

OUR 2026 SUMMER SOCIAL EVENT

Wednesday 6th May 2026 – 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

At Lavenham Village Hall

Prepare to be entertained by Bryan Thurlow, a tremendous story teller who will be recounting the longest strike in history, which ran for 25 years from 1914 to 1939. This is the Burston School Strike. It occurred in the village of Burston on the outskirts of Diss, and was instigated by the pupils and their parents when their Vicar told a terrible lie which led to the sacking of their beloved headteacher and her husband. Hear the voices of former pupils who in later years gave interviews about their experience.



Bryan is a seasoned speaker for U3As, History Societies and the like, with a background in professional theatre and drama lecturing,

As in previous years we will be offering glasses of Fizz or a soft cordial. And of course, there will be a buffet selection of finger food. All members of The Arts Society Stour Valley are invited and we are requesting a contributory donation of £5 towards expenses.

Places will be limited to 100 members only and the closing date for applications is Friday April 24th.

There is plenty of Car Parking at Lavenham Village Hall

Preferred payment by BACS: Payment: £..... (£5 per person)

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