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PF 50 CELEBRATIONS



The good people of Boxford, Edwardstone and Groton braved the awful weather to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of Boxford Playing Fields. Despite the rain, many people turned out to enjoy the stalls, demonstrations, sports, food, drink and music. It was a wonderful atmosphere all day, topped off by dancing and singing to the excellent Reno and Rome and The Beavers. Huge thanks must go to all the volunteers who helped to put the event on (and clear up afterwards!) and the stall holders for giving up their time and their enthusiasm. Here's to the next 50 years!



Photo David Lamming

Top: The Beavers rock the night away

Bottom Left: And the rain came

Above: Miss Lesley's young dancers



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BOXFORD GARDENING SOCIETY ANNUAL SPUD PARTY

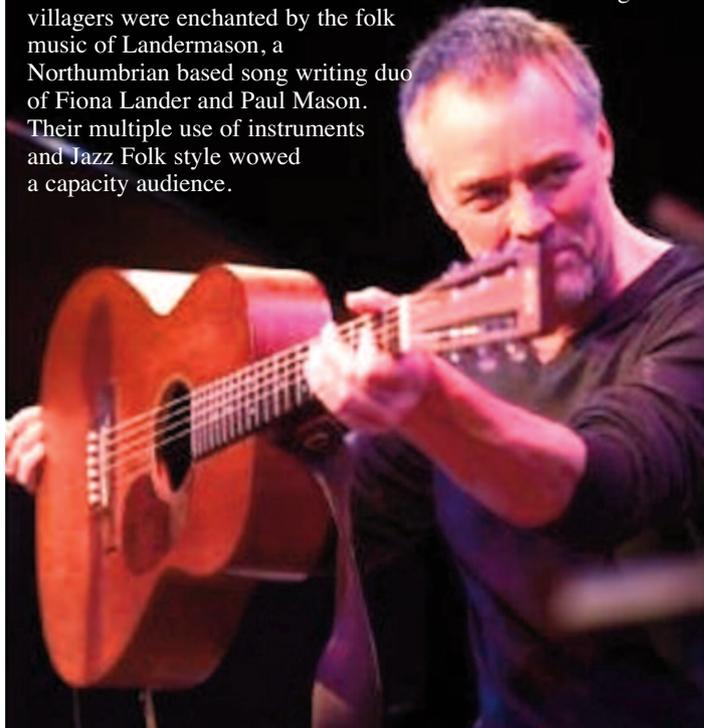


Boxford Gardening society held it's annual Spud party on Sunday 23rd July in the beautiful garden of Waterside Barn the home of Jeremy and Rosie Osborne. Winners of the competition were 1st Christine Mole at 3lbs 9oz, 2nd Shuna Clarkson 3lbs 3.5 oz and 3rd was our hostess Rosie Osborne at 2lbs 15ozs. A great afternoon was enjoyed by all.



LANDERMASON AT LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

On the 8th of June at St Lawrence Church in Little Waldingfield villagers were enchanted by the folk music of Lander Mason, a Northumbrian based song writing duo of Fiona Lander and Paul Mason. Their multiple use of instruments and Jazz Folk style wowed a capacity audience.



FleeceJazz

at Stoke by Nayland Hotel

Friday 1 September 8.00 £18

Clark Tracey: tribute to Stan Tracey's Hexad

One of the finest drummers now inherits the mantle of the great Stan Tracey's jazz legacy

Clark Tracey drums, Alex Ridout trumpet, Sean Payne alto, Chris Mddock tenor/soprano, Ashley Henry piano, Daniel Casimir bass Stan Tracey belonged to the first generation of British performers who were trying, in those restless, optimistic years after the war, to learn from the inspirations of Charlie Parker, Dizzy Gillespie and Thelonious Monk despite being 3000 miles away from the source, and then develop a style of their own in a culture that had never been hospitable to jazz. Tracey, one of the undisputed giants of the music in Britain, managed exactly that.

Clark Tracey is a band leader, composer, educator, promotor and a highly professional and brilliant drummer; not to mention multiple award winner. He brings an excellent sextet to give us the music of the original Hexad.

Friday 8 September 8.00 £18

Brandon Allen's Gene Ammons Project

The Brandon Allen quartet reinterprets the music of the late great saxophonist Gene Ammons. Brandon Allen tenor, Bas Van Lier piano/organ, Annie Somogyi bass, Matt Home drums Ammons was one of the founders of the Chicago style of tenor saxophone playing but was often in the shadow of his tenor-playing contemporaries, Dexter Gordon, Wardell Gray, and Sonny Stitt. Despite this he forged a lasting partnership with Stitt, recording some classic tenor battles in the 1950 s.

While adept at the technical aspects of bebop, in particular its love of harmonic substitutions, Ammons more than Young, Webster or Parker, stayed in touch with the commercial blues and R&B of his day. In 1950 the saxophonist's recording of "My foolish heart" made Billboard magazine's black pop charts. The soul jazz movement of the mid-1960s, often using the combination of tenor saxophone and Hammond B3 electric organ, counts him as a founder.

Friday 15 September 8.00 £15

Jam Experiment

This young quintet, winners of Jazz North Introduces Scheme is a true collective that has taken inspiration from such luminaries as Mark Nightingale and Dennis Rollins Rory Ingham trombone, Alexander Bone sax, Toby Comeau piano/keys, Joe Lee bass, Luke Tomlinson drums

Friday 29 September 8.00 £15

The Paper Jam Duo

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Friday 6 October 8.00 £20

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THIS MONTHS LETTER FROM REV JUDITH

Dear Friends,

Sleeper awake !

I am just so definitely not a morning person! So the old-fashioned hymn which starts with the words,

*When morning gilds the skies,
my heart awakening cries,
may Jesus Christ be praised*

is, sadly, very far indeed from the truth as far as I'm concerned. What comes from my "awakening heart" is more likely to be a mental groan at having to get up at all. I suppose it's not helped by the fact that the time when I really begin to get going is the late evening! However, I have to admit that, when I do finally prise myself out of bed and manage to open the curtains (Rufus having been up some two hours earlier...), the words of another hymn, which I sang at primary school, do often come into my mind:

*So here hath been dawning
Another blue day:
Think, wilt thou let it
Slip useless away?*

Living where we do, in the rectory, we are so incredibly fortunate to be surrounded by green space and nature, tall trees, the sights and sounds of the birds. Especially in the spring, the scene that greets me from our bedroom window is a cherry tree in full bloom, or a carpet of snowdrops and aconites. Then the day really does seem like a shining blue one, full of possibilities and hope.

I recently came across, and texted to a friend, a thought, perhaps a kind of prayer, which went something like this,

Each day is a messenger from God.

I like that so much, as it seems to suggest that, whatever the day brings us – good or bad – there is meaning to be found within it, something to be learned from it, something it contains which can help. We just need to work out what it is. We need to be awake to its possibilities.

In a verse from the Bible which I may have quoted before, we hear God saying:

*Behold I do something new.
Do you not perceive it?*

Wherever we are in our lives, whatever we have been through, whatever we are feeling like, every day is offered to us as an opportunity to take a new step forward in life.

Until today, when I found it on the internet, I never knew the second half of the verse from the "blue day" hymn. It goes like this:

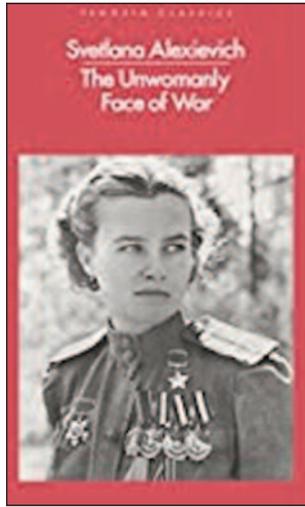
*Out of eternity
This new day is born;
Into eternity,
At night, will return.*

I hope that - whatever lies behind you, whatever lies before you - as you wake up tomorrow - it will truly be for you, a new day dawning.

Blessings, *Revd Judith*

THIS MONTH'S GOOD READS

The Unwomanly Face of War by Svetlana Alexievich



When Charlotte Delbo – a French dramatist arrested by the Germans in Paris and sent to Auschwitz in 1943 – came home from the camps, her first thought was to write about the women with her who had survived, and the ones who had not. But when she finished her book, with its mixture of memory and testimony, she put it away in a drawer for 20 years, worried in case it did not convey what it had really been like. She wanted to be certain that the writing was so plain, so transparent, that nothing would come between the readers and their understanding.

This sense of absolute directness and immediacy lies at the heart of Svetlana Alexievich's extraordinary oral history of the Russian women who fought in the second world war, translated by Richard

Pevear and Larissa Volokhonsky. Over seven years in the late 1970s and early 80s, she interviewed many hundreds of women, the pilots, doctors, partisans, snipers and anti-aircraft gunners who served on the front line, and the legions of laundresses, cooks, telephone operators and engine drivers who backed them up.

Very few of those she approached refused to talk to her. One former pilot, who turned her down, told her that she could not bear to return in her mind to the three years during which she had felt herself not to be a woman. When, in the ruins of Berlin, her future husband proposed to her, she had been outraged. "How, in the midst of chaos? Begin by making me a woman," she told him. For the rest, the women poured out their memories to her, not simply recounting them, but reimagining them. The simpler the women, the more their stories were "uninfected by secondary knowledge". Alexievich herself was born in 1948 into a family scarred by the war. Close relations had been killed, died of typhus or been burned alive by the Germans. Her father was the only one of three brothers to come home. The talk, in the village in Belarus where she grew up, was all of war; most of its inhabitants were widows. Alexievich left school to become a reporter on the local paper before devoting her life to collecting oral testimonies in order to document what it had been like to live through some of the defining traumas – the Chernobyl nuclear disaster and the fate of the Russian soldiers in Afghanistan – in recent Soviet history. In the days of Tolstoy and Dostoevsky, she has said, she would probably have written fiction. But today, when things happen so fast that the human mind cannot absorb them, "there is much that art cannot convey". A "writer, reporter, sociologist, psychologist and preacher", she sees the world as a chorus of "individual voices and a collage of everyday details".

A million women fought in the Red Army. Alexievich's project began when she read an article in a Minsk paper about a farewell party given for a senior female accountant who, as a sniper during the war, had killed 75 people and received 11 decorations. War, she realised, is seldom told from the woman's point of view, and what interested her were not tales of heroism, but of "small great human beings". What was more, there was nothing heroic about war, which needed to be shown as sickening, repulsive and insane.

A surprising number of the women she spoke to had been desperate to get to the front, drawn by the prevailing patriotic fervour and willing even to abandon young children at home. Many had falsified their ages, lied, pestered. When they got there, they discovered that the reality was not glory but brutality and the events they described to Alexievich are a chronicle of horror, dirt, exhaustion and fear. As women, givers of life, they said they found killing harder than the men. Broken up into statements, some no longer than a few dozen lines, following on from each other without interruption, their stories tell of hearing the skulls of dead Germans crunching under the wheels of lorries, of rats so starving in Stalingrad that they ate knapsacks, of the corpses of sailors in striped jerseys so bloated that they looked like watermelons, and of leaving on missions with their babies strapped to their backs.

And after they had recounted the fighting, they described the ordinary things, the falling in love, the men's haircuts and uniforms they were forced to adopt, the way they curled their hair with pine cones and sat doing embroidery between the shelling, and how they missed their children. Alexievich took infinite time and patience, sometimes spending whole days waiting for the moment when the past was suddenly unlocked.

The Unwomanly Face of War is published by Penguin Classics. To order a copy for £11.04 (RRP £12.99) go to bookshop.theguardian.com or call 0330 333 6846. Free UK p&p over £10, online orders only. Phone orders min p&p of £1.99.

...and breathe...

The summer holidays are over for another year. The kids are back at school and Autumn is just around the corner. Time flies - and sometimes we all just need a minute to take a breath...

Have you spent the summer running around looking after everybody else? If so, you're probably in need of a little 'looking-after' yourself.

For most of us, life is non-stop. And when children are involved, there's often very little time to sit down, relax and have some proper 'me' time?

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MILDEN CRICKET CLUB CONTINUE TO STRIVE FORWARD.



Milden continued where they had left off after being promoted to Division 4 of the Hunts County Cricket League, winning their opening fixture away at Elveden. A step up in division has meant much closer games but the Mildeners have taken this in their stride. With the wicket and facilities up at the cricket ground ever improving we have taken big steps as a club and welcomed new players into the fold. A real chance of a successive promotion to Division 3 is nearly within our grasp as Milden have only lost once this season, away at Earl Stonham but repaid the favour at Milden, comprehensively beating them by 8 wickets. What has been most pleasing is there have been outstanding performances right across the team and it will be difficult to pick a Player of the Year for sure. Local rivalries have been competitive as always with Lavenham and Hadleigh but all played in the right spirit and a few drinks shared afterwards. Milden have also reached the final of the Knock Out Cup competition and will face our friends at Twinstead on Sunday 17th September, hosted at their beautiful ground, all support would be very much welcome.

However, as with any club we do not wish to stand still and are already looking at next year. We would very much like to expand our club to incorporate another team, be it league or a friendly XI, in particular we would be looking for juniors to play, boys and girls as well as those that have not donned the cricket whites for a few years. We are a friendly and inclusive club with a great ethos and brilliant facilities, well supported by the Milden Pavillion Committee. We have some people taking their ECB coaching badges, we have a child welfare officer in place and we have plans to attain the ECB Club Mark award.

But why is this important? By putting these things in place we are building a sustainable club that can provide affordable sporting activities, at a time when participation is falling and put sport back into the heart of the community. Recently, whilst playing against Battsford Cricket Club, one of the opposition players was super proud and made his day by batting with his son (his daughter was unavailable), surely that is what it is about? So if you want to get involved, come and play or just check us out, please do not hesitate to do so. Lots of information on the Milden Cricket Club Website and Facebook pages and you can easily get in touch with us. Finally, a big thank you to our sponsors, Mick, Ben and the team at the Edwardsone White Horse and Chris at the Lindsey Group. Tom Konopka, Captain

BOXFORD BOWLS CLUB'S ANNUAL TOURNAMENT



Boxford Bowls Club held its annual open tournament on Sunday 6th August.

On a wonderful sunny day over 100 people were at the club with 18 teams of 4 players each from around the county competing against one another.

Les Clark, president of the club, gave a short opening address to begin proceedings and club secretary Malcolm Grimwood explained the rules before blowing the whistle to start the competition.

There was a lot of good competitive bowling with each team playing at least 4 matches before the semi-finals and final were played to decide the winners. This year the final was between a Boxford team and one from Capel St Mary. After a hard fought game the shield and prize-money went to the team from Boxford made up of Steve Marszal (skip), Pauline Mackness, Martin Wheal and Fred Mackness.

During the afternoon a spider competition was held for the prize of a bottle of whisky and with the proceeds from this, which the club made up to £100.00, being donated to the Shelley Centre for Therapeutic Riding. The day was great success, with home-made lunch and tea prepared and served by the Boxford ladies.



Winners: Boxford team Fred Mackness, Pauline Mackness, Martin Wheal and Steve Marszal being presented with the winners shield by club president Les Clark



HARVEY WATTS EQUALS NEWTON GREEN COURSE RECORD

TEENAGER Harvey Watts has equalled the men's course record at Newton Green. Playing in a club Stableford event, the 17-year-old went round in a six under par 63, three shots better than his previous best. He recorded seven birdies and one bogey, and his handicap has been reduced from three to two.

Playing with him and marking his card was Jed Seeley, the current record holder. The pair were playing together last year when Seeley set the current record, which is the best recorded by any amateur or professional player at the course.

Watts is in the three-strong team of Newton players who recently retained the Suffolk junior team title, and who represent the county in the national club team championships at Woodhall Spa on August 12 and 13.

In the national event last year Watts registered a hole-in-one, and his team mate again this year will be Ben Tatum, plus Suffolk under 16 captain Ollie Page.



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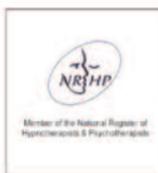
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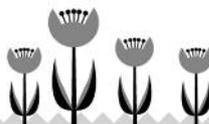
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LITTLE WALDINGFIELD HISTORY SOCIETY

Visit by French Historical Association Members



Above: Signing the visitors book

It was with great pleasure that trustees / members of LWHS and members of St Lawrence PCC welcomed 35 French visitors from Lyon, comprising members of their local history society and descendants from the Appletons of Holbrook Hall, Little Waldingfield.

Sylvie Monin-Badey, trip organiser and lecturer at the Jean Moulin University in Lyon, first contacted the LW parish council in August 2015 with a series of questions about a potential trip to visit the church and the 'Appleton Manor'. Queries were passed onto LWHS and so began an interesting period of putting together a foreign trip from long distance; sadly Holbrook Hall could not be visited as it was converted into a care home some time ago, changing its name to Brookwood Manor in the process.

Society trustees rose early and preparations were thankfully just about finished, including the gay French flag bunting inside and out, when their coach driver, who clearly performed a sterling job on busy UK roads, arrived early; on the flip side this then gave the 35 person group more time to explore the church and its contents.

After welcoming the group, trustees and members were on hand to hopefully answer the many questions that naturally arose from our visitors; this stretched the limited French language skills of many locals to the limit, though happily one or two were pretty good, whilst Sylvie herself put the rest of us to shame - see later.

Many photographs were taken, books / postcards purchased and gifts exchanged between both sides when Janine, whilst looking closely and longingly at the lovely listed organ in the church, mentioned that she had previously been a church organist - luckily a key to the vestry was found, from where a key to the organ was sourced and the machine itself switched on. We were then treated to Bach's Toccata and Fugue in D Minor, which sounded fantastic in the beautiful church with its superb acoustics, followed by Amazing Grace, which was a lovely conclusion to their church visit.



Above: The tea party

But all was not over as we all then trooped the few yards up Church Road to the Parish Room where celebratory refreshments had been laid on. This seemed to go down well with new found friends and villagers alike, happily tucking into sausage rolls, vol-au-vents, cucumber sandwiches (with the crusts cut off - very English) and cakes too plentiful to mention - lovely. At this point it seemed appropriate for Sylvie to give her short speech, which she did, twice, firstly in English and then in French, to rapturous applause from all present. The speech follows, with my further explanation (in brackets):

Ladies and gentlemen,

First of all, we thank you very much for your friendly welcome. Today's visit, on Tuesday 25th July 2017, has been organised to consider the church of Little Waldingfield (St Lawrence), containing the Appleton's coats or arms, tombs etc. Indeed, this visit has a very special meaning for Mr Frank Testart, Mrs Marcelle Appleton's grandson, representing the French family of the Appletons.

In the past, this family originated from Little Waldingfield, Suffolk. Mrs Marcelle Appleton was born in 1895, in Oberbruck, Bas-Rhin (a commune in the Haut-Rhin department in Grand Est, north-eastern France), and deceased in 1964 in Bourg-en-Bresse (a commune in Eastern France). She was Jean Appleton's single daughter - his wife was Gabrielle Zellez. Jean Appleton taught law at university level and was also a barrister. He was born in 1868 in Charolles (a commune in the Saône-et-Loire department, Bourgogne region in eastern France) and he deceased in 1942, in Paris. His father was Charles Louis Appleton, who taught Roman Law in Berne, Switzerland and in Lyon (the capital city of France's Auvergne-Rhône-Alpes region). He was born in Rennes, in Brittany, circa 1835.

Then there is John James Appleton, his grandson. He was born in Ipswich, Massachusetts. He arrived in France during the early years of the nineteenth century as a businessman, working for the American Embassy, owing to assistance of Mr Talley and Mr Bernadotte (of the House of the current Royal family of Sweden). The latter was 'King of Sweden' and Mr Talley was Napoleon 1st's great friend.

John James is the first American born Appleton to have French offspring. In the current French family it is still said that the Appleton's belong to William the Conqueror's offspring via his fourth son Henry Beauclerc (Henry 1st of England). According to the family researches, the Appleton's have both English and Norman roots.

I express our appreciation and sincere thanks to the Reverend Judith Sweetman, all the members of the church council, Mr Andy Sheppard, all members of the (Little Waldingfield) History Society and the ladies who prepared the refreshments for this special party.

Today's visit symbolises our friendship with your community, giving us such a warm welcome.

Thank you to all.

Sylvie Monin-Badey

Maître de Conférences d'Anglais

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No one could have said anything better, and we then continued tucking into the refreshments, coincident with many real time phone conversations back home to other members of their group - we hope they will be more such trips in the future, albeit probably on a much smaller scale. After this, with some sadness but happy memories, the English contingent lined up on the pavement outside the Parish Room to wave to the passing coach taking our new best friends off to their next destination, all of whom were equally waving furiously. If they enjoyed themselves half as much as we did, they will have had a good time in Little Waldingfield and we heartily thank them for making an excuse for a party. We also thank Sylvie for the generous donation towards decorating the church Christmas tree, found on a table in a lovely card as we were putting everything away - not necessary but a very nice gesture.

Andy Sheppard

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• Suffolk County Council launches its new Strategic Priorities

On the 20th July Suffolk County Council adopted its new Strategic Priorities document. This outlines SCC's Priorities for the next four years building on the Conservative manifesto from the recent County Council elections, in addition to several carefully considered strategies already in place. At its heart are three core principles – **inclusive growth, health care and wellbeing and efficient and effective public services**. As before sound financial management, careful planning, and a passion for finding new ways to deliver and protect frontline services are all fundamental to the approach. The document can be found at <https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/assets/council-and-democracy/our-aims-and-transformation-programmes/Suffolk-County-Council-Priorities.pdf>

• Special Olympics Send-off for Suffolk's Athletes

In preparation for the Special Olympics Great Britain National Summer Games 2017, Suffolk County Council hosted on 1st August an official send off for the athletes from Suffolk, who have been selected for the Games. This will be the 10th National Summer Games and will take place in Sheffield from 7th to 12th August. Around 2,600 athletes with intellectual disabilities will come together from all over the country to compete in 20 different sports. 24 Special Olympics Suffolk (SOS) athletes from the sports of athletics, gymnastics and badminton will be part of the Eastern Region team. Further information about Special Olympics Great Britain National Summer Games can be found at <http://sheffield2017.org.uk/>

• Getting your Recycling Right

The Suffolk Waste Partnership has launched a campaign to tackle the cost of people placing the wrong items in their recycling bins. 'Getting your Recycling Right' will be working with around 3600 homes to help residents understand what can and can't go in their recycling bin, while also aiming to reduce the £500,000 annual taxpayer cost of removing the wrong items from recycling bins. The two areas identified are being targeted as historically they have had higher than average levels of recycling bin contamination.

In Suffolk, more than half of our household waste is recycled, but contamination levels have been rising as people increasingly put unsuitable items such as food, glass, electrical items and used nappies in their kerbside recycling bins. These items are potentially dangerous, can have a negative impact on the environment and ultimately cost the taxpayer extra money to clean up.

Homes in the campaign area can expect to receive a new information pack through their door as well as a helpful information sticker on their bins. In addition, contractors from Groundworks, working on behalf of the partnership, will be visiting homes to raise awareness and ask people to get their recycling right.

All recyclable waste collected from Suffolk households is taken to the Materials Recycling Facility (MRF) in Great Blakenham, where it is sorted and baled before being sent on for recycling. This facility is designed to only accept and process certain materials. If the wrong items are delivered they have to be removed, sometimes by hand.

• Suffolk County Council continues to raise awareness of motor neurone disease to support those living with the condition

At this last month's Suffolk Health and Wellbeing Board Meeting, Suffolk County Council, reiterated its support of the motor neurone disease (MND) charter in support of local people living with this terminal disease and their carers.

MND is a fatal, rapidly progressing disease that can leave people locked in a failing body, unable to move, talk and eventually breathe. It kills around a third of people within a year of diagnosis, and more than half within two years. There is no cure.

Little is understood about the disease and this contributes to many people not receiving the care and support they need. The MND Charter was launched to change this, comprising a number of rights for those with MND.

Suffolk County Council, who committed to the charter in December after all councillors voted unanimously in favour of supporting it, is one of only 14 county councils to adopt the charter. As part of the charter, Suffolk County Council will promote the charter, campaigning to recruit volunteers to help support people affected by MND.

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FEEDBACK FROM BRYN HURREN

Your Babergh District Councillor

Firstly good news on the mobile phone mast on the by-pass, after much chasing I have found out that it is due to be finally connected up and switched on at the end of August/ early September.

While we all thought that the electricity had already been connected at the time the by-pass was dug up it turns out that the final connection has not been made and we await the arrival of

U.K. Power Networks to carry out this task, one would have hoped this could have been carried out a little earlier to facilitate a better service for Boxford, let's hope it's worth the wait.

Planning matters are still taking up much of my time, we have two very difficult ones to decide in the coming months, firstly the application to cram another 25 houses onto the part of the Goodlands that was not built upon last time around, this will make the difficult passage up and down Swan St even worse and more difficult than it is now, the Parish council and myself are working as hard as we can to make sure that all the issues are highlighted and put before the planning committee to try to achieve a sensible decision. We also have the application for the expansion at Boxford Farms on Brick Kiln Hill, this site has recently been bought up by Konings a Belgian drinks company who wish to expand into Cider manufacture and will hope to double the output and workforce at this site.

The projected closing down of our offices at Corks Lane Hadleigh is still projected to happen at the end of September, I have bought a decent bike which I intend to use, new knee permitting to try to negotiate the heavy traffic at peak times on the way to our new headquarters at Endeavour House, I am told this is progress but I am not sure in which direction, during the next couple of weeks I hope with others to drop the new Quay Theatre brochure through every door in Boxford, please use this facility as we have a lot to offer, if you struggle to get there and home give me a call as I intend to re-launch the trips with the School bus now that my knee has recovered and I am allowed to drive such vehicles again. Enjoy what is left of our summer.

All Best Bryn. 210854 bryn.hurren@babergh.gov.uk



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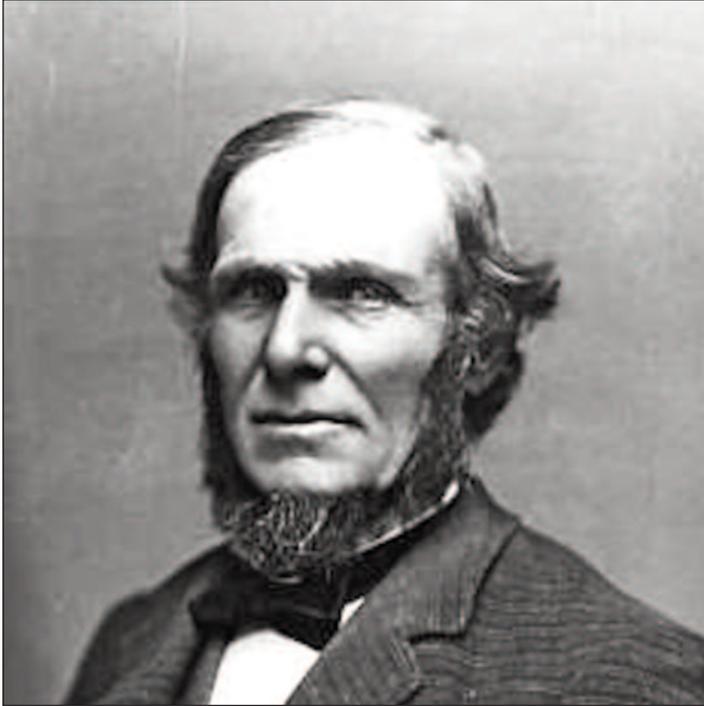
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A TRAGIC STORY OF BOXFORD MORMONS CROSSING THE AMERICAN PLAINS.

Few people know that two British converts to Mormonism organised a branch church in Stone Street, Boxford (now known as Chapel House), probably as early as 1842. This attracted a young Boxford couple and ended in their planned emigration to Salt Lake City, the Mormon centre in Utah.

Robert Chenery Dansie was born Feb. 5, 1825 to James Dansie and Sarah Chenery, in Boxford. Charlotte Rudland was born Feb. 10, 1832 to William Rudland and Susan Foster, in nearby Newton. The houses they were born in still stand in their respective Suffolk villages. Robert and Charlotte joined the Boxford Mormon church shortly after their marriage at Newton on April 8, 1849. By the time of the 1851 census of religious worship, the Boxford meeting could claim an attendance at three services of just over sixty people.



Robert Dansie

Charlotte Rudland and Robert Dansie, once married, lived in Boxford and Robert worked as a blacksmith. Robert described Charlotte to his grandchildren as a "beautiful wife," small in stature with black hair and dark, flashing eyes.

Disapproval of their new religion by their families and friends prompted them to eventually move to Barking in Essex. A small group of Latter Day Saints (Mormons) was meeting there in Heath Street in 1851 and in North Street in 1854. Robert became a gardener and took care of the grounds and flower gardens of a wealthy landowner.

The couple sailed for America on May 12, 1862 with their five children aboard the sailing ship William Tapscott, leaving behind in England the graves of two other children. The ship was chartered by the church to bring 850 English "saints" to the United States. They arrived in New York on June 25 and docked the next day, arriving after 42 long days at sea, a voyage that harmed the health of many of the passengers. Charlotte who was expecting a child was badly affected by the sea journey. The converts then rode a steam train to Florence, Nebraska, the gathering point near Omaha on the Missouri River, where Mormons gathered to kit themselves out for the trip to the Salt Lake Valley. The Dansies were assigned to the company of Capt. Ansil P. Harmon, who led one of six companies of teams sent east from Utah that year (so-called church "trains") to bring Mormon emigrants to the valley. The Harmon company consisted of 48 wagons and nearly 500 individuals. On August 2 they started across the plains on the long, harrowing journey. William Priest, an emigrant, was also in this group and wrote up his story as a daily diary. It is interesting that lack of firewood, rattlesnakes, lack of water, fear of wolves and 'Indians' and children's almost daily deaths are the key repeated problems.

Extract from diary of William Priest, "A record of my life",

September 21 1862, last Night some of the Teemsters refused to take up an old lady into their Wagons and left on the road 3 miles Back. A Woman [Charlotte Dansie] & baby [Joseph Dansie] died this morning. Onward through the South Pass, and Passed the Pacific Springs. The Springs form a small creek a long the side which we travel for some Distance until we cross it. Here we Stopped to bury the Dead. The camp Stopped to water the oxen. Where they was all buired. Here we had orders to fill up

our Bottle with Water, as it would be a Dry Camping ground to night camp moved about 3 p.m. I was called to gard Behind the wagon. We came to camp at 9.30 p.m. on Dry Sandy. Distance day 14 Miles [802 miles from start at Omaha]. Wood Plenty

On the night of September 20/21, Charlotte Dansie had gone into premature labour with her 8th child. A son Joseph was born, but died soon after, as did Charlotte. Her grandchildren could tell the story they had often heard: "Before grandmother died, she was in such pain that she told him she could stand her suffering no longer and asked him to pray to God that she might be released and return to her maker. Grandfather did pray and it was only a matter of minutes until both she and the baby died." Robert placed a string of blue beads around Charlotte's neck and, from the family belongings, tore the lid off a large trunk, its brass hinges stamped with images of the British lion, and placed it over Charlotte's body in the grave. The baby was buried in the arms of its mother who lay beside the body of Caroline Myers. After the burial a large rock was placed over the grave. Charlotte left behind her husband Robert, 37, and 5 children, Robert 12, Alfred John 10, Charles Nephi 8, Sarah Ann Elizabeth 4 and William Heber 1 to continue the trek.

The president and chaplain of the company, John D. T. McAllister wrote: "At 7 ½ o'clock, a few of us went ahead to dig a grave for the body of Sister Charlotte Dansie, wife of Robert, age 32, who died this morning of a 'Miscarriage' and general debility. One mile brought us to the Summit or pass. Three more we made the Pacific Springs, one mile farther we crossed the Pacific Creek and dug the grave on the right of the road. While digging the grave, Captain Harmon rode up and informed us that Caroline Myers, aged 25 was dead. She died of Bilious fever just after the wagons left camp. We widened the grave for both bodies. We stopped there three hours then travelled 11 miles to Dry Sandy."

Little is known about Caroline Myers (or Meyers) except for the sad circumstances of her death. She seems to have been travelling alone with no other family members, and does not appear on the list of passengers from the William Tapscott. Caroline had probably been sick for several days, but on the morning of the 21st she began that day's journey by walking ahead of her team. Diarist William Priest wrote: "

When the wagons came, the teamster reported another death, a young woman belonging to Bro Jarmin's tent. She started to walk a little from camp but had to sit down on the road. The teamster of the wagon she belonged to would not take her up. The captain had her put in another wagon. She had only been in a few minutes and she died. The camp stopped to water the oxen where they was all buried."

Death was not strange to them, though tragic for them all, as more than 32 had died before Charlotte, baby Joseph and Caroline.

The Harmon company arrived in Salt Lake on Oct. 2. In December Robert married Jane Wilcox, who also had been a member of the company. They settled in Herriman, Utah, and had nine children together. In all, Robert and his two wives, Charlotte and Jane, had 13 children who lived to have families of their own, from which the Dansie family has continued to multiply and prosper in Utah and Idaho.

Some of Robert's children later tried to locate Charlotte's grave, but without success. In 1939 some members of the next generation, armed with an earlier letter to the family from John D.T. McAllister (chaplain who buried Charlotte), made another attempt. When they reached Pacific Springs they found a man they described as a "Mexican sheep herder" camped nearby. They asked him if he knew of any old graves in the area. He told them that some other sheep herders had dug into a grave he had noticed nearby, but when they found that three people were buried in the grave, two adults and a baby, it had been covered back up.



Grave of Charlotte Dansie, Wyoming

After they questioned him further, it began to appear to the Dansies that the man himself had dug up the grave. Becoming frightened, they said, he admitted to it and produced a string of blue beads that he had found in the grave. The necklace was recognized as the one placed by Robert

around Charlotte's neck before her burial. The beads gave credence to Charlotte's grandson's account of the burial.

There, they found copper rivets, brass hinges with the British lion and old pieces of leather scattered around the grave. Convinced they had found their grandmother's grave, the second generation of Dansie descendants dedicated a marker on the site in October 1939. One of Charlotte's children, 81-year-old Sarah Ann (Charlotte's oldest daughter who had been four years old when she stood over her mother's grave), lived long enough to witness the event, attended by more than 80 of Charlotte's relatives.



Charlotte's grave today beside the old trail, with the empty Great Plains stretching as far as the eye can see

The tombstone on the road from Farson to Lander reads:

*"But should we die before our journey is through, all is well, all is well."
In loving memory of Charlotte R., daughter of Wm. and Susan Rudland born in Suffolk England. Died in child birth with infant son Joseph at Pacific Springs Wyo. Sept. 21, 1862, while crossing the plains to Utah. In Ansel P Harmon Co. leaving husband and five children. Caroline Myers buried in the same grave. Died Sept. 21 1862 of Biliious fever age 25 years. Grave located July 3, 1939 by Joseph H. and Leroy Dansie. Erected in 1939.*

In 1958, President Eisenhower authorized the Secretary of the Interior to convey 1¼ acres of land to be used as a Grave Site Memorial to Charlotte Dansie. The deed is held by the Dansie Family Organization.

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NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

3PR Stats for July

Our responders covered 678 hrs out of 744hrs and there were 12 Callouts.

Women's golf thriving at Stoke by Nayland – an invitation to get started!

Stoke by Nayland Golf Club has always welcomed women and girls into the game since it opened nearly 45 years ago and there is now a thriving ladies' section which regularly achieves impressive results in local, regional and even national championships.

The latest accolade is an amazing achievement by 15 year old Lily May Humphreys, one of Stoke by Nayland's Junior members, who has just become one of the youngest winners of the national English Women's Amateur Championship. She's shortly off to Norway to represent England in the European Young Masters.

Coached by Stoke by Nayland's Head Teaching Professional, Roly Hitchcock, Lily has been consistently excellent, winning several events this year alone, and she represented the R&A in the Junior Vagliano Trophy in Italy. Next week Lily will be aiming to win the Under 18 Girls Championship at Littlestone Golf Club in Kent. If successful, she will have won the Under 14s,16s &18s championships in three consecutive years!

To encourage more women into the game, the team at Stoke by Nayland Golf Club is inviting ladies who are interested in giving golf a go to come along for a fun-filled, exciting day on Thursday 28th September from 10:30 – 14:30. This coincides with the first day of the prestigious 3 day LETAS international Ladies European Tour Access Series Tournament which is being hosted here for the 5th year running.

The total cost for the day is just £15 per person. For bookings and enquiries please contact Danielle at golfcoaching@stokebynayland.com You can also find out more about golf coaching clinics on the website at www.stokebynayland.com.

Boxford Village Hall Needs You

Can you help, your contribution to your community

The current treasurer is looking to resign and naturally Boxford Village Hall committee is looking for someone to take over.

If you feel that you would be willing to carry out the duties of treasurer but would like to know what that entails, please contact David House (01787 210918 and he will be happy to show you what is involved.

The village hall is the major venue for groups to meet, hold functions and for many forms of social events. It is an important facility for the people of Boxford and the surrounding area.

Please come forward if you can and offer your help

A1071 Death Trap

That was the heading in the Box River News of September 2007,

It went on " How many lives will have to be lost before the Suffolk County Council Highways department take back the willow trees at the junction of Stone Street with the 1071 Bye Pass and improve visibility". This year, despite many requests to the Highways department for this work to be done we have not even had a response. Our district councillor has been following the problem but Highways have so far chosen not to respond to the many emails sent to them on this matter. In the meantime turning left out of Stone Street you take your life in your hands.

Goodlands update

As of 11th August 2017, the Planning application for Goodlands Phase 2 is on hold, owing to the outstanding issues of residual spoil from Phase 1, and the absence of a clear outcome regarding congestion on Swan Street. Landex, as a result of our hard work, have been asked to remove the spoil completely, and reinstate the original gradient of the field. It is our hope that this work will be carried out soon. Once complete, further tests and a new typography report will be submitted by Landex, triggering a new 2 week consultation period prior to the application being heard by the planning committee, and a decision being made. We have also, after great effort, been allocated time to meet with Highways to discuss their response to the planning application, which we do not feel was sufficient, and does nothing to dispel Landex's opinion that the congestion and subsequent safety issues on Swan street are perceived by residents but not quantifiable or substantiated by evidence. To this end we would like to ask residents, and other users of Swan Street (drivers and pedestrians) for their help in compiling a dossier of experiences of the traffic on Swan Street; this should ideally consist of pictures but anecdotes will be helpful too. These can be sent to boxfordpcplanningcomments@gmail.com or call 07920495111 (Mathew), if you are not on email. Please send all documents in by the 1st September.

New Defib at the Fleece

On Saturday July 15th the ageing defibrillator at the Fleece was replaced with a new up-to-date model. This was made possible by the kind donations of local people and Boxford Parish Council.

The new defibrillator is smaller, lighter and more advanced than previous.

In an emergency, simply call 999 and the call handler will talk you through opening the cabinet and using it. Training is also available for anyone who would like to be shown how to use it - just call 3PR's co-ordinator Michael Norman on 01787 210229.



3PR's Michael Norman, Vince Strafford and Trudi Wild installing the new defibrillator at The Fleece Hotel, Boxford

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD. SHOEBOX APPEAL

It is the time of year to start thinking about the shoeboxes again!

We invite you to join us at Mary's house on Monday 16th October to wrap the boxes ready for filling them on Monday 30th October. We will be there from 2.00pm on both days.

Please bring your empty boxes and/or wrapping paper. If you don't want to wrap them yourself we will gladly do it for you.

We welcome any contributions of the usual toys, pens, pencils, toiletries, sweets etc. And of course all the knitted hats, mittens and scarves which so many of you make for us each year - we really do appreciate all of them. If you would like to help on either or both of these dates you will be most welcome. The leaflets will be in the shops nearer the date with ideas and labels for the boxes.

We will be having a cake stall at Mary's house on Saturday 7th October with coffee books and jigsaws as well as cakes for sale to pay for the transport of the Boxford boxes so we hope to see you there.

For any further information please contact:

Ann Porter on 210581 Shirley Watling on 210024 Jennie Lindsley on 210520

Wrong Time, Wrong Place

Recently, early one Sunday morning, I noticed the white plumage of a large bird laying in the verge: it was the body of a Barn Owl, hit by a car. Its wings were closed so had not even been given the chance to take flight. It had been ringed so I was able to find out its age and birth place - May this year, an owl box in the garden of a resident of Bower House Tye, it was one of six chicks. So, a young Barn Owl with only a few months of life, out foraging for food before being killed by a motorist who took the decision to hit it. They are large birds and white so the car driver would have had ample notice to lift their foot from the accelerator, maybe even hit the brake pedal and thus allowed one of these beautiful creatures to live and share this rural landscape with us.

Unfortunately, several days later I found the body of a Little Owl - the same spot and the same situation (wings closed, overnight kill). The road from White Street Green to Polstead church is not a busy A road or even a B, it is no more than a by-road with little traffic and I doubt very much that the motorist would have caused an accident by slowing down to allow these birds to live. Who are you? Where do you live? Perhaps you could find a circuitous track somewhere in the Sahara and drive round and round until you finally implode and all the Owls in Heaven will cheer!

M. Cooling, White Street Green.



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Wot's On

NEWTON VILLAGE HALL DIARY DATES

SEPTEMBER 2017

Wednesday	6th	7.30 pm	Village Hall committee
Tuesday	12th	2.30 pm	Fireside Club – Corncraft for tea
Wednesday	13th	7.30 pm	Parish Council Meeting
Tuesday	26th	2.00 am	Fireside Club – what are you reading
Friday	29th	10.00 am	Fireside Club outing – Fullers Mill gardens
Saturday	30th	10.00 am	McMillan coffee morning

REGULAR EVENTS

Monday mornings (term time only): Yoga class
(phone Sophia on 313662 for details)

Monday and Thursday evenings: Western Partner Dance Club
(call Chris 371006)

Friday afternoons: Art and Craft club (call Anne on 312346)

Friday evenings: Sudbury and District Wargames Club
(call Brian on 312160)

THE HISTORY OF SUDBURY

Dr Jonathan Belsey will give an illustrated talk on Saturday 9th September 2017 at 7.30pm at Boxford School Hall entitled "The History of Sudbury: How a bronze age encampment on a river bend evolved into a centre of Victorian rural industry."

Jonathan is always a fascinating speaker and he is an expert on Sudbury and its history. This historic borough is on our doorstep and we have been remiss in not giving it enough attention in recent years. Come and learn more about it. This is a Boxford Society event but non-members welcome on payment of £2 at the door.

LWHS Programme of Events - 2017 / 2018

20th September Sarah Doig The A to Z of Curious Suffolk

Romp through rolling countryside along the shingled coastline of Suffolk to unearth an alphabetical cornucopia of strange, spooky & mysterious facts about the county.

18th October Martin Hedges The Miser and the Murderer

A motiveless poisoning by a 17 year-old Acton servant girl just 3 weeks married to her childhood sweetheart. A missing signature on his will then lead to a 120 year-long family dispute Dickens recreated in Bleak House as Jarndyce vs Jarndyce.

15th November Gary Edgerton The History of Colchester from the Romans to present Day

Slides take us on a walking tour: The Castle, Dutch Quarter, Jumbo, St John's Abbey and St Botolph's Priory; with an amusing section on Colchester's houses of ill repute

13th December Ian McLachlan Zeppelin

Stories from the Zeppelin raids on East Anglia 100 years ago; the first casualties in Great Yarmouth and King's Lynn and how the sky monsters were defeated.

17th January Roger Green If These Walls Could Talk

MEMBER ONLY EVENT

A short talk followed by wine and nibbles.

14th February Jenny Antill Between Heaven & Earth,

reflections on the Russian Soul over 1000 years of history.

A study of the social and cultural influence of the Russian orthodox church, the importance of the icon, impact of C19th Slavic Revival on art / architecture and the influence of religious images and ideas on soviet authorities in the 20th Century.

14th March Geoffrey Kay A tonic to the nation

The 1951 Festival of Britain

18th April Linda Sexton Sisters in adversity

The Women's Institutes and the devastating 1953 East Coast Floods

16th May Pip Wright A Picture History of Margaret Catchpole

The story of a Suffolk adventuress & chronicler transported for stealing a horse, using paintings by Rev Cobbold. Described in the Australian Dictionary of Biography as one of the few convicts with an excellent memory and a gift for recording events.

12th June Allan Manning The battle of Waterloo

This finally broke the dominance of Emperor Napoleon over Europe and was truly the end of an epoch. Allan has created a very large and detailed map of the battlefield and will take us through the incredible events of that fateful day on 18th June 1815.

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 01787 248298

Tickets Members £2.00 Non Members £4.00

FAMILY FUN CAN BLOSSOM AT NEWTON GREEN

Families are being invited to a free afternoon of fun to have a go at golf. The summer Bank Holiday Monday activity is being staged at Newton Green Golf Club on August 28.

Children and adults with or without any skills in the sport will be shown how to hit a wide variety of targets with a golf club, or take part in fun putting competitions.

The whole family can play round a course of easy targets and build up their own or individual scores in mini Olympics style.

Individuals can enjoy free lessons, and afternoon teas and the club's famed catering can be sampled.

"Our outstanding success in recent years in encouraging youngsters to blossom has had a very strong family input. Scratch golfers such as Alice Barlow and Eloise Aldous have been helped by enthusiasm from their families within the club.

"Three of the four players in our junior team squad which has again reached the national finals are children of people with strong connections at Newton Green.

Fund Raising Quiz Night at "The Delphi Centre"

On Friday 6th October a fun Quiz night is being held at The Delphi Centre to raise funds for internal refurbishment of the ballroom and lounge areas. The Centre is more popular than ever now it is run by the Not for Profit Group. There will be many prizes for the quiz, including spot prizes, wooden spoon and music. Come along and have some fun play your team Joker to get double points. Teams up to six, this is proving to be a very popular event so book your team in early. Food in the interval supplied by "Sage & Onion" caterers will be chunky chilli and rice (Veggie option Available) Tickets are £10 per person including food and entry to Quiz. A Team Ticket will be supplied. Licenced bar; great atmosphere, a night not to be missed. Advance tickets only no on the night entrance.

Book in Your Team with Ray Reid phone :-07974615438 or email to:- thedelphicentremanager@gmail.com;

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**HANDS ON
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**Tuesday 5th September at 7.30pm
at Boxford Village Hall**

Wot's On

Crime Fiction and East Anglia by Kate Jewell

Stoke-by-Nayland WEA presents a series of 10 Lectures starting on Thursday 28th September 2017 in Stoke-by-Nayland Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

The evocative East Anglian landscape has long been an inspiration to tellers of stories of murder and mysterious death. This course begins with an exploration of the rise of crime as the source of entertainment for the masses. Then, using three novels by some of the greatest crime writers of the twentieth century, this course examines the genre of crime fiction in detail, particularly its use of East Anglia.

Kate Jewell is an experienced tutor who has taught across East Anglia. Awarded a PhD in Medieval East Anglian Festive Culture in 2014, Kate now teaches courses ranging from Reading Old Handwriting to Drama Before Shakespeare. A life-long lover of Crime Fiction, Kate has become fascinated by its history as a gruesome populist entertainment as well as the sophisticated use of East Anglia as a setting by the great crime novelists of recent years

Fees: Adult £54 (payable after the first session). Try the first session (free).

For further information please contact Sue Whiteley.

Phone: 01787 210945 or email: whiteleysa@hotmail.co.uk

Stoke by Nayland events programme

LETAS Pro Am & 3-Day Event – Thursday 28th – Saturday 30th September 2017

Free entry to spectators! Come and watch some of the best women professionals in Europe compete on the championship Gainsborough course for 3 days for a prize fund of 35,000 euros!

Wedding Open Day - 17 September 2017 - 11:00am

Come along to our Wedding Open Day and have a look around our gorgeous banqueting suites, dressed for a wedding!

Peake Membership Open Weekend - 30 September 2017 - 10:00am

Get in to fitness now at Peake! Join with a friend and you will only pay one joining fee!

VIP Fashion Show 10 October 2017 - 7:00pm

Enjoy a glass of prosecco and an exclusive showcase of the latest spring/summer lines for just £14.95pp!

Ladies Who Lunch - 11 October 2017 - 11:30am

A delicious two-course lunch, followed by a fantastic spring/summer fashion show.

Murder Mystery - 4 November 2017 - 7:00pm

Join us for our Murder Mystery night on Saturday 4th November!

THE BOXFORD PANTOMIME

Wednesday 29th November (Family Night - Curtain up at 7pm, no supper) Adults £8.00 Children £4.00

Thursday 30th till Saturday 2nd December (Curtain up at 7.30pm, 2 course Christmas Supper served in the interval) All tickets £15.00

This year it's the classic tale of Cinderella.

With everything you would expect from Cinders herself, the handsome Prince Charming, Cinderella's father the bumbling Baron Hardup and not forgetting the outrageous ugly sisters, the Fairy Godmother and the long suffering Buttons plus all the usual suspects, but with a local slant!

Written by Joe Barrett, music from Ward Baker and Gareth Price and directed by David Phillips, Boxford Drama Group hope you will be ready to get into the Christmas spirit and come along and buy your tickets at Boxford Village Hall on Saturday morning October 28th between 9am till 10am. (Limit 8 tickets per person).

Later that morning any unsold tickets will go to Boxford Post Office.

Little Waldingfield Flower Festival,

9 & 10 September

Our theme this year is 'Count your Blessings', and we will be creating arrangements to depict the Sun and Moon, Showers and Dew, Fire and Heat, Lightnings and Clouds, Winter and Summer, to name but a few - quite a challenge!

This year we will have an added attraction - an exhibition of local arts and crafts in the Parish Room, to include artworks and a lace-making demonstration.

We look forward to welcoming you to our Flower Festival.

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On behalf of the Parochial Church Council



BOXFORD DRAMA GROUP PRESENT

Cinderella

29 Nov to 2 Dec

Tickets will be on sale Saturday 28th October
in Boxford Village Hall 9am to 10am
Then in Boxford Post Office

Wednesday November 29th "Family Night"
Tickets £8 adults £4 children - 7.00pm (No supper)

Thursday 30th to Saturday 2nd Tickets £15 - 7.30pm.
2 course Christmas supper served during the interval

Licensed bar and raffle all evenings.

Wot's On

Little Waldingfield Parish Room

Our next Quiz Night will be on Saturday 30th September. Tickets are £10 each, to include a 2 course meal and pre dinner nibbles and there will also be a licensed bar and raffle. If you would like to join us and support the Parish Room please contact Sue Sheppard on 247980 (or email: sheppard.susanm@gmail.com) to book your tickets - please advise any dietary requirements when booking .

THE SOMME, PASSCHENDAELE, DUNKIRK, D.DAY??

If you are interested in any of the above, then please come along to Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford, on Saturday September 16th from 10.00am where there will be a sale of second-hand books about all aspects of both World Wars; the books will be available for a small donation, probably about 50 pence each, and all money raised will go to 'Help for Heroes'. Any enquiries to Pat Kennedy Scott, 210319.

GROTON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Trustees will meet on Thursday 7th September, 2017

at Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford at 4.30pm

to consider applications for grant aid from residents living in Groton and those parts of Boxford which are included in the "area of benefit" as laid down by the Charity Commisioners - namely, Homefield, the east side of Swan Street and pockets of land in Stone Street south of Boxford Church, i.e. those parts which were included in the Tithe Map of Groton in 1881!

Details and application forms can be obtained from the Clerk to the Trustees, Mrs Scriven, Malting Lodge, Groton, Sudbury, CO10 5ER Tel:- 01787 210263

Applications from organizations serving the above area will also be considered.

We hope that newcomers to the area will be made aware of this charity by long time residents of Groton and Boxford who have themselves benefited from grants in previous years.

Hever Castle Visit

Sunday 10th September 2017

The coach leaves Nayland at 9:00am and returns from the castle at 4pm. Hever Castle, dates back to the 13th century and was the childhood home of Anne Boleyn. The award-winning gardens are set in 125 acres of grounds and are magnificent at any time of the year. The cost is £30 to include travel and entry. Refreshment and picnic areas are available. Open to non-members. Booking forms available on www.naylandhortsoc.org.uk and can be returned to the Hort Soc box in the Post Office, or direct to Margaret Smy at 24 Harpers Estate. Cheques payable to Nayland & District Horticultural Society. For more information, contact trevor.smy@virgin.net.

Old photo slideshows of Boxford

Memories of Boxford in the early 20th Century (last shown 2013) and Sport From The Past in Boxford, from the Boxford Society Archive.

As we had difficulty in showing the pictures of Sport From The Past at the Playing Fields 50th Event on 29th July because of bright light levels, we are having a special showing of it in on Monday 25th September at the Boxford Village Hall at 2.30, along with the 2013 slideshow, which we have been asked to show again.

Shirley Watling, who runs the Over 60's Club, has agreed to host it for anyone in the village of whatever age who would like to see it, and for the 'Over 60's members.

There will be two short programmes and tea and biscuits for all attending.

Visitors will be asked to pay £1.50, the same as the members.

Shirley Watling and Tina Loose

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 starts 7.30pm

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CHARITY BARN DANCE

Sat 16th Sept

7.30pm - 11.30pm

Manor Farm Barn, Semer
(just off B1115)



Live band & caller – licensed bar

£15 includes supper
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Proceeds to Kersey Church and School

Little Waldingfield FLOWER FESTIVAL

ST. LAWRENCE CHURCH
(On B1115 Sudbury to Stowmarket Road)

Theme: 'Count Your Blessings'

Saturday 9 & Sunday 10 September 2017
10am – 6pm both days

FREE ADMISSION – Donations Welcome

Refreshments in the Church

Stalls Tombola Raffle

Songs of Praise Sunday 6.30pm



The KELD ENSEMBLE with MILLWHEEL SINGERS



On Saturday 15th July at All Saints Church in Newton, the Keld Ensemble with the Millwheel Singers performed for the folk of Newton The Keld ensemble, named after a tiny hamlet in Swaledale North Yorkshire, was co-founded by Jonathan Acton, currently artistic director, and Kate Waterworth in 2010. The ensemble draws its musicians from London and all over the country.

On Saturday 15th Together with the Millwheel Singers, regulars at Newton, they wowed the audience with John Rutter 'Suite Antique for flute, strings and harpsichord' and movements from Bach's orchestral suite and Songs from the Renaissance to Cole Porter



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Forthcoming Events Diary

September

5	Boxford Gardening Society	Hands on Propagation	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
7	Groton Educational Foundation		Mary's House	4.30pm
9/10	Little Waldingfield Flower Festival		St Lawrence Church	
9	The History of Sudbury	Boxford Society	Boxford Village School Hall	7.30pm
16	Book Sale	Groton PCC	Mary's House	10.00am
16	Boxford St Mary's Gift Day	PCC	Boxford Village Centre	During the morning
20	Sarah Doig The A to Z of Curious Suffolk	LittleW Hist Society	Parish Room	7.30pm
25	photo's of Sport From The Past	Boxford Society	Boxford Village Hall	2.30pm
30	Little Waldingfield Parish Room Quiz		Parish Room	7.30pm
30	McMillan Coffee morning		Newton Village Hall	10.00am

October

7	Shoebox Appeal cake stall		Mary;s House	In the morning
16	Shoebox Appeal		Mary's House	2.00pm
18	Martin Hedges The Miser and the Murderess	LittleW Hist Society	Parish Room	7.30pm
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November

29 to 2nd Dec	'Cinderella'	Boxford Drama Group	Boxford Village Hll	7.30pm
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April 2018

8	Spring Open Gardens	Groton PCC	Groton Street	
First and Third Monday each month	Boxford Parish Council Meetings in		Bell House, Stone Street St, Boxford	7.30pm



Peake Fitness Open Weekend
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The Box River Parishes Church News

Boxford • Edwardstone • Groton • Little Waldingfield • Newton

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The Revd Judith's day off is normally Friday but this may vary according to circumstances

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Tel: 211765; e-mail: davidabel19@hotmail.com

Reader: Christopher Kingsbury, Rose Cottage, Sherbourne Street, Edwardstone CO10 5PD
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Tel: 210360; Fax: 329770; 07968 791135; e-mail: djlamming@hotmail.com

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.
For much more information about the five parishes in our Benefice please go to our Church Near You web site at www.achurchnearyou.com.

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

Please, NO LATER THAN 12th September 2017

Failure to meet the date will mean your copy may not be included

Thank you. Rev'd Judith. 01787 210091

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THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

Churchwarden:

Peter Dilnot

Assistant Churchwarden:

Michael Gray

Mobile: 07931 043926

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A **Pets Blessing Service** is being planned at St Mary's Boxford on **Sunday 3rd September at 11.00 am**. This will be in our cafe church with coffee and pastries and plenty to keep our pets amused. Please bring your (well behaved pets) to the service

Dates for your diary

Suffolk's Sponsored Bike Ride is part of the national Ride+Stride scheme and this year is on **Saturday 9th September** cyclists all round the country are out making money for their local Church and the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust.

Last year, the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride raised over £137,500, with 3,000 people of all ages cycling around the churches of Suffolk – 728 of which were open and manned.

The idea for Ride+Stride started in Suffolk, and Suffolk has consistently headed the table of funds raised. The Bike Ride is the main source of income to Suffolk Historic Churches Trust to enable it to make grants to churches and chapels of all denominations towards repair and restoration costs.

The ride is run entirely by volunteers and is inter-denominational, with cyclists invited to seek sponsors who will undertake to pay an agreed sum of money for each place of worship visited by the cyclist between 9.00 a.m. and 5.00 p.m. on the day. The money raised by each participant is shared equally between the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and the place of worship nominated by the cyclist.

As important as the cyclists are the many volunteers who give up their day to man the churches and chapels and sign in the cyclists as they arrive. Hundreds of places of worship are manned during the day and that takes quite a team of volunteers! It is a real community effort that is the lifeblood of the Trust. Please pick up a sponsor form from St Mary's Church or contact assistant churchwarden Michael Gray on boxford.warden@btinternet.com for more information.

Harvest Service Sunday 24th at 3:00 pm. (Boxford School have their Harvest Service on **Thursday 21st September at 09:15**)

Concert is being planned for Sunday 9th October at 3.00 pm with an organ recital and choir music - all in aid of the restoration of the organ in St. Mary's Church Boxford. More details soon.

Boxford Calendar 2018 We are hoping to produce a calendar for 2018. We need lots of photos of Boxford and surroundings. Please do send to ChrisKingsC@aol.com or on a memory stick by mid-September. All proceeds to St. Mary's Parish Church

The Bible Study Group meets at Russets, 47 Swan Street on 2nd and 4th Mondays each month by kind permission of Margaret and Peter Holden. We are presently exploring Marks Gospel. All are welcome to this hour of fellowship.



THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwarden:
Vacant

Rota for September

Sunday 17th Harvest Festival at 3.00 pm followed by refreshments in the Church

Sidesman/Coffees

Flowers

Cleaning

Ineka Morris/Sally Hoskins

To be arranged

Justine and Jane Walters



THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

Churchwarden:
Christine Cornell,
"Opus", Sudbury Road, Newton, Tel: 370331

14th July Our Annual Clean Sweep of the whole church took place. A HUGE 'Thank You' to all the volunteers who put much energy and elbow grease in to achieve such a great result. Revd. Judith gave some of us a master class on the preparation of the Altar for services. A welcome coffee break renewed our energies for the final effort. We very much appreciated new members in our village who came to help and hope that we meet up again next year.

15th July Our Summer Concert, held in the Nave and given by the Keld Ensemble with the Millwheel Singers was a wonderful experience. The amazing acoustics of the Nave made the sound of the music so special. The range of music gave something for everyone and at the end the audience showed their appreciation with a resounding round of applause. 23rd July Our Communion Service was taken by Revd. Judith and she welcomed friends from the other parishes. Thank you to Nancy Roser for playing the organ and to all helpers with refreshments and other duties.

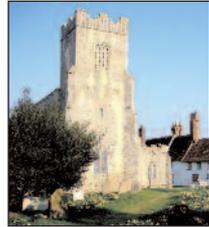
Notices

9th September The Annual Church Ride and Stride Cycle event.

We welcome anyone who would be willing to sit in church between 10.00 am and 4.00 pm for half an hour or an hour to 'clock in' the cyclists.

Please ring Chris Cornell 01787 370331

24th September at 11.00am Our **Village Harvest Festival** in church followed by a Ploughman's Lunch in the Village Hall. All are very welcome



THE PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW, GROTON

Churchwardens:
Vacant

From the Registers – Interment of ashes. The cremated remains of Dr Peter Kennedy Scott, who died on 1st December 2016 aged 75 years, were interred in the churchyard on Tuesday 7th August 2017.

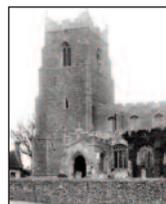
PCC Meeting Thursday 21st September 2017 at 7.00 pm in Mary's House, Boxford. Any items for the agenda should be notified to the secretary (David Lamming, Tel: 210360; e-mail djlamm@hotm.com) by Sunday 10th September.

Harvest in Groton

Harvest Festival Evensong is in the Church on **Sunday September 24th at 6:30 pm.** The Harvest Supper will be at Groton Village Hall on Saturday 14th October. Tickets will be £12.50. More details next month. All proceeds to St. Bartholomew's Church, Groton.

Parish Share David Lamming, as PCC secretary, recently received a letter from Bishop Martin, addressed to "Dear PCC members", thanking the PCC for making a full payment of this year's Centenary (or Parish) Share. Bishop Martin's letter said: "The early payment of share helps those other parishes that will be making their contributions throughout the year. The balancing of contributions is part of the partnership that we share as we seek to be flourishing congregations making a difference. The Centenary share enables local ministry to flourish and I am sure that your early payment represents a lot of hard work and sacrifice. It is also an encouragement to others."

Early notice of **Spring Open Gardens** in Groton Street, Groton on **Sunday April 8th 2018**



THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

Churchwardens
Vacant

Rotas

3rd September
10th September
17th September
24th September

Sidesmen

Mrs. Nicholls and Mrs. Duffy
Mrs. Eddington and Mrs. Martin
No service
No service

Flowers

Mrs. Squirrel
Mrs. Roser
Mrs. Eddington
Mrs. Duffy

On Tuesday 25th July we welcomed a party of French descendants of the Appleton family to our church. They were very interested in the brasses and various plaques commemorating their family. We thank the History Society for arranging their reception and providing refreshments in the Parish Room.

Our next fund-raiser will be our **Flower Festival** on **Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September.** The theme is the Benedicite, 'Count your Blessings'. Come and enjoy the flowers, the stalls, the refreshments in the church, and the Arts and Crafts Exhibition in the Parish Room.

The Festival will close with a special **Songs of Praise Service** at **6:30 pm** in the Church.

Advance Notice of our **Harvest Festival Service** on **Sunday 1st October at 3:00 pm.** More details next month.



Ministry Team The ministry team meet this month at **2.30 pm on Monday 18th September 2017** at Mill Green Cottage, Edwardstone (Ineke Morris's home). The meeting will include a wine tasting of Fair Trade Communion Wine. At present, only two parishes in the benefice (Groton and Newton) have signed up with the diocese as Fair Trade parishes, committed to using only Fair Trade products. It would be good if we could become a Fair Trade benefice

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GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

'Churches Together' Prayer Breakfasts Saturdays 8.00 am to 9.30 am. CTiS&D prayer breakfasts in September, to which all are welcome, will be held at the following venues:

2nd St Mary's Church, Bures
9th Sudbury Baptist Church
16th St Gregory's Church, Sudbury
23rd St Andrew's Church, Great Cornard
30th Holy Trinity Church, Long Melford

For other CTiS&D dates and news, visit the website:
www.churchestogetherinsudbury.org.uk

Village Prayers

Each week, in the five churches: informal, friendly service, 30-40 minutes, with Revd Judith. We pray for those who are ill, concerns of the villages, and for the wider world. Do join us! Please let Revd Judith know of any people or situations for prayer: Confidential messages can be left on Tel. 01787 210091 or emailed to: rvjudithboxriver@btinternet.com. All these services take place in the churches during the months April to September and the rota is as follows: **Tuesday** 9.00 Edwardstone; **Wednesday** 9.00 Groton, 17:00 Little Waldingfield; **Thursday** 9.00 Newton, 17.00 Boxford.

****If you don't usually attend, please phone to check first, as we are sometimes unable to meet.****

SPECIAL SERVICES

***** Pet Blessing Service Boxford *****

***** Flower Festival Songs of Praise Little Waldingfield *****

***** Harvest Festivals at Boxford, Edwardstone, Groton and Newton *****

Sunday 3rd	12th Sunday after Trinity	(G)
Boxford	08.00 Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Lt Waldingfield	09.30 Morning Worship	Revd Judith
Boxford	11.00 Pet Blessing Service and Café Church	Revd Judith
Edwardstone	15.00 Christening of Evie Archer	Revd Judith
Boxford	18:30 Evensong	TBC

Wednesday 6th

Boxford 10.30 Holy Communion - Mary's House Revd David Abel

Thursday 7th

Lt Waldingfield 16.00 Holy Communion - Newmans Hall (Reserved Sacrament) Lay Team

Sunday 10th	13th Sunday after Trinity	(G)
Groton	09.30 Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Boxford	11.00 Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Little Waldingfield	18.30 Flower Festival Songs of Praise	Revd Judith

Wednesday 13th

Boxford 10.30 Holy Communion - Mary's House Revd Judith

Sunday 17th	14th Sunday after Trinity	(G)
Boxford	11.00 Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Edwardstone	15.00 Harvest Festival	Revd Judith

Wednesday 20th

Boxford 10.30 Holy Communion - Mary's House Revd Judith

Thursday 21st

Lt Waldingfield 16.00 Compline - Newmans Hall Lay Team

Sunday 24th	15th Sunday after Trinity	(G)
Edwardstone	8.00 Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Newton	11:00 Harvest Festival	Revd Judith
Boxford	15.00 Harvest Festival	Revd Judith
Groton	18.30 Harvest Festival	Revd Judith

Wednesday 27th

Boxford 10.30 Holy Communion Mary's House Revd Judith

Saturday 30th

Boxford 12.00 Christening of Kenton Lingham- Baker Revd Judith

Soap Box

Twenty three years ago next month my first and only book was published. I can't say it was a rewarding experience, either emotionally or financially, though there is aspects it about of which I feel quite proud. Aside from the fact that writing it took me out of my comfort zone (my professional writing career was less than ten years old at that point and I had become very used to writing feature articles of 700 to 1000 words. A book was altogether a different proposition), the publisher was taken over during the printing process by American asset strippers, so I never received my advance and there was zero publicity, resulting in poor sales.

As to why I wrote it, the publisher had approached me to write about impending changes in the financial services industry. Over a long and most convivial lunch at the Bankers Club, next to the Bank of England (sadly no longer in existence – the club, that is, not the Bank of England), we hammered out the approach to be taken, after discovering that our views on what was likely to happen were poles apart. The aspect of the book that makes me proud is that my take on the direction this industry was to travel turned out to be much closer to the eventual reality than the publisher's.

I was put in mind of this book by the request to take part in a couple of speaking events in London. The first was to address a group of young ladies who were undertaking work experience in the investment industry, providing some sort of context to how financial services had developed during the past half century. The second was to chair an investment conference, the theme of which would be technology. Given that my book had first given a summary of how the investment world had developed in the period since the Second World War and then gone on to outline how technology was changing everything, re-reading the book suddenly seemed a good idea.

My belief then (the famous lunch took place early in 1994) was that the changes ushered in at the time of Big Bang just over six years before would be nothing compared to the effect technology would have on all aspects of our world. My focus was, naturally, the investment and securities scene, but clearly we would not be alone in experiencing major upheavals as technology intruded further into our lives.

While my book was essentially factual, I allowed myself the indulgence of speculating on what investment might be like 50 years into the future. The final chapter was more like a novel. What is remarkable, reading my speculative thoughts 23 years later, is how much of what I thought might happen in the year 2044 is already taking place today. The pace of change is, if anything, accelerating. The conference I've been invited to take part in could well prove fascinating.

Brian Tora is a local writer and broadcaster.

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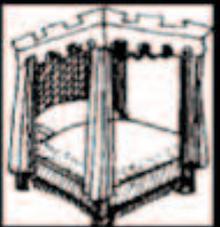
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Potato Blight is a common disease of potatoes on unsprayed crops. Farmers spray regularly as a routine measure whether the disease is present or not, and this is important because once the disease strikes there is little that can be done about it. Usually appears in July in damp, humid weather. First noticed on the lower leaves, but later spreads to the upper parts of the plant. Dark green spots appear on the leaves turning brown with mould like growth around the spots caused by the spore bearing fungus. These spots spread infection rapidly from plant to plant. Gardeners do not have the sort of spray equipment that farmers have for so spraying with a small garden sprayer is not always effective. It is best for the gardener to plant early and second early varieties, plant them early and get them off to a good start so that if blight attacks in July, the tops can be cut off and burned and there should be a worthwhile crop for lifting at the end of the month. A few tubers may be affected by the disease, these should be picked out and only the clean ones put into store.

Onion Mildew is another fungus disease which can create havoc among onion beds. It is usually bad in wet, humid conditions similar to what we have had this August. It can be controlled by spraying with bithane or dusting with flowers of sulphur but this must be done as a precaution. No good waiting until the disease strikes, its too late.

Greenhouses should be cleaned thoroughly and shading removed ready to house tender plants before the first frosts. Cleaning is important using a strong disinfectant to get rid of any aphids such as white fly and to kill off spores of fungi which may attack young tender plants. Any electrical installations should be checked by an electrician, faulty insulations on cables can be dangerous under damp conditions.

Any conifers or evergreen shrubs that need moving should be done at the end of the month to allow them to become established before the soil cools down. Lift them carefully with as much soil as possible around the roots. Keep them well watered at the roots and spray the foliage with water twice a day for a few weeks. A ring of yellow brown capped mushroom like growths at the base of a tree or shrub, together with the wilting and yellowing of leaves and dead branches, indicates an attack of fungus Armillaria Mella more commonly known as honey fungus. This is a soil borne disease which attacks roots of trees and shrubs and spreads up to the trunk. There is a pronounced mushroom smell and the bark at the base of trees can be pulled off by hand to reveal a white thread like

mould. There is no cure once a tree is attacked, dig it out with as much root as possible to prevent the fungus from spreading to other trees, shrubs and hedges. Herbaceous perennials can also be affected. After digging out all the affected wood drench the whole area thoroughly with Armillotox.

September is generally a cooler, gustier month than August and the days are noticeably shorter. While there's not as much to do in the ornamental garden at this time of the year, if you have a fruit or vegetable patch, you'll be busy reaping the rewards of harvest. It's also time to get out and start planting spring-flowering bulbs for next year and you can collect seeds for next summer's colour too. Make the most of the remaining warmth while you can!

Top 10 jobs this month

- 1 Divide herbaceous perennials
- 2 Pick autumn raspberries
- 3 Collect and sow seed from perennials and hardy annuals
- 4 Dig up remaining potatoes before slug damage spoils them
- 5 Net ponds before leaf fall gets underway
- 6 Keep up with watering of new plants, using rain or grey water if possible
- 7 Start to reduce the frequency of houseplant watering
- 8 Clean out cold frames and greenhouses so that they are ready for use in the autumn
- 9 Cover leafy vegetable crops with bird-proof netting
- 10 Plant spring flowering bulbs

Cutting back, pruning and dividing

Don't neglect hanging basket maintenance - a little deadheading, watering and feeding can keep them going until mid-autumn. Once they are past their best, re-plant as winter/spring hanging baskets with spring-flowering bulbs, winter heathers, trailing ivies and spring-flowering plants as above.

Continue to deadhead plants such as dahlias, delphiniums, roses and penstemons to prolong the display and give colour well into the month.

Continue cutting back perennials that are fading and dying down.

Now is a good time to divide any overgrown or tired looking clumps of alpines and herbaceous perennials such as crocosmias. This will invigorate them, and improve flowering and overall shape, for next year.

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Last year, Eva Gilly won her maiden title on the LETAS after rounds of 73, 64 and 68. The French professional beat Austria's Sarah Schober by three shots. Schober would finish the year as the leading professional and has played on the Ladies European Tour this year. Coming into the event, England's Meghan Maclaren leads the order of merit from Valentine Derrey of France. The tournament was launched in 2013 by the PGA to further enhance the women's game.

There will be 96 competitors from over 20 different countries, including 15 WPGA members, comprising winners from the WPGA's One Day Series and the remaining places secured via a qualifying Order of Merit. Fifteen places will also be allocated to the leading English amateurs decided by England Golf, recognising LETAS's commitment to providing an important link between elite amateur and professional golf. Susanna Rendall, Managing Director of the family-owned venue said, "We are really delighted to welcome back these fantastic women golfers from all over the world and to play our part in showcasing this excellent standard of women's golf. We are especially pleased that 15 year old Lily May Humphreys, who is a Stoke by Nayland Club member, will be playing in the tournament having won the English Womens' Amateur Championship as one of its youngest ever champions. I hope that many spectators will come along and watch this excellent tournament – particularly as entry is free of charge."

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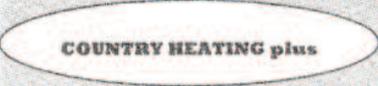
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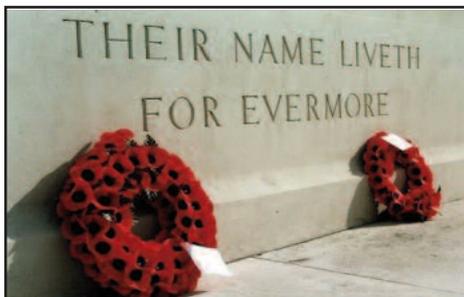


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THE NAMES ON OUR WAR MEMORIALS –SEPTEMBER 2017



The July article in this series introduced the major Allied offensive on the Western Front of 1917, the Third Battle of Ypres, or, as it came to be known, Passchendaele. The Ypres Offensive opened on 31st July and ended on the 10th November, just a month less than the Somme Offensive of the previous year. I gave a

brief outline of the strategy and purpose of the Offensive in July and will only add to that for the time being with a timetable of the main phases.

31st July – 2nd August	Battle of Pilkem
10th August	Capture of Westhoek
16th August – 18th August	Battle of Langemarck
20th September – 25th September	Battle of Menin Road
26th September – 3rd October	Battle of Polygon Wood
4th October	Battle of Broodseinde
9th October	Battle of Poelcapelle
12th October	First Battle of Passchendaele
26th October – 10th November	Second Battle of Passchendaele

Each of these separate engagements was planned to break the German forces' hold upon various sections of the high ground to the east of Ypres and ultimately to link them all up and create a bridgehead through the German lines. This would have given an opportunity to disrupt and destroy German supply lines and then by swinging the Allied advance in two arcs around either side of the breach, cut off and capture longer sections of the lines to the North and the South and so enable a major forward movement of Allied forces into occupied Belgium. From that point, it was believed that a fast moving war would develop as the German forces were retreating. However, none of the individual actions were outright successes and by November the Front Line had been simply pushed a few miles eastward at enormous cost to both sides.

Rather than try and give an account of every phase of this Offensive, which would take several articles to achieve, I will only offer more details of the engagements as they arise out of the short biographies of each of our villagers, who were lost in the summer and autumn of 1917.

This month we meet three local men, two of whom died in September 1917 and the third dying just into October, but who we need to include this month because of the service pattern in the churches. They are **Stoker 1st Class Horace Cecil Godden**, K21866, H.M.S. Pembroke, Royal Navy, from Boxford, who died on 3rd September; **Private Walter Eley**, 235116, 11th Battalion Sherwood Foresters (Nottingham and Derbyshire Regiment), also from Boxford, who died on 18th September and **Driver William Lingley**, 80316, 97th Field Company, Corps of Royal Engineers, from Newton, who died on 2nd October.

Horace Godden is unique among those men commemorated on our War Memorials in that he is the only one to lose his life whilst serving in the Royal Navy, so his story leads us away from the battles of the Western Front that have become so familiar over the last months. But his story is unusual in other ways too, and we will return to the events leading to his loss in due course.

Horace was born in Swan Street, Boxford, on the 8th of February 1889 and baptised in St. Mary's Church on the 19th April of that year. His parents were Charles and Sarah Ann, nee Goate. Charles was also born in Swan Street, in 1847, and Sarah came from Broad Street, in Groton, having been born in 1850. Charles worked in the long established family business of butchers of that name. Sarah's father was a gardener. They had married in Groton in 1869 and by 1901 had a family of five sons and three daughters. Horace followed his father into the business, but he must have seen his future lying elsewhere, because on 23rd January 1914 he enlisted in the Royal Navy as a stoker for a period of twelve years. His papers describe him as being 5ft 2¾in tall with a 37in chest and having brown hair and eyes with a fresh complexion. Interestingly, for a butcher, he is recorded as having a scar on the back of his left hand as a distinguishing feature.

His service record shows him as serving on several ships and shore establishments, and one posting appears to have taken him to the Far East aboard H.M.S. Jason. He was raised to Stoker 1st Class in early 1915. February 1917 found him back in home waters at the Royal Navy Depot at Chatham, which, like all shore establishments bore, the name of a vessel.

Chatham was known as H.M.S. Pembroke after a ship of the line launched in 1812, which had been taken out of service in the 1880s and moored as a hulk in the Royal Navy Dockyard. There, alongside two other hulks, she formed the embryonic Chatham Depot. In 1897, on land adjacent to the Dockyard, the building of a new Depot was begun and it was completed in 1903. It was a substantial establishment designed to house upwards of 5,000 men. Many of the original buildings are there to this day, though they now form part of the Universities of the Medway, the Depot and barracks having been closed in 1984. Among the surviving buildings is the Drill Hall, built in 1902. The Hall then was a clear open space of about 250 yards by 25 yards, and had solid walls along each long side, a concrete floor and a pitched roof made from ¼in plate glass. Outside to the front was the parade ground.

The demands of the War and the increase in the overall number of men enlisted in

the Navy meant that the Depot at Chatham often had many more crew stationed there than it had barrack space to house them. In the summer of 1917, it was particularly overcrowded because a whole complement of men, who had been waiting to join H.M.S. Vanguard when she returned from the North Sea, had to continue being housed after Vanguard was sunk at the battle of Scapa Flow in July. Whether that is why Horace was at Chatham is not known. To make matters worse, there was an outbreak of a type of meningitis, and the necessary disease containment measures displaced many more from the barracks. The consequence was that the Drill Hall was being used as a dormitory, housing something like 900 ratings, including Horace.

The Depot and Dockyard, along with several other military establishments made Chatham an important target for Germany's growing fleet of heavy bombers. In 1915 the company Gothaer Waggonfabrik AG had begun equipping the Imperial German Air Service, the Luftstreitkräfte, with the Gotha aircraft. This was a biplane using two pusher engines and was capable of flying at 15,000 feet, with a payload of about 1,100 lbs of bombs and had a range of about 500 miles. It carried a crew of three, the pilot and two gunners. During 1917 Germany mounted several daytime raids over London and the South East, flying from occupied territory in Belgium. These caused considerable damage and loss of life, but at a cost of many aircraft being shot down by the Royal Flying Corp's Sopwith Camels. This prompted a strategic review by the German forces and from August 1917 the Air Service took delivery of the Gotha G.V., the fifth variant of the design, which was designed for night flying. The first sortie flown by these bombers was directed to Chatham. On the night of the 3rd of September four Gothas took off from near Gontrode in Belgium and crossed the Channel under darkness and soon picked up all the lights illuminating the built-up areas along the Thames and Medway estuaries. All the pieces are now in place for the terrible event that took place at Chatham on that night and cost Horace his life.

Earlier in the day, in the town, there had been two practice air raid warnings, but no-one was expecting a night time raid. Even so, there were procedures in place to instruct the staff at the power stations supplying electricity to the towns to disconnect the grid in the event of a night time raid. When the warning was sounded around 11:00 p.m., most people thought it was another practice, including those responsible for instructing the power stations. So, the Gothas, now following the Medway, had a clear view of the town lit up beneath them. With little effort, they located the Naval establishments and began discharging their bombs. Bomb aiming at night was crude in those days, however, two bombs fell directly on the Depot. One passed straight through the roof of the Drill Hall and exploded on the concrete floor. The blast was contained by the solid walls of the Hall and all the force of the explosion was forced upwards, lifting the entire plate glass roof as it went. This then broke into many thousands of pieces, which rained down upon the men who had survived the blast itself. The clock on the Drill Hall tower stopped at 11:12, a moment in time that instantly cost 98 men their lives, including Horace, with a further 38 lost very shortly afterwards because of the dreadful injuries they suffered. In addition, 88 more men were wounded but survived, though many with what we now refer to as 'life changing injuries'. Horace was 28 years old. This dreadful event was the single biggest loss of life caused by an air raid in the War.

There are many accounts of the carnage that was witnessed that night, but one will suffice. Ordinary Seaman Frederick W. Turpin arrived at the scene to assist. He later wrote in his notebook: "It was a gruesome task. Everywhere we found bodies in a terribly mutilated condition. Some with arms and legs missing and some headless. The gathering up of dismembered limbs turned one sick. It was a terrible affair and the old sailors, who had been in several battles, said they would rather be in ten Jutlands or Heliogoland than go through another raid such as this."

Three days later, on the 6th September, eighteen lorries draped with Union Jacks passed through the streets of the town carrying 98 coffins and on to the cemetery at Gillingham where they were interred with full military honours. The cortege was followed by a procession of soldiers and sailors and the streets were lined with row upon row of silent civilians. In the days afterwards, smaller ceremonies took place as more of the dead were identified. There is now a separate memorial in the cemetery to those who died as a result of the raid on the barracks.

But of all the papers I have come across researching Horace's life and death, I find the saddest is the official Commonwealth War Graves Commission's record of his burial: it states

GODDEN Horace Cecil, Stk 1st, K.21866, R.N., H.M.S. Pembroke, Born 8.8.89. Boxford Suffolk, Died 3.9.17., Buried as "Unidentified" in the New Cemetery Gillingham Kent in one of the following graves, 516, 522, 642, 735, 935, 937, or 948., Mother, Sarah, Swan Street, Boxford, Suffolk.

The following two accounts bring us back to the Western Front, not all that far from the airfield, where the aeroplanes that cost Horace his life, took off.

Walter Eley was the son of William and Catherine, known as Kate, Eley. He was born in Stone Street, Boxford in 1887 and baptised in St Mary's Church on the 29th May that year. William and Kate had married in 1877 and Kate was the daughter of Robert and Mary Hills, Robert being an agricultural labourer. At the time of their marriage, William was a brickmaker and his father, another Walter was a carpenter. Kate appeared to have followed her own trade, because, unusually, she is recorded as a tailoress in the 1881 Census, when for most women there is simply a blank on the form in the Occupation Column, or, depending on circumstance, the demeaning phrase, 'Unpaid domestic duties'.

Returning to our Walter, by the time of the 1891 Census, he appears as the youngest in the family and had two brothers and two sisters. However, his father, William, is absent and he does not appear again in any Census up to 1911, the last available at present. I have searched the records for the death of a William Eley after 1887, the year of Walter's birth, but to no avail. All the same, there is a record of a William Eley,

with the right birth year for Kate's husband, dying in the Boxford district in 1936, so it seems possible, that for some reason William and Kate parted company after Walter's birth, though both remained living and working in the area.

In 1901, aged 14, Walter was employed as a thatcher living at home with his mother, two sisters, both like their mother, tailoresses, and a brother.

On January 31st 1910, Walter married Beatrice Annie Bertha Woods of Ipswich. Her father, Edward William James Woods was a tobacconist living in Oakdene, Henslow Road, which is in the California district of the town, east of the town centre. Beatrice's mother, Hetty Maria, nee, Catchpole, and from an inn keeping family in Ipswich, had died when Beatrice was only three years old.

Walter and Beatrice set up home in Broad Street, Boxford, and in the 1911 Census, they have one son, born earlier that year and Walter's occupation is that of a thatcher and vermin destroyer.

Walter enlisted in Bury St Edmunds, probably in 1915 and served in the 11th Battalion Sherwood Foresters (Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Regiment). Quite why he should be in this regiment, which was formed in Derby in the autumn of the year before, is unclear, and it may be that, originally, he was posted into a more local regiment and was later transferred, though there is no record of that.

Walter's Battalion was attached to the 70th Brigade in the 23rd Division. They arrived in France at the end of August 1915, and spent the following ten months taking up various positions up and down the Western Front mostly holding the Front, rather than engaging in any of the major battles. However, that all changed in July 1916 with the opening of the Somme Offensive. During this time, the Division fought in six of the major battles and was only relieved towards the end of September. 1917 brought the men into the preparations for the Ypres Offensive during the late spring and early summer, by then under the command of General Plumer.

The 23rd was held in reserve for the first two major battles of Ypres, that of Pilkem and Langemarck, which ended on the 18th August, but were to play a significant part in the Battle of Menin Road, which aimed to secure the Gheluvelt Plateau east south east of Ypres, and which gave access to the major southern supply route to the German forces. During the interval between August 18th and 20th September, when the Menin Road battle commenced, both sides spent much time consolidating their respective positions. The wet August had given way to a slightly drier September, though this was not to last, which facilitated these operations. But these strategic manoeuvres often brought troops of opposing sides into close proximity and there were many relatively small scale skirmishes, though some involved periods of very heavy shelling from both sides. At some point in this phase, Walter was severely injured. He was evacuated to the casualty clearing stations around the village of Lijssenthoek west of Ypres, and it was here that he died of his wounds on 18th September 1917 aged 30. He is buried in Lijssenthoek Military Cemetery, one among nearly 10,000 graves.

And what of Beatrice and their son William? Beatrice did not remarry. It was she who collected the pay due to her husband in 1918 and his war gratuity in 1919 from the barracks in Lichfield. Later on, she can be found in the 1939 Register living in Foxhall Road, Ipswich, not far from her father's house of 1911, on her own as a widow. She died in the town in 1962. William appears to have married a Phyllis Aldous in 1935 and appears in 1939 as a lorry driver living in Dublin Road, Occold north of Ipswich, and they seem not have brought Beatrice any grandchildren.

William Lingley was one of a family of ten children. He was the ninth child to be born to parents John and Susan, and had four brothers and five sisters. The family lived on the Sudbury Road, Newton Green and John was employed as an agricultural labourer and later as a horseman on a farm. All except one of his brothers were also agricultural labourers, the odd one out being second son George, who became a railway porter. William followed in his father's footsteps as a horseman on a farm. He was baptised in All Saints Church in the village on the 3rd of September 1876.

William's mother was born in Cats Lane, then in the parish of Great Cornard, to James and Mary Andrews, whose birth dates take us back just into the eighteenth century. James was an agricultural labourer. In the 1858 Census, Susan, at the age of 12, and her sister Mary, 14, were both employed as silk weavers.

At the age of 28, in 1904, William married Anna Alice Bigg, daughter of Edward and Anna Bigg, Edward being a gamekeeper living at Quicks Farm on the road between Round Maple and Priory Green, Edwardstone. Quicks Farm appears also to have been known as Keebles Farm in the nineteenth century.

The 1911 Census finds William and Anna Alice living in Newton, and William remains employed on a farm as a horseman. They have no children.

William enlisted in Sudbury into the 97th Field Company of the Corps of Royal Engineers. The Field Companies provided the logistical support for the fighting units of the army. They made and repaired roads and railway lines, set up telegraph poles and wires, built bridges, repaired canals and locks, dug tunnels for mines, and helped build the trenches. In essence, they ensured that the infantry and artillery could get to where they needed to and had the supplies and communications necessary to function and as such were never far from the Front Line. Each Division had its own Field Company and the 97th was part of the 21st Division.

This Division Arrived in France in September 1915 and fought through pretty much every major offensive on the Western Front starting with the Battle of Loos, continuing in 1916 for the duration of the Somme Offensive, and moved on to the Arras Offensive in the spring of 1917. They were relieved at the end of May 1917, but returned to the fray just in time for the Battle of Polygon Wood opening on 29th September. This Battle, part of the Third Battle of Ypres, lasted five days and was a scene of fierce close quarter fighting. The German forces launched an assault to regain some of the ground lost in the Battle of Menin Road, and successfully forced the Allied Troops back, who took up positions in and around the Wood. Here they

held the ground but on the 1st of October were subject to a massive artillery bombardment. As this ended, a large force of German troops stormed out of the smoke and, despite fierce resistance, the Allies retreated once again. By the 3rd of October the ground was completely lost with a new line established west of the Wood.

Sometime on the 2nd of October, William Lingley's life came to an end amid this chaotic and brutal scene. He was 41 years old. He was hastily buried on the battle field with several of his companions. Three years later his remains were identified by his identity disc as the Grave Concentration Parties worked through the area, though his companions with whom he lay, remain unidentified to this day.

William was reburied at Tyne Cot Cemetery, which is about 5 miles north east of Ypres. The name comes from Tyne Cot Cottage, the name given to a barn by the Northumberland Fusiliers, which stood next to a level crossing on one of the roads leading to Passchendaele. The barn stood at the centre of a group of German pill boxes, and was captured by the advancing 3rd Australian Division just two days after William died. Initially, one of the larger pill boxes was used as a field dressing station and, inevitably, a small cemetery grew up alongside. After the War ended it was greatly enlarged and now there are 11,961 allied soldiers buried or commemorated in the Cemetery, 8,373 of whom are unidentified. The walls on the north-eastern boundary of the Cemetery form the Tyne Cot Memorial, which remembers over 35,000 allied troops who lost their lives on the Ypres Salient after August 1916 and who have no known grave. The Cross of Remembrance at Tyne Cot stands atop the original pill box, although the barn did not survive the German advance of 1918 across this same ground, won at such huge cost. But that is another story for next year.

Of Anna, like Beatrice in the previous story, we know that she collected the pay due to her husband at the time of his death from the Chatham Barracks in November 1918 just before the Armistice, and his War Gratuity at the end of 1919. We also know that she remained living in Newton by way of the 1939 Register and she died there in early 1953. Like so many of the women widowed by the War, she did not remarry. Horace will be remembered at the 11:00 service at Boxford church on the 10th September; Walter will be remembered at the 11:00 service at Boxford church on the 17th September and William will be remembered at the 11:00 service at Newton church on 24th September.

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EDWARDSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Annual Meeting of Edwardstone Parish Council at Edwardstone Parish Hall on Monday 17 July 2017 at 7.30pm.

Present: P Baker (Vice Chairman), S Norman, S Flack, P Clarke

In attendance: A Robinson (Clerk), J Finch (SCC), B Hurren (BDC)

Apologies for absence were received from C Britcher and M Childs (holiday – approved)

Reports: J Finch (SCC) had circulated his report prior to the meeting, covering the Ipswich Park and Ride launch, a new organisational structure for Suffolk Highways, the availability of roadworks information at www.suffolk.roadworks.org, the Tour of Britain in Suffolk, Raising the Bar awards and the announcement of Samuel Ward Academy as Suffolk's first Research School. B Hurren asked whether J Finch could look at the position with the large pothole on the C720 between Groton and Lindsey which has been reported by both Groton and Lindsey Parish Clerks on several occasions, but has still not been repaired after about a year. J Finch will chase this up. The Clerk said that G Peacock had asked for an update on broadband provision at Priory Green and J Finch promised to provide this as soon as possible.

B Hurren (BDC) confirmed that the move to Endeavour House would take place in September with the first meeting on 19 September. A boundary review is to take place, reducing the number of District Councillors from 43 to 31. Regarding the Goodlands application, he advised that the application for Phase 2 is on hold due to outstanding issues, such as the spoil heap, from Phase 1. There has been much opposition to the proposals, in particular due to the traffic issues on Swan Street. He confirmed that a grant had been secured for the Parish Hall Disabled Toilet to be repaired. The phone mast on the A1071 is still not working and he is chasing up as to why this is.

The Minutes of the Meeting of 15 May 2017 were approved and signed.

Councillor vacancy – No applications had been received since the last meeting. The vacancy will continue to be advertised with a notice to be inserted in the BRN. Electoral review – the Clerk advised that the initial round of consultation ends on 14 August 2017.

Highway and Footpath Matters - Potholes – S Flack again expressed concern about the state of Mill Green Road. SCC has advised that this road will be considered for resurfacing but will be prioritised against other locations with more or less need.

Speeding traffic – the Clerk reminded Councillors that the Police are happy for any issues to be reported to them for investigation.

Footpath cutting – following a request from the PC, the path from Tinywent towards the Church has now been cut. Thanks are to be passed to Richard Abrey for arranging this. P Baker advised that the wires at the stiles on this path have been moved to accommodate dogs. The PC resolved to ask SCC to cut the footpaths in the village early in May and then early in July rather than late May and August as at present, and to ensure that the whole path is cleared including the overhanging sides to allow for clear access.

Planning Matters - Planning applications received – B/17/01153 Wells House, 1A Mill Green CO10 5PZ – erection of 2 storey rear extension – the PC had no objection to this application.

D/17/02740 – Fletchwood, Sherbourne Street CO10 5PE – erection of single storey rear extension and garage (following demolition of existing), amended design to that approved under B/16/01721 – the PC had no objections to this application.

Financial Matters - The Statement of Finances & Order for Payments was approved and the cheques were signed. The accounts to date were checked and approved.

Business Savings Account as at 30 June 2017 £2517.76

Business Current Account as at 30 June 2017 £5226.58

Total £7744.34

The adequacy of the budget for 2017-18 was considered and approved. The Clerk asked 2 Councillors to sign a letter to the Bank requesting monthly statements from both accounts as this was not happening regularly, which impacted on the audit dates.

Future Agenda items – footpaths, phone mast

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday 18 September 2017. There being no further business the Vice Chairman closed the meeting at 8.38 pm.

A full copy of the Minutes can be found on the Parish Council's website edwardstonepc.onesuffolk.net/

Groton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held at 7 pm Wednesday 5 July 2017 at Groton Village Hall, Broad Street, Groton

Present: J Osborne, C Fraulo, D Wills, P Roberts, A Dixon-Smith, N Cox, R Cheeseman In attendance: A Robinson (Clerk); B Hurren (BDC)

Apologies for absence – received from J Finch (SCC - holiday).

Reports – a written report had been received from J Finch (SCC). B Hurren (BDC) advised that the move to Endeavour House will take place early to mid September and the first meeting will be held there on 19 September. The boundary review is in its early stages cutting the number of Councillors from 43 to 31 in BDC's area. There have been many objections to the Goodlands application which is stalled at the moment. The phone mast is still not operating and he is trying to find out why.

Reports and questions from Councillors – C Fraulo advised that she had been

unable to attend the BAPTC meeting. J Osborne had attended the Babergh Area Meeting at which Arthur Charvonia sought to justify the move to Endeavour House. A presentation was made by Tom Baker on planning issues. C Fraulo had attended the other Babergh Area Meeting and advised that Bill Newman at BDC could help PCs regarding planning policy.

J Osborne advised that the merger of Groton United Charities and Boxford United Charities is progressing. The parish field issue still needs resolving and he will visit Boxstore with the Clerk to try to find further information.

Electoral review – the first consultation phase ends on 14 August. The PC will await the outcome of that before further consideration.

Local Housing update - J Osborne reported that he had been advised by Hastoe Building Association that matters were still being finalised between solicitors for the landowner and the Association. He hopes to be able to report further at the next meeting.

Highway and Footpath matters

Footpath cutting – A Dixon-Smith had met with K Verlander, SCC's Rights of Way officer, regarding the incorrect cutting of the footpath on his land again. It was resolved that in view of the ongoing issues, the PC would look to take over responsibility for the cutting from SCC. JO and CF will liaise to obtain 3 quotes for cutting the paths and report back at the next meeting.

Park Corner – the Clerk will chase the outstanding drainage work again.

Corner of Heath Road and Broad Street – SCC had advised that they would not consider any action on this until September in view of the possibility of birds nesting. The Clerk will chase at the end of August.

Financial matters - The Statement of Finance and Orders for Payment were approved as under, proposed by J Osborne and seconded by R Cheeseman.

Reserve account as at 5 June 2017 £3518.51

Current account as at 5 June 2017 £4518.16

Total £8036.67

The adequacy of the budget was considered and agreed.

The next meeting will be on 6 September 2017 at 7pm.

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Meeting of Boxford Parish Council

The next full meeting of Boxford Parish Council will be held on Monday 4th September. **Report of the Meeting held Monday 3rd July**

Public Forum: Residents and Boxford Society expressed strong objections to phase 2 of Goodlands. Cllr Wooderson updated the meeting on Enforcement Issues in relation to the remaining spoil and the intention to arrange a meeting with highways. Other matters included parking concerns in the centre of the village and residents of Stone Street raised concerns about the Konings expansion proposals. Members listened to all the points raised.

County Council Report: County Cllr James Finch was away, however, his written report covered the new commercial Ipswich Park and Ride, details of the surfacing works in the County, the Tour of Britain stage 6 in Suffolk on 8th September, Educational Awards and details of a new Research School.

District Council Report: District Cllr Bryn Hurren attended and confirmed the move to Endeavour House was taking place in September. The Boundary Review is underway looking at District Cllr areas. This will result in larger wards with less District Cllrs. He had passed information to the school representative about the Section 106 money reserved for projects at the school. He had researched the selection criteria for which land identified from the "Call for Sites" should be taken forward. He has been advised judgment is based on infrastructure and connectivity with the Village.

Finance: In addition to the usual business a contribution of £250 was agreed towards the 50 year Playingfield celebration and £350 towards the new Defibrillator.

Freedom of the Parish Awards: The Parish Council resolved to go ahead with the Freedom of the Parish Awards.

Reports: Various spikes were being tried at the Bus Shelter to discourage perching.

Planning: Planning Permission and Listed Building Consent had been refused by the Planning Authority for the retention of porch and out building conversion at Chequers, 7 Church Street. Various updates were given in respect of on-going applications and the Parish Council agreed No Objections to the proposed garage conversion at 18 Goodlands.

Report of the Meeting held on 24th July

8 members of the Parish Council, the Clerk, District Cllr B Hurren, County Cllr J Finch attended together with around 14 members of the public (mostly from Leavenheath).

Public Forum: Various points were raised by Leavenheath residents who opposed the Planning at Hill Farm, Brick Kiln Hill. Members listened to all the points raised. Points included the expansion could operate in a more suitable industrial area. Traffic was a significant issue for the residents and there was suspicion expressed about the earlier passed traffic movements and the design of this application around those figures. Safety concerns were expressed about the proposed increase in HGV movements to accompany the expansion. Road safety in the vicinity had been the subject of an earlier meeting involving Leavenheath residents and County Cllr James Finch. The light pollution and proximity to the AONB were mentioned as significant together with the impact on the Dedham

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Vale application for "Dark Sky" status. Views that the application would not pass the test of "exceptional circumstances" under the National Planning Policy Framework and that 2 local Parish Councils had already opposed the application were also mentioned. On another matter, an update was sought on the Goodlands phase 2 application.

Urgent Reports from Members: A report was made of a HGV getting stuck in Daking Avenue on the way to Cox Hill. Visibility at the Stone Street/A1071 junction is still obstructed.

Planning:

1) An update was given in relation to the research about and developments in respect of Goodlands phase 2. Cllr J Finch was urged to intervene to ensure a Highways meeting took place.

2) Application at Hill Farm, Brick Kiln Hill, Polstead. Extensions to production premises, associated parking, landscaping and drainage.

The Chairman went through some of the issues and then directed each member to share their views. It was noted the vehicle movements applicable to this expansion were passed in 2008. The main points members discussed were traffic (including the impact for Stone Street residents), the employment and economic factors (where a case was made that the benefits should be weighed against the impact on the countryside) and the suitability of the scale of the expansion planned. Some members had visited the plant and the secure 50 year lease was mentioned. One member warned against what would replace the operation if it were to leave the current location. Voting then took place and there were 4 ordinary votes for "No Objections" and 4 "Opposing the Application", the Chairman used his casting vote to agree "No Objections to this Application".

3) The Parish Council had No Objections to the proposed front extension and covered canopy at 5 Hadleigh Road.

Debbie Hattrell, Clerk to Boxford Parish Council

I would not normally comment on a Boxford Parish Council meetings notes but as a resident of Stone Street who this week alone had to report to Copella the movements of three HGV's through the village it has been left to villagers to raise this matter with Konnings and to suggest that as a condition of the planning application Traffic calming should be introduced at each end of Stone Street that will allow emergency vehicles to pass but prevent the movement of HGV's, this is now being investigated. Also it was suggested by residents that the address of the plant should be changed from Brick Kiln Hill to Stoke Road. Ed

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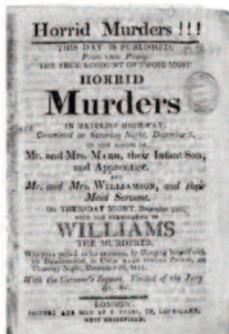
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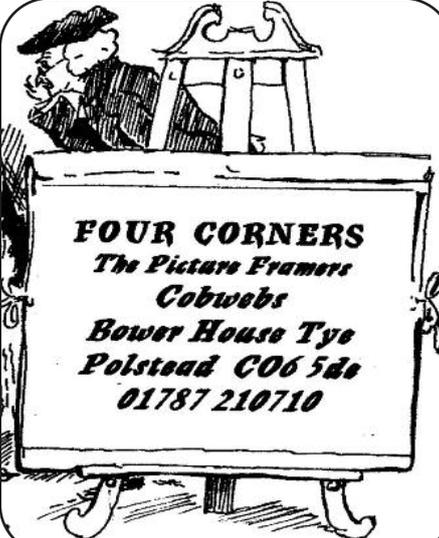
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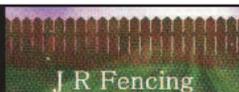
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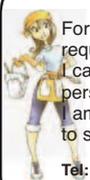
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BOXFORD ROVERS FC 2016-17 SEASON Awards day June 24th.



For the fourth year running Boxford Rovers Awards Day was attended by former Ipswich Town and England football legend Kevin “ The Beat “ Beattie who presented all the individual awards and trophies to all the 140 plus youth players both boys and girls personally each with a short chat on their enjoyment of football and the teams they support, plus in addition the special annual president, chairman and managers awards to the coaches .

Kevin has thoroughly enjoyed his many visits , the warm of our welcome and especially reminiscing of his footballing stories with parents and grandparents whilst posing for many photos and signing books and programmes . We are very pleased to have a close connection with Kevin.

A special mention must go to Barry Green who is retiring at 62 years old after nearly ten years with the club , his excellent work with the minis age groups has developed into a strong succession of under 9 , 10 , 11 and 12 teams playing at the moment . He was presented with a framed letter from Arsen Wenger the Arsenal manager his lifelong supported team , a Boxford shirt signed by all the players plus an original 1950 s leather football to remind him of his early football years .

The club is looking forward to another full season with teams in the Suffolk Youth League from Under 8 through to Under 14 leagues.



ENGLAND HAT-TRICK FOR NEWTON JUNIORS



Newton Green Golf Club juniors have pulled off a remarkable hat-trick by becoming Suffolk junior team champions again.

It means they go forward to represent the county in the national county team championships for the third consecutive year. They will be playing at Woodhall Spa, the headquarters of England Golf, on August 14 and 15.

Newton took on their toughest final opponents to date when they faced the powerful Ipswich Golf Club at Bury St Edmunds, but came home by a single shot in a high quality encounter.

The dramatic win by 108 to 107 Stableford points was sealed in the final game on the last green. Had Ollie Page (handicap seven) not sunk his five foot putt on the 18th against Ryan Goodizi (9), the match would have gone into a play-off. But Page, who earlier fought off a dazzling array of shots by Goodizi, who returned figures five below his handicap, won the



last hole with a birdie.

Both players were in trouble with their third shots, leaving them 80 yards from the hole. But Goodizi came expertly out of a bunker and Page flew over a tree to finish close to the pin. The Ipswich player missed his putt and Page put Newton's name on the trophy. Page had scored 34 to his opponent's 41 points.

In the other matches, Ipswich scratch player Habebul Islam scored an impressive 38 points, but was closely chased by Newton four-handicapper Harvey Watts on 36.

In the middle match, Newton's Ben Tatum (5) was too strong for his opposite number Will Garland (11) winning 38 – 28.

Newton won without previous round performer James Cooper (4) who was unavailable and will also miss the final.

The trophy was presented to Newton by Suffolk junior section chairman Trevor Mason.