

Shotley Pier Group Newsletter

Happy New Year

Lots will be happening in the next couple of months, so there will be extra newsletters for a little while. We wish you all a happy new year and look forward to letting you know news as it unfolds.

Thanks to all who came to say hallo and enjoyed our refreshments at Pierside Snacks last week. We even had rare birds and twitchers in attendance.

We appreciate the support, and it reminds us there is tremendous warmth and friendship towards our team, we will let you know each week whether we will be there on a Sunday - all weather dependent during these winter months!

Pierside Snacks next date: Sunday 5th Jan 10am - 2pm



Red Lion Coffee Morning 8th January 2020 10.30 am-12 noon

This Michelin listed restaurant on Main Road, Chelmondiston, kindly donates their excellent coffee and tea to this event. All cakes are donated by volunteers and supporters so that every penny goes to pier funds. The entry price is held at £5 which includes a hot drink, home-made cake and a lovely, friendly, chatty atmosphere and you're always in with a chance of winning one of our raffle prizes if you wish to take part. Come and join us !

January Artist of the Month

Peta Hillier is a local artist, trained at Suffolk university but art is a life-long passion.

She said: "This season I'm specialising in the domestic still life as a response to well-being issues, and the importance of being in the moment with meditative pieces of cafe and kitchen life. I use acrylics in a semi abstract style and focus on form and colour in these paintings.



Maritime Film Festival

The Woolverstone Project (sailing for the disabled) and the Woodbridge Riverside Trust are holding a maritime film festival in Woodbridge from 17th - 19th January. All funds raised are shared by these two charities.

This film festival is a unique event for the UK and is a celebration of yachting and maritime films. During the three days they will be showing a wide range of films celebrating the very best in yachting and maritime films from all eras, but with a focus also on the East and the way in which it has inspired filmmakers.

Full details of the films and events are on their Facebook page and the booking site - click on the link below to find out more

It's a great cause and the Woolverstone Project is one of the local charities we hope to work with when the pier is accessible to small boats.

[Find out more about the Maritime Film Festival events](#)