

The Parishes of Barton Bendish & Eastmoor; Beachamwell, Shingham & Drymere;
Boughton; Wereham
October 2016

WELCOME



Hope you enjoy this latest edition of G4N.

Once again, there are so many events taking place in the villages and surrounding area we are spoilt for choice. If you are able to attend any of those advertised the organisers will be more than pleased and appreciate your support.

Happy Autumn and 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

Dear Friends,

This must be the third time I have been obliged to begin with "I thought I had written my last Letter from the Rectory". I am of course pleased to be asked to write again but am saddened that the request is occasioned by the departure of Barbara to her new Fenland parishes of Walpole St.Peter and West Walton. We are deeply grateful for Barbara's ministry among us and assure her of our best wishes and prayers as she prepares for and begins her new ministry.

So now we embark on another interregnum. Interregnum is not the best word to use for the time between two ministries; ministry in the Church being more about spiritual care and spiritual leadership than rule! So where do we look for that care and leadership in our parishes in the absence of an appointed leader?

A few Sunday's ago the NT reading was from chapter 13 of the Letter to Hebrews. Here the writer is outlining what it means to be Church, or Christian. In particular I warm to verses 1, 2, and 7. Mutual love and hospitality, bring with them their own reward and are so attractive as to bring about the growth we are frequently being encouraged to work towards.

In the months ahead we will be involved in the processes of appointing a successor to Barbara. Our 'leaders' in the matter of a new appointment are often referred to as Ely for this diocese or Norwich for our neighbours; however remote they may seem they are 'fellow citizens of heaven' with us, seeking the furtherance of the Church and her ministry in this part of Norfolk. They are our bishops and arch deacons and, when we have them, rural deans and they carry a burden of responsibility in care and leadership in and for the parishes of the diocese. They deserve our prayers.

As I was reflecting on the Hebrews passage for this letter, one arrived for me from our two Archbishops, Justin and Sentamu, no less! Yes, it was sent to several thousand others no doubt but it is a warm invitation to join with them in using the days between Ascension Day and Pentecost next year to pray 'Come Holy Spirit', that we may be effective witnesses to Jesus Christ. I hope we will find imaginative and enjoyable ways of joining in this initiative. The archbishops use the text "May they be one...that the world might believe." May we find and recognise true leadership by praying and doing 'our parish thing' together.

Meanwhile may we enjoy celebrating harvest together as we move into the Autumn. With all good wishes,

Yours sincerely,

Rev. Robin Blackall

COUNTRYSIDE NOTES

Eastmoor Airfield

These days the tranquillity of Barton Bendish is only interrupted by Tornados from Marham and farm machinery working close to the village but back in World War Two it was a very different place. Kevin Fisher forwarded us an email from Evelyn Simak who has been researching WW11 airfields in Norfolk and was enquiring about one that existed south of the public footpath heading west from the Eastmoor road where two pill boxes are sited. Enquiries revealed some very interesting facts which two octogenarian village elders, Alan Quadling and Ernie Percival, remember well

At the beginning of the last war the landing strip was constructed and known officially as RAF Barton Bendish or Eastmoor Landing Ground. It opened on September 2nd 1939 as a satellite station for RAF Marham, extended to 340 acres and its runways were unpaved. However it was not always used on a daily basis and appears to have been also utilized as a safe storage facility for non-operational Marham planes away from the main airfield. It has also been suggested that at one time it was used as a dummy airfield but this has been discounted. To begin with it was home to Hawker Hurricanes based at Sutton Bridge. Wellington bomber aircraft were also deployed there including a New Zealand squadron from Feltwell. In the summer of 1941 detachments of Curtis Tomahawks (low level reconnaissance aircraft) and Westland Lysanders flew from there. Soon after Eastmoor airfield opened one of the Wellingtons, flying at low level on its way to Marham, hit a tree and crashed killing all the crew on board. There were several other incidents involving Wellingtons from which, apart from one fatality, the crews escaped. In late November 1943, after the airfield had been closed for some time, a Lancaster from Lincolnshire based RAF Wickenby attempting to land at Marham made an emergency landing and overshot what was once the runway killing all the five crew on board.

Guarding and defending the airfield were obviously important and when it was not in use various precautions were taken to prevent enemy landings. Of particular interest were three Pickett-Hamilton Forts, hydraulic pill boxes which could be raised and lowered out of the ground. They formed part of the airfield defences along with observation posts and the existing pill boxes. There were also two air raid shelters, one close to the western pillbox and another near Hill Farm. A Bofors anti-aircraft gun emplacement existed close to the corner at the bottom of Boughton Long Road. Eastmoor airfield closed after three years when Bexwell opened at Downham Market but the installations remained in place for a

COUNTRYSIDE NOTES

while afterwards. Alan and Ernie and can recall the fun they had as boys lowering themselves down into the ground on the hydraulic pill boxes!

No sooner had the airmen left Barton than the Land girls arrived. Billeted at the Hall they ensured that Barton would continue to be a hive of activity throughout the war!

Evelyn Simak's article can be found on www.geograph.org.uk/article/RAF-Barton-Bendish

Jill Mason

BENEFICE NEWS

Barbara's final service in the benefice on Sunday 11th September was at Fincham and attended by representatives of all the eight parishes. Her sermon



struck just the right note because she regaled us with stories of a vicar's life and reminded us just how much we will miss her and her many gifts. She was presented with a symbolic trowel and bulbs, to represent the much larger gift of bulbs currently on order but awaiting shipment from Holland! She also received a considerable number of gardening

vouchers, to get the new garden off to a good start, and a gift from the eight parishes had been placed in her bank balance.

Afterwards members of the congregation enjoyed an excellent selection of refreshments supplied by the parishes.

Barbara's licensing to her new parishes will be at West Walton Church on the 12th October at 7.30 pm and she has extended an open invitation to everyone who wishes to attend and support her.

Pam Wakeling

CHILDREN’S PAGE

Harvest Word Search

Words may go vertically and horizontally in either direction only

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QUIZ PAGE

01. If brothers are fraternal what are sisters?
02. Name four commonly used words ending in 'dous'.
03. Which Scottish boy's name means 'Hooked Nose' Cameron, Duncan or Fraser
04. Can you think of a superstition associated with a new pencil.
05. What would you expect to find in an oast house?
06. What would a jeweller mean by the collet?
07. Which is America's 'Treasure State' - Montana, Missouri, or Michigan?
08. How many players are there in a volleyball team?
09. What can be a sponge, a notebook or an apartment?
10. To which family of birds does the magpie belong?
11. Why can't you tickle yourself?
12. Is rhubarb a vegetable or a fruit?
13. How did the £ sign originate?
14. Name three places in London with namesakes in New York.
15. Do your hand and wrist contain more bones than your foot and ankle?
- 16) According to an old saying with whom do you need 'a lang spoon tae sup wi'?
17. On a London Monopoly Board what's on the opposite corner from Go To Jail?
18. Which is the only animal with four knees?
19. Simon Ritchie caused controversy in the pop world during the late 70's. What was his stage name?
20. Why do you get a red nose when you have a heavy cold?

Answers: 1) Sororal; 2) Tremendous, Horrendous, Stupendous and Hazardous; 3) Cameron; 4) It's bad luck to use a new pencil for an exam; 5) Hops or malt for drying out for beer making; 6) The part of a ring in which the stone is set; 7) Montana; 8) Six; 9) A Pad; 10) Crow; 11) Your brain knows it's coming - your body automatically dulls the sensation; 12) A vegetable but it is used like a fruit in sweet recipes; 13) It's a stylised L, from the Latin libra, a pound. The strokes indicate it's an abbreviation; 14) Any three from Greenwich, Soho, Chelsea, Broadway, Kew Gardens or Norwood; 15) Yes, one more at twenty seven; 16) The devil; 17) The Jail; 18) The Elephant; 19) Sid Vicious; 20) Blowing and wiping irritates the skin and your body sends extra blood to fight the infection.

LEXOPHILIA - WHO ON EARTH DREAMS THESE UP?

Why, a lexophile of course!

- How does Moses make tea? Hebrews it.
- Venison for dinner again? Oh deer!
- A cartoonist was found dead in his home. Details are sketchy.
- I used to be a banker but then I lost interest.
- Haunted French pancakes give me the crêpes.
- England has no kidney bank but it does have a Liverpool.
- I tried to catch some fog but I mist.
- They told me I had type-A blood but it was a Typo.
- Jokes about German sausage are the wurst.
- I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid but he says he can stop any time.
- I stayed up all night to see where the sun went and then it dawned on me.
- This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club but I'd never met herbivore.
- When chemists die they barium.
- I'm reading a book about anti-gravity. I just can't put it down.
- I did a theatrical performance about puns. It was a play on words.
- Why were the Indians here first? They had reservations.
- I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.
- Did you hear about the cross-eyed teacher who lost her job because she couldn't control her pupils?
- When you get a bladder infection urine trouble.
- Broken pencils are pointless.
- What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary? A thesaurus.
- I dropped out of communism class because of lousy Marx.
- All the toilets in New York's police stations have been stolen. The police have nothing to go on.
- I got a job at a bakery because I kneaded dough.
- Velcro - what a rip off!
- Don't worry about old age; it doesn't last.

Thanks to Vera Pearson (Beachamwell) for these.



Elizabeth Truss MP
Member of Parliament for South West Norfolk
House of Commons
London SW1A 0AA

Dear Parish Council,

Elizabeth Truss MP has received the below information from Aviva and has asked that it be sent to all constituency Town and Parish Councils. I hope it can be of some assistance.

Best Wishes,

Letitia Davies

Office of the Rt Hon Elizabeth Truss MP

Member of Parliament for South West Norfolk

Lord Chancellor and Secretary of State for Justice

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From: simon.oswald@aviva.com [<mailto:simon.oswald@aviva.com>]

Sent: 13 September 2016 17:13

To: TRUSS, Elizabeth elizabeth.truss.mp@parliament.uk

Subject: Aviva Community Fund launches in your constituency today

Dear Ms Truss

We are today launching this year's Aviva Community Fund and we very much welcome applications from community groups in your constituency.

The Aviva Community Fund awards funding of up to £25,000 for local community projects across a range of categories such as supporting the elderly, health and wellbeing and community sport. Last year we had over 430 separate winners and this year is bigger and better than ever with over 800 awards up for grabs.

Please do let community groups in your constituency know and encourage them to apply. Applications can be made until 11th October via and winners will be announced in January.

If you'd like to tweet your constituents about the Fund please use #communityspirit

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Many thanks

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HEYGATE FARMS - WOODLANDS

I am assisting Heygate Farms with the preparation of a long term management plan for their woodlands and I write to advise Beachamwell Parish Council of four clearfell proposals which some Parishioners may have concerns about.

Over the last 15 years the Farm have planted several thousand trees in the Parish which I am sure you will agree considerably enhances the landscape. Under the Plan most of the plantations will be thinned but it is proposed to clearfell three compartments being 44, 48 and 49 as shown on the attached plan. Following felling, Compartment 48 and 49 will be cleared and replanted with hardwoods and conifer.

The proposal for 44 is to return the land to agriculture following felling. By way of mitigation for the removal of this copse two areas will be planted adjacent to Compartments 40 and 43 as shown of the attached plan.

In addition to felling the above it is proposed to fell the Poplars adjacent to the Swaffham Road shown by the number 42. The reason for this is purely for the safety of road users as Poplars are notorious for dropping branches and falling over without warning. There is very good young hedge under the trees which is being stunted by the shade of the Poplars.

Whilst there is a proposal to fell a number of trees it is also proposed to create 3.9ha of new woodland on the Estate. The plan attached shows the new areas in the Parish. Natural England and the Forestry Commission have approved the planting but formal confirmation is still awaited. The aim of the new woodland, which will include 20% open space, is to improved wildlife habitat, landscape and bio-diversity by a mix of broadleaves and conifers.

It is important to manage and rejuvenate woodlands which are such a vital wildlife habitat and important landscape features. The Management Plan is aimed at maintaining a healthy and productive woodland for those that follow.

If you have any questions please feel free to contact me

Yours sincerely

Paul Evans

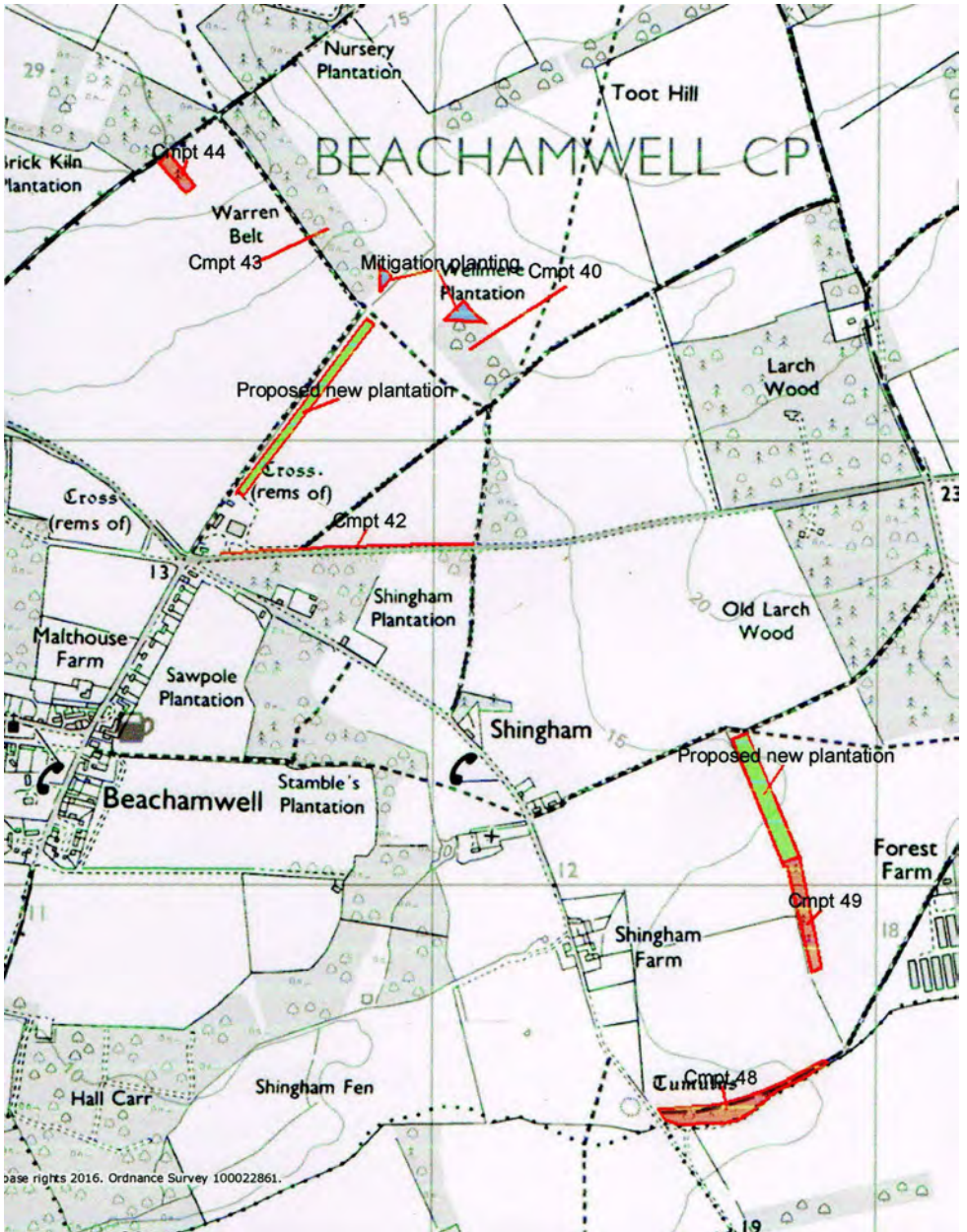
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HEYGATE FARMS - WOODLANDS



COULD YOU HELP A YOUNG PERSON WITH A DISABILITY TO THINK ABOUT THEIR FUTURE?

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

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

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

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

If you would like to find out more about becoming a Volunteer Mentor for the CSV Futures Project please contact:

Vicki Howling, the project co-ordinator for an informal chat.

Telephone 01366 386972 or 07926 044845

Email vhowling@csv.org.uk

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



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Free magazine inspires families to get active this summer

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

You can find out more and view the magazine online at www.norfolk.gov.uk/getinto

Free home assessments on offer

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

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

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

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

The assessors will also be able to advise whether any grant funding is available for any works required.

To book an appointment call the Careline Community Team on 01553 760671

SWAFFHAM & LITCHAM HOME HOSPICE

Following on from last month's statistics reference to our year 2015 we had Day Care total attendance's 263, Art and Craft attendance's numbering 313, Bereavement Group total attendance's 634, Bereavement Visits Individual 329. We offer one to one bereavement support and our counselling service is available for anyone who is touched by cancer as a patient or family member. Reflexology/Reiki total treatments 495, Carer Group attendance's 68 and Equipment Usage Occasions 80. As you can see the Home hospice is indeed a very busy Support Unit and as the majority of you are aware we rely heavily on volunteers who give their time in one way or another ensuring that the Unit continues to support those patients we presently look after. We hope this information gives you some idea of the work we carry out during the course of our financial year. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us through the office on Swaffham 01760 722937.

The Charity would like to convey their thanks to Wendy Askew who so kindly donated half of the proceeds from her table top sale held in Castle Acre, in recognition of all the work we carry out. We received the remarkable sum of £250.00 and thank those who supported the sale so generously.

Two kind people celebrated mile stones recently namely Joe Matthews who was ninety and Pearl Ramsey who was eighty. Instead of receiving gifts they decided to support our cause by donating money, Joe £105.00 and Pearl £150.00; a big thank you to their family and friends.

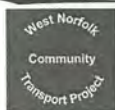
The Charity Golf day that was held at Swaffham Golf Club in August raised a fantastic total of £6,000.00 for the Home Hospice. It was well sponsored by businesses and sixteen teams of golfers who had a most enjoyable day. We would like to thank those individuals from the Club who gave their time to the charity in assuring the day ran smoothly for us.

There are two reminders of events happening in October, the first is the Concert of Choirs at the Assembly Rooms on the 1st Oct 7pm for 7.30pm start. Tickets are priced at £10.00 and for those who wish to attend, then please contact us immediately you receive this edition of the Newsletter and secondly the Autumn Dance 50's, 60's, and 70's music from Kenny and the Motives, there is a Bar and Raffle 15th Oct 8pm to Midnight, again £10.00 a ticket. Contact the Office on Swaffham 01760 722937

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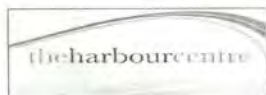
West Norfolk



**BRIDGE STREET
SURGERY**
HEALTH ROADSHOW
FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER
9.00am - 1.00pm
Downham Market Town Hall

FRIENDS IN BEREAVEMENT

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For further information about these events, or to book where necessary, please contact the library on 01366 383073

Downham Market Library is now on Facebook. 'Like' us to find out more about what's happening at the library!

www.facebook.com/downhammarketlibrary

Regular events

Scrabble Club: 11th, 18th and 25th October

1pm – 3pm. No need to book but places on first come basis.

Reading group: Tuesday 18th October 3-4pm

Please contact the library to see about joining and the books being read.

Knit and Natter: 1st and 15th June. Meets on the first and third Wednesday of the month in term time 1.30 - 3pm

Keep Calm and Colour in!

2nd and 4th Wednesdays in the month

5th and 19th October 1.30 - 3pm. Colouring sheets, colouring pens and pencils provided (but feel free to bring along your own too)

Baby Bounce and Rhyme Time: Weekly on Thursdays in term time 10.30 - 11.30am

Other events!

A talk by Arthritis Care

Tuesday 4th October 1 - 2pm

Please note this event is part of the Friendship Group so £1 payable on arrival, includes refreshments.

A Pirate Adventure!

Saturday 8th October

2pm – 2.30pm

Come and set sail with Polly parrot on board our special pirate ship! Heave ho me hearties! An interactive story with songs and clues for children to solve!

Suitable for 2 - 10 years old

Booking essential.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS AT DOWNHAM MARKET LIBRARY

An Introduction to Facebook

Wednesday 12th October 10am – 12 noon

How to set up an account, write your first post, find friends, how to follow them and setting up privacy settings. Charge £5 (payable on booking). Knowledge of internet searching and having an email essential

Ghosts and legends event!

Monday 24th October

1.30 – 3.30pm

Starting at the library with some spooky stories and activities then onto Discover Downham Heritage Centre to find out about Fenland ghosts and legends!

Booking essential. Suitable for 5 – 11 years

£2 per child (first 2 children pay, any additional children in same family no charge)

Holiday Storytime

Thursday 27th October

10.30 – 11.30am

A talk by author Rachel Hore

Monday 31st October

2pm-3pm. Tickets £5

Booking essential.

Elena Parkin

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Wereham

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Beachamwell

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We meet at the Village Hall at 10.00 am

FIRST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH

*Walks last between one and a half to two
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All, including dogs on leads, are welcome

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Doors open 6.45 pm

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Beachamwell Writing Group

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October 3, 17, 31

November 14, 20

December 12

6 Sessions @ £5 per session
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To register contact:

01366 328895

or

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Beachamwell Book Group

Tuesday 4th October

7.30 - 8.45pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Book to be discussed over a glass of wine

**'Mrs Dalloway'
by Virginia Woolf'**

Annual subscription £15.00

New members welcome

Enquiries: 01366 328536

Barton Bendish



A Macmillan
Coffee
Morning

Thursday October 6th

10.00am - 12.00 noon

Barton Bendish Village Hall
Raffle, Produce and Cake
Stall

In Aid of Macmillan Support
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Enquiries: 01366 347928



Beachamwell WI

Thursday 6th October

7.30pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

'Local History Group'

Visitors Welcome

Tickets £3.50

Enquiries:

01366 328 325

Barton Bendish

Please come and join us for our
Harvest Festival Service

in St Andrew's Church
on

Saturday 8th October at 6 pm

Everyone very welcome

Non perishable food items may be
donated and they will be passed onto
local food banks.

This service will be followed by the

Group Harvest Supper
at 7pm

in **Barton Bendish Village Hall**

It will consist of a 2 course hot meal
Cost £8

Please contact 01366 347563 or
01366 347849 to book your tickets

Beachamwell

“Pop Up” Pub

Friday 14th October

7.00 -10.30



Beachamwell
Memorial Hall

NEW!! Supper available to order -
Sausage Casserole & Baked Potato
(Vegetarian option available) +
Ice Cream Dessert £6 per head

BOOKING ESSENTIAL

Bookings open 1 October

Telephone: 01366 328536

A Beachamwell Memorial Committee Event

Beachamwell and Fincham Family History Group

Tuesday 18th October

2 – 4pm

Beachamwell Memorial
Hall

£2 All welcome

Enquiries
01366 347694
or
01366 328536



Beachamwell WI ‘Craft Evening 2016’

Tuesday 18th October

7.30 - 9.30

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Learn, improve and share a wide
range of yarn and fabric crafts
Non-WI members and beginners
very welcome

£3 inc refreshments

More Details: 01366 328589

Fincham

Coffee Morning

Wednesday 12th October

10 - 12

St Martin's Church

Enquiries: 01366 347511

Beachamwell

Craft Group

Thursday 27th October

2 - 4.00pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

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

£2.00 + Bring and Buy

All welcome.

Enquiries: 01366 328536

Beachamwell

Afternoon Tea and a Chat.....

Wednesday 19th October

2 - 4pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

Enquiries: 01366 347673

Boughton

Bistro Quiz 2016

All Saints' Church

Friday 28th October

An entertaining quiz with a French themed meal as the centre of the evening.

Back by popular appeal!

Tables of up to 6

£11 per person

7 pm start for the quiz

Enquiries and booking a table:

01366 500429



Beachamwell

Pop Up Indian Restaurant

Saturday 29th October

7.30

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

3 course meal with coffee

£16.00 per head

(bring your own wine)

Bookings open 1st October

Telephone: 01366 328536

Wereham Halloween Quiz



**Saturday
October 29th
7.30pm**

Wereham Village Hall

Tickets £5.00 includes a hot
supper

Bring your own drink and glasses.

Enquiries: 01366 500766

Proceeds to Wereham Village Hall Funds

Wereham Heritage Group

invite you to

**Come and have a 'mardle'
about Wereham past and
present.**

**Saturday 12th November
2.00 - 4.00pm**

Wereham Village Hall

Refreshments provided
Come and see an array of old
photos, documents and items
relating to Wereham's history.

Enquires:

01366 501224 or 01366 502083

Shouldham Autumn Quiz

Saturday November 12th

7.00pm

Shouldham Village Hall

£4.00 per person. Tables up to 6

Bring your own refreshments

Enquiries:

Ann Hullah 01366 347814

Proceeds to All Saints' Church
Shouldham

Boughton Wine Tasting



**Saturday 19th November
7.30pm**

Boughton Church

**Back by popular demand...in support
of the Boughton Playground project**

Fancy trying out some different wines
this festive period?

Come and try before you buy...

Join Boughton's resident wine expert,
Giles for a fun and informative
evening.

Enquires: 01366 502012 or email
boughtonplayground@gmail.com

Ticket price £12 per person

Beachamwell Local History Group

Tuesday 22nd November

7.30pm

Beachamwell Memorial Hall

**Illustrated talk on
"Victorian Rural
Women"**

**by local historian
Charlotte Paton**

Enquiries 01366 327023
www.beachamwell.org.uk

Swaffham Jazz Club

**Colin Mason Quartet with
Tom
Guest Vocalist Melvin**

**Tuesday 11th October
7.30pm**

PLEASE NOTE THE EARLIER TIME

**Swaffham Conservative Social
Club**

**23 London Rd PE37 7DD
Entry £5**

Enquiries:
01366 328730 or 01760 722384



'Three's Company'

**Irma Fowler, Lesley Mardle and Leah
Spencer**

**Present: 'Getting to Know You'
Sunday October 23rd, 3.00pm**

Swaffham Assembly Rooms

£9.00 for members

£12.00 non-members

Accompanied children free

Tickets from

Green Parrot 01760 724704

Ceres Bookshop 01760 722504

Enquiries:
01366 328648

Nar Valley Ornithological Society (NarVOS)

Tuesday October 25th 7.30pm

The Barn Theatre

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

Belarus - Birding Behind the Iron Curtain

Illustrated talk by Mike Watson

Mike Watson works for Birdquest who run trips to Belarus (White Russia). Therefore, we can expect Mike's talk to showcase such birds as Greater Spotted Eagle, Hazel Grouse, Capercaillie, Great Snipe, Great Grey Owl, Ural and Tengmalm's Owl, Pygmy-Owl, Three-toed and White-backed Woodpecker, Citrine Wagtail, Aquatic Warbler and Azure Tit.

Mouth-watering stuff.

We can look forward to a fascinating evening.

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

Enquiries: 01760 724092



Apple Day

Sunday 23 October, 10.30am – 4.30pm

Celebrate Apple Day by discovering the importance of heritage apples and orchards in Britain. The East of England Apple & Orchards Project will be on hand to offer expert advice, as well as the Master Gardeners' Association, Cockley Cley Wood Turners, Riverford Organics, willow basket makers and a spinner. Bring your own apple and pear varieties and have them identified or made into juice. Families can enjoy apple themed activities and tuck into the apple recipes on the menu in the tea-room. **Normal admission**

Pumpkin Pastimes

Saturday 29 & Sunday 30 October,
10.30am – 4pm

Find your way around the gardens following the pumpkin trail. Then try the spooky themed crafts in the Armoury and sample one of the delicious pumpkin recipes in the tea-room. **Normal admission**

01366 328258

nationaltrust.org.uk/oxburgh-hall

National Trust

RECIPE OF THE MONTH

ORANGE SHORTBREAD FINGERS

Ingredients

4oz unsalted butter

2oz castor sugar

Finely grated rind of oranges

6oz plain flour

Method

1. Heat oven 190 C or 375F
2. Beat sugar and butter until soft and creamy
3. Beat in orange rind and gradually add flour gently to form a soft ball.
4. Roll out until 1/2" thick and cut into fingers
5. Bake 20 minutes or until a light golden brown.

Eileen Powell



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Organ Recital

Approximately 60 people dropped in to St Andrew's to enjoy our afternoon of organ music on August 21st. It was a very relaxed atmosphere with cups of tea and coffee as well as tempting cakes on offer at any time. We were treated to two different styles of playing and it was interesting to hear the range of notes that came from our old Halmshaw organ. David Milburn from Fincham began the afternoon with his powerful style of playing which showed off the full range of notes and filled the church with music while Martyn Clarke from Oxborough had a more gentle touch and some of the numbers he played were by request.

It was an enjoyable way to spend a lovely summer's afternoon and many thanks to David and Martyn for kindly sparing the time to come and play for us. Approximately £179 was raised to start off the organ refurbishment fund.

Christopher Hampshire is an expert on Halmshaw organs and joined us in St Andrew's. Afterwards he very kindly sent us some very interesting information about Halmshaws.

He wrote *"As far as I am aware Barton Bendish is the only organ in Norfolk built by Halmshaw and as such it is a little gem in that it is untouched (apart from the addition of an electric blower) and is only one of a relative few Halmshaw organs which remain unaltered."*

In 2008 the organ was given a Historic Organ Certificate from the British Institute of Organ studies. The organ was listed as Grade 2 which is granted to particularly important organs of more than special interest.

Regarding the builder, Halmshaw and sons, the first record of any organ built by them that I can find was by Joseph Halmshaw who built an organ for St John the Evangelist Church at Dewsbury Moor in Yorkshire. The opening recital was given by the famous Victorian composer Dr S.S. Wesley whose music is still sung in Churches and Cathedrals today.

Joseph Halmshaw was born in 1804 and had three sons, John, Henry, and William who I believe were also involved in his organ building firm. It is not clear when Halmshaw moved to Birmingham but is believed to be around 1850.

There are records of 81 organs built by Halmshaw in the UK, mainly in Yorkshire, the West Midlands and Lincolnshire, as I mentioned to you on Sunday, there are accounts of Halmshaw organs in New Zealand, notably in the Christchurch R.C. Cathedral and one or two others. I was checking my facts the

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other day regarding the Halmshaw organ in New Zealand and was saddened to see on YouTube the ruins of the Cathedral which was due to the recent earthquake. It seems that it is to be demolished and the organ lost forever. It is believed that the Halmshaw family went to New Zealand to erect the organs. The firm seems to have disappeared around 1912."

In 1878 wealthy farmer George Read, who lived in Barton Bendish Hall at the time, donated £250 for the Halmshaw organ to be installed as a 21st birthday present for the daughter of his brother Rev'd Gooch Read. Remarkably for nearly half its lifetime it was played by our recently retired church organist, Freda Rumball, who served St Andrew's for well in excess of sixty years.

Next spring we hope to hold a similar event and would love to invite other organists to join us. If you, or anyone you know, would like the opportunity to play our unique Halmshaw organ please get in touch with either Mhari Blanchfield (01366 347849) or Linda Webster (01366 347563) or email me at masons@sandmere66.fsnet.co.uk

Jill Mason

Broadband

Hooray!!! At long last we have faster broadband. (The bad news is my husband has now switched to BT so he can get BT Sport - not more football!!)

Macmillan Coffee Morning October 6th

We will be holding our annual Macmillan Coffee Morning on Thursday October 6th from 10am 'til 12 noon. Please do come along and support this very worthy cause.

As usual there will be a raffle and also a book stall as well as a cake and produce stall donations for which would be very much appreciated.

Hope to see you there

Jill and the gang

Harvest Supper Saturday October 8th at 7pm

This year it is Barton's turn to host the Harvest Supper which will immediately follow the Harvest Thanksgiving Service being held in St Andrew's at 6pm. Bangers and mash followed by fruit crumble are on the menu. Tickets are £8 per person for the two courses. See page 20 for booking details

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Wreath Making Workshops 2016 November 17th, 18th and 19th

Mhari and Linda have already taken several bookings for these ever popular workshops. This year's sessions have been organised for the Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings all at 7.30pm and also on the Saturday morning at 10am. The cost is £15 per person.

Please make a note of these dates and times and book early to avoid disappointment.

Contact either Mhari on 347849 or Linda on 347563

Forthcoming Events

1. Thursday October 6th Macmillan Coffee Morning 10 – 12noon, See advert page 19
2. Saturday October 8th Harvest Thanksgiving Service in St Andrew's at 6pm. followed by Harvest Supper in the Village Hall at 7pm. See advert page 20
3. Sunday November 13th Remembrance Day Service St Andrew's
4. Thursday, Friday and Saturday November 17th, 18th and 19th Wreath Making Workshops
5. Sunday December 4th Christingle Service 3pm St Andrew's
6. Saturday December 10th Victorian Evening 6pm Village Hall



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Mobile Post Office

The times are:

Monday and Thursday 12.45 – 13.05

Tuesday and Wednesday 11.25 – 11.55

Parish Council



At the last Parish Council meeting it was reported that someone had allowed their dog off the lead as they walked through a field where sheep were. This should not happen as it can cause stress and death to the sheep if the dog chases them, which did happen recently. Please keep your dogs on a lead.



Dates for future meetings are:

2016: November 14th

2017: January 9th March 13th May 8th

If you have any items for the agenda please give them to me in writing at least a week beforehand.

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

can.

The Parish Council website is beachamwell-pc.norfolkparishes.gov.uk

Eileen Powell (Parish Clerk)

Beachamwell Local History Group

Unfortunately, the “Venerating the Ancestors” event planned for 22nd October has had to be cancelled as our speaker is indisposed. We will try to rearrange this for some time next year.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 22nd November when there will be an illustrated talk by local historian, Charlotte Paton, on “Victorian Rural Women”. Visitors are most welcome to come along.

Maggie Mackenzie 01366 327023

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St Mary's Church

After the warm days of September the month of October brings us some cooler

Autumn weather and the celebrations of Harvest Festival

The word 'harvest' originates from the old English word *hærfest*, meaning "Autumn". Later it came to refer to the season for reaping and gathering grain and other grown products. The full moon nearest the autumnal equinox is called the Harvest Moon, so in ancient traditions, Harvest Festivals were traditionally held on or near the Sunday of the Harvest Moon.

Until the 20th century most farmers celebrated the end of the harvest with a big meal called the harvest supper, to which all who had helped in the harvest were invited. It was sometimes known as a "Mell-supper", after the last patch of corn or wheat standing in the fields which was known as the "Mell" or "Neck". Cutting it signified the end of the work of harvest and the beginning of the feast. There seems to have been a feeling that it was bad luck to be the person to cut the last stand of corn. The farmer and his workers would race against the harvesters on other farms to be first to complete the harvest, shouting to announce they had finished. In some counties the last stand of corn would be cut by the workers throwing their sickles at it until it was all down, in others the reapers would take it in turns to be blindfolded and sweep a scythe to and fro until all of the Mell was cut down.

The modern British tradition of celebrating Harvest Festival in churches began in 1843, when the Reverend Robert Hawker invited parishioners to a special thanksgiving service at his church at Morwenstow in Cornwall. Victorian hymns such as "We plough the fields and scatter", "Come ye thankful people, come" and "All things bright and beautiful" but also Dutch and German harvest hymns in translation, helped popularise his idea of harvest festival and spread the annual custom of decorating churches with home-grown produce for the Harvest Festival service. On 8th September 1854 the Rev'd Dr William Beal, Rector of Brooke Church in Norfolk, held a Harvest Festival and then went on to promote



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'harvest homes' in other Norfolk villages. Another early adopter of the custom as an organised part of the Church of England calendar was Rev. Piers Claughton at Elton, Huntingdonshire in 1854. In modern Britain we tend to rely less heavily on home-grown produce and there has been a shift in emphasis in many Harvest Festival celebrations, increasingly linking Harvest with an awareness of and concern for people in the developing world for whom growing crops of sufficient quality and quantity remains a struggle.

This year's Harvest Festival will be hosted by St Andrew's Church in Barton Bendish and we would like to encourage the members of our congregation to come along to the Harvest Thanksgiving Service on Saturday 8th October, starting at 6 pm. This will be followed by Harvest Supper in the Barton Bendish Village Hall from 7pm.

We hope you will also join us at St Mary's Church for our two services in October (2nd and 16th). Our beautiful church is opened every day and it can provide you with a tranquil setting for quiet contemplation and prayer.

Our PCC is currently dealing with the recently identified problem with the church organ and the replacement of the churchyard bench. The porch screen has been ordered and it should be in place well before next Spring; hopefully the local pigeons will not inhabit the area in the meantime.

We remain very grateful to our volunteers who keep the church open and decorated with fresh flowers.

Vesna Hudson (Churchwarden)

Flower Rota for October

2nd Heidi Hale

9th Vesna Hudson

16th Bridget James

23rd Diana Lambert

30th Olwyn Locke

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

Eileen Powell

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Beachamwell Village Hall (Charity registration number 303900)

Rain may have tried to stop play, but the biennial Fete and Country Fair held on 3 September was a great success. We would like to thank everybody who helped us to organise and run this event and everybody who came along to support it. We had a great team of helpers to plan and publicise the event and, with their help, we put up the marquees and gazebos in record time. The Clay Pigeon Shoot got the day off to a flying start in the morning and a larger number of stalls than ever surrounded the Green, selling something for everybody! With traditional games such as Hook a Duck and Crockery Smashing to keep people entertained and Bouncy Castles and Shetland ponies proving popular with the children, it was a great afternoon. The WI excelled themselves by serving hundreds of cups of tea and slices of cake – a big thank you to all in the village who donated homemade cakes and biscuits. As usual, the Bric-a-Brac stall was a bargain hunter's bonanza and raised a record amount – a big thank you to those who organised, those who donated and those who bought! The Dog Show attracted more entries than ever before and Beachamwell Book Group sold hundreds of books.

With Music from the Hobblers, dance from the Misfit Molly Dancers and a Real Ale bar it was an afternoon to remember. The rain may have meant that the day ended a little sooner than anticipated but it could have been so much worse!!

The total amount raised will be published in the November edition of Group 4 News and will go towards our Accessibility Project.

The next Pop up Pub will take place on Friday 14 October. As a new initiative you can order Sausage Casserole and baked potato + an ice cream dessert for £6 a head (vegetarian option available). Food must be pre-ordered.

There will be another Pop up Indian Restaurant on Saturday 29 October. Three courses + coffee for £16.00 per head (bring your own beer and wine!). Bookings will open on 1 October. Telephone 01366 328536.

BMH Committee Contact: Leah Spencer 01366 328536/leah@wissey.co.uk

Bric-A-Brac Stall

Following the success of Beachamwell Fete and Country Fair, the Bric-A-Brac Team would like to thank everyone who contributed their unwanted items which raised a total of £1,400.00 towards the total raised on the day.

A big thank you to everyone who helped in any way during the week and on the day. ***The Bric-A-Brac Team***

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September is the month when the Members plan the meeting, giving the



Committee a well deserved rest. Leah acted as Secretary and myself as President. Visitors were welcomed and we all sang Jerusalem. The Speaker for the evening was Pippa Pease of Personal Creations. Pippa gave a very interesting

talk and demonstration on Dressmaking. We all now know how to insert an invisible zip into a garment. This followed a fashion show by members of her class of the clothes they had made with her and the garments all looked so professional. WI Members also modelled their garments. I think Pippa may have more join her class soon. Vesna presented the Committee with small gifts and thanked them very much for their hard work.

We all enjoyed the delicious buffet prepared by the Members.

Members were thanked for their contributions to the Purfleet Trust for homeless women. Helen will deliver them as soon as possible.

Irene thanked the Members for a very enjoyable evening. **Carole Wilson**

What an excellent selection of cakes and scones we had for the Fete and Country Show at the beginning of September - far too much to choose from and several people had seconds or bought extra to take home! An excellent contribution to the Disabled Access Fundraising for the Memorial Hall. Thanks to all the bakers and helpers on the day. **Cathy Friend**

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Horticultural Show

Unfortunately there was a shortage of goods for the Show this year and it was mainly vegetables. This was possibly due to the very wet June and also the problem we have of deer, pigeons, rabbits and squirrels, it is getting so difficult to keep them out of the gardens. Our vegetable plot looks like Fort Knox at times. However, the Memorial Hall looked very colourful and smelt wonderful with the many flower displays and arrangements we had. There are certainly many talented flower arrangers in Beachamwell. The cakes, pickles and jams looked very professional and Vanessa Scott, the judge was very impressed

with the standard. Les Scott was very disappointed because he came to judge the



Scarecrows but unfortunately there was only one and that was from the Bond Green Family and Ivan. The theme this year was the “Olympics” and Ivan had decided on Mo Farah, the Scarecrow was amazing that the family had made and very lifelike. Thank you for your efforts it was great and much admired at the September Fete. Ivan obviously won the Childrens Trophy. Roger Gore-Rowe was the judge for the vegetables, flowers and fruit and he too was impressed with the standard. Sue Naulty judged the Craft section. The Beachamwell Hall Cup for the most points (72) was won by Di Lambert who also won the Gransden Vase for flowers and plants. Brian Wilson was runner up with (70) points and Team Blatchford won the 3rd prize goblet. Brian also won the Douglas Sanderson Vegetable Cup and Philip Spencer the Fruit Plate.

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It was a real pleasure to welcome back once again the Seales family. Their parents Hazel and Ken Seales were founder members of the Horticultural Show and "The Best in Show" trophy was presented by the Committee in Hazel's memory. Eddie Seales presented the trophy this year to Brian Wilson



for the Canterbury he made from walnut. The walnut tree once grew in the grounds of Beachamwell Hall. The giant onion was won by Brian Wilson weighing in at 764g 2nd Maggie McKenzie 583g 3rd Philip Spencer 526g. Smallest was Pat O'Donnell just 8g. Not quite sure what happened to hers!

Thanks to Leah, Vesna, Maggie and Helen for setting up on the day. Verena and Betty for organising the raffle and Vesna for refreshments.

The present committee are looking for help in organising 2017. We need some younger members on the committee. We only meet a couple of times a year but fresh ideas would be welcome, help with the printing of posters and certificates too. If you are interested and would like to be involved and keep

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The Show going, then please contact me on 01366328628. **Carole Wilson**

Wednesday Walkers

September found us stepping out along the footpaths that lead westwards beyond St. Johns and into our neighbouring parish of Barton Bendish. The paths we followed were bordered by headlands planted with wild flowers as far as the eye could see: a fantastic sight. It was a joy to explore an area new to us – and to stop for a drink and a bite at the Berney Arms before retracing our route to Beachamwell.

The September walk was longer than usual – about six and half miles - normally it is not more than four miles and does not take longer than two hours. Do come and join us in October, or any first Wednesday of the month and explore with us.

In October we hope to walk in the forest at Drymere and hopefully find some earth stars. We meet at Beachamwell Memorial Hall at 10.00 am and we all shall be delighted to see you. Further information from

Leah Spencer 01366 536 or Sue Pennell 01366 328452

(Photograph by Simon Smith)



COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS - Please note changed days/times

DATE	VILLAGE	LOCATION	TIME
Tuesday October 25th	Barton Bendish	Hatherley Gardens	9.55 am
	Beachamwell	Old Post Office	10:15 am
	Drymere	Telephone Kiosk	10:40 am
	Boughton	Mill Road	14:20 pm
Monday October 24th	Wereham	The Pit	9:30 am
		Queen's Close	16:20 pm

For services to all 'Group 4' villages ring Mobile Library Information on 01603 222267 or look at the website - www.norfolk.gov.uk/Leisure_and_culture/Libraries/Mobile_libraries

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

Traveline (08706) 082608 (www.traveline.org.uk)

FARMERS' MARKETS

Ely	Second and Fourth Saturday 8:00 - 2:00pm
Fakenham	Fourth Saturday 8.30am - 12:00pm
King's Lynn	3 rd Friday of each month
RAF Marham	Third Friday 9:00am to 2:00pm
Swaffham	No longer trading

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

VILLAGE, COMMUNITY and PARISH HALL BOOKINGS

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

CHURCH SERVICES IN OCTOBER

Sunday 2nd October

9.30 am	Trinity 19	Morning Prayer
10.30 am -11.30 am	Shouldham	Cafe Church (<i>In The Methodist Chapel</i>)
11.00 am	Marham	Holy Communion
6.00 pm	Beachamwell	Evensong
	Wereham	

Saturday 8th October

6.00 pm	Barton Bendish	Harvest Service before Harvest Supper
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Sunday 9th October

9.30 am	Trinity 20	Holy Communion & Harvest Festival
10.00 am	Shouldham Thorpe	Breakfast Church
10.30 am	Boughton	Morning Prayer (MC)
6.00pm	Marham	Evensong
	Fincham	

Sunday 16th October

9.30 am	Trinity 21	Holy Communion
10.30 am	Shouldham	United Morning Worship (MC)
11.00 am	Marham	Family Service
11.00 am	Beachamwell	Morning Prayer
	Wereham	

Sunday 23rd October

9.30 am	Trinity 22	Holy Communion BCP said
10.30 am	Fincham	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Marham	Holy Communion
6.00 pm	Boughton	Evensong
	Barton Bendish	

Sunday 30th October

10.30 am	Trinity 23	Group Service Holy Communion
	Marham	

THURSDAY SERVICES

6th, 20th and 27th at Fincham: 13th at Boughton

CHURCHWARDENS

Barton Bendish	Mhari Blanchfield	01366 347849
	Linda Webster	01366 347563
Beachamwell	John Sanderson	01366 328818
	Vesna Hudson	07854 261273
Boughton	Pam Wakeling	01366 500429
Wereham	Sheila Smith	01366 858165

BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS

Please contact the Churchwarden in your parish.

BOUGHTON VILLAGE NEWS

Church as Village Hall

The church was the scene of one of the farewell parties held for Bill Miller. He



was one of our oldest inhabitants and will be much missed. However, he has asked for copies of G4N to be sent to him every month as he settles into his new home in Ripon. I'm sure many people will be keeping in

touch with him, but he will be remembered, as Frank said, as 'a gentleman'. He was always generous to the church and paid for the restoration of the war memorial in the churchyard. We wish him well in his new life. I'm sure he will quickly make many friends.

Saturday 3rd September was the Boughton Challenge awards day, ably organised as usual by Frank. Results printed below. It had been decided to award the cups this year for service to the community and several other people were also thanked for their efforts. Sandy and her helpers had produced a wonderful spread and it's a pity the weather deterred some people from attending. Thanks again to Frank for helping the community spirit to thrive in Boughton.

Pam Wakeling

Annual Boughton Challenge 2016 For Community Spirit

Junior Cup Winner: Isabella Beeston Aged 9. *(photograph opposite page)*

Adult Cup

Nominations Pam Wakeling., Andy Beeston. David Cooper. Andrew and Angela Faherty. Winner: Andrew and Angela Faherty.

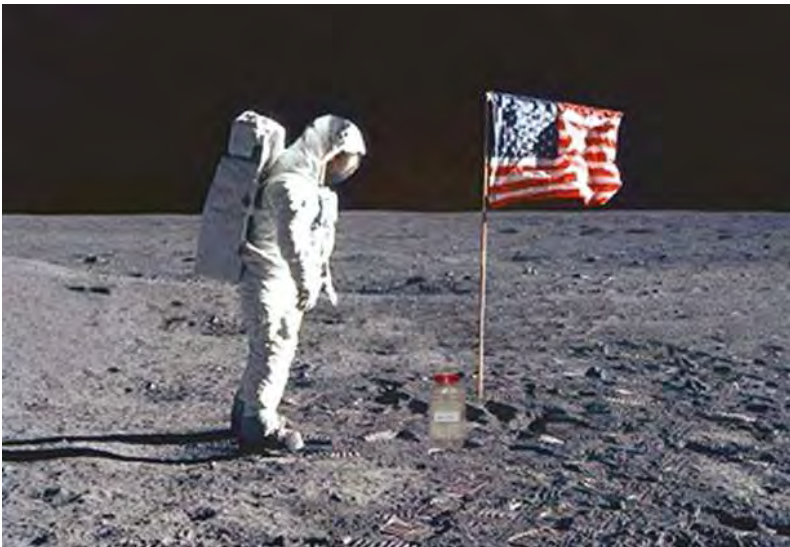
Many Thanks **Frank Reid and Geoff Proctor**

BOUGHTON VILLAGE NEWS



Donation bottle update:

Donation bottle on the moon with Neil Armstrong. But he found it difficult to get his wallet out with those big gloves on"



BOUGHTON VILLAGE NEWS

Boughton Cricket Club Pavilion



After months of planning and sourcing of funds, the cricket pavilion construction has now started. August saw the ground works completed for the foundations and the water main from Wretton Road to the pavilion has been laid, although not yet connected.

Excellent weather conditions in August allowed the ground work to be carried out with very little damage to the playing field, and the contractors (Covell Construction Ltd) have left the grounds in very good condition.



The foundations and ground slab are now ready to take the timber framed building, which will arrive in mid October. This will be a weather tight shell, for fitting out internally during the winter months.

The club has been very fortunate in getting a Sport England grant which will pay for a large part of the project but fund raising is still important and donations are gratefully accepted. The pavilion will be a great facility for the players on match days. It will make Boughton Cricket Club an attractive venue and one where new supporters will wish to come. **Tim Madgwick**

Boughton Cricket Club

After another successful and well supported season in 2016 Boughton Cricket Club arranged a 'Posh Hog Roast' on Sunday 28th August. This was our major fundraising event of the season with all funds raised going towards the completion of our new pavilion which is now beginning to take shape. You may

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remember that we gained a grant from Sport England towards the project but needed to raise about £17K ourselves in addition to this. We are now well on the way to this total through various events that have been arranged over the past year as well as contributions from Norfolk Community Foundation and several very generous private donations.

The club was fortunate enough to be able to use a wonderful marquee and facilities for the Hog Roast that had been used the previous night for a private party next to the ground off Wretton Road. After a clean up on the Sunday morning by a crew organised by Sue Pogmore who managed to assemble an army of hoovers, the carpets were cleaned and the tables were reset and the marquee prepared for its second 'big bash' of the bank holiday weekend.

After a huge organisational effort by Clare Insall and Karen Short, we all prayed for some good weather but precisely on cue at 6.30pm the heavens opened and a storm ensued with quests running the gauntlet to get from their cars to the marquee. Thankfully the rain soon subsided and spirits were not at all dampened. Wendy and Tom Roberts had organised some wonderful salads to accompany the delicious pork supplied by Manor Farm Hog Roasts at Fincham and with plenty of wine and drinks available to wash it all down everybody enjoyed a thoroughly good evening. After the meal an auction and raffle were conducted by club captain Ben Wilkinson who was very successful in getting guests to dig deep into their pockets for some wonderful prizes and donated gifts. The evening concluded with dancing to music supplied by Nightlife Entertainment who kept the dance floor full until after 11pm.

I can now tell you that the evening raised circa £3200 with is a fantastic sum and I must thank all of those from the local community for coming and supporting us with over 180 tickets sold. It was wonderful to see so many people not directly involved in the cricket club showing their support for us and what will be a great facility for the village and local community once our pavilion is built. I also wish to express my thanks to all of those who help organise such a successful event as there are too many to mention by name here.

Our final fundraising effort for the year will be over by the time you read this which is Ben Wilkinson and his long suffering partner Anna, walking the Peddars way and Norfolk Coast Path over the weekend of 10th and 11th September with sponsorship raised again going to our pavilion fund and judging by previous history I'm sure this will also be a complete success. **Steve Short (Chairman)**

WEREHAM VILLAGE NEWS

Wereham Parish Council

Meeting Dates:

Tuesday 8 November 2016, 7 pm, Wereham Village hall

Tuesday 10 January 2017, 7 pm, Wereham Village hall

Tuesday 14 March 2017, 7 pm, Wereham Village hall

Tuesday 9 May 2017 (AGM and Annual Parish Meeting), time TBC

Agenda items must be received before the end of month before each meeting. Please send to the Parish Clerk at werehampc@gmail.com. The Agendas for meetings are always published on the Wereham Village Notice Board three clear days before the meeting, on the Wereham Parish Council Facebook Page and on the website www.werehamparishcouncil.co.uk. You will also find minutes of all meetings here too.

The Wereham Cemetery has a bench that is past repair. This led the Parish Council the wish to offer the possibility of anyone who wishes to, to purchase a memorial bench for a loved one, and site within the cemetery in its place. Anyone who wishes to discuss further please contact the Clerk by email werehampc@gmail.com or on Facebook, or 07795006811

Wereham Craft Group

We had a lovely time at the summer Fayre and sold £125 worth of goods to boost the village hall funds.

We will be at the Christmas Bazaar on November 26th with the craft stall and look forward to seeing lots of you there. We have a new lady joining the group but we would love to have more people to join us. Please contact Rosemary on 501330 for details.

September Update from Wereham Village Hall Committee

The beginning of September always sees a flurry of activity in preparation for the Village Fayre. Following a very miserable and rainy Saturday, the weather cleared to provide us with a near perfect day on Sunday and the hall and field were packed with activities, shows, demonstrations and visitors.

The committee would like to thank the event organisers Doreen Rolph and Colin Eldridge, the army of volunteers from FoWVH who set up in the rain on Saturday, manned stalls and games all day, painted faces, worked tirelessly in the kitchen and cleared up the site, the ladies from Wereham Craft Group who made the beautiful bunting and all the wonderful craft items, all traders and car-booters who booked a pitch, people who volunteered their vintage vehicles

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for the day, all the cake bakers and raffle prize givers, Wereham and Wretton Scout Group, Vets4pets for running the dog show, everyone who bought their beloved pooch to the dog show, Legacy Dance group, the food vans, The Cords who provided live music, Karl Butcher for booking the amazing spitfire fly over and to each and every one of you who enjoyed a lovely day out - it's always a great team effort and a great event for all - well done and thank you all. We raised more than £1150 towards village hall funds.

Our next fundraising event will be the Halloween Quiz held on Saturday 29th October in the hall. Tickets £5 per person to include a hot supper but, as usual, please bring your own drinks.

If you would like to get involved with the Friends of Wereham Village Hall Group, we are always looking for new volunteers and, now really is the time that we need as much help as possible. There are jobs for everyone so contact Doreen on 01366 500218.

AGM

It is the Annual General Meeting of Wereham Village Hall Charity on Monday 26th September 2016 in the Village Hall (6.45 arrival for 7pm start).

Business is to receive 2015/16 accounts and Chairs Report, and appoint elected member positions. Please contact Helen Richardson, Secretary to advise if you are able to attend on 0779 500 6811 or email werehamvillage@aol.com

Update from the New Build Project Team

We did it! We received notification at the end of August that our application to the Lottery was successful and we have been awarded just over £620,000 towards the new village hall. We are all incredibly excited at this fantastic news and it feels like we are making real progress now!

However, whilst this is a huge sum of money, we still need to raise more than £200,000 to enable the project to go ahead. We are in the process of submitting a number of smaller grant applications and will shortly be launching our Buy-a-brick campaign as community fundraising is a vital component of our overall strategy – keep an eye out for flyers arriving on your doorstep soon.

Victoria, John E, John M & Rachel.

Wereham Village Hall Bonus Ball Club

The lucky winners of £60 each in September were Sue and Paul Smith and Rachel Barron – congratulations to you!

Helen Richardson, Secretary.

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Events List

Bingo - Wereham Village Hall "Cash Prize" Bingo every Wednesday, doors open 6.45, eyes down 7.30pm. Teas/coffees available with complimentary biscuits. For enquiries contact Doreen on 01366 500218.

Pop up Café – first Tuesday of the month, 10.30-1pm. Next dates Tuesday 4th October and Tuesday 1st November. Join us for a slice of homemade cake, a hot drink, a natter and a read of the daily papers all for just £1.50. Light lunches also available – look out for our monthly specials! Cake donations/queries to Doreen on 01366 500218

Indoor/Outdoor Car Boot – last Sunday of the month, 9am-1pm (café opens at 8am). Next dates Sunday 30th October and Sunday 27th November. Café serving bacon butties, hot dogs and hot drinks. £5 pitch or, if you have earned time credits, there are two pitches/tables available at a cost of 4 time credits each. To book call Colin on 07961130251/01366 502281.

Halloween Quiz Night – Saturday 29th October. £5 per person to include a hot supper but please bring your own drinks.

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.

If you have any queries with regards to the plans for funding 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

Wereham Heritage Group needs your help:

Save the date for our opening heritage event on Saturday 12th November. Afternoon refreshments of tea and cake will be accompanied with the display of previously unseen photographs from personal collections.

We encourage you to submit your own photographs (copies will be made to ensure the preservation of your originals), as well as provide valuable information dating and identifying others' collections.

More information to follow in next month's issue

For any queries or to submit photographs, please contact either:

Eleanor Smith: eleanor.s23@hotmail.co.uk or Ian Rye: ian_rye@msn.com

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St Margaret's "Poppy" Raffle

There were a number of quality prizes, generously donated just before St Margaret's Festival in July which, to the disappointment of a significant number of people, were not included in the main raffle. It was felt at the time that these items were of sufficient quality to merit a second raffle, which could then be held later in the year. Originally we had considered a Remembrance Day raffle, but have now included this in our Christmas fundraising event.

On 9th December there will be a "Mummers" Play – a traditional village Christmas/Nativity play produced by Debbie Rye, ably supported and assisted by Stina Burger, Tom Golden and the Fincham Chorus and members of our village community. This promises an evening of fun and laughter.

Items to be raffled on the night of 9th December 2016 to bolster our church funds are:

1. Quality boxed Sekonda ladies wristwatch,
2. Quality boxed Sekonda mens wristwatch,
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5. One iPad cover,
6. Set of bath toiletries,
7. Five bottles of good wine.

Tickets for this raffle will be available at the door on the night of the play.

St Margaret's Parish Church Festival Committee

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Well done Wereham!

How lovely to see the Village Hall full of supporters of Macmillan. We were served countless teas and coffees together with scrumptious sweet and savoury cakes and pastries. There were cakes for sale, a bumper array of raffle prizes all kindly donated, crafts, a bring and buy stall together with books. Stina kindly displayed her beautiful art work and all purchases she gave to Macmillan.

Pammie and her customers from the George and Dragon took part in a 'coffee bean competition, this helped boost our grand total to £694.00. Well done and thank you to all.

Lots of people commented on what a lovely friendly atmosphere there was in the hall which helped turn a drab, rainy Saturday morning into a very bright spot indeed.

Angela

WEREHAM VILLAGE NEWS

Supporters News from Wereham Village Hall - We Did it!

Press Release ** Lottery Success for Wereham Village Hall!

Local charity, Wereham Village, has been awarded £621,000 by the BIG Lottery towards the project for the 1st UK Passivhaus Village Hall. Passivhaus buildings provide a high level of occupant comfort while using very little energy for heating and cooling.

The new village hall will replace the current WW1 wooden YMCA hut, providing a larger main hall, increased facilities and a large multipurpose room.

Victoria Gray, the Charity's Chair and Objectives Manager for the project said "We are thrilled to bits with the award! This is the culmination of 4 years of hard work for the Project Team and the credit for this success goes to the Project Team members Helen Richardson, John Eastgate, Rachel Barron and John Millard, who without their total dedication and hard work, this achievement would not have been possible. We would like to thank our Trustees and Friends of Wereham Village Hall who have continued their fund-raising efforts, the Lead Volunteers for the project who are working towards new activities in the new hall and everybody who has supported this project. The project's objectives are to improve the lives for people in Wereham and the surrounding villages. We will achieve this by delivering 7 new activities in the new hall :-

- Youth Group for ages 11+
- Village Cinema
- Physical activities
- Learning new skills
- Older Persons social group
- Heritage Group
- Craft Group

Construction on the site opposite the existing hall, is expected to start during March 2017, which allows 6 months to secure the balance of the project funding, approx £230,000. With the Lottery on board, we feel confident we'll achieve our target"

You can find out more about the Charity's fund-raising events on their Facebook page www.facebook.com/werehamvillagehall or via the website www.werehamvillagehall.co.uk;

Victoria, John E, John M and Rachel.

[Excellent news - well done everyone Ed.]



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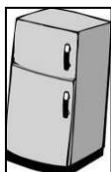
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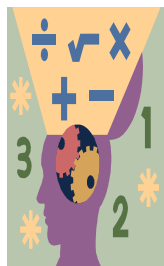
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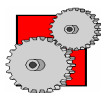
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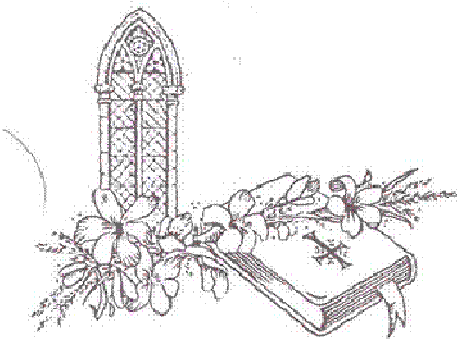
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