Harrow was posted to one of my Cropley relations at Park Farm Sicklesmere (Rushbrook) sometime after 1910, it has a George V Halfpenny stamp.



The Lawshall Murder took place on **Monday 20th January, 1851** and was reported in detail in both the local and national press including The Times. The event will always be associated with the Harrow Inn. Elizabeth Bainbridge, a 31-year-old dress and straw bonnet maker, was visiting her brother's public house, the Harrow Inn, where she spent time drinking with George Carnt, a 29-year-old farm labourer and lodger at the Inn. The couple appeared to have formed a recent attachment. She left the public house between three and four o'clock to return to her father's house across the fields. Carnt followed her to a pond at the back of Frithy Wood, where the murder took place. On **April 22, 1851**, at the Bury Goal on Sicklesmere Road in Bury, on a specially-built platform by renowned local builder John Darkin, the gruesome public spectacle of George Carnt's hanging took place in front of 4,000 spectators. It was a day out for people and I would imagine many Lawshall villagers were there on the day.

If you have any more photos and information about the Harrow, please could I have copies for the Lawshall Archives? I am sure the new residents would also be interested.

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