

Group 4

NEWS



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

November 2013

WELCOME



Another packed edition for you to peruse at your leisure.

There are so many events happening in the villages and surrounding area we are spoilt for choice.

If you are able to support any of those advertised the organisers will be more than pleased.

A small point worth bearing in mind, if you like people to support you, you should consider returning the favour.

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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Dear All,

“Remember, remember...”. It’s not just Guy Fawkes and his accomplices that we remember during the month of November. In the Church November is a month for remembering. It begins with All Saints’ Day on 1st November, when we remember all those nameless Christians who have died for their faith through the ages. On 2nd November we have All Souls Day, when we remember those from our own lifetime whom we’ve loved and who enriched our lives when they were alive, and who live on in our memories. Another tradition of remembering is, of course, Remembrance Sunday on 10th November, when we remember the sacrifice of those who gave their lives for their country in so many conflicts. Finally, on 24th November, the last Sunday before Advent, the church celebrates ‘Christ the King’ and we remember him and look forward to the time when his justice and mercy will be established throughout the world. This is truly a time to remember and the reign of Christ the King is something wonderful to look forward to, as we prepare for Christmas.

May all the time that we set aside this month to remember others be a source of strength for us all now and in the future, as we look forward to Jesus’ promise of peace on earth.

Barbara

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This is the final edition which Lynda Eddy, Wereham, has worked on. As we mentioned in the September issue of G4N, Lynda is leaving for personal reasons. She will be greatly missed as her input has been tremendous. She took over the advertising and finance in November 2009 so has worked on forty five editions of the magazine.

We have been very fortunate to find a replacement. Alan Pickering, from Boughton, has decided he would like to work on the magazine and has been working with Lynda to see what is involved. So thank you Lynda, it has been good working with you and welcome Alan, looking forward to working with you.....

Eileen and Pam

ACTUAL QUOTES TAKEN FROM AUSTRALIAN FEDERAL GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS.

- "Since my last report, this employee has reached rock-bottom and has started to dig."
- "This employee is really not so much of a has-been but more of a definite won't be."
- "Works well when under constant supervision and cornered like a rat in a trap."
- "When she opens her mouth, it seems that it is only to change feet."
- "He would be out of his depth in a parking lot puddle."
- "This young lady has delusions of adequacy."
- "This employee is depriving a village somewhere of an idiot."
- "This employee should go far and the sooner he starts, the better."
- "Got a full 6-pack but lacks the plastic thingy to hold it all together."
- "A gross ignoramus...144 times worse than an ordinary ignoramus."
- "I would like to go hunting with him sometime."
- "He's been working with glue too much."
- "He would argue with a signpost."
- "He brings a lot of joy whenever he leaves the room."
- "When his IQ reaches 50, he should sell."
- "If you see two people talking and one looks bored, he's the other one."
- "A photographic memory but with the lens cover glued on."
- "A prime candidate for natural de-selection."
- "Donated his brain to science before he was through using it."
- "Gates are down, the lights are flashing, but the train ain't coming."
- "He's got two brains, one is lost and the other is out looking for it."
- "If he were any more stupid, he'd have to be watered twice a week."
- "If you give him a penny for his thoughts, you'd get change."
- "If you stand close enough to him, you can hear the ocean."
- "It's hard to believe he beat off 1,000,000 other sperm."
- "One neuron short of a synapse."
- "Some drink from the fountain of knowledge - he only gargled."
- "Takes him 2 hours to watch '60 minutes'."
- "The wheel is turning but the hamster is dead."

COUNTRYSIDE NOTES

Well, we can't grumble about this summer's and early autumn weather. Can we? How nice it has been to have some proper seasonal weather after the horribly late spring. What has surprised me is that even with all the warmth and sunshine most of the plants never caught up the three weeks or so they lost to begin with. The flowers in my garden have really excelled themselves and I've had pounds and pounds from my outdoor tomatoes. They are a new variety called Ferline F1 which I haven't grown before and are blight resistant. They must be related to the Beefsteak variety as the largest fruit was a whopping 14.4 ounces! Wallflower and Sweet William plants growing in David's vegetable garden are amazing and he's had 44 cucumbers from two outdoor plants!! His purple sprouting broccoli though didn't read what it said on the packet and he's picked several feeds already!!! My son lives and works on a farm in East Sussex and he says the grass fields have been white with mushrooms – lucky him.

However while we have been enjoying the flowers and vegetables it's very sad to see what is happening to England's trees for they are suffering greatly from diseases. In the late 1960s a particularly virulent strain of Dutch elm disease arrived from the USA in imported timber and has since devastated the mature elm trees. It is a fungal disease spread by elm bark beetles. There is hardly a mature elm to be found now in the whole country but even so saplings still appear each year only to be struck down when they are a few feet tall.

Our horse chestnuts too have suffered greatly in the last few years and although each spring they burst into leaf with renewed vigour by late summer their leaves have been turned brown by the larvae of small leaf-mining moths of which there must be millions. Although the moths have been around for a long time it's not really known why they have suddenly become such a problem.


Sudden oak death is another disease which is running amok. It is a parasitic fungus and is called such because it caused the death of oaks in the USA but it also affects many other species. It has seriously affected oaks in south-west England and is now causing devastation among larch trees in Wales. The fungal spores are easily spread as they are transported by water, in the air and by contact.

Now we have ash dieback disease which was first identified in England last year

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY


November 10th 2013

The Soldier



If I should die, think only this of me:
That there's some corner of a foreign field
That is for ever England. There shall be
In that rich earth a richer dust concealed;
A dust whom England bore, shaped, made aware,
Gave, once, her flowers to love, her ways to roam,
A body of England's, breathing English air,
Washed by rivers, blest by suns of home.

And think, this heart, all evil shed away,
A pulse in the eternal mind, no less
Gives somewhere back the thoughts by England given;
Her sights and sounds; dreams happy as her day;
And laughter, learnt of friends; and gentleness,
In hearts at peace, under an English heaven.



Rupert Brooke



COUNTRYSIDE NOTES

and is raising its ugly head everywhere across the country, even in our parishes. This too is an easily spread fungal disease which, in time, is likely to decimate our ash trees.

While we have been enjoying the countryside this summer it is worrying to think how many of our mature trees will still be left standing in ten or twenty years time and what new diseases will arrive to attack the species that have so far escaped. Not a nice thought.

Jill Mason

GARDENING TIPS

Writing this article on the 10th of October I am looking out of the window watching the plants in the garden bending under the strength of the wind. What a change from the beautiful weather we have had now for many weeks. Still, it has given us all the opportunity to catch up with the garden chores in pleasant conditions or, did you laze away those lovely days in a chair on the patio with a glass of something rather special?! It is interesting to note that the birds have not yet returned to the gardens around here, other than one robin, since they left for their summer moult at the end of July, so perhaps there is still some reasonably decent weather to come. One thing of regret – there seems to be a real dearth of lady birds in the garden now. Early in the year there were so many and normally at this time we have many entering their winter quarters for their dormant period but this year there are hardly any at all.

Over the past three weeks or so I have practised what I preached and have completely cleaned out a big border that was full of perennial plants of one sort or another. I am fortunate in that I could find spaces elsewhere to temporarily house some good, healthy shoots from the edges of the old parent stock until the time came to replant. I dug the border through to a good fork's depth incorporating some really well rotted two year old garden compost, strengthening that with a good sprinkling of well-rotted farm yard manure. It had been some five or six years since the job was done previously so as you can imagine the ground was very well compacted and bone dry. I was fortunate in that having started the job we had a little rain which helped to soften the soil and helped to ease the strain on the back somewhat!! However, the job is done and planting almost complete – just a dozen or so wallflower plants, some coloured primroses, grown from plugs, and a quantity bulbs to put in over the next few days to provide the early Spring colour that is so welcome after the winter months.

If those autumn chores were not done in the nice weather then I would suggest you move into the remaining jobs without further delay as I think the good weather has gone for some time ahead. There will be dry days but I fear there will be many wet ones.

Last month I briefly touched on the subject of sweet peas. By now they should be individually potted up. Give them one good watering, house them in the greenhouse for two or three days, then out into the cold frame to over winter. I

GARDENING TIPS

note I wrote a long piece on this subject last November so I shall not ramble on further in this article but instead refer you to November 2012.

If you have not already done so it is high time the dahlia tubers were lifted – one reasonably hard frost can do a lot of damage to this specie. Cut the stems down to about 15 to 20cms (6 to 8 inches), remove any remaining leaves and put the tubers to one side in a frost free place to dry off. At this point remove any remaining soil from the tubers and pack them away for the winter. I store mine in a big, strong wooden box lined with an old compost bag, packing dry used compost round them to stop them from drying out completely. I have not lost one tuber to decay or to frost since adopting this method of storage. I keep the box on the lower staging in the greenhouse which is positioned about 10cms (4 inches) off the ground.

Later this month it will be time to start contemplating the task of winter digging. Choose a time when the ground is not too wet as working on wet ground can do more harm than good.

The abundance of leaves is always a problem at this time of the year. I don't have too much of a problem with them now but years ago we were inundated with them! Every weekend I had to try to find time to sweep them up. The next problem was where to put them. The compost bin is not the best place as they tend to pack down to form an impenetrable layer which does not decay. I found a very simple solution providing you have the space. Drive four posts into the ground to form a space about 90cms (3 foot) square and a of a similar height, then wrap chicken wire (small gauge wire netting) around the posts leaving the front section hooked up to one of the front posts but free so that you can get into the leaves every now and then to agitate the heap. It is a simple way to keep a large number of leaves under control. The netting allows the air to penetrate the heap which, with the agitation referred to and a small amount of rotting agent put in when filling the container with leaves, will successfully ensure that the leaves rot down over a period of two years to produce a very valuable quantity of leaf mould.

Roy Coughrey



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

PEACH AND GINGER CHUTNEY

Total time from fresh to 'jarred' = approx 12 hours

Cooking time = max 1 hour

Utensils = Cooking pot

Wooden Spoon

Plate – Ceramic, pottery – not metal or plastic

Glass jars with metal lids (washed and sterilised in oven)

Ingredients

Peaches } Equal Quantities, make sure you have enough jars if

Granulated Sugar } doing a large batch

Fresh Lemon or Lime

10g Butter

Fresh Stem Ginger

Method

1. Pick over the peaches – do not wash! Remove stalks and other debris.
2. Cut into halves or quarters, remove stones and place into the cooking pot.
3. Cover with most of the sugar, put the lid on and leave up to 11 hours, occasionally shake the pot from side to side, try not to stir as this will damage the fruit. You will see the juices start to run, do not cook until then.
4. Place on a low heat to dissolve the sugar, add the remaining 150g of sugar.
5. Get the ginger and remove the skin and chop into small pieces – do not crush, cooking will disperse the flavour throughout and the little pieces will look better. Use more than you think is necessary as the flavour will mellow and only improve the peaches over time.
6. Check there are no sugar crystals before turning up the heat, any crystals will make the fruit sugary. The way to test this is by coating the back of a wooden spoon with the mixture and you will be able to see if the sugar has not dissolved.
7. Add the ginger and either lemon or lime juice depending on which you are using.
8. As soon as it has dissolved turn up the heat and boil rapidly for 10 minutes. Spoon a little onto the plate to check for 'set' if not boil for a further 5 minutes and test again. This can take up to an hour, but not more as the sugar will burn and ruin.
9. The knob of butter is added once 'set' has been achieved, stir in gently to

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dissolve any scum, then pour into jars and cover till cool.

10. Once cool, put the lids on and label accordingly.

Hints

Standing the Peaches overnight with the sugar draws the moisture necessary for cooking and lessens cooking time.

Do not add water, this spoils the sugar and will make it less likely to set. The Peaches have all the necessary liquid.

Keep the skin on the fruit, it has flavour too and helps prevents the fruit from breaking up during cooking. Blanching it to remove the skin prior to cooking also counts as adding water which will prevent it from setting.

Try not to stir too often when cooking either as this will break up the fruit and turn it into a stewed mess.

I have not added specific measures as it depends on the quantity of fruit you are using. You will only need to use more than one Lemon or Lime if cooking more than 2kgs of fruit at a time.

Try to use slightly under ripe Peaches as they have more natural sugars which will help it to set.

The Lemon or Lime Juice will contain most of the Pectin necessary to make it set do not use sugar with Pectin added.

This technique follows jam making but the fresh stem ginger replaces vinegar and improves the flavour.

I have made this a couple of times and have not been too concerned if it does not set, do not waste it if it doesn't – the flavour with cold meats whether runny or not is still lovely.

This recipe can be adjusted for nectarines and apricots, perhaps try a different spice but always use fresh – dried spices are too concentrated and will overpower the fruit.

Karen Bridge (Beachamwell)



CHILDREN'S PAGE

Sport Word Search

Words may go vertically and horizontally in either direction

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Rugby
Athletics
Basketball
Horse riding
Cricket

Football
Netball
Running
Hockey
Snooker

QUIZ PAGE

1. This ice cream means 'all fruits' in English but how do we usually refer to it?
2. A trio of British built cars were used to transport stolen gold in the film 'The Italian Job'. What were they?
3. With what is a hospital's obstetrics department concerned?
4. Three types of potato begin with the word Maris. Can you name them?
5. Name the Pennsylvanian bridge builder who gave his name to a popular fairground ride.
6. LNG is becoming increasingly popular as a fuel for ships and certain vehicles. What is it?
7. Name three creatures whose names begin with horseshoe.
8. What is 'machair' in Scotland?
9. What name describes a cocktail of vodka or gin, orange juice and Galliano?
10. What word can be a bird of prey, a hunting dog and a jet?
11. Which is the largest planet in our solar system?
12. 'Left a good job in the city, workin' for the man ev'ry night and day' is how which well known song begins?
13. Hazel, Bigwig and Fiver are animals in which famous novel?
14. "I'm nothing special, in fact I'm a bit of a bore" is how which Abba song begins?
15. Which of these James Bond themes was not an instrumental? 'You Only Live Twice', 'Dr. No', 'Casino Royale', 'On Her Majesty's Secret Service'.
16. In 1969 Apollo 11 rocket to the moon blasted off from where?
17. What is tsatsiki?
18. How did the foxglove get its name?

Answers: 1. Tutti Frutti; 2. Mini Coopers; 3. Childbirth; 4. Maris Piper, Maris Peer and Maris Bard; 5. George W. Ferris; 6. Liquefied Natural Gas; 7. Horseshoe Crab, Horseshoe Bat and Horseshoe Shrimp; 8. An area of coastal grassland, wild plants and flowers; 9. Harvey Wallbanger; 10. Harrier; 11. Jupiter; 12. Proud Mary by Creedence Clearwater Revival; 13. Watership Down by Richard Adams; 14. "Thank You For The Music"; 15. 'You Only Live Twice' sung by Nancy Sinatra; 16. The Kennedy Space Center, Florida; 17. A yoghurt, cucumber and mint dip; 18. From the belief that the fairies sheltered in it. Fox is a corruption of folks, the folk's glove as it was known.

STOPPING THE INCINERATOR

Those promoting the incinerator hoped to ignore West Norfolk's voters and press ahead regardless. Thankfully there are good people who do not 'roll over' that easily.

Many individual letters to Eric Pickles played a crucial part in taking the planning decision out of Norfolk County Council's control. If enough people make a similar effort again it could be enough to finally defeat the incinerator.

We need to persuade Government ministers to act.

1. Environment Secretary Owen Paterson needs to be persuaded to withdraw the taxpayer subsidy for the incinerator. This subsidy is the only thing making the 'Willows' incinerator attractive for the County Council. Without it there will be little reason for them continuing with the most expensive option for 25 years.
2. The Planning Minister Nick Boles also needs persuading, in his case, not to award planning permission.

Template letters can be downloaded from www.klwin.com or www.farmerscampaign.org

If you compose your own letter it is better than using a standard one. By making an effort to write and encouraging others to do the same everyone can make a worthwhile difference.

Please write to:

The Rt Hon Owen Paterson MP, House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA.

Nick Boles Planning Minister, DCLG, Eland House, Bressenden Place, London, SW1E

It is worth copying in local MPs Henry Bellingham and Elizabeth Truss: House of Commons, London, SW1A 0AA

Sending letters is essential.

Mike Knights Vice Chairman KLWIN

Email info@farmerscampaign.org

Tel: 01553 840640

The 2013 Christmas Market is on 7th December 9am till 4:30pm at Fairgreen Farms, Middleton, PE32 1RN

DISCOUNTED GYM OFFER FOR YOUNG PEOPLE



Starting in November, gym sessions for 18 - 25 year olds will only cost £10 for six weeks at Breckland leisure centres.

The special offer is all thanks to Sportivate funding from Sport England. Breckland Council and Parkwood Leisure secured the funding to help young people get back into physical activity and encourage more young adults to lead healthier

lifestyles.

For just £10, participants can sign up to a six week gym course where they will receive an induction to the gym in week one, a personalised programme in week two and four additional gym sessions, one per week, which can be taken at any time that is convenient for them.

Young people taking up the gym sessions can also qualify for a further three free gym sessions and a pass to attend any class of their choice.

Participating leisure centres are

1. Attleborough Sports Centre (01953 454116)
2. Thetford Leisure Centre and Waterworld (01842 753110)
3. Dereham Leisure Centre (01362 693419)
4. Swaffham Leisure Centre (01760 724046)

Cllr Lynda Turner, Executive Member for Communities and Environmental Services, said; "Joining a gym is a convenient and enjoyable way for many young people to get active and stay healthy. The funding helps to make gym membership affordable for them and so we are very pleased that Parkwood Leisure is offering this programme at our leisure centres."

Places are limited. If you are interested please contact one of the leisure centres to find out more information and to book a place on the course.

For further information please contact:

Lisa Green on 01362 656330 or Pam Sayle on 01362 656813.

1 Breckland's leisure centres are managed by Parkwood Leisure on behalf of the District Council.

2 Sportivate Funding from Sport England is part of the Places People Play strategy designed to get 1 million more people into sport using the legacy of the Olympic Games.

REPORT FROM ELIZABETH TRUSS MP

Local issues: Elizabeth met Downham West Parish Council to discuss school transport and the danger of children walking along the steep river bank at Salters Lode. Elizabeth has raised this with Norfolk County Council. Elizabeth attended a presentation about the Ouse Washes at the Welney Wetland Trust. Elizabeth went to the world's largest coffee morning at Thetford Fire Station in support of Macmillan Cancer.

Business: Elizabeth hosted a follow-up meeting in Westminster from the Banking Forum held in January with the major banks and the Federation of Small Businesses where business lending was discussed. Elizabeth held a Business Forum in Mundford with UKTI to discuss exporting opportunities for local businesses. After the meeting Elizabeth raised the issues discussed with ministers in the Business Department.

Transport: Elizabeth met Transport Minister Stephen Hammond on the A47 and discussed the case for improvements, particularly at the Broadend Junction. Elizabeth is meeting train companies to discuss the Feline rail franchise now that bids are being entered for the next franchise.

Health: Elizabeth met Patricia Wright, Chief Executive of the Queen Elizabeth Hospital, to discuss accountability for the findings in the worrying reports from the CQC and Monitor. Elizabeth and her fellow MP Henry Bellingham have a meeting with Health Minister Dr Dan Poulter to seek urgent action on the QEH. Elizabeth met Dr Sue Crossman, Chief Officer of West Norfolk Clinical Commissioning Group, to discuss plans for West Norfolk healthcare provision.

Education: Elizabeth visited The Nicholas Hammond Academy, Swaffham to meet the Principal Cheryl Hill and teaching staff. Elizabeth attended the opening of the new building at Thetford Academy. Elizabeth visited St Martin at Shouldham Church of England Primary School to celebrate the school achieving the Eco Schools Green Flag award and also achieving an outstanding grade in its last Ofsted inspection. She gave a speech on the importance of curriculum reforms to the CBI. She launched a new Core Maths Qualification that will allow thousands more pupils to study maths from age 16 to 18. She gave a speech to STEMNET about the importance of maths.

Meetings and Events: Elizabeth attended to the Brecks Food festival. She visited Herbert Engineering and Warren Services. She met Andreas Schleicher

from the OECD.

Media: Elizabeth was interviewed for KLFM and the BBC. She has appeared in articles in The Times, the Telegraph, the Guardian, the BBC, the Eastern Daily Press and the Lynn News. She has written articles for the Downham Market News, the Welney News and the Thetford and Swaffham Times.

Upcoming Surgeries:

15th November Swaffham 16.00 – 18.00

13th December Thetford 16.00 – 18.00

Please contact Fiona Walker on [_or 01842 757345](tel:01842757345) to arrange an appointment.

If you would like to contact Elizabeth, please write to her at:

The Limes,, 32 Bridge Street,, Thetford,, Norfolk,, IP24 3AG

THINKING OF BECOMING SELF EMPLOYED OR STARTING A BUSINESS?

Thanks to additional funding from Enterprise Norfolk and King's Lynn West Norfolk Borough Council, extra workshops have been added to the programme of free business start-up workshops.

This service includes practical, informative workshops, covering all the points that you need to consider in becoming self employed or setting up your own business. It also gives you the opportunity to discuss your questions and ideas with an experienced business adviser.

New dates are

11th November – Planning Your Business

18th November – Is it for me?

2nd December – Building Your Business Idea

9th December – Planning your Business

The service also enables residents to receive free 1:1 support and mentoring to give new businesses every chance of success.

For full details please visit

<http://www.tchc.net/services/business-start-up-support/business-support>

or to book a place call **01923 698 474** or email courses@tchc.net.

Paul Riddick (Enterprise Team Support Officer)

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Fincham

Monthly Quiz

Friday November 1st
7.30pm.

Memorial Hall

£2.00 per person.

Up to 6 in a team.

There will be a raffle.

Please bring your own
refreshments

Enquiries

Sue Westwood 01366 347305

Wereham Weekly Cash



**COME ALONG AND SUPPORT
OUR NEW ORGANISER ROGER**

Wereham Village Hall
Wednesdays

Doors open 7.00 pm

Eyes down 7.30 pm

Starting from Wednesday 3rd April



Enquiries: Roger Collins 01366 500088
All proceeds go to Village Hall

Wereham Pop-Up Café



Tuesday
November 5th
10.30 to 12.00

Fresh coffee/tea,
home-made cakes, sit and read
papers or have a natter....



Just £1.00.



All proceeds go to Village Hall.

Beachamwell Book Group

Tuesday November 5th

7.00 - 9.00pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Book to be discussed at this meeting

'The Thirty-Nine Steps'
John Buchan

£2.00 + Bring & Buy Bookstall

New members welcome

Enquiries:

Leah Spencer 01366 328536

Beachamwell Wednesday Walkers

Wednesday November 6th

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 November 7th

7.30pm

Beachamwell Village Hall

**‘Annual Meeting and
Autumn Supper’**

Enquiries:
Jenny Gabrielsen 01366 328297

Barton Bendish Bonfire

Barton Bendish Hall

Friday November 8th
6.30 onwards

£5.00 per adult
(no charge for children)
Price includes hot dog and a glass of
wine

Proceeds to St Andrew's
Church
and Village Hall

Enquiries
Mhari Blanchfield: 01366 347 849
Linda Webster: 01366 347 563

Beachamwell Parish Council Meeting

Monday November 11th
7.30

Memorial Hall

Everyone is welcome to attend. If you have any items for the agenda please give them to me in writing at least a week before the meeting.

As always if you have a query or a problem, you can consult any of the Councillors at any time – they are more than willing to listen and help if they can.

Enquiries
Eileen Powell 01366 328648

Fincham

Coffee Morning

Wednesday November 13th

10.00 - 12 noon

St Martin's Fincham

Enquiries:

May Pinches: 01366 347228

Beachamwell

Scrabble

Wednesday November 13th

1.30 - 3.30

Orchard House,

Beachamwell

Enquiries:

Sonia Williams 01366 328774

Beachamwell



The Western Isles of Scotland

A Presentation by David Mason

Friday November 15TH

7.30

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Tickets:

£3.50 in advance from Graham and

Sonia Williams 01366 328774

williamsoldies@gmail.com

or from members of the PCC

£4.00 on the door.

In aid of St Mary's Church,

Beachamwell

Barton Bendish

Royal British Legion Coffee Morning

In aid of the 2013 Poppy Appeal

Saturday November 16th

10am – 12.00 Noon

Barton Bendish Village Hall

All Donations and offers of help
will be gratefully received



Enquiries:

Freda Rumball

01366 347324



'Barry Tyler's Original Dixieland Jazz Band'

Traditional Jazz

Saturday November 16th 7.30

Swoffham Assembly Rooms

£7.00 for members

£10 non-members

Accompanied children free

Tickets from

Green Parrot 01760 724704

Ceres Bookshop 01760 722504

Enquiries

01366 328648

Fincham Quiz

**Saturday November 16th
7.30**

Fincham Memorial Hall

Teams up to 6
Bring own refreshments

All proceeds to 'Group 8
Parishes' Account

Enquiries
Rose Hipperson
01366 348135

Fincham Family History Group

**Tuesday November 19th
2.00 - 4.00**

Fincham Memorial Hall

An opportunity to begin to trace your
family history or sort out what you
already know at a new monthly group.
£2.00 per session

Enquiries:
Janet Lynskey 01366 347694
or
Leah Spencer 01366 328536

Fincham Flower Arranging Demonstration and Lunch

**Wednesday November 20th
12.00 for 12.30**

Fincham Memorial Hall

Tickets £10

Enquiries
01366 347644

Beachamwell Afternoon Tea and a Chat.....

**Wednesday
November 20th
2 - 4pm**

Beachamwell
Memorial Hall

Enquiries
Graham & Sonia Williams
01366 328774

Barton Bendish

**Ordinary Parish Council
Meeting**

**Wednesday November 20th
7.00**

Village Hall

Enquiries

Ian Berchem 01366 347759

Fincham

Craft Fair

Sunday November 24th

12 noon - 3.00pm

Fincham Memorial Hall

Barton Bendish



Christmas Wreath Workshop

- ◆ **Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd
November at 7.30pm**
- ◆ **Thursday 21st at 10am** followed
by an optional two course lunch at
the Berney Arms. (£9.95)
Cost £13.50 per person - includes festive
refreshment. All basic materials are
provided but you can bring your own
ribbon or everlasting decoration to add if
you would like to. Just bring a pair of
secateurs and dress for mess!

Enquiries and Bookings

Mhari Blanchfield – 01366 347 849

Linda Webster – 01366 347 563

Wereham

Fish and Chip Supper

Friday November 22nd

West Dereham Village Hall

£7.50 per person (cash only)

Doors open at 7.00pm to allow food
orders to be taken, with food served
at 8.00pm (approx.)

Licensed bar available

This is an all age event and families
are most welcome (although children
may wish to share adult-sized food
portions)

Raffle and quiz during the evening

Enquiries

Paul Smith, Group Scout Leader,
01366 501224

Proceeds in aid of 1st Wereham &
Wretton Scout Group

WEREHAM

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

**Sunday November 24th
2-4pm**

20p entrance fee

Father Christmas will be in his Grotto

Stalls from the Perfect Preserves,
Norfolk Cottage Gardens, Phoenix
Cards, Jewellery, Candles and lots
more craft stalls, raffle, refreshments,
cake stall, tombola and our famous
'Bowling for a Turkey'

Come along and join in the fun!
If you'd like to book a stall or donate a
raffle prize call
Doreen on 500218.

**Nar Valley Ornithological Society
(NarVOS)**

Tuesday 26th November 7.30pm
The Barn Theatre

Sacred Heart Convent School, Swaffham.
Access and parking from Sporle Road.

'A Taste of Oz - Birding in Queensland
and Northern Territory'

An illustrated talk by Allan Hale
Allan is well known around Norfolk as a
public speaker on bird-related topics. He
is a NarVOS member and when not
monitoring birds locally he loves nothing
better than to go to some far-flung birding
paradise with his camera. Be assured,
this will be an entertaining talk from Down
Under.

Admission £2 on the night for non-
member and visitors are most welcome.

Enquiries:
Ian Black 01760 724092

Barton Bendish

**History of Barton Bendish
and the Locality**

**An Illustrated Talk
by David Mason**

**Thursday November 28th
7.30**

Barton Bendish Village Hall

Tickets £4.00 includes light
refreshments.

Please book in advance

Enquiries and Bookings
Mhari Blanchfield: 01366 347 849
Linda Webster: 01366 347 563

Proceeds to St Andrew's Church



Beachamwell WI
Sunday December 1st

12.00 -3.00pm
Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Christmas Fayre

You are very welcome to join us,
buy Christmas goodies and enjoy
festive refreshments.

Enquiries:
Vesna Hudson 01366 327030
or
Jenny Gabrielsen 01366 328297

Wereham

Christmas Bingo
Wednesday December 4th

Doors Open 6.45
Eyes Down 7.30

Village Hall

Enquiries
Roger Collins
01366 500088

Beachamwell Craft Group

Thursday December 5th

Please note change of date

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.

£1.00 + Bring & Buy

All welcome.

Enquiries:

Leah Spencer 01366 328536



Beachamwell WI

Thursday December 5th

7.30pm

Beachamwell Village Hall

**‘Christmas Music’
Mr Tom Golden**

Enquiries:

Jenny Gabrielsen 01366 328297

Beachamwell

Christmas “Pop Up” Pub

Friday 6th December

6.30 pm onwards

Beachamwell Memorial Hall



Bring your friends

**Licensed Bar with selection of beers,
wines and bar snacks**

Enquiries

Susie Davis 01366 328249

***A Beachamwell Memorial Committee
Event***

Boughton

**Christmas Wine
Tasting**



Saturday December 7th

7.30

All Saints’ Church

Once again join Giles Luckett and the Boughton Village Caravan for an evening of jovial wine tasting complemented with light refreshments. Giles will take us through six sensational seasonal sippers from fizz to Port. Advanced booking essential as only 30 places available. Tickets £10 available from Giles Luckett 01366 501335 giles.luckett@talk21.com



A Dickens of a Christmas

Shropfield Productions

Sunday December 8th 3.00

Swaffham Assembly Rooms

£7.00 for members

£10 non-members

Accompanied children free

Tickets from

Green Parrot 01760 724704

Ceres Bookshop 01760 722504

Enquiries

01366 328648

Barton Bendish

St Andrew's invites you to join in their
Christmas Celebrations



at a Victorian Evening
of Christmas
Entertainment, Music
and Carols

**Saturday 14th December
6pm**

Barton Bendish Village Hall

*You will never have been to anything
like it!*

Entrance is free but you can book
your place with Mhari (347849) or
Linda (347563) to avoid
disappointment!!

Refreshments will be served.

Methwold Charity Dance The Strollers

play rock & roll and 60s music

Saturday December 21st

8.00 - 12.00 midnight

St Georges Hall

Tickets £7

(They go on sale 1st December)

Licensed Bar and Raffle

Enquiries

Rose or Roger Collins

01366.500088

Fincham Fincham Chorus Christmas Concert

Saturday December 21st

7.00

St Martin's Church

Free entrance but
donations welcome

BARTON BENDISH & EASTMOOR NEWS

Diane Longmuir

Very sadly Eddie and Marj Riches's daughter Diane passed away on September 17th after a long illness. Eddie and Marj ran the village shop for many years moving here when Diane was five years old and she had lived in the village ever since. She became involved with Barton Bendish Film Club when it was first set up and which has been going from strength to strength ever since.

Our deepest sympathy goes to Peter, Eddie, Marj, her daughters Nicola and Louise and the rest of the family.

Art, Photography and Craft Exhibition and Sale

The Art and Craft Exhibition took place in Barton Bendish over the sunny weekend of 28th & 29th September. 51 exhibitors displayed their various crafts including pictures and paintings, photographs, jewelry, glasswork, embroidery, knitting, sewing, ironwork and mosaics. A preview evening was held on the Friday night with wine sponsored by Hylton Gott and canapés by The Berney Arms for which we thank them most sincerely. Our thanks also go to Fraser Dawbarns for sponsoring the programmes. Thank you to Peter Carter for entertaining us all through the exhibition with his wonderful guitar playing. Many visitors came to see the exhibition over both days and purchased around 25 pictures from the village hall and many of the beautiful items in the church. The whole weekend was a great success and raised about £1000. This was only possible with the fantastic help of 33 volunteers who amongst other things put up signs and posters, cooked and served in the kitchen, baked lots of delicious refreshments, sold raffle tickets, gave up their free time to steward in the village hall and church, set up the display of art in the village hall. A huge thank you goes out to you all. It is just amazing and heartening to find that a village the size of Barton Bendish can pull together and produce such an event. Well done to everyone involved and it never sounds like enough but '**thank you**'. We really could not do it without everyone. If you would like to help and be part of next year's exhibition don't hesitate to get in touch!

Mhari Blanchfield and Linda Webster

Once again our Art, Photography and Craft Exhibition was a resounding success. It is a big project for a village this size to take on and involves a lot of work by a large number of people not only on the days it takes place but also in the preceding week setting everything up and clearing away afterwards.

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For Linda and Mhari their work begins in July. They do a sterling job in organizing it all and perfectionists that they are would welcome any feedback on improvements that could still be made.

If you have any constructive suggestions please contact

Linda 01366 347563 email linntim@btinternet.com

Mhari 01366 347849 email mhari.blanchfield@gmail.com

Jill Mason

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Our Macmillan Coffee Morning on October raised a magnificent £376.

A huge **THANK YOU** to everyone who helped in any way. There was a scrumptious selection of cakes and produce on offer, some really nice raffle prizes and several extra donations of cash. A gang of us were kept busy serving refreshments and in the kitchen. The Hall was buzzing with people all morning. Another big **THANK YOU** goes to everyone who came from Barton and further afield to make the event so worthwhile.

Jill and the Gang

Barton Bendish Hall BBQ and Bonfire 8th November

All are invited to enjoy a Bonfire at Barton Bendish Hall on Friday 8th November 6:30pm. Suggested donation of £5 per adult, free for supervised children; to include a BBQ and refreshments with all proceeds to St Andrews Church and the Village Hall.

Remembrance Service

There will be a Remembrance Service on **Sunday 10th November** at 10.45am. Everyone of any denomination or who doesn't normally attend but would like to join us in honouring our fallen servicemen and women will be extremely welcome.

Refreshments will be served following the service.

Royal British Legion Coffee Morning

Freda is holding her annual Coffee Morning in aid of the Royal British Legion on Saturday November 16th between 10 and 12noon in Barton Bendish Village Hall. All donations and offers of help will be gratefully received.

Contact Freda Rumball 01366 347324

BARTON BENDISH & EASTMOOR NEWS

Christmas Wreath Making Workshops

It's hard to believe that the time is approaching for us to organise this, but we have already had bookings for all three sessions which we are planning to run. There will be the usual two evening sessions on **Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd November** and this year we are also planning a morning session on Thursday 21st.

The cost for each workshop is £13.50. The morning session on the 21st will begin at 10.0am followed by an optional two course lunch at the Berney Arms for £9.95. See advert for further details.

Please contact Mhari (01366 347849) or Linda (01366 347563) to book a place

The History of Barton Bendish

David Mason will be giving an illustrated talk about the history of Barton Bendish and the surrounding area on the evening of **Thursday November 28th at 7.30pm** in the Village Hall.

Previous to that he is also giving an illustrated talk at Beachamwell Memorial Hall about the Western Isles of Scotland on **Friday November 15th at 7.30pm**

Christingle Service

Sunday 8th December at 11am. Come and join us at this special Christmas service for all ages. Everyone is very welcome. Refreshments will be served after the service

A Victorian Evening of Christmas Entertainment, Music and Carols

Saturday 14th December 6pm Barton Bendish Village Hall. This has always been a popular evening and it has been wonderful to have so many people, young and old who wanted to be part of it in previous years. We hope that this year will be no exception!! We know it seems a long way off but please think about 'treading the boards' with us - new and 'experienced' performers are all encouraged!!

Following the 'first half' of entertainment there will be a short interval and then a chance to sing some of our traditional favourite carols. We will certainly be treated to an evening to remember!

The one thing we will be short of are Victorian costumes and if anyone has anything that they would be willing to loan us we would love to hear from you. There is no charge for tickets to this event, a collection will be taken on the night but we will need to know numbers, so bear the evening in mind when you are planning your diary!

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Following the entertainment and the carols, seasonal refreshment will be served!! For more details please contact Mhari 347849 or Linda 347563

PS A Costume and Fancy Dress Hire is opening soon at the old Hammond's Grammar School in Swaffham. Details from Wendy on 07761 390269.

Flower Rota

Thank you to everyone who takes a turn on the flower rota for the Church. Now the Church is open every day and is visited regularly, it really looks so much brighter and more welcoming when there are flowers in it. If you would be happy to help on the rota, please could you contact Mrs Rumball on 347324. Great skill is not necessary and vases can be provided!

November Mrs Baird

December No flowers in advent. All arrangers to decorate at Christmas

Ordinary Parish Council Meeting 20th September, 2013

This was attended by seven Parish Councillors, the Parish Clerk, one County Councillor and one Borough Councillor.

Repairs to areas of damaged road surface will be on-going for some weeks and, as a result of a productive meeting with the NCC Highways Engineer, the bell-mouth at the junction of Church Road and Fincham Road is to be improved by kerbing both sides of the junction. This will prevent vehicles from continuously eroding the grass verge and will ensure better visibility, particularly for vehicles entering Church Road. Signs to the village centre were also discussed at this meeting.

The village does not, apparently, qualify for 30 mph signs as its accident record is too good!

A sub-committee, chaired by Councillor Webster, has been set up to recruit a new Parish Clerk as Lt Col Berchem will be retiring from the post on 31st March, 2014.

Councillor Bostock has made arrangements for the on-going maintenance of the footpaths to St Mary's and to Chapel Lane.

Barton Bendish has been listed in the latest version of the Borough Council Local Development Framework as being not liable for any future building development.

Councillor Webster is endeavouring to get a better Broadband service for the Parish. **Lt Col I.R.Berchem, Parish Clerk**

BARTON BENDISH & EASTMOOR NEWS

Environmental Management - Barton Bendish

I am writing to provide an update to the community on the environmental management initiatives that Albanwise are undertaking on farmland within the Parish.

In 2012 Hill Farm entered into a whole farm 10 year Higher Level Environmental Stewardship (HLS), agreement with Natural England. HLS has three main objectives

1. to improve farmland biodiversity
2. to enhance the quality of the farmed landscape
3. to protect historic archaeological features.

As a result, seven percent of the arable area across the farm has been taken out of production. This land has been given over to the establishment of a range of habitats to increase farmland biodiversity. These include wildflower species rich grassland; areas rich in nectar to benefit pollinating insects and other areas sown with seed mixtures that provide winter food and cover for wild farm land birds. These areas also create much needed nesting habitat for ground nesting birds. Thank you to responsible dog owners for keeping their dogs under close control during the Spring nesting season.

Additionally, areas have also been taken out of production and set to grass to protect known below ground archaeology.

Outside of the HLS agreement and within the last 5 years, fourteen kilometres of new native hedgerow planting has been established; five hundred hedgerow trees have been planted and three kilometres of existing hedgerow restored.

Future landscape changes. In the coming months under the HLS agreement, Albanwise is required to undertake the felling of a stand of mature Poplar trees at 'The Moat', a Scheduled Ancient Monument site. The Moat is situated in the field to the north of the public footpath that links Chapel Lane and Blacksmith Lane. These works are necessary for the protection of the above and below ground archaeology.

Should you have any questions regarding the above or wish to discuss any matter further please do not hesitate to contact me on 01366 348055

Anthony Blanchfield

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Mobile Post Office

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 11.15 - 12.00

St. Mary's Church

Archives: The PCC decided, after taking advice, that the records held in the church would be much safer and better cared for if held by the Norfolk Record Office. This is becoming common practice particularly where records are kept in very old churches that tend to be cold and damp most of the time. County Records have recently confirmed that the Beachamwell records which have been filed in Norwich are now indexed and accessible to visitors or can be viewed online.

The address of the Norfolk Record Office is:-

The Archive Centre, Martineau Lane, Norwich NR1 2DQ

01603 222599, Website: <http://archives.norfolk.gov.uk>

If you would like to access these records they are available online at <http://nrocat.norfolk.gov.uk>. From the catalogue welcome page you can go straight to our parish lists by selecting "church of England parishes" from the "set searches" drop down menu at the top of the page and then by choosing the parish name from the list of parishes.

Porch Restoration: After discussing various estimates which our architect has received for the work needed to repair and restore the roof of the medieval porch the PCC has accepted an estimate for £12,771.89 (including VAT) for the work. A Faculty has been sent to the Diocesan Office at Ely for their approval and English Heritage has been advised. We have applied for a grant to a number of sources (30 at the last count) but so far the only positive reply we have had requires us to raise 50% of the money first. We are looking at other sources of grants but obviously need to do a lot of fund-raising to raise this amount of money. At the moment the fund (after the first payment of architect's fees) stands at £1,023.48 which is the result of Carole and Brian Wilson kindly donating the Half-Marathon money plus donations from several people. All ideas and suggestions are very welcome bearing in mind that, apart from this fund-raising, we still have to pay for the general running of the church including lighting, heating, insurance and general maintenance.

Scrabble: The Scrabble Afternoons we hold every second Wednesday in the month are, by request, going to start 30 minutes earlier for the months of

BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM & DRYMERE NEWS

November, December and January ie from 1.30 p.m. instead of 2 p.m. We will revert to 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. once the evenings start getting lighter again.

Dates for your Diary: David Mason is giving a presentation featuring The Western Isles of Scotland at 7.30 p.m. on Friday 15th November in Beachamwell Memorial Hall. For those of us who have been to David's presentations before we know that this promises to be a really enjoyable evening. Those of you who haven't yet been to one of these presentations are in for a treat. There will, of course, be refreshments available. Tickets are £3.50 in advance and £4.00 on the door and they are available from members of the PCC or myself.

Remembrance Sunday Service: We will be holding this in the church on Sunday 10th November starting at 10.45 a.m.

Carols by Candlelight Service: A special advance date for your diary. This will be held on Monday 23rd December starting at 6.30 p.m.

Open Gardens Day: This annual event will be held on Sunday 1st June next year and the Festival of Flowers organised jointly with Barton Bendish will be held here in St Mary's Church on Saturday 26th and Sunday 27th July 2014.

Information on all forthcoming events is to be found in this magazine and on the church noticeboard and on our website.

Graham Williams (Churchwarden) 01366 328774

St. Mary's Flower & Brass Cleaning Rota for November

3rd Sarah Richardson; 10th Mary Riches; 17th Vesna Hudson; 24th Gill Sanderson

If anyone is interested in joining the Flower Rota please contact me and I will explain what is involved.

Eileen Powell

Horticultural Show 2014

We hope you are all busy making chutney and jam ready to store and show at the Horticultural Show to be held on Sunday August 17th 2014. Also you could get those knitting needles clacking during the winter months and knit a garment, this will be included in the Schedule. Thanks for all your support at the 2013 Show and I hope we can count on your support next year. Watch out for those onions next April.

The Horticultural Committee

BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM & DRYMERE NEWS

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The October meeting is traditionally a Craft one. This year Sue Nulty came and showed us how to make a Christmas Decoration. We all really enjoyed making it and were amazed that everybody actually finished theirs so look out for them at our Christmas Fair to be held on December 1st from 12-3pm. There will be other Christmas items and the usual cakes and preserves for which the W.I. is famous. Further details to follow just book the date in your diary, an event



not to be missed. Members were reminded by Jenny that next meeting is the AGM and nominations for the Committee should be handed in asap. There will be a Autumn Supper and please remember your china and cutlery. New Members always welcome. **Carole Wilson (Photograph by Eileen Powell)**

Family History

Question: What do the following have in common – unusual surnames; family Bibles; rolls of wallpaper; illegitimate births; useful gravestones; an old bag full of photos, letters and lists; internet sites and the story of a man transported from Norfolk to Australia via Bermuda?

Answer: The first meeting of our local Family History Group!

Everybody who came along to the meeting has done at least a little research into their family history, but we soon discovered that we all need help with structuring our findings and also with knowing where to go next when we appear to come to a dead end. If you are in the same position, or would like to make a start on researching your past, why not join us 2pm Tuesday November 19th in Fincham Village Hall. (£2 per session)

Janet Lynskey 01366 347694 or Leah Spencer 01366 328536

Parish Council

The next meeting will take place on Monday 11th November at 7.30 in the Memorial Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Eileen Powell (Parish Clerk)

BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM & DRYMERE NEWS

Walking Weekend 4 – 6 April 2014

Footpath enthusiasts in Beachamwell are planning a weekend of walks – and other events – to take place next April. Beachamwell is one of four Norfolk villages chosen by CPRE Norfolk to take part in ‘Connecting Threads’, a Heritage Lottery funded project exploring the history of local footpaths and encouraging people to use them. Philip Spencer, who is helping to co-ordinate the project, said: ‘Already there has been a lot of interest here with research into maps and archives, people videoing and photographing our paths and of course the monthly Wednesday Walks have been a great way to learn about the extensive network of paths in our village.’

One of the main events at the Walking Weekend will be the launch of a leaflet map of Beachamwell footpaths. In the Village Hall there will be an exhibition showing some of the history and background to walking locally, together with photographs and videos recording the project and inspired by the pleasures of rambling around the village. Also on show will be a textile wall hanging made by a team of local stitchers especially for the project – Connecting Threads indeed! A full programme of events will be completed with talks and presentations.

For more information please visit

www.exploringourfootpaths.co.uk or telephone 01366 328536

Philip Spencer

Village Sewing Project

A stitching group has been formed, which is to focus on the ‘threads’ element of the Beachamwell Connecting Threads footpath project. We are working on a commemorative quilt, which will have at its centre a fabric map of the footpaths of the parish and this will be surrounded by an array of smaller pieces depicting local buildings, flowers, wildlife etc. Thirteen people are involved so far and already ideas for panels of all sizes are coming together: abstract patchwork footpaths; tapestry church towers; woven byways; cross stitch poppies – to name but a few. The quilt promises to be a stunning reminder, not only of exploring our footpaths, but of what creativity is sparked when we make connections!

If you would like to join us please contact

Leah Spencer 01366 328536 or leah@wissey.co.uk

BEACHAMWELL, SHINGHAM & DRYMERE NEWS

Wednesday Walkers – One Year Old!

Today's walk on 2nd October 2013 marked the first anniversary of the Wednesday Walkers. During this past year we have covered nearly every yard of the miles of public rights of way that cross Beachamwell and we have even occasionally ventured beyond the confines of the parish. If each walk has averaged four and a half miles, then we have walked over fifty miles!



We have seen the large boundary stone brought to Beachamwell by

the last Ice Age and the 1960's Cold War Bunker. We have passed a deserted village and a modern chicken farm. We walked near to where a medieval leper hospital used to be, through water meadows and along forest rides. We have noticed the wide variety of animals, plants, insects and birds that share our landscape. We have also seen how the agricultural year evolves and beautifies our landscape, season by season.

We in Beachamwell are truly blessed to have this abundance of paths and the Wednesday Walkers are delighting in exploring them and their history. Do come along and walk with us! We meet the first Wednesday of the month starting from the Village Hall at 10.00 am. **Sue Pennell**

On Wednesday 2 October we celebrated one year of monthly walks. At 9am it did look as if this walk might be the first one to be rained off, but by our new start time of 10am it had cleared and we were able to follow the footpaths over to Shingham; take an ancient track towards the site of a medieval leper hospital; cross to Folly Barn via a track lined with twisted pines and then return to Shingham via the reinstated footpath across fields to the tumulus and then home.

Over the year members of the group have walked all the footpaths in the parish and how lucky we are to have so many to explore. Here's to another year of happy walking! **Leah Spencer**

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	15:20 pm
		Mill Road	15:35 pm
	Barton Bendish	Hatherley Gardens	9:40 pm
Thursday	Wereham	The Pond	9:30 am
7th, 21st November		Queen's Close	16:20 pm
5th, 19th December			

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
Beachamwell	31 (Saturday) 18 (Tuesday)	Lewis Coaches Eagles Coaches	Swaffham King's Lynn & Swaffham
Boughton	18 (Tuesday)	Eagles Coaches	King's Lynn & Swaffham
Wereham	28 (Mon to Sat) 40 (Mon to Sat)	Coach Services Coach Services	King's Lynn 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	Third Friday 9:00am to 2:00pm
Swaffham	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	Leah Spencer	01366 328536
	Jayne Frost	01366 328893
Boughton	Pam Wakeling	01366 500 429
Wereham	Doreen Rolph	01366 500218

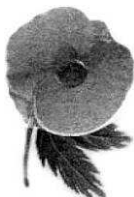
CHURCH SERVICES

3rd November

9.45 am Shouldham Holy Communion
10.30 -11.30 am Marham Sunday Café at the chapel
11.00 am Beachamwell Holy Communion
6.00 pm Wereham Evensong

10th November Remembrance Sunday

9.30 am Shouldham Thorpe Holy Communion with Act of Remembrance
10.30 am Marham Service with Act of Remembrance
10.45 am Barton Bendish, Beachamwell, Boughton, Wereham, Fincham and
Shouldham Acts of Remembrance



17th November

9.45 am Shouldham Morning Prayer
10.30 am Marham Holy Communion
11.00 am Wereham Morning Prayer
11.00 am Beachamwell Family Service

24th November Christ the King

9.30 am Fincham Holy Communion
10.30 am Marham United Morning Worship
11.00 am Boughton Holy Communion
6.00 pm Barton Bendish Holy Communion

Thursday Communions

1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays at Fincham. 2nd Thursday at Boughton. Service at 10 am, followed by coffee and biscuits. Everyone welcome, even if you don't wish to take communion.

Churchwardens

Barton Bendish	Mhari Blanchfield	01366 347849
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Baptisms and Weddings

Please contact the Revd. Barbara Burton 01366 348079 or the Churchwarden in your parish.

BOUGHTON NEWS

Sunday September 29th was a momentous occasion for All Saints' Church, Boughton. Not only was it the feast of St Michael and All Angels, it was the day the **Bishop of Ely** came to take a service. It is at least a quarter of a century since a Bishop of Ely came to Boughton and those of you who remember Audrey Payne will have heard her tales of that day, when the Bishop took to a boat on the pond! This time, because it was the fifth Sunday in the month, the current Bishop came because it was a group service for the benefice and congregations from all eight parishes had a chance to worship together. It had to be at 6 pm, unfortunately, to fit into his busy schedule, so not everyone could



get there.

It was a delightful service, put together by Barbara. The choir had been practising busily for weeks, having been told to sing something lively and joyful. 'Alleluia' and 'Jubilate' certainly fit that bill and are great fun to sing. The only

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problem for the altos is remembering which part has been allocated to us for that occasion. We could be second, third or even fourth! There were nearly fifty people in the congregation and everyone agreed that it was an uplifting and enjoyable occasion. Afterwards, the well-known Boughton hospitality swung into action, Sandy and her team having prepared an array of delicious and attractive snacks. The Bishop was able to talk to a variety of parishioners, some of whom were able to bring up pressing issues. He is very approachable and not in the least stuffy. He agreed to pose for a photo and his driver, Michael, was kind enough to take a selection of photos for us to use in the magazine. One of them



commented that what we need in the rather truncated vestry is a set of optics. Good idea, but at the moment the pipes only serve as coat hangers! A memorable group service for all those who attended.

BOUGHTON NEWS

Harvest Supper

It is a tradition in the Barton Bendish group that there is one Harvest Supper for all parishes and that each parish takes turns in organising it. That means the



work only comes round every four years! Boughton has organised it several times, but this was to be the first time we could do so 'at home' and not in the hall at Barton Bendish.

We worried about how many people would fit in, but not about the catering. Once again Sandy and her band of helpers (and elves) stepped up and produced a splendid meal. I was worried that we would not have enough people, as everyone is notoriously slow about deciding if they want to come and so many people were going to be away that it seemed as if West Norfolk would be depopulated. However, on

the night we had fifty-four sitting down to a meal of roast beef and ALL the trimmings, followed by apple pie or crumble. Some traditions have to be maintained. The church centre had been beautifully laid out with our new tables and chairs and still there was enough room for people to walk between the rows and socialise with someone on another table. We had visitors from Downham, Marham and Fincham as well as people from our own villages. It was a wonderful meal, followed by coffee and the entertainment. This was provided by Sandy, accompanied by Tom Golden, singing 'I dreamed a dream', and then we

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sang the (now traditional) community songs. (Tom had thought to omit them this



year, but I said we all enjoy singing and so it proved.) There were a number of members from several local choirs in the party, so the singing was good. Afterwards, no one wanted to move and when Tom started playing again, the singing resumed as people chatted.

It was a lovely

evening and, as I said at the time 'every parish needs a Sandy.'

This week she is doing Breakfast Church!

The week before that, Sandy organised a concert by the Fincham Chorus to raise funds for the church. It was another excellent occasion and we are extremely grateful to them for giving up their time for us. I remember the first time a group got together in Fincham to sing and it's difficult to realise that it was only six years ago. The progress and development they have managed in that short time is nothing short of remarkable and they deserve to be congratulated.



Pam Wakeling

WEREHAM NEWS

Wereham on Facebook

To find out what's going on in the village and look at local and event pictures log into Facebook we are **Wereham Village Group**

Parish Council Meetings

The last meeting was held on 10th September. If you would like a copy of the Minutes from that meeting, please contact:-

Mrs. N. Cooper (Parish Clerk) Clavering House, Stoke Road, Wereham.

Email: Wereham@gmail.com Telephone 01366 500527

The next meeting is Tuesday, 12th November at 7.30 pm. All welcome.

Wereham Tots

Friday mornings from 10.00am to 12.00 noon. All welcome. **Angela**

Bingo

Every Wednesday at the Village Hall. Doors open 6.45 eyes down at 7.30. Cash prize, raffle, refreshments with complimentary biscuits. Come along and support our new organiser Roger. All proceeds to the Village Hall.

Enquiries to Roger Collins on 01366 500088

Ink Cartridges and Mobile Phones

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Wereham's Retro Pop Up Café

October's Cafe was another success. Cakes were delicious and a big thank-you to all cake makers, Fiona, Chris, Nicki, Mr & Mrs Goode (sorry forgotten Christian names, you need to come in November to remind me.) Thanks also to paper lady for supplying daily papers and last but not least Ronnie for donating some plants.

Angela and Sandra

November we are having some Christmas Craft tables so come along and hunt out that special Christmas gift. As ever we need support from the Village, so please do come along, its a lovely little Retro Cafe with fresh coffee and cake all for £1.00.

Thank-you to Lestyn for doing a sterling waiter's job whilst school was closed for the day..

Next Cafe is Tuesday November 5th at 10:30....See you there.

Jacqueline & Nicki...

WEREHAM NEWS

Friends of Wereham Village Hall Group

If you would like to join the Friends of Group, or find out more, please contact **Doreen on 500218 or email doreeniorlph@talktalk.net**

Recycling

Enquiries are being made into having recycling banks close to the Village Hall. This would create a small income to the hall as well as serving the people of the village and surrounding areas. This idea might be of help to those who do not have the transport to go to the recycling centre, which of course isn't open all week, as well as the cost of doing so. We are starting off by collecting all **plastic** bottle tops, caps, spray gun triggers etc. These can be left at the Village Hall on Friday mornings between 10.00am and 12.00 noon. Thank you for your support.

Forthcoming events at the Village Hall:-

Ladies Evening 15th November

Christmas Bazaar 24th November

Christmas Bingo 4th December

Christmas Carols 22nd December

On behalf of myself and the rest of the Committee, thank you for your continued support.

Victoria Gray, Chair, Wereham Village Hall.

Wereham Neighbourhood Watch

Held their meeting on Tuesday 18th September in Wereham Village Hall

Our crime figures for the past year have been, September 2012 to March 2013 - 2, from March 2013 to September 2013 - 1.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held in Wereham Village Hall on Tuesday 18th March 2014.

Macmillan Coffee Morning

We raised £235 from our coffee morning held on 27th September. Cakes arrived in abundance. Raffle prizes were kindly given by local businesses and a £1 stall was set up by the Village supporters. Thank you to everyone who supported this event in any way.

Rachel and Angela

WEREHAM NEWS

Update from Wereham Village Hall Committee

Update from our last meeting on the 24th September – The Trust Deed is pending approval by the PC, to be discussed at the next PC meet in November. At this meet, the PC will also vote in their representative for our committee.

The lottery have revised the application process and lifted the £500k limit.

The New Build Team are project planning with guidance from the Lottery and will advise further in November.

The winner of the event survey £25 cash prize at the Fayre, was a visitor from Gayton!

If you have any queries with regards to the project for a new village hall, please contact either Team member

Victoria Gray on darren.gray@tesco.net / 07725513583 or

Helen Richardson on helenandadam82@btinternet.com / 0779500681

or you can find us at the the bi-monthly Parish Council meetings.

A Big Thank You

A big thank you to the 20+ volunteers, Friends of, Committee members and local businesses that supported Wereham Village Fayre. We had fun packed day and raised a fantastic amount of £1005!!!! The event was featured in the Lynn News with pictures – now pinned up in the village hall. Well done to everyone who worked so hard to create an enjoyable day for all!



Alistair, Eliza and Owen having fun on the bouncy slide.

WEREHAM NEWS



- To Jacqueline and Nicki who continue to create the lovely monthly pop up café.

Wereham Village Hall Bonus Ball Club

– Both of our Bonus Ball Clubs have been a success over the past few months and we thank those who have bought numbers and are our members. The Winners of £50 each for the October Lotto draw were Nicki

Loake and Margaret & Dudley Pickston – congratulations!

Many thanks,

Helen Richardson, Secretary, Wereham Village Hall.

Fund-raising -

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

Xmas Bazaar – 24th November, 2-4pm, 20p entrance fee, Father Christmas will be in his Grotto, stalls from the Perfect Preserves, Norfolk Cottage Gardens, Phoenix Cards, Jewellery, Candles and lots more, craft stalls, raffle, refreshments, cake stall, tombola and our famous 'Bowling for a Turkey' – come along and join in the fun! If you'd like to book a stall or donate a raffle prize – call ***Doreen on 500218.***

Christmas Bingo – 4th December. Doors open at 6.45pm, eyes down at 7.30pm. bumper prize raffle – popular event , be sure to grab a space early.

Christmas Carols – 22nd December, carol service at the Church, followed by hot food in the village hall. Save the date. Details to follow.

On behalf of myself and the rest of the committee, thank you for your continued support - ***Victoria Gray, Chair, Wereham Village Hall Committee.***

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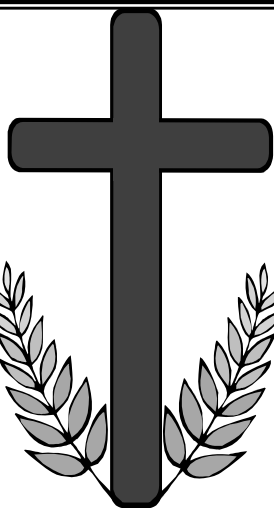


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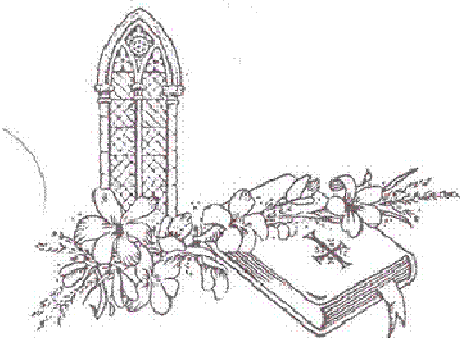
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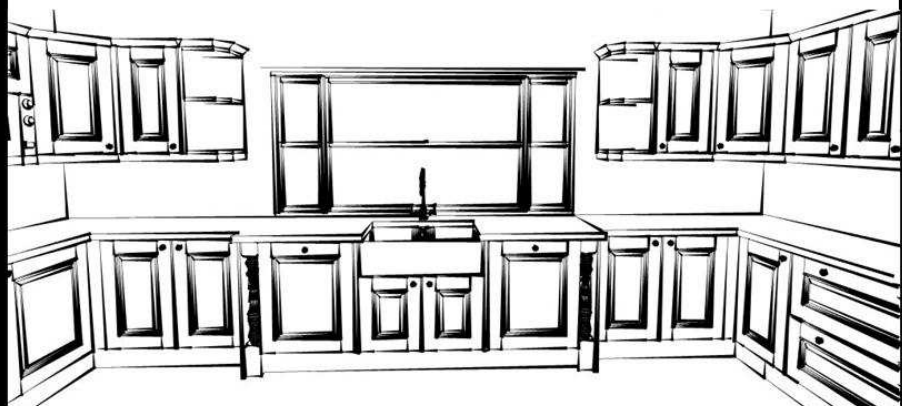
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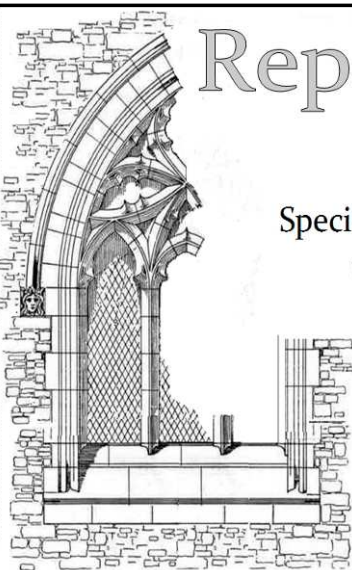
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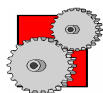
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