

# Box River News

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## 63 YEARS OF SERVICE REWARDED

The Suffolk Association of Local Councils will be presented Long Service Awards to John Taylor for 43 years as a Newton Parish Councillor from 1964 - 2007 35 years of which were spent as Chairman of the Parish Council. Along with John will be Harry Buckledee, our Gardening correspondent and President of the Sudbury Horticultural Society, spent 20 years from 1987 to 2007 as a Newton Parish Councillor. Both John and Harry retired prior to the last local elections. There will be a full report in the November BRN.

## 100 NOT OUT

Teresa Galvin of Boxford House, mother of Patrick Galvin, was joined by 40 guests on Sunday 9th September to celebrate her 100th birthday. In addition to her card from the Queen Teresa also had cards from Her Bishop and the Secretary of State. She married Derek Galvin who was a major during the second world war but was widowed shortly after the war when her husband died whilst working at the war office.

Teresa, petite and looking much less than her 100 years still walks unaided and frequently walks the grounds of Boxford House. In so far as the editor has been able to ascertain, she is the oldest resident in Boxford.



*Above: Teresa with her card from the Queen congratulating her on her 100th birthday.*

## TREES TO BE CUT BACK

The trees overhanging the A1071 and reducing visibility at the Stone Street Junction are to be cut back in the Autumn. (see letters page)

## PARKING BLACKMAIL

The Suffolk County Councils road and transport scrutiny committee have told Sudbury Town Council that parking charges will have to be introduced if there is to be any chance of the essential by pass being built. However there is no guarantee that the introduction of parking charges will result in a by pass being built.

## Ltl W's FLOWER FESTIVAL



Little Waldingfield Flower Festival was a great success raising well in excess of £2000 for the Church. Two of the biggest earners were the lunches prepared by the men of the village and the teas which together made in excess of £1000. The craft stalls raised another £900. Revenue from donations, the raffle and the preview evening brought the total close to £2,500.

The display in the church was up to Ltl W's usual high standard with Patron Saints seeming to be the theme. Above is one of the many displays, this one depicting St Cecelia the Patron Saint of Music. Children of the village also played their part with a Scarecrow competition resulting in some very amusing displays.

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## BANK HOLIDAY WEEKEND AT GROTON CHURCH



What a fun time it was! Church flowers for "Herb Queen", Jekka McVicar's talks resulted in beautifully natural displays, with the emphasis on herbs and garden plants, in line with the theme "Herbs are more than a Garnish". Complementing these arrangements were Sandy Larkman's colourful flower pictures - an extra bonus! One of the 80 visitors to the Friday evening talk was an old friend of Jekka, Beth Chatto, who commented to me how unusual and lovely it was to see a Flower Festival "without all the usual flowers from Holland".

We have to thank Anthea Scriven for persuading Jekka and her husband to give their time to drive up from the West Country - for Jekka is her niece and an aunt's wish has to be obeyed!

Friday evening's talk and slides were as interesting and informative as we'd hoped and ended with tempting canapes and wine and the chance to buy pots of herbs.

Saturday - sunny and warm - lunch for 40 in the Churchyard had Peter Kennedy Scott presiding over a rapidly diminishing local ham. Side dishes and puddings to round it all off made for a delicious and relaxing lunch in sun or shade under the gazebos, followed by a most entertaining

talk with slides by Jekka on her "Fourteen years at the Chelsea Flower Show". How we all chuckled at her anecdotes and experiences - chats with the Royals and advice on getting rid of rabbits (Jekka still has her head!), whizzy pictures with his motor bike of Jekka and Jamie Oliver, who first coined the description "Herb Queen", and much more. A magical two days and one that will be remembered for a long time.

## BOXFORD VILLAGE HALL REDECORATION

Redecoration has went well, the main hall completed and a start has been made on the entrance hall and kitchen. Work will recommence later on in October, with the committee room and toilets included.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the people who have helped me so far. Carol Chalkley, Julian and Donna Fincham-Jaques, Jackie Iliffe, Heather Hunter, Robert and Evie Grimsey, and Claire Chalkley. A record of hours has been recorded and will be displayed on the village hall notice board. Their contribution of time and effort, sometimes with rather unpleasant tasks in the major clean up, deserves our gratitude. Thanks must also be given to the people who made cash donations to the paint costs. Mr Peter Rose (£20) Diana Alien (£50) and Mr Michael Burgess (£50). Their financial input was most appreciated. We do of course need new carpet in the lounge area and I am pleased to say that that this will be done at the end of October. This has only been made possible by the support of The Parish Council who have donated £500 and The Community Council who have donated £350 towards the costs. We thank them both for their help at this time and for all their help in the past. *Finlay Hunter* (on behalf of the Village Hall Committee.)

### Boxford Village Hall. A.G.M.

**Tuesday 2nd October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.**

The past six months has saw some changes to the village hall. The internal redecoration although not quite completed, will we hope be the start of a brighter future for the hall.

Our first fundraising event was a success and has started our renovation fund for new roof, disabled toilets and some new windows.

We obviously have a long way to go and need all the support we can get, so it is important you attend our A.G.M. We would hope for a few more people to come forward to join the committee to help with fundraising ideas and the decision making in the year ahead. Apart from that, just to attend the meeting and show an interest would give the committee an incentive, in their efforts to see the village hall once more play an important part in village life. *Finlay Hunter* (Chairman, B.V.H.)

associates Steve Lodder piano and Steve Waterman trumpet and flugelhorn. The trio explores the subtle and open possibilities of a group without drums. The interplay between the players creates a natural intensity combined with an acute sensitivity to dynamics allowing the musical flair to come shinning through.

### Friday, 26 October 8.30, Ticket £13 Kirk Lightsey

It's a real pleasure to welcome back jazz legend Kirk Lightsey from Detroit, Michigan, together with Steve Watts bass and Dave Wickens drums. Kirk is a pianist of immense accomplishment and versatility who has worked and recorded with scores of major jazz stars including Yusef Lateef, Bobby Hutcherson, Freddie Hubbard, Kenny Burrell, Chet Baker, Clifford Jordan, Benny Golson, Don Cherry and many others.

### Friday, 2 November 8.30, Ticket £13 Jutta's Party Band

Jutta's Party Band was formed by happy accident for a one off birthday party for Oxford-based German award winning maker of fine violin bows Jutta Walcher. Described by one critic there as 'quite definitely slightly weird', they perform a fascinating mix of originals and contemporary standards, coloured and contoured by their widely diverse combined backgrounds. The Band members are Christian Garrick violin, David Gordon piano, Pete Oxley guitar, Oli Hayhurst bass and Russ Morgan drums.

### Friday, 9 November 8.30, Ticket £13 Trudy Kerr

To buy tickets for any gig, obtain further information or add your name to the mailing list please telephone the BOX OFFICE:

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Jazz at the Fleece, 18 The Causeway, Boxford, Suffolk CO10 5JR



### Friday, 5 October 8.30, Ticket £14 The Annie Whitehead Experience

Annie Whitehead is undoubtedly one of the brightest and most versatile musicians in Britain whether leading one of her own bands or working with diverse British jazz luminaries. Described as the Sly and Robbie of British brass, she is the woman everyone turns to when they want a class trombone player. Playing with Annie tonight are Alistair Gavin piano, Nico Ramsden guitar, Jennifer Maidman bass and Liam Genockey drums.

### Friday, 12 October 8.30, Ticket £12 Cubana Bop

The music is all jazz with a strong Latin Afro-Cuban flavour as illustrated on their new CD 'Now Hear This'. First formed in 1995 by pianist Terry Seabrook, the band now features newcomers Davide Mantovani bass, Adam Riley drums and the brilliant young trumpeter Graeme Flowers, together with stalwarts Ian Price saxophone and Satin Singh congas. Feet will not be still tonight!

### Friday, 19 October 8.30, Ticket £12 Threeway

Threeway is the brainchild of Huddersfield bassist Ben Crosland who formed this exemplary jazz trio in 2004 with long term

# NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

## Hosts or hostesses!

Would you like to welcome visitors to Mary's House- 5, Swan Street-with a coffee? Lots of local people and visiting tourists like to have a cuppa, and as hosts we get to chat to lots of interesting folk. We have a few gaps in the rota for Mondays (this could be negotiated for a different day), so if you,perhaps with a friend, would like to do this just one morning a month, please ring Pauline Lamming 210360, or pop into Mary's House and have a chat with one of the volunteers. It's an enjoyable morning - give it a try! *Pauline Lamming*

## A New Community Centre for Boxford

**Report on survey/questionnaire carried out March/April 2007.**

The number of survey sheets distributed to Boxford, Edwardstone and Groton were 2405 (minimum of 2 to each house).

The number of completed survey sheets returned was 577.

This represented a 23.99% return.

The number of survey sheets distributed to Boxford Village area was 1825

The number of completed survey sheets returned within the Boxford village area was 416

This represented a 22.79% return.

The main question in the survey document as far as we were concerned in the first instance was 'Where should the centre be located' with options being 1. As existing, 2. Playing Field and 3. Other.

Results for this question were:-

1.	As existing	188	31.9%
2.	Playing field	171	29.0%
3.	Other	107	18.0%
4.	Spoilt papers	111	20.5%
		577	

We recorded the spoilt papers as those where more than one box had been ticked (some had all three) or where no box had been ticked.

Following consultation with Suffolk ACRE's Village Halls Adviser and report to Boxford Community Council, it has been decided that there is insufficient interest for this project to go ahead. Records will be kept of this questionnaire for future reference.

We would like to express our thanks to those people who carried out the distribution and collection of the surveys and to those who took the time to complete and return them.

*Peter Hibben, David House, Dawn Kurtz, Mike Hammond, Richard Gates* Survey/Questionnaire Sub Committee.

## PLACE YOUR ORDERS!!

Last year our famous Edwardstone Christmas Puddings – made to a special recipe by the committee's husbands – were a huge success and sold out almost within minutes! This was, of course, no surprise to us as they were delicious and wonderfully light, a view shared by everyone who had the chance to try them.

This year we thought that, to avoid disappointment, we'd once again offer customers the chance to pre-order their puddings and our order books are open now!

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Alternatively you can contact her on 01787 211266; she's also taking orders for Christmas cakes! Don't miss out!

## Boxford Village Hall Quiz Night

The evening of Saturday 1st September, saw Boxford Village Hall welcome members of the public for its first event in aid of the hall renovation fund.

For members of the public, it was also their first opportunity to view the progress of the re-decoration that has been taking place within the main hall and reception area. Many people praised the new look of the hall and thanks must go to Finlay Hunter, the chairman of the village hall committee, and those who helped him by dedicating their spare time to ensure the main hall was ready in time.

The evening saw nine teams, ranging from five to eight members per team, assemble in the main hall eagerly awaiting the start of the evening.

It was exciting to see so many people demonstrate their support of the hall through their attendance. Thank you.

Being a novice at arranging quiz nights, the advice provided by others was greatly appreciated and helped ensure a successful evening. There were lessons learnt, especially from the music round, which will ensure the next quiz night is even better but perhaps with slightly easier questions!

The evening successfully raised £460 for the renovation fund. Thanks must go to those businesses and individuals that made donations to the raffle which raised £125, to Veronica Hobbs for running the bar and her husband Bob for acting as score master.

Another quiz night is to be held in the New Year, in the meantime the village hall will be welcoming Ruby and her Horses in November. We are also looking to run a Christmas Craft event early in December, date to be confirmed. If anybody is interested in a stand at this event, then please do not hesitate to contact myself or Finlay Hunter.

Julian Fincham-Jacques, Fundraising Officer. 01787 210376



## K & S Cup

The K & S Cup was given to the village by the King and Sargeant families to be presented to a young person from the village for "Outstanding service to the community".

If you know of anyone who you think would qualify for this cup and would like to nominate them, please apply with details to The Secretary of the Boxford Community Council at Swan Cottage Swan Street Boxford. The last recipient was Chris Southgate in 2003.

## Little Waldingfield Parish Rooms

After 4 years of hard work and lots of money, Little Waldingfield Parish Room has been fully restored and refurbished, inside and out. Much of the work has been undertaken by Trustees, but worthy of special mention is Sue Mitchell, who has single handily undertaken the painting throughout the building.

A party to relaunch the Parish Room was held on 18th August and enjoyed by those who attended.



## There's a story that my mother told

The book that Neil Lanham has put together about his mother's stories in the hard days of the agricultural depression up at Red House Farm Boxford will be shortly coming into the book shops near you and a special Boxford release of it has been arranged for when the Bumpstead Boys bring 'Ruby and her Horses' to Boxford on 9 November. (Tel: 01787 210682 for tickets).

It is full of Ruby's stories told in her own words about the hard days in the depression of the 20s and 30s. Ruby had a love for horses and was involved with horses all her life'. 'When I fell out with the old man (her father)' she said 'I rented a little cottage in Stone Street for fifteen pence a week next to Reg Fletcher who used to play the button accordion. I wanted to get my horse Nabs away from him and we went up one night in the dark. Old Ellinger would come and we didn't want him. We thought he'd be a damn nuisance anyhow he was determined to be there so in the yard in the centre of the buildings there was usually some straw floating on top of mucky water that was knee deep, Ellinger went straight in it. Anyway we got my horse Nabs away and I got a box at the back of the Fleece for her. I used to take her out evenings along the roadside so she could have some grass. Freddy Theobald, who I won the Eastern Counties Dancing Cup with in Sudbury, gave me a little fox terrier called Nip, I could do anything with Nabs and Nip would love to lead her along the road. Freddy was sadly killed by a bus in Melford Street'.

Ruby relived her life in Boxford until the day she died and would bring out story after story of the hard days when she said 'you could walk on land from Cambridge to Clacton that no body would take and if you didn't have anything you were lucky because as sure as god made little green apples, you'd lose it. It was driving honest to goodness farmers shanny' she said. *Neil Lanham*

The book is priced £11.95 with £2 P&P from Neil but there will be a special book signing on the night of the 9th November at the Village Hall.

*Above right: Nip on Nabs -*

*Below right: 'I could do anything with my horse Nabs' said Ruby. 'Nip the fox terrier given to me by Freddy Theobald was always in the box and would love to lead Nabs out'.*



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## BOWLING FOR THE DISABLED



Members of Sudbury Resource Centre after their Finals Day with Celebration Lunch, at Boxford Bowls Club on Wednesday 12 September. Boxford Bowls Club host training sessions, free of charge, for up to 16 members of the Resource Centre twice a month throughout the outdoor bowling season.

/Les Clark/

## Adult Assistance Needed

1st Boxford Scout Group have been highly successful in providing challenging opportunities for young people. This year alone, in addition to our regular weekly meetings, we have held camps in The Spinney and at Lake Windermere, provided activity days such as Archery and Hill Walking and entered competitions. We are currently the holders of

the County Archery Cup and the Scouts came second in both the District Football cup and The District Cooking Competition.

Our success has led to an increase in recruitment of young people and the Group now has some 70 children attending the regular meetings. To maintain the high standards of the group and to widen the range of activities available it is essential that we recruit some additional adult help. To help with the Scout Group you need to be over 18 no previous experience is necessary and all training is provided by the group. The Group Sections meet at The Spinney at the following times:

<b>Explorers</b> -	14 - 18	Tuesday 7:30 - 9:30 pm
<b>Scouts</b>	10 ? - 14	Thursday 7:00 - 9:00 pm
<b>Cubs</b>	8 - 10 ?	Tuesday 6:30 - 8:00 pm
<b>Beavers</b>	6 - 8	Wednesday 4:30 - 5:45 pm

We would especially like regular adult help to support our Beaver leaders. This may suit an adult who has been, or is, the parent or grandparent of children aged 6 - 8 and knows how enjoyable it is to spend quality time with the children, helping them to develop their confidence.

If you would like to find out more about the group or are willing to help please contact Debbie Miller on 01787 211596 or turn up at a meeting.



### Boxford Rovers Youth Football Club

#### Minis Football for boys & girls 5yrs and upwards

Chris Grunsell, (a FA Qualified Football Coach) on behalf of the Club Committee would really like you to come and join us each Saturday starting 8th September. 9.30 to 11am. Come and try for a few weeks before joining our club that's been successfully playing football for the past 25 years at The Playingfields. We try to make the sessions fun for the boys and girls and also encourage parents to watch or even join in. Please bring appropriate kit (football boots are not essential) along with warm clothing & a drink.

#### COME AND JOIN US THIS SATURDAY

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### September

30 Harvest Festival	Boxford St Mary's	St Mary's Church	11.00am
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### October

1 Boxford Over 60's	The National Trust	Village Hal	2.30pm
2 Boxford Village Hall AGM			7.30pm
2 1st Boxford Scouts	AGM	The Spinney	8.00pm
3 Operation Christmas Child	Shoebox wrapping	Mary's House	2.00pm
3 Boxford WI	Talk on Wills etc.	Village Hall	2.00pm
6 Lt Waldingfield Parish room	Alternative Horticultural Show	Parish Room	11.00am
9 Boxford Village Hall Committee	Afternoon Bingo	VH	2-4pm
12 Boxford Over 60's	The Bush Outing	The Fleece	12 noon
13 Groton PCC	Harvest Supper	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
13-14 Annual Art Exhibition and Sale	Boxford Art Group	The Fleece	10-5
15 Boxford Over 60's	Win a Bake	Village Hal	2.30pm
24 Operation Christmas Child	Shoebox wrapping	Mary's House	2.00pm
29 Boxford Over 60's	Flatford Mill	Village Hal	2.30pm

### November

1/2 Edwardstone Christmas Fair			
3 Boxford Society	Boxford in the 17th century	Boxford Sxchool	TBA
10 DanceFat Old Dad	Boxford Community Council	Boxford Village Hall	
13 Boxford United Charities	Trustees Meeting	Mary's House	7.30pm
14 Boxford Community Council	Executive meeting	Mary's House	8.00pm
17 Lt Waldingfield Parish Room	St Edmund's Quiz Night	Parish Room	7.30pm

### December

1 Groton PCC	Cheese & Wine Party	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
5-8th Boxford Drama Group Panto		Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm

### January

19 Community Council Fun and games Night		Boxford Village Hall	
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### June 2008

First Sunday Boxford Gardens Open

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# Wot's On

## Boxford Art Group Annual Exhibition and Sale

Saturday 13th and Sunday 14th October

The Boxford Art Group are to hold their annual exhibition and sale on 13th and 14th October in the Boxford Fleece function Room from 10am to 5pm on both days.

## Boxford Art Group Annual General Meeting

Thursday 1st November at 7.30pm in the Boxford Fleece function room

## LEAVENHEATH AFTERNOON WI JUMBLE SALE

SATURDAY 6TH OCTOBER

10.00AM – 12 NOON

Tea & coffee will be available  
Admission 20p

## IPSWICH & NORWICH CO-OP BAND

In Concert At St Andrew's Church Great Cornard

On Saturday 6th October at 7.30pm

Tickets £5 Concessions £4.50 to include light refreshments

Advance tickets from Joyce Hurrell tel. 01787 379456

## Boxford Drama Group Panto

Well, another year, another performance, yes it's panto time again. This year's panto is "Pinocchio" which has been written by the Boxford Drama Group's one and only Sally Phillips. Tickets are on sale at Boxford Village Hall on November 10th between 9a.m. and 10a.m., then afterwards at the Boxford Newsagents. Performance dates are 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th December. Tickets for Wednesday 5th are £6 for adults, £3 for children; there is no meal on that evening. Thursday, Friday and Saturday are £12 with meal. There will be a licensed bar.

Anne Tyers (producer)

## EDWARDSTONE CHRISTMAS FAIR 2007

November 1st/2nd

Such was the success of last year's Fair that this year our Fair will once again take place over two days with our innovative Festive Shopping Evening on Thursday, November 1st followed by our increasingly popular Main Fair the next day.

We have a fantastic selection of stalls selling a wide variety of goods from delicious foodstuffs and stylish home-wares to children's gifts, fashion accessories and jewellery – great Christmas ideas for all the family!

And don't forget our delicious home-made cakes and savouries, the beautiful hand-made crafts and, of course, the famous Edwardstone Christmas Pudding – if you don't want to miss out on a pudding it beforehand (see below).

This is always a lovely opportunity to get some early Christmas shopping done in a

congenial and festive atmosphere. Everyone's welcome so don't miss it!

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Boxford Village Hall.

## Garden Society Meeting.

Wednesday 26th September at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

This is a short meeting to test the response and form a committee to take things forward. Information on the original society which may be of interest will be available to look at. There will be tea and biscuits and a chance for gardeners to have a chat. We hope for reasonable attendance and look forward to meeting you.

## Afternoon Bingo.

Every Tuesday starting Tuesday 9th October 2pm till 4pm in Boxford Village Hall.

Doors open at 1.30 pm for 2pm start.

Tea and biscuits at interval.

## New Year's Eve Gala Dinner Ball

Monday 31st December 2007

Glass of Champagne served with Chef's Appetisers on arrival  
Exquisite 5-Course Dinner:

### Starter

Cajun Chicken served with a Mango Salsa  
Chargrilled Vegetables & Goats Cheese served with a Puy Lentil Dressing

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A Refreshing...

Lemon Sorbet

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### Main Course

Roast Fillet of Beef with Wild Mushrooms  
Wild Mushroom & Spinach served in a Puff Pastry Box - V  
served on Dauphinoise Potatoes and Selection of Fresh Vegetables

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### Dessert

Fresh Raspberry & Drambuie Trifle

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Selection of English & Continental Cheeses

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Freshly Brewed Coffee & Petit Fours

£65.00 per person (members) ¥ £75.00 per person (non-members)

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*Day off: Monday*

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*Please let any of the above or a Churchwarden know if you would like a home visit, home communion or a hospital visit, or of any cases of sickness or otherwise where they might be of assistance.*

**Benefice house:** Mary's House, 5 Swan Street, Boxford CO10 5NZ

The People of the Box River Benefice,

We had a family reunion in September and it brought home to me how important family really is. It was noticeable that my wife's family was well represented while mine was not. I really enjoyed meeting and talking to members of Joan's family, some of whom I had never met. However I have to admit that I felt sad that so few members of my family were present. A couple of disagreements between branches of the family and my mother in the past effectively severed communications to the extent that there is now no way now to communicate. It makes me realise how those who have been adopted feel and how important it is to them to establish their roots.

Since the deaths of my parents there are so many questions that I and I know my sister would have liked to ask them but cannot. At the same time there is no one else within the family who we can ask either. There is a song by Mike and the Mechanics called something like 'The Living Years' which speaks of the regret the singer has that he did not communicate with his father when he was still alive. We never know when death is going to take a loved one, or us, and so it is important that we communicate with our family on the basis that we may never see them again.

Family is so important and yet we often take it for granted especially our more removed family members. The upsurge in family tree research highlights the interest we have in where we come from. I do not put it down as some cynics do to the need to find some links to fame in our line. Occasionally when filling in forms for weddings I have had to put 'not known' under, 'Father's Occupation', not because the child is unsure of what their father does for a living, but because communication was severed years previously.

What it probably boils down to is relationships and the importance of servicing them. I use the word servicing deliberately because just as with a car relationships need regular checks to make sure they are functioning correctly. Any damage, which has been done to the relationship, needs to be repaired. In the end though it is down to forgiveness. Forgiveness not only mends relationships but it also assures those in the relationship that forgiveness within that relationship is available in the future should it be required.

This is the scenario we have with our heavenly Father. Our relationship had deteriorated to the extent that communication was all but non-existent. God sent his son to be the catalyst which recreated the relationship and re-established communication. We know that should we do anything to stretch or break our relationship with God there is still forgiveness available through the work of Jesus.

The bottom line is that we need to renew our relationships as a matter of urgency, our relationships with family, friends and especially with our God.

God's richest blessings

*David*



## THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

### Churchwardens:

*Ruth Kingsbury, as Christopher above*

*Peter Patrick, Amberley,*

*White Street Green. tel 210346*

### Thought for the month:

God of promise, you offer us the gift of eternal life in your Son Jesus Christ, give us the courage to choose wisely, to turn our backs on all that would lead us away from you, and instead to follow Christ, who is the way, the truth and the life. Amen *Jane Sinclair*

**PETS SERVICE** There will be a Pets Service on Sunday 28th October at 9.30 am. Please do bring along your "well behaved" family pets to this family service.

**Bible study group:** Meets the 1st & third Monday's during the month at 8.00pm at 47 Swan Street Boxford - We are currently exploring St.Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians. All are welcome to this time of fellowship.

### House Group:

Meets at Brook House, Fen Street Boxford at 8.00pm 1st & 3rd Thursdays each month. A time of reflection & fellowship while looking at St.Paul's letter to the Romans. All are made very welcome.

*G. & P. Barnes*

### The Prayer Group:

Meets at 7.30pm at Mary's House, 5 Swan Street Boxford the 1st & 3rd Tuesdays each month. Please consider spending a short time in quiet prayer & thought for the needs of the church & community.

### Little Angels Mothers & Toddlers Group:

They meet in church - 2.30pm the 1st Friday each month. Do come for some refreshment in our Parish Church.

### Box River Club:

The Box River Club recommenced on Friday 14th September and there were some changes, instead of meeting as previously twice a month, we will be meeting every Friday throughout the term, and hopefully improve continuity and make life easier for Parents.

We will also meet the children at 3.15pm in the school hall and take them to the church next door for our meetings each Friday and finish by about 4.15pm as agreed by our Rector David Matthews and his wife Joan.

We hope everyone will agree to this and send their children along, we do understand that some children will have moved on to Stoke Middle school, but there will also be new children starting school for the first time, who we would warmly welcome and care for them.

### Smile lines:

When the minister announced the first hymn, "Ten thousand times ten thousand!" a little boy turned to his father and asked, "Does he want us to work that out?"



## THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

**Churchwarden:**  
*Vacant*

### EDWARDSTONE CHRISTMAS FAIR 2007 - NOVEMBER 1ST/2ND:

This year's Fair will once again be held over two days with our hugely enjoyable Festive Shopping Evening in the Church on Thursday, November 1st from 7.00 p.m. to 9.30 pm followed by the Main Fair in the Church and the Village Hall the next day from 9.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. The Evening Event sees the return of Richard Sunderland from the Crown at Stoke by Nayland promoting a selection of wines to order, ideal for all your Christmas festivities.

Over both days we have, as always, a wide variety of wonderful stalls selling everything from cookware, delicious foodstuffs and stationery to beautiful jewellery, fashion accessories and children's gifts – and don't forget the Famous Edwardstone Christmas Pudding (to pre-order, phone Sally on 211266).

The 2007 Fair looks set to be even bigger and better than before and we look forward to seeing you all there. *Diana Hawke 211403*

### EDWARDSTONE PARISH HALL STORAGE CONTAINERS:

Earlier this year we purchased matching containers for our cutlery and cruet sets.

I noticed last week that two of the containers no longer match.

If you also have containers that do not match please contact me and I shall be pleased to arrange to swap them over. The Parish Hall containers are 'Lock & Lock'. *Daphne Clark 210 698*

### ROTAS:

	<b>Sidesman</b>	<b>Cleaning</b>	<b>Flowers</b>
<b>Oct 7:</b>	UBS (Groton)	Mr & Mrs Dodd	All arrangers
<b>Oct 14:</b>	Mrs Dodd	Mrs Morris & Mrs Kennett	
<b>Oct 21:</b>	Mr Boggis	Mrs Morris & Mrs Kennett	
<b>Oct 28:</b>	Visiting Sunday	Mrs Clarke & Mrs Clark	



## THE PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW, GROTON

**Churchwardens:** *Jayne Foster:*  
*Ramblers, Bulmer Lane. 211360*  
*Sue Edwards:*  
*Cotlee, The Street, Groton; tel 210785*

### FROM THE REGISTERS:

17th August, Interment of Ashes: JACK NOEL SAUNDERS

**PCC MEETING: Wednesday 3rd October at 7.30 pm at Mary's House, Boxford.**

### GROTON'S HARVEST SUPPER:

**Saturday, October 13th at 7.30pm, in Groton Village Hall**

Here we are again, it's time for the Harvest Supper once more:-- there will be the usual format, "Pat and Gerald" Bar, a small Quiz, excellent company, and of course a delicious hot supper cooked and served by the Groton Church Fund-Raising team, all for the amazing price of £7.50 per head. So get your tickets now from Pat Kennedy Scott [210319], Pat Bowdidge [211553], or any member of Groton PCC. All proceeds to St. Bartholomew's Church.

### Bank Holiday Weekend at Groton Church

What a fun time it was! Church flowers for "Herb Queen", Jekka McVicar's talks resulted in beautifully natural displays, with the emphasis on herbs and garden plants, in line with the theme "Herbs are more than a Garnish". Complementing these arrangements were Sandy Larkman's colourful flower pictures - an extra bonus! One of the 80 visitors to the Friday evening talk was an old friend of Jekka, Beth Chatto, who commented to me how unusual and lovely it was to see a Flower Festival "without all the usual flowers from Holland".

We have to thank Anthea Scriven for persuading Jekka and her husband to give their time to drive up from the West Country - for Jekka is her niece and an aunt's wish has to be obeyed!

Friday evening's talk and slides were as interesting and informative as we'd hoped and ended with tempting canapes and wine and the chance to buy pots of herbs.

Saturday - sunny and warm - lunch for 40 in the Churchyard had Peter

Kennedy Scott presiding over a rapidly diminishing local ham. Side dishes and puddings to round it all off made for a delicious and relaxing lunch in sun or shade under the gazebos, followed by a most entertaining talk with slides by Jekka on her "Fourteen years at the Chelsea Flower Show". How we all chuckled at her anecdotes and experiences - chats with the Royals and advice on getting rid of rabbits (Jekka still has her head!), whizzy pictures with his motor bike of Jekka and Jamie Oliver, who first coined the description "Herb Queen", and much more. A magical two days and one that will be remembered for a long time.

*Rosie Osborne*

### ROTAS:

<b>Sidesman with Sacristan:</b>	Mr & Mrs Smith
<b>Flowers:</b>	Ms Finch
<b>Cleaning:</b>	Mrs Skinner



## THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

**Churchwardens**

*Vacant*

### HARVEST SUPPER:

Our Harvest Supper and quiz will take place on Saturday 20th October. 7.15 pm for 7.30 pm. in the Parish Room. Tickets are £7.50 for a two course supper. Wine and soft drinks can be purchased separately. Tickets are available from Tim or Sandra Harbord on 01787 247034.

### FLOWER FESTIVAL:

The PCC would like to thank everyone who contributed to a very successful weekend, in particular Audrey Ewen and her flower ladies whose flower displays in the church were exceptional. For the first time we had a scarecrow competition, and thank you to everyone who entered. The weekend concluded with a well attended songs of praise.

### ROTAS:

	<b>Sidesman</b>	<b>Flowers</b>
<b>Oct 7:</b>	UBS (Groton)	Mrs Clive
<b>Oct 14:</b>	Visiting	Mrs Grunsell
<b>Oct 21:</b>	Mrs Gardiner & Mr Powell	Mrs Harbord
<b>Oct 28:</b>	Mr Squirrel	Mrs Ewen



## THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

**Churchwarden:**

*Vacant*

## General Church News

### Hosts or hostesses!

Would you like to welcome visitors to Mary's House- 5, Swan Street-with a coffee? Lots of local people and visiting tourists like to have a cuppa, and as hosts we get to chat to lots of interesting folk. We have a few gaps in the rota for Mondays (this could be negotiated for a different day), so if you, perhaps with a friend, would like to do this just one morning a month, please ring Pauline Lamming 210360, or pop into Mary's House and have a chat with one of the volunteers. It's an enjoyable morning - give it a try! *Pauline Lamming*

### NEW BISHOP'S ENTHRONEMENT

The Confirmation of the Rt Revd Nigel Stock as Diocesan Bishop of St Edmundsbury & Ipswich is to take place in a ceremony in the crypt of St Mary-le-Bow Church in London at 5.00 pm on Monday 22nd October. From that moment he formally becomes our new diocesan bishop. David Lamming, who was one of the six diocesan representatives on the Crown Nominations Commission that selected Bishop Nigel, hopes to be present.

Bishop Nigel will be moving into the diocese in early November and his enthronement service is to be at the Cathedral in Bury St Edmunds at 2.30 pm on Tuesday, 20th November — St Edmund's Day.

Please continue to pray for Bishop Nigel and his wife, Carolyne, as they prepare to come to Suffolk.

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## Boxford Study Centre Literature Group

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# Women Writing About Women 1880 - 1945

Olive Shreiner: *The Story of an African Farm*  
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# BOX RIVER SPORTS

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## CHARITY GOLF DAY RAISES £1,500

Women golfers from 19 clubs in East Anglia took part in a charity golf day that raised £1,500.

The event was staged by the ladies' section of Newton Green Golf Club in aid of Arthritis Research Campaign (ARC).

Supporting the event was the Bury St Edmunds committee of ARC, with members turning up in the guise of the ARC-Angels to provide on-course refreshments and run a raffle in aid of the cause. The day was also staged in association with Howlett of Lavenham.

The charity is dedicated to finding the cause and ultimate cure for some 200 different types of arthritis and rheumatism, the Bury committee having last year raised £23,000 to help fight the illness.

The day was fully subscribed with 80 players competing in a Stableford team event.

Results: 83 points Debbie Howlett (Newton), Janet Christmas (Brett Vale), Karen Wilby (Colchester) and Anne Hemmings (Stoke-by-Nayland); 79 Daphne Bloomfield, Madryn Abnett, Fiona Prentice and Alison Cadman (all Colchester); 78 Sally Francis, Majorie Royal, Lynday Sterry and Fiona Brown (all Maldon).



*Above:* Arthritis Research Campaign fund raiser Jenny Oakshott receiving a cheque for £1,500 from Newton Green ladies' captain Liz Ward. In the centre, left to right, are golfing prize winners Karen Wilby Janet Christmas and Debbie Howlett.

*Below:* The ARC-Angels getting ready to refresh the competitors are, from left to right: Fiona Camp, of Brettenham, Barbara Beever, of Pakenham, Olwen Ingram, of Hintlesham, Pippa Harvey, of Rattlesden, and Dindy Tyrrell, of Hawstead.



## WINNING START FOR ROVERS

There was a winning start for Rovers First Team as the reserves sit tight

Boxford Rovers' Men made a winning start in their first two league matches - but face a tricky game on their first game back at Homefield in two years.

The Homefielders beat Cornard Athletic 5-2 at Nayland's Webb's Meadow pitch (their home for the past two seasons) and held on to beat Cornard Hammers 2-1 at Cornard Upper School. Goals from Tim Kerr (2), Phil Chaplin, Ben Patrick and Dom Emery were enough to humble Athletic - whilst 'skipper Matt Silver and Matt Patrick provided the goals against the Hammers. Boxford fielded makeshift teams in both games as many first teamers were still away on holiday or injured. Rovers will face Haverhill in the Treadfirst Cup - the team that ran away with the Division One championship last year. Certainly a good tie to launch the new pitch.

Boxford's Reserve Team, managed by Denis Wood, are yet to face a fixture as their opponents have been either suspended by the FA (Colne Rovers) or unable to field a team (Cornard Blades). However, they'll be pushed hard in their first game of the season as they face Division One side Cole Green in the first round of the Treadfirst Cup. The Reserves will be based at Webb's Meadow this season and games for both teams will kick off at 10.30am.

The two men's teams in the village now have their own website - this is [www.boxfordrovers.com](http://www.boxfordrovers.com). This includes all the information about upcoming games, news and stats. This complements the excellent BRYFC website [www.intheteam.com/boxfordrovers](http://www.intheteam.com/boxfordrovers) where details and match reports from Boxford's 14 mini's, junior, girls and senior teams can be found.



*Above:* Hamilton, Holder and Woodfield (white shirts) receive their instructions from the referee in their first game of the season - their last game at Nayland's Webb's Meadow.

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## Wot's On

### OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

#### It's shoebox time again

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On Wednesday 3rd at 2.00pm please come with empty boxes and any wrapping paper you might have left over from last year.

Then on Wednesday 24th at 2.00pm we will be back again to fill them with toys, games, pens and crayons, toiletries etc.

Last year we had a good response to our request for fillers for the boxes and all are welcome to stay and help on either or both afternoons.

If you wish to leave any empty boxes at Mary's house before 3rd October we will store them for you.

The leaflets will be available soon giving ideas for filling the boxes. The age groups are 2-4 years, 5-9 years and 10-14 years.

To all our knitters, please keep knitting!

For further information please phone:

Ann Porter 01787210581 or Jennie Lindsley 01787210520

### FILMS AT POLSTEAD VILLAGE HALL

We will be showing "Notes on a Scandal" (15) on Friday 12 October and "The Queen" (12) on Friday 16 November.

Doors open at 7-00pm and films begin at 7-30pm. The Hall is fully licensed so there is a bar. Tea, coffee and Suffolk ice-cream are also available to add to the enjoyment of the evening.

Tickets, £3-50, can be booked in advance at the Community Shop, or by ringing 01787 210029. Sue Wigglesworth

#### Boxford St Mary's

### Harvest Festival and Bring and Share Lunch

Sunday 30th September at 11.00am

The Harvest Festival will be held on Sunday September 30th at 11.00am. The service will be followed by a 'Bring and Share' lunch to be held in the Church. Please come along and join us for this wonderful occasion

Joan Matthews

#### BOXFORD ROVERS

## MUSIC QUIZ

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# SAME TIME NEXT YEAR



Same Time Next Year! well lets hope so. I have seen this play by Bernard Slade twice before in bigger theatres and with professional casts but this was without doubt the best I have seen deserving the standing ovation it got on the last night.

The play has a cast of two who are on stage throughout the entire performance with only short intervals for a change of clothes to depict the period of each scene. Sarah Hyde who played Doris and her co Star Michael Munn were word perfect and their timing was excellent. This romantic comedy was full of drama, pathos, tragedy but most of all, comedy. Sarah and Michael seemed able to change the mood at a drop of a hat and held the audience spellbound throughout. What more can I say.

Congratulations to all involved in this excellent production by a village drama group that improves with every performance. Producers Jane Lindekam and Michael Munn, who was also the Director (what does he do in his spare time?) can be rightly proud of this performance. There were 21 other members of the group involved in the production not forgetting the Kitchen Team who provided another superb meal during the interval.

The next production will be the Pantomime. This year it is Pinocchio with a cast of thousands and Derek 'I can't remember my lines' Butler.

## CARL MASON WINS PGA SENIORS CHAMPIONSHIP

at The Stoke by Nayland Club

Carl Mason cashed in on his rich vein of form to claim a second PGA Seniors Championship at The Stoke by Nayland Club.

The 54-year-old, who led all week, romped to a fourth successive 67 and 20 under par total 268 to claim the title by six shots from Costantino Rocca and France's Philippe Dugeny who broke the Gainsborough course record with a nine under par 63.

"It's pretty special to win a second PGA Seniors Championship title and I'm pleased with the way I played because it's difficult to lead from the front and by so many," he said. Mason, who was again in deadly form on the greens as he chalked up further birdies on five, seven, 16 and 17, paid tribute to the Gainsborough Course and the superb greens, which were rated by the Professionals taking part as being amongst the best on the Seniors circuit.



The victorious Carl Mason with family directors of the Stoke Club and club captain



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Little Waldingfield	247784

## Edwardstone Parish Council

*No confirmation of make up of new council yet*

<b>Sharon Silverthorne</b> (Chairman)	
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<b>Matthew Glason</b>	
<b>Paul Clarke</b> Hazel Cottage	210689
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## The Church At Worship

### October

Wednesday 3rd                    10.30    Holy Communion Mary's House    The Revd. David Matthews  
 Saturday 6th  
 Groton                            14.30    Wedding Helen Lamming/Mark Heath    The Revd. David Matthews

Sunday 7th	18th Sunday After Trinity		
Groton	9.30	United Benefice Service	The Revd. David Matthews
Boxford	18.30	Evensong	Chris Kingsbury

Wednesday 10th                    10.30    Holy Communion Mary's House    The Revd. David Matthews  
 Little Waldingfield                19.00    Home Communion\*                    Tim Harbord

Sunday 14th	19th Sunday After Trinity		
Boxford	8.00	Holy Communion BCP	The Revd. David Matthews
	11.00	Matins	The Revd. David Abel
Groton	9.30	Holy Communion BCP	The Revd. David Matthews
Newton Green	9.30	Morning Prayer	Diana Stock/Jean Green
Edwardstone	11.30	Harvest Festival Matins & Morden College Visit	The Revd. David Matthews
Little Waldingfield		Visiting	

Wednesday                    17th            10.30    Holy Communion Mary's House\*    Joy Sellers

Sunday 21st	20th Sunday After Trinity		
Groton	8.00	Holy Communion BCP	The Revd. David Matthews
Little Waldingfield	9.30	Harvest Festival	The Revd. David Matthews
Boxford	11.00	Holy Communion CW	The Revd. David Abel
Newton Green	9.30	Visiting	
Edwardstone	11.00	Morning Prayer	David Lamming

Wednesday                    24th            10.30    Holy Communion Mary's House    The Revd. David Matthews  
 Little Waldingfield                19.00    Compline                                Tim Harbord

Sunday 28th	Last Sunday After Trinity		
Little Waldingfield	8.00	Holy Communion BCP	The Revd. David Matthews
Boxford	9.30	Box River Club	TBD
	11.00	Family Service	Chris Kingsbury
Groton	9.30	Holy Communion BCP	The Revd. David Abel
Newton Green	9.30	Patronal Festival	The Revd. David Matthews
Edwardstone		Holy Communion CW Visiting	

Wednesday                    31st            10.30    Holy Communion Mary's House    The Revd. David Matthews

### November

Sunday 4th	4th Sunday Before Advent		
Little Waldingfield	9.30	United Benefice Service	The Revd. David Matthews
Boxford	18.30	Evensong	Chris Kingsbury

\* Public Worship with communion by extension

Copy Date for Church News section in the October Box River News:

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# GARDENING IN OCTOBER *Harry Buckledee*

Lift and store gladioli corms to protect them from frost. If left in the ground too long they may be damaged by slugs and other pests. Clean off excess soil and place the corms in a cool airy place to dry, then dust with sulphur powder.

Tuberous begonias which have been used for bedding should also be lifted and have their stems cut back to about four or five inches then laid on the greenhouse bench. Those in pots should be laid on their side to rest. Do not give any water and the stems will drop off after a few weeks, then clean the soil from the tubers and dust with sulphur. Store in dry sand or peat in a cool dry frost free place for the winter.

Clear beds of summer bedding plants where you intend to plant wallflowers, for-get-me-nots, etc. for a spring display. Plant now while the soil is still warm and they can become well rooted before the hard weather sets in. If planted too late they will almost certainly suffer from long periods of severe frost or cold east winds, because they have not made sufficient roots to enable them to take up enough moisture to withstand these conditions. Do not manure beds for spring flowering plants, it will only encourage soft growth and make them more susceptible to frost damage.

Remove fallen leaves and weeds from rock plants. If weeds are allowed to lie thickly over these small plants, they can cause rot and kill them. A net placed over the plants and emptied every two days is one way of keeping them clear. The same applies to a pool, a net will stop leaves falling into the water and causing poisonous gasses to form as they rot.

Lift and pot up pelargoniums and bring them indoors. They need a dry atmosphere to survive the winter, a spare room in the house is ideal. Dampness is the main enemy of pelargoniums, the sort of conditions you get in a cold or partially heated green house during the months of November, December, and January.

If the weather is mild and sunny, watch out for greenfly on About the middle of the month sweet peas can be sown in pots planting outside in March. Sow up to ten seeds to a five inch pot filled with John Innes seed compost or ordinary garden soil with no added

fertiliser. Water moderately after sowing and from then on only water when absolutely necessary. Give plenty of ventilation on warm days and protect from slugs and mice.

Spread a net over your garden pool to catch fallen leaves and lift it off every week. If leaves fall into a pond and rot they will produce poisonous gasses which may be harmful to fish.

Cut down the dead foliage of asparagus to ground level and clear away any weeds. Tidy the bed and cover with two inch layer of well rotted compost.

Plants which have been standing out for some time should be turned out of their pots and any worms that have got into the compost should be removed to prevent root disturbance. Late in the month we can expect the first frost. Listen to the weather forecasts early evening and be prepared to protect any tender plants that are outside.

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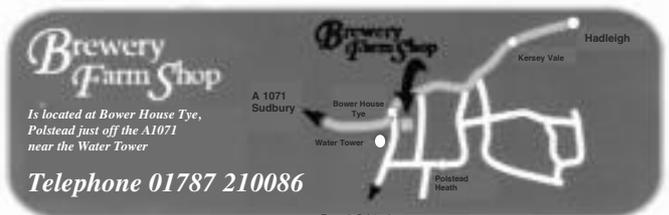
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## Box River Soap Box

It was not difficult to pick out the puppy we wanted from the litter. For a start, we had asked for a dog, and there were a preponderance of bitches left available when we came to make our choice. The breeding strain was well known to us, though it would not have been to any compiler of doggy family trees. The terriers attached to the kennels that served the Galway Blazers hunt were free-spirited and very, very mixed. And our choice was very much the runt of the litter. Without hesitation we named him "Beamish".

To visit the home of the Galway Blazers was, to say the least, an experience. The origin of the name alone should set you thinking about what you are letting yourself in for. Naively I thought "Blazers" might be a reference to the style of coat they wore while hunting. Not a bit of it. Apparently, at one of their first hunt balls, such was the vigorous nature of the dancing that tables were upturned, lamps broken and, the nature of lighting being what it was in those days, a fire started which burnt the inn hosting the ball to the ground. Their reputation – and the name – spread far and wide.

The kennels where the terriers lived was in the village of Craughwell, some 10 miles shy of Galway City on the main road to Dublin. There, the mixture of stables, kennels and living accommodation for the wide variety of those responsible for working with and for the hunt had an old-fashioned air. The buildings were serviceable, but far from smart. Animals of every kind ran loose everywhere, including a Vietnamese pot-bellied pig with a penchant for bananas. Our holidays there, courtesy of one of the hunt masters, always provided a tale or two to regale to our friends in the pub or after dinner.

Our relationship with the Blazers terrier pack went back several years before this much loved dog came into our lives. We had acquired the brother of the terrier that was the mother of the puppy that was to become – for us at any rate – "The Best Dog in the World". Basil, as we had called our new puppy's uncle, was not a well dog. Indeed, not long after his nephew joined our family, a particularly severe epileptic fit made us realize it would be kinder to put him to rest. But at least we then had Beamish.

Looking back over nearly 14 years, I still cannot be certain quite why we called him Beamish. True, he was Irish. And there was more than a little black and creamy white in his colouring. But his predominant colour was brown – light brown, with just the odd streak of white and black. And from the rough coated terrier he was as a puppy grew a long haired lovable bundle of fluff that was as good natured a dog as any I have ever known.

His long coat earned him the nickname of the King of Sheba – that and the regal approach that seemed so natural to him. He weighed less than a stone, but somehow his long coat made him appear more substantial. And his diminutive size did not make him a shrinking violet. Indeed, like any terrier he was capable of biting off more than he could chew – on a couple of occasions with near fatal consequences.

But you could trust Beamish with anyone. He loved children and his patience, as inquisitive fingers pulled at his fur and his feet, was remarkable in the extreme. Growling did not feature in his doggy vocabulary, or at least it didn't until his nephew joined our family. Bruno, the third of the Craughwell breed and our only dog at present, did stimulate the odd more vocal debate between the two of them, usually over which should have domain over the soft bed by the window overlooking the garden.

Losing a pet is never easy. Being present when the vet delivers the feared for diagnosis and the decision is taken to end a small but happy life is hard in the extreme. And so it was for us earlier this summer. He lives on though – in the garden, where his ashes are buried, in little notes and reminders in a variety of places – some are strange, to say the least. And in our hearts. Beamish will always be – "The Best Dog in the World". Top dog, amongst a field of many. And the King of Sheba. What he will never be is forgotten.

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# Parish Council Matters

## Meeting of Newton Parish Council

25th July 2007 in the Village Hall

**Present:** Cllr Alan Vince (Chairman), Cllr Gary Flowers, Cllr Roy Gardner, Cllr Peter Haylock, Cllr Colin Poole, Cllr Rita Schwenk

**Attending:** Dave Crimmin (Clerk)

**Apologies for Absence** Apologies were received from Cllr Wade

**Declaration of Interest** Cllr Schwenk declared a personal and prejudicial interest in Item 4a of the agenda as her husband works for Wheldons and left the meeting while this item was discussed.

**Minutes of Meeting** held on 11th July 2007 The minutes of the meeting was approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

With no members of the public present there was no Public Forum.

### Planning

a. The councillors reviewed and agreed to positively support Planning Application B/07/00940 Farm Shop at Weldons Fruit Farm – erection of new building to provide Farm Shop (to replace existing 'Pick Your Own' and existing farm shop). The councillors consider the security of existing jobs, creation of new jobs, a shop within walking distance of the village and access to the proposed shop via cycle ways and through the farm are very important in the sustainability of Newton.

b. The councillors reviewed and agreed to support Planning Application B/07/01047 The Birches, Sudbury Road – erection of single-storey front and rear extension and erection of detached double carport.

### Playground Checklist for Disability Discrimination Act 1995

After reviewing Part 9 of Cllr Poole's audit of the Playground in accordance to the Disability Discrimination Act 1995, the councillors resolved the following:

a. Cllr Gardner to paint the flat swings support poles and safety barriers in a bright "hammerite" finish within a budget of £20

b. Councillors to create work team to undertake remedial action on the compaction and depth of the wood bark chippings before the end of August 2007

c. The issues with regard to remedial maintenance to grass cutting, nettles, thistles, mushrooms and brambles has been actioned by Cllr Flowers within the maintenance contract

d. Clerk to write to Newton Green Trust, and copy the Golf Club, informing them of the recommendations of no golf practice within 10 metres of play equipment nor anywhere on the football pitch

e. Clerk to update NPC's sign to include directions to nearest public phone and emergency number.

### Questions to Chair

The councillors agreed to hold a presentation of the Suffolk Association of Local Council's long service awards to Messrs Buckledee and Taylor on the 19th September 2007. Cllr Vince will co-ordinate with Clerk and report back to next meeting. The NPC coffee morning will be held on 5th April 2008.

**Date of next NPC meeting** which will be held in the Village Hall at 7:30pm on Wednesday 12th September 2007.

The meeting closed at 7.15pm

## Edwardstone Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE 366TH. PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

20TH August 2007

**1. PRESENT:** Sharon Silverthorne (Chairman), D.Tolhurst (Clerk), J.Paul, Rodger-Brown, M.Glason, S.Flack, C.Boggis, S.Boggis, S.Pryor (County Council), B.Huren (District Council), P.C.S.O. Coleman (Police).

**2. APOLOGIES:** None

**3. COUNTY COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** Selwyn Pryor said that these were turbulent times with the unitary matters in Ipswich. Education is also a problematic subject as a great deal of organization is needed. The closure of middle schools is not justified he feels as do many others. The teachers in our area are excellent but only improved management will improve the situation. The government is only offering money for new schools if middle schools are closed.

**4. DISTRICT COUNCILLOR'S REPORT:** Bryn Huren said the new council is bedding in well and there are 14 new councillors. There are 3 political leaders instead of 4 which makes decisions difficult. The council is already busy with the council tax problem and attempts to keep increases in line with inflation. He is in favour of the unity system but not the governments version! There was further discussion on the merits of charging for long term parking.

**5. AOB** Accommodation for elderly people: Possible changes are pending and the council is against closure of Angel Court for example. The village Hall remains the popular site for voting in the future. There was some discussion on improving the facilities for children at the Millennium Green.

### 6. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

Planning application B/07/01358/FHA/MB Raising roof and addition of 4

domer windows at Rosecot, Mill Green. There were no objections.

**7. POLICE REPORT:** P.C.S.O. Coleman presented 3 copies of our local officers for our notice boards.

This year only 2 crimes have occurred in the parish: Assault and damage at the White Horse and burglary at Edwardstone Farm House.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING** NOVEMBER 19TH 2007

## Little Waldingfield Parish Council

The council met on 11th September.

6 councillors and 5 villagers attended.

**Police matters.** No officer attended but at last we received a report. No crimes were reported between 26th June and 11th September but there was a dispute over fencing between neighbours on 6th August.

**The minutes** were approved and signed. There were no matters arising.

**Financial matters.** Cheques were signed for £215.07 and £160 for insurance and grass cutting. £31.75 was received for the bottle bank.

**Planning matters.** Planning applications were received for a conservatory at 26 Croft Lea and for a further house at No 1 The Street and rear extensions to both.

**Correspondence.** Notice received of the temporary closure of Church Road from Pink Cottage to Archers Farm from 8th October to 11th November for the laying of a water main. An appeal for volunteers to join the Shaping Health Forum was received. Details are with the clerk if you are interested.

**Churchyard.** The remaining "rubble" following the work on the walls is to be tidied up.

**Any other business.** Concern was expressed over overhanging / overgrown hedges causing narrowing of the B1115 and the clerk is to write to SCC. The Conservation Area Appraisal, which was available for viewing on 5th September in the Parish Room, was discussed and the council agreed it was generally acceptable. It is in favour of moving of the conservation boundary to the footpath across Churchfield, but the planting of lime trees by the path is not popular with some residents and it was proposed that the Playingfield should become part of the Area, as long as this did not restrict their use of the field and the continual upgrading of the facilities.

**The next meeting** will be on 9th October at 7.30pm in the Parish Room.

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4th No152	£5	Keith Partridge	Homefield

# Boxford School News

Well here we go again. What happened to the summer? The older I get the faster time seems to go, a common complaint from many people I know!

Still coming back to school after the long summer break is always an interesting time as we welcome back our pupils from last year and get to know those who are starting with us for the very first time. It always amazes me how quickly everything settles down and how the children calmly fit back into school routines.

The end of last term was as always very busy with so many sports and other events to fit in over a short period of time. Our sports teams had a particularly successful time winning three inter school tournaments in a week. Congratulations to Ms Oxley and all of the children who took part. Full details of our successes can be found on our website at [www.boxford.suffolk.sch.uk](http://www.boxford.suffolk.sch.uk). The website also contains many other items which may be of interest including details of the week ahead. By clicking on the rotating NEW icon you will be able to access the latest additions. The end of a summer term is also a sad time for us all as we said goodbye to our Year 4 pupils and parents. I hope that your children have settled well into their new schools and that you will keep in touch as the years go by. We are always pleased to hear from and see ex-pupils.

As always this term promises to be a busy and exciting one as we lead up to, dare I mention it, Christmas. However before we can even begin to think about the festive season we have the little matter of the Harvest Festival to prepare for. This year the children's contribution to the church's harvest weekend will be on Thursday 27th September in St Mary's Church starting at 9.30 a.m. All of the children will be taking part including Nursery so it promises to be a very enjoyable service. Following the service there will be display of the produce that the children bring in and on the following Monday we will be distributing it to local people and the St Helena Hospice in Colchester.

Finally we will soon be sending out application forms for children who are due to start main school in the next academic year. These will be pupils born between 1st September 2003 and 31st August 2004. If you have a child born between these dates, would like a place at our school and have not yet registered for please do so as soon as possible. Failure to do so could result in a place being offered to another child.



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# BOXFORD ROVERS YFC NEWS



On the opening day of the league season, Boxford Rovers Youth Football Club enjoyed good results. Leading the way were the Under 11's (pictured above), playing their first 11-a-side league game and winning at Tempest 8 – 0. Goals came from Joe Archer (4), Richard Abbott (2), Liam Hazell and an own goal. Close behind in the success stakes came the Under 13's, newly promoted to the A league, running out 4 – 1 winners at New Latchingdon. Debutant Michael Folan scored twice, fellow debutant Jonathan Moore added another and Ross Waugh scored from the penalty spot.

Last gasp success for the Under 8's in their first match. Coming from 2 goals down, Oliver Salt completed his hattrick with the last kick of the game to complete a 3 – 2 win against Clare Lions. While the Under 15's missed their injured goalkeeper in going down 5 – 0, the Under 16's had a good result in drawing 2 – 2, moving into the A league and playing Frinton and Walton, one of last seasons top teams.

With the Under 9's, Under 12's and Under 15's girls having started their league season by the time you read this, watch this space for more Boxford Rovers YFC success.



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## Readers Letters

Sir

"Ken and Pauline Cox would like to extend their grateful thanks to everyone who has supported the family throughout Violet's recent ill-health and during the sad passing of Fred. The last ten months have proved to be a difficult and emotional time and we have appreciated the practical support and words of kindness offered"

Ken and Pauline Cox

Sir,

I would like to respond to your article in the September edition of Box River News, 'A1071 Death Trap'. As a motor cyclist, and car driver, I do not agree that all motor cyclists should be tarred with the same brush. As a local resident for the past 37 years, I have noticed a large number of different vehicles speeding through the A1071 Boxford By Pass. Today, 10th September, the safe cam was in situ until 6 p.m.

Mark

Sir

### Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride - 2007

A big thank you to all who sponsored us for our bike ride for the benefit of St Lawrence Church in Little Waldingfield. We cycled 42 miles and visited 21 churches in villages on a route including Boxford, Kersey, Bildeston to Long Melford and back home! Our total sponsorship was £537.75 so thank you very much for your support.

Coleen and Lucy, Little Waldingfield

Sir

I refer to your article headed "A1071 Deathtrap" in the September edition of the Box River News. As you have named me in your article, I feel I should reply.

1. I certainly do keep an eye on the purse strings as this is tax payers money and I need to spend their money wisely. In the case of road safety the work we are doing throughout the County, in conjunction with the Police, Fire and Ambulance Service and working with specific groups, such as young people, motorcyclists, older drivers and other vulnerable groups, is having a significant impact on reducing the number of casualties on our roads. Please visit our website [www.suffolkroadsafe.net](http://www.suffolkroadsafe.net).

2. As I understand it, the editor was not present at the meeting to which he refers and therefore the remarks about my officer should be seen in that context.

3. The Boxford Parish Council contacted our Area Highways Manager shortly after the collision. He advised that, in his opinion the visibility was adequate. A subsequent meeting to which you refer with one of my officers, together with the Parish Council, came to the same view. Since then, my Road Safety Team have visited the site to assess the actual visibility at the junction and from that site survey they have confirmed that the visibility complies with the minimum standards, as the A1071 is restricted to a 40 mph speed limit.

4. Much of this work was done prior to the article in the Box River News, following concerns raised by the Boxford Parish Council and I would like to commend the Parish Council for the active role they have played in this matter.

Finally we have to await the outcome of the police investigation and the coroners report before we can reach any conclusion as to the cause of the collision. However, we acknowledge that, despite the significant efforts of the police, some traffic continues to travel in excess of 40 mph past the junction. Therefore I have agreed with the Parish Council that we will cut back the trees to increase the visibility this Autumn

Yours sincerely

Jeremy Pembroke Leader of Suffolk County Council

Sir

### The Late Ray Moody

Brenda would like to thank most sincerely, all who donated to charity in Ray's memory. £60 has been sent to Walnutree Hospital, Sudbury and £106 has been sent to SESAW at Leavenheath

Brenda Moody

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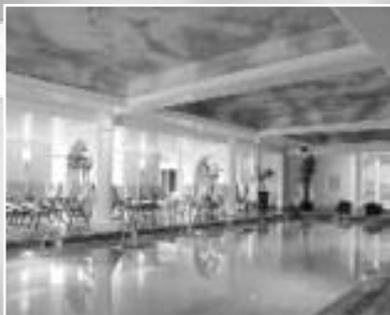
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# Wot's On



## HADLEIGH CHORAL SOCIETY AUTUMN CONCERT

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Tickets are £15.00, (children under 16 years of age £5.00). Available at The Idler Book Shop, High St, Hadleigh, or by telephoning 01473 652433. **EARLY BOOKING IS ADVISABLE.**

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX APPEAL

Just a reminder about the two afternoons at Mary's house.

Wednesday 3rd October at 2.00pm for shoebox wrapping.

Wednesday 24th October at 2.00pm for shoebox filling.

Any donations of wrapping paper and empty shoeboxes will be most welcome.

Also toys, games, pens and pencils, toiletries, in fact anything suitable to fit in a medium size shoebox. Please could we also have the hats, mittens and scarves by the 24th Oct. They can be left at Mary's house or Ann or Jennie can arrange to collect them. Once again the leaflets will be in the village shops with all the details if you would prefer to fill your own boxes.

Please phone Ann Porter on 01787 210581 or Jennie Lindsley on 01787 210520 if you require any further information.

## GROTON'S HARVEST SUPPER

Saturday, October 13th at 7.30pm, in Groton Village Hall

Here we are again, it's time for the Harvest Supper once more:-- there will be the usual format, "Pat and Gerald" Bar, a small Quiz, excellent company, and of course a delicious hot supper cooked and served by the Groton Church Fund-Raising team, all for the amazing price of £7.50 per head. So get your tickets now from Pat Kennedy Scott [210319], Pat Bowdidge [211553], or any member of Groton PCC. All proceeds to St. Bartholomew's Church.

## Boxford Society Meeting.

"People, Puritans and Plague; Boxford in the 17th Century."

Saturday 3 November 7.30pm at Boxford School,

Following the success of our previous November meetings in Boxford Primary School, we have invited Clive Paine to go back further into Boxford's past. Clive is very well-known throughout Suffolk for his wide-ranging knowledge of Suffolk's history and his entertaining style of speaking. He is researching aspects of Boxford's 17th Century past and will share his findings with us at this meeting. We hope that this evening will again attract a wide range of people interested in Boxford's past. Members entrance free. Non-members may pay £2 at the door.



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Tickets priced £6.00 for adults, £4 for seniors and £3 for under 16s, are available now from 'The Idler' bookshop, 37 High Street, Hadleigh or the reception desk of 'Walter Wright Accountants' 89 High Street Hadleigh.

Performances at 7:30 pm on Thursday 25th, Friday 26th and Saturday 27th of October at the Beaumont Community Primary School, Durrant Road, Hadleigh.

Call 01473 824033 for more information

*At the interval there will be a raffle to raise funds for ChildLine, the helpline for children and young people in the UK.*

# Wot's On

## Boxford United Charities

Registered Number: -207861

Residents of Boxford, Groton Edwardstone and Assington parishes this may be of interest to you.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE TRUSTEES IS ON TUESDAY, 13th NOVEMBER 2007 AT 7:30 P.M. TO BE HELD AT "MARY'S HOUSE", SWAN STREET, BOXFORD.**

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## Notice of Annual General Meeting

**1st Boxford Scout Group Annual General Meeting** will be held at The Spinney Scout and Guide Headquarters at 8:00pm on Tuesday 2nd October 2007.

The meeting will include a presentation about this years activities and a short display from each of the groups.

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Monday October 29th - Mr S Gullup talking about Flatford Mill.

Friday October 12th - A trip to "The Bush" at Shimpling once again-coach and meal £10 members £11 non members.

Departing from the Fleece at 12.00noon returning approx 3.30pm

Any queries contact Barbara 210936 or Shirley 210024

We are still looking for a secretary, any offers!

## Boxford WI

Our September meeting took place on a hot sunny afternoon, in the beautiful, newly re-painted village hall. Which everyone agreed was an amazing transformation.

We didn't have a speaker as such this month, instead Rachel Swan ran a small workshop showing us all how easy and fun it was to make our own Christmas decorations. Thankfully Rachel had already prepared the material and card, and guided us through the tricky assembly. The natural crafts women were easy to spot from the rest of us, but we all a very enjoyable sewing afternoon. Even if it will be the only homemade decoration on some of our Christmas trees!

Next months meeting, on Wednesday 3rd October, we will be visited by a solicitor who will tell us about wills and various inheritance issues. Visitors will be more than welcome to what promises to be a very informative afternoon.

Boxford WI meet at the Village Hall from 2pm. For further information contact:

Elaine Paget on 01787 210501 or Iris Robinson on 01473 658567

*Note: My apologies to Boxford and Gt Waldingfield WI's for putting the wrong headings on their reports last month. Ed.*

*Whilst in an apologetic mood, it seems the newspaper report passed to me with the pic in 'From the archives' incorrectly said that Andrew Smith was the landlord of the Compasses when it was of course Gerald King.*

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