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A MESSAGE FROM 3PR. PRESIDENT VIC RICE

THREE PARISHES RESPONSE

3PR

BOXFORD/EDWARDSTONE/GROTON

It saddens me that I have to report that 3PR is unable to provide the level of cover that we would like to at the moment. This is due to sickness, members on University Courses and retirements at age 70. There are currently very few members available to cover the shifts and we are therefore running a greatly reduced service.

We have appealed for new recruits but have had no response.

The survival rate from sudden cardiac arrest is around 5-10% outside of a hospital setting. Chances of survival increase considerably if CPR and a Defibrillator (AED) is available within those first vital few minutes. Because of our current situation,

3PR has a spare AED available, with no staff to run it. We are therefore considering using our spare Defibrillator to install a Community Public Access Defibrillator (CPAD) site in a prominent position in the centre of the village.

A CPAD site is accessible 24 hours a day. Training is not essential for using an AED as the voice prompts give step by step instructions, and the machine will tell you whether a shock is advised or not. There have never been any reports of an AED harming the patient, user or bystander. In addition, there have been no reports of an AED delivering inappropriate shocks. However, 3PR would undertake training in AED use and CPR for whosoever would be interested. It is a life-giving skill!

In the event of a person collapsing, you will still need to dial 999 to call for the ambulance, who will direct the caller to where the CPAD site is and give them the code to open the cabinet. Obviously, 3PR will still attend if available, but this will greatly improve the service within the area. There will be no cost to the village as 3PR already have the funds to purchase a storage cabinet and to install it.



Obviously, this is a brief overview of our proposals, if you would be interested in finding out the full details, please telephone either Vic Rice (210504) or Pete Hibben (210819). There will be a village meeting on the matter in the near future.

It would mean that YOU would need to get involved. There is no greater gift than saving someone's life.

Vic Rice 210504 Peter Hibben 210819

IT'S A DOGS LIFE!



Photo David Lamming

Above: The line up for the prettiest bitch.

Below: Spiderman and his prize winning little friend.

A cold grey day kept the crowds away from the Boxford Dog Show this year but the quality of the entrants was as high as ever. It never ceases to amaze me that despite some barking and excitement there are never any dog fights. Clearly the owners have been well trained.

A full list of winners will be in next months BRN but in the mean time thanks to the judges, organisers and all those who made this annual event such good fun.



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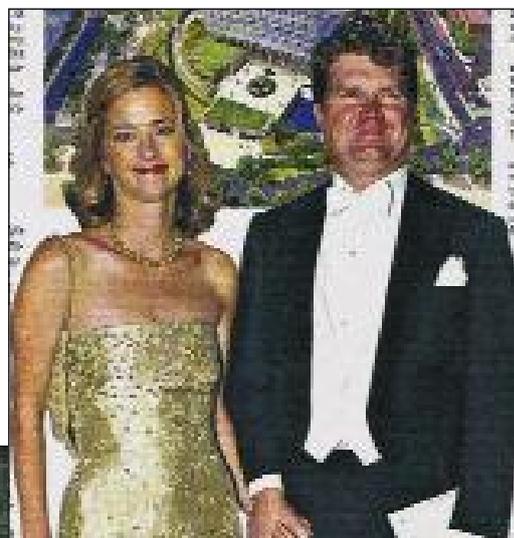
On Saturday 17 August of 30 members of the New England Genealogical Society, who spent a week in Suffolk (staying at the Angel Hotel in Bury St Edmunds) visited Groton church whilst tracing their roots.

Among the visitors were John and Libby Winthrop. In the afternoon the Americans went on to visit Edwardstone and Little Waldingfield churches.

Another bit of Winthrop-related news. The new US ambassador to the Court of St James is Matthew Winthrop Barzun. He is John's nephew. There was reference to the new ambassador's Groton roots in the news report of his swearing in by US Secretary of State, John Kerry, in The Times on 16th August. Groton PCC will be writing to him to welcome him to England and to invite him to pay them a visit during his term of office. The former US ambassador, Phil Lader, visited Groton in 1999 on the occasion of the 350th anniversary of the death of John Winthrop.)

Right

The new US ambassador Matthew Winthrop Barzun with his wife Brooke.



Below:

John Winthrop is on the far left of the group photo and Libby is fourth from the left, standing next to the Revd Judith



Photo David Lamming

FleeceJazz

at Stoke by Nayland Hotel

With Roger Beaujolais vibraphone, Robin Aspland piano, Simon Thorpe bass and Winston Clifford drums.. Roger is an acknowledged world class vibraphonist. Robin has power and pianism to spare on the piano. Simon and Winston are anybodies favourite engine room.

If you love great music, this gig will more than satisfy you.

Friday, 25 October, 8.00, Ticket £15 Ollie Howell Quintet

"So creative, I couldn't believe it. This kid really is a 360 degree beautiful young cat" - Quincy Jones. With Ollie Howell drums, Matt Robinson reeds & flute, Duncan Eagles saxophone, Mark Perry trumpet and Max Luthert bass. Ollie has worked with Quincy and other greats, and won a double handful of awards for his playing. The band is tight, with Matt (who has been compared to Woody Allen on speed), Duncan (who records at Whirlwind, as does Ollie), Mark, (who was born in 1987 and has accomplished many awards in his young life) and Max (much in demand and also a Whirlwind Artist). This is a young and supremely talented group. Do join us.

Friday, 1 November, 8.00, Ticket £15 Alex Hutton Trio

Don't miss "a great British talent and a wonderfully natural pianist" - Ronnie Scott
With Alex Hutton piano, Asaf Sirkis drums, Yuri Goloubev bass Alex is established on the London scene, having worked with Jim Mullen, Bobby Wellins, Art Themen, Pete King, Don Weller, Dave O Higgins, Dave Green, Pete Wareham. and toured North America with "Boy on a Dolphin".
What a treat to have Asaf and Yuri back to work with the excellent Alex.

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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Friday, 4 October, 8.00, Ticket £16 Julian Argüelles Quartet

Expect an evening of great variety, energy and amazing musicianship. With Julian Argüelles saxophone, Kit Downes piano, Calum Gourlay bass and James Maddren drums. Julian began touring with the European Big Band at the age of 14 He soon joined the legendary Loose Tubes. He as recently returned from a tour of North American festivals, with Kit Downes and James Maddren, who make up the quartet tonight, with Calum Gourlay on bass.

This is an exiting, tight group who will leave you breathless.

Friday, 11 October, 8.00, Ticket £16 John Law Trio

"combining the vocabularies of jazz and classical in a singular and seamless way, coalescing improvisational surprise and a deep elegiac musicality" - All About Jazz
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"It was a gratifying experience listening to both of these CDs and my appreciation of Mr. Law and his music only grew with repeated listening" - Cadence. With John Law piano, Yuri Goloubev bass and Asaf Sirkis drums
Yes, they really are that good. Yuri and Asaf are among the few who have the skill and joy to be equal thirds of this trio.

Friday, 18 October, 8.00, £15 Roger Beaujolais Quartet

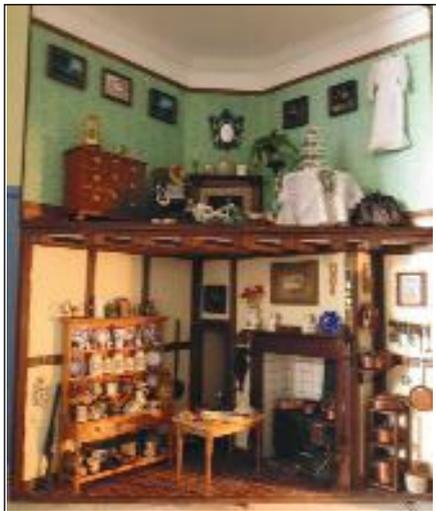
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THE OCTOBER LETTER FROM REV JUDITH

Dear friends,

When I was about seven or eight years old, I woke one Christmas morning to find that Father Christmas had brought me a wonderful doll's house. Well, in fact, it was actually a very large and spacious doll's bungalow. I found out much later that one of my father's friends had made it. To me it was perfect. A low-pitched roof, painted pillar box red, which lifted right off to reveal the rooms below. Tiny windows, complete with leaded lights and little handles, which opened. A kitchen with tiny cooker, chairs and tables. It even had a garden around it, with individual tiny plants in make-believe soil. I think I played with it for hours and gradually built up my own collection of tiny pieces of furniture to go inside.

I had forgotten all about this until recently when I visited the local history exhibition and coffee morning at Little Waldingfield's Parish Rooms. At one end of the hall, there was a wonderful display of miniature rooms created by members of the Dolls House and Miniatures Club which meets in Little Waldingfield Parish Rooms (second Tuesday of every month, 7.30pm, except December when they meet at the Swan Inn).



The painstaking work and craftsmanship that had gone into making these was clearly evident. There was a farmhouse kitchen complete with pies and loaves, a village greengrocer's shop, a greenhouse complete with tiny carrots and seedlings and several other rooms, each furnished appropriately. Perhaps most appealing to me was the old, beamed, village pub, complete with two figures, a man and woman, seated comfortably opposite each other on two settles, drinks on the table, obviously deep in amicable conversation. It was an image which had for me a poignancy, bringing back memories of my parents, who over the years enjoyed many a happy drink and pub lunch together, especially as my father was a great "people watcher", an observer of human nature.



When I came away, I asked myself, why were these tiny rooms, these tiny worlds so very appealing?. What was it about them that drew me so strongly to them? I think, on reflection, it was that, as I looked inside each one, it was like glimpsing a perfect world, a world in which everything is safe, secure, familiar and homely.

"Home" is such a powerful, emotive word

and for most of us, a word which describes the place we most like to be, the place where we can relax and be ourselves, the place we share with those we love most in the world.

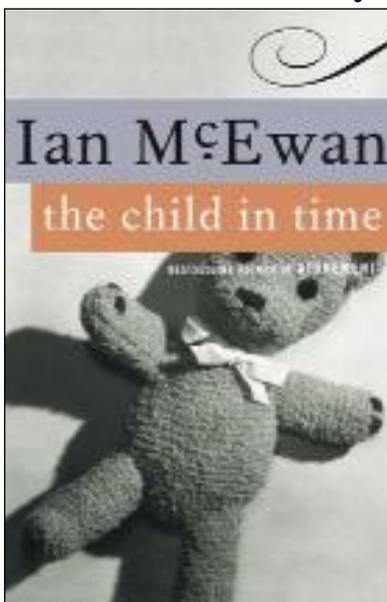
How devastating then, it must be, to be homeless, with nowhere at all to call your own, nowhere that you can go to feel safe, secure, comfortable and at ease.

For millions today, that is the sad reality in our world. Shanty towns in Latin America, India, Africa, vast cities of tents for Syrian refugees - these are all that so many people - men, women, children and the elderly - must try to call home. And even here on our own doorstep, I was staggered to learn recently that there are no less than four homeless shelters in Sudbury.

The church is sometimes described as an ark - a place of refuge, safety and security for all who come to it. What a responsibility we have, then, through our support of homelessness charities like Shelter and Crisis, and through our government and local government, to make home a reality for those who have none. Because there really is no place like home, and home really is where the heart is. Blessings, *Revd Judith*

OCTOBER BOOK REVIEW BY JO MARCHANT

'The Child in Time' by Ian McEwan



To lose your child must be a parent's worst nightmare. This is what happened to Stephen Lewis on a routine Saturday morning trip to his local supermarket. As he was placing his shopping into the trolley, he glanced down to his little three-year-old at his side, only to discover that she wasn't there. He quickly scans the aisles, then, panic rising in his throat, he shouts her name and feverishly searches the store. But his precious and only daughter has been taken in a moment of lost concentration. The uproar in the supermarket is brilliantly described by Ian McEwan, in this early novel. As you read you could so easily be a shopper in the queue behind Stephen. You share the

panic, your heart beats faster and you want to help find Kate.

That was three years ago. Stephen and his wife Julie are now living separate lives in an attempt to come to terms with their personal tragedy. Stephen lives in his messy flat in London drinking whisky and sitting in front of the television in a dream-like state trying to engage with his world. Julie, a musician, has abandoned the city for a peaceful existence in the country. They rarely meet, each in their separate agony seeking deliverance.

This novel is not about the missing child, but a compassionate study of grief. Ian McEwan is interested in childhood - past and present. He plays on the theme of childhood in varying ways, drawing upon delightful memories of his own, and describing how his best friend, a politician, is suddenly reverting to childish ways. 'The Child in Time' was written in 1987, at a difficult time for Ian McEwan - he had divorced his wife and was seeking custody of his children. Possibly the idea of childhood was dominating his thoughts.

His writing is gentle and exquisitely crafted. I read this book slowly, relishing all his beautiful descriptions of people and places. A slow, patient read may reward you too, although, as this novel is not plot-driven, nor a page-turner, it will not suit everyone.

Little did McEwan know that twenty years later the McCanns would have to endure a very public examination when their Madeleine was taken. Their anguish continues while we have the luxury of enjoying this thoughtful and complex work of fiction and then moving on to our next book.

Spooky address
Rendell sells up

Long before she became one of our most successful crime writers, Ruth Rendell showed a flair for inventing mysteries. As a cub reporter on the Chigwell Times, she wrote that a house for sale had a ghost in it. The owners were, naturally, not too pleased. She is now selling her own home in Groton, near Sudbury, Suffolk, and has resisted the temptation to plant ghouls in any of its four bedrooms or three receptions. She is keen to get her £720,000 asking price, after all; she bought it for £540,000 in 2003. Rendell, 83, has just published *No Man's Nightingale*, DCI Wexford's 24th outing. Her novels have been adapted for television and films, including Pedro Almodovar's *Live Flesh*. 01245 344222. johndwood.co.uk

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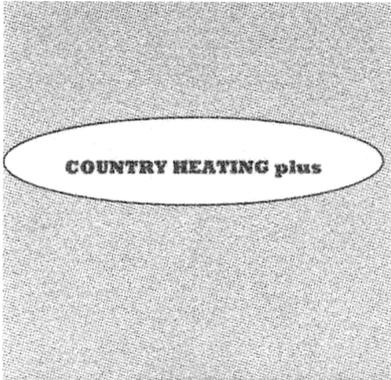


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AN ARTIST AT MILDEN FETE



Photo David Lanming

The Mildren Summer Fete was held at The Old Rectory, Mildren, on Saturday 17 August.

The above picture shows David Porteous-Butler (who lives in Mildren) with his oil painting of the jazz group that entertained visitors to the fete. David was one of the artists invited to paint the Diamond Jubilee River Pageant on the Thames—the event that ended up in pouring rain!—in June last year.)

Below is the Jazz band he was painting.



*Right:
The completed
painting*



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Fleece Jazz started in a village pub, in a tiny room with a gig from the now famous David Newton and Mick Hanson. Since then, most of the very best musicians in the country and many from around the world have played there, and its subsequent venues.

Most of the singers appearing on DIVA'S DAY first performed at Fleece Jazz as youngsters and the likes of Jamie Cullum and Clare Teal first appeared at the "club" before they were famous.

Other star performers include Mark Murphy, Kyle Eastwood, Avishai Cohen, Lillian Boutte, Ian Shaw, and regulars include Liane Carroll, Martin Taylor, Peter King, Alan Barnes, Stan Tracey and literally hundreds of others. The crème de la crème of world music.

The philosophy has always been to present the best musicians available. There is a gig every Friday, with tickets half price for students and reductions if you book in advance. Come and find out how amazing this place is. Musicians want to play because the audience listen and are so supportive and they understand how important good live venues, like Fleece Jazz, are to the survival of original, live, improvised music

Fleece Jazz are to honour the first musician to play the club, David Newton, with the position of President. It is the first time the club has bestowed such an award. David is an excellent pianist with a keen sense of fun and has been a great friend of the club over the years"

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DANNY GRIMWOOD

Dan, or Danny as he was known in the village, was born on 6th November 1931 above the family-owned grocery shop. He was the youngest son of Harry and Edith Grimwood. Dan went to Boxford School, then gained entry to Sudbury Grammar School. He was still going to the reunion dinners every year and met up with old classmates, even though he had left school early to join the family business.

His father died in 1957, and, when his mother died, the business was turned into a limited company. He and his older siblings, Harry and Evie, who have both passed away before him, worked hard together to supply the village with groceries. Dan worked from 8 to 6 Monday to Saturday with a half day on Wednesday, usually so that he could play for Edwardstone cricket club in a limited overs game in the evening.

Dan could not understand when shops started opening late into the evening or on Sundays, as he insisted that people only had the same amount to spend, so why did they need longer to spend it? And when the big supermarkets started making a big thing of home deliveries, he said that Grimwoods had done that 100 years earlier. When the business was sold in 1989, he worked in a cheese factory and a bacon firm before retiring.

Dan met his wife Peggy when he was at the Grammar School and she was at the Girl's High School. Their relationship survived Dan going away to do his National Service, the only time he lived away from Boxford. Also, while Peggy was away in Lowestoft to do her nursing training, they courted without the aid of mobile phones, email or skype, writing regularly to each other.

They were married in Edwardstone Church on 3rd April 1954 and rented a cottage in Swan Street opposite what was the Swan public house, with an outside tap for water and a toilet at the bottom of the garden. In 1955, they bought the bungalow in Calais Street where he was still living until he went into hospital a few weeks ago.

As Peggy was nearly a year older than Dan, she used to call him her toy boy, and he looked forward each year to the 20 days that they were the same age in years.

Dan raised chickens, from day old to point of lay, buying 100 at a time and getting some thrown in for free. These were his bonus, as he called them, or money for nothing. Along with these, he had up to 500 in the

grounds so that he could sell the eggs in the shop to supplement their income.

Dan was also a keen gardener, mainly vegetables, winning a competition held in the White Hart for best onions! In later years he became a great supervisor, telling everybody who helped out what was the right way to do things (HIS WAY).

A keen sportsman, he played football for Boxford in his youth and cricket and table tennis for Edwardstone. Later in life he took up bowls, playing for Hadleigh. Peggy joined too and both enjoyed not only the sport but also the social side, making several long-term friends. When Peggy died, Dan gave up bowling and became an armchair sports fan, thanks to Sky.

Dan and Peggy loved walking in the Lake District, taking on the peaks, and were creatures of habit, as they went to the same hotel on the same week, each year, every year, so that it didn't clash with the bowls – going when the indoor season finished but before the outdoor had begun! It is true to say that, for many years, bowls was his life and the year he was captain of Hadleigh Bowls Club he did think himself to be very important indeed.

Dan leaves his only son Richard who is married to Jean, three grandchildren – Emma, Lucy and Michael, and three great-grandchildren Leah-May, Blake and Steven.



L to R: Harry Grimwood, Evie Fletcher and Danny Grimwood outside the shop

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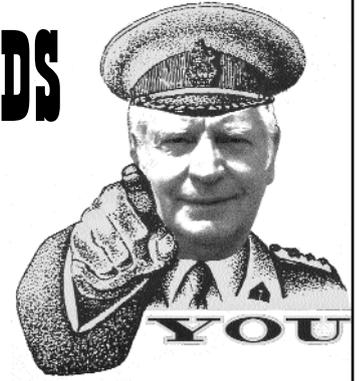
Finally, just to remind you the next Quiz Night is on 2nd November. Two tables already booked. Ring Sue on 247173



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It's Summer! We have a lovely beer-garden and plenty of outside seating. It's quiet, in the sun, and the Millennium green play area is opposite the pub.

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NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

Are you between 11 - 25?

In Suffolk 12,000 young people will require mental and emotional health support, yet 45% feel insecure and unable to talk to friend or family.

Are you between 11- 25 years and need to talk to someone about your problems or worries? Email or skype on: www.howifeel.org.uk or phone 01284 750096 in confidence. Sponsors: So Active, BBC Children in Need, Suffolk County Council and Mentis Tree.

BOXFORD UNITED CHARITIES

Registered Charity Number: 207861

The Trustees of Boxford United Charities will meet on Monday 25th November 2013 and will consider applications for grant aid from residents living in the three parishes of Boxford, Groton and Edwardstone, for educational, medical and general charitable purposes. Applications from individuals or organisations (serving the above area) are invited and should be made in writing to Guy Godfray, Clerk to the Trustees, 17 Swan Street, Boxford, Sudbury CO10 5NZ.

Boxford and Hadleigh

Community Car Scheme

If you have a medical appointment and need transport, we may be able to help. Our car scheme is run entirely by volunteer helping the community. For more information please ring Sue Green on 01787 210603

We charge 45p per mile.

1st BOXFORD GUIDES NEEDS YOU!

1st Boxford Guides is calling on local residents to give some time to allow local girls and young women to enjoy a wide range of exciting activities, as well as acquire new skills and experiences themselves.

Due to unforeseen circumstance Boxford Guides is in desperate need of adult volunteers to give time to support their local group. There are a huge number of opportunities to get involved in addition to working directly with groups such as lending a hand with fundraising, taking part with one-off sessions teaching the girls new skills (anything from Judo to photography) and helping with the accounts or admin. Girlguiding offers a range of flexible volunteering opportunities to enable girls and young women to grow in confidence in a safe, girl-only space.

Girlguiding is the leading charity for girls and young women in the UK, with 546,406 members. Thanks to the dedication and support of 100,000 amazing volunteers, we are active in every part of the UK, giving girls and young women a space where they can be themselves, have fun, build brilliant friendships, gain valuable life skills and make a positive difference to their lives and their communities. We build girls' confidence and raise their aspirations. We give them the chance to discover their full potential and encourage them to be a powerful force for good.

Being a volunteer with girl guiding is also a great opportunity for you to meet new people, contribute to your community, develop your own skills and have fun! Girlguiding welcomes volunteers of all backgrounds, ages, cultures, faiths and abilities.

For further information call 0800 1 69 59 01,

visit www.girlguiding.org.uk

or contact Becky at biggsrebecca@rocketmail.com.

Flu Vaccinations 2013

Hadleigh High School Leisure Centre Saturday 5th October 9am to

12 noon & Saturday 9th November 9am to 11.30am

Boxford Village Hall

Tuesday 26th November 9am to 12 noon and 2pm to 4pm

No appointment Necessary

GROTON UNITED CHARITIES.

The Trustees will meet in November to consider applications for grants from residents living in Groton and those parts of Boxford which are included in the area of benefit as defined by the Charity Commission. This is the area of the 'ancient parish of Groton, and includes Homefields, Partridge Close, the east side of Swan Street and pockets of land in Stone Street south of Boxford Church. Applications can be from individuals or from locally based community services in Groton and Boxford which provide services for Groton residents. Applications can be made for various purposes in case of need or hardship, and particularly in support of costs arising from a medical condition or emergency. Would anyone who wishes to apply, or knows of someone in need of help, please contact

Jeremy Osborne Clerk to the Trustees, Groton United Charities Waterside Barn, Groton Street, Groton, Sudbury CO10 5EE

If you need advice on whether you or anyone you know would be eligible, please contact the Clerk on 01787 211960.

Sunflowers.Childcare

* PRE-SCHOOL * BREAKFAST CLUB * AFTER SCHOOL CLUB * HOLIDAY CLUBS *

We start the school year with some very good news. Sam Player, our Senior Pre-School Practitioner, has achieved Early Years Professional Status (EYPS). During Sam's final assessment, her assessor paid very high compliments to the setting as a whole, she especially praised the leadership and management, the quality of the resources and the dedication of the staff.

During the summer holidays we ran a very well attended Holiday Club with themed weeks such as 'Splash', 'Camp Out' and 'Nature Detectives'. All the children had a thoroughly good time and we have received very positive feedback from parents, with bookings already coming in for the Halloween Holiday Club. This club will run from Monday 28th – Thursday 31st October. We have a variety of activities planned for the week, finishing with a fancy dress Halloween party on 31st October.

We have now returned to term time and are settling into the new school year and preparing ourselves for a very busy time ahead!

This term our Pre-Schoolers will learn all about autumn and Harvest Festival and will be putting on a Harvest performance for their parents. Later in the term we will learn about Guy Fawkes night, Diwali and will obviously be preparing for our Christmas Nativity and party!

We will be running our 'Stay and Play' sessions this term during week commencing Monday 14th October where we invite parents to attend a part of their child's normal session and explore the activities with their child. These sessions are also open to parents who are interested in starting their children at our Pre-School or would like to see what we do. The session times will be 9am-12pm and 1pm-3.30pm.

As with our Pre-School, our Breakfast & After School Clubs continue to be very popular. Several of the sessions we run are now full. We are receiving daily enquiries for our Pre-School and Breakfast & After School Clubs so if you would like to register your child with us, please contact us as soon as possible.

For further information on our services or to receive a booking form for our holiday club, please contact us.

Tennis!

A lot of players, including lots of young people, have enjoyed using the tennis courts over the summer, for coaching and for playing. Unfortunately, fees still have to be paid!

If you are aware you haven't paid for the use of the courts, please send your dues to: Pauline Lamming, 20 Holbrook Barn Road, - (any cheques made payable to Boxford Playing Fields Management Committee). As a reminder, charges are:

Per hour.....adult £2 child £1

Per year.....family £55 adult £33 child £20

We do need to keep the tennis courts in good order, so please try and pay regularly - then we can all enjoy them! Thank you. Pauline Lamming 210360

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Groton PCC are planning to produce a calendar for 2015, [no, not one of THOSE calendars, though it was discussed!] We would like a selection of photographs taken of anywhere in Groton, and at varying times of the year, so that we can have a suitably seasonal photo for each month. It would be nice to have some taken of the Church, but any building or feature of the village will do as well; so please get snapping, and there is a year to go before we call in the photos for decisions on the final choice. There will be further details of where and how to send in your photos in due course, and we hope that lots of people will take part in this venture; it will be a First for Groton, but who knows, maybe a Groton Calendar will become an annual item for sale each Christmas.

BOXFORD DRAMA GROUP REACHES 40!

To celebrate this special anniversary, we are planning a show in early March 2014. We hope to re-visit some of our "best bits" from our previous productions and we are looking for your input. So if there is something (can be more than one) that you would like to see again, please speak to any Drama Group member or let me know, Margaret Clapp, my phone no. is 01473 822949 Email: margclapp@aol.com.

Also any previous members of the Drama Group would be welcome to join us.

Wot's On

HALLOWEEN SPECDRACULA

Following last year's success, Boxford Community Council and 1st Boxford Scouts are presenting another Halloween Specdracula at The Spinney from 6.00 p.m. on

Thursday 31st October. There will be games and activities for all the family (from young children to teenagers and adults!). If you're brave enough, try the Spooky Trail in the woods, or for younger children there will be Halloween craft activities and games, along with an interactive Spooky Story. Halloween nibbles will be available for younger ones and a BBQ and bar for the oldies. Entrance £5 for a family (2 adults, 2 children), £1 for extra children (to include the nibbles). Visit our website www.boxford.me.uk for further details.

Newton October Events

7th	Monday	7.00 pm	Bridge Drive at Golf Club
8th	Tuesday	2.30 pm	Fireside Club
18th	Friday	7.00 pm	Race Night at Golf Club
22nd	Tuesday	12 noon	Fireside Club Fish & Chip lunch
26th	Saturday	10.00 am	Village Hall coffee morning & gift day

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX APPEAL 2013

Please come along to our two afternoons at Mary's house Tuesday 8th October and Tuesday 22nd October at 2.00pm when we will be wrapping the boxes on the 8th and filling them on the 22nd.

Any donations of toys, games, pens and pencils, small notebooks or plain paper etc. will be most welcome, in fact anything suitable to fit into a medium size shoebox.

They can be left at Mary's house on the day or beforehand.

The leaflets will be in the village shops soon with all the details if you would prefer to fill your own boxes. If you would like us to wrap your boxes bring them along on Tuesday the 8th.

Could we have all the knitting by the end of October please either at Mary's house or we can arrange to collect it from you.

Any further information from Ann Porter on 210581 Shirley Watling on 210024 or Jennie Lindsley on 210520

Monks Eleigh Whist Drives

Come and join a group who play whist every second Wednesday of the month (apart from December when it's the third!) in Monks Eleigh Village Hall. We play 12 hands, refreshments are provided and we have a raffle.

We aim to have a social game of cards and a fun evening so beginners to experienced players are welcome.

7.30pm on Wednesday October 9th, £2.00 entrance

Future games on Wednesday November 13th, December 18th, January 8th 2014, February 12th, March 12th.

Little Waldingfield Parish Room

A very successful Coffee Morning was held on 7th September, attended by a good crowd. A most informative display was put on by the History Society. It is amazing how much information they have acquired in such a short time. Sudbury Amateur Miniaturists put on a tremendous display showing their skills in creating wonderful scenes in miniature. I hope the photos will do them justice. S.A.M. meet in the Parish Room on the second Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm, except December. If you would like to join in this fascinating hobby ring Sue on 01787 313563. Finally, just to remind you the next Quiz Night is on 2nd November. Two tables already booked. Ring Sue on 247173

MINI TABLE -TOP SALE!

On Saturday 23rd November 9.30 - 12.30, we are holding a Mini table-Top Sale in Mary's House. We hope some of you have lovely unwanted treasure to sell! and would like to book a half table/ whole table for £5/£10. Do get in touch.

Refreshments will be on the go, admission for all buyers £1. Come and buy some fantastic bargains! Sellers - any profit is yours! Please phone and book your space -01787 210360. First come, first served! Pauline Lamming 210360

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Fun & Games
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Thursday 31st October
6.00 p.m.

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Scary Story

**HALLOWEEN
SPECDRACULA**

At The Spinney

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Boxford Study Centre Literature Group

A 10 week course on Monday evenings 7.00 - 9.00 pm
Meeting in Groton Village Hall, CO10 5EL.
Starting on Monday 7th October 2013

Tutor: Hugh Black-Hawkins,
Chairman of the T.S.Eliot Society

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How serious is comedy? Is comic literature simply a form of escapism? How has comedy in literature changed over time?

We shall study seven texts in order to explore the purposes and value of comedy in literature. We begin by examining the roots of comedy in drama, and go on to contrast comedy and tragedy; how writers make us laugh and to what ends; the viciousness of comedy as well as its healing qualities. Drawing on poetry, prose and drama, from William Shakespeare to Howard Jacobson, we shall endeavour to establish whether comedy is, indeed, a laughing matter.

Key texts are:

William Shakespeare - *Twelfth Night*
Alexander Pope - *The Rape of the Lock*
Jane Austen - *Pride and Prejudice*
Charles Dickens - *Great Expectations*
Henry James - *What Maisie Knew*
Samuel Beckett - *Waiting for Godot*
Howard Jacobson - *Zoo Time*

Course Fee: £70 for the complete course, payable on the first or second meeting.

Further information from:

Mrs Etain Todds, Moat Farm Cottage, Edwardstone, Sudbury CO10 5PY
Telephone 01787 210344

Please contact Etain if you are interested in attending by 1st October if possible.

Wot's On

NOT TO BE MISSED!

Friday 15 November to Sunday 17 November 2013

CONFIRMED SPEAKERS ARE:

Sir Andrew Motion (At the Festival Dinner)

Tracy Borman, Tracy Chevalier,

Nicci French, Kate Mosse, Clare Mulley, Dame Stella Rimington and Liz Trenow.

FOR FURTHER DETAILS, VISIT www.lavenhamliteraryfestival.co.uk

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Chair-Based Exercise Classes

Chair-based Exercise can help strengthen muscles we use in everyday activity and help with our balance. The class is a great opportunity to get out and enjoy some company while doing some light activity

Boxford Village Hall, Tuesdays 10.30am – 11.30am

Classes restart 3rd September 2013

Cost: £2.00 per session (FIRST TRIAL SESSION FREE)

For further information please call Samantha Cross on 01787 210439 or 07939 579292

Charity Networking Dinner

On Wednesday 9th October I shall be hosting on behalf of Success After Stroke, SAS, a Charity Networking Dinner at The Stoke by Nayland Hotel, Golf and Spa. Following on from the success of the event I hosted back in September 2011 when we raised £4,500.00 which was split equally between SAS & ICANHO, I felt that as a growing number of people have been asking me recently when will there be another event, that perhaps it is time to organise one. So I am.

There will be an Auction like last time, which I am planning to make as mouth-watering as possible, together with some equally tantalising Draw Prizes. The price is £40.00 per head. However if one books early before 1st September, the price will be £35.00 per head!!

Details are in preliminary stages at the moment, but invitations have been going to business people asking them to join us, and already nearly 70 people have indicated that they would like to attend. If you would like more information, do please email me at nsathorne@hotmail.com and I can send you a booking form. It would be good to see a local crowd supporting a local charity. *Nick Athorne* 01787 212323

WINE TASTING EVENING

WINE & CHEESE TASTING EVENING HOSTED BY SAINSBURY'S

FRIDAY 4th OCTOBER at 7.30pm in aid of Mildens Pavilion Fund.

Tickets £5 and you will have an opportunity to purchase wines.

Please contact Justine on 01787 248145

Stoke by Nayland Bridge Club

Do you and your Bridge partner want to play regularly in the afternoons? Perhaps you did not know that there is a Duplicate Bridge Club that plays every Thursday at Stoke by Nayland Village Hall from 1.50pm to 5.0pm. This is a relaxed and friendly club where you will find a warm welcome with no joining fee.

Contact Roger Loose on 01787-210538 for more details.

"FITNESS CLASSES - Boxford

Wednesday 7.00 - 8.00pm at Boxford Primary School, commencing 4 September. A variety of exercise techniques including circuit, weights, aerobic work and stretches. Open to both men and women. Friday 9.15 - 10.15am at Boxford Spinney, commencing 6 September. A more gentle class with objectives to improve co-ordination, balance and keeping strong in later life (50+). Both classes are payable by the term. Call 211822"

Boxford Over 60's Club (for all ages)

Meetings in the village hall on Mondays, starting at 2.30pm

September: 16th and 30th

October: 14th, 28th

November: 11th

Barbaras Luncheon on October 7th

Trip to Perrywoods on November 24th

Shirley Watling 01787 2100248

Wedding Open Day

Sunday 20th October – Wedding Open Day from 12pm to 4pm

Join us for our Wedding Open Day where our dedicated team will be on

hand to answer any questions that you might have about our all-inclusive wedding packages, the venue or your big day. View our exquisite banqueting suites decorated for the occasion and take in our beautiful setting. Call 01206 265818 for more information or email sales@stokebynayland.com.

Mildens Singers Festive Christmas Concert

Friday 13th December doors open 7.30pm show time 8pm

Saturday 14th December doors open 1.30pm show time 2pm

These popular festive concerts will also include songs from Les Miserables. Friday night includes a buffet and Saturday with afternoon tea both performances with licensed bar and raffle.

At and in aid of Mildens Pavilion Tickets £5 from Pearl on 01449 741876

BOXFORD WI

September's meeting included a fascinating, illustrated talk by Tina Loose, entitled "Little Known facts About Boxford". Much of the information had been gathered from Jenny Robinson's book "A Boxford Miscellany".

There was a reference to the village in the Doomsday Book when there were only about 40 residents and the river was known as the Alumburn. By the 1400's it was one of the rich cloth producing village of the area. Lots of graffiti on walls and doors give valuable information about dates and occupations. Bear baiting, ice skating and a form of football were all activities in the past.

The church has wall paintings as do some of the old village houses. Stone from Caen in France was used for Mary and the angels, on the south porch of the church.

These and many more interesting facts gave us a further insight into the history of our ancient village.

The craft group bought their own projects to the monthly meeting.

All visitors are welcome at a cost of £3.

If you would like a copy of our 2013 Programme please phone Heather on 01787 211566. Forthcoming Events

7th October – Visit to Copella Fruit Farm

10th October – Snowflakes – Mary's House 2.15pm

6th November – Talk about hearing dogs for deaf people – 2pm Village Hall, 14th November – Making Cards - Mary's House 2.15pm.



TRINITY SINGERS

Saturday, 12th October 2013

7.30pm

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Wot's On

BOXFORD GARDENING SOCIETY

1st October - Lindsey Prentice - "Photographing plants and gardens - a brief history".

5th November - End of Year Party and AGM for Members and 'other halves' only - tickets in advance from Rosie Osborne (01787 211 960 or email rosie.osborne@btinternet.com).

STOP PRESS! The photo competition deadline is coming up! Bring your 7" x 5" photos (maximum 3 photos) to the meeting on 1st October - Gardens through the Seasons - Spring, Summer, Autumn, Winter - can include flower portraits. Or give to Ian Holdgate (01787 211 314 - 18 Holbrook Barn Road, Boxford) by Sat 5th October.

Unless otherwise stated, meetings take place on the **FIRST** Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm in Boxford Village Hall and guests (£5 each) are very welcome. Just turn up! For any other information, please contact Events and Outings Organiser, Rosie Osborne as above.

LITTLE WALDINGFIELD VILLAGE WALKS

We meet at the Pavilion on the Playing Field at 10.00. a.m. on the first Sunday of each month. Walks usually take an hour to an hour and a half but there are opportunities at various points for people to return by shorter routes. Walks finish at the pavilion where light refreshments are provided. Anyone may make a donation to the Playing Field funds before, or after, the Walk. Remaining walks in 2013: Sundays 6th October, 3rd November and 1st December.

Little Waldingfield History Society - History in the making

16th Oct Charlie Haylock, "Suffolk Vernacular" from one of our leading entertainers whose one-man shows are legendary in Suffolk and whose books are best sellers.

13th Nov John Walker, "The Tudor housing revolution" from a former Chairman of Essex Historic Buildings Group, who studied and lectured for 30 years on timber framed buildings in Essex & Suffolk.

11th Dec Jane Gosling, "Boom and Bust" in the Lavenham Wool Industry by an expert from The NT.

Jan. Roger Lane, Free members only event, featuring a display of fine evocative prints from original paintings by Roger, a local artist who lives in Acton.

19th Feb Dr Nick Sign, Boudica and the Iceni 60-61 AD

12th Mar John Cashmore, 487th USAAF Bombardment Group (H) - Lavenham Airfield, "Gentlemen From Hell". The Group had several 'claims to fame' and this talk will present the famous Mission 760 of 24th December 1944, John will also be showing examples of original equipment used by the American airman during their time at Lavenham.

9th Apr Chris Bowden, Printing in the 19th century

14th May Sarah Doig and Tony Scheuregger, Ancestral Voices is a collaborative project combining the experience, skills and passions of Sarah and Tony to produce some rather special and unique results. A Royal Progress charts Queen Elizabeth's tour into East Anglia during the summer of 1578 to recreate the sights and sounds of this spectacular event through the eyes of local people.

All talks will be at the Parish Room in Church Road, Little Waldingfield, commencing at 7.30 pm sharp. Please book & pay in advance to guarantee your place as seats are limited.

Booking Secretary: Diana Langford, Pitt Cottage. Phone: 01787 248298

Tickets Members £2.00 Non Members £4.00

Membership of LWHS costs £10.00 per person pa and entitles each member to the following benefits:

- Reduced price entry to LWHS events;
- Access to Suffolk Local history and other local events;
- Access to the Suffolk Review; and
- Access to exclusive LWHS member events

Little Waldingfield History Society hosts about 10 local history talks or other events each year on a wide variety of historical subjects with general appeal to members and guests alike. All talks are held monthly on a Wednesday evening commencing at 7.30 pm, in the lovely Parish Room in Church Road, Little Waldingfield. Presentations are summarised after the event and can be viewed on the Little Waldingfield community website, along with the programme of events:

<http://littlwaldingfie.waldorf.onesuffolk.net/organisations/local-history/>
Current fees are £2.00 for members, £4.00 for non-members which includes light refreshments.



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Admission: £9.00 in advance

(to include glass of wine or soft drink at interval)

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the leading charity for our maritime community.

Wot's On

Box River Knitstitch Group

We now meet at Mary's House in Swan Street from 2.30pm to 4.30pm every Monday 3pm to 4.30pm. Bring your own projects to work on and get inspiration and help from others. For further details phone 01787 211488 or 01206 263301

FAIRTRADE STALL

There will be a Fair Trade Stall at Mary's House, as we have enjoyed before. It will be on Thurs 7th and Friday 8th November, 9.30 -4.30, and on Saturday 9th from 9.30 -12.30.

As usual, there will be plenty of gifts, jewellery, Christmas cards and decorations, and fairly traded foods ;do put it in your diary and come and browse – plenty of coffee and cakes to aid the process too! See you there!

Pauline Lamming

Leavenheath Village Hall Digital Cinema

Tickets £3.50 per adult, £2.00 per young person
Telephone: Lesley (01206 262505) or Ken (01206 263266) for tickets
Arrive 7.00pm Film starts 7.30pm

PMR-GCA SUPPORT EAST ANGLIA

Polymyalgia Rheumatica & Giant Cell Arteritis

If you suffer from the painful condition Polymyalgia Rheumatica and the connected condition Giant Cell Arteritis, help is at hand in East Anglia. PMR is quite a common occurrence amongst older people, although GCA is rarer. In some people PMR comes on suddenly, with debilitating pain and stiffness across the shoulders and lower back. Other people experience a more gradual onset which seems harder to diagnose, but which is just as painful and restricting. GCA is a more serious illness, because if undiagnosed and untreated it can lead to serious visual loss or even blindness. GCA can be as a result of PMR, or a condition in its own right.

PMR-GCA Support East Anglia holds meetings twice a year, and our next meeting is on Thursday 24th October at 10-30am. at Needham Market Community Centre, Suffolk. Admission £1 includes tea and coffee, and an opportunity to share experiences of the two conditions and their treatment. At 11-0am. we are very lucky to have Dr. David O'Reilly coming to speak about the medical guidelines for PMR. Dr. O'Reilly is consultant rheumatologist at the West Suffolk Hospital. After the talk he will be happy to take your questions.

For further details contact Jennifer Nott on 01449 720 545, or email pmsgca@btinternet.com www.pmsgcauk.com is the national PMRGCAuk website.

Newton Bridge

The good attendances continued at the Bridge Drive held on Monday 2nd September with six and a half tables. The prize winners were:

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| 1st | Olga Ward and Eileen Bushell | 3240 |
| 2nd | Shirley Davies and Malcolm Gilham | 3010 |
| 3rd | Andrew Ward and James Ward | 2030 |

The next drive will be held on Monday 7th October at 7.00 pm. Please arrive by 6.45 pm to ensure a prompt start. We play Chicago bridge and are always pleased to welcome new members. If anyone needs a partner please let me know and I will try to pair you up. Players of all abilities are welcome

Future dates are 4th November and 2nd December.

Alan Vince 01787 373963

Leavenheath Village Cinema

SATURDAY OCTOBER 5th Arrive 7.00pm Film starts 7.30pm



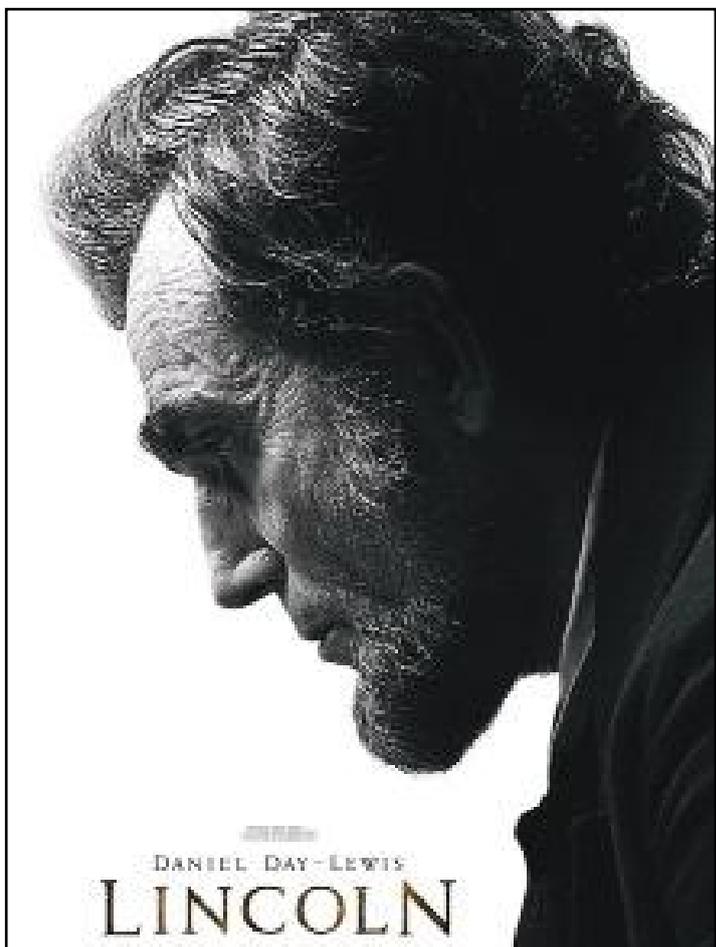
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POLYMYALGIA RHEUMATICA and GIANT CELL ARTERITIS UK
PMR-GCA SUPPORT EAST ANGLIA
at NEEDHAM MARKET COMMUNITY CENTRE.
On Thursday 24th October at 11-0am.
Speaker: **Dr. David O'Reilly**
Senior Rheumatologist, West Suffolk Hospital
Medical Guidelines for Polymyalgia Rheumatica
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Jennifer on 01449 720 545

Forthcoming Events Diary

September

27 Harvest Supper	Groton PCC	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
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October

1 Boxford Gardening Society	Lindsey Prentice, Photographing Plants	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
4 Wine Tasting	Hosted by Sainsburys	Milden Pavilion	7.30pm
7 Newton Green Bridge		Golf Club	7.00pm
7 Boxford WI	Visit to Copella Fruit Farm		
7 Boxford Over 60's	Barbaras Lunch		
8 Newton Fireside Club		Village Hall	2.30pm
10 Boxford WI Craft Club	Snow Flakes	Mary's House	2.15pm
16 Little Waldingfield History Soc	Charlie Haylock	Parish Room	7.30pm
18 Race night at Newton Golf Club		Golf Club	7.00pm
22 Newton Fireside Club Fish and Chips Lunch		Village Hall	12noon
26 Newton Village Hall coffee morning & gift day		Village Hall	10 am
31 BCC Spectracular	Halloween night	Spimey	TBA

November

2 Quiz Night	Lt Waldingfield Parish Room	Parish Room	7.00pm
4 Newton Green Bridge		Golf Club	7.00pm
4 Boxford Over 60's	Trip to Perrywoods		
5 Boxford Gardening Society	Members end of year party	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
7/8 Fair Trade Stall		Mary's House	9.30-5.30
13 Little Waldingfield History Soc	John Walker	Parish Room	7.30pm
16 Festive Fair	Boxford Village Hall Mgt Committee	BVH	TBA
23 Mini Table Top Sale		Mary's House	9.30am
30 Cheese and Wine Party	Groton PCC	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
30 FOB's Christmas Fair		Boxford School	2-5pm

December

2 Newton Green Bridge		Golf Club	7.00pm
8. Concert by The Kelvedon Singers	Groton PCC	Groton Church	TBA
11 Little Waldingfield History Soc	Boom and Bust	Parish Room	7.30pm
13/14 Milden Singers Festive Christmas Concert		Milden Pavilion	7.30 and 1.30pm
14 Boxford Community Council/FOB's Santa Run			TBA

January

25 Boxford Community Council	Fun and Games Night	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
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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.

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THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

Churchwardens:

*Ruth Kingsbury, Rose Cottage,
Sherbourne Street, Edwardstone tel.211236
Peter Patrick, Amberley,
White Street Green. tel 210346*

Fundraising events: The Suffolk Historic Churches Cycle Ride & Walk held on Saturday 14th September: Many thanks to all the cyclists & walkers who participated in this event and had an enjoyable day going round the village churches & raising money at the same time. Thank you also to those who welcome cyclists & provided refreshments.

An Advent Celebration: This year the "Celebration" will be on Saturday 30th November - 6.30pm, with seasonal hymns & readings- followed by a delicious Supper! (full details of this later)

Looking ahead: We will soon be planning another Christmas Tree Festival- more news soon- to be held Friday 6th- Sunday 8th December. It will be bigger & better this year.

Boxford Calendar 2014:-Thank you for everyone who has sent in photos for the 2014 calendar. We need plenty more – by end of September please send to ChrisKingsC@aol.com via email, or on a memory stick or a CD

PCC:- Next meets Wednesday 2nd October 7.30pm in Mary's House

The Children's Corner: Thank you to those who have already made donations! You will see in the children's corner lots of new books already obtained by Judith. We are looking to constantly improve this part of the church so lots of money will be continue to be needed. Display boards & storage units for example. If you can help or make a donation this will be most welcome. Please speak to Revd Judith or a churchwarden if you are unsure how you could help.

FAIRTRADE STALL: There will be a Fair Trade Stall at Mary's House, as we have enjoyed before. It will be on Thurs 7th and Friday 8th November, 9.30 -4.30, and on Saturday 9th from 9.30 -12.30.

As usual, there will be plenty of gifts, jewellery, Christmas cards and decorations, and fairly traded foods ;do put it in your diary and come and browse – plenty of coffee and cakes to aid the process too! See you there!Pauline Lamming

Smile Lines: "God, grant me the senility to forget the people I never liked, the good fortune to bump into the ones I do, & the eyesight to tell the difference."

MARY'S HOUSE BOOKINGS

When making a booking, please ensure that a contact name and telephone number is entered clearly in the diary in respect of every booking, as we need to know who to contact in the event of any query over, or the need to change, a booking.

Please also note that the suggested donation is now £1.00 per head for a two-hour booking for all meetings. For inquiries about bookings, please contact Pauline or David Lamming: telephone 210360.

Copy Date for Church News section in the November 2013 Box River News:

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Thank you. Sue Edwards. 01787 210785
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THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwarden:

Vacant (contact PCC if interested in position)

Rota for October 2013

Flowers - Ineke Morris

Sidesman and teas/coffee duties:

October 6 - 0930 - Holy Communion – Debbie Lewis/Anita Steel

October 20 - 0800 – Holy Communion - Debbie Lewis

Cleaning - Justine Walters

The Great Churchyard Gardening Morning- Saturday October 12th

Time to pull on those gardening gloves, grab your secateurs and come along to Edwardstone Church on Saturday 12th October for the great churchyard clean up. Although the graveyard is maintained on a regular basis, once or twice a year we need to get in and give it a really good clear out. All volunteers, young and old, are welcome - there'll be a job for everyone and the more the merrier! Teas, coffees and cakes will be dished out at regular intervals, so please come along between 9.30-12.30 and lend a hand. Even if you can only spare an hour, we'd love to see you. Please bring your own tools, elbow grease etc.

Any queries, please call Liz Henderson on 01787 211417



THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

Churchwarden:

Christine Cornell,

“Opus”, Sudbury Road, Newton, Tel; 370331

25th August : Our Morning Worship was led by the Revd. Judith and whose sermon spoke of how against the prejudices of others Jesus saw and healed the crippled woman. Are we willing to really see the person? It is hoped that the service was of help especially to two people attending. Thank you to Michael Colleer for playing the organ and to the refreshment helpers who were trying out a new system .

Following after this service, the Revd. Judith conducted a most moving service just for the family of the Baptism for two boys and an Affirmation of Faith for their older brother.

8th September : Our Holy Communion service was conducted by the Revd. Judith. Having watched a film showing the way a caring mother tiger had to then snarl at her cub to show that he had to move on and face new challenges but she was doing it in kindness , the Revd. Judith compared this to how the caring Jesus may seem uncaring at times as we face new and more challenging stages of life. We extended a warm welcome to our friends from the other churches who helped to swell the volume of singing. Thank you to Michael Colleer for accompanying us on the organ and to all our kind helper .

Notices:

20th October : 4.00 to 5.00pm. Concert in our Church . A welcome return visit of the Millwheel Singers and the Sudbury Recorder consort. Donations to the Church Fabric Fund and The Church Conservation Trust.

Flowers :

13th October : Mrs. Ruth Morgan.

27th October : Mrs. Fiona Garman.

General Church News:

100 YEARS – 100 TREASURES: Two of our benefice churches, St Mary's Boxford and St Bartholomew's Groton, are among the 100 churches from across Suffolk that feature in this colourful book, produced to celebrate the centenary of the diocese in 2014. The book, which will cost £5.00, is to be launched on 18th October. Details of how to order copies will be available shortly.

FAREWELL TO BISHOP NIGEL: The diocese will bid farewell to Bishop Nigel and Carolyne at a special Evensong in St Edmundsbury Cathedral at 3.30 pm on Sunday 20th October. Bishop Nigel takes up his new post as Bishop at Lambeth the following day: see details in the August BRN.

SUDBURY 'BIG SING': Sunday 13th October, 6.30 pm at Sudbury Baptist Church. A chance to sing favourite hymns and songs, old and new.

FROM THIS DAY FORWARD: Responding to the Marriage (Same Sex Couples) Act 2013. As part of its national autumn tour, The Christian Institute will be making a presentation at Stowmarket Baptist Church. Tuesday 22nd October 2013, 7.30 pm to 9.00 pm.

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN SUDBURY & DISTRICT

'Churches together' prayer breakfasts: Saturdays 8.00 am to 9.30 am. CTIS&D prayer breakfasts in October, to which all are welcome, will be held at the following venues:

- 5th New Life Church (Wells Hall Old School, Great Cornard)
- 12th Bures Baptist Church
- 19th St John's Methodist Church Hall
- 26th St Andrew's Church, Great Cornard

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THE PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW, GROTON

Churchwardens: Jayne Foster:

Ramblers, Bulmer Lane. 211360

Sue Edwards:

Cotlee, The Street, Groton; tel 210785

Harvest Supper: We invite you all to our Harvest Supper at Groton Village Hall on Friday 27th September at 7.30pm. This year we are hosting an evening of traditional Turkish and Suffolk Food followed by a very entertaining talk on Turkish Food, Harvest & Village Life. Pat & Gerald bar. Tickets can be obtained from Pat Kennedy Scott {210319} or Jayne Foster {211360}. Tickets £10.

CALLING ALL PHOTOGRAPHERS!

Groton PCC are planning to produce a calendar for 2015, [no, not one of THOSE calendars, though it was discussed!] We would like a selection of photographs taken of anywhere in Groton, and at varying times of the year, so that we can have a suitably seasonal photo for each month. It would be nice to have some taken of the Church, but any building or feature of the village will do as well; so please get snapping, and there is a year to go before we call in the photos for decisions on the final choice. There will be further details of where and how to send in your photos in due course, and we hope that lots of people will take part in this venture; it will be a First for Groton, but who knows, maybe a Groton Calendar will become an annual item for sale each Christmas.

WINTHROP VISIT: John and Libby Winthrop were among a party of 30 members of the News England Genealogical Society who visited Groton church on Saturday 17th August. See the photographs elsewhere in this issue.

Sidesman with Sacristan: Mrs Kennedy Scott

Flowers: Mrs V Riddleston

Cleaning: Mrs V Riddleston



THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

Churchwardens

Vacant

Sidesman

Mr Squirrell

Visiting

Mr & Mrs Tora

Visiting

Flowers

Mrs Gregor Smith

Mrs Harbord

Mrs Roser

Mrs Duffy

Oct 6

Oct 13

Oct 20

Oct 27

Box River Benefice The Church At Worship October 2013

Village Daily Prayers ** IMPORTANT NOTICE **

Please note that between October 8th and October 17th inclusive, the only daily prayers that will take place are those said in St Mary's Boxford on Thursdays at 5pm.

Wednesday 2nd Boxford	10.30	Holy Communion Mary's House	Revd Judith Sweetman
Thursday 3rd Little Waldingfield	19.00	Holy Communion Newmans Hall (Reserved Sacrament)	Tim Harbord

Sunday 6th	19th after Trinity	(G)
<i>* Important Note: there will be no 8am service at Little Waldingfield today *</i>		
Edwardstone	9.30	Communion by Extension
Boxford	11.00	All-age worship
Boxford	18.30	Evensong
		Christopher Kingsbury Christopher Kingsbury Christopher Kingsbury

Wednesday 9th Boxford	10.30	Holy Communion	Revd David Abel
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Sunday 13th	20th after Trinity	(G)
Groton	8.00	Holy Communion
Newton	9.30	Holy Communion
Boxford	11.00	Holy Communion
		Revd David Abel Revd Gerald Drew Canon Revd Philip Banks

Wednesday 16th Boxford	10.30	Holy Communion	Revd David Abel
Thursday 17th Little Waldingfield	19.00	Compline Newmans Hall	Tim Harbord

Sunday 20th	21st after Trinity	(G)
Edwardstone	8.00	Holy Communion
Lt Waldingfield	9.30	Holy Communion
Boxford	11.00	Holy Communion
		Revd David Abel Revd Gerald Drew Revd Gerald Drew

Wednesday 23rd Boxford	James of Jerusalem, Brother of our Lord	10.30	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
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Sunday 27th	Last after Trinity Bible Sunday	(G)
Boxford	8.00	Holy Communion
Groton	9.30	Family Morning Worship
Newton	11.00	Morning Worship
Boxford	11.00	Matins
		Revd Judith Revd Judith Christopher Kingsbury

Wednesday 30th Boxford	10.30	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
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Soap Box

Our biannual church Flower Festival took place in September. I am always impressed by the creativity of those who assemble the flower arrangements to tell some kind of a story – on this occasion, Grimm’s Fairy Tales. With part of the chancel having fallen in, requiring doubtless expensive repairs, this year’s Festival is even more important as a fund raising event than usual. And there were some encouraging aspects to this year’s initiative that are worth sharing.

One of the problems in communities like our own, that I have often remarked upon, is the way in which the work demanded by events such as a flower festival falls upon a limited number of shoulders who are generally the same year after year. Moreover, the same sets of shoulders often bear the burden of a variety of events, be they church or village institution inspired. What was so positive about this year’s festival was the number of new faces that have appeared.

There have been some significant changes in the makeup of our village in recent years. A number of longstanding residents have either died or moved on, perhaps for age reasons – the moving on, that is. New people have come into our community and perhaps it is that, after a time, they feel more settled that is persuading some of them to engage with village activities. Whatever the reason, new activities have been started and fresh faces appear at established events.

This gives me great encouragement for the future. Villages need to be dynamic. Just as housing development is a necessary means of keeping villages alive, so a turnover in residents is inevitable as people grow older and circumstances change. While a careful watch needs to be maintained on what actual development is allowed to take place, we should none of us expect our community to be preserved in aspic.

It was interesting last year to gauge the appetite for change in our village through a community review. At our Parish Rooms – as dynamic a part of Little Waldingfield as anything – views on what

was needed to make village life even more pleasant were sought and a wide variety of opinions gained. Some of the suggestions have already been implemented. Others represent a tougher task for those charged with taking things forward. A minority of suggestions indicated a degree of prejudice that is probably best ignored.

The review was conducted by the Parish Council, with help from our district councillor. Babergh have been keen for villages to consult with their residents and we were happy to oblige. The results gave us food for thought. Having a clerk who works in local government is a great benefit to our council and comparing what might be adopted here with what is actually going on in other districts and parishes can be a valuable exercise. It is clear the level of proactivity amongst communities like our own is very variable.

So that is why I am so encouraged to see newer residents in our village engaging in traditional activities. The older I get, the less energy I possess, so new blood is not just welcome – it is essential. The Parish Council hopes to publish an update on the community review shortly – perhaps it already has. And in around eighteen month’s time, elections for our next Council will be due. Candidly, the problem is usually finding people prepared to stand, rather than a competitive situation developing. As I expect to see changes then as well, perhaps all you newer, younger, energetic residents should start thinking about engagement here, too.

Brian Tora is Chairman of Little Waldingfield Parish Council.

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GARDENING IN OCTOBER HARRY BUCKLEDEE

Most gardens have areas of shade. This can vary from permanent shade where parts of the garden are completely sunless caused by tall buildings, walls or trees. There is also temporary shade which varies according to the movement of the sun, obviously there will be a larger area of shade in winter when the sun is low than with the high summer sun.

The main problem with shady areas is the dry soil conditions, caused mainly by walls and trees diverting rainfall from falling on the soil.

It is important when preparing such areas for planting that the soil is dug to a depth of 15 inches, incorporating as much moisture retentive material as possible. High nitrogen fertilisers should be avoided as plants in such a situation are likely to be soft and a bit lanky through lack of light and excess nitrogen will only make matters worse. Best to work in a liberal dressing of bone meal to encourage a good root system. After plants have become established and look as if they need hardening up 2oz. per square yard of Sulphate of Potash should do the trick. Mulch the whole area after with a thick layer of whatever suitable material is available. As well as conserving moisture, mulching insulates the soil against variations in temperature.

For permanent shade in dark corners there is nothing to beat the spotted laurel, Aucuba japonica, with its glossy green leaves and, yellow spots. A good companion is the Choisya teranata with its sweet smelling white flowers and leaves. The (Oregon grape) Mahonia aquifolium has yellow flowers followed by blue berries seems to thrive anywhere. These shrubs can make large plants but can be kept to a required height by regular pruning. Some small plants for permanent shade are Hosta Lily of the Valley, Iris foetidissima, Hypericum calycinum, Saxifraga umbrosa (London Pride), Phyllitis (Harte Tongue Fern) Perriwinkle and Euphorbia robbiae which makes an attractive ground cover.

Temporary shade is suitable for Rhododendrons and Camellias provided they are shaded from the early morning sun. An excellent small shrub is Sarcococca hookeriana digyna with shining green leaves and fragrant pinky white flowers in winter and the slightly smaller Sarcococca humilis with fragrant white flowers, both are followed by black fruits.

Several herbaceous plants thrive in such situations, Alche mollis, Japanese anemome, Aquilegia, Bergonia, Astrantia major Cimicifuga racemosa, Brumero macrophylla heart shaped leaves and blue forget me not like flowers from April to June. Lirupe muscari with 12 inch spikes of blue flowers in summer, similar to grape hyacinth.

Tiarella grandiflora and wherry, maple shaped leaves and numerous spikes of creamy - white flowers in May and June. Tellima grandiflora, rounded leaves and large spikes of greenish flowers from April to June.

There is no shortage of shrubs, climbers and plants that will adapt to shady situations although it may be necessary to shop around specialist growers to find them.

Although we had some warmer days over September, the autumn is now definitely here for real, and it feels colder. It's a beautiful time of year, with the trees changing colour. Sometimes it may seem pointless raking, when the wind blows even more leaves onto the lawn, but just think of all the lovely leafmould you can make! It's also time to start preparing for early frosts.

Top 10 things to do this month

1. Clear up fallen autumn leaves regularly
2. Cut back perennials that have died down
3. Divide herbaceous perennials and rhubarb crowns
4. Move tender plants, including aquatic ones, into the greenhouse
5. Plant out spring cabbages
6. Harvest apples, pears, grapes and nuts
7. Prune climbing roses
8. Order seeds for next year
9. Last chance to mow lawns and trim hedges in mild areas
10. Renovate old lawns or create new grass areas by laying turf

Plant wallflowers, forget-me-not, Bellis, Primula, Viola (including winter pansies) and other spring bedding plants in prepared ground or pots. It is still just possible to sow hardy annuals outside, to overwinter for a display next year.

Continue to plant spring-flowering bulbs.

Now is also good time to plant new herbaceous perennials, as the soil is still warm, but moister than it was during the summer.

Lily bulbs can be planted up in pots this month.

Cutting back, pruning and dividing. Cut back faded herbaceous perennials and add to compost heap. Lift and divide poor flowering or overcrowded herbaceous plants.

Maintenance: Wait for first frosts to hit dahlias and cannas before lifting the tubers or rhizomes. They may overwinter in the ground in warmer regions if covered with a protective layer of straw or bracken, but flowering may be late and/or poor next year.

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Parish Council Matters

Minutes of Newton Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on the 21st August

Present: Councillors Paul Presland (Chairman), Roy Gardner, Lee Parker, Rita Schwenk, Alan Vince and Deborah Williams.

Attending: D Crimmin (Clerk).

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Taylor (work commitments) sent his apologies.

Declaration of Interests: None were declared.

Requests for councillor dispensation: None were received.

Minutes of meeting held on the 17th July 2013

The minutes of the meeting were approved by the councillors and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

NPC Standing Orders: The councillors resolved to adopt the NPC Standing Orders dated 21st August 2013.

Public Forum: No members of public present.

Newton Fireworks: A working group of Cllrs Parker, Taylor and Williams reported on the plans and costs to re-introduce fireworks to Newton this November. The councillors resolved a budget of £1,000 for the costs of staging the event on Saturday 9th November 2013 in the playing field starting at 7pm. The event is planned to be self-financing with tickets being sold for the event at £4 per adult and £1 for under 12's as well as a bar and refreshments being available on the night. Final approval from Newton Green Trust is still awaited regarding the use of the playing field.

There will be a no parking policy for the Village Hall car park, playing field and Village Green which will be printed on all tickets and publicity for the event.

Cllr Parker will be responsible for the production of a risk assessment which will be given to the Clerk by the 18th October 2013 for submission to the insurers. Cllrs Taylor and Parker will order, collect and store the fireworks. The Clerk will raise the Temporary Event Notice with BDC and produce 320 tickets for the event. The working group will now meet on a regular basis in order to finalise plans for the event.

Barn Owl boxes: The councillors resolved to ask Cllr Taylor to produce 2 barn owl boxes for the village and allocated a budget of £50 for the project.

Questions to the Chair: The Chairman raised the issue of health and wellbeing of councillors.

Date of Next Meeting: The next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday 11th September 2013.

The meeting closed at 8.22pm

Little Waldingfield Parish Council

Meeting 6 August 2013

Present: B Tora, M Ewen, A Sheppard, S Braybrook, V Flute, R Williams, D Kiddy, 10 members of the public

Apologies: Cllrs J Antill and F Lawrenson, PC D Marshall

Declarations of Interest: None.

Police Matters/Speedwatch: A written report confirming no reported crimes has been received. Speedwatch volunteers completed checks on 5 full days during July with 65 offenders reported with the highest recorded speed of 51 mph. The highest previous recorded speed is 53 mph. July 2012 figures were – out for 4 days – 51 offenders with a top speed of 47 mph.

Minutes of the last meeting: These were agreed as a true record and signed.

Matters Arising: Because of the concerns re the stones on the road at Haymarket the agent has confirmed a different field entrance will be used.

Public session: The Chairman confirmed that councillors had visited Brookwood Manor accompanied by Cllr J Antill and had met with a representative of the owners, and generally felt that the application is sympathetic to the existing building. The meeting was adjourned to enable neighbours to ask questions of the representative of the owners of Brookwood Manor, Mr Sikand, and to voice their concerns. The question of access via the narrow approach road, owned by a neighbour with a Right of Way granted to Brookwood Manor was confirmed by the road owner as a legal, not a planning matter. A possible increase in traffic, particularly in view of the blind corner is an area of concern, although the site map indicates there is room on the site to possibly widen the road at this point. Fire safety matters were discussed, as was the matter of sewage disposal. The current treatment plant was confirmed as inadequate with problems previously occurring. The visual impact of the extensions on neighbouring properties was also discussed. The meeting was reconvened.

Planning Matters: The application for the erection of two storey and single storey extensions to Brookwood Manor was discussed at length following issues raised during the public session and the decision taken that the Council does not object to the application but that comments would be made to reflect the concerns raised – access, sewage treatment and fire prevention measures – although it was felt that Building Regulations will address these matters. An application for the erection of a single storey extension and the replacement of a flat roof with a pitched roof over an existing extension following the demolition of a garage at 9 Grove Avenue was discussed. The application form states that work has not already started but the works have already been completed. Comments will be made expressing the disappointment of councillors that enforcement officers had previously visited the site regarding other planning matters but had not identified unauthorised works at that time. The fact that the garage had an asbestos roof would also be raised. No objections were raised to an application for a temporary dwelling pending completion of the principal dwelling at Hammonds Holt. has been received.

Correspondence: None received.

Village Website: A report on the previous month's activities was received from A Sheppard. The details of the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator needs confirmation and V Flute will do this and also collate the local representative names and contact details.

Broadband: County Broadband held a meeting in the church to raise awareness of residents of the services they offer. Contrary to statements made during this meeting, we are not the only Parish Council not actively endorsing this company. It is an individual's choice as to whether they sign up to the service. Reverend Judith has made enquiries and confirms the Diocese has no objections to the Church hosting a mast. The Suffolk CC Broadband Manager has offered to attend a meeting and the Chairman will arrange this.

Community Engagement/Village Review: The Chairman has circulated a summary of comments and comments were invited. The Clerk will check the Local Development Framework for mention of any further development sites within the parish.

Public Transport: Nothing to report.

Footpaths: The Park Farm path entrance has been cut but the remainder of the path is virtually impassable. Suffolk CC has started the August cuts.

Churchyard: War Memorial – next year is the centenary of the outbreak of the First World War and the poor condition of some of the lettering on our memorial has been raised. Partial grants for remedial works are available from the War Memorials Trust, following application and submission of 3 estimates. These will be sought.

Floodlights: a formal approach has been made by the PCC requesting support for the cost of illuminating the Church, an extremely popular and welcome service to the village. An unanimous decision was made to support the Church with this providing there is no other bequest in place to fund electricity costs.

The Clive Memorial: The memorial plaque for the tree has been fixed to a short post, our thanks to Chris Bowden. Councillors will instal it.

Any Other Business: The poor condition of the Jubilee bench on the forecourt of The Swan was discussed. The post of Footpath Warden will be publicised on the website. Date of next meeting is 17 September.

Feedback from James Finch -

Your Stour Valley County Councillor

Suffolk Students Celebrate Exam Success

Suffolk students had cause for celebration this month, after bucking national trends. New, tougher standards are now being applied to exam grading. In Suffolk though, the earliest indications are of an average 5% increase in the number of students achieving 5 A* - C grades in GCSEs. Meanwhile, A-level results appear to be above the national trend, with nearly 30% of students earning A* or A grades, compared to 26% nationally. Whilst this is excellent news, I can assure you neither SCC, the school Heads, Governors and teaching staff are complacent and further improvements in standards are being vigorously sought by all. As I write this column, some of our schools are being visited by Ofsted. I really hope that this can be used as another learning exercise for all our schools by giving focus on the areas for improvement leading to even better results for our pupils in the future.

Suffolk Students Encouraged To Take Up Apprenticeships

As students prepare for taking their next steps following August's exam results, SCC has been promoting the option of taking up an apprenticeship. Across Suffolk, there is now an exciting range of apprenticeships on offer, from accountancy to landscape gardening. Indeed, over the last two years, the number of Suffolk apprentices, in the 16 to 18 age group, has increased by 15%, while across the country the numbers have been in decline. As exam results came into Suffolk schools, SCC's apprenticeship team was in attendance at various locations, to raise awareness of the opportunities on offer, and help young people to register for the schemes.

Focus School – Stoke by Nayland Campus

During the summer the former Middle School site transferred ownership from SCC to the Focus School organisation on 1st August. This is now the new site for their former Ipswich and Colchester Focus Schools. I have been liaising with them, the Stoke Hotel Golf and Spa group and the Church to secure the best Broad Band solution for them the Hotel and the village. There is a solution which I believe will be good for all including the local community. The School has opened for pupils on plan on 9th September after a lot of refurbishment during the summer. Well done to all those who made this happen.

My next Boxford Surgery

This is on Wednesday 9th October at 4.00pm in Mary's House and is open to all from Boxford and beyond living in my Division.

Holidays – My family and I have returned from a “Mediterranean” holiday for 10 days which we took in South Devon !! – haven't we all been blessed with some magnificent weather. I trust some of you have had a good break and are all reinvigorated to face the next challenges in our communities like me !

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Readers Letters

Sir

I would like to thank all my friends and neighbour`s who came to see me on the Open House my daughter and son in law arranged for me to celebrate my 90th birthday. Also many thanks for all the lovely cards, flowers and gifts I received. It was also an opportunity for some old friends to meet again after quite a few years. Finally a very big thank you to my daughter Ann and son in law Brian who worked so hard all day to make it such a lovely time.

Dorothy Twilton.

Sir

I would like to say a special Thank You to Howard Watts for permitting the Thursday Fishman to park on his garage forecourt and give us the opportunity to purchase fresh fish without the journey to the supermarkets or coast.

I am sure the fish van brings people to the village and in turn benefits the shops and other businesses in Boxford.

So, thank you again Howard and also our friendly and helpful Fishman who brings good produce to the village with a cheerful smile.

Mike Gill
Groton

Sir

We would like to thank everyone who supported our cake stall and coffee morning at Mary's house on Saturday 7th September. We raised the grand total of £454 to add to the £415 from our cream tea afternoon in July.

We have made enough money this year towards the transport costs of our boxes so if you find it difficult to add the £3.00 to your box, don't worry, we will add it from our fundraising.

The Shoebox team

Sir

I am writing to thank my friends and family for all the cards, flowers and presents I have received on my 90th birthday.

Also to my two daughters Rhona and Carol for the wonderful party. What a surprise!

Mrs Phylis Rose
Boxford

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Local History Recorder	Philip Rich 210605
Mill Surgery	210558
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Left: Members of Milden CC enjoying a curry night out in Lavenham after their last home league game on 1 September 2013. Milden won the match, against Rougham CC, by five wickets. (Scores: Rougham 152; Milden 153 for five.) Photo's David Lamming.

GOLF FAIRYTALE COMES TRUE



Above: Ellie Aldous and Alice Barlow

A golfing fairytale came true as Newton Green's schoolgirl giant killers became the youngest winners of the county's Haskell Trophy. Despite being four holes down by the eighth of the 36-hole competition, Ellie Aldous and Alice Barlow made a magnificent afternoon assault to scorch into a five holes foursomes lead.

They eventually nailed victory by 3 & 2 in the final at Waldringfield Golf Club.

A devastating run of early afternoon holes by the schoolgirl pairing tipped the scales, after the Newton twosome and Aldeburgh opponents Blaize Esmond and Lotti Edmunds had completed the morning all-square, after 18 holes of the scratch scoring event.

Edmond, aged 20, who plays off two and has qualified to begin

professional training once she has found a sponsoring club, and the experienced Edmunds, a six handicapper, were playing in their fourth consecutive Haskell final.

At four up by the eighth after some wayward early play by Aldous and Barlow, who have handicaps of six, and are aged 15 and 14, it looked as if Aldeburgh's name was destined back on the trophy.

Edmonds and Edmunds had won twice, but have now also tasted defeat twice, although they brought their experience to the table by clinging on to win back two holes at dormy five.

However, the Newton youngsters had proved their mettle by three times knocking out equally experienced Suffolk golfers on their way to the final.

They were in no mood to surrender at the final hour, tying up victory at the 33rd hole. Among the highlights of their inspired start to the afternoon round was an opening nine of three under par, including an eagle on the par five, 487-yard stroke index one 5th hole. It featured a 265-yard drive by Aldous, and a 222-yard, five iron second by Barlow to within a yard of the pin – a piece of brilliant team play the like of which their more experienced opponents could not match on the day.

It was the first time in the history of the competition Newton had reached the final – the feat being testimony to the club's rising playing standards across the board.

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