

# Spirit of Sutterby

## Forthcoming events

### Autumn 2017

Commemorating the Dead in English Churches

An illustrated talk by John Vigar

Monday, October 9th

Partney Village Hall, 7pm

£5 to include an artistically challenging themed refreshment from the Firsby Artisan Bakery  
All welcome

This lecture will take the form of a chronological account of the ways in which the dead have been commemorated in English churches. From 13th century grave covers via stone and wooden effigies we will look at the magnificent Elizabethan and Tudor sculptures that add so much to our church visits. The progress of design will then follow the plethora of post-Reformation ledgerstones and wall tablets to end with WWI Battlefield crosses. On the way our journey will extend to medieval brasses and other forms of commemoration including stained glass and rood screens.

Dexthorpe Church

Thursday October 12th

Swaby Village Hall, 7pm

£3 to include refreshments

The observant and/or knowledgeable amongst you will know that not only is there no longer a church at Dexthorpe, but the village itself is no more. But that doesn't stop The Horde. Mentioned in Domesday alongside Sutterby and Dalby the earthworks of the church are extant and Dave Start will be giving an introduction to the church and explaining the surveying project which will take place on 11th and 12th November. All welcome who would like to hear the background and put Dexthorpe in context. Crack band of Volunteers sought for surveying weekend - not for the faint hearted but should (could) be fun.

( see attached document from Dave Start)

The Sutterby Model

Wednesday, October 25th 7.30pm

Franklin Village Hall

Free to include refreshments .

All welcome.

The Sutterby Model could be a number of things or indeed people, but is in fact a 1:16 perfect scale model lovingly crafted by master model maker John May. The model is at the heart of the Woolly Walls Project, which is being coordinated and overseen by the Woolly Walls Executive Design Group. Now in the process of being artistically designed and crafted, you are invited to an Open Evening, where the model will be on display and the Design Group will be explaining how the project is developing and how you can be involved.

From the sublime to the ridiculous : 2 talks for the price of one  
Saturday, 4th November 3pm

Franklin Hall, Spilsby  
£4 All welcome

We are so pleased to welcome the Reverend Cliff Knowles, who will be talking about the life and times of Lincolnshire Churches Trust. We are honoured that St John the Baptist, Sutterby features in their 2018 calendar - copies of which will be available to purchase on the afternoon at the bargain price of £6

After a break for tea. (Firsby Artisan Bakery has been contacted) we resume with a masterclass in churchyard humour.

Our very own David Stonehouse treats us to his talk 'The Last Laugh'. David has an abiding interest in the recording of gravestones and shares with us some of the more interesting and entertaining memorials which he has encountered whilst on his knees in churchyards far and wide.

The Dexthorpe Survey  
with Dave Start

Saturday, 11th November and Sunday 12th November  
A whatever- the -weather survey of the site of Dexthorpe Church.  
Crack band of stout hearted volunteers required.

For more details please come along to the event on October 12th or contact Dave Start  
01507 480620 start.david@btinternet.com

Owl Pellet Workshop  
With Garry Steele.  
Monday, November 20th  
Stickford Community Centre  
10am - 12pm

£3 to include refreshments, plus requested donation in support of purchase of Barn Owl box.

A taught Workshop starting with an introductory talk, then gloves on we start our owl pellet dissections. The pellets contain the ingested skeletons of small mammals and this is a marvellous opportunity for Meccano Mammal Building. There is a lot to be learned in relation to the diet of the birds and also the added bonus of supplementing our knowledge of local small mammal populations. The hope is that this may form the start of an ongoing research project into the diet of our Sutterby Owls.

Booking required.

Mediaeval Women & Their Beds  
with Dr Hollie Morgan  
Wednesday, 22nd November 7.30pm  
Franklin Hall, Spilsby  
£4 to include themed refreshments.....

All welcome.

Mediaeval men make numerous appearances as we delve into documents, but where are the women and what were they doing? As in introduction to this topic, we are pleased to welcome Dr

Hollie Morgan from Lincoln University who has been researching the fascinating subject of mediaeval women and their beds. Beds make regular appearances in the Sutterby inventories so we look forward to viewing them in their historical and social context.

Christmas Review  
Saturday, December 2nd  
Franklin Hall, Spilsby  
7pm

Free to include refreshments

Ever wondered what on earth has been going on? Woolly Walls, Parish Boundary Project, Fieldwalking, Flint & Pot Reports, maps, terriers, Nattes drawings, Lincolnshire Chairs, Inventories, Wills, and, of course, Moths to name but a few of the rather eclectic talks, workshops and events which have taken place during the year. Join us for a chance to catch up, look back and gaze with wonderment at what the future holds. Quiz, Sutterby Anthem 2017 and a Special Guest... Our annual invitation to celebrate you, The Horde, upon whose continuing support and enthusiasm this project so much depends.

St John the Baptist, Sutterby  
Saturday, December 9th  
10.30am

To be followed by seasonal refreshments

An invitation to gather at the building which remains at the very heart of our project. Not a formal service, but a celebration of the season in words and music. A chance to stand among the stones as so many have done for so many years.

All welcome