

# Group 4

NEWS



The Parishes of Barton Bendish & Eastmoor; Beachamwell, Shingham & Drymere;  
Boughton; Wereham

**May 2018**



## WELCOME

If you are submitting copy for the magazines, please try to be as close to the deadline date as possible. Sometimes, something vital crops up unexpectedly, but this month there have been several late submissions which mean working to make space for them. If you are submitting copy or pictures, please don't send a pdf. Your poster may look lovely, but if it's in pdf form Publisher won't accept it.

As always, 'Happy Reading '

Thanks to all contributors and apologies to any whose work has not been shown in this issue.

We promise to include your articles wherever and whenever possible. Please do keep them coming.

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## NOTES FROM THE RECTORY

During my walks I've been watching the changes that have been occurring in the hedgerows and gardens. The buds, the early flowers and the signs of life amongst the drab winter coat we have all been covered with. It just makes me feel quite privileged to live in this country that has real seasons. It also makes me think about life in general. When you're young, life seems this long way and time you have in front of you, then suddenly age creeps up and catches you by surprise. In your head you are still young but the body and the mirror tell you something different. I'm very happy about the age I am and wouldn't like to be young again. However, I am disappointed that as fast as my hair is getting longer the bald patch seems to be outpacing it. Wendy has refused to let me have a comb-over so I am in a battle of conscience as to whether I admit defeat, be sensible, and get it all cut off or I say to hell with it all and keep growing what I have left! I like having long hair so I think the latter is my course of action (at the moment). Although it sometimes has its downfall – in that I used to do some work at a homeless shelter and sometimes I was mistaken for one of the guests rather than one of the workers; but I could live with that.

What do I derive from the above rambling? Well, I think that the Good Lord gave us one life and we should live that to the full. Jesus told us that the two greatest commandments were to Love God and Love your neighbour and if we live our lives with these in mind what a great place we would live in and what a great life we could have.

God Bless.

**Ken Waters**

Growing old is inevitable, growing up is optional.

## A VIEW FROM A PEW

Dear Friends,

Having made what I think is probably my last 'official' public appearance at the wonderfully joyful Easter Ceremonies I have been given this opportunity to express a view - this time from a different pew! You know, the beautifully constructed, boxed-in, locked-in pews from which it is not easy to escape to share the peace! My pew/view now is the window on to the promising part of the garden which separates the house from the road which runs through rural Eastmoor to rural Barton Bendish, and currently enhanced by a terrific show from the flowering cherry, Snow Showers. If I have over-used the word 'rural', I have done so intentionally because I believe it is over- used or misplaced with regard to the ministry of the Church. Multi-parish ministry is not the same as 'rural' ministry. The former is a strategy or means of administration the latter is the content of that ministry!

As a countryman, I can reflect from my new pew on the meaning and purpose of the traffic which passes the window and the importance of the seasons to those of us who live and work here. Are enough of our daily concerns reflected in our Christian lives and on our intercession lists in Church?

For example; 1. We pray for peace in the Middle East and in particular Syria and for cessation of what seems like indiscriminate killing of men, women and children. Do we or can we relate our prayers to the conveys of tankers and other HGVs which rumble through Eastmoor and Barton Bendish to make a contribution to the extension of RAF Marham; where the world's most sophisticated fighter bomber will be stationed. We, as rurally insignificant as we may feel we are, cannot ignore their presence, and that they will be used!

2. Another issue that has been about for sometime is that of bees and the use of neonicotinoids. Some of our community grow oilseed rape and need a suitable insecticide and some of us grow fruit and need bees for pollination; but of course we all need bees too.

3. The Sugar beet Factory is an important employer in our area and yet every week we are told that we should reduce our intake for the sake of our health! Beet is a useful cash crop - when the price is right.

4. Most of us acknowledge climate change but how can we reduce the use of Diesel engines? Pollution and health?

5. Rogation. The gospels are full of stories of Jesus being out and about in the Countryside with his disciples and there are stories with examples of husbandry too. Rogationtide is an opportunity for us to bring our concern and interests

before God in our fields and gardens and be seen to be doing it. At the heart of this is thanksgiving, care and co-operation; the Church calls it witness, and it can be fun!

6. Animals in Church. Animals are for many of us in the country an integral part of daily lives so that fact should be reflected in our worship. Companionship and service are matters for Thanksgiving and blessing. Animal services are not a gimmick, rather a date in the annual calendar.

7. Health. Our communities are small and with an ageing population thus we make a proportionally heavy call on our medical services; we pray for each other, do we pray for our doctors and pharmacists ? A recent book review in The Reader magazine featured a book by Fr. Teilard de Chardin in which he mentioned a prayer of blessing over our medication, now there's a challenge!

8. Wildlife. My neighbour and I were rejoicing together about the re-emergence of a pair of song thrushes who share our gardens, not seen for a few years - neither of us uses slug/snail pellets now! Together with the Buzzard saga here is a rural issue for our concern and prayers.

We are still in the Easter season when we pray for the coming of the Kingdom of God in the light of the Resurrection. All these issues, and you will have your own, are relevant as we relate our own Rural ministry in our parishes to the Archbishops' ' Kingdom Come' call to prayer.

### **Recruitment Day – come and join us!**

WEREHAM & Wretton Scout  
Group  
Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May  
between 10.00am to 4.00pm  
at the Group's Grange Farm  
HQ, just off the A134.

Full details on Wereham page.  
Paul Smith  
Group Scout Leader  
01366 501224

### **Animal Service**

**3pm Sunday 13th May**

Join us and bring your faithful companions  
For a Blessing of all Creatures, Great and Small

St. Andrews Church  
Barton Bendish  
PE33 9GF



Refreshments Served for Pets and their Owners

## Beachamwell

### Creative Writing Group

Meets every second Monday  
Afternoon  
2.30pm

Everyone with an interest in  
putting pen to paper welcome.

Enquiries: 01366 328895  
or

## Beachamwell Book Group

Tuesday 1st May  
7.30pm

Beachamwell Village Hall

Book to be discussed over a glass of  
wine

'Balzac and the Little Chinese  
Seamstress'  
Dai Sijie

Annual subscription £12.50  
New members welcome

### Swaffham Jazz Club

Tuesday 8th May 7.30 *Swing That Thing –*

Tuesday 15th May 7.30  
US Singer Helen Welch with  
backing group led by Lee Vasey, guitar.

Tuesday 12 June 7.30 *Colin Mason Quartet  
with Eleanor on piano and vocals*  
Swaffham Conservative Club London Street  
PE37 7DD  
Entry £7 on the door.  
Information from Geoff 01366 328730 or

## Beachamwell Wednesday Walkers

Explore the rights of way in and around  
Beachamwell with us

We meet at the Village Hall at 10.00 am  
**FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH**  
*Walks last between one and a half to two  
hours*

*All, including dogs on leads, are welcome*

Some paths may be rough underfoot,  
there may be stiles or fields may be  
ploughed: come at your own risk and  
please wear suitable clothing and shoes  
for the outdoors



## Beachamwell WI 'Woodland Burials'

Thursday May 3rd  
7:30pm  
Beachamwell Village Hall  
Visitors welcome



## BEACHAMWELL LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Thursday 10th May  
7.30  
Beachamwell Village Hall

### **'Constance Villiers Stuart in India' (From Beachamwell to Bharatpur)**

*The story of a Norfolk Edwardian  
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An illustrated talk by Mary Ann Prior

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## Beachamwell Quiz



Saturday May  
12th

7.00 for 7.30

Beachamwell Village Hall

Bring your own refreshments

There will be a raffle

Tables up to 6 people

**£3.00 per person**

**NB It is essential to book a table**

Enquiries 01366 328729 or 328648

## Beachamwell

Parish Council Meetings (Annual &  
Ordinary)

Monday 14th May 7.30pm

Beachamwell Village Hall

## Beachamwell Afternoon Tea and a Chat.....

Wednesday

**May 16th**

2 - 4pm

Beachamwell

Village  
Hall



## Beachamwell & Fincham

### **Family History Group**

**Tuesday 15 May 2pm**

Sort out some of your paperwork,  
photographs, letters etc. in an  
attempt to organise your family's  
story...

Enquiries:

01366 328536 or 01366 347694



**'Ancestral Voices'**

[www.ancestral-voices.co.uk](http://www.ancestral-voices.co.uk)

**Sunday May 13th**

**3.00 pm**

Swaffham Assembly Rooms

The AGM will take place at this event

Free for members

£12 non-members

Accompanied children free

Tickets from

Green Parrot 01760 724704

Ceres Bookshop 01760 722504

**Nar Valley Ornithological  
Society (NarVOS)**

Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> May 2018, 7.30pm at  
the Barn Theatre, Sacred Heart  
Convent School, Swaffham. Access  
and parking from Sporle Road.

Please come along to this illustrated  
talk by **Dr Tony Leech**, entitled:

**The Good, the Bad and the  
Ugly – in the world of Fungi**

Dr Tony Leech is Norfolk's Fungi  
expert and county recorder.

Visitors most welcome. Admission £2 on  
the night if you are not a NarVOS

**All Norfolk libraries will be closed on:**

7 May 2018 - Early May bank holiday

28 May 2018 - Spring bank holiday

10 May 2018  
13:30 - 15:00

Come along for Scrabble, Chess, jigsaws and colouring. Bring a  
friend or join in with others for a chat. For further information call  
01366 383073

21 May 2018  
13:30 - 14:30

Come along for a talk by Inheritance Legal Services Â£3 a ticket  
including refreshments. Booking essential for further information  
please call 01366 383073



## **SWAFFHAM & LITCHAM HOME HOSPICE SUPPORT**

We are fast moving to what the Fundraising Committee of the Charity term as a major event in the calendar for this year. It is being staged at Swaffham Rugby Club 12 noon - 5.30pm on the 17<sup>th</sup> June. We are calling it "Relay Together", as it does involve a sponsored walk for teams who will be raising monies for the Hospice. Whilst we have lots of teams already registered to take part, there is still time and room for others to join us. There is no limit to the size of teams, all that is needed is that each team has one member walking at all times between 1.30pm and 4.30pm (it does not have to be the same person) and that the team members obtain sponsorship from friends, neighbours and work colleagues etc. The walking will be done around the perimeter of one of the Rugby Pitches at the club on North Pickenham Road – one lap being approximately 360 yards.

We plan to have a lot of other activities on the day – stalls from organisations of the Town, tombola, refreshments, bar, BBQ's, music, Bouncy Castle, slide, Face Painting etc. In addition the Rugby Club will be staging a balloon release. So do come along and enjoy the event knowing whatever is raised is going to a wonderful cause run by a body of dedicated people. We have organised a Summer Draw with a wonderful array of prizes - the first is £150.00 cash. Tickets will be on sale from the Hospice's Gazebo, which will be on Clenshaw Minns forecourt (30 Market Place) on the 12<sup>th</sup> May when the Charity will be staging their annual Street collection. Tesco have also agreed that we can sell tickets in store on 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> May. The draw will take place 17<sup>th</sup> June at 4.30pm at the Rugby Club where tickets on the day will be available to purchase.

So – please mark the date on your calendars, organise a team or why not have a Stall (free of charge) to promote your organisation. Join us for a special Community Day in support of the Hospice and your loved ones. If you are not partaking as part of a team, then please feel free to bring the family along for the afternoon – we would appreciate your presence.

For further information contact Adrian Adcock 01760 724304 or Kate and John Davies 01760 622254 or the Home Hospice Office 01760 722937.

I know I made mention in last month's newsletter regarding the requirement of further volunteers for our Fundraising Committee. The Committee are an intricate part of the overall structure of the Charity's survival. They meet as required during the course of the year to discuss ways and means of raising much needed funds. Additional ideas are always welcomed and I can assure

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## Barton Bendish Hall

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Bendish, King's Lynn PE33 9DL

**Sunday 3 June**

**11am - 5pm**

Adults £4 Children free



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## Beachamwell Craft Group

**Wednesday 23rd May**

2.00 - 4.00

Beachamwell Village Hall

Bring along your drawing, painting, knitting, sewing ... whatever art or craft project you are working on at the moment. Or start something completely new!!

£2.00 + Bring and Buy

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Ann Lewing  
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**7.00pm—8.30pm**  
Please arrive no  
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£5.00 per session  
(pay as you go)  
Under 18 yrs old must  
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**Next Bingo 16th May 2018 doors open 6.45pm eyes down 7.30pm**  
Refreshments Available

At Marham Bowls Club



## **Information Update Event at RAF Marham**

### **Wednesday 2 May**

2:00 pm - 6:00 pm  
in the Sandringham Centre

Open to everyone  
Drop in anytime

A general update which will include details about the commissioning of the new runway



## **WEREHAM**

### **SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB**

**Thursdays 7.00pm—9 pm**

**at the Village Hall**

**Come and meet our friendly club,  
find out what's involved, try a  
new activity, help grow our club  
and have some fun!**

**For more info or for a chat contact**

**Phillip on 501330**

## **WEREHAM'S POP-UP CAFÉ**

will 'pop-up'

### **TWICE EVERY MONTH**

(initially on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday)

**from 10.30am till 1.00pm**

The café will continue to serve  
a hot drink and a pastry or  
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**PLUS**

a light lunch 'dish of the day'  
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# Wereham Village Hall

## 'Buy a Brick' Campaign

### Britain's First Passivhaus Village Hall



This is no ordinary 'Buy a Brick' campaign (largely because there are no bricks) but this is no ordinary village hall! It's your village hall to support you, your events and your activities.

We're so close – our community fundraising is going well but we've not yet reached our target of £20,000 so please support us by visiting our website <http://www.werehamvillagehall.co.uk> and follow the link on the home page to our dedicated 'MyDonate' donations page.

Your donations will buy:

- £10 three breeze blocks
- £100 timber cladding
- £250 internal fire door
- £500 Passivhaus certified window

For further details contact Trustee John Millard on [01366 500790](tel:01366 500790)

## Thank you – Together, we'll do it!



## YOGURT-MARMALADE CAKE

*This was served at the film 'Paddington 2' which was shown by the Barton Bendish Film Club on April 14th. Many thanks to Elizabeth Perry.– there may be some Americanisms.*

### Ingredients:

1 1/2 Cup All-purpose Flour  
1/2 teaspoon Salt  
2 teaspoons Baking Powder  
1 Cup (heaping) Plain, lowfat Yogurt  
1 Cup Sugar  
3 Whole Eggs  
1 teaspoon Vanilla  
1 whole Zest of Lemon  
1/2 Cup Veg. Oil

### Orange Glaze:

1/2 Cup Orange Marmalade  
1/4 Cup Yogurt

### Preparation:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees Fahrenheit (I baked in my fan oven @ 165 Celsius)

Spray a loaf pan with non-stick baking spray (or grease and flour it)  
Sift together the flour, baking powder and salt. Set aside.

In a separate bowl, mix together 1 Cup of yogurt, sugar, eggs, vanilla lemon zest and vegetable oil until just combined. Pour over dry ingredients and mix until just combined; do not over beat! and do not panic, Yes there will be a few lumps.

Pour into a loaf pan and bake for 45 min. ( I baked mine for nearly 55min. and after about 30 min. covered the top with aluminum foil to prevent the cake from browning too much.) Remove from oven and allow to cool slightly. Remove from pan. While cake is cooling, pour marmalade into a sauce pan. Heat it on low until melted, stirring occasionally. Add 1/4 cup of yogurt to the pan and turn off heat. Stir to combine, then pour slowly over the top of the cake, allowing icing to pool around the sides (here, I poked the top of the cake with a long wooden

## **WEST NORFOLK RIDING FOR THE DISABLED SIGNS UP FOR “WEST NORFOLK WINS”**

Big news from the Magpie Centre, home of West Norfolk Riding for the Disabled, is that we have signed up as one of the first beneficiaries of the newly-launched West Norfolk Wins lottery.

West Norfolk Wins (WNW), is the Borough Council of King's Lynn and West Norfolk's way of benefiting all West Norfolk charities. A launch presentation took place at King's Lynn Town Hall on March 20, at which Elizabeth Nockolds, Deputy Leader of BCKLWN introduced the scheme to representatives of more than 40 charities, including West Norfolk RDA.

The lottery will benefit good causes based in West Norfolk, with 60p from every £1 ticket sold going to charities, voluntary organisations and other good causes, as compared with 28p for the National Lottery Players of WNW can win £25,000 per month, plus smaller prizes. At the time of writing, tickets were scheduled to go on sale from April 17, with the first draw planned for May 26.

To play, just go online and visit: [www.westnorfolkwins.co.uk](http://www.westnorfolkwins.co.uk) or call 01553 341414, which is the Council's WNW department. Then choose your beneficiary: we suggest West Norfolk Riding for the Disabled. Well, we would, wouldn't we?

Payment can be by Direct Debit or card payment for one, three or six months at a time. For your security, Gatherwell, which runs the lottery, does not store bank details. All payments are securely audited, using SafePay. No paper tickets are issued, but players receive an email, confirming their numbers, or a letter, if they are not online.

Once the lottery is up and running, WNRDA will have a page, whose dashboard will keep supporters updated with how their cash is supporting us. Make no mistake, the more supporters WNRDA can rely on, the better we can project our income, and so plan for a really bright future.

And, making the jump from the digital to the terrestrial, the Magpie Centre is in urgent need of paddock maintenance volunteers, especially on Mondays. Therefore, if you fancy whizzing around the paddocks in a buggy, with a friend,

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## Wereham Weekly Cash



Wereham Village Hall  
Wednesdays

Doors open 6.45 pm

Eyes down 7.30 pm

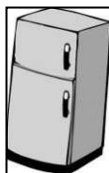
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### Free magazine inspires families to get active this summer

Together with Active Norfolk, NCC Public Health has launched a free magazine which aims to inspire families in Norfolk get more active this summer.

Packed with ideas for cheap, fun activities and days out, **Get into Summer** aims to support cash-strapped families struggling to keep kids entertained during the summer holidays.

From free outdoor gyms and guided cycle rides, to park theatre and pond dipping, the magazine features activities to suit all ages, abilities and budgets.

Pick up your copy to find out more about a FREE six-week programme of family activities, starting this summer, with courses like Family Dance at The Garage, Norwich; Cycle Confidence on the Great Yarmouth seafront; and Swimming at St James, King's Lynn.

There's also a chance to win Halfords bikes for a family of four and a glamping holiday in West Norfolk courtesy of West Lexham, as well as money-saving vouchers to help you cut the cost of keeping your family active.

Launched in the Eastern Daily Press and some of Archant's weekly titles on June 26, copies of the free magazine are also available at Norfolk libraries and children's centres.

Part of a joint campaign by Norfolk County Council Public Health and Active Norfolk, **Get into Summer** is being launched in response to the falling levels of activity in Norfolk among adults and children and the impact of this on their health and wellbeing – now and in the future.

You can find out more and view the magazine online at [www.norfolk.gov.uk/getinto](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/getinto)

### Free home assessments on offer

Older, disabled or vulnerable residents of West Norfolk are being encouraged to book an appointment for a free home assessment from Careline Community Services.

The assessments, which are carried out by a team of qualified staff, will help residents, who may be living with a disability or dementia, or who are simply older and less mobile, to identify concerns in their property which may be affecting their day-to-day life.

The assessor, trained by the Disabled Living Foundation, will inspect the home to see whether measures could be introduced that would reduce the possibility of slips, trips and falls and generally make it easier for people to live safely and independently in their own homes.

Measures that could be considered include installation of a Careline personal alarm, improved lighting arrangements, heating checks, draught proofing, smoke detectors and easy-to-use taps along with recommendations for other adaptations that may reduce any potential risk to the resident. Practical solutions for those living with dementia are also available, this includes signage or colour differentiation for those who suffer with memory loss and are visually impaired.

## First time in Swaffham

# RELAY TOGETHER

**WHEN**

**Sunday, 17<sup>th</sup> June, 2018**  
**12:00-5:30 WALK 1:30-4:30**

**WHERE**

**Swaffham Rugby Club, North Pickenham Rd**

**CONTACT**  
For Information

[secretary@homehospice@btconnect.com](mailto:secretary@homehospice.btconnect.com)  
**Tel 01760722937**

**Swaffham Home Hospice** is planning a Large Community Event Involving sponsored teams of families and friends, old and young, walking in relays round a track. Supporting loved ones recovering from treatment, survivors of Cancer or in remembrance of loved ones.

**Lots of Activities, Stalls, refreshments, BBQ, music and a Large Raffle.**  
**Enter a Team. Join Us for a special Community day in support of:-**

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## COUNTRYSIDE NOTES LITTER MAY 2018

An Eastmoor resident contacted Barton Bendish Parish Council recently because she is appalled by the amount of litter that has accumulated along the roadsides. I think everybody is. But what can be done about it? I'm very much afraid that the answer is that we pick it up ourselves. Sadly there is no way we can prevent that certain mentality of people from winding down their car window and lobbing it out. In my opinion the situation is going to get even worse now Norfolk County Council have introduced charges for disposing of DIY waste at their tips. Previously this had been limited, but at least was free. Now, measured by the 80 litre bag full (largest sized compost bag,) the tip at Crimbleham will continue to take rubble and wood but now charge £3 per bag and £5 for non-recyclable waste. They won't take flat glass, plaster board or tyres, (these can be disposed of at the King's Lynn site for a charge of £5, £9 and £4 each respectively). How naïve is it to think that everyone will be willing to hand over their hard earned cash? What will they do instead? They'll tip it out on the verge or in a layby somewhere. It's estimated the authority will save £280,000. They might as on past form not a lot has been spent on removing either litter or fly tipped items. I am disgusted at the number of old household appliances which are accumulating between the slip road exiting Swaffham by pass and the boundary fence of the Breckland District Council run Splashes travellers site. With their efforts to promote Swaffham as a tourist attraction surely it would be in the local council's interest to keep this particular stretch of road verge looking good. After all they are responsible for managing the site and are hardly setting a good example by turning a blind eye to this shameful situation. If you, or I, dumped an old fridge by the roadside outside our property we'd very soon be receiving a letter from the local council. By the way it's worth knowing that Frimstone Ltd, (near Crimbleham tip) will take bricks, slabs, stone, concrete and soil and charities such as Sue Ryder, Age UK, the Red Cross and British Heart Foundation will collect unwanted saleable furniture and electrical items for f r e e .

Then there is Michael Gove's proposed charge of up to 22p on every single-use plastic or glass bottle and aluminium or steel can! I religiously recycle everything that's acceptable so will that mean I've got to cart bottles and cans back to where I shop to get a refund? Either that or I'll be out of pocket if I put them in the recycling bin. Have we got to pay the price for other people's irresponsible b e h a v i o u r ? Litter on the verges of roads and lanes is a disgrace but unless a way can be found to educate those louts to respect our environment I suppose it will fall to



**BEACHAMWELL  
OPEN  
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**SUNDAY 3rd JUNE  
12 NOON – 5 P.M.**

**Lunches**

**Afternoon Teas  
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Tickets £5.00 each – children free  
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**Boughton Open Gardens**

**Sunday 10th June**

**12– 5 pm**

A number of village gardens ,  
some small and some large, of  
varying styles.

Lunch and tea available in the  
church/village space

Plant stall.

Entrance £4. Children under 12  
free. Dogs welcome on leads.

Contact Pam Wakeling on 01366  
500429

**Wereham Open Gardens**

**Sunday 17th June**

**12—5.30 pm**

A variety of gardens open  
including some new ones

Plant stall

Lunches and teas

Contact Greg Baddock on

**01366 500233**

**Barton Bendish**

**Open Gardens**



**Sunday June 24th**

**11am to 5pm**

Delicious Afternoon Teas Raffle and Plant  
Stall

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Numerous gardens open including the  
gardens

at Barton Bendish Hall.

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Ploughman's Lunches available

## COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

### **Could you help a young person with a disability to think about their Future?**

The CSV Futures Project supports young people with learning disabilities to explore their options as they think about leaving education.

Volunteer Mentors provide one to one support to a young person to help them develop a personal profile of their skills and interests, their likes and dislikes and their future goals. The Mentor can then support the young person to start working towards these; this can include accessing work experience and training opportunities plus the chance to try out volunteering and new social activities.

CSV needs volunteers who can offer a couple of hours of their time each week to mentor the young people as they make choices about their futures, raising aspirations by exploring together the young person's skills, interests and abilities.

We are looking for people ages 16+ - Mentors can come from all walks of life and no experience is needed but patience, the ability to listen and a sense of humour are all useful skills. Mentors receive full training and support and out of pocket expenses are paid.

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Volunteer Mentor for the CSV Futures Project please contact Vicki Howling, the project co-ordinator for an informal chat. Telephone 01366 386972 or 07926 044845 or email [vhowling@csv.org.uk](mailto:vhowling@csv.org.uk)

CSV (Community Service Volunteers) is the UK's leading volunteering charity. Social justice is at the heart of what we do; empowering people to have a positive stake in society and tackle barriers to community participation through creating volunteering and learning opportunities.



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## COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

### MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS - Please note changed days/times

DATE	VILLAGE	LOCATION	TIME
Tuesday	Beachamwell	Post Office	10:05 am
	Drymere	Telephone Box	10:40 am
13th March	Boughton	Sycamore House Mill Road	15:20 pm 15:35 pm
	Barton Bendish	Hatherley Gardens	9:40 pm
Monday 12th and 26th March	Wereham	The Pond	9:30 am
		Queen's Close	16:20 pm

For services to all 'Group 4' villages ring Mobile Library Information on 01603 222267 or look at the website - [www.norfolk.gov.uk/Leisure\\_and\\_culture/Libraries/Mobile\\_libraries](http://www.norfolk.gov.uk/Leisure_and_culture/Libraries/Mobile_libraries)

### FARMERS' MARKETS

Ely	Second and Fourth Saturday 8:00-2:00pm
Fakenham	Fourth Saturday 8.30am to 12:00pm
RAF Marham	First Thursday 12.00pm to 5.00pm
Swaffham	Second Saturday

For information:- [www.farmersmarkets.net](http://www.farmersmarkets.net) or your local Tourist Information Office

### VILLAGE, COMMUNITY and PARISH HALL BOOKINGS

Barton Bendish	Bill Tasker	01366 347432
Beachamwell	Leah Spencer	01366 328536
Boughton	Pam Wakeling	01366 500429
Wereham	Doreen Rolph	01366 500218

## **Swaffham Museum 2018**

Although our doors did not open to the public until February 12, we had a flurry of interest in late January following the broadcasting of an episode of **Antiques Road Trip** which featured Swaffham Museum. Raj Bisram came to explore the connection between Swaffham and Howard Carter who discovered the tomb of Tutankhamun in 1922. This episode is available to view on YouTube. We have one large room dedicated to Egyptology and Howard Carter.

One of our new displays **'From Beginning to End'** is also very exciting as we



celebrate the Swaffham Railway. This opened in 1847 and closed under the Beeching cuts in 1968. Some of you may remember catching the train to the coast for a day out, or using it to travel to work or school. Whatever your memories, you will enjoy our displays of photographs and memorabilia, and the model rolling stock.

We have also delved into our store rooms and have a room of art work. All are by local artists and include a number by Ben Ripper. There is also a digital display of some of the museum's photographs of old(er) Swaffham.

**Also new to the museum** this year is the 16<sup>th</sup> century Communion Chalice, with its 19<sup>th</sup> century paten, from the ancient church at Houghton-on-the-Hill near North Pickenham. The church itself has a latest date of 1090 and its remarkable wall paintings system of the same date is world renowned.

The Houghton display includes a Roman ring found in the hedgerow by the church and a mourning ring to Robert Say. Reverend Say was vicar at Swaffham and then Rector at Houghton-on-the-Hill in the 18<sup>th</sup> century. The ring was found on Campingland and subsequently sold on Ebay. Luck, or otherwise, brought it back home. The museum tells the story.

There are children's activities, take home information sheets and family museum trails as well as a Museum Shop which also houses the Tourist Information Centre. Opening times are Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm and Saturdays 10am to 1pm.

## Ascension Day is on May 10<sup>th</sup>

**What does Ascension Day mean?** **Ascension Day** is the fortieth **day** of Easter. It occurs thirty-nine days after Easter **Sunday**. It is a Christian holiday that commemorates Jesus Christ's **ascension** into heaven according to Christian belief.

**What Do People Do?** Some Christians in the United Kingdom attend church services on Ascension Day to celebrate this event. Communion, also known as Eucharist, may also be offered to the congregation. ( There will be a service at Boughton at 10 am.)Ascension Day marks the end of *Rogationtide*, which is a time when people pray for blessings to occur.

### Background

Ascension Day is one of the earliest Christian festivals dating back to the year 68 CE. According to the New Testament in the Bible, Jesus Christ met several times with his disciples during the 40 days after his resurrection to instruct them on how to carry out his teachings. It is believed that on the 40th day he took them to the Mount of Olives, where they watched as he ascended to heaven.

Ascension Day marks the end of the Easter season and occurs ten days before Pentecost.

**Pentecost is one of the most significant dates of the Christian calendar**, although it may not be as widely known or celebrated as Christmas and Easter. The festival, which this year falls on 20<sup>th</sup> May, commemorates the coming of the Holy Spirit to the disciples following the death of Jesus Christ.

The biblical account describes how the apostles, who were gathered to celebrate the Jewish harvest festival of Shavuot, began to talk in foreign tongues, leading the massed onlookers to assume that they were drunk. However, Saint Peter explained that the disciples were inspired by the Holy Spirit and preached the first Christian sermon, prompting the conversion and baptism of 3,000 people.

This first Pentecost marked the beginning of the Christian church as an official, meaningful movement, so the celebration is widely considered the birthday of Christianity.

**Why is the festival called Pentecost? When is it celebrated?**

The festival's name comes from the Greek word 'Pentekostos', meaning '50'. It is celebrated on the seventh Sunday after Easter, marking 50 days since the final Sabbath of Passover, and so falls on a different date each year.

**Why is it also known as Whitsun?**

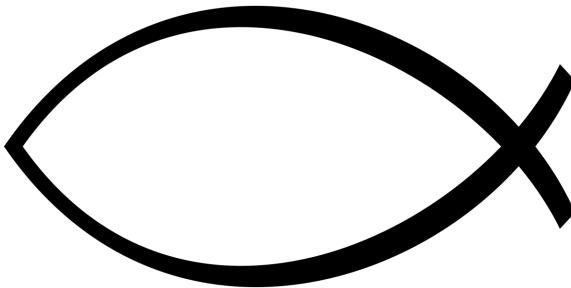
While 'Pentecost' is more widely used in the UK, traditionally the church has referred to the celebration as 'Whitsun', or 'Whit Sunday'. It is believed that the name comes from Pentecost being a day for baptisms, when participants would dress in white. 'Whitsun' is also thought to derive from the Anglo-Saxon word 'wit', meaning 'understanding', to celebrate the disciples being filled with the wisdom of the Holy Spirit.

**How is it celebrated?**

Between 1871 and 1978 the festival was marked by a UK bank holiday on Whit Monday, the day after Whit Sunday, before it was replaced by the current Spring Bank Holiday on the last Monday of May. However, Pentecost Monday is still a public holiday in many European countries, such as France, Germany and Belgium.

Within Christianity the day is still popular for baptisms, while some churches hold Whit Walks. Folk traditions such as cheese rolling and morris dancing also have long-standing associations with Whit Sunday.

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> May 7pm Watlington Church. Young people from this area present a**



**Benefice Pentecost Service.**

## **BARTON BENDISH AND EASTMOOR VILLAGE NEWS**

### **Clematis Talk**

On March 28th we spent a most enjoyable evening listening to Peter Skeggs-Gooch from Thorncroft Clematis, talking to us about how we should be growing and caring for our clematis. He was an excellent speaker and showed us pictures of some of the species, including ones that could be left to scramble over the ground. Many of us didn't even know these existed. It was a shame that there wasn't a larger audience because it was well worth turning out for.

Jill

### **Easter Coffee Morning Saturday 31st March**

It might have been miserably cold and wet outside but the atmosphere within the Village Hall was warm and friendly. It provided an excellent opportunity for village people to catch up with each other and have a chat as well as meeting a few people from other villages. It also raised £297 towards paying the Village Hall bills! As usual it wouldn't, and couldn't, have happened without the aid of the usual loyal band of helpers. It's not only the help on the day but also the time and money they've spent buying ingredients and making and baking. I hate to think how much time Maureen Buck must have spent making four Simnel cakes and Joan sticking 293 eggs on her 'guess how many eggs' cake which Andrew Stephen's granddaughter, Jessica, won. There is a nucleus of 'right-hand men' (well actually the majority are women) who regularly volunteer to assist at such events. They are definitely not an elite group and new 'recruits' would be extremely welcome.

The Coffee Morning was the success it was because of them and also to those people who donated cakes, Easter eggs and raffle prizes and of course the people who come along to spend their money. Without them none of our efforts would be worthwhile and we really enjoyed your company.

I hope everyone enjoyed the morning. If it wasn't for the Village Hall much of the social life in the village would cease to function so your

support is very much appreciated.  
So it's a huge thanks to everyone.  
Jill

### **Easter Treats in Barton** by Andrew Stephen

Despite the appalling and entirely traditional Bank Holiday weather, a good time was had by all at the Barton Bendish Village Hall on Easter Saturday. The village is well known for the quality of its cakes and events like the Family Coffee Morning always produce some real treats. There was a wide variety of stalls and events, including an exhibition of Easter hats. My grandchildren, staying in Barton for the weekend, found many ways of spending their pocket money. Jessica enjoyed particular success, winning an egg at the Tombola and the cake in the 'Guess the Number of Eggs' competition. Nearly £300 was raised in aid of the Village Hall.

We also enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt at Oxburgh but were alarmed to discover that, yet again, masonry had fallen from the gatehouse, closing the Hall to visitors. Hopefully it won't take too long to solve this problem.

### **Village Projects**

A reminder that contributions for the book commemorating 100 years since the end of WW1 are due in by June 1<sup>st</sup>. In an ideal world, all villagers will write a few lines about someone in their family who was involved in the Great War. Also, we are hoping to turn the village red with poppies, plants and flowers by June 24<sup>th</sup> (Open Gardens' Day). Soon the frosts will be over. We need to get planting ASAP!!

### **Gardens Open June 24th**

This year our 'Open Gardens Day' will be held on Sunday June 24th. All proceeds from this go to St Andrew's and it is the main fund raising event of the year for the church. It normally attracts many visitors, some of them regulars, to the village and it's always good to have some new gardens for them to look at. If you feel you would like to add yours to the list please do. It doesn't have to be spectacular, fancy or large. What people seem to enjoy most is seeing what other people have done with their own gardens, discussing them, asking advice on solving problems



and generally looking for fresh ideas.

Help is also needed on the day so if you can assist in any way please let me know. Needless to say donations of raffle prizes, plants and produce for the stalls as well as cakes would be much appreciated.

For further details please contact Maureen Tasker 01366 347432

### **Litter**

The Parish Council has been contacted by an Eastmoor resident appalled by the amount of litter that has accumulated along the roadsides, as surely all of us are. It's doubtful however if anything can be done about it other than picking it up ourselves. We take a pride in our village and many of us already do this. Special thanks are due to Val and husband John who have recently done a stint round the village.

See this month's Countryside Notes

### **Barton Bendish Ordinary Parish Council Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018**

Cllr Chapman was in the Chair, six Parish Councillors along with five parishioners, were in attendance.

Restoration work on the old map of the village had now been completed by Norfolk Records Office. A digital copy of the restored map had been provided to the Parish Council and this was passed to Councillors.

The Parish Council was disappointed to hear of damage on Hatherley Gardens which had been caused by a contractor for Anglian Water. It was agreed that an official complaint would be made from the Parish Council to Anglian Water and copied to Elizabeth Truss MP, Borough Councillor Sandra Squire and County Councillor Brian Long.

The Parish Council agreed to raise again with Norfolk County Council Highways the issue of a 30mph speed limit on Boughton Long Road.

First World War Centenary Commemorations:

The Parish Council was pleased to contribute to a village community project to plant poppies and wild flowers on Buttlands Lane and over the wall on either side of the War Memorial in the churchyard. A grant application had also been submitted by the Parish Council to assist with the cost of producing the planned book.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2018. This will be the Annual Parish Council Meeting starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Miss Sarah Thorpe, Parish Clerk

Telephone number: 01945 430930

Email: [bartonbendishparishcouncil@aol.co.uk](mailto:bartonbendishparishcouncil@aol.co.uk)

Further information is available on the Parish Council website at [bartonbendishparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk](http://bartonbendishparishcouncil.norfolkparishes.gov.uk)

#### FORTHCOMING EVENTS

SUNDAY MAY 13<sup>th</sup> Animal Service in St Andrew's at 3pm

SUNDAY JUNE 3<sup>rd</sup> Barton Bendish Hall Gardens Open for the NGS  
11am – 5pm

SUNDAY JUNE 24<sup>th</sup> Barton Bendish Village Gardens Open 11am – 5pm

WEEKEND SEPTEMBER 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> Art, Photography and Craft

#### **FINCHAM CHORUS PRESENTS**

**'An evening entertainment with Songs & Supper'**

**Saturday 9th June 2018 at 7.30 pm**

**at St.George's Hall Complex, Methwold, IP26 4NT**

**Tickets £10**

**(bring your own drinks)**

**available from .....**

**Fincham Chorus 01366 348136**

## BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM AND DRYMERE VILLAGE NEWS

### Mobile Post Office

Monday and Thursday 12.55 – 13.15

Tuesday and Wednesday 11.10 – 11.40

### Magazines

Spare copies of G4N and Swaffham Newsletter can be found in St Mary's Church and Beachamwell Village Hall

### Parish Council



**GOOD NEWS!** As planned the Public Access Defibrillator has been fitted to the External Wall of the Village Hall. It is near the front entrance for all to see when you next drive carefully through the village.

This appliance has been registered with the Ambulance Service and First Responder, access to the number-locked PAD can only be gained once they have been called as they have the number to open it. IF you ever think the PAD is needed call them **FIRST** and explain the situation and visible symptoms of the person you are concerned about. They will talk you through the procedure, so you are not alone if it is needed, until the required

medical professional person arrives.

We must include our thanks to Breckland Council for the match funding of this appliance and of course our thanks to the Village Hall Committee for making a good viable space available to place it and agreeing to meet the annual running costs for the electricity to keep the PAD ready for use at a moments notice.

# BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM AND DRYMERE VILLAGE NEWS

## Wednesday Walkers

The April Wednesday walk found us going along bridleways and footpaths to follow the stream to Eastmoor. We were delighted to discover a broken stile at Caldecote Fen has been replaced by a bridge and gate: no more climbing up and down in fear of life and limb! Thank you to the Norfolk County Council for doing that.

We should also like to express our thanks to the Oxborough landowner who has not just simply re-instated the cross-field footpath, but also rolled it to make a firm surface for easy walking.

The return route via the Eastmoor Road to Murgot's Lane and so home to Beachamwell, gave us a chance to stretch our legs and to walk off some of those Easter egg calories.

Next month we shall explore the Long Drove – leaving the village hall at 10.00 a.m. – do come along.

**Leah Spencer 01366 328536 and Sue Pennell 01366 328452**



## Beachamwell WI

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May's talk will be a very different one, about Woodland Burials. As always, visitors or prospective new members are very welcome to come along. Enquir-

## BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM AND DRYMERE VILLAGE NEWS

We would like to thank all children and the adults who accompanied them for helping us mark this important day in the Christian calendar and we hope everyone ended up with some chocolates to take home.

On Easter Sunday our church looked beautiful for the Service – filled with colourful and fragrant floral displays. Many thanks to all who helped with the flower-arranging and gave their time and talents to make this year's Easter feel such a special time within our church.

Please note that there will be no Sunday Service on 6<sup>th</sup> May as we'll have 'all hands on deck' helping with the Beachamwell Half Marathon on that day. Let's hope the sun will shine on us on that day.

**Vesna Hudson (Churchwarden)**

### Easter 2018 - 70 years a Church Organist ...



First, I would to thank my Beachamwell friends for the lovely flowers and chocolates presented to me on Easter Day. I was quite  
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whelmed.

70 years a Church Organist... Where has it gone?

It all started unplanned and unexpectedly. In 1947 I was at home in Barton Bendish awaiting the results of my School Certificate Examinations. One day, while alone in the house, I was playing the piano when Miss Bessie Rumball (Sunday School teacher) called to see my mother. She expressed surprise because she did not know I played the piano.

# BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM AND DRYMERE VILLAGE NEWS

Two weeks before Easter the Reverend Pallister, Rector at that time, came along and said he wanted me to play for an Easter Sunday Family Service, but on that lovely pipe organ in St Andrew's – Barton Bendish.

Easter Sunday, March 1948, was that first Service. It was a very warm sunny day and, with several butterflies in my tummy, I climbed to the organ. After that I was hooked, thrilled by the wonderful sounds those pipes produced.

Then followed three happy years of organ lessons with Mr Frederic Bone, organist of Sandringham, in Sandringham Church.

I then started to help by playing for Services at Beachamwell. Firstly on a small harmonium which eventually broke down and was replaced in the 1980's by the electric organ we are using now while the pipe organ is repaired. Again so many happy memories and friends through the years have given nothing but pleasure.

I have a lifelong love of music, especially rich organ music. One of my treasured possessions is a medal presented to me in June 2010 In Ely Cathedral "for over 60 years of parish music".

It has been an honour and a privilege to serve our Lord and the community; my reward is the great pleasure it has given me. If I have given pleasure along the way to some people, that is an added bonus.

My humble thanks to you all,

***Freda Rumball (Organist)***



## **The Friends of St Mary's Church Annual Half Marathon**

I hope you are all in training for this on May 6<sup>th</sup>. Watch out for posters on the Notice Boards for details. All monies raised will be for the Thatched Roof Appeal St. Marys Church. Enquiries: 01366328628.

***Brian Wilson***

## **Quiz**

We are holding another quiz on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May in the Village Hall at 7.30. It is essential to book a table beforehand. Hope it will be as successful as the first one.....

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# BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM AND DRYMERE VILLAGE NEWS

## Horticultural Show

After a lot of thought Di Lambert and I have decided that we will not be organising the Annual Horticultural Show again. There was not a lot of support last year and we think the event needs new leadership and new ideas if it is to work. If anybody reading this wants to organise something we would be more than willing to help with the paper work we have. There is also a small amount of money in the bank too. Please get in touch if you are interested.

**Carole Wilson 01366328628**

## Beachamwell Local History Group

Our scheduled event for March, "Miss Reeve's Battle" unfortunately had to be cancelled, as at the last minute "Miss Reeve" herself was indisposed. We hope to rearrange this at a later date.

Don't forget however, that there will be a talk by Mary Ann Prior on Constance Villiers- Stuart in India on May 10<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm, at Beachamwell Village Hall. Constance lived at Beachamwell Hall for most of her life and became an expert and writer on gardens and flower arranging. Her trip to India was the inspiration for a renowned book.

Tickets £3 on the door. Enquiries: 01366 327023 or 01366 328536

**Maggie Mackenzie**



## Congratulations

Michael and Gemma Dye are pleased to announce the birth of their beautiful daughter, Matilda Elizabeth Anne born on April 11th weighing in at 8lb 6oz.

They brought the baby to meet everyone at 'Afternoon Tea' and what a reception she receive.....she is delightful.....

Michael is our very popular postman who supports the village in so many ways.

Congratulations and well done to you both from everyone in Beachamwell, Shingham

## **CHURCH SERVICES IN MAY (Priory/Northern group)**

### **Sunday 6th May      Sixth Sunday of Easter**

10.00 am Fincham    Family Communion  
10.00 am Shouldham    Morning Prayer  
10.30 am Marham    Café Church (Methodist Chapel)  
10.30 am Stow Bardolph    Holy Communion  
11.00 am Wormegay    Holy Communion

### **Sunday 13th May      Seventh Sunday of Easter**

9.30 am    Shouldham Thorpe    Holy Communion  
10.30 am    Stow Bridge    Holy Communion  
10.30 am    Marham    Morning Worship (Holy Trinity)  
11.00 am    Runcton Holme    Holy Communion  
6.00 pm    Fincham    Evensong

### **Sunday 20th May      Pentecost**

10.00 am    Shouldham    Holy Communion  
10.30 am    Marham    United Worship (MC)  
10.30 am    Nordelph    Holy Communion in the Village Hall  
11.00 am    Tottenhill    Holy Communion

### **Sunday 27th May      Trinity Sunday**

9.30 am    Fincham    Holy Communion (said BCP)  
10.30 am    Marham    Holy Communion (Holy Trinity)  
10.30 am    Wimbotsham    Holy Communion  
11.00 am    Watlington    Holy Communion

### **THURSDAY SERVICES** at 10am

HOLY COMMUNION **Fincham** 3rd and 17th

MORNING PRAYER (Lay led) **Runcton Holme** 3rd

HOLY COMMUNION **Runcton Holme** 10th (Ascension Day)

### **BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS** Please contact your Churchwarden:

Fincham	Cathy O'Brien	01366 347279
Marham	Philip Fay	01760 444199
Shouldham	Brian & Ann Hullah	01366 347814

## CHURCH SERVICES IN MAY (Wissey Valley/Southern Group)

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9.30 am	Methwold	Service of the Word
9.30 am	Wretton with Stoke Ferry	Holy Communion
11.00 am	West Dereham	Family Service
6.00 pm	Wereham	Evensong

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9.30 am	Whittington	Service of the Word
10.00 am	Boughton	Breakfast Church
3.00 pm	Barton Bendish	Pet Service
6.30 pm	West Dereham	Christian Aid Service

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11.00 am	Wereham	Holy Communion

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10.00 am	Whittington	All Age Service
11.00 am	Boughton	Holy Communion
6.00 pm	Barton Bendish	Evensong

## WEEKDAY SERVICES

HOLY COMMUNION **Wretton** Tuesday 15th 10am

HOLY COMMUNION **Boughton** Thursdays 10th and 24th 10am

COMPLINE **Whittington** Thursday 17th 5pm

### CHURCHWARDENS

Barton Bendish	Mhari Blanchfield	01366 347849
	Linda Webster	01366 347563
Beachamwell	Vesna Hudson	(01366) 327030

## BOUGHTON VILLAGE NEWS

### News from All Saints

We had a busy but enjoyable few days at Easter. On Wednesday March 28<sup>th</sup> we welcomed the children, staff and parents of All Saints' Academy for their Easter service. As usual it was very enjoyable, led by Carol Nicholas Letch. The children spoke well, were well behaved and their singing is excellent. They seemed to have a good grasp of the Easter story as well. Here is a report from Amy Dewart, who lives in this village:



#### *Easter Church Service*

*On our Easter church service, which happened on Wednesday the 28<sup>th</sup> March, all the classes went on the coach to Boughton church near the duck pond. The year five and six classes all did the readings; the titles were: The resurrection, Jesus is put on a trial and crucified and Jesus enters Jerusalem. The reception class had palm trees to wave that they made. The year two class held up some signs people had to say. The year three and four classes lit and blew out the candles. We sang: Lord of the Dance; There was a Green Hill Far Away and We have a King who rides a Donkey. We enjoyed preparing for and participating in our end of term Easter service*

*By Amy Dewart, Year 6.*

### **Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday**

We were pleased to welcome nearly fifty people to our Easter Vigil service on the day before Easter Sunday. The service starts with the church quiet and three fairly long readings, describing the events leading up to Easter. Then the church is plunged into darkness, while the congregation goes outside to witness the lighting of the Easter candle from the fire ably prepared by Frank. In the darkness we were trying to change the sombre Lent colours into celebratory white for Easter, to bring up the candles and flowers – not the safest activity in long robes. We were not quite ready when the candle was borne in with William

Burke singing the celebratory words. The service continued with bells, singing and every sign of joy. Thanks to Ken Waters for taking a service which was unfamiliar to him but dear to everyone else and to William for taking part. It was a great way to celebrate the first Communion of Easter.

The Annual Parish Church meeting was held on Monday April 9<sup>th</sup>. Pam Wakeling was re-elected as Churchwarden and the other members of the PCC were re-elected. The churchwarden's report noted all the main events since the last APCM, including the replacement of guttering on the north side and the repair of the lightning conductor. Thanks were given to all those who help keep the church going: Paul Coulten as Treasurer, Angela and Andrew Faherty for all that they do, Frank and Sandy Reid for running Breakfast Church and Pippa Blackall for taking the service every month.

### **Two major fund raising events:**

Wednesday May 16<sup>th</sup> - a talk about Oxburgh Hall to be given by Roger Farmer. This will be £3 per head, and well worth attending. Roger is one of the conservation volunteers at the Hall and has a wealth of knowledge about it, well illustrated and very interesting. He has given this talk several times and I hope it will be well attended. I've heard it twice already and it was fascinating on both occasions.

**Sunday June 10<sup>th</sup> – OPEN GARDENS Day.** Several gardens already offered for us, but more would always be welcome. If you haven't opened before, and feel a bit nervous, talk to someone who has. It's great fun and visitors come from far and wide to enjoy our gardens and the refreshments on offer. I know the weather has been bad, and everyone will say they can't get it ready, but the garden doesn't have to be perfect. There are a range of sizes, styles and degrees of perfection and the visitors love them all. If you have spare plants or garden related articles, they would be gratefully received for sale. It's the church's biggest fundraiser of the year and a way for many people in the village to come together – can you make a cake for the teas?

### **Buzzard fatalities**

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### **Get Set for Gardening 2018**

Thank you so much to all who supported this event on Good Friday, your donations of plants and garden related equipment raised £180.51 for church funds.

#### ***Andrew & Angela on behalf of Boughton PCC***

#### **Greetings by Oscar Pop-Up Cafe**

Light lunches will be served at our next pop-up on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May at All Saints' Church, Boughton between 11:30 am and 2:00 pm. We have re-stocked our cards which still remain at the special price of £1.00 each. Pop along for a card or two, a chat or some lunch or all of the aforementioned, you will be most welcome.

#### ***The Boughton Village Caravan***

#### **Goodbye to Friends.**

Church on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> April was tinged with sadness because it was the last breakfast service that John & Juliana Hawley will be attending. They will be travelling around the UK in May prior to returning to America sometime in June.

I am sure you will join me in wishing them God speed, and saying we will miss them very much. Sandy and I have really enjoyed seeing their young family growing up in Boughton, which was capped with the arrival of the latest Hawley, Graham, about two years ago.

John & Juliana have supported all our village events, and have become a very welcome part of our community. The three boys are delightful, and the family have certainly made the most of living in a quintessentially English village.

They have also come to understand English humour, and we have shared a few jokes together.

They have very generously presented the village with a beautifully carved





plaque to express their appreciation of their time living in Boughton. We will find a suitable place to hang the plaque in our community area of the Church.

Finally, bon voyage, John (David), Juliana, Jonathan. Jackson and Graham.

We will miss you.

Frank & Sandy

### **Boughton's Sporting Bottle.**

Following England's poor showing in the six nations, Eddie Jones requested a visit from the Bottle to raise morale among England's poor little chaps who were feeling a bit unloved after three defeats in a row. The Bottle first congratulated Joe Schmidt and his Ireland fifteen for a thoroughly deserved Grand Slam. Then gave the England squad a hard hitting tactical review of their performance, or lack of, is perhaps a better way of putting it. Eddie was very grateful for the Bottles input, and has commented that his team were uplifted by the pep- talk and have resolved to concentrate harder and perform better.

The Bottle's response was " Time will tell " , and left Twickenham with a rousing – " For England and St George !! "

Immediately after this, in fact as the Bottle was leaving Twickenham a call came in – "Would you like a trip on the Thames in a long narrow rowing boat from Putney to Mortlake next week-end ?" " What is the occasion? " asked the Bottle " oh it's just a bit of fun, a Varsity boat race, happens every year, plenty of ducking and bubbly of course," at which the Bottle instantly agreed.

### **WEREHAM VILLAGE NEWS**

Wereham short mat bowls is reverting to the summer day and times, as from May 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will be bowling on a Thursday evening 7pm until 9pm. The rest of the notice needs to stay the same just the day and time are different. I am also contacting the gentleman at the village pump to have the entry changed in there. Many thanks for your help. Rosemary.

Schoolreaders is a wonderful charity, which recruits volunteers to give one-to-one support to primary schoolchildren. As you may be aware, 1 in 4 children left primary school in 2017 reading below the government's required reading standards - and research shows that after that they have great difficulty catching up. Improving literacy has huge benefits, both for the individual and society as a whole.

Schoolreaders recruits volunteers who then go into primary schools to listen to children read. Volunteers are carefully matched to the best local school for them. This is a completely free service to both schools and volunteers. There are no rules about background, experience or age when it comes to being a great Schoolreader – enthusiasm, dedication and a good command of English are all that are required.

The lovely thing about this scheme is that everyone wins - the children- the school- and the volunteers who get a great deal of pleasure from the experience and in seeing what difference a little of their time can make.

If you have any questions, I would be happy to answer them, or they can be addressed to our head office on 01234 924111.

Karen Bromham Schoolreaders Ambassador **Schoolreaders**  
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" Just one important thing to note. One team wears light blue colours the other dark blue, and you must demonstrate an unbiased attitude ( c'mon Oxford !!! ). The lucky winners of £60, each in March were Gerald, Gott and Jean Filby – But of course Boughton's bottle is the paragon of diplomacy, he has been around you knows' Look out for the bottle on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> the race starts at 5.30pm

**Wereham Village Hall Bonus Ball Club**  
Stop Press 24 March 6.25 pm. The light Blues swept the board and won both races. Was Oxford too much in awe of the bottle. Frank & Tim.  
Next Meeting Date Tuesday 8 May 2018  
Annual Parish Meeting – 6.30 pm Annual Parish Council Meeting to follow after approximately 7.00 pm

Agenda items must be received before the end of the month prior to each meeting, items received after this time will not be possible to discuss. Please send to the Parish Clerk at [werehampc@gmail.com](mailto:werehampc@gmail.com). The Agendas for meetings are always published on the Wereham Village Notice Board three clear days before the meeting, on the Wereham Parish Council Facebook Page and on the website [www.werehamparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.werehamparishcouncil.co.uk) You will also find minutes of all meetings here too.

**Plea from Wereham Parish Council.** Are you cleaning your ponds out this spring?

If you are splitting any plants up and could spare some for Wereham pond then please think before throwing anything away. Especially things like oxygenating weed. The pond water quality for years has been awful and after seeking professional advice we found out its due to lack of plants. We will also be installing some barley straw soon to help reduce the nitrate levels. To buy new plants would cost the village hundreds of pounds which would be added to all our council tax bills. So why not donate some from your garden like our Chair has done? –

Obviously if you think your pond is polluted or has a disease please don't donate as this will create problems instead of helping. Our village handyman carried out the work above (paid for privately by the chair). He's very reasonably priced, so if you don't fancy doing the work yourself contact the clerk for his contact details – [werehampc@gmail.com](mailto:werehampc@gmail.com)

The issue of dog fouling was discussed by the Parish Council at their March meeting and information can be found in the minutes on the website. We will all agree that this is just not acceptable for dog owners to not collect and dispose of their dog's mess, and it has been going on for far too long all over the village where this has not happened. The boundary of Wereham extends past the houses, and this includes the country walk roads and pathways which are there to be enjoyed by all. For a resident of Wereham to not collect their dogs mess in the village or in the surrounding countryside is without due care and is just not acceptable. Wereham Parish Council and the majority of residents do not want this blighting the village any longer and the Clerk will be stopping any dog walker in the village to check they have the necessary dog bags for the foreseeable future. The Parish Council has supplied and pays for three dog bins and for them to be emptied across the village but unless certain dog owners take their responsibility they are in vain. They are located at the end of Lamas Lane (Flegg Green end); along Cavenham Road towards the public footpath field end; and on the playing field near the village hall entrance. [https://www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/info/20094/animals\\_and\\_pests/157/dog\\_issues](https://www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/info/20094/animals_and_pests/157/dog_issues)

All are welcome to attend meetings in 2018, if there are topics or ideas that you wish to share or be discussed with the Parish Council at any time during 2018, please email me on [werehampc@gmail.com](mailto:werehampc@gmail.com).

The Wereham Parish Council are upgrading the street lighting in the village to LED's as a way of saving money and also energy. The LED bulbs will use less electric, which the village pays for, and also won't need replacing or repairing as often as the current ones making the annual maintenance fee 75% less. This work will take place from the 1st May and shouldn't be a disruption whilst they change the light fitting. If you have any queries when the work is occurring please contact the Clerk on [07795006811](tel:07795006811) or via email [werehampc@gmail.com](mailto:werehampc@gmail.com).

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### **Recruitment Day – come and join us!**

Wereham & Wretton Scout Group are holding a Recruitment Day on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> May between 10.00am to 4.00pm at the Group's Grange Farm HQ, just off the A134 (access toward on opposite side to Crimplesham turning – turn right from track just before main farm yard).

We are looking to recruit girls and boys for our Beaver section (ages 6 to 8), and Scouts (10½ to 14), with places for Cubs (8 to 10½) possibly available later in the year. We are also very keen to attract more adult volunteers as we can only expand our sections and continue to deliver fun and relevant activities by extending our Leader and Assistant Leader support teams. A detailed breakdown of what our sections do appeared in last month's magazine.

Parents – please pop along with your children to say hello and find out more on what the Group has to offer. Prospective adult volunteers, do drop in to see us too. We will have an open fire to showcase outdoor cooking skills and will run some activities for supervised children. We look forward seeing you on the 12th!

Paul Smith Group Scout Leader [01366 501224](tel:01366501224)

### **WEREHAM OPEN GARDENS SUNDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> JUNE FROM 12PM TO 5.30PM.**

We are delighted to report that we have some new gardens entered this year but it's still not too late if you are considering opening your own. Tickets and directions for the gardens will be available on the day. As usual there will be our famous lunches and afternoon tea and cakes which hopefully will be served in our new village hall. There will also be our plant, craft and tombola stalls along with our usual gardening raffle prizes. Donations of plants, seedlings and items for our tombola would be gratefully received. Any items that need to be picked up then please let us know. We have a diverse collection of lovely gardens for everyone to enjoy and we would really appreciate your support as all monies received go towards the upkeep of our centrally located historic church. Any further information or collection of items then please contact me Greg Baddock on [01366-500233](tel:01366500233)

**Wereham Heritage group** Saturday 12 th May 2pm – 4pm in Wereham village hall

'The life and times of Bexwell aerodrome 'A history of RAF Downham Market

We are pleased to welcome Andy Moore to our Wereham Heritage event. He will bring a range of items from his collection relating to the Aerodrome that was on Wereham's doorstep .He will talk to us using his extensive knowledge of Bexwell.

If you have memories of Bexwell Andy is always pleased to hear them.

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Wereham Craft Group.**

The craft group ladies are busy getting items made in time for our first craft fair this year which is to be [on Sunday 10th June, 10am](#) Until 4pm.The usual choice of filled rolls will be available along with tea, coffee and cold drinks. We have a very good selection of stallholders coming along to tempt you with t h e i r g o o d i e s .

We are also once again doing the Christmas shoe boxes to go abroad to disadvantaged children aged from 6months to 14 years old, either boys or g i r l s .

The ladies in our group who knit are busy knitting squares to be made up into blankets, we are also considering knitting blankets for terminally ill people, this will be in conjunction with the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, we will have more news about this next month if anyone is interested in joining us for this venture please get in touch with me, it is a very worthwhile thing to do. New crafters are always welcome; we meet on the second Tuesday of every month in the village hall. [10.30am](#) until about [12.30pm](#), please just come along have a coffee and see what you think of us. Contact Details are Rosemary on [01366 501330](#) or [07749240606](#). E-mail [rosemary.pease@btinternet.com](mailto:rosemary.pease@btinternet.com).

### **Short Mat Bowls**

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### **Car Boot Sales and Café**

The car boot and cafe continue to flourish. We only have indoor tables for the moment as the field is to wet to drive onto. Cafe serving Bacon rolls, egg in a roll or sausages in a roll or any combination of items, with plenty of tea and coffee. The 50/50 raffle is proving to be popular. The raffle winner for March was Nicola.For details please contact Philip on [01366 501330](#) or [07759033492](#). E-mail[rosemary.pease@btinternet.com](mailto:rosemary.pease@btinternet.com).

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**Bingo** - Wereham Village Hall "Cash Prize" Bingo every Wednesday, doors open 6.45, eyes down 7.30pm. Teas/coffees available with complimentary biscuits. For enquiries contact Angela (01366 500115) or Diane (01366 500798).

**Pop up Café** – first and third Tuesday of the month, 10.30-1pm. Join us for a slice of homemade cake, a hot drink, a natter and a read of the daily papers all for just £1.50. Light lunches also available – look out for our monthly specials! Cake donations/queries to Doreen on 01366 500218. Next dates are Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> and Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May.

**Yard Sale** – Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> May, 9am -12, contact Nikki Cooper on 01366 500527.

**Car boot and Café** – last Sunday of the month, 9am-1pm (café opens at 8am). Next dates are Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> June. Café serving bacon butties, hot dogs and hot drinks. £5 per pitch. Contact Philip on 07759033492/01366 501330 e-mail [rosemary.pease@btinternet.com](mailto:rosemary.pease@btinternet.com).

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**Are you at work all day?**

Do you need someone to pop in and feed your pet, let it out and keep them company for an hour?

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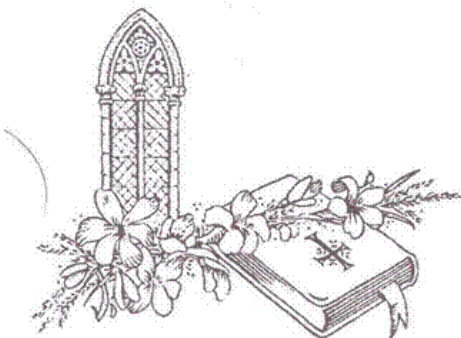
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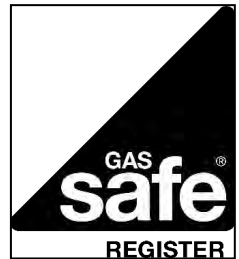
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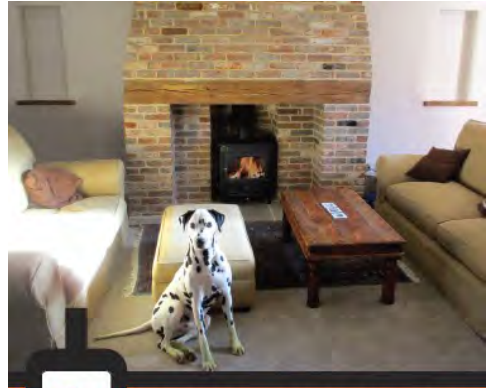
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**Many practices now use other veterinary surgeries for their out of hours work. This means that you will have to travel to an unfamiliar practice which is likely to be much further away. Despite being only a two vet. practice we continue to do all of our own on call cover. The phones are diverted directly to the vet on call as we know that clients appreciate a familiar voice at the end of the phone, 24 hours a day, who knows their pets and, if treatment is necessary, then they prefer to travel to their own practice to be seen. This is part of our Professional and Personal service that our existing clients are accustomed to and we warmly welcome new clients who wish to register with us.**

**Our surgery times are listed below. Please note that appointments are now necessary for all evening surgeries.**

**Open surgeries: Monday to Friday , 9-10am, Saturday 10-11.30am**

**All other consultations will be by appointment only  
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