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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

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Editorial

Hello everyone and welcome to the June edition of Round & About Lawshall.

Well, after quite a gloomy start to the year, the sun has finally started to shine. I do hope this is still the case by the time your edition of R&A has been delivered!

June will be another busy month at the Village Hall, with the Community Café, Community Friday and Bingo supplemented by a Table Top Sale towards the end of the month.

Now is the time to get sorting out those cupboards and perhaps raise some spending money for your Summer holiday or that treat you have been promising yourself. If you don't have enough items for a table of your own, why not pair up with a friend or neighbour? There was quite a 'team spirit' among the stall holders last year and the refreshments were delicious! I will be booking a table to share with my daughter. Even if you don't have a table, do come along to see what bargains you can find and support your Village Hall. All funds raised go towards the maintenance of the Hall and the gradual planned improvement of facilities.

Another important event on the horizon is the Lawshall Flower Show on Saturday 5th July. You can find the programme in the centre pages for you to pull out and keep.

Finally, the LVH Committee would like to thank Kathie Cornelius for kindly donating an original watercolour by local artist Vernon Lever to the Village Hall. Kathie won the painting in the raffle at the Lawshall Ladies meeting in April.

Thanks as always to our regular contributors - let me delay you no longer - time to get reading!

With very best wishes,

Julia

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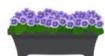
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Lawshall Ladies

On the evening of 25th April, six of the Lawshall Ladies visited The Great Yeldham Distillery for a spirit tour. We were regaled with the history of the company and gin making. Did you know that all gin starts off as vodka? A tour of the beautiful old premises finished with tasting samples of the many rums, gins and vodkas that are distilled there. It was a thoroughly enjoyable evening which I would recommend to anyone who enjoys gin.

Suzanne Ricketts

Lawshall Ladies meet once a month to take part in a wide range of social activities. Our next meeting will be a trip to Fullers Mill.

For any further information about Lawshall Ladies, please contact:

Sarah Warboys 07885 470385 or Claire Ramsey 07415 195289



Knit Knot & Natter

Every other Wednesday at The Swan. New members welcome.
For the date of our next meeting email editorofranda@gmail.com

Lawshall Village Hall Draw Results May 2025 Draw

1st Prize £50	M & A Coles	56
2nd Prize £20	S Minns	358
3rd Prize £10	N Whatley	403
4th Prize £10	J Boreham	176
5th Prize £10	P Driscoll	301

If **you** would like to support your Village Hall lottery download an application form from the village hall website at

<http://lawshallvillagehall.co.uk/lottery-2/>

Or contact: **Leanne Hornby on 01284 830895**

Thank you to Ian Carrington who co-ordinates the collectors.

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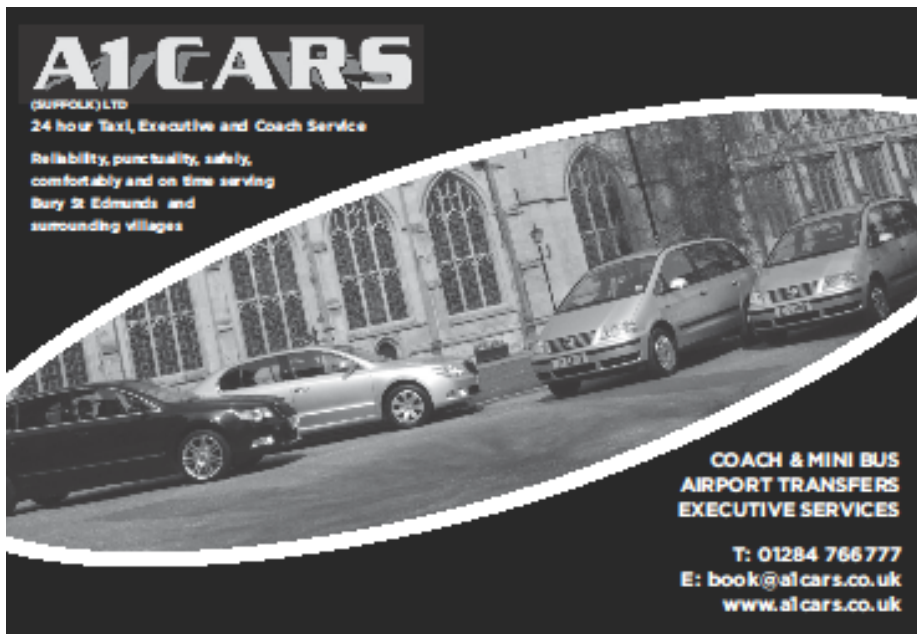
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What's On in Lawshall in June 2025

Coming up...

Tuesday 10th 7.30pm	Parish Council Meeting in the Village Hall	p9
Wednesday 18th 10.30am - 12.30pm	Community Café in the Village Hall	p9
Friday 20th 7pm	Bingo in the Village Hall	
Friday 27th 2-4pm	Community Friday in the Village Hall	p9
Saturday 28th 10am - 2pm	Table Top Sale in the Village Hall	p7
Sunday 29th 9.30am - 12.30pm	Lawshall Community Woodland	p29

Regular events...

Monday 2pm	Carpet Bowls, June 2nd and 16th	
Monday and Wednesday 7.30 - 9.30pm	Table Tennis in the Village Hall	
Tuesday 10 - 12.15am	Pilates in the Village Hall	p16
Wednesday - fortnightly	Knit, Knot & Natter at the Swan	p33
Friday 3-4pm	Fresh Fish Van - John Skelly visits Lawshall	

Dates for your diary...

Saturday 5th July	Lawshall Flower Show
Tuesday 15th July	Footsteps in the Forest - Film at LVH - see p27
Wednesday 16th July	Community Café in the Village Hall
Friday 18th July	Bingo at the Village Hall
Saturday 19th July	Strawberry Cream Tea in the Village Hall 2-5 pm
Friday 25th July	Community Friday in the Village Hall

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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



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Just a Thought....

There is a saying that used to be more familiar in time past than today which is, 'Threescore years and ten'. It actually comes from the Bible and refers to the length of time we are here on earth: *'The days of our years are threescore years and ten'* Psalm 90 v 10.

Someone has calculated how a typical lifespan of seventy years is spent. Here is their estimate:

	Years	%	When examined so
Sleep	23.0	32.9	precisely it makes life
Work	16.0	22.8	look a bit mundane but
TV	8.0	11.4	God originally created
Eating	6.0	8.6	us through the Lord
Travel	6.0	8.6	Jesus Christ for the
Leisure	4.5	6.5	purpose of enjoying
Illness	4.0	5.7	fellowship with Him;
Dressing	2.0	2.8	Colossians 1 v 16 <i>'All</i>
Religion	0.5	0.7	<i>things were created</i>
Total	70.0	100.0	<i>through Him and for</i>
			<i>Him'</i> . When the first
			man and woman,

Adam and Eve, rejected Him, the human race became *'separated from the life of God'*, such that without Him we are described as *'living in the futility of our minds'* Ephesians 4 v 17,18. By nature we now worship and serve ourselves (Romans 1 v 25), but any who repent and receive the Lord Jesus He delivers from their *'aimless conduct'* 1 Peter 1 v 18 that they might worship Him *'in spirit and truth'* John 4 v 24, who is far more worthy of worship than we are.

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.

Richard Kemp

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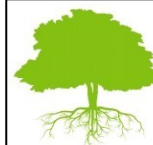
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Regular walkers may have seen the new 'crop' of telegraph poles sprouting from the ground in the middle of Golden Wood. This is the third incarnation for the poles having been recycled for many years by Green Light Trust and then donated to the Lawshall Community Woodlands. This structure is the first phase of our pole barn although the poles are to be considerably reduced in height.



In the past all coppiced wood has been stored in the open with plastic sheet covers to keep off the worst of the weather. In wet years, however, damp remains in the wood, which is not acceptable. Although we produce a limited amount of firewood, we aim to ensure that it is of the highest quality.

In the recent past there has been significant expenditure in Golden Wood with the renovation of the Hauswin, new information boards and two new access gates with associated improvements to their approaches. Most recently we had work carried out to enlarge and deepen the small pond. Grants towards some of these works have been most helpful and appreciated. The costs of the materials for roofing and cladding the barn will be met from the ongoing generous donations by the Friends of Lawshall Community Woodlands for which the volunteers who care for the areas are extremely grateful.

Now that summer is here, the management mornings are lighter affairs but still take place on the last Sunday of the month. It has been very nice to see a few new faces in recent months.

Adrian Walters



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LAWSHALL PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Assembly of the Parish Council

Thanks to Lawshall Trust, Coldham Hall Football Club and The Turtle Dove Project for sharing their recent successes and activities. Lawshall Parish Council has been pleased to support the development of these local projects over the past year.

Councillor Elections

Mark Anson was elected Chair and Catherine Baynton Vice Chair.

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.

PLANNING PERMISSION GRANTED DC/25/00854: Proposal: Application to vary Condition 2 (Approved Plans and Documents) and Condition 4 (Operating Hours). Erection of workshop building. Location: Land at Corner Farm, Lawshall Road.

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Footsteps in the Forest

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In July 2010 we had the privilege of hosting five rainforest landowners to help us build **The Hauswin** – or some of you may refer to it as 'The Hut on the Hill'! We are inviting you all to a private screening of the film that was shot at the time of this historic event. Some of you will spot yourselves or remember others who were involved.

The film lasts 55 minutes, followed by a short discussion. Please let us know if you are attending to help us provide adequate seating.

Nigel and Ric - nigel@outstanding.global

All Saints' Church

June services at All Saints' Lawshall:

- Sunday 8th June, 4pm: Wild Church, Golden Wood - weather permitting, keep an eye on Facebook for any changes of plan!
- Sunday 29th June 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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Or get in touch if you want to chat further about your fundraising ideas:

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Phoebe Lucas, Marketing and Fundraising Officer.



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Community Friday

In April, the newly formed Community Friday group was treated to a very interesting talk by an excellent speaker, Stephen Moody, who is part of the Bury Tour Guides. He spoke about shops that were in Bury St Edmunds in days gone by. There were lots of "yes, I remember that one" from those present who have lived in the area for some time.

We learned that there were once three Stead and Simpson shoe shops within the town and that Marks and Spencer own their listed building, which is why they have not been included in recent closures of some M&S Stores.

We are hoping to have wide and varied meetings and would love to welcome more people from the Community to join us. At a cost of £2 which includes tea/coffee biscuits and possibly cakes, it is not bad value for an afternoon out.

Rosemary Riches

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Lawshall Garden Club

Although there is always work to do in the garden, June is a time to try to sit back, relax and enjoy the fruits of your spring labour, take time to listen to the birdsong and taking in the sights and scents, especially the roses. Now is the time to plant out summer bedding, given that all chance of frosts should have passed, and also tidy up perennials after flowering.

This year I am trying something a little different on my patio. I have some very tender, slightly tropical, plants to put out in pots, such as a banana plant, a large indoor Yucca and an Umbrella plant, which I hope will give the patio a different feel. Obviously, these plants will not tolerate too low a temperature, and will have to be put away under cover during colder nights, but it's worth trying something new!

Unfortunately, with the warm weather comes the threat of pests and diseases. Do not plant your plants too close together. For example, roses need space and air to thrive. By spacing them, rust and blackspot can be reduced. A healthy garden will also attract insects and other creatures that will control infestations of blackfly and other similar pests. Wasps will also feed on many of our common pests. Greenhouses may need shading, so that any plants grown inside do not scorch in the sun and heat. Ventilators should be left open all the time.

Some of the things to do:

- Clip hedges and topiaries.
- Feed containers with a liquid feed every week or two.
- Feed border plants and roses once during the month, to give them a midsummer boost.
- Stake tall border plants.



Things not to do:

- Don't waste water on the lawn in dry spells, save it for plants and veggies.
 - Avoid using sprays to control insect pests - let nature's predators help you.
- Whatever needs doing in your gardens, take time to enjoy!

If you are interested in joining our group, please email (below) and we will include you in our emails.

Happy Gardening!

Debbie Parker

LAWSHALL GARDEN CLUB TREASURER info@johnparkerandco.co.uk

From the Archives June 2025

Getting to Know Lawshall

I'm always a bit surprised when village people don't know where the various areas are in the village, but I must admit when I wrote my final college thesis in 1968 I was not familiar with the Lawshall Green end of the village. I had always lived on Melford Road and we always left the village via Hawstead and Nowton.

Recently someone said they had no idea that there were three churches in the village. I know I have done this before but thought I would include a few photos from around the village, so hopefully, when you are driving through you can say 'Ah ha! That's where that is!' Of course I know that all the people who have lived in the village all their lives will know these places!

As always if you come across old photos of the village that I may not have in the Archives I would be really grateful if you could allow me to copy them. Or maybe you could take on photographing the village in 2025 for the Archives?



I think this aerial photo was taken in the 1960s. Most gardens have a green house and the vegetable plots are immaculate. Those who live near here will know where it is!

Bird Notes

The high pressure weather systems over the country during April and May gave us all that lovely warm, sometimes hot, dry weather. Those same weather patterns were also good for our incoming migrant birds. The general wind conditions helped to pull the birds up through Africa and through the European mainland to our sunny shores. Many of the migrating species reached Lawshall up to a fortnight earlier than usual. Of course, not all of the individual birds appeared so early, but the advance parties were here to take advantage of the warm and dry conditions. The insects responded to the early increase in temperature so there was a good supply of food available for the early birds.

We took advantage of the fine weather by spending a couple of days on the Norfolk coast with our birding friends at the very end of April. It was good to visit the park at Snettisham and see just how well it was recovering after the awful fire that destroyed so much wildlife habitat a couple of years ago; we also saw our first common tern of the year from the beach there.



Common Tern

In view of the summer-like weather, it was quite surprising to see a flock of golden plover still on the reserve at Titchwell, along with many Brent geese which we thought would have been way up north by then.

The second week of May seemed like a good time to visit the RSPB reserve at Lakenheath. It was a red hot day that we chose and the walk right round the reserve took us about three hours with very little shelter from the sun. We were well rewarded for our effort with good views of hobby and marsh harrier over the reedbeds. A bittern also obliged by flying right over our heads before dropping back into the reeds. The sound of cuckoos was constant - I think we saw five different males during the walk, and we clocked up a species count of fifty-six for the day.

Cliff Cooper

VE Day 80th Anniversary



Villagers gathered on the afternoon of Saturday May 3rd to mark the 80th anniversary of VE Day. An entertainer led participation from young and old alike and a good time was had by all. Thanks to Wendy Harris and the VH catering team for the generous spread.

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Charity Bike Ride

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For more details or donations contact Ian Copping.



iancopping18@gmail.com

While searching the Archives I got distracted and came across this old information relating to the Lawshall Charities. I presume everyone knows where Kelso Place is? I have often wondered how various places in the village got their names. We have lanes called Golden, Donkey and Lambs. Also names of fields and areas like the Greens named Harrow, Harts, Hanningfields and Hibbs.

The photo below shows Commander Edward Barrington Purvis Kelso, R.N., who was one of the oldest officers of his rank on the retired list of the navy. He died at Horkesley Park but was buried at Lawshall in about 1924; the fact that he was the only child and heiress of Barrington Purvis, of Beccles and Purvis Hall, Essex may give a clue to his resting place at Lawshall. There is a record of Amy Purvis who died in 1815, she was married to Nathaniel Colville who was Rector of Lawshall in the early 1800's. Frances Purvis was buried at Lawshall (*I don't know where her grave is!*) in 1857, and her husband was Edward Kelso of Horkesley Park. There is some suggestion that some land in the village was owned by the Purvis family and the Charity was set up by Barrington Kelso in his will. Apparently it was known as the Edward Barrington Purvis Kelso charity for poor widows.

Does any one fancy a spot of research? It would be good to have more information about the Kelso link to the village.

It would be great if any young people in the village who are studying history or just interested in Local History could research some of our village history.

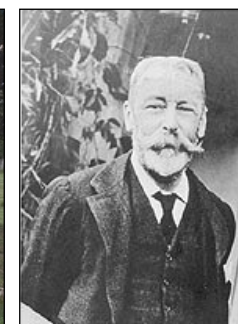


Photo from 1909 of Edward Kelso R.N. I need to go to the churchyard to get a current photo of the remains of his memorial plinth in-between the two crosses.

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- 43. A finger painting picture
- 44. A lego Model (Not from a kit)
- 45. A Pasta Necklace
- 46. A Fruit / Vegetable Model
- 47. A Handmade Card
- 48. A Paper Aeroplane, (will be flight tested)
- 49. A Garden on a Plate - The award for this class is the Victoria Plate

For Present Pupils of Lawshall School

- 50. A chosen piece of Artwork - for the Derek Last Shield

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- 51. A chosen piece of artwork - for the Lawshall Pre School Challenge Cup.

Entry Form Details

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5. 1 Hosta
6. 1 Fuschia
7. 1 Cactus or succulent display
8. 6 Pansies
9. 3 Chrysanthemum Blooms in vase
10. 1 Vase of mixed wild flowers

Vegetables & Fruit

11. 4 Onions (Tops On)
12. 4 Tomatoes
13. 4 Beetroot(Tops On)
14. 4 Potatoes (Any Variety)
15. 5 Carrots
16. 1 Marrow
17. 5 Runner Bean
18. 2 Lettuces (Any Variety)
19. 4 Eggs (Of One Colour)
20. An entry of any Seasonal Fruit
21. 2 Courgettes
22. A bulb of garlic
23. 5 Pods of Broad Beans
24. 2 Cabbages

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Home Produce

25. 4 Cheese Scones
26. 4 Bread Rolls
27. A Fruit Loaf
28. A Cheesecake
29. A jar of 2025 Jam
30. 1 Jar 2025 Marmalade
31. 1 Jar Honey
32. For **MEN ONLY** - 4 Sausage Rolls

Hobbie Class

33. Any Homemade Article
34. A Coloured Photograph of any animal
35. A recycled/upcycled craft
36. An Item of Handmade Jewellery

Floral Art

37. A Buttonhole Red, White & Blue
38. A Posy in a jam jar
39. An arrangement in a Wellington Boot

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