

Booking arrangements.

All events are open to the public except where indicated, but members will receive preference where spaces are limited.

Contact the person named for each event when applying for tickets for the event you wish to attend, please indicate clearly your full name and address, and whether the tickets are for members or non-members. PLEASE NOTE THAT ALL PRICES SHOWN ARE FOR MEMBERS, UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. NON-MEMBERS ARE WELCOME, BUT A 10% TICKET PRICE SURCHARGE APPLIES.

Places are limited, so early application is advisable.

When your ticket request is approved, please send your payment cheque to the address you will be given.

All cheques must be made payable to "The Suffolk Poetry Society".

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Thanks are also due to Browsers Bookshop, at Woodbridge, and Arlington's Brasserie, Ipswich.

Café Poets

Regular informal meetings of poets to read new work and listen to the work of fellow poets, living and dead. The Cafés operate independently, but in association with the Suffolk Poetry Society.

Pinky's Café, Market Square Halesworth, IP19 8AY
Third Friday of alternate months at 7.00 pm. £3.50
Contact Mike Bannister (01986 872981)

Browsers, The Thoroughfare, Woodbridge, IP12 1AL
Second Friday each month at 7.00pm, collecting tin.
Contact Fred Ellis (01728 833094)

Poetry Aloud at Benson Blakes Bar, 88/89 St Johns Street, Bury St Edmunds, IP33 1SL
Last Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm, £2.00
Contact Rob Lock (07933 829455)

Sudbury Café Poets, 46 Gainsborough Street, Sudbury, CO10 2EU Second Wednesday of each month at 7.30 pm. £3.50.
Contact Jill Dawson (01787 379940)

Arlington's Café Poets, 13 Museum Street, Ipswich, IP1 1HE First Tuesday each month at 7.00 pm. £2.00.
Contact Liz Ambler (01473 230293)



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Junior membership £5

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The Diamond Jubilee Programme 2012

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The 2012 Programme

GEORGE WALLACE RETURNS

Suffolk USA to Suffolk UK

The American contemporary beat poet will excite, energise and enliven the New Year with an afternoon workshop (£15.00) on Tuesday January 3rd at Shotley Peninsula at 2pm and a short evening reading at 7pm at Arlingtons Brasserie, 14 Museum Street, Ipswich, IP1 1HE. The reading is free to Arlington Café Poets and SPS members, but costs £5.00 to others. Details from Ian Griffiths Phone 01473 787516



THE SUFFOLK POETRY SOCIETY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING,

Sunday March 11th 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm
RED CROSS HALL, WOODBRIDGE.

ALL MEMBERS WARMLY WELCOMED.
with

GUEST READER— KATE FOLEY
Amsterdam/Suffolk based poet and SPS member Kate Foley has kindly agreed to read to us. She is currently completing her fifth collection, due in 2012, and she gives readings and workshops across Europe.



Contact Elizabeth Bracken Phone 01502 715907

JOHN MOLE

***Surprising Ourselves* A poetry workshop for children aged 8 and above**, with conversation and guesswork arising from riddles and a few poems in a form that can be imitated, with the opportunity for each to read their work to the whole group. Parents welcome. In the evening John will talk about his work—he is poet in residence to the City of London—and will read his own poems. **Saturday March 24th at The Friends' Meeting House, Sudbury. Workshop 3.00 pm to 4.30 pm. Reading and discussion 7.00 pm to 9.00pm.** Contact Anne Boileau 01376 563714 for details.



POETRY IN MOTION

North Suffolk Poets entertain 'Ladies that Lunch' at Swan House, Beccles, presenting poems on a 2012 Olympics theme. At Swan House, by the Tower, Beccles, NR34 9HE on Wednesday April 18th at 12.45 for 1.00 pm. Reading and two course lunch, with a glass of wine £17.50 To book contact Swan House on 01502 713474

KATE FOLEY *Tree-Ring Time Clock-Time*

Time to stand back and consider a deeper context for our writing. What does the slow, tree-ring growth of personal history and history in its wider sense mean to us as we live our lives in clock-time?

Workshop for 10 poets on Saturday May 26th 11 am to 4 pm, £35, lunch included at Victoria House, Lambseth Street, Eye, IP23 7AQ. Contact Anne Boileau on 01376 563714 for details



FIONA SAMPSON

Mr Henry and Mrs Victoria Engleheart entertain the poet, critic and editor of 'Poetry News' to tea with SPS members.

Tea at The Priory, Stoke by Nayland, Sunday 9th September at 3.00 p.m.

SPS members only. (No charge.) Limited places. Booking essential via Elizabeth Bracken Phone 01502 715907



JUDY GAHAGAN *Telling the Soul's Tales 2*

Run again by popular demand

A residential course for ten poets for reflection, discussion and writing under the tutorship of Judy Gahagan. **October 5th to 7th inclusive at The Othona Community, Bradwell, Essex. CM0 7PN Cost £150 for full board to members, non-members £165. (Priority booking for members)** Details from Judith Wolton on 01255 428532



MATTHEW HOLLIS

The last years of Edward Thomas

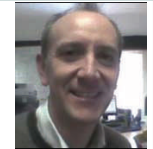
An illustrated lecture by the author of 'All Roads Now Lead to France' about this important poet of The Great War, followed after tea by members presenting a favorite Thomas poem, which can be discussed and explored under Matthew's expert guidance. **Sunday October 28th at The Friends' Meeting House, 39 Fonnereau Road, Ipswich, IP1 3JH. 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm. Tickets £8.00 members . £8.80 non-members.** Contact Anne Boileau 01376 563714



Other memorable coming events.

DESERT ISLAND POEMS

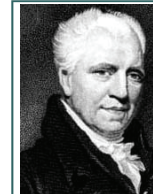
Nick Wells, the organiser of the Bury St. Edmunds Festival chooses his favourite poems, to be presented by poets from the five Poetry Cafés in Suffolk. This will form part of the Bury Festival on Tuesday May 8th. For more information contact Colin Whyles on 01787 374516



The George Crabbe Memorial Poetry Competition 2012

First Prize £500. Second Prize £150
Third Prize £100 . The adjudicator will be the Scottish poet Kenneth Steven.

Entry forms will be on the SPS website www.suffolkpoetrysociety.org.uk in early January 2012.



THE 2012 CRABBE POETRY COMPETITION AWARDS.

Sunday 14th October in the Garden Lounge at The Wentworth Hotel Aldeburgh

Luncheon 12.30 for 1.00 pm, then at 3.00 pm the prize giving, reading of award winning poems, with comments by the adjudicator **Kenneth Steven.** 3 course lunch £21 per person.

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