

Box River News



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VE DAY 60TH ANNIVERSARY 8TH MAY 2005

There is to be a VE Day Service at Boxford St Mary's Church on Sunday 8 May the 60th Anniversary of the end of World War 2 in Europe. St Mary's Church invites everyone to join them at 11am for a Service of Thanksgiving and Dedication to those who served in the War, especially those who gave their lives for our freedom.

Later in the year we shall be holding services for the National Day of Commemoration on 10 July and VJ Day on 14 August. To these and every service at St Mary's, all are welcome.



GET OUT AND VOTE ON MAY 5TH

Your vote matters. On this occasion it is not only a general election but also a County Council Election. It is the County Council that looks after our roads, police, and the greater portion of our rates bill and other day to day services needed to maintain a civilised standard of life in our beautiful County.

Now is your chance to show whether you are satisfied with the services you have been getting and whether you consider the rate increases over the last few years have been reasonable and affordable!

It is time to have your say so use your vote *Ed*

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GROTON HOUSING DEVELOPMENT, FURTHER DELAYS



The developers of the Groton Low Cost Housing have advised that there will be a further delay of two months before completion. Allegedly the delays have been caused by 'Adverse Weather Conditions!'. These weather conditions must have been very local, has anyone in the village experienced above average rain fall, gales, hurricanes, blizzards or anything other than a pretty average winter?

This delay will be a great disappointment to the prospective tenants who have been allocated their new homes. However if this development is as good as the recent Edwardstone development, then we can be sure they will consider their new homes to be well worth waiting for.



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Jazz
 at the
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Friday, 6th May, 8.30 Ticket £10
Allison Neale Quartet

Born in Seattle USA and raised in Northamptonshire, Allison plays alto saxophone and flute. She has a particular affinity with Paul Desmond and Art Pepper, likes quality tunes, is swinging and melodic and has a full tone. Intelligent top draw jazz from an artist expressing her feelings in whatever mood or tempo she dictates. Dave Cliff (guitar), Simon Thorpe (bass) and Steve Brown (drums) complete her Quartet.

Friday, 13th May, 8.30 Ticket £10
Partisans

Partisans are the UK- based jazz rock quartet formed in 1993 and led by saxophonist Julian Siegel and guitarist Phil Robson, with Thad Kelly on bags and the ferociously dynamic Gene Calderazzo on drums. The band, have two well-received albums to their name, "Partisans" and "Sourpuss". Julian and Phil write the bands original repertoire, which is always varied, communicative and infectious rhythmic.

Friday, 20th May, 8.30 Ticket £22
JDS

John Dankworth is a constant presence in British jazz and has always been a quietly witty, warm and lyrical player and a composer with a strong melodic sense. A further Dankworth

attribute is his choice of musical companions. He's featured here with an excellent straight ahead band including his bassist son Alee, the agile and improvisationally bold British trombone virtuoso Mark Nightingale, fluent pianist / composer John Horler and that undergatededly creative accompanying drummer Allan Ganley.

Friday, 27th May, 8.30 Ticket £12
Laurie Ed Jones Quintet

Ed is a formidable saxophonist and one of the great Live delights of British jazz. A talented composer, his voice is clearly defined by the great masters of the jazz tradition. An improviser to his fingertips he is a player of forceful imagination whose wide range of collaborations has cut across musical boundaries. Jonathan Gee (piano) , Damon Brown (trumpet), Jeremy Brown (bass) and Winston Clifford (drums) complete Ed's Quintet.

Friday, 3rd June, 8.30 Ticket £12
Patrick Villanueva Trio

Patrick is probably best known to Fleece audiences as the brilliant pianist who accompanies singer Tina May with her French Band. He is a classically trained pianist, who studied jazz with Bobby Few and Francoise Jeanneau. Patrick is much in demand as a player in the Latin and Caribbean music scene in France and also teaches jazz harmony at the Sorbonne University, Paris. Alee Dankworth (bass) and Steve Brown (drums), make up this brilliant trio.

Friday, 10th June, 8.30 Ticket £13
Tom Gordon

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NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

Boxford Community Council AGM

Once again we are approaching the Boxford Community Council AGM which is to be held on Wednesday 27 April 20.00 hrs at the Pavilion.

Apart from the usual business of an AGM we have a guest speaker this year who will be Sam Jackson, Village Halls Adviser from Suffolk ACRE. Sam is going to give us a talk on funding ideas and ways and hopefully guidance on setting up a steering committee to look into the possibility of a replacement to our existing village hall.

Before we start down that line I think we will have to establish whether there is a need and more important, a desire to seek a replacement. Sam will be able, I am sure, to kindle some interest but without the desire then any forward movement will be difficult.

This is where I am looking for support from you, the members of the village community, do you want to see a new village hall/community centre, are you interested in what happens to your village in the future. We need to know your opinions to be able take part in a debate so please spare a couple of hours and come along to the meeting, you will be made most welcome. We will be serving light refreshments and drinks.

A few of the organisations within the village are really struggling for members, they are working voluntarily for the village and are constantly trying to maintain and improve village life. They need your support so where better to demonstrate that support than to come along to our meeting.

We will hopefully have a representative from each organisation present so whatever your interest, there should be someone there to talk to you. If you want to join any of the organisations then I am sure you will be made welcome.

Peter Hibben, Chairman - Boxford Community Council

Babies and Toddlers at Boxford

The Christmas Party

It was another success and the children were delighted to see Father Christmas, in fact some would have been quite happy to go home with him! Many thanks to Bob Bowridge for persuading Santa to visit again.

I'd also like to thank Liz Munson for all her hard work on the decorating the hall, it was greatly appreciated as were everyone who provided food and help with the clearing away at the end of the party. If you'd like to see photos taken on the day then do pop along to our Baby & Toddler group.

Visit to the Giggle Factory, Sudbury, 9th March 2005

As we could not have the use of Boxford Village Hall we decided to meet at the Giggle Factory, Sudbury. It was the first time some of us had been since the new management took over from Kabookies. It has improved considerably. It has been refurbished and the toddler area expanded. The food wasn't bad either! We were given a reserved area to sit with squash provided for the children. All that came enjoyed it and we plan to repeat the visit possibly next month. Hopefully more people will join us next time.

Easter Egg Hunt

We had an Easter Egg Hunt in the Village Hall 23rd March which children and parents enjoyed, as ever the hunt was over in about 5 minutes.

Adults Studying at Boxford School receive Computer Qualifications

It's not every day that you can study for a University Diploma at a Primary School but that is just what adults attending the computer classes at Boxford School are doing.

Over fifty members of the local community have now gained the much sought after European Computer Driving Licence (ECDL)

and many of them are going on to study a Diploma of Credit in Advanced IT and the Advanced ECDL thanks to an arrangement between the school and Anglia Polytechnic University.

Course tutor Mark Miller said, "It is a very popular course. As well demonstrating an internationally recognised benchmark standard of computer skills, the course develops the students' confidence. Quite a lot of the students on the course have been impressed by the fact that, after only a few weeks study, they are able to show their children how to do things on the computer".

One of the students on the course said, "What surprised me was how enjoyable it is. It is quite hard work but it gives you a real sense of achievement".

Courses are run on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings between 7 and 9 pm. The next course starts on Tuesday the 12th April. For more information about Computer Courses at Boxford School ring Mark on 01787 211596.

A REPORT FROM THE PLAYINGFIELDS

When President John F Kennedy was inaugurated the most memorable part of his speech was when he said "Ask not what your country can do for you but what you can do for your country".

When one considers how many people use our playing fields both directly and indirectly, parents whose children play there, it is disappointing to see how few people turned up for the A.G.M. Remembering that the Committee has full power to do what it wants with this wonderful facility I can't help but speculate what sort of attendance would be achieved if the Committee said they planned to sell the area for development as a travellers site.

Therefore I would like to most warmly thank those people who did turn up for the meeting and suggest to all the other people in the village who take the community activities for granted that they would not go far wrong if they paraphrased J.F.K's speech into - Ask not what the village can do for you but what you can do for the village.

Richard Gates, Chairman, Boxford Playing Fields Mgt Committee

Boxford Village Hall

April Draw Results

1st	No 50	G Rice	Daking Avenue	£40
2nd	No 85	Mrs Mares	Groton Place	£20
3rd	No 132	G Bendall	Sherbourne Street	£10
4th	No 152	K Partridge	Homefield	£5

Next Draw May 3rd

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WHOOOPS!

Sorry Ladies, I managed to use the wrong photograph on page one of the April issue of BRN under the heading of 'Community Achievement Awards'. They should, of course, been as follows:



Above: L to R Sue Wigglesworth, Babergh District Council Chair, Lean Newble and Robert Audley, Managing Director of Prolog the sponsors.



Above Right: L to R Sue Wigglesworth, Joan Smith and Robert Audley.

Bottom Right: L to Right, Joan Smith, Veronica Hobbs, David House and Joans daughter, Beverley



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April	27 Boxford Community Council 30 Boxford Rovers Casino Night 30 Elmsett Methodist Church Plant Sale	Annual General Meeting Groton PCC The Button Lady Jumble Sale Newton Village Hall Last Orders BHF Nurses	The Pavilion, Boxford Boxford Village Hall Village Hall Groton Church Village Hall Village Hall Newton Playing Field Boxford Village Hall Village Hall Meet at The Fleece	8.00pm 8.00pm 10.30 - 4.00pm 7.30pm 10am to 1pm 11.00am 2.30pm 2.00pm 7.30pm 7.30pm 2.30pm 10.00am
May	4 Gt Waldingfield WI 7 Groton Garden Gala 2 7 Newton Village Hall "Fireside Club" 8 VE day service in Boxford St Mary's 9 Boxford Over 60's 14 Theatre at Newton Village Hall 14 Kersey Plant Sale 14 Ltl Waldingfield Parish Room 15-22 Christian Aid Week 21 Car Boot Sale 21 The Cinema comes to Boxford 21 Movies in Boxford Village Hall 23 Boxford Over 60's 29/30 Kersey Craft Fair 31 Boxford Over 60's	Groton PCC The Button Lady Jumble Sale Newton Village Hall Last Orders BHF Nurses Outing to Saffron Walden Scottish Theme Evening St Mary's Church Senior Citizens Outing Leaves the village centre St Marys Church In aid of Edwardstone Village Hall and Parkinsons Diseas Soc Coffee Morning Newton Village Hall Open Day	Village Hall Groton Church Village Hall Village Hall Newton Playing Field Boxford Village Hall Village Hall Meet at The Fleece Boxford Playingfields Rose Cottage 50 Daking Avenue Boxford Newton Playing Field Boxford Pavillion Rectory Gardens	7.30pm 11.00am - 6.00pm 9.30am 2.00-5.00pm 11.00am - 6.00pm 10.00am 9.30am 2.00-5.00pm 11.00am - 6.00pm 10.00am 9.30-3.00pm
June	10/11 Boxford Drama Group 5 Boxford Gardens Open 8 Boxford Community Council 11 Sports and Fun Day 11 Cake and Book Stall 12 Teas In The Garden 12 Sudbury Open Gardens day 16 Save The Children Fund 18 FOBS Afternoon Summer fun day followed by Hog Roast and Dance 18 Car Boot Sale 22 Boxford Sunflower Playgroup 25 Boxford St Mary's Church Fete	Scottish Theme Evening St Mary's Church Senior Citizens Outing Leaves the village centre St Marys Church In aid of Edwardstone Village Hall and Parkinsons Diseas Soc Coffee Morning Newton Village Hall Open Day	Meet at The Fleece Boxford Playingfields Rose Cottage 50 Daking Avenue Boxford Newton Playing Field Boxford Pavillion Rectory Gardens	10.00am 5.30 to 6.00pm 9.30am 2.00-5.00pm 11.00am - 6.00pm 10.00am 9.30-3.00pm
July	2 Cantate Youth Choir 16 Visit of the Winthrop Family 16 Newton Village Fete 22 Hadleigh Show 23 Benefice Garden Party	Boxford Church Building Trust Boxford Church Building Trust Boxford Church Building Trust Boxford Church Building Trust	St Mary's, Boxford Groton Croft Newton Playing Fields The Rectory, Boxford	7.00pm PM PM
September	10/11 Little Waldingfield Flower Festival 21 Car Boot Sale	Newton Village Hall Newton Village Hall	Newton Playing Field Newton Playing Field	10.00am 10.00am

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Little Waldingfield Parish Room

Firstly, a big thank you to everyone who supported our Quiz Night. Thanks, too, to all those who helped and made the evening go so well.

As announced, our next event will be a Jumble Sale on 14th May. We will be calling the Saturday before to relieve you of your unwanted, but valuable, items.

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Boxford Bounty

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January - February 2005

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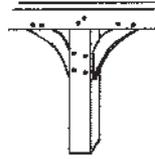
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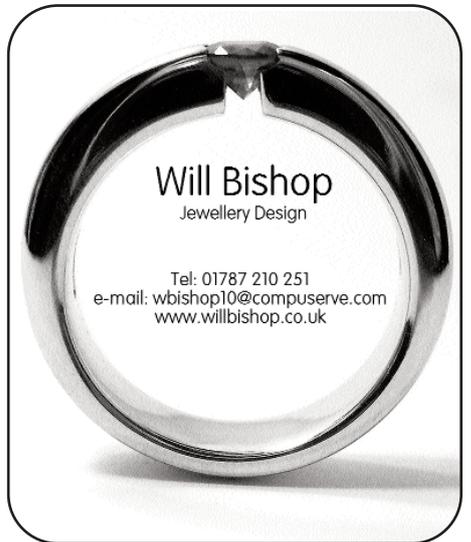
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To the Box River Saints,

We have recently seen a lot of high visibility figures including stars of stage and screen getting involved in the campaign to make poverty history. The real question in all this is what can we ordinary mortals do? Those who have the most power in this issue are the politicians and industrialists, but we also have a voice and influence.

Globalisation has a lot to do with poverty and as consumers of global products we are directly responsible. We purchase goods from companies without thinking or checking where they are manufactured. We tend to look just at the brand label and the price and not those who made the goods. Take Nike for example. It was stated that when Michael Jordan the basketball star was advertising sports shoes for Nike, his fee was equal to the total annual wage bill of the Philippines factory that was making the shoes. One could say that manufacturing there is helping the country and without it the people there would be poorer. While this is true it is important to realise that it is the industrialists and shareholders who are making higher profits by exploiting others. It is also true that if the people were paid at the rate English workers are they and their country would be considerable better off.

The retail consumer however still pays a realistic price for the global items they buy but they produce a far greater profit margin for the manufacturer than home produced goods. It covers almost everything imported from overseas, including overseas-operated call centres. It even extends to crews for the sea trade being recruited from 'cheaper' countries. Recruitment has moved economically from Western Europe to the Philippines to Eastern Europe and India and now China. This excludes seafarers from previous recruitment areas or pays them lower wages.

The Bible, which many people think is outdated, speaks about this very issue of the division of rich and poor. The story in Luke 16:19-31 is about a rich man Dives and a beggar called Lazarus. Dives had a blind spot when it came to the sore ridden and semi-starving Lazarus. He never even saw him sitting at his gate every day hoping to be helped. We have that same blind spot and until we recognise that, things are not going to change.

I have a sneaking suspicion that most asylum seekers are persecuted more by economics than tyrannical governments. We also have to realise that we are members of the brotherhood (and sisterhood) of mankind. We are inextricably linked to every other member of humanity across this planet because we like they are made in the image of God. The answer is not just about giving money to 'Tinshakers' in the high street to ease our conscience but also about a real change of heart. In the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel 11:19 God gave Ezekiel a message that he was going to remove the heart of stone from his people and give them a heart of flesh. This new heart would enable them to respond to God and this is the new heart we need if we are to see poverty disappear.

What can you do? First of all buy what you can in 'Fairtrade' marked goods. Some supermarkets stock some of these items and it is hoped to sell some of these items locally. It is guaranteed that the producers and workers who produce them are paid fairly for their work. Secondly, you can boycott items

where you know unfair trading by the company is going on. I boycotted a certain oil company over their financial support of a particular country. It made me feel good but it made absolutely no difference to the company's profits. However, if a hundred thousand people had boycotted them it would have got their attention. Thirdly we are in the middle of a general election in which we have a voice. That voice should not fall silent after we have cast our vote. We will have an elected representative and even if that person is not of the party you voted for they are still your spokesperson in the government. That person can take your message to parliament. Our brothers and sisters being exploited are our responsibility and we need to do all we can to see that they are fairly treated. In the words of Christ in Matthew 25:40, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Every blessing, David



THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

Churchwarden:

Ruth Kingsbury: as Christopher above

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

Shepherd God, you love your flock and know each one of us by name. Help us to hear your voice, in the words of scripture, in the silence of prayer, in the needs of our neighbour; and to follow your Son in the path you would have us tread. Heather Cooke
60TH ANNIVERSARY OF VE DAY: There is a special service of dedication and commemoration on Sunday 8th May at 11.00 a.m. All Welcome. *Christopher Kingsbury*

BIBLE STUDY GROUP: Meets Monday 9th May at 8.00 p.m. at 47 Swan Street - continuing to explore John's gospel. *Peter Holden*

BOX RIVER CLUB NEWS: Meets in the school hall at 10.30 a.m. Sunday May 8th and alternate Sundays in term time. New members to the club are always welcome. *Janet Daniels*

THE ANNUAL PAROCHIAL MEETING:

We welcome Peter Patrick who was elected with Ruth Kingsbury as churchwardens for the coming year. *CK*

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK: 15th- 21st May:

Saturday 14th May - A cake stall from 9.00 a.m. at Mary's House 5 Swan Street. Refreshments also available.

Saturday 21st May - A coffee morning at Jenny Lindsley's House, Cox Hill Boxford from 9.30 a.m. *CK*

CHRISTIAN AID:

Janet and John Daniels are planning to walk Peddars Way and the North Norfolk coastal paths at the end of May (approx 100 miles). They plan to make this a sponsored walk for Christian Aid. If you would like to sponsor them, forms are available in church, the Post Office, and in Mary's House, or contact Janet on 210798. *CK*

FAMILY SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN AID:

Sunday 22nd May at 11.00 a.m. The Box River Club will also

take part. Come along with all the family. *CK*

LOOKING AHEAD - CONCERT 2ND JULY:

Saturday 2nd July. We welcome the Cantate Youth Choir to Boxford for a special concert.

SMILE LINES: From a church notice board: EVENSNOG Sunday at 6.30 - All are welcome come join us and enjoy!
A.Hayes



**THE PARISH OF
ST MARY THE VIRGIN,
EDWARDSTONE**

Churchwarden:

Vacant

Lay Elder:

Antony Dodd, Mill Green End; tel 210397

Peter Welstand, 5 The Winthrops; tel 210525

TEAS IN THE GARDEN WITH PLANTS FOR SALE – 12th June:

We are having Strawberry Teas in the Garden with a Plant Sale, at Rose Cottage Edwardstone, on Sunday 12th June from 2.00 p.m. to 5.50 p.m. In aid of Edwardstone Parish Hall and the Parkinson's Disease Society. Full details next month. *Daphne Clark*

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: There will be a Family Barbecue on 26th June in Edwardstone church car park. *Jan Paul*

ROTAS – SIDESMAN/CLEANING:

May 1: Combined Benefice Service (LtW);

May 8: No Service - Visiting;

May 15: No Service – Visiting;

May 22: No Service – Visiting;

May 29: No Service – Visiting.



**THE PARISH OF
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GROTON**

Churchwardens: *Barbara Riddleston:*

Poplar Farm, Goslings Green, 210261

David Lamming Lodge Farmhouse 210360

Lay Elder: *Joy Sellers 378009*

REGISTERS: 10 April 2005, Baptism: HOLLY ANNA GOODERHAM, of Daking Avenue, Boxford, was baptised during the morning service at Groton church.

GROTON GARDEN GALA 2 - MAY 7TH GROTON CHURCHYARD:

Spring has been erratic this year! But Groton's Plant Sale is on course to be quite an event; with a vast selection of all kinds of plants, no one will be disappointed: as someone has said "Undreds! and 'Undreds!" So despite the cold and changeable weather, you can all look forward to a worthwhile morning in Groton Churchyard on Saturday May 7th, starting at 10.00 a.m. *R Bowdidge*

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK, 15TH- 21ST May 2005 – 'MAKE POVERTY HISTORY':

The Christian Aid Week house-to-house collection is the biggest in the UK and in Groton, as usual, we shall be taking part. The money raised changes countless lives in poor communities around the world. Please be generous when your collector calls, and if you are a taxpayer, complete the Gift Aid form attached to the envelope, which will increase the value of your gift by 28 per cent.

Christian Aid is also a major participant in the trade justice campaign to 'make poverty history'. As part of this campaign, cards are being distributed asking people to speak out against world poverty by voting for trade justice. Please add your vote for trade justice by completing and returning to Christian Aid the card, which your collector will hand to you when he or she calls. As Christian Aid puts it: "Imagine the impact if every household in the UK cast a vote asking the government to do something about global poverty." So, however you vote on May 5th, add your vote to help make poverty history. *D Lamming*

ARTS AND CRAFTS EXHIBITION:

Please see the 'thank you' in the main news section.

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May

June

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Mrs A Scriven

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Mrs A Scriven



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ST LAWRENCE,
LITTLE WALDINGFIELD**

Churchwarden:

Sandra Harbord, 55 The Street; tel 247034

Lay Elder:

Tim Harbord 247034

BOOK AND VIDEO LENDING SCHEME:

The next open morning for village residents will be in the church on Saturday 7th May from 10.30 a.m. to 12 noon. Refreshments provided free of charge. *Sandra Harbord*

FLOWER FESTIVAL:

Please make a note in your diaries that the Flower Festival will be taking place over the weekend of 10th and 11th September. If you are interested in having a stall please contact *Sandra Harbord* on 01787 247034.

MARGARET ROGERS, MBE:

The funeral of Margaret Rogers took place on Friday 8th April. Margaret was a stalwart of our church and served as a churchwarden for several years. We owe a great debt of gratitude for all that she did to help maintain St. Lawrence and the life of the church in our community. A full obituary will appear in next month's Box River news. *Sandra Harbord*

ROTAS – SIDESMAN/FLOWERS:

May 1: Mrs Gardiner & Mrs Powell

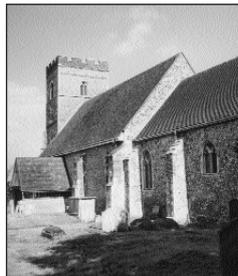
(United Benefice Service)/Mrs Ewen;

May 8: Mrs Pell & Mr Bowden/Mrs Squirrell;

May 15: Mrs Miller & Mrs Carse/Mrs Pell;

May 22: Mrs Rattee/Mrs Storar;

May 29: Visiting/Mrs Clive.



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ALL SAINTS, NEWTON**

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Lay Elders: *Jean Green 373383*

& Diana Stock 312828

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Further details next month.

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Daphne Clark 210698.

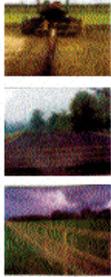
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Boxford School News

Well here we go about to embark on another Summer Term and all that it contains.

Last week we went through the diary and put in all of the various dates for the many events we are planning for this term. At the end I listed them in a newsletter to parents and it seems that from mid June onwards we have something happening almost every day. Highlights include the Year 4 residential visit to Norfolk, a trip across the Channel to Calais, a music concert involving six other local schools, three sports days, three swimming galas, a leavers service, a summer fete and dance, and numerous class visits to many different places of interest. At this stage it is difficult to see how we fit it all in but previous experience suggests that we will. If you are interested details of all of these dates and activities can also be found on our website at www.boxford.Suffolk.sch.uk

On Saturday we had the annual FOBS Quiz Night. Once again it was very well supported by many of you in the local community. As usual the questions were very well balanced and the final outcome was as always in the balance right up until the last round. As someone who attends many quizzes I think this quiz is by far and away the best as all of the teams were able to answer most of the questions and feel that they have a chance right up until the end. Credit for this goes to Stephanie and Ian Atkins who set the questions and host the evening. Congratulations to the Flying Fishers who were this year's winners. My thanks go to Stephanie and Ian and to all of the FOBS members, parents and friends of the school who made the evening such a success.

Just before Easter we held a ladies pamper evening in the school hall. It was attended by over fifty people and by all accounts was a very successful evening. In total we raised nearly £1,000, an amazing amount. My thanks to all of the contributors who gave up an evening to carry out the pampering and to everyone who came.

Over the Easter weekend we took part in the annual Swimathon and I would like to say a huge thankyou and congratulations to all of the children and parents who took part. We entered two teams of five who each swam 1,000 metres. Our pupil team comprising of Katy Kerr, Owain Taylor, Joel Duveme, Poppy Mace and Francesca Gavin completed the 5,000 metres in just over two and a half hours and our adult team of Will and Sue Fisher, Deborah and Josh Bryant and my daughter Kerry completed it in just under three hours. Well done to all. All money raised will be going to NCH, the National Children's charity.

Every year we take part in Tesco Computers for Schools scheme and over the years, thanks to the generosity of many of you, we have collected enough vouchers for several new PCs and many other items of computer equipment. In addition we are collecting the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers. All donations will be gratefully received.



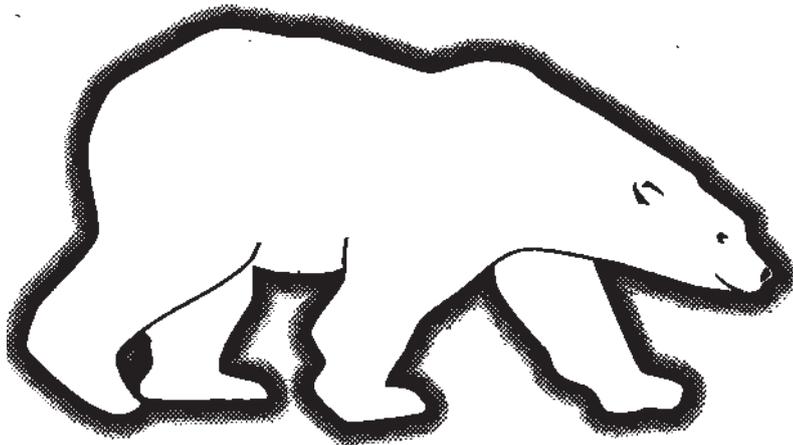
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Several top ITFC players swapped their football boots for golf shoes week ending 15th April and graced the championship Gainsborough course at The Stoke by Nayland Hotel and Golf Club for their spring Golf Day.

Town captain, Jim Magilton, strikers Shefki Kuqi and Tommy Miller and defender Richard Naylor, all members of Stoke by Nayland Golf Club, enjoyed their day in stunning Constable Country with over 100 other golfers in 26 teams of 4 – the biggest golf day yet for Ipswich Town.

Town chairman, David Sheepshanks, also played as did trainer Simon Milton, who has been sponsored by the Stoke by Nayland Hotel's state-of-the-art "Peake Fitness" Health Club to train for the London Marathon which he is running on behalf of an ITFC charity.

There were some impressive swings from the footballers on the course and plenty of friendly banter on the way round as well as some memorable holes. Shefki Kuqi was very pleased with his birdie on the picturesque but tricky 10th, which has been voted the best hole in East Anglia by the PGA with its tee off over the lake and then the approach to the green back across the same lake.

Dinner and Prize giving by Jim Magilton were held in Hotel's prestigious Devora Suite overlooking the lake. The Hotel, which is a family-owned business on the Suffolk/Essex border, is still a popular venue for visiting teams to stay when they come to the region to play Ipswich Town and everyone is optimistic about welcoming the Premiership teams back again next season!

Top Right: L to R Jim Magilton, Shefki Kuqi and Tommy Miller in the Devora Suite at The Stoke by Nayland Hotel just before teeing off

Bottom Right: Jim and Shefki on the putting green at Stoke by Nayland



BOXFORD SCOUTS MARATHON WEEKEND

During the weekend of the London Marathon the Boxford Scouts took part in their own marathon but instead of 26 miles to run they chose to complete 26 scout activities in 14 hours starting at 7pm on Friday 15th April and ending at 7pm on Saturday 16th April. It was to have been 26 activities in 26 hours but FOBS had a quiz night on Saturday so it had to be cut short.

Activities included a night hike, Map Reading, Canoeing, Archery, a fitness challenge, assault course, swimming, collecting food from the wild and cooking muffins and bread.

On the left is photograph of one of the groups following their time on the lake during the canoeing activity. Why they are smiling I do not know, this was at the end of a long and gruelling day and they were all soaked through.

The Scouts were sponsored and the event was in aid of Children with Leukemia.



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The Revd. David Matthews

LtW 1900 Home Communion*

Tim Harbord

Sunday 8 May, Seventh Sunday in Easter

Box 0800 Holy Communion BCP

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LtW 0930 Holy Communion CW

The Revd. Brian Watling

Gro 1100 Holy Communion BCP*

Joy Sellers

Box 1100 VE Day Celebration Service

The Revd. David Matthews

Edw *Visiting*

New *Visiting*

Wednesday 11 May

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

Sunday 15 May, Pentecost Sunday

Gro 0800 Holy Communion BCP

The Revd. David Matthews

New 0930 Holy Communion CW*

Graham Brook

Box 1100 Holy Communion CW

The Revd. Brian Watling

LtW 1100 Family Service with Baptism

The Revd. David Matthews

Box 1830 Evensong

Christopher Kingsbury

Edw *Visiting*

Wednesday 18 May

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

LtW 1900 Compline

Tim Harbord

Sunday 22 May, Trinity Sunday

LtW 0800 Holy Communion BCP

The Revd. David Matthews

Gro 0930 Family Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

New 0930 Morning Prayer

Diana Stock/Jean Green

Box 1100 Box River Club/Christian Aid Service

The Revd. David Matthews

Edw *Visiting*

Wednesday 25 May

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion*

Antony Dodd

Saturday 28 May

Box 1500 Holy Matrimony

Stevens/Burns

Sunday 29 May, First Sunday after Trinity

Box 0800 Holy Communion BCP

The Revd. David Abel

New 0930 Hymns & Readings

Diana Stock/Jean Green

Box 1100 Box River Club Service

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Gro 1100 Matins

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Box River Soap Box

A soapbox should be a forum for tub thumping. Somewhere to express a view you wish to get off your chest. I am therefore pleased that this new approach is stimulating correspondence - both direct as well as in the columns of the BRN. I am even more pleased that there appears to have been a satisfactory outcome to the vexatious problem of the diverted footpath at Boxford playing fields. I would not claim responsibility, but would like to think this column drew attention to an unsatisfactory state of affairs.

Drawing attention to that which requires change is the duty of some columnists. My comments on the increase in Babergh District Council Tax increases brought forth a letter from Geoff Kistner clarifying Babergh's position on the measure they used for calculating such increases. I had rather assumed it was the headline (small "h" please note) Retail Price Index (RPI) that was being used, rather than "relatively new" Consumer Price Index. It is, though, this latter index that the Chancellor has directed the Bank of England to take into account when determining the true rate of inflation, the reason being that it is more directly comparable with measures used in other European union states.

I have sympathy with using RPI as it includes housing costs. My point, though, was that few people are aware that there are a variety of inflation indices (more than just the two mentioned here) and using one of them as justification for action taken requires some explanation. Otherwise people will remain ignorant over the real issues. Moreover, the way is left open to opt for a different index at some future date if circumstances dictate that justification is more easily achieved through an alternative route.

This month no burning issues have crossed my radar screen general election aside, of course. This gives me the opportunity to draw to your attention that there is an undercurrent of movement within the village of Little Waldingfield to reactivate the Bad Companions. This amateur dramatic group, if I can be so bold as to attach the epithet "dramatic" to a collection of well intentioned individuals with widely varying acting ability, was a source of considerable enjoyment over a number of years.

That they were so successful is remarkable, given the difficulties under which they laboured. We are a small village, but by drawing in talent from the surrounding area a sufficiency of contributors was achieved. The village hall - or parish rooms as we prefer to call it - is small, without a stage. Amazingly, we were able to construct one and to cram enough people in for each performance to give any health and safety officer palpitations.

Sadly our run of amusing and entertaining plays with music came to an end some years ago. First there was the departure of the director to Spain, followed by the principal writer shortly afterwards. It is said that a near-finished script lies in his study in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada. Some villagers would like to put to the test his promise to deliver new material.

My own involvement with the Bad Companions came by accident. Their first production was around the theme of an Old Time Music Hall. The Master of Ceremonies, or Chairman as he is more properly known, was to be a village character, long departed, Ray Seymour. Sadly Ray's declining health required the appointment of a substitute and I stepped in. The rest, as they say, is history.

Believe me, it was fun. Who can forget the father of a cast member - an elderly, but sprightly, good old Suffolk boy - stealing the show from local plumber and Companion extraordinaire, Terry Western. Or, a barmaid from The Swan who, having clearly spent more time serving herself than her

customers, said those three magic words in the middle of a play that could not possibly be repeated in such a sensitive organ as this.

Villages are dynamic and not all who were part of the original troupe remain to tread the boards. I have agreed to assume the task of reviving this band of troubadours, perhaps with a view to putting on a production in the autumn of next year. As a consequence I am looking for volunteers to step forward - no acting ability necessary. If you are interested, let me know. Who knows, the next production could turn out to be material for this column.

Brian Tora is Chairman of the Little Waldingfield Parish Council and a regular writer and broadcaster on investment and financial matters

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GROTON GARDEN GALA 2

Spring has been erratic this year! But Groton's Plant Sale is on course to be quite an event; with a vast selection of all kinds of plants, no-one will be disappointed; as someone has said "Undreds! and 'Undreds!"

So despite the cold and changeable weather, you can all look forward to a worthwhile morning in Groton Churchyard on Saturday May 7th, starting at 10.0 am. *R.A.Bowdidge*

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(In aid of the Lavenham Village Hall Appeal)

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The Movies Come to Boxford

At last the promised 'Movies in Boxford Village Hall' will be with us on **21st May 7.30pm for 8.00. Tickets £3.00**

To kick off the alternate monthly film shows the first film is:

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This is a 15 plus Movie starring **Michael Caine, Tom Courtnay, David Hemmings, Bob Hoskins, Helen Mirren** and a cast of thousands.

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It is hoped that Movies will be shown on alternate months and childrens films will be shown in the Autumn. If there are any films you would like to see please let Bryn Hurren know on 01473 822737

Boxford Sunflower Playgroup

We have expanded! With the help of a grant from Suffolk Acre, and registering for full day care with Ofsted we are now able to offer afternoon sessions as well as mornings, we are also offering a lunch club which can be added onto either of the sessions or used for continued care.

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REFRESHMENTS

Boxford Parish Council Meeting

11th April 2005

Planning

Planning items included a decision regarding the Yew Tree at Peyton House, Butchers Lane, an enforcement notice regarding the satellite dish at 18 Clubs Lane, proposed extension at Drift Cottage, Wash Lane and proposed erection of a rear conservatory at 19 Ash Street.

District Council Report

Wash Lane has been successfully cleaned; however, Butchers Lane will require more attention. The cinema is now ready for a 21st May start and the film will be advertised in Box River News. The footpath will extend from the new affordable housing to Homefields without interruption. The prospect of removing the telegraph pole will be considered.

Police Report

One deception offence was reported in Boxford during March, which is under investigation. The village has benefited from frequent police patrols both on foot and by car during March, which will hopefully continue.

Finance

Donations of £50 to East Anglian Air Ambulance and £30 to Sudbury Town Area Rural Transport (S.T.A.R.T) were made.

APM

This will be held in the village hall at 8.00 p.m. on Monday 25th April. A speaker from St.Nicholas Hospice is due to attend. Along with the usual reports, Jeremy Pembroke, Suffolk County Councillor, will attend for the last time. This is due to the boundary changes. He will be missed as we have been fortunate both with Jeremy for the County Council and Bryn Hurren for the District Council in having two active and supportive representatives.

Reports from Members

The Parish Council has reluctantly accepted the resignations of two Parish Councillors, David Fraser and Richard Gates. They will be missed and the Council is grateful for all the work they have put in during their time as Parish Councillors.

Daking Avenue Parking

A meeting was held on the evening of 7th April involving Babergh District Council, Suffolk County Council, the Police and Parish Councillors. Consideration is on going with potential solutions being explored. Reports of any progress will be provided.
Debbie Hattrell Boxford Parish Clerk

Hadleigh Sector Police Report

During March across Hadleigh sector there were five house burglaries, two in Hadleigh, one in Wherstead, one in Shotley (attempt), and one in East Bergholt. Vehicle crime was over target again by nine offences and the annual figure of 344 was 56 offences over target.

The year was under target by a total of 117 offences against the range of targeted or prioritised offences which include domestic burglary, robbery, violent crime in a public place, vehicle crime, criminal damage and disorder.

High visibility patrols remains one of the top priorities of our local and this is a particularly good contributor to reducing crime in the sector.

Taking the year as a whole against all crime types has been an increase on last year by about 5% but ignoring approximately 200 internet crimes there has been a reduction of about the same figure i.e. 5%.

A new Focus estate fitted out with CCTV cameras and audio is now located at Hadleigh and shared with Sudbury sector and financed by the Crime and Disorder Partnership. Training is underway and its use should commence soon and it should rank as an invaluable tool to add to the current range of police equipment. Public order, anti social behaviour, traffic and serious crime are but a few of the areas it will be used in.

Unfortunately we are not being told the clear up rate for crimes in the sector. This I am sure would be revealing. With such low crime figures clear up rates should be above National average. *Ed*

Readers Letters

Sir

On reading the April issue of the Boxford News, in particular awards to the cake making ladies, brought back memories to me.

In the late 1920's early 30's my mother (Mrs Evie Rule) every year made dozens of cakes for the village fete, all made by hand and cooked in a coal fired black range. She also made gallons of lemonade with real lemons and ice cream (custard based) made in a wooden bucket contraption with a metal container surrounded by ice and hand churned. I believe the ice came from Mr Stanley the then butcher at Graham House. I used to watch it being delivered by lorry in really huge lumps (no fridges, no electricity). All this was sold from a thatched summerhouse situated on the west side of Knollgate.

In addition I can remember at least one occasion when mum dressed as a Romany gypsy and told peoples fortunes from their tealeaves.

I am not drawing comparisons with today's workers, congratulations to them but mums efforts in this day and age would surely be worthy of being made a Dame! At the time I wasn't too bothered by all this, I was too busy dancing round the Maypole with all its intricate movements; this was performed on the large back lawn at Knollgate, which I believe was turned into a kitchen garden during the war.

Happy Days!

Mary Riddleston

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GARDENING IN MAY *Harry Buckledee*

Sow Hardy biennials at the end of the month. They can be sown direct into a nursery bed, but it is probably best to sow the seeds in small cell trays and then planting into a nursery bed when large enough. The nursery bed should be of well worked, weed free and not too rich soil. Allow six inches each way between plants to allow for the development of sturdy, bushy plants for planting out in the flowering beds at autumn. All biennials are available in such a wide range of varieties, colours and heights that it is best to make your own choice from the seed catalogues. The heights quoted are a general guide, as growth can vary according to soil, aspect and weather.

There are few more rewarding plants than the dahlia for garden decoration. Tubers should be planted now so that by the time the shoots appear above ground the danger of frost should be over. The large flowered and giant varieties are only suitable for large gardens and for exhibiting at local shows. For use in flower arrangements and for garden display it is best to stick to the medium, small and miniature varieties of decorative, cactus and semi-cactus and the miniature ball and pom pom varieties. If the plants are suitably sited, not too close to other plants, and have their faded flowers removed regularly, they will flower from late July until the first frosts in November.

Grape vines will need constant attention now and through the summer months. The secret of growing good grapes is keeping the vines under control so that all the energy goes into producing a limited number of bunches. The overall growth of plant must be controlled or it will produce nothing but a tangled mess of leaves and shoots. Growths will appear from each spur on the main rod and these should be reduced to one shoot on each spur. This single shoot should be allowed to grow until a bunch of flowers have formed and should then be stopped two leaves beyond the bunch. Side shoots will develop along the new branch. These are not needed and should be removed before they are allowed to get too big and crowd out the fruit. The main cause of failure with grapes is mildew, often caused by dryness of the roots. Even in a wet season vines on the wall of a building can get very little water.

All types of water plants can be planted this month and should all be available at garden centres now. In pools where a large area of water surface is exposed to full sunlight, algae can become a nuisance. Algae will grow rapidly in light, warm conditions and can restrict the growth

of under water plants. Much of it can be removed by skimming the surface with a piece of brush wood.

The final stopping of fuchsias in pots should be done this month otherwise flowering will be delayed too long. It takes at least eight weeks for singles and ten to twelve weeks for doubles to flower after last stoppings. Feed regularly with a high potash feed which will tend to delay flowering even further.

Runner and French beans can now be sown outdoors, by the time they come through the damage of frost should be fairly remote. Indoor raised plants should be hardened off as soon as possible and planting delayed until the end of the month.

It is time to think of next spring in the vegetable garden and make sowings of white and purple sprouting broccoli. Winter hardy cauliflower can also be sown now, choose the varieties Walcheren, Markanta, Maystar and Juno to provide a succession from April to June

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Newton PC Minutes Cont'd

of this Hall all of which we, at the meeting, could see and appreciate. Colin expressed thanks for all the hard work of the many people involved in raising the money, and helping with the work.

Some small works are awaiting completion but the Hall is now available for normal use. A letter has been submitted to the B.D.C. applying for the Grant to be paid as soon as possible.

11) Any Other Business

1) It was requested that a letter be sent by the Clerk relating to the open ditch alongside the road at the entrance to the Airey Houses Estate.

2) The Chairman suggested that the Village Green Trust should contact people living adjacent to the green to obtain their views on what should be done to the various roads and paths near to their properties.

3) The Annual Parish Meeting is due to be held at the Village Hall on Wed 20th April at 7-30pm. We would welcome all organisations within the Village to attend this meeting and submit a short, written, report on the progress of their organisations over the past year.

4) The Newton Parish Council Chairman, Mr John Taylor, has stated that he will not be standing for re-election as chairman.

12) Dates of next Meetings

Annual Parish Meeting Wed 20th April 2005
Newton Parish Council Wed 25th May, 27th July 28th Sept.
23rd Nov 2005

BOXFORD BOUNTY

The time of year is with us once again, for the Boxford Bounty collectors to come knocking at your door asking for your continued support. The local lottery for Boxford, Edwardstone and Groton, the Bounty has provides financial support for many local groups and interests. Tickets are available at a cost of £10.00 per year, which guarantees entry to six draws. You may also arrange to pay monthly at £1.00 per month.

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If you would like to buy a ticket for the Boxford Bounty and have not been visited by a collector please apply directly by sending a cheque made payable to BOXFORD COMMUNITY COUNCIL to the following address: Boxford Bounty, 39, Daking Ave, Boxford, Sudbury, Suffolk CO10 5QA

Or ring Mark on 01787 211596 email millermark@yahoo.co.uk We will arrange a call from your local collector.

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Christian Aid Week 15th -22nd May

During the week there will be various collections throughout the benefice. Please do support the important work of Christian Aid. Also additional collectors are required. If you'd kindly assist please contact *Janet Daniels* on 210798.

Christian Aid sponsored walk

Janet and John Daniels are planning to walk Peddars Way & the N.Norfolk coastal paths at the end of May They plan to make this a sponsored walk for Christian Aid. If you would like to sponsor them, forms are available in church, or the Post Office, or in Mary's House, or contact Janet on 210798.

Boxford Gardens Open

Sunday 5 June 2005 2 - 5.30pm.

Come and see Boxford's gardens and help support St Mary Church Restoration Fund.

Pay £3.00 and pick up a map at the first 'Garden Open' sign you see on the day.

Again this year there will be plants for sale in the South Porch of St. Mary's Church and you will be able to view pictures in the studio of local artist, Elizabeth Gardiner.

This year for the first time Joan Smith's cream teas will be served in the garden of the Rectory and tea and cake will also be available in gardens displaying a "Tea" sign.

The shuttle bus will again be operating throughout the afternoon to take you to the outlying gardens including Green Lawns Bonzai in Calais Street. Just tell the driver which gardens you wish to see. There are some new gardens this year, twenty in all and very varied but we should like to have more so do get in touch if you would like to open yours. Call 211346.

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Wot? s On

Boxford Community Council

The annual general meeting of the Boxford Community Council will be held at the Pavilion, Boxford Playing Field on Wednesday 27th April at 8.00pm. This is a chance to come along and see what the community council does all year, if you want to come and join us then this is the opportunity to get a nomination in to our secretary and take part in the election of committee. We have a social committee to run the fund raising events and who are always looking for new faces and ideas to help.

We are hoping to have a representative from Suffolk Acre to talk to us about fund raising especially where it relates to village halls and one of the items on the agenda will be "Do we want to look into providing a new village hall for the future generations of Boxford", a subject that has occupied the thoughts of a few over the past years.

The meeting usually takes about an hour and a half and we will be serving wine, soft drinks and snacks.

Why not come along and show you care what happens in the village, you will be most welcome.

The current committee are: Peter Hibben Chair, Roger Cunningham Vice Chair, Julie Kossick Secretary, Stephanie Atkins Treasurer, David Gasson, Social Chair, Suzanne Excell, Social Secretary, Steve Taylor, Doug Impett, Ian Kossick, Sue Beavan and Mark Miller as committee members. For further details call Peter Hibben on 210819.

River Stour Trust

The following May Bank Holiday events have been arranged by the River Stour Trust

May Bank Holiday Sun.1 Mon.2May Electric boating days: simultaneous operation of small, electrically-powered boats anywhere on the River Stour, by special permission of the Environment Agency

May (t.b.c.) Opening Ceremony for the Visitor/Education Centre at Great Cornard More details: *Lesley Ford* 01787 372171

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Save The Children

A date for your diary:

We shall be holding our coffee morning on Thursday 16th June at 10am at 50 Daking Avenue.

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Newton Green Theatre

TOOL Theatre Company visit to Newton Green 2005

Once again TOOL Theatre Company are coming to Newton Green. Please support the village hall renovations by bringing the family to the performance on Saturday 14 May 2005, in the village hall at 2.00 p.m. The show lasts about 2 hours. There will be a short interval during which refreshments will be served and the raffle drawn. Donations of raffle prizes gratefully received. Tickets are £7.00 (adult) and £3.50 (child under 14) and are available from *Alan Vince* on 373963 NOW! Please book early so we don't have to worry about cancelling. Thank you," The theme is 'Two for the 1/9d's and if the last two years are anything to go by the show is expected to be another hilarious and enjoyable event.

BABIES & TODDLERS AT BOXFORD A.G.M.

We will meet at the Fleece Wednesday 20th April at 8pm. Please feel welcome to join us, we're always interested to hear what you think of our group and what we could do to improve.

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Hall giving 15minute treatments for £5.99

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Visit to Hollow Trees Farm

In the summer we are planning to visit Hollow Trees Farm at Semer with activities organised for the toddlers as well as a cart ride to enjoy. A date will be confirmed for 8th June in the next newsletter.

PLANTS FOR SALE:

Plants are for sale opposite Rose Cottage, Edwardstone. All proceeds shared between Edwardstone Parish Hall and the local Parkinson's Disease Society. Contact me if you do not see what you want. *Daphne Clark* 210698

TEAS IN THE GARDEN WITH PLANTS FOR SALE

– **12th June:** We are having Strawberry Teas in the Garden with a Plant Sale, at Rose Cottage Edwardstone, on Sunday 12th June from 2.00 p.m. to 5.50 p.m. In aid of Edwardstone Parish Hall & the Parkinson's Disease Society. Full details next month. *Daphne Clark*

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Wot? s On

Newton Village Hall

Coffee Mornings:

May 7th, Fireside Club

June 4th, Newton Charities

July 2nd, Village Fete Committee

Social Events

May 14th at 2 pm Theatre Company visits Newton. Watch this space.

July 16th, The Newton Village Fete

Car Boot Sales

They are back, Newton's now famous Car Boot Sales will be held again in 2005. Only three this year so make sure you are there to either book your pitch or buy that bargain on Saturday May 21st, Saturday June 18th and Saturday September 17th

St Mary's Church Boxford

Dates for your diaries:

Saturday 11th June at 9.30am there will be a Book Stall and Cake sale in St Mary's Church

Saturday 25th June from 2 - 5pm Boxford Church will be holding it's Annual Fete in the Rectory Gardens.

Groton Garden Gala 2

May 7th Groton Church

MAY will soon be here — it may not seem like it at the moment. There should be a fine collection of plants etc. at this year's Groton Plant Sale. So put the date in your diary, May 7th— Groton Church—10.0am-1.0pm. Watch out for the banner and posters. *Bob Bowdidge*

Elmsett Methodist Church

PLANT SALE

There will be a plant sale at elmsett Methodist Church on Saturday 30th April from 10.30 - 4pm

Lunches will be available from 12.00 - 2pm.

GREAT WALDINGFIELD W.I.

At our April meeting Mr. Colin French administrator for SARS (Suffolk Accident Rescue Service) based in Ipswich gave us a very interesting talk.

Half of our members were unaware of this service, which was launched in 1972, and since then has responded to 13,000 calls, mostly road accidents.

It is a voluntary service -at the moment 47 doctors give their time to assist other services (Ambulance, Police, Fire, Helicopter, even the Royal Air Force at Wattisham).

The organisation which is a registered charity costs £45,000 per year to operate, the training update of clinical skills, equipment and transport are all very costly, so donations are always very acceptable. Babergh Council have always been very generous in this aspect.

At the end of the evening we all felt it was a very worthwhile service — but one that we hoped we would never require.

Our next meeting is on May 4th at 7.30p.m. in the Village Hall when our Resolutions will be discussed.

Maisie Root (Sec)

Boxford Over 60's Club

DIARY DATES FOR MAY

Monday May 9th - Village Hall at 2.30pm. Talk by "The Button Lady" Sigrid Jozefowski on the History of Buttons. Bring along any boxes or tins of buttons you have.

Monday May 23rd, Village Hall 2.30pm, talk by Brenda Clabburn about the work of the BHF Nurses.

Tuesday May 31st Coach trip to Saffron Walden leaving The Fleece 10.00am. Non members welcome if any seats are left spare. For details and booking:

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ARTS & CRAFTS EXHIBITION, 14-16 April

The recent Arts and Crafts exhibition held in Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford, was a great success. The many visitors found a varied exhibition comfortably displayed in this enchanting village house.

A big thankyou to the exhibitors and volunteers, and to all who visited and thereby helped to make this an enjoyable and worthwhile event. Special thanks to Ola and Joan for their demonstrations. We hope to repeat the event at some time in the future. *Pauline Lamming*



Above and below some of the exhibits at the Arts And Crafts exhibition



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Parish Council Matters

Little Waldingfield Parish Council

The council met on 29th March. 5 councillors, 2 villagers and our Policeman attended.

The problem regarding the off road parking in the Street was discussed and ways of controlling the problem are being considered. It was noted that cars from outside the village were regularly parking adjacent to Cypress Cottage.

£17.91 was received in respect of the bottle bank. The council agreed to make a donation of £50 to the Air Ambulance.

The next meeting will be at 7.30pm on 3rd May.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be at 7.00pm on 17th May. It will then be followed by a regular council meeting.

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MAKING POVERTY HISTORY: The trade justice campaign

The UK government is committed to making 2005 a year when poverty is on the international agenda. To tackle poverty it must address the injustices in world trade. Christian Aid Week this year asks churches to call for trade justice.



Louisa Mahahela, 25, works on a sugar plantation in Maragra, Maputo Province, Mozambique. She is the only member of her family to have a job.

Louisa Elias Mahahela works on a sugar plantation in Mozambique, earning enough to feed her family. Her job is one of thousands that have been created since the Mozambique government helped its sugar industry by attracting investment to it. It set the price for imported sugar, most of which comes from rich countries where it is subsidised. This set price means that the locally produced sugar is able to compete with imports.

But Mozambique is an exception. Other poor countries are prevented from helping vulnerable industries and farmers. Rich countries and international institutions that lend poor countries money force governments to accept free-trade policies.

For example, in Ghana, thousands of farmers have been forced to give up farming because they are no longer able to make a living selling their produce. Kofi Eliasa used to be a tomato farmer. He now works 12 hours a day in a quarry, breaking rocks to make gravel. He struggles to earn enough to feed his family and send his children to school.

In exchange for loans, Ghana was forced to open up its markets

to international trade and take away the government help given to farmers such as Kofi. This is the same for other poor countries across the world. The result is that millions of people now face an uncertain future as they lose the means to make a living.

Free trade means that governments may not interfere in the market place, and all traders - from rich and poor countries alike - must face each other in open competition. This gives the poorest no chance. To begin to make a decent living for their families they need some help from their government to support their industries - that is they need trade justice, not free trade.

This is why Christian Aid is campaigning for trade justice, not free trade. The campaign is informed by the biblical vision of a just world where the needs of the poorest people are met. To compete in today's global marketplace poor farmers and traders need special help from their governments until they are strong enough to manage without it.

To find out more go to www.caweek.org or call 08080 006 006. Christian Aid We believe in life before death UK registered charity number 1105851 Company number 5171525 Republic of Ireland charity number CHY 6998

BROADBAND IS HERE – HIP HIP HOORAY:

Boxford exchange was enabled for broadband this month (April). I had a small problem with Outlook Express, which was fixed after a phone call to the BT broadband help line. I had a more difficult problem with my firewall which is supplied by BT. It crashed my system and I have had to uninstall it whilst BT look for a solution.

Please contact me if you have any problems or queries and I'll do what I can to help.

On a sombre note, I read today that one of the winners of the EEDA (East of England Development Agency) "Connecting Communities" competition, Mesh Broadband, has ceased trading. We entered the competition, with other local villages under the banner of SSB but, as it has turned out, we were fortunate not to have won any funding.

We must continue to be grateful to John Charville (an ex resident of Boxford) who advised us to start a campaign for the enablement of the Boxford BT exchange as opposed to any local Wireless solution. Without his advise and expertise we could well be in a similar position as the customers of Mesh Broadband who have paid out a great deal of money for a service which has now been suspended. To read the full article please log onto <http://bbs.adslguide.org.uk>.

Daphne Clark 210698

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500TH PATIENT FOR IPSWICH CANCER CENTRE

A pioneering cancer centre is celebrating caring for its 500th patient this week. The Stour Centre, at The Ipswich Hospital NHS Trust, treats and cares for women with gynaecological cancer and is the first specialist unit of its kind in the Mid Anglia Cancer Network.

Clinicians and staff are also celebrating feedback from patients which shows a 99% satisfaction rate.

"We opened the centre on Monday 5 April 2004 and it has been a great experience running the unit and putting into practice an holistic approach to healthcare," explained Mr David Vasey Consultant Gynaecological Oncologist and the lead clinician for The Stour Centre. The centre treats women living in east Suffolk, and mid and north Essex, who need specialist surgery for gynaecological cancer. Women living in mid and north Essex with early stage cancer or who need less complex surgery are treated at their local hospitals.

Women being cared for at The Stour Centre generally spend five to seven days in the unit. All other aspects of their care – before they come into the centre, and when they leave - is provided at their local hospital. "Videoconferencing facilities are in place and are used extensively for multi-disciplinary team meetings with colleagues in Colchester and Chelmsford. This is vital for our centre to be able to provide timely care and for all patients to receive a personal, responsive service," continued Mr Vasey.

Bringing this level of personal care includes careful attention to detail including arranging transport to the centre or overnight accommodation for husbands or partners.

Lyn Jones, Co-ordinator for the Stour Centre explained that personal contact from referral to women returning home is very much appreciated by patients and is highlighted in the patient satisfaction surveys.

"From the moment we receive a referral, we make personal contact with the patient and there is always someone here to sort out any issues. Our Consultants telephone close family members immediately after an operation to give them a personal update," she said.

Jean Short, who lives in Clacton is one of the 500 women to be cared for at the Stour Centre, to date. "I've never been anywhere like it in my life. It is absolutely marvellous, 100% everything you could want. The food was fantastic and everybody from the surgeon to the cleaner couldn't do enough to help you. I've never experienced anything like it," explained Mrs Short.

Her words were echoed by fellow patient Mrs Hilda Ager from Chelmsford: "I really couldn't fault it, I was in the centre for just over a week and thought the staff were very good and it was an absolutely wonderful place". Ella Williams of Aldringham, Suffolk, another patient added: "I had absolutely wonderful treatment at The Stour Centre".

Mr Anders Linder, a Gynaecological Oncologist, who joined the Centre from his native Sweden because he specifically wanted to help set up a specialist gynaecological cancer centre said: "Our first 11 months has given us a very good basis for future development including developing new outreach clinics in Colchester and Chelmsford. This will mean that we will be able to meet women coming to the centre, at their local hospital."

The Stour Centre has met all the national standards for seeing all patients within two weeks of referral. Staff are also supporting a patient support group. There is an active patients' support group, largely run by patients and their relatives with support from the Stour Centre Staff. The group meets on one Monday afternoon on alternate months in the Day Room on the Stour Centre.

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BREAST CANCER CARE FROM BOXFORD TO BRAZIL

On the 10 November 2005, I will be taking up a very special challenge. I am travelling to Brasilia to take part in Breast Cancer Care's "Trek Brazil 2005". This will involve trekking for 6 days covering a total of 101 km and camping for 5 nights. This is a remote part of Brazil and the particular route chosen has barely been walked either by locals or westerners. The terrain and scenery are amazingly varied, across savannah and passing through canyons and a number of local Indian communities.

Breast Cancer Care is the UK's leading provider of information, practical assistance and emotional support for men and women affected by breast cancer, their families and friends. Every year they are contacted over two million times for information through their website, helpline, publications, one-to-one support and health promoting activities, all of which are offered free.

My main reason for taking part in this challenge is in memory of my Mum, Doreen Tricker, who some of you will have known. I know the trek will be a challenge, but feel that all my efforts of training and fundraising over the next eight months will be a small sacrifice knowing that the money I raise will help those who are facing breast cancer.

I have arranged some local fundraising events and if anyone would like to support me in any way, I would love to hear from you.

If you would care to sponsor me you will find Sponsor Forms in the Post Office Stores and Gerald Rice Butchers.

FUNDRAISING EVENTS:

Saturday, 30 April – Cake Stall in the Village Centre - from 8.30 am If you would like to make a contribution, please bring to my house on Friday 29 April from 12 noon or to the stall on the morning.

Saturday, 14 May – Quiz at Polstead Village Hall at 7.30 pm Teams of up to 8 people - £3.00 per head Bring your own food/nibbles. Bar and Raffle.

Saturday, 21 May – Car Boot Sale

I will be having a pitch at the Newton Green Car Boot Sale. If you have any unwanted gifts, goods, bric-a-brac, books, etc you would like to donate, please telephone me to arrange delivery, or alternatively, I can collect from you.

Saturday, 10 September - Dance at Boxford Village Hall Live Band Tickets: £10 Full details to follow soon

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Minutes of Newton Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday 23rd March 2005 at Newton Village Hall Series Present:

Cllr. John Taylor – Chairman, Cllr. Janet Crimmin – Vice Chair.
Cllr Colin Poole, Cllr. Harry Buckledee, Cllr. Alan Vince,
Cllr. Rita Schwenk, Cllr David Smalley’
Peter Cornell – Clerk designate

1. Apologies for Absence These were received from Peter Holbrook and Police Constables D. Marshall and S. Lee-Amies. *In an opening address the Chairman informed the Committee that Peter Cornell has decided not to continue as Parish Clerk but will continue in present role until a new clerk is nominated in May, or earlier.*

2. Declaration of Interest, Cllrs. John Taylor and Alan Vince declared their respective interests and these were entered in the "Conflict of Interests" book by the Clerk.

3. Minutes of the last Meeting held on 26th January 2005
The Committee Accepted these minutes and the Chairman signed them as a true record of that meeting.

4. Matters arising from Mr Selwyn Pryor's Visit. Mr Selwyn Pryor arranged for Mr John Boutcher, (Highways Department) to meet with the Chairman, (Mr J Taylor) and Peter Cornell at the Valley Road/A134 Junction to discuss the problems at this junction. At the meeting, on Tues 8th February, Mr Boutcher promised to make contact with the owner of the field, on the right hand side of the junction, to get permission to remove some of the hedge to improve drivers, emerging from Valley road, vision of traffic approaching from Sudbury.

He also said that he would endeavour to have direction signs moved, again to improve vision. He would make contact with Mr Peter Ingham at Ipswich Roads Safety department and arrange for an inspection of this junction with a view to making it easier and safer for drivers emerging from Valley Road.

We discussed the "Give Way" signs on Rectory Road and Church Lane and were informed that these could not be altered to "Stop" signs without invoking further Legislation. We were requested to contact Babergh, again, about acquiring "Reflective" type signs at Links view and Church Lane.

The Parish Committee noted that vehicles are sometimes parked in the layby at this junction, Valley Road with A134, further blocking the view of motorists.

5. Matters Arising

(a) Matters arising from Circulated Material. None.

(b) Proposed Speed Management Measures.

It was felt that some drivers do take notice of the additional speed reduction measures but the majority tend to ignore these signs as much as they ignored the original signs. ONGOING

(c) Path adjacent to Village Sign The concern about the design and layout of this path with the Main Road continues. The clerk has written to the S.C.C. about this problem but has not received a written reply. When this was raised with Mr J Boutcher at the above meeting he informed us that this was our Risk Assessment and suggested no further action. The Committee have asked the Clerk and Cllr D Smalley to measure the sloping area of the path, and if it is below the standard required, to inform the S.C.C. and with-hold paying part of the costs for this path until a suitable improvement has been effected. ONGOING

(d) Parish Plan The steering Committee have analysed the results from the local survey and given copies to all the councillors. The steering committee will meet again to discuss these results and possibly plan a further survey incorporating some of the points raised by various people. It is hoped to obtain a clear view of required actions to be forwarded onto the Babergh District Council. It was agreed that there is a demand within this village to be included in the next five year plan to cover affordable housing for those starting out on the housing chain. ONGOING.

(e) Peter Holbrook In sending his apologies he suggested that we contact the Suffolk Association of Local Councils to obtain advice concerning any work to be carried out on the asbestos roof of the village hall store. He also stated that he was concerned at the increased traffic that may occur with the development of the

Chilton Woods Estate.

(f) Provision of Bus Shelter. Cllr. Rita Schwenk has talked this matter over with every householder in the Airey Close estate and all agreed with the installation of such a bus shelter on the site indicated. However we have now heard that a number of these same people are now opposed to either the erection of a bus shelter at all or they want it in a different position that the committee find unacceptable. This matter will now be raised by Cllr Rita Schwenk with the S.C.C. ONGOING

(g) Entrances to Church Road & Links View. The Parish Clerk has written to B.D.C. asking for a definite answer as to whether or not the requested reflective signs can be obtained and erected by them (B.D.C.). ONGOING

(f) F & C Investment The necessary documentation to change the mandate has now been completed. COMPLETED

(g) Playground Inspection Report. The Chairman informed the committee that he is having the extended safety rails for the swings constructed and will fit them when completed.

ONGOING

(h) Age Concern. Still awaiting a new representative. ONGOING

(i) Bin Liners. The Clerk has been requested to obtain a quotation for replacement bins. ONGOING

(k) Accident at Valley Road Junction. See item (4) above ONGOING

(6) Finance, Governance and Accountability

Expenditure for the period was put to the council for approval

(7) Planning

(a) St Michaels, The Green, - Floodlights – Ongoing

(b) Jordans, Sudbury Road – Rear Extension – Approved

(c) Grove House, The Green – Extension – Ongoing

(d) 4, Links View- Crown Reduction, One Lime Tree – Approved

(e) Little Greys, Greys Halls Corner – Change of Use of Land. Concern expressed to Babergh District Council New Parish Map requested

(f) Mascalls Farm Barn – Mobile Home – Ongoing

(g) 6, Nicholsons Court – Conservatory – No Objections

(h) Langley Hall, (Hurrells Cottages) – Further Extensions Council unhappy with continued development. Ongoing. Letter to be sent to B.D.C.

(i) Jarvis Farm – Increased storage and longer opening hours.

No objections

(j) Hills Barn, Sudbury Road- Decision made by B.D.C. on continued use.

(k) Brook Farm, Sudbury Road – Erection of Stables and Cart-
lodge

No objections

(8) Correspondence

1. Material for circulation to the Councillors was presented by the clerk

2. Notice of Meetings Babergh District Council have notified respective Parish Councils dates of proposed meetings.

3. Training and Development. The Acting Parish Clerk, Peter Cornell, indicated that during the Training Meeting that he attended at the Suffolk Association of Local Councils it was advised that all Councillors receive a copy of "The Good Councillors Guide" and that, where possible they should attend a training course.

Further to this Peter asked if any of the Councillors had received a copy of the Newton Parish Standing Orders to which the answer was - No. In view of this answer Peter said that he would supply all Councillors with a copy of this document.

4. Suffolk Acre Membership. This has now been renewed.

5. Emergency Planning Seminar. Because of the falling snow this seminar was cancelled and will be held at a future date.

9) Police Report Since the last report at the January Meeting only two items have been Reported, one a "Domestic Tiff", and the other was the break in and stealing of money from the Church.

10) Village Hall Progress Report. Councillor Colin Poole was able to report on the excellent progress made on the renovation