

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

July 2014

WELCOME

Thank you to all the people who contributed to the Open Gardens Days in any way. It isn't just the people who open their gardens, but also those who toil behind the scenes. These events are very popular and showcase our villages to the wider world. Well done everyone.

There are still events coming up and you can even start making your diary dates for the end of the year—I'm not mentioning a certain word yet. Please continue to support churches and villages within our group. There are forthcoming events in the Fincham half of the benefice as well.

Please note that the deadline for copy for the August edition is a week earlier than usual, to take into account holiday commitments. Late submission holds up the printing and delivery schedules.

As always, 'Happy Reading '
The Editorial Team—Eileen and Pam

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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'FROM THE RECTORY'



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Dear All,

For many people the month of July marks the start of the holiday season. Nearly all of us look forward to some sort of break; whether it be a few days away locally or, if we are really fortunate, flying to some far off destination. The very idea of a holiday is all about rest and recuperation or perhaps doing something different or seeing different places. Yet tied up with all this is the stress caused by going on holiday. Countless questions cross our minds - have we packed the right clothes? Will the weather be sunny or will it be cold? Did we turn off the gas after the last minute breakfast? What will the roads be like? Are we nearly there yet? All these and other questions cross our minds as we set out on holiday. It's hardly surprising that holidays can be so stressful. So how can we deal with holiday stress? Perhaps one thing to do is to take a break from the holiday itself - visit a church instead. Visiting a different church can be a pleasurable experience. It might make you thankful for your own church! It might also be interesting to join in worship that is totally different from your own. Most importantly it can be a time of rest and quietness, perhaps a chance to unburden any stress by offering it to God in prayer. If you are lucky enough to go on holiday, please do try to visit the local church. Join in with the worship and remember that just because we take a holiday - God doesn't.

Barbara

Friends of the Holy Land Pentecost Appeal for Ely Diocese 2014-2015

I am writing to ask you to consider supporting a Pentecost Appeal by the Friends of the Holy Land (FHL) who aim to raise funds to support Palestinian Christians with the provision of safe, clean drinking water.

Water is in very short supply for many living in the West Bank and Gaza. Families will often go for days without any significant supply. Restrictions and failure of supply mean it is very difficult for them to run a business or maintain health and wellbeing. And, as illegal settlements spread across the West Bank, the situation is worsening.

The FHL are looking to develop a significant project to install a number of cisterns in local Christian houses in parts of the West Bank, in conjunction with a local specialist partner. The cistern, costing on average around £1850, is more effective than a roof tank. It is sunk into the ground, holds more water and can capture both rain water (which can be very scarce for much of the year) and water from the water system.

Here is an opportunity to provide a crucial and life-transforming resource for our brothers and sisters in the West Bank and to show them our concern and love. I very much hope and pray that the whole diocese will get behind this project and give generously.

The Revd Alan Partridge, Priest in Charge of Babraham, and Sawston, will be pleased to give you more details about the appeal itself. Alan can be contacted on a.partridge7@ntlworld.com and further information about FHL can be obtained from their website: http://www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/Home/Projects/Water-Tanks.

To make a donation, please go to: http://www.friendsoftheholyland.org.uk/Home/Support-Us

Postcards (left) of the diocesan vision have been designed and printed and are available free from the diocesan office. For copies for your congregation, please contact the Diocesan Communications Manager, Sarah Williams, giving quantities and contact details. Communications Manager, Sarah Williams, giving quantities and contact details.

FESTIVAL OF FLOWERS

Organised Jointly by Beachamwell and Barton Bendish

St Mary's Church, Beachamwell Saturday 26TH and Sunday 27TH July 2014



11 a m – 4 p.m. each day (next year St Andrew's Church, Barton Bendish)

Flower Displays in the Church with the theme "Celebrations and Commemorations"

Refreshments, Plants, Decorative GardenIronwork, Second Hand Books, Greet-

ings Cards, Hand-Made Jewellery and much more.

Enquiries: 01366 328774, 328818, 347563 or 347849

WW1 COMMEMORATION EVENING

IN AID OF HELP FOR HEROES

SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST at BARTON BENDISH VILLAGE HALL

A social evening including WW1 themed food from countries involved, WW1 quiz, songs of the era, presentations and factoids.

Entry £5 by ticket only so please book early to avoid disappointment.

Tickets can be booked from

Maureen Buck 01366347703 Val Mc Allister 01366347570

Kindly sponsored by The Commemoration WW1 Fund via Norfolk Community Foundation

COUNTRYSIDE NOTES

I've been to several places in the States, Africa, India and Scandinavia, they were wonderful adventures but personally I no longer have any great desire to face the unknown preferring instead to holiday in a more familiar environment. I now enjoy the scenery, discovering local customs and dialects by exploring rural Britain. It never ceases to amaze me that encompassed within our small island is such a diverse countryside, an hour's drive and you can find yourself in a totally different landscape.

In southern England there are rolling chalk downs, pretty chalk streams in Wiltshire and Hampshire, renowned for their superb fishing, and Dorset and Devon have their chocolate box thatched cottages. Cornwall has its rugged coastline and old derelict buildings to remind us of a once thriving tin mining industry. There are the windswept moors of Bodmin, Dartmoor and Exmoor too in the southwest.

In our own part of England Suffolk has its olde worlde painted houses and Norfolk its Broads, Breckland and miles of sandy beaches. It's interesting to travel through the bleak Fens and see acres and acres of lettuces, cauliflowers, cabbages and sprouts being grown.

Further to the west are the picturesque Cotswolds and Shropshire is a beautiful county. Being within easy reach of some large cities the Peak District National Park in Derbyshire is visited more than any other and holds many secrets. Old stately homes, rivers that are strongholds of the declining water vole and of course in summer many villages celebrate the ancient custom of well dressing. The north of England boasts the Yorkshire Moors and Dales and Cumbria is unique for its traditional stone built houses, iconic lakes and fells. Durham too has its moors and Hadrian's Wall stretches across historic Northumberland. Wales has a mix of wild places, industrial parts and some outstanding flora, fauna and scenery. Scotland though has become a favourite for both of us. Views of lochs, glens and mountains are breathtaking (on a nice day!) but most of all we love the islands. Roll-on roll-off car ferries have revolutionised the ease with which the islands can now be reached. Every one of them we've visited so far is different with each having a character of its own. We've not yet been to Orkney or Shetland although we've stood at John O'Groats and looked across. On many Gaelic is the first language. The birds in spring and flowers in summer are amazing on the Outer Hebrides. Of the Inner Hebrides Mull is the most visited, Islay has a farming community and eight whisky distilleries and five minutes by ferry takes you to Jura where there are twenty times more red deer than humans We've not long been back from the small island of Tiree which was

extremely interesting for many of its original crofts have been restored and are still worked in traditional fashion.

At our age who really needs the hassle of airports, foreign languages and unfamiliar customs when such diversity can be found within our own country? Jill Mason

ELECTORAL REGISTRATION 2014

This year's annual registration exercise starts on 4th August and for the first time everyone will be responsible for their own registration. This is called Individual Electoral Registration (IER) and replaces the previous system which allowed one member of a household to register everyone who lived at their address.

All currently registered electors will have their name and address checked against government records. Those whose details are confirmed will automatically transfer to the IER register without having to do anything and will be notified. Anyone whose details cannot be confirmed will also be notified and asked to provide additional information in order to be registered under IER.

Households where nobody is currently registered will be sent a Household Enquiry Form (HEF). The purpose of this is to ask whether anyone in the house needs to register. If so they will then be sent an Invitation to Register (ITR). Their details will then also be checked against government records before they can be registered.

The Electoral Registration Officer would very much appreciate householders' co-operation in making the change to IER as smooth as possible by promptly responding to any form received. In the event that anyone in a household receives neither confirmation of automatic transfer to IER, a HEF nor an ITR, he/she will need to contact the Electoral Helpline on 01553 616773. This will particularly apply to young people approaching the age of 18 but could also apply to anyone who has joined a household but not yet registered.

RIDING LONDON AT NIGHT



On Saturday 31st of May Natalie (my daughter) and I and 2,000 other women commenced a 100km bike ride from Windsor Racecourse into London, around London, and back to Windsor racecourse. This was in aid of WomenVCancer - the 3 women cancers- breast. ovarian. cervical. This was the first ALL women challenge, and already plans are being made to do it again next year. Some of the brave women who were cycling, had had cancer, some were still in treatment, and some were cycling in memory of a loved one who had died from this awful disease: and of course all were cycling to raise money for research into curing this killer.

Fortunately, it was a warm evening and all the support we received en route was amazing. The revellers in Chelsea and Fulham were most amusing but very good humoured. They must have been bewildered at the sight of 2,000 women ,all in pink luminous tabards ,and flashing cycle light ,and some with flashing tutus, riding through the streets.

As we approached London, naturally the traffic increased, and they too were very tolerant and considerate. Negotiating traffic lights, huge roundabouts and 5 lane roads seemed a far cry from Shouldham! We rode past Big Ben just as it struck 2am,then off down the Embankment passing the Eye on the other side of the Thames.

One of the highlights for me was cycling with Natalie through Admiralty Arch and down the Mall to Buckingham Palace which was half way.

We had 4 feed stations en route, very well organised and well stocked with water, orange segments, chocolate ,bananas, and energy bars, and toilets. These were manned by volunteers who were prepared to give up their whole night for such a good cause.

Richmond Hill ,on the way back was a killer, but the downhill was an enjoyable

freewheel experience. At the bottom of the hill is a set of traffic lights, which were "jumped" as several cyclists couldn't stop. I have to say I was also "guilty your honour ", but I hoped at 4am there wouldn't be much traffic about!

The last water "water hole " was 10 miles from home, and I have to confess that last 10 miles felt like the longest and hardest. It was starting to get cool which was the worst thing, but nothing compared to the suffering of those with cancer. The dawn chorus was a welcome sound at 4.50am and at one point we had 2 geese fly beside us encouraging us back. By this time the mist was on the fields and silence reigned, broken only by the cheering and clapping of the marshals and relatives as we entered the racecourse and the finish line; this part proved to be emotional ,not just for us two but for nearly all the women. After receiving our medals, and a bacon bap we headed home, tired, but elated and already in our minds knowing we would do it again next year-God willing. May I take this opportunity of thanking everyone who sponsored me as your money will be put to good use I can assure you. The total sum raised so far is £900,000. They hope to get a million pounds.

Ann Hullah

Well done, Ann. A tremendous achievement. I'm sure if anyone still wishes to sponsor Ann or contribute to the final total..............Ed.

Nar Valley Ornithological Society (NarVOS)

Tuesday 29th July 2014, 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 Chris Mills, entitled:

BIRDING IN EXTREMADURA, SPAIN

Chris Mills runs the bird-tour company, Norfolk Birding, and is based locally at Hunstanton. Chris has been birding and photographing wildlife for 30 years. Birding has taken him to many wonderful places, both at home and abroad. One of his regular and favourite destinations is Extremadura in Spain. Chris will entertain us with his photography of the birds of this beautiful, unspoilt area of Spain.

Visitors most welcome.

Admission £2 on the night if you are not a NarVOS member. For more information about this meeting or NarVOS call Ian Black on 01760 724092.

GARDENING TIPS JULY 2014

Anticipating a plague of slugs this season, before I went away on holiday I had the foresight to scatter a number of blue mini pellets in a specific area housing boxes of plants awaiting planting out in the garden at a later date. When I returned home two weeks later I was absolutely amazed at the number of dead slugs laying around. There were so many that I had to sweep them up! I hate to think what would have happened to the plants had I not used the pellets! I know many people dislike their use but there simply are times when one must take the relevant precautions.

It seems, as I write today, that we are in a somewhat disturbed period of weather with little prospect of anything much better for some time. Providing we get some sunshine in the not too distant future, the soft and cane fruits will benefit. However, I suggest that you take an early opportunity to give your bushes a dressing of sulphate of potash. Unless the weather suddenly changes I don't think you will need to water it in! I also recommend the provision of netting to avoid bird damage. As soon as the fruit has been picked do not delay in starting your pruning regime. Take out a proportion of the old wood and any damaged pieces. Delaying pruning simply means that the plant is wasting its effort in keeping alive material that is not needed instead of devoting its energy into the production of good strong growth to provide next year's fruit.

We are approaching the Broad, French and Runner bean seasons. Normally there are enough natural pollinators to pollinate the crops but occasionally nature needs a helping hand – just a <u>very light</u> spray onto the flowers will work wonders.

I hope your tomatoes are doing well. I am using my new cultural method and with my early start this year I have three trusses well set, a fourth in bloom and setting and the fifth and sixth trusses quite well formed.

A tedious job I know, but to get the best results and if not already done, no time should be lost in staking and tying-in the chrysanthemums and tall dahlias. The roses are coming in so early this year. The first cycle of blooms on the climbing varieties is now almost finished. If you get on with 'dead heading' and with possibly a light pruning now (just to tidy them up) you should get another good show of blooms later in the year. The large bloom varieties are also well ahead and the first ones in my garden will be in full bloom, subject to some sunshine, early next week. Again, take off any spent blooms as soon as they are over to encourage further buds to develop.

Autumn sown sweet peas will now be at their best with later sowings coming into bloom very shortly. A golden rule with sweet peas is to cut and keep cutting the flowering stems thus encouraging more and more blooms to develop. Keep feeding the plants with a soluble fertilizer with additional watering as required and the later sown varieties will continue to bloom well into September or even longer.

July is one of the best months to split overgrown clumps of iris. When replanting individual or splays of rhizomes put the roots into the ground and water them in but leave the top halves of the rhizomes exposed and pointing to the South thus giving them the maximum possible exposure to the sun. You may or may not have a bloom on the new plants in their first year.

If you are growing pansies, polyanthus or primroses from seed sow early in the month with wallflowers following towards the middle of the month. Polyanthus and primroses can be difficult to germinate. I have tried the cold method as directed on the seed packets and I have tried by the simple method of sowing without any special preparations. I have had little success with primroses by either method, but with polyanthus I do best by sowing in the normal way without the prior cold treatment.

Saturday July 12th is the date of the Downham Market and District Horticultural Show. Please come along and support us, preferably by entering your produce in the Show. Don't be shy, there is always a first time to do anything but in this instance there is always someone there who will be only too pleased to help you display your exhibits. *Roy Coughtrey*

Farmers Market

Fincham Memorial Hall

Great new market in the village hall every Thursday 9am to 1pm

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Beachamwell Book Group

Tuesday July 1st

7.00 - 9.00pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Book to be discussed at this meeting 'The Garden of Evening Mists' Tan Twan Eng

£2.00 + Bring & Buy Bookstall New members welcome

Enquiries: Leah Spencer 01366 328536

Beachamwell Wednesday Walkers Wednesday July 2nd

Meet at 10.00am outside Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Walk will be approximately 2 hours

Dogs to be walked on a lead

Enquiries: Sue Pennell 01366 328452



Beachamwell WI

Thursday July 3rd

7.30pm
Beachamwell Memorial Hall

'Travels with a Rotarian'
Mrs Claire Dunne

Enquiries: Jenny Gabrielsen 01366 328297

Beachamwell

"Pop Up" Pub
Friday July 4th

6.30 - 11.00 Last Orders 10.45



Beachamwell Memorial Hall
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Enquiries
Susie Davis 01366 328249
A Beachamwell Memorial Committee
Event

Beachamwell

Scrabble Wednesday July 9th

2.00 - 4.00 Orchard House, Beachamwell Enquiries:

Sonia Williams 01366 328774

Beachamwell

Parish Council Meeting 7.30

Monday July 14th
Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Enquiries 01366 328648

Beachamwell Afternoon Tea and a Chat.....

Wednesday

July 16th

2 - 4pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Enquiries Graham & Sonia Williams 01366 328774

Beachamwell

Horticultural Society Friday July 18th

7.30pm Beachamwell Memorial Hall

'Grow to Show' A Talk by Roger Gore-Rowe

All you need to know about showing fruit, vegetables and flowers for the Annual Show

Entrance: £2 (including tea/coffee)

All welcome.

Enquiries:

Carole Wilson 01366 328628

Beachamwell Craft Group

Thursday July 31st

2 – 4.30pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Bring along something you are already working on or start a new hobby in a friendly group of like minded people.

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Enquiries:

Leah Spencer 01366 328536





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Pineapple Cake

6oz honey

4oz margarine

7oz tin crushed pineapple with juice

12oz mixed fruit ;

4oz glace cherries (cut up if you wish).

Put all into a saucepan and bring to boil . Leave to cool .

Then add 2 beaten eggs; and 8oz self raising flour.

Bake in a round or 1lb loaf tin for 60 minutes at 350F/180C

Liz Seymour

<u>Wanted to rent</u> A 3 –bedroomed property with garden and if possible a garage as well wanted to rent in Barton Bendish, Beachamwell or Boughton area, by a clean, caring and respectable local family. Employment and character references can be obtained. Please call 01328874 with details. No agencies, please.

For sale 2 white 'up and over' garage doors. Size 2100mmx2100 mm with 80mm frame. Very good condition. Complete £100 each. Contact Pam 01366382

Barton Bendish Film Club Proudly presents

THE GRAND BUDAPEST HOTEL

The 2014 comic movie recounts the adventures of Gustave H, a legendary concierge at a famous European hotel between the wars, and Zero Moustafa, the lobby boy who becomes his most trusted

friend. The story involves the theft and recovery of a priceless Renaissance painting and the battle for an enormous family fortune, all against the back-drop of a suddenly and dramatically changing Continent.

Running Time 100mins Showing at Barton Bendish Village Hall 7.30pm Friday 18th July 2014

Tickets £4 in advance ~ £5 on the doorwww.bartonbendishfilmclub.btck.co.uk

or search for Barton Bendish Film Club for availability. Raffle Refreshments Included

~Box Office - (01366)347 849 - cinemabarton@gmail.com





SUMMER PARTY WINE TASTING

Join Giles Luckett on Boughton's beautiful green (or Boughton'sbeautiful church if it is raining!) for a tasting of superbsummer sippers on

> Saturday 26th July 2014 at 7:00 pm

We've everything for every summer occasion, from fabulous fizzto BBQ reds and a sundown Port.

Tickets for this unique summer highlight are strictly limited to 40 and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

So to join us please contact Angela on 501335. Tickets £10 a head.

All proceeds towards Boughton village playground



'A Boughton Village Caravan Production'



The Breckland Society

Saturday July 19th Dragon Fly Study Day

Led by Dr Pam Taylor 10am - 3pm East Wretham Village Hall

Members: £15.00, nonmembers: £20.00 This includes mid-morning refreshments, but please bring your own picnic lunch.

Enquiries: Sue Pennell 01366 328452

ALL SAINTS' CHURCH SHOULDHAM

Flower Festival

This 3-day event will be held from **Saturday 23 to Monday 25 August** over the Bank Holiday period. This year's theme is "I remember".

All the usual refreshments, brica -brac stall and raffle will be available.

Group4 News ■



This is the logo of the Ely Diocesan Association of change ringers—the bell ringers you see at weddings and before services if you are a church goer. (Not all bell ringers are.). The active towers round here, Fincham, Shouldham, Downham Market, Watlington and Denver, all belong to the Wisbech district of the EDA. With the exception of Denver, all the towers rely on the same small group of ringers to keep the bells going and provide the sound of English church bells in this district, which most people appreciate.

This year we are trying to provide bells for weddings at the four towers by working out the permutations of the same ringers being able to be in several different places at the same time! Unless we can find a solution, the bells will be silent, breaking a tradition that has gone on for many years.

It's a skill that requires a certain amount of dedication and time—any worthwhile hobby does. You don't have to be a churchgoer, young, muscular, just keen to learn and willing to put in the time and homework to understand what you are doing. Our most recent recruit came along after enjoying the bells at her daughter's wedding. If you want to learn more, practices at Fincham and Downham Market alternate on either Monday or Tuesday and Shouldham practises on Thursdays. For more information contact: Pam Wakeling 01366 500429 (Wisbech District Secretary) or Brian Hullah 01366 347814 (Wisbech District President)

Don't let this ancient tradition die out—exercise your brain and body and have fun!

1.	Kabul	Answers to guiz on	13.	Noodles
2.	Red and white	page 71	14.	Soprano singer – Dame Nellie Melba. The dish was designed at
3.	Spain			the Savoy
4.	Argentina		15.	Moby Dick
5.	Crescendo		16.	Jane
6.	Apollo		17.	The Importance of Being Ernest – Oscar Wilde
7.	mardi		18.	Henry VIII
8.	Accept both Bengali and Hindi		19.	Aphrodite
'Bang	la'is a Hindi word for	r a house.	20.	Stieg Larsson
9.	Pain		21.	Suffolk
10.	French		22.	64
11.	Belgium		23.	Dolly Parton
12.	Bread		24.	The Pentateuch
			25.	France



Jazz at the Hall

Jazz Picnic in the grounds of Barton Bendish Hall

PE33 9DN

Sunday 13th July 2014

12 noon - 3pm (Gates open at 11.30am)

Tickets in advance £5.50 per person or £6.50 on the day

(16 years and under free)

Bring your picnic and enjoy the music!

Boughton Jazz Picnic Saturday 19th July 2014

12:30 pm to 3:30 pm (Gates Open 11:00am) Rectory House Oxborough Road, Boughton, PE33 9AH

Featuring Barry Tyler's Dixieland Jazz Band

Bring your own chairs and picnic and join us on the lawn for a relaxing afternoon of Jazz

Real Ale and Jive Floor Admission £7 on the Gate (Children Free)

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Wereham Village Hall

Charity Bingo

Saturday 21st June

Doors open 6pm—eyes down 7pm
Prizes and a raffle, last game a cash flyer
Teas, coffees and cakes on sale
during the interval

Raising money for Medical Supplies for Boughton Surgery

> Contact Roger 01366 500088

SPECIAL EVENT PLANNED?

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Music System....



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WEREHAM VILLAGE HALL!



Contact Doreen on 500218 for Bookings



Wereham 1925

Phil Norris offers this insight into Wereham with a description of the village in 1925. How things have changed!

Farmers 12

Pubs 3 - Crown, George & Dragon, Nag's Head

Bakers 2

Butchers 2

Market Gardeners 2 - One was also the Sub-postmaster

Shopkeepers 2

Beer Retailers 1

Blacksmiths 1

Cycle Dealers 1

English Timber Merchants 1 - Vince & Vince

Farm Bailiffs 1

Gravel Merchants 1

Grocers 1

Greengrocers 1

Hawkers 1

Hay and Straw Dealers 1

Insurance Agents 1

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School Medical Officers 1 - to West Norfolk district

Wereham Village Hall

Family Bingo

Saturday 12th July
Doors open 5.30pm—eyes down 6.30pm
Prize one and the last game a cash flyer

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Teas, coffees and cakes on sale during the interval

All proceeds go to Wereham Village Hall
If anyone can help with prizes all
donations will be very welcome
Contact

Roger 01366 500088

This was taken from the Group 4 website. Have you seen it? It contains a wealth of interesting items about the four villages. More in later pages.

Family Fun Day

Coral's Blue Elephant Charitable Trust

Sunday 3rd August 2014 Fun starts at 11am Beachamwell Village Centre

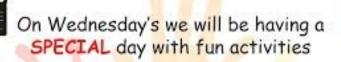
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Summer Holiday Club

Open Monday, Wednesday & Fridays each week throughout the school holidays.



30th July Science experiments

6th August Little oaks "Bake off" competion

13th August Movie themed day, dress up, act out, bring DVD's and eat popcorn

20th August Let's get messy (Old clothes are a must)

27th August Building obstacle course

TOPYS

3rd September 100's of things to make with sweets

Catering for ages 2 to 8, even if they do not attend Stoke Ferry school

£2.90 per hour, lunch provided for £1.60

SPECIAL OFFER book 4 hours in one week and receive the 5th hour free

or pop in to pick up a booking form but hurry as places are on a first come first serve basis

FINCHAM AND DISTRICT WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Twenty four members met in the President's garden on a beautiful, wind free summer's evening.

Each member received a bowl of popcorn and marshmallows on arrival and the evening began with friendly chat, catching up with friends and relaxing in the sunshine.

A birthday posy was presented to M Riches, and, after the meeting, posies were presented to J Palgrave-Brown and R Stevenson. A bouquet of flowers was presented to J Fuller, on the occasion of her "special" birthday.

The evening continued with several fete – like games, including, picking a numbered stick to receive a prize, bowling, darts and knocking tins off a table, all thoroughly enjoyable and not too competitive. The darts competition was won , by a large margin, by P Wood; R McClean won the bowling , and, after a "thrilling" play-off, S Westwood won the knocking the tins off the table competition.

Next, members enjoyed hot-dogs washed down with a glass or two of wine. A larger than usual raffle was organised by R McClean. Winners were A Turnball, S Amies, C Webster, P Wood, P Wakeling, J Tidy, L Phillips, I Delderfield, A Bloy, R McClean, J Fuller, J Reid and P Biggs.

The competition - "Decorating and Wearing a Hat – was won by S Amies, 2^{nd} – J Fuller, 3^{rd} – T Taylor, 4^{th} – I Delderfield and A Bloy.

Everyone agreed that the evening had been extremely enjoyable, many thanks to the President, Mrs C Dungay, for her hospitality.

Sue Westwood

The next meeting will be at 7.30 pm on Wednesday July 9th in Fincham Memorial Village Hall. There will be a talk and slides on the subject of 'East Coast Truckers', followed by refreshments. New members are always welcome. If you'd like to come along, take the plunge! We rarely discuss jam making and everyone knows I can't cook............Ed.,.

For more information, contact:

The Neighbourhood Officers

Tel: 01553 616200 Email: snaps@west-norfolk.gov.uk

Visit: www.west-norfolk.gov.uk/SNAP

Norfolk Constabulary

Tel: 101 (calls cost 15 pence)

Visit: www.norfolk.police.uk/ saferneighbourhoods.aspx

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD ACTION

PANEL - PUBLIC MEETING

The next meeting for WATLINGTON is Wed 16th July at 7pm at Watlington Primary School, Rectory Lane, PE33 0HU

Neighbourhood Includes:

West Winch, North Runcton, Setchey, Middleton, Fair Green, Blackborough End, Watlington, Tottenhill, Runcton Holme, South Runcton, Wormegay, Shouldham Thorpe, Shouldham, Stow Bardolph, Marham, Wimbotsham, Crimplesham, Stradsett, Fincham, West Dereham, Barton Bendish, Wereham, Wretton, Boughton, Beachamwell, Stoke Ferry.

This is your opportunity to have your say. You can:

- Highlight a community problem
- Suggest ideas to improve your neighbourhood
- Discuss what should be a priority for your neighbourhood

The Neighbourhood's current priorities are:•

Anti-social behaviour in Stoke Ferry

BARTON BENDISH

ART, PHOTOGRAPHY & CRAFT

Exhibition & SALE

SATURDAY 27TH & SUNDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER 2014 SATURDAY 10.00AM - 5.00PM SUNDAY 11.00AM - 5.00PM IN THE VILLAGE HALL AND ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH BARTON BENDISH

Admission Free

PE33 9GF

Refreshments and light lunches available

Proceeds to St Andrew's Church and The Village Hall For further details contact: 01366 347849/347563

Developing our link with Kigali: The Ely-Kigali Link, approved by Diocesan Synod in March, will be officially launched during a visit to the Diocese of Ely by the Bishop of Kigali, the Rt Reverend Louis Muvunyi, between 13-20 October 2014. Our diocesan link will develop and be made real by a number of active links between groups which all support the aims and ethos of the link - that of learning from and sharing with one another. These are two key aspects of our diocesan link that make it distinctive but not mutually exclusive from supporting a mission or development agency. If you are also interested in making the IInk real too, please do be in touch. By the time you read this, a small team representing the parish churches of Histon and Impington will be literally days away from travelling out to the parish of Kicukiro in Kigali to begin building relationships which is so important in Rwanda culture. You might have heard of Kicukiro sadly, because it was the site of a huge massacre during the 1994 genocide which is portrayed in the film 'Shooting Dogs'. Since the genocide Rwanda and its people have moved on and have experienced much rebuilding and reconciliation, although these are still ongoing. A lot of this has been lead by the local churches, which makes this an ideal place for our churches to visit and see how we might learn from and share with one another. During this initial trip (14-24 June) members of the team will be looking specifically at how we might develop links in prayer and support, links with our churches, schools, youth and see how micro-financing initiatives are working. We'll also be keeping our eyes and ears open for how other links might develop. We'll do this through exploring local projects on the ground, lead by the Rwandan Church, facilitated by a number of different organizations and charities that are helping people to continue the work of reconciliation and rebuilding themselves. Our long-term hope for this link is that many people may be received in our parishes, that many people may travel to Rwanda and that through it we might be mutually enriched. Watch this space!

BARTON BENDISH & EASTMOOR VILLAGE NEWS

SWAFFHAM COMMUNITY HOSPITAL COLLECTION

A sincere thank you to all who donated to the League of Friends Annual Collection. The sum of £177.93 was collected from the residents of Barton Bendish & Eastmoor. Thanks also to Bill & Maureen Tasker for their help. *Maureen Buck*

GENERAL ADVICE ON COMPUTERS 8th July 6-9pm

Debbie Wells is holding an informal meeting on 8th July at Barton Bendish Village Hall between 6 and 9pm to address issues people want to discuss or even bring along their pc or laptop and hope to sort out problems. Ask about virus protection, slow running machines, help to clean up and general house keeping that a computer needs to help continue to run faster.

I am just trying to help people who don't know about computers and want to learn but do not want to do a course.

Contact email d.j.wells@tesco.net or tel 01366 347316 for further details

JAZZ PICNIC AT THE HALL SUNDAY JULY 13th

This year's Jazz Picnic at Barton Bendish Hall is taking place on Sunday July 13th between 12noon and 3pm. Tickets are £5.50 in advance or £6.50 on the day. See advert for further details.

BARTON BENDISH FILM CLUB PRESENT

THE GRAND BUDAPEST HOTEL on Friday July 18th at 7.30pm See advert The 2014 comic movie starring Ralph Fiennes recounts the adventures of Gustave H, a legendary concierge at a famous European hotel between the wars, and Zero Moustafa, the lobby boy who becomes his most trusted friend. The story involves the theft and recovery of a priceless Renaissance painting and the battle for an enormous family fortune, all against the suddenly dramatically changing back-drop of and Continent. а 100 minutes. Running time

Tickets £4 in advance £5 on the door; with refreshments and raffle. Please call Box office: 01366 347849 or email:cinemabarton@gmail.com to

book or check availability of tickets orsee our website at : http://bartonbendishfilmclub.btck.co.uk for details .

JOINT FLOWER FESTIVAL at St MARY'S BEACHAMWELL July 26th and 27th

Anyone who would like to take part in the Flower Festival, either by doing an arrangement, helping on the stalls, refreshments or raffle or by baking cakes would be very welcome. Please contact Mhari (347849) or Linda (347563) for details.

BARTON BENDISH WW1 COMMEMORATION EVENING IN AID OF HEROES

SATURDAY 2nd AUGUST 7pm at BARTON BENDISH VILLAGE HALL

A social evening including WW1 themed food from countries involved, WW1 quiz, songs of the era, presentations and factoids. Entry £5 by ticket only so please book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets can be booked from Maureen Buck 01366347703 or Val Mc Allister 01366347570 Kindly sponsored by The Commemoration WW1 Fund via Norfolk Community Foundation

ART, PHOTOGRAPHY and CRAFT EXHIBITION

Our sixth annual exhibition will take place on September 27th and 28th in Barton Bendish. We welcome artists, photographers and crafts people who have exhibited before, and are also keen to encourage new people to take part. If you would like to know more details please contact Mhari (347849) or Linda (347563). Exhibitors need not be local to our villages, so please do pass this on to anyone you know may be interested. We look forward to hearing from you.

KNITTED CREATURES!

Following the success of the knitted chicks and bunnies in the run up to Easter, we now have a new range of knitted creatures - still filled with a crème egg. We have mice, ladybirds, bees, hedgehogs and dressed mice for sale – ranging from £2 to £3. The Berney Arms has kindly agreed to sell them again and they can be seen sitting on their bars!!! The creatures will also be for sale at Open Gardens and at the Art Photography and Craft Exhibition. If you are a knitter and would like to help us, then patterns and wool can be provided or if you have any spare balls of wool you would be happy to donate please pass them onto Linda

or Mhari. Thank you

St ANDREW'S WORKING PARTIES.

Last year we had two very successful working parties that tackled general maintenance and small repair jobs within the church and churchyard. We are hoping to organise similar events this year – there are tasks to suit all ages and abilities and refreshments and lunch will be provided. We would love to hear from anyone who is interested in helping, even for an hour or two, and then we can arrange some mutually convenient dates. Please contact Mhari (347849) or Linda (347563)

<u>Barton Bendish Annual and Ordinary Parish Council Meetings</u> Held on 14th May 2014

Annual Parish Council Meeting

The meeting was chaired by Cllr J.R.Bostock, who was re-elected as Chairman for the coming year, 3 parishioners attended. The Chairman welcomed Sarah Thorpe to her first meetings as the newly appointed Parish Clerk.

Reports were received from the Village Hall Trustees and the Poor's Charity Trustees

The end of year accounts for 2013/14 were approved by the Parish Council and documentation completed for the External Auditor.

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting

A grant had been award for £350 to cover planting of poppy seeds and a social evening to commemorate the centenary of World War 1. The social event is to take place in the Village Hall on Saturday, 2nd August. Further details to follow on this matter.

Although numerous patching road repairs have recently been done within the Parish issues remain on Church Road, from Hatherley Gardens to the end of Church Road. NCC Highways have been made aware of this matter.

The next meeting of Barton Bendish Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 9th July, 2014. This will be an Ordinary Parish Council Meeting starting at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

Miss Sarah Thorpe, Parish Clerk

Telephone number: 01945 430930

Email: bartonbendishparishcouncil@aol.co.uk

Summary of Forthcoming Events

JULY 13th Jazz Picnic

18th Film The Grand Budapest Hotel

26th& 27th Flower Festival at St Mary's Church, Beachamwell **AUGUST 2nd** WW1 Commemorations Social Evening

SEPTEMBER 27th & 28th Art and Craft Exhibition St Andrews Church and Village Hall

NOVEMBER 20th& 21st Wreath Making Workshop in the village hall.

Optional Lunch at The Berney Arms on Thursday.

DECEMBER 6th & 7th

Hall of Stalls and Christmas Tree Festival St Andrews Church and Village Hall

Cristingle Service at 3pm in St Andrews Church on the 7th **13**th Victorian Evening of Christmas Entertainment in the Village Hall

Barton Bendish:-



The village is mentioned in the <u>Domesday Book</u> of 1086 were the name is given as Bertuna. The main tenant of the village was William from Hermer de Ferrers. Other tenants were Reynald Fitzlvo and Ralph Baynard. Barton Bendish is a settlement of scattered households where there are two churches which are little more than a field apart. What is more remarkable is that up until 1787 the parish had three churches. All Saints was pulled down in

that year with much of the material used to repair local roads and for repairing Saint Mary's Church. Although dating from the 14th century, St Mary's has a Norman doorway moved from a nearby church which was being demolished. The tower fell in 1710 and has not been rebuilt. The roofs are thatched. St Mary's is constructed in brick, rubble and carrstone, parts of which have been rendered. The roofs are thatched. Its plan is simple, consisting of a nave and a chancel with a north vestry, and a belicote at the west end. The west doorway dates from the middle of the 12th century. Above it is a two-light window dating from 1858. On the west gable is a bellcote of 1871. In the south wall of the nave is a doorway with a plain arch, and to its east is a two-light early 14thcentury window. The south wall of the chancel contains a two-light window, a priest's door over which is a finial, and a three-light 19th-century square-headed window. The east window has three lights. On the north side of the chancel is a two-light window, and there is [172] The other remaining church is called Saint Andrew's. St Mary's is constructed in brick, rubble and carstone, parts of which have been rendered. The roofs are thatched. Its plan is simple, consisting of a nave and a chancel with a north vestry, and a belicote at the west end. The west doorway dates from the middle of the 12th century. Above it is a two-light window dating from 1858. On the west gable is a bellcote of 1871. In the south wall of the nave is a doorway with a plain arch, and to its east is a two-light early 14th-century window. The south wall of the chancel contains a two-light window, a priest's door over which is a finial, and a three-light 19th-century square-headed window. The east window has three lights. On the north side of the chancel is a two-light window, and there is another two-light window in the north wall of the nave.

Stephen Lloyd

Older residents in the village will have been saddened to learn of the passing of Stephen in early June. He was a great countryman and a real character. He will be fondly remembered.

St. Mary's Church

Open Gardens: Our Open Gardens' Day was an absolute triumph this year and, in case you don't already know, we raised £3,199.22 for church funds. On behalf of the churchwardens and PCC I would like to thank the very many people who spent such time and effort in making this event so very successful. The sun shone and the village was buzzing with hundreds of visitors who were all very complimentary about the lovely gardens, ploughman's lunches, afternoon teas with the wonderful clarinettist, as well as the beautifully decorated church where visitors either sat and listened to the lovely organ music or looked at the Connecting Threads exhibition.

Visitors who fancied a little gamble had the opportunity to win some particularly good prizes this year and we are very grateful to everyone involved in organising and supporting the raffle.

Flower Festival: Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th July 11 a. m. – 4 p.m. each day By the time this magazine reaches you the Flower Festival will be getting close. As you know this year the Festival is being held in St Mary's Church, Beachamwell but it is once more a joint event with Barton Bendish and people from both villages are making flower arrangements. The theme this year is Celebrations and Commemorations and I understand that there are already a variety of celebratory flower arrangements planned as well as quite a few arrangements commemorating the First World War.

There will also be some very interesting stalls in the Village Hall as well as refreshments and if you would like to do a flower arrangement or can offer to help in stewarding the church or helping in the hall with refreshments Sonia (01366 328774) williamsoldies@gmail.com or Gill (01366 328818) will be very pleased to hear from you. Gill would also be very grateful for books for the Book Stall.

The Group Service for June will be held in Beachamwell on 29th June and it is planned that the Service will take place in the gardens of Park House at 6 p.m. If we are unlucky enough to have bad weather the Service will take place in the

Church. We do hope you will join us. (Park House is in The Street about 200 yards west of the Church).

The next Scrabble Afternoon is Wednesday 9th July. We always welcome new people. Please contact us on 01366 328774 if you would like more information.

The next Afternoon Tea will be held on Wednesday 16th July. If we get the promised hot dry summer we will be able to sit out under the cherry tree. For those of you who don't know the cherry tree was planted many years ago by Ruth Rix and her Brownie Pack for everyone to enjoy over the years.

Graham Williams (Churchwarden)

Flower Rota July

6th Mary Riches, 13th Vesna Hudson, 20th Gill Sanderson, 27th [Flower Festival] Eileen Powell

Beachamwell Memorial Hall (Charity registration number 303900)

A big thank you to all who supported the Pop Up Pub on 6 June. These informal events provide an excellent opportunity for people to meet socially and, as the weather was fine this time, it was lovely to see a number of children playing on the village green during the early part of the evening. We look forward to seeing you all at the next Pop Up Pub on Friday 4 July.

The new curtains across the stage area have been a welcome improvement to the hall, hiding stacked chairs etc. Indeed during Open Gardens in June there were many favourable comments about how attractive our village hall is looking. If you are thinking of a venue for a party or meeting do get in touch!

Our next fund raising event will be the Fete and Country Fair on Sunday 31 August. Contact: Susie Davis, secretary (suedavis@afiweb.net)

Beachamwell Memorial Hall Committee

Parish Council

The next Parish Council Meeting is on Monday 14th July at 7.30. As always, everyone is welcome to attend.

Eileen Powell (Parish Clerk)

Mobile Post Office

The new Opening Hours are as follows:-Monday and Thursday: 11.30 - 12.00

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday: 11.15 - 12.00

Wednesday Walkers

Not since the first Wednesday Walk in October 2012 have we been rained off, but when we woke on 4th June to leaden skies and heavy rain, we wondered if our luck had run out. But amazingly, no!



Admittedly the long grass did its best to drench our legs, and the enormous puddles tried hard to wet our feet, and the mud, oh the mud, that could not have been more slippery, yet, no one actually fell we walked over as Beachamwell, Caldicote, Shingham, Beachamwell circuit. Even more surprisingly, although the skies threatened, it hardly rained on us either, so yet another Wednesday Walk was successfully completed in the dry – well, more or less!

In July we hope for wall-to-wall sunshine as we explore the flora and fauna along some of the Forest Rides – do join us. We meet at 10.00 am at the Village Hall.

Leah Spencer and Sue Pennell

Beachamwell Local History Group

The idea of having a local history group is a step nearer to becoming a reality after the meeting on Thursday 12 June. A steering committee was set up to draft a constitution and draw up proposals for how the group will be organised and how it will carry out projects to explore our rich local heritage. This is an exciting development, so watch out for the date of the next meeting and join us if you would like to find out more.

Mike Walker, Jayne Frost and Maggie Mackenzie

WI

We celebrated our Birthday meeting at The Twenty Church Wardens, Cockley Cley, with a splendid meal. Thanks to Irene for organising this and the staff of



the Pub for excellent service

Eileen Powell



Swaffham Community Hospital League of Friends

As Chairman can I take this opportunity in thanking the residents of Beachamwell for their generosity in contributing to our annual Spring Appeal raising a total of £168.91. Special thanks to those wonderful individuals who go out and post and collect for the League of Friends.

We all know what a special Charity ours is ensuring all the money donated is spent wisely for the patients and staff of the hospital either purchasing equipment or amenities. In the last financial year, the League reinvested £51,000.00 and this would not be possible without the continual support we receive with the fundraising that is carried out each year.

Yours very sincerely,

David Gulliver

Thanks to the Volunteers, Verena Hartley, Betty Phillpot, Julie Ive, Di Lambert and Sonia Williams, for delivering the Spring Collection Envelopes and collecting them which is never an easy task.

Carole Wilson

Barn Owl Ringing!

How lucky a small group of us were to accompany Allan Hale on an evening expedition to count and ring barn owl chicks in June. As the photograph shows,



Ivan proved to be an excellent assistant. He counted chicks, held them while Allan ringed them and showed a great deal of interest in all he saw.

If you are a family in Beachamwell, Shingham or Drymere and you are interested in wildlife please contact me and I will let you know when similar events are taking place.

Leah Spencer 01366 328536



COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS - Please note changed days/times

DATE	VILLAGE	LOCATION	TIME
Thursday	Beachamwell	Post Office	10:05 am
21st November	Drymere	Telephone Box	10:40 am
19th December	Boughton	Sycamore House Mill Road	15:20 pm 15:35 pm
	Barton Bendish	Hatherley Gardens	9:40 pm
Thursday		The Pond	9:30 am
7th, 21st November 5th, 19th December	Wereham	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

VILLAGE BUS SERVICES

FROM	ROUTE	OPERATOR	DESTINATION
Barton Bendish	31 (Saturday)	Lewis Coaches	Swaffham
Danahammall	31 (Saturday)	Lewis Coaches	Swaffham
Beachamwell	18 (Tuesday)	Eagles Coaches	King's.Lynn & Swaffham
Boughton	18 (Tuesday)	Eagles Coaches	King's.Lynn & Swaffham
Wereham	28 (Mon to Sat)	Coach Services	King's Lynn
vverenam	40 (Mon to Sat)	Coach Services	Thetford/Downham

Timetable requests:- (01603) 228888, Traveline (08706) 082608 (www.traveline.org.uk)

FARMERS' MARKETS

Ely	Second and Fourth Saturday 8:00-2:00pm
Fakenham	Fourth Saturday 8.30am to 12:00pm
RAF Marham Swaffham	Third Friday 9:00am to 2:00pm First and Third Sunday
Watton	Sadly no longer trading

For information:- www.farmersmarkets.net or your local Tourist Information Office

VILLAGE AND PARISH HALL BOOKINGS

Barton Bendish	Bill Tasker	01366 347432
Beachamwell	Caroline Sanderson	01366 328244
Wereham	Doreen Rolph	01366 500218

CHURCH SERVICES IN JULY

Sunday July 6th

Cumples July 424b		
Wereham	6 .00pm	Evening Service
Beachamwell	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Marham	10.30 am - 11.30 am	Café Church
Shouldham	9.45 am	Holy Communion

Sunday July 13th

Shouldham Thorpe	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Boughton	10 00 am	Breakfast Church
Marham	10.30 am	Morning Worship
Fincham	6 .00 pm	Evening Service

Sunday July 20th

Shouldham	9.45 am	Morning Prayer
Marham	10.30 am	Holy Communion
Beachamwell	11.00 am	Morning Prayer
Wereham	St Margaret's Festival	No service

Sunday July 27th

Fincham	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Beachamwell	10.15 am	Praise service for the Flower Festival

Marham	10.30 am	United Holy Communion at HT

Boughton	11.00 am	Morning Prayer
Wereham	6.00 pm	Evening Service

Thursdays at 10 am short said service followed by coffee.3rd—Fincham,10th —Boughton 17th, 24th, 31st Fincham

CHURCHWARDENS

Barton Bendish	Mhari Blanchfield	01366 347849
	Linda Webster	01366 347563
Beachamwell	John Sanderson	01366 328818
	Graham Williams	01366 328774
Boughton	Pam Wakeling	01366 500429
Wereham	Sheila Smith	01366 858165

BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS

Please contact the Revd. Barbara Burton or the Churchwarden in your parish.

BOUGHTONVILLAGE NEWS



Ready for lunch on June

We were very fortunate on our Open Gardens Day as the sun shone and welcomed visitors to the village. Time and energy spent on publicising the event in newspapers, diocesan websites, parish magazines and the media proved worthwhile as we had visitors from Norwich, Hunstanton, Dersingham, Brandon, Dereham and I'm told there were even a couple from Finland! There were nearly 160 people visiting, many for the umpteenth time! All were appreciative of our gardens – I've never had so many people round mine on one afternoon. Anyone who has wondered about opening but worried about a weed out of place need not worry, as the visitors are interested in flowers, wildlife, general interest. One person commented to me about the number of butterflies, which I hadn't noticed for myself, but as soon as she did they were around everywhere!! Many thanks to all the people who opened their gardens, some of whom managed to do other things as well. It was good to have all the familiar gardens plus a new one and

one that had changed ownership. I hope you all enjoyed the day. Thanks also to Frank and his team for making the village look so attractive around the pond. A lot of hard work goes into keeping it like that. Tony and Thom had the static job of selling programmes, but very necessary and a major contribution.

Thanks to Andrew and Angela for all the hard work they put into the Plant Emporium. It amazes me how much they get to sell and how attractively it is presented. Angela also makes sure the entrance to the church welcomes people with beautifully maintained pots and was responsible for putting out the signs on the roads leading into the village.. The Plant Emporium raised an amazing £340.

The picture above shows the beautifully laid out church refreshment area, laid out by Sandy and her team, just the tip of the iceberg as the planning and preparation goes on beforehand and out of sight. Everyone who came round the gardens commented on the excellence of our refreshments – some went back more than once and sat there eating tea as well as lunch! I didn't manage that, but I did get a takeaway. Good refreshments contribute such a lot to a day like OGD and I know many people made cakes and other things for sale as well. Thanks to Accent Fresh for supplying the salads again. Refreshments raised over £700.

I'm still waiting for the final figure as I write, but at the time of writing I expect it to be over £1650. Thanks again to everyone who contributed time, money and enthusiasm. *Pam Wakeling*

Boughton Wishing Bucket - Donation Update July 2014

We continue to receive many donations from the Wishing Bucket and hope that

your wishes have come true for you. To date we have donated nearly £300 from monies collected and are very grateful on behalf of the charity recipients for your continued support. A recent donation was to MAGPAS the emergency helicopter based medical team which operates in the East of England. You can see their work at www.magpas,org,uk

Please continue to support this fund raising venture and perhaps suggest a charity you would like to see supported in

the future. Come along to your Parish Council meetings and make your views known. Boughton Parish Council – July 2014

Congratulations......to Alan Wilkinson of Boughton, Honorary Music Director and Co-Founder, Music in Country Churches. who has been awarded the Order of the British Empire for services to Music and for charitable services.

Boughton Cricket Club

Summer has arrived at last and Boughton Cricket Club's season is now well under way with three fixtures now played.

Our first fixture against Gooderstone was a home fixture played on a glorious afternoon and after posting a score of nearly 200 runs Gooderstone must have thought that they were in with a good chance of winning. However they had not counted on the indomitable James Webb who strode to the crease for Boughton with a number of wickets lost and the run rate getting away. James set to work and by the time the game was won he had amassed a score of 91 not out with a wonderful display of cricket strokes and determination. This is the highest score posted by a home player on our new pitch. It was a fantastically entertaining match and a great result for Boughton.

Our next game was against East Rudham away and again in a lower scoring but equally close and entertaining battle, Boughton saw off the hosts to win again with Ollie Short this time making a very mature 56 and ensuring that Boughton got over the line to win.

The most recent game was a club match with the chairman fielding an invitation side against a somewhat depleted Boughton side. Again we were blessed with splendid weather and in a 35 over match the chairman's XI came up a little short on the bowling side with Boughton making the 110 total required to win, fairly easily. After the main match a short 6 over 'blast' was arranged in which Boughton made 33 in their six overs and the chairman himself helping secure a victory for the invitational side in a last wicket stand. Once again a very entertaining day for all and good to see so many outsiders coming to play at our picturesque ground on open gardens day.

In other news we have recently purchased a new mobile net for practice and will be arranging more regular net session for the rest of the season. We are also continuing to investigate the possibilities of a small changing facility and pavilion for the club. Our next home fixture is on 26th June and is an evening 6pm start T20 with should prove very entertaining to watch. After that it is Sunday 6th July 2pm and then Sunday 17th August 2pm. We would love to see you at any of these fixtures and if you fancy getting involved please call me on 07768 807534 or e-mail theoldstablesboughton@btinternet.com. You can also get more information on our new website www.boughtoncricketclub.co.uk

We would love to see you whatever your age or experience. Steve Short Chairman

WEREHAM VILLAGE NEWS

Messy Church



Our June theme was Noah, and no, it is not going to rain for the next 40 days and nights!

Over 40 people attended Messy Church on June 5th. We saw a cartoon of the Noah story, sang songs related to it and said prayers in church. The children then did some excellent art work in the village hall supported

by Stina and Pammie. This will be displayed in church which will be open on Festival day Sunday 20th July. Pammie also told the story of operation Noah in Africa from the 1960's where animals were rescued in Zimbabwe.

We had a lovely indoor picnic, expertly prepared bν Diane and Doreen helped bv Nicci and with others. personalised table cloths.

The children all went away with a tomato plant provided by Lizzie to grow so



that they can bring a tomato to the next Messy Church which is Messy Harvest on 25th September, 4pm starting in the church. Thanks again to all concerned *Debbie* and lan Rye

Thanks also to Chris Loake for the photos

Yard Sale – Thanks to our FOWVH member Jacqueline Butcher who created a fantastic Yard Sale event on Sunday 4th May. It was manically busy with all yardies reporting a good sale day – some as much as £140! Jacqueline smashed last year's fundraiser with a whopping £300!!! Well done and thank you from the committee.

June Update from Wereham Village Hall Committee

Update from our Ordinary meeting on the June 2nd-

The Gas heaters and asbestos panels have been removed, thanks to Roger for organising and thanks to John & Ivan Voutt for disposing of the gas heaters. We have submitted a funding application to help towards part of the cost of new heaters. To help raise funds for the new heaters, we've organised a family prize bingo for Saturday the 12th of July. Please see details in our events section below. Donations needed of chocs/sweets, bottles, unwanted gifts, cakes etc, please drop off with either Doreen at 2 Queens Close (500218) or Diane at Brix on Cavenham Road (500798), thanks for your help!

Update from the new build team -

Committee members enjoyed a visit to Great Dunham village hall who were awarded Lottery funding in 2010. Design ideas and solutions were picked up from the visit. Thanks to Keith Mitchell at Great Dunham for giving up his time to support our project. We're looking forward to our Thornham Village Hall visit on the 13th of June.

We had 2 successful focus groups on the 15th May -



1 - Afternoon Tea & chat with our retired residents we spent an enjoyable afternoon sharing pictures and stories of the village and the hall. Needs that came from the meeting were for a hall that offers age appropriate physical activities. Internet café combined with learning how to use computers/ Internet, cinema and a lady's social club.

Thanks to all the ladies who supported this event – we really enjoyed ourselves!



2 - Pizza Tea for the teens (11-17). What a great focus group we had, all confident outspoken teenagers keen to tell us what they need from a new village hall. We had 3 feedback boards to find out –

What's good about Wereham? – top 3 are the pond area, playing field and that the village is a nice place to walk/learn about wildlife and people are friendly.

What's bad about Wereham? – top 3, there no activities for teenagers, no shop, play area not age appropriate.

What activities would you like to do in the new village hall? –top 3, Youth club/Indoor sports, Cinema and Disco/computer games.

Following the focus session, the group designed their own village halls which have been displayed in the village hall. Thanks to all the kids that attended – you were great!

Our evidencing for the Lottery application is now complete (hurrah!) and following another late night hammering out a draft with Helen, I'm pleased to report that we have submitted a draft to the WNVCA and NRCC for appraisal. Our next stage is to ensure that a new village hall meets the needs of our community and the surrounding neighbourhood, then cost it for submission to the lottery. Thank you to all of our Friends of Wereham Village Hall volunteers who co-ordinated and supported several events during June. For all the pictures and feedback from our events, log onto www.facebook.com/werehamvillagehall. By clicking on the 'Like' option, you will be kept up to date on events, pictures and the progress towards a new village hall.

Wereham Village Hall Bonus Ball Club – The Winners of £50 each for the June Lotto draw were Rachel Barron & Sue Smith – congratulations! If you'd like to be added to the waiting list, contact Helen on 07795006811. Many thanks, Helen Richardson, Secretary.

Group4 News

Ink Cartridges & Bottle tops- collection boxes on the piano in the hall, open 10-12 Fridays. Or alternatively, leave them in a bag at the door of the village hall.

Events list -

Bingo - every Wednesday, doors open at 6.45pm, eyes down at 7.30pm. Cash prizes, raffle, and refreshments with complimentary biscuits. Enquiries to Roger on 500088.

Family Prize Bingo – Fun for all the family on Saturday 12th July. Doors open 5.30pm, eyes down 6.30pm. Raffle & refreshments. Enquiries to Roger 500088.

Pop up Café – Next date is Tuesday 1st July, then Tuesday 5th August. Join Jacqueline and friends for fresh cake & a hot drink for £1, daily papers and a chance to natter with friends. Cake donations/queries to Jacqueline 500880.

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If you have any queries with regards to the plans to get funding for a new village hall, or anything we're doing, please contact Victoria Gray, Chair, Wereham Village Hall Committee Home: 501277 Mobile: 07725513583 Email: darren.gray@tesco.net or via www.facebook.com/werehamvillagehall

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Active Norfolk Roadshow 12th April

- thanks to Aaron Roberts from Active Norfolk who arranged a morning of activities. We had Archery, Corn Boards, New Age Kurling, Table Tennis & Bowls. The Archery was great and subject to funding we hope to arrange for the Fayre. All the kids loved the table tennis and the New Age Kurling was a 1st for all. Thanks to Bob Smith for supporting the event on behalf of the bowls club (7pm every Thursday) and thanks to everyone who joined in.



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People—Boughton

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People– BeachamwellThe owners of the Hall and the estate have been explained in the History of Beachamwell but although Joshua Fielden was Lord of the Manor, records

show that in 1883 the Hall and shooting was let to a Mr Reginald Heygate. Patricia Villiers -Stuart, a descendent of the Fieldens, married Oscar Nemon a famous sculptor but they never actually lived at the Hall after their marriage. Her mother Constance was famed for her flower arrangements. In the 1800s most of the cottages in the village had been built to house farm workers or those needed to service the Hall in addition to the servants who lived in. Workers who lived in the Laundry Cottage at Shingham did all the laundry for the big house. In 1845 John Chambers and John Fuller were listed as farmers and William Smith was the blacksmith. About this time there were also 3 warreners, 1 gamekeeper, 3 shepherds, 2 or 3 millers, a shoemaker, a bricklayer, a carpenter, 2 bakers, a tailor, 6 dress makers as well as a rector, a schoolmistress and a policeman. About this time there was also said to be a factory in Shingham Wood making clogs which were sold to the Midlands.

In 1837 a number of pauper immigrants from different counties arrived in Canada on board a two masted square rigged sailing ship named the Anne. Seven were recorded as being sent under the Poor Law Commissioners from Beachamwell aided by their landlord, the sum of £24/13/4 having been remitted to be distributed among them on their arrival in Canada. The ship sailed from Lynn on April 20th with 154 passengers on board and arrived in Port Hope, Canada on June 10th. Also on board from Beachamwell was a family consisting of Robert and Ann Hawks and their children John 20, William 18, Mary 17, Susan 13 and Isaac 12. Hawks was a miller by profession. John Motteux wrote a letter dated April 17th (three days before their departure) to a Mr A. C. Buchanan recommending 'this party to your protection and in directing their project up country'. John Motteux continued 'there also goes by the Anne a shepherd from this parish named Elliot Boughton taking with him a nephew William Boughton, a young man about 20. These two latter ones on their own account'. Back home in the village itself the Rix family ran the shop and post office for several decades in the early 1900s followed by the Greefs. F.Osborn baked bread for the village, his son Wally taking over from him. Wilfred James Horn, whose family originated from Barton Bendish, combined the jobs of publican and blacksmith. In fact a pony and trap could be hired from the pub for 2/6 a day but the donkey, also kept there, cost only 1/6. Bicycles could be hired from MrsHovell on the Green for 1/- a day. In the 1920s forests were planted on the once open land of the warren and new houses and bungalows were built at Drymere for the many people employed on the forestry. In 1927 Sid Palmer, the chauffeur at the Hall, ran a cycle business and in 1956 opened Greenways garage at the junction of the Shingham and Beachamwell roads which he continued to run until 1972. Since the mid 19th century the population, including Shingham and Drymere seems to have fluctuated between about 220 and 350.

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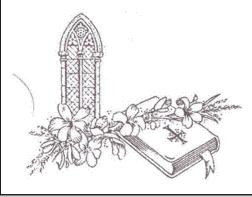
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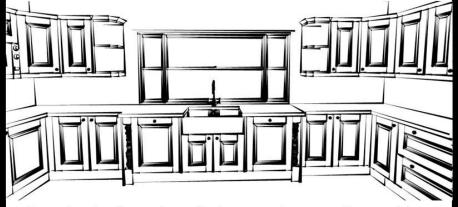
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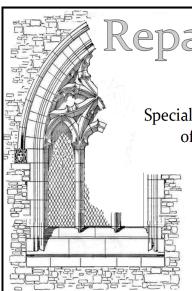
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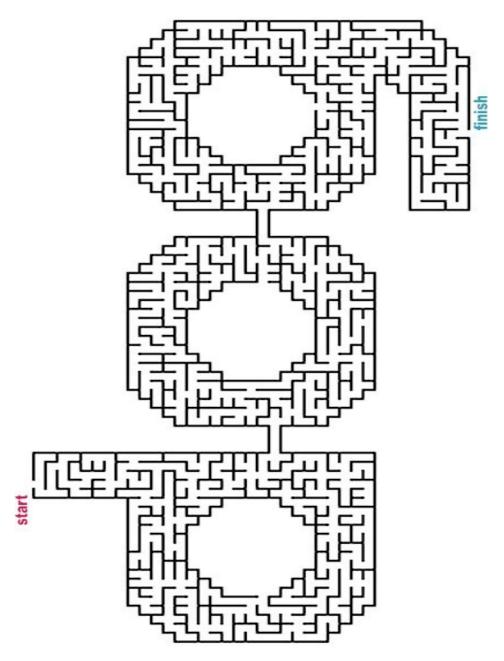


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- 1. What is the capital city of Afghanistan?
- 2. Which two colours are on the flag of Poland?
- 3. The bank Santander shares its name with a town in which country?
- 4. Paraguay has borders with Brazil, Bolivia and which other country?
- 5. Which musical term means 'getting gradually louder and louder'?
- 6. Who is the Greek God of music?
- 7. What is the French word for 'Tuesday'?
- 8. The word 'bungalow' is derived from which language?
- 9. Algophobia is a fear of what?
- 10. What is the official language of Togo?
- 11. Which country does the brand of 'Leffe' beer come from?
- 12. What type of food is pumpernickel?
- 13. Pad Thai is a dish containing predominantly what?
- 14. Peach Melba was a dessert to honour a lady who had which profession?
- 15. 'Call me Ishmael' are the opening words of which work of literature?
- 16. What was Miss Marple's first name?
- 17. Which play do Lady Bracknell's words "A handbag?!" come from?
- 18. Hans Holbein the Younger was a prominent painter during the reign of which King of England?
- 19. Who was the Greek goddess of Love and Beauty?
- 20. Who wrote 'The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo'?
- 21. John Constable painted the Hay Wain but his inspiration came from a scene in which English County?
- 22. In maths, what is 4 cubed?
- 23. Who is attributed with the quote "The way I see it, if you want the rainbow, you gotta put up with the rain."
- 24. What are the first five books of the Old Testament collectively called?
- 25. Who won the football World Cup in 1998?

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