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THANKS

I feel the time is long overdue for someone to express their gratitude to Dione Shirreff for planting and caring for the lovely plants which adorn the outside of our village shop. We have always taken it for granted, but gardens do not prosper on their own! Therefore I speak on behalf of the residents and visitors of Walberswick for the pleasure we derive from Dione's contribution to the beauty of our village.

Jov Sanger

SPENDING THE CAR PARKS PROFIT

The Walberswick Common lands Charity trustees would welcome suggestions about how the profits from the Car Parks should be spent this year. As usual, we will meet in February with representatives from the Parish Council to consider any proposals that you put forward. In line with the objectives of the Charity, the projects should benefit the inhabitants of Walberswick. We would be very interested to hear of some long-term or large projects, for which we might have to save for several years, as well as those costing a few hundred or thousand pounds. Please include costings for your proposal. Any suggestions costing more than a thousand will need to be supported by evidence of three estimates or quotations from contractors. Please pass your ideas to one of the Clerks – Jayne Tibbles for the Trust or Vivien Hunt for the Parish Council. Closing date 31 January 2001.

Barbara Priestman. Chair of WCLCT

MARY BELL RETIRES FROM THE COMMON LANDS CHARITY TRUST

Trustees. past and present, gathered on 25 November for an informal lunch to thank Mary for all the work she has done over 27 years as a Trustee. Tribute was paid to the fact that she has fulfilled the role of a trustee in every respect. She has an intimate knowledge of the Charity Commission Scheme to which we work and has always ensured that her contributions to decision-making have been objectively focussed on the true purpose of the Trust, ie to seek out and aid individual beneficiaries and to benefit the inhabitants of Walberswick. Her wonderful memory has helped newer Trustees to understand some of the decisions made in the past, but she has also always been willing to embrace new ideas and support new initiatives. Among her many qualities are discretion, compassion, commitment and a complete lack of self-interest.

We shall miss her presence and her contributions. She has been a very special member of the team.

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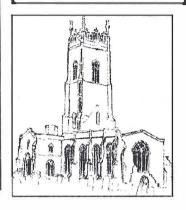
Sunday School meets Village Hall Annexe 10.00 - 12.15

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Kathleen Patterson and Wendy Sinclair

RBL Mary King

CHURCH MATTERS



FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

A very happy New Year to you and your loved ones.

January is the month in the Church's Calendar when we think especially of Christian Unity – we keep an Octave of Prayer with Christians all over the country for this intention from 18th to 25th January. There will be an ecumenical service at the United Reformed Church in Southwold on Sunday 21st January at 3:00 p.m..

It is good and natural that people see things in different ways – this is part of the diversity through which we discover God and learn about life. We rejoice in diversity. The problem is when the small-minded and self-righteous assume that anyone who does not see things as they do is, inevitably, on the wrong track. It is essential that there should be open dialogue between those who have different perspectives on life and faith and that the views of other people seeking after truth, should be respected. We are not, however, called to respect views that in themselves challenge the respect due to other people because of the way God has created them. Views such as these must be openly challenged. The Christian Gospel is not about the sentimental reinforcing of warm cosy feelings – it is about facing up to the challenge of walking the way of the Cross, the way of reconciliation and healing, leading us to that wholeness we have been created to share in..

It is vital that all who seek to walk this way should do it as one family, walking hand in hand, learning from each other's different insights and traditions. Any other way is not the way of Christ and, wherever it will lead, it will never lead to an experience of resurrection life.

As we turn our minds to Christian unity let us also seek to root out everything in our own lives that makes for division of any kind and let us actively seek to heal any wounds of division that we may be carrying around in our hearts.

Every blessing, Barry Naylor



CHRISTMAS CAROLS

A very large congregation came to St Andrew's for the annual Festival of Readings and Carols on 17th December. The church looked so beautiful lit by candlelight. The Choir was augmented by four young ladies of the village - Ruth. Vicky. Amelia and Lydia.and the service ended with a new version of 'I wish you a merry Christmas' composed specially for the Choir by Piers Ford-Crush. Julia Josephs

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ANN BRONTE - WI

The speaker at our meeting on January 10th is Mrs Wallond who lives in Southwold. For anyone interested in the Bronte family, this should be an afternoon not to be missed.

We must thank Barbara Taylor and the Committee for a particularly interesting programme for the coming year. Mrs Maxwell will be talking about her work with the SOE in World War 2 at 10.30 on Tuesday February 13th and at a special evening meeting at 7.30 on Thursday March 15th, Mark Mitchels speaks on The Paston Letters. Visitors are warmly welcome at both these meetings.

Our little sketch performed in the WI Christmas Contributions in Wenhaston Hall had the audience in fits of laughter and partly due to us having to sit on the tiny nursery class chairs, all others being occupied in the Hall. Linda Scholes, who came to our Christmas Party, was a very entertaining speaker and can be warmly recommended.

Julia Josephs

JANUARY JOKE

A frog goes into a bank and approaches the cashier. He can see from her name plate that the cashier's name is Patricia Whack. So he says "Ms Whack, I'd like to get a loan to buy a boat and go on a long holiday." Patti looks at the frog in disbelief and asks the frog how much he wants to borrow. The frog says £30.000.

The cashier asks his name and the frog says that his name is Kermit Jagger, his dad is Mick Jagger and that is okay, he knows the bank manager. Patti explains that £30,000 is a substantial amount of money and that he will need security for the loan. She asks if he has anything he can use as collateral. The frog says "Yes. I have this", and produces a tiny pink porcelain elephant, about half an inch tall, bright and pink and perfectly formed.

Very confused. Patti explains that she'll have to consult the manager and disappears. She finds the manager and says "There's a frog called Kermit Jagger out there who claims to know you and wants to borrow £30,000. And he offers this as security" she holds up the tiny pink elephant. "I mean what the heck is this?" The bank manager looks back at her and says "It's a nick knack. Patti Whack. Give the frog a loan. His old man's a Rolling Stone"

Ruth Bassett

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION -COMPENSATION FOR FAR EAST PRISONERS OF WAR

The Government's information regarding compensation for prisoners of war in the Far East in World War II is not very clear. It would appear that here are five categories of people eligible to claim. Those who served in the Far East: 1. As members of the three armed services, Navy. Army and Royal Air Force. 2. In the Colonial Service. 3. In the Civil Service. 4. In the Merchant Navy, and 5. Spouses (husband or wife) of any of the first four categories. If you think that you, or anyone that you know qualifies for compensation and that you would like more information please contact Alan Walpole on 01502 724763

THANK YOU

Thanks to all my friends in Walberswick who looked after me so well during my prolonged stay at the James Paget. Time hangs very heavily during the afternoons, but a knock on my door and friends arriving change it very speedily into "The Happy Hour." Helen Smiley

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NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on Monday 4th December and the official minutes of the meeting will be posted in due course on the Parish notice boards. There were a lot of planning applications this month. The Parish Council supported the construction of a pitched roof on the garage at Short Lane House; the extension and conversion of the garage at 4 Manor Close: a single storey extension at Pembroke Cottage. The Council were pleased to have received new and improved plans for the two houses at Blyth Barton, Palmer's Lane. Plans were also received from Southwold Harbour for the reinstatement of eroded river bank on the Southwold side. Later in the meeting it was pointed out that there was erosion in two or three places on the bank of the River Blyth in the area of the Harbour. It was agreed to investigate this further with a view to reporting it to Wave District Council. The state of footpaths and bridal ways was also raised at the meeting, especially the state of the path at the bottom of Stocks Lane. It was agreed to report this to the Footpath Division. The Road Maintenance Manager has informed the Council that this winter all A and B roads will be included in the routine precautionary salting. This will begin at 4:30am and be completed by 7:30 am. The chairman reported that the road into Walberswick, on icy days this autumn, had been salted by 6:30 am. The next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 8th January 2001 John Brentnall

PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

PLEASE NOTE: The minutes posted on the Village Hall notice board and in the church are a month behind the report in the Village News. This is because the minutes have to be approved by the Parish Council at the following month's meeting before they can be displayed.

Vivien Hunt, Clerk to Parish Council



Happy New Year



MILLENNIUM MINI MARKET A GREAT SUCCESS

As a result of the wonderful support we received for the Mini Market, held on 25th November 2000, we have been able to send the sum of £1,500 to the Cancer Research Campaign. We also sold Christmas cards to the value of £229.30. I have now received a letter from our area organiser congratulating Walberswick on such a magnificent result. I would like to thank everyone for supporting us in making this event such success. Margaret Adkinson

WHAT'S ON - JANUARY 2001

GP SURGERY – Tuesday and Friday 2.30pm. Village Hall Annexe. (note new times !)

LIBRARY BUS - Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall 3.10pm. January 12th and 26th.

WHIST – Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

BRIDGE - Mondays Village Hall Annexe 2.30pm. Restarts 15 January. Meal for the group at De Cressy's on 29th Jan. Please let Margot know if you want to go. Tel 722439.

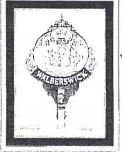
CARPET BOWLS - Wednesdays 7.30pm. Village Hall.

JAN. 8th – Parish Council Meeting Village Hall Annexe 7.30pm.

JAN. 10th - W.I 2.30pm Village Hall.

NB. No more Line Dancing until further notice.

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THANK YOU VIOLET

No Violet in the shop? That's strange. You've been a long term fixture. But NOW's the time to make a change And paint a different picture. Since seventy six you've served us well With papers, food and whisky: Retirement age? It's hard to tell. You still seem very frisky. You've won the flower arranging cup And mastered electronic tills. But now it's time to give it up And cultivate your bowling skills! G.G.

WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS CHARITY

Notes from meeting held on 14 December 2000

Car park profits from 2000 are to be allocated and suggestions are invited from within the Village. Trustees will meet with representatives of the Parish Council to discuss this.

The reed bed and the Common have been inspected and found to be in a satisfactory condition. Suffolk Wildlife Trust have scheduled the following activities on the Common:

Bracken spraying will be carried out when the weather conditions permit. Some footpaths will be closed for a few hours during spraying. Work to expose the Fen to more light and air will continue so that its biodiversity can be maximised.

Bridle way signs will be erected to inform visiting horse riders. A discreet barrier will be erected to prevent cars from driving onto the Common at the North-East end of bridle route 5.

Two pairs of Dartford Warblers are thought to to have bred on the Common in 2000.

The track onto the Common at the end of Church Lane was acknowledged to be in a very poor condition. When the ground has dried out, improvements will be made. This may involve keeping vehicles off the area for a short time.

A request from Suffolk Coasts and Heaths to place a sculpture in the old railway cutting was rejected. It would intrude into an area that is free from man-made objects.

The proposed bird scrapes on Old Town Marshes will once more be delayed since Waveney District Council have indicated that the bridge near East Point is not safe for vehicles. Barbara Priestman, Chairman

LUCKY HAG STONES

It was a good summer to find lucky hag stones on the beach. We did not win the lottery but from the collecting boxes in the Village the grand sum of £938 was raised for Motor Neurone Research. Many thanks to all who supported the worthy cause.

Mary King

THANK YOU

Denise and John, and George and Maria Brentnall would like to thank all the people in the village who have offered their condolences and support over the last three weeks following the sudden death of their sister and daughter Judith on Christmas Eve. Your thoughts and good wishes have been very much appreciated.

THE CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Carol singing round the tree on the Green before Christmas and from house to house on Christmas Eve raised £174 which was sent to the Children's Society. Wendy Sinclair

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18.00 Choral Evensong

25 Sunday 1st before Lent

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09.30 Choral Matins

28 Ash Wednesday

10.00 Eucharist and Ashing BCP

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Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00

Sunday School meets Village Hall Annexe 10.00 - 12.15

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Bubbles Love and Cynthia Jackson RBL Chrissie Reeves

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

We are finally able to announce the name of the new priest who will soon be joining our Team Ministry. He is the Reverend Graham Owen, at present Vicar of Christ Church. Shooters Hill, in South London. He and his wife. Mary, will be moving into Wangford during the February half term. His licensing will be at Wangford Parish Church on Tuesday 6th March at 7:30 p.m. and everyone is warmly invited to attend. Graham will have pastoral responsibility for Sotherton, Uggeshall and Wangford and will also act as Training Officer for the Halesworth Deanery.

Here at Walberswick we are pleased that the scaffolding has finally come down from our Church Tower after surrounding it for such a long time. All the work on the Tower has been done and we are most grateful to all those who have assisted with this work - to our architects, the excellent workmen. English Heritage and the estate of the late Mrs. Gill for providing the necessary money and particularly for all the hard work and professional help that Brian Morton has given us. Brian has provided us with invaluable guidance and it was a great relief to know that we had him at our side during the months this work took to arrange and complete.

After Christmas requests were made that the PCC should consider having one or more of our Sunday Services at 11 o'clock to enable those people to attend. for whom 9:30 proves too early. There was divided opinion about this, as some people do prefer a service earlier in the morning but it was agreed that for a six month trial period we will have one service a month at 11:00 a.m.. This will be a service of Morning Prayer (1662) on the third Sunday of every month. On every other Sunday there will be a Eucharist at 9:30 and, on the second Sunday, Evening Prayer at 6 o'clock. This new pattern will commence in April – though as the third Sunday in April is Easter Sunday this year, it will be a Eucharist on that day rather than Morning Prayer.

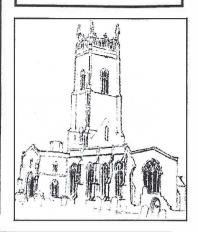
With every blessing Barry Naylor

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Congratulations to those responsible for decorating the church porch so artistically for Christmas. Many hours must have gone into the construction of the very beautiful figures and "flying angels" which were so effectively illuminated.

Congratulations also to those who were in any way involved in the carol service either before with decorations and candles or at the event as choir or readers - not forgetting Julia who arranged the service

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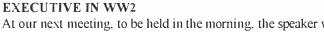
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WALBERSWICK WI - THE SPECIAL OPERATIONS

At our next meeting, to be held in the morning, the speaker will be Mrs Maxwell, talking about her experiences in WW2 working for the SOE. This work has recently been released from the files and Mrs Maxwell has some fascinating stories to tell. We feel sure her talk could be of interest to anyone who lived through WW2 and invite husbands and friends to join us on Tuesday morning February 13th at 10.30

Mrs Wallond gave us a long but vivid talk on Anne Bronte with excerpts from her poetry. She also brought many books with photographs of The Parsonage at Howarth in Yorkshire where the Bronte family lived their short lives. All six children died before the age of thirty.

Julia Josephs

CHANGE OF DIRECTION

I would like to clarify my status relating to work. I have decided to start 2001 by leaving Duncan and Son, the firm I have been working for for many years.

This decision was made based upon the fact that every morning. leaving the village at 7.10am. I passed numerous building contractors' vans entering the village, while I was leaving the village that I love, to earn a living elsewhere.

It seemed a logical move with forty years experience in the building trade to attempt to earn my living within the community.

Wally Webb

THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

Shopping on the Net

Belinda Catling of tesco.com at Martlesham talked about the growth of Tesco's net shopping business. Turnover is now £500m a year and only limited by the number of van deliveries available. Customers pay a charge of £5 per delivery. Our area is not covered at present. The computerised processing of orders, from the selection at home on the Net to the bar coded picking by staff in the store was outlined. Surveys show customer satisfaction has been high although many still would prefer to shop for themselves whenever they can.

Discussion included the impact on rural shops. Mrs Catling said that some were offering Tesco's service to their customers to extend their choice.

Guests are always welcome at the meetings which are held in Walberswick. No technical knowledge or even ownership of a computer is needed to enjoy the wide ranging talks from top experts which always offer a fascinating view of our rapidly changing world. Our members are a lively minded bunch of both genders and question time always stimulates discussion.

Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month between 7pm - 9pm ending with a glass of wine. Contact Frank Scoble on 01502 723519 for membership and venue details. Visit www.go.to/bvcs

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NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The meeting was held on Monday 8th January 2001 and the official minutes will be posted on the village notice boards. The Council received a revised planning application for the erection of a roof extension to form one flat at Marsh End. Ferry Road. The Council still felt that further development in the roof would destroy the appearance of the building and therefore be detrimental to the character of the area. It was also pointed out that there are no parking facilities for this property which would mean further congestion in a very busy area of the village. There have been five letters of objection to the application, and the Council once again recommended that the application be refused. The District Council has granted permission for the erection of a pitched roof on the garage of Short Lane House and it has also granted permission for alterations to extensions at Lilliput, Lodge Road.

Walberswick has been allocated £329.00 "locality budget", this money may go towards drainage and repair work on the tracks outside the shops by the Village Green. If consent was not received for this project the amount could be requested for the replacement of notice boards on Stocks Green and repairs to the Village Hall notice board.

The Council received a letter requesting that they apply for a 20 mph speed limit, but this cannot be controlled by the police and therefore pinch points restricting the flow of traffic might have to be applied. The Rural Traffic Officer has agreed to carry out speed checks before 1st May and during a busy weekend in the summer. It was carried by 4 votes to 2 to examine the results of these surveys before considering applying for a 20 mph speed limit.

Councillor Hunt reported that the programme of work was in hand for the sports field and pavilion and 15 residents had volunteered to help.

The Council received a letter from a resident suggesting that car park funds be used for free or subsidised transport for the village. The resident had listed and costed several options and these will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting.

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday February 5th.

John Brentnall

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BEACH CLEAN

Many thanks to all those who took part in the beach clean on Sunday 31st December, it was a great success! The Parish Council

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION – PROVISIONAL DIARY DATES

W.I. SOE Lecture Village Hall. Tuesday 13 February. 10.30 am . The Walberswick Lecture Kosova Operations – CO 4 Regt AAC. Village Hall.

Friday 11 May, 7.30 pm.
The Annual Visit, AM - Friday 29th June, Army Air Corps at Wattisham.

Lunch location to be confirmed.

Bazaar and Coffee Morning Village Hall, Saturday 10 November.

Remembrance Sunday 11 November.

AGM Village Hall. Monday 19 November, 7, 30 pm.

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FEB. 5th – Parish Council Meeting Village Hall Annexe 7.30pm.

FEB. 9th – Computer Society Meeting

FEB. 13th - W.I 10.30am Village Hall.

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WALBERSWICK VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The AGM of the Village Hall Management Committee will be held on 27th March 2001. Documentation will be circulated to organisations, together with nomination papers for the position of Hall Manager and Hon Secretary, all in accordance with the Constitution of the Management Group. Anyone interested in either of the positions is welcome to speak with Brian or Judith Morton or Don Thompson for further information (Tel. In the first instance 01986 875651).

Brian Morton Chairman – Village Hall Committee

THE ANNUAL VILLAGE FETE THIS YEAR WILL BE HELD ON 25TH AUGUST (BANK HOLIDAY)

WALBERSWICK RNLI - SAUSAGE & MASH EVENING.

7.30pm Saturday 3rd March at The Anchor Inn. Walberswick. With live music from the Folk Group "John and Mario" and Grand Raffle. Tickets: £6 - available from the Anchor and Tuck Shop

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION – LOCATION OF THE WALBERSWICK / BLYTHBURGH REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

At the last RBL Committee Meeting one member suggested that in future the Branch Remembrance Service in November should always be held in Blythburgh Church, rather than every other year in rotation with Walberswick Church. The Chairman agreed that there were obvious advantages but said that there might also be some valid objections from those living in Walberswick. It was agreed that a vote would not be taken until the next meeting in mid April, after a note had been circulated via the Village News. In order to help the Committee make its decision the Chairman, Alan Walpole, would be pleased to receive any views that you might have, either in writing before the 5th April, or on the telephone between the 2nd and 5th April. Contact: Strawberry Corner, Main Street, Walberswick – Tel. 724763

A talk on 'The restoration of the Albert Memorial coupled with the new tower of St Edmundsbury Cathedral' will be given by Brian Morton on Friday 16th March 2001 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This will take the form of a wine and cheese evening and cost per ticket will be £5. Tickets are available from Village Hall Committee members.

Brian Morton

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH - MARCH 2001

4 Sunday Lent 1

09.30 Sung Eucharist

11 Sunday Lent 2

09.30 Said Eucharist

18.00 Choral Evensong

18 Sunday Lent 3

09.30 Morning Prayer

25 Sunday Mothering

09.30 Family Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) is celebrated every Wednesday

at 10.00

Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00

Sunday School meets Village Hall Annexe 10.00 - 12.15

NO FLOWERS IN LENT

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

Lent is a time traditionally associating with giving up things. "What are you going to give up for Lent?". To see Lent solely in this light is to miss out on what this season in the Christian year has to offer. Lent is, above all, a time to grow in love in preparation for the celebration of the death and resurrection of our Saviour. Whatever we decide to do, or not to do, for Lent – if it doesn't assist us in growing in love then it is of little value.

Lent provides us with the opportunity to do some spiritual spring-cleaning, to take stock of our spiritual lives. To be a Christian is to desire to grow in our love of God and of our neighbour. At the very heart of our relationship with God must be our prayer life. We can look at this both in terms of quality and quantity. Lent calls each one of us to do something about this. The priests of the Team will be very happy to speak to anyone who wants advice or guidance on this subject.

There are extra opportunities to share in public prayer in addition to the daily round of prayer, which goes on throughout the year in our churches. On Wednesday afternoons there will be Lenten Devotions at St. Edmund's Church and on Wednesday evenings (at 7:00 p.m.) there will be Stations of the Cross at Holy Trinity, Blythburgh.

Studying our faith is another important thing as we seek to grow in our relationship with God and there will be ecumenical study groups throughout the area of the Team during Lent.

On Friday lunch times there will be simple Lent lunches in the Village Hall, with the proceeds going to worthy causes.

Our new Team Vicar – Graham Owen – will be visiting Walberswick to take a service for the first time on Mothering Sunday (25th March at 9:30). Please ensure he receives a warm welcome at St. Andrew's. This will be our Family Eucharist for March. Remember that from April the service on the third Sunday of each month will be at 11:00 a.m.

Barry Navlor

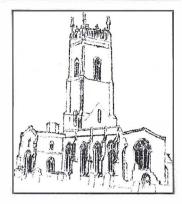
COLLECTION FOR EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

The retiring collections in January raised £111 for the relief of the victims of the India and El Salvador earthquakes. Eric Bassett

LENT LUNCHES

St Andrew's Guild have again arranged the austerity lunches every Friday in Lent starting on March 2nd at the Village Hall from 12.30 - 1.30pm. Anyone in the village will be most welcome and the proceeds will be given to the earthquake appeal in India.

CHURCH MATTERS



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WI - THE PASTON LETTERS.

Mark Mitchels is our speaker at the meeting in the Village Hall on Thursday March 15th at 7.30pm. The Paston Letters were written mainly by Margaret Paston to her husband William, and 'typify the high-risk, high gain, knife edge world of late medieval England.'

We were most disappointed that Mrs Maxwell was unable to attend the February meeting to relate her experiences in WW2 working for the SOE but very much hope she will be able to come in April. We welcomed Liz Petman who took six girl guides to Ghana for three weeks in '99. She gave us an amusing and informative talk, illustrated with slides. Schoolgirls in Ghana all wear the same uniform, brown and yellow, and guiding is part of the curriculum.

Julia Josephs

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

This months meeting was replaced by our annual outing. Twenty members travelled to Norwich to see the home of the Eastern Daily Press at Prospect House. In addition to the usual visitors' tour of the editorial and advertising areas we talked to the picture editor about digital photography. Eighteen top of the range Nikon cameras have just been purchased for their staff around the region. The Head of IT showed us round the servers and technology areas they have designed in-house for their operation. Members expressed great interest in visiting the ECNG printing centre at Thorpe next year.

Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month between 7pm - 9pm ending with a glass of wine. Contact Frank Scoble on 01502 723519 for membership. Piers Ford-Crush

'HALESWORTH MINI-BUS - GOOD NEWS!

From 4 April 2001, the Halesworth mini-bus service will be provided by GOLD-LINE Services, and will run every Wednesday until further notice. The bus is funded by the Walberswick Common Lands Trust. The service is intended for those without transport or those who are unable to drive for any reason. Other passengers welcome if space allows. Depart Walberswick at 1000 hours, collecting from The Anchor. Tuck Shop and Church. Return by 1230 hours.'

THANK YOU

I should, as the Chairman, like to take this opportunity to thank Mary King, her helpers and the people of Walberswick for their continued support of Southwold Hospital. This year you raised over £693 – a truly wonderful effort. Walberswick is surely the 'jewel in our crown'. Thank you from the Hospital and the League of Friends.

Barbara Davis

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

PLEASE NOTE: The minutes posted on the Village Hall notice board and in the church are a month behind the report in the Village News. This is because the minutes have to be approved by the Parish Council at the following month's meeting before they can be displayed. Vivien Hunt Clerk to the Parish Council

BRIDGE GROUP LUNCH

The Monday Bridge group had a very successful lunch at de Cressey's restaurant on the 29th January, followed by a good afternoon's bridge. This was our first celebration since the group started 18 months ago and we hope that it will not be our last! Margot Godbold

EARLY MUSIC AT WANGFORD

Capella Antiqua, whose concerts at Walberswick and Blythburgh Churches have been enjoyed by many Walberswick residents, will be performing at the Church of St Peter and St Paul in Wangford on Saturday.

31st March. The concert, which will include vocal and instrumental music by Monteverdi, Pachalbel, and Charpentier begins at 7:30 pm. All Welcome! Tickets will be available from Patsy Murray (722022) or at the Door. Patsy Murray

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Since the last meeting work has been carried out on the track outside the shops on the village green. Fellinghams are going to return to look at one small area which is still puddling. Also, since the last meeting a new notice board has been erected on the Stocks Green. The Council felt that Mr Leon had produced a splendid board! The Council received a planning application for the erection of a garage workshop at 20. Manor Close, there was no objection to this, and none had been received from the public. There was also an application for alterations and extension to Ilanga, Lodge Road. The Council had no objection to this, but considered that the glazed area to the West elevation was excessive and too visually obtrusive on the building line entry into the village. As the plans were very sketchy it was difficult to get an overall impression of the final appearance of the property. Suffolk Coastal has granted planning permission for an extension to Pembroke Cottage, and rear extensions and the insertion of dormer windows to The Parish Lantern. Inspector Shields had written to inform the Council that due to staff changes, the position of Parish officer has become vacant. He stated that he would endeavour to fill the vacancy as soon as possible. District Councillor Leighton reiterated the importance of the Rural White Paper. He was particularly concerned about the implications on moral ways of life and the possibility of urbanisation creeping in. Mr Hunt and Mr Buncombe are going to attend a seminar to discuss the implications of the White Paper for this village. County Councillor Richard Church reported that work on the Toby's Walk junction will be completed within six weeks! Mr Tibbles expressed concern about the crosion of the river wall and it was agreed to contact Waveney District Council. It was agreed to position posts on Stocks Green to prevent vehicles from driving over the grass. It was also agreed to contact is the Highways Department about the mud on the the road into Walberswick, and the broken surface of Lodge Lane. The swings on the Green have been removed for welding and repair and arrangements will be made for a new safety surface. The full official minutes will be placed on the village notice boards. The next meeting will be held on Monday 5th March. John Brentnall

ALLOTMENTS TO RENT

There are four half allotments, or two full allotments to rent for 2001. Water has now been laid on courtesy of Walberswick Common Lands Trust. If you are interested please contact Philip Kett.

WHAT'S ON - MARCH 2001

GP SURGERY – Tuesday and Friday **2.30pm**. Village Hall Annexe. LIBRARY BUS – Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall 3.10pm. March 9th and 23th.

WHIST - Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

BR IDGE – Monday 12th & 26th Village Hall Annexe 2.30pm.

CARPET BOWLS – Wednesdays 7.30pm. Village Hall.

March 3rd – Sausage & Mash Evening at the Anchor.

March 5th – Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

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March 9th – Computer Society Digital Photography.

March 13th – Local History Group AGM. 7.30pm Village Hall.

March 16th – Restoration Talk (see p.1) 7.30pm Village hall.

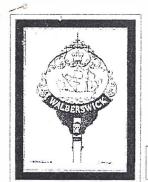
March 15th - W.I 2.30pm Village Hall.

March 27th – AGM Village Hall Management Committee.

March 31st - Early Music at Wangford church 7.30pm.

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SAVE THE CHILDREN CURRY NIGHT

Potter's Wheel Restaurant Friday 27th April 7-8pm and 8-9pm. Admission by ticket from Val Anderson. Wyn Riddell or Maureen Thompson (purchase by 23rd April please). £5 adults & £3 for children. Bring your own bottle. All proceeds to Save the Children.

Choice of 3 curries Turkey and Prawn/Beef/Bean and Vegetable (or Rice with Chicken and Veg if preferred).

CAR PARK PROFITS ALLOCATIONS

Representatives of the Parish Council met the Trustees on 12 February to discuss the suggestions put forward. Those approved were:

- Sports Pavilion toilets and general maintenance
- Laminating machine for use by the PC and the Trust
- Safety surfacing for swings on the Green
- Continuing weekly free transport for village residents to Halesworth
- Sponsorship scheme to encourage travel and enterprise for local people (a fund to be accumulated)
- Village Hall annual subsidy to maintain low hire charges for local groups.

Other suggestions received were:

- Donation to Southwold Splash project
- Steps up the bank beside the Sluice Bridge
- Netball/basket ball hoop and gym equipment
- Public tennis court
- Improvements to the Village Hall
- Underground ducting of telephone and electricity
- cables
- Rethatching the roof of the Jubilee Seat.

Most of these suggestions have been referred back to their proposers for costings and further information. In line with the policy of approving worthwhile. longer term, more expensive projects, funds will be available for those that are viable.

The public tennis court was suggested by a regular visitor to the village. The Trustees think it could be a good idea but it would need to be set up and run by a group of volunteers. Is anybody interested in starting such a group? Please contact Jayne Tibbles.

Thank you for your suggestions.

Barbara Priestman

WALBERSWICK HOUSES EXHIBITION

A photographic exhibition of Walberswick Houses will be held at the Village Hall on Easter Monday April 16th from 11am to 5pm. Admission is free throughout the day. This will provide an excellent opportunity to select a superb photograph of your house.

Doa Thompson

NO TUESDAY SURGERY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

There will be no surgery on Tuesdays until further notice. Prescriptions can still be collected from the Village Shop. Friday surgery as usual at 2.30pm in the Village Hall Annexe. Please call Southwold surgery on 722326 before attending so that your records can be brought over.

FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE PRECAUTIONS

The Cliff Field Car Park is currently closed and will remain so until the situation is alleviated. WCPL sincerely regrets any inconvenience caused by this necessary precaution.

WALBERSWICK CAR PARKS LTD (WCPL) Parking Charges 2001

WCPL has given very careful consideration to the costs of parking on the Cliff Field and Ferry Road car parks and has agreed that the standard daily charge for this year will be £2 per day throughout the period 1st May to 30th September. Monthly and full season ticket charges, at £7 and £32 respectively, therefore represent exceptionally good value for money.

Robin Buncombe

EASTER EGG HUNT

An Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Easter Saturday (14th April) at 10am on Western Ferry Road Car Park for local sproglets between the ages of 1 and 13. There will be two groups/ two sites dependent on age. Come along and have an egg-straordinary time. Organised by the Parish Council.

CIVIL SERVICE PENSIONERS

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH - APRIL 2001

1 Sunday Lent 5

0930 Sung Eucharist

8 Sunday Palm Sunday 0930 Family Eucharist

1800 Choral Evensong

13 Friday Good Friday 1400 Celebration of the Passion

15 Sunday Easter Vigil 0600 Walberswick beach

Easter Day

1100 Sung Eucharist & Baptism

22 Sunday Easter 2

0930 Eucharist with hymns

followed by the Annual Church Parochial Meeting

29 Sunday Easter 3

1100 Eucharist at Blythburgh

Holy Communion 1662 (said) is celebrated every Wednesday at 10.00

Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00 Sunday School is on holiday after April 1st

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Easter; Kathleen Patterson & Bubbles Love

RBL Vida Connick

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

At the time of writing this letter we are awaiting the results of a suspected outbreak of foot and mouth at Benacre. Hopefully, by the time you are reading this, this will have proved to be a negative result and our area will still be clear of the be sent to me at Dutch House. disease. Whatever the result of these tests, however, this is a time of great worry and anxiety for all who live and work in the countryside, especially for all our farmers and their families, and those in associated trades. During the national outbreak of foot and mouth we have regularly been remembering in our prayers all those involved and, as a sign of this. Church bells have been tolled at midday on Sundays. We have taken other steps, such as the laving of disinfectant barriers at various places and the cancelling of meetings. It is difficult to know what best we can offer but in the end our prayers must be offered daily for all those dealing with, and recovering from, this national disaster.

During April we celebrate the death, passion and resurrection of Christ. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of the most important week in the year for Christians - Holy Week, containing Maundy Thursday and Good Friday. There will be extra opportunities for worship both at Walberswick and elsewhere (as long as any restrictions regarding travel do not lead us to change our plans). The liturgical keeping of this week is a wonderful way of joining with Christians all over the world in calling to mind the great significance for us today of the events commemorated. During this week we are forcefully reminded that our faith is not about private, individual feelings but it is, above all, about being part of that world-wide family which is seeking to walk in the footsteps of our Lord who was crucified, raised from the dead and entered into glory because of his love of us.

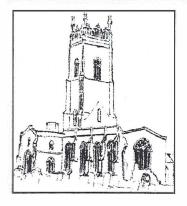
A reminder that from April our service on the third Sunday of each month will be at 11:00 a.m. for an experimental period. This will usually be a service of Morning Prayer but on April 15th it will be a Sung Eucharist. Baptism and First Communion, as this is Easter Sunday. We also hope to hold a Team Dawn Easter Vigil Service on, or near, the beach at 6:00 a.m. on Easter Sunday... Our Annual Parochial Church Meeting at St. Andrew's will follow on immediately from a shortened celebration of the Eucharist on Sunday 22nd April... May your keeping of Holy Week and Easter assist you in experiencing the reality of God's deep love for you and confirm you in his service. With every blessing.

Barry Navlor.Team Rector

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barry.naylor@stedmundsbury.anglican.org

CHURCH MATTERS



SPRING CLEANING

Spring cleaning of the Church will be on Monday April 2nd, starting at 9am. Helpers will be welcome at any time during the day.

Wendy Sinclair

FLOWERS FOR EASTER DAY

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WI - SPECIAL OPERATIONS EXECUTIVE

We are very pleased indeed that Mrs Maxwell will be with us on April 11th at 2.30pm to talk about her experiences during World War 2 when she was working with SOE. We should be delighted to welcome husbands and friends who may be interested in Mrs Maxwell's stories.

Only two Resolutions have been chosen for debate in May and later at the IGM at Cardiff -

1. Health of School-aged Children and 2. Abuse of the Elderly.

Julia Josephs

CAR PARK ATTENDANTS REQUIRED

Full and Part Time attendants are required between the hours of 0930 and 1700. Hourly rates are extremely favourable. WCPL prefers to offer these opportunities to local people as a priority. Applicants must be at least 18 years of age. Anyone interested should contact the Operations Manager on 722359 as soon as possible.

CYCLE RACKS

WCPL has responded to demand and will be installing these at a suitable location on the Ferry Road Car Park - but is unable to be held responsible for any loss, damage, etc.

For any information, or if you have any comments on the operation of Walberswick Car Parks, please do not hesitate to contact me on (01502) 722359. Robin Buncombe

WALBERSWICK COMMOM LANDS CHARITY TRUST

Notes from meeting on 22 February 2001

Barbara Priestman was elected Chairman for a further year.

A policy is to be implemented on the rare occasions when a loan is an appropriate form of help, was agreed.

Car park profits were discussed. They needed to be allocated effectively. Longer term projects for which funds could be accumulated might sometimes prove to be a better use for the money than always spending all of the income each year.

Suffolk Coasts and Heaths Management Strategy was considered. It did not appear to conflict with the aims of the Charity or the interests of the village but, as landowners, the Trustees were anxious to ensure that they would be consulted about any activity proposed for or affecting Trust land.

Laws affecting SSSIs have been tightened but they are unlikely to have any effect on Trust land management.

Plans for replacing fencing and cleaning out dykes on the grazing marshes were discussed and quotes were being obtained.

Investigations into the cost of formally registering Trust land with the Land Registry were continuing.

The Finance Sub-Committee had prepared a proposed budget for 2001. Allowances for beneficiaries would be increased to keep pace with inflation. It was unanimously approved by the full Committee.

Barbara Priestman, Chairman

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BEACH CLEAN

All are invited to take part in the spring clean of the beach on Sunday 22nd April between 10 and 12 noon. Gloves and bags provided.

NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

A planning application was received for the demolition of the shop and workshop and the erection of a two storey cottage at Rose End (opposite Fishers Garage). The Council unanimously objected to the proposal because it represented over massing of a very limited site and would be visually intrusive. It would also mean the loss of a commercial premises. The proposed access at the back of the site could also cause problems for several householders whose only motor access is along the track at the side of the existing

Planning permission has been granted for an extension to 4 Manor Close and the building of two houses and two garages at Blythe Barton in Palmers Lane. The swings have been removed from the Village Green and are being repaired by Mr Kett. A septic tank has been installed on the sports field. Next meeting April 2nd. John Brentnall

RNLI BANGERS 'N MASH EVENING

March 3rd was a wonderful evening at the Anchor Inn as a result of which your Branch has raised approximately £600 for much-needed funds. Thanks are due to many but Trevor. Fiona, Peter et al deserve special mention for the ambience of the evening.

Robin Buncombe, Hon-Treasurer

AFFORDABLE HOUSING SEMINAR HELD AT DEDHAM ON 27th FEBRUARY

On behalf of the Parish Council. Wally Webb and Alvin Hunt attended the above seminar which was addressed by several expert guest speakers, including HRH Princess Royal.

The main thrust of the talks was the provision of affordable housing for villages. Discussions then took place on the detailed steps that would have to be followed it was considered that there was a need in a particular village.

The first step was to establish a *real* need (this was essential). The entire village would have to be surveyed and every home leafleted and the results analysed. A ries of public meetings would then be held to keep everybody informed of progrand give the opportunity for any objections to be aired.

The site would be on 'Exceptional Land', that is land not normally earmarked development; this would probably be agricultural land. The local Planning Autlity would look favourably on such an application which would obviously be an exception to the normal rules.

The houses would be designed and built to a high standard. Once completed the would be allocated to local people by the Rural Housing Trust using their own ce teria. The Trust always retain part ownership so that the houses could only be so back to them at the current value, this would ensure that they are always kept as affordable housing for local needs.

It was felt that the seminar provided some very useful information for possible fure use. If any member of the community feels that there is scope in Walberswifer such a scheme, would they like to contact the Parish Clerk, Mrs V Hunt.

TV FILMING

Anglia Television Entertainment has approached the District and Parish Councils fo permission to film an adaptation of 'A Line in the Sand' by Gerald Seymour as a tw part espionage drama for ITV. A number of locations in the village will be used from April 23rd for two weeks. Some action takes place at night and filming will take plaup to 10pm and will involve the carriage of firearms and the discharge of blank annunition. There will be particular disruption to the area around the Green including paring but residents will be warned when filming is to take place. All heavy vehicles will be parked on the West side of Ferry road. There may be a requirement for extras!

Rae Leighton

WHAT'S ON - APRIL 2001

GP SURGERY - Friday 2.30pm. Village Hall Annexe.

LIBRARY BUS – Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall 3.10pm.
April 6th and 20th.

WHIST – Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

BRIDGE - Monday 12th & 26th Village Hall Annexe 2.30pm.

CARPET BOWLS - Wednesdays 7.30pm. Village Hall.

April 2nd – Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

April 11th - W.I 2.30pm Village Hall.

April 15th – Dawn Easter Vigil on the beach 6am. Details from Barry Naylor on 722192.

April 16th – Walberswick Houses Photographic Exhibition. Village Hall 11-5pm

April 27th – Save the Children Curry night. Potters Wheel Restaurant 7pm.

May 5th – David Shirreff Birdsong Walk. Hoist car park 5.30am.(Foot and Mouth Outbreak Permitting).

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WALBERSWICK UNITED MISSIONARY COUNCIL

The Annual Bazaar will take place on May 5th this year - 12.30 - 3.30pm with refreshments suitable for light lunches and teas plus all the usual stalls. Proceeds will go to Vellore Hospital in South India and the Addington Fund set up to help UK farmers.

Wendy Sinclair

YOXFORD SCHOOL PRODUCTION OF 'JOSEPH AND HIS TECHNICOLOUR DREAMCOAT'

On the 23rd and 24th May Yoxford Primary School will be performing Joseph at Pettistree near Wickam Market. Yoxford is our catchment school and all the Walberswick children who go there will be in the production; one of them is playing Joseph. For further details please contact Denise Brentnall on 722923 or the school on 01728 668291.

THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

Framlingham Technology Centre.

The growth of the high technology corridor between Cambridge and Martlesham Heath will bring great economic benefits to this area. Tony Stockman of Minima Design and a driving force behind the new centre at Framlingham explained how it will provide a work space for emerging entrepreneurs. He also demonstrated how prototypes can now be created in a few hours by 3D computer graphics controlling the interaction of lasers on special fluids. This process has dramatically shortened the time from design to market for manufacturers.

Guests are always welcome at the meetings which are held in Walberswick. No technical knowledge or even ownership of a computer is needed to enjoy the wide ranging talks from top experts which always offer a fascinating view of our rapidly changing world. Our members are a lively minded bunch of both genders and question time always stimulates discussion.

Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month between 7pm and 9 pm ending with a glass of wine. Contact Frank Scoble on 01502 723519 for membership and venue details.

Piers Ford-Crush

NSPCC COFFEE MORNING

will be held at The Ferry House on May 10th at 10:30 am. Please come and support us.

Cathy Simpson and Wyn Riddell

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All who use the Wednesday morning bus to Halesworth extend most grateful thanks to the committee and trustees who organise and finance it. Our drivers Pru, Ben, Anne and Ray have been a joy, always careful, helpful, and courteous. Our village is beautiful, but for those of us unable to drive, how nice to visit a bank, hairdresser etc enjoying the countryside and companionship en route.

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Team rector - Revd Barry Naylor 01502 722192

Churchwardens Ian Bruce-Jones 72-1020 Christine Fisher 723023

CHURCH SERVICES - MAY 2001

6 Sunday Easter 4

09.30 Sung Eucharist

13 Sunday Easter 5

09.30 Family Eucharist

19 Saturday Holy Matrimony 15.00 Paul Hunter/Amanda Goff

20 Sunday Rogation Sunday 11.00 Morning Prayer

24 Thursday Ascension Day 19.30 Team Eucharist

27 Sunday S after Ascension 09.30 Sung Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) is celebrated every Wednesday at 10.00

Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00

Sunday School meets Village Hall Annexe 10.00-12.15 FLOWER ARRANGERS

Susan Walpole, Dione Sherriff (Wedding), Pat Longvear.

Cynthia Jackson

Royal British Legion - Ruth Bassett

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

Every month of the year has it's own highlights and May is no exception. In the Christian calendar it sees us through the season of Eastertide until the beginning of June, when we have the great festival of Pentecost on 3rd. This is the day we remember the Holy Spirit being poured out on the disciples that they might live the resurrection life in the world. This is the life all Christians are called to live and to witness to in the world. The resurrection life is the very life of God and if living it does not make a difference to us and to our world then clearly we are not really experiencing it and living it!

One sign that resurrection living is happening will be our commitment to tackling those social conditions in the world, which are an affront to human dignity. St Catherine of Sienna told us that God gave us one another to help us judge how much our words proclaiming our love of God are real – the reality is to be judged by our attitude to those in need. We believe all people are created in the divine image and should be treated accordingly, which is why poverty, bad housing, poor education, the lack of adequate health care, malnutrition, slavery, discrimination and the like are all an affront to our Creator God. The tolerance of such conditions is an affront to God – the assault on them is a sign that we are seeking to do his will. During May (from 13th) we keep **Christian** Aid Week. There will be a special ecumenical service at St Edmund's Southwold on 13th May at 6:00 p.m., which will replace our regular Evening Prayer at St. Andrew's on that day. Do please make a special effort to attend and to support the work of Christian Aid as generously as you are able. There will be a lunch on that same day in St. Edmund's Hall, Southwold, organised by young people to which all are invited (please telephone me if you wish to attend, to assist with catering arrangements).

The 24th May is Ascension Day and there will be a Team Eucharist at St. Andrew's at 7:30 p.m. On 13th June there will be a "Team Question Time" at 7:30 p.m. at St. Margaret's, Reydon, which will be a chance for people to ask any questions they wish to a panel consisting of the Team Clergy. With every blessing

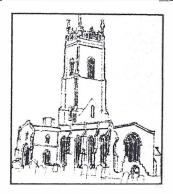
Barry Naylor

COLLECTIONS AND DONATIONS

Recent retiring collecions for the Addington Fund, which gives grants to members of the farming community suffering as a result of the Foot and Mouth epidemic, raised £107.80.

The Lent 'austerity lunches' held at the village hall raised a net total of £219.51. This has been donated to Christian Aid specifically for relief work following the eartquakes in India and El Salvador. Eric Bassett

CHURCH MATTERS



PARISH REGISTERS

23rd March

Roger Stewart Stroyan Aged 64 years Funeral Service followed by cremation 2nd April

Ian Archibald Roxburgh Aged 83 years Funeral followed by cremation. Ashes buried at Uggeshall 3rd April

Gladys Evelyn Coleman Aged 92 years Funeral followed by cremation

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YOUR LOCAL POLICE OFFICER

The Leiston Policing Sector is one of five sectors which form the Eastern Area of the Suffolk Constabulary. It covers a wide geographical area, from Marlesford in the south to Chediston in the north, and from Earl Soham in the west across to the Heritage Coast. The Sector polices the four main population centres of Leiston, Saxmundham, Aldeburgh and Framlingham. In total there are 55 parishes within the sector covering 186 sq. miles, with a population of about 30,000. Times have changed, and no longer is there a local police officer living in the police house in your village. In fact there is probably not even an identified police house in the village. There are however officers patrolling in your area, and an identified officer to deal with local policing issues relevant to your parish. The Parish Officer is an officer, who should be known by name to his or her local residents. He, or she, should be an officer who commands a detailed knowledge of the parish, and persons within it. They will keep abreast of policing matters associated with that parish, and communicate with local residents and locally elected persons regarding such issues. The Parish Officer will be aware of, and deal with, local problems at a local level. Using a problem solving approach, in partnership with the community and other statutory and voluntary agencies. The Sector has a strong commitment to community policing, reflected in its partnerships with crime prevention panels, and 'Watch' schemes. The officers work a 24-hour shift patterns and are therefore not always directly available. Messages can however be left at their place of work by calling 01986 835300. The identified Parish Officer for your parish is PC Matt Adams. The sector enjoys considerable success in tackling both crime and quality of life issues. with the assistance of the local community. We have a commitment to working closely with the local community, and other agencies, in further evidence of our aims to create a safer community for the residents of the Leiston policing sector.

Inspector Mike Shields Sector Commander

WALBERSWICK WI ACUPESSURE/SHIATSU

For our May meeting we are pleased to welcome Mrs Levinson who will tell us about acupressure and shiatsu. In the business part of the meeting we shall discuss and record our vote for the two Resolutions chosen for the year 2001 – The Health of School Aged Children and the Abuse of the Elderly.

At the April meeting we were privileged to have Mrs Maxwell telling us of her experience in the SOE in WW2. For years this small group of highly intelligent women got little recognition of the extremely difficult and important work they were performing as wireless operators (it has since been said that their skill and determination shortened the war by six months) and everything was kept in total secrecy until 1975.

Julia Josephs

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DAVID SHIREFF BIRDSONG WALK

This will take place on Saturday 5th May. It will be led, as last year, by Tony Lancaster.

Please meet as usual in Hoist Wood Car Park at 5.30am. Contributions will again be shared equally between the Church and Dingle Marshes Project

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MRS SYLVIA JACKSON

My family and myself would like to thank everyone for their kind thoughts and messages on the passing of my wife Sylvia, and a special thank you to the District Nurses and Doctor who attended her during her long illness. Peter C. Jackson

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION NOTICES

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE - At the Committee Meeting on the 10th April it was felt that Members should have the opportunity to vote on where future Remembrance Services should be held. The decision has therefore been deferred to the next AGM (19 Nov 01) where the matter will be included as an Agenda Item. **EVENT REMINDERS**

Walberswick Lecture - 11th May at 7.30pm.

Annual Visit - 29 June.

RBL 80th Anniversary Service of Remembrance, Sunday 8th July 2001 at 2 pm Cathedral Church of St James, Bury St Edmunds. (11.am - Wreath Laving at the Town War Memorial. 1.pm - Parade with two Bands assemble at the Main Post Office. 2.pm Service. 4.pm – Bands return to 65 Guildhall Street where tea and sandwiches will be available).

RBL 80th Anniversary Race Day - Newmarket, 4th Aug 2001. Peter Austin agreed at the last AGM to organise a bus if there were sufficient takers. If you are interested please telephone him on 722836.

Alan Walpole

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

From the last minutes it was noted that only one resident had shown an interest in the 'Affordable Housing' project. As the project requires at least three interested parties the council would be unable to persue it any further at this time.

Suffolk Coastal had granted planning permission for a roof extension to provide a flat at Marsh End. The Parish Council are extremely angry at the fact that local objections had been ignored. A letter will be sent to the director of planning to register their dismay.

The Council agreed to support Halesworth School's 'Perfect Pitch' event – providing a day of music, arts and dance on 30th June.

The Council were informed that the blanket closing of all footpaths would come to an end on 31st March.It was agreed to use 'No entry' signs on footpath 15 where sheep were grazing in a nearby field.

Splash 2000 informed the Council that the project to provide a swimming pool for Reydon and Southwold would no longer be going ahead as lottery and European Funding were not forthcoming. The Council had agreed to support the scheme but had not as yet parted with any money.

PC Adams informed the council that there had been four thefts from cars in Ferry Road car park which had not yet been resolved.

Repairs to the swings for the Green are in progress.

Complaints had been received about the overflowing dog bins - the Clerk has already reported the situation to Pollution Control.

Thank you to all involved in planning the Easter Egg Hunt which was thoroughly enjoyed by all the children who came along! John Brentnall

ROGER STROYAN

Julie, Peter, James, Jason and Nathan, would like to thank all the people in the village who offered their condolences to the family following the death of Roger Stroyan. Also for their kind support and donations to the Macmillan Nurses Fund. Your kindness is very much appreciated. Evelyn Stroyan

THANK YOU

Ronnie Coleman, Chris and Heather would like to thank everyone for their sympathy and their help in making the service so special. We are very sorry that as yet we have not seen everyone to thank them in person, but your cards Ronnie Coleman letters and thoughts were really appreciated.

WHAT'S ON – MAY 2001

GP SURGERY - Friday 2.30pm. Village Hall Annexe.

LIBRARY BUS – Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall 3.10pm. May 4th and 18th.

MINIBUS TO HALESWORTH - departs every Wednesday at 1000 hrs from the Anchor, Tuck Shop and Church, and returns by 1230 hrs.

WHIST – Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

BRIDGE – Monday 7th & 21st Village Hall Annexe 2.30pm.

CARPET BOWLS - Wednesdays 7.30pm. Village Hall.

May 5th – David Shirreff Birdsong Walk. Hoist car park 5.30am.

May 5th – Walberswick United Missionary Council Bazaar. See pg. 1.

May 9th - W.I 2.30pm Village Hall.

May 10th - NSPCC Coffee morning. See page 1 for details.

May 11th – Royal British Legion Annual Lecture. Village Hall 7.30 pm

May 14th – Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

May 23rd and 24th – 'Joseph' by Yoxford Primary School.See pg.1.

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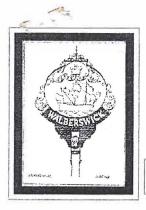
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A BIG THANK YOU TO THE RESIDENTS OF WALBERSWICK

On behalf of Anglia Television I would like to thank everyone for their co-operation and patience while we filmed scenes for "A Line In The Sand" in the village. The filming went extremely well and we couldn't have asked for a warmer welcome from you all. Having seen some of the 'rushes' I can tell you that they look fantastic, really capturing well the beauty of the village and its surroundings.

I imagine that many amongst you were surprised at the amount of people and equipment involved in filming. We really are a travelling circus!

Our two weeks in Suffolk brought to an end a schedule of six weeks filming in total. All that for 180 minutes of screen time! The majority of the crew have now moved on to other productions, leaving a core production team, working alongside the director and the editors, to complete and deliver the programme. All the post production should be completed by the end of the summer, when the drama will be delivered to Anglia for broadcast. Sadly we never know at this stage exactly when the broadcast date will be but I imagine it will come out during the Autumn schedule. Look out for it around this time.

I hope that you enjoyed having an insight to the mysterious world of television production and will enjoy the finished programme. Thank you all once again. Joel Holmes – Location Manager

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D.I.A.L Lowestoft and Waveney have been awarded £800 to help set up outreach services in GP's surgeries in the Waveney area. This money will cover the cost of publicity for the service and the travel costs for a volunteer to attended each surgery on a monthly basis. The service will operate on Monday afternoons from 1:30pm to 4:30pm beginning in May. On the first Monday of the month, the volunteer will be at the Field Lane Surgery in Kessingland. The second Monday, she will cover Southwold Surgery. The third Monday she will be situated in Caxton Villa at Beccles, and the last Monday of the month she will be at Cutlers Hill Surgery in Halesworth. D.I.A.L Lowestoft and Waveney provides a free, impartial and confidential service of information, advice and help for people with disabilities. The volunteer will be at the surgery to deal with any questions regarding disability, such as benefits, equipment, support groups etc. If you require further information please telephone DIAL Lowestoft and Waveney on 01502 511333. Margaret Oldham, Manager

NSPCC COFFEE MORNING

Thank you to all those who attended, gave donations and raffle prizes. The marvellous sum of £294.50 was raised for this worthy cause on Thursday 10th May at Ferry House. Many thanks

Catheryn Simpson, Wyn Riddell

CRAFT FAIR

The Village Craft Fair will be held on Friday and Saturday 10th and 11th August. Please contact Patsy Murray 722022 if you want a stall. Patsy Murray JUST A REMINDER THAT WITH THE BUSY SUMMER MONTHS AHEAD PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO RECORD COMING EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE CALENDAR IN THE POST OFFICE

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THANK YOU FROM LORRY

A big thank you to all my friends for helping me celebrate my 40th with a bang. Thanks to everyone for the lovely cards, presents and good wishes. A special thank you to my mate Glenda for all her help and an extra special thank you to my husband Wayne for not moaning about how much money I spent! Here's to the next one. Lorry Hazelgrove

SAVE THE CHILDREN CURRY NIGHT

We have been able to give £486 to the Southwold branch of Save the Children. We think it was a fantastic achievement and thank all the helpers, contributors of raffle prizes and all who came to support the event. Val and Riq Anderson

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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CHURCH SERVICES – JUNE 2001

3 Sunday Whit Sunday 0930 Sung Eucharist

9 Saturday Holy Matrimony 14.30 Fabian Toner/Deborah Fisher

10 Sunday Trinity Sunday 0930 Family Eucharist

1800 Choral Evensong

17 Sunday Trinity 1

1100 Morning Prayer

24 Sunday Trinity 2

0930 Sung Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) is celebrated every Wednesday at 10.00

Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00

Sunday School meets Village Hall Annexe 10.00-12.15

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Chrissie Reeves WEDDING Pat Longyear Dione Sherriff

Royal British Legion Vivien Hunt

CHURCH MATTERS



PARISH REGISTERS

11th May Service of Remembrance and Thanksgiving Wilfrid (Mick) Watkin OBE Aged 80

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

We offer our congratulations to The Reverend Jane Wilson, who has been appointed as our new Rural Dean. She will be licensed before the Deanery Synod on Thursday 21st June.

June begins with the great Feast of Pentecost on the 3rd. This day marks the end of the season of Eastertide and on it we celebrate the great outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and Mary. This outpouring transformed them and equipped them to go out boldly, proclaiming the Good News of the Gospel, irrespective of their personal safety.

The second Sunday in June is the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity. On this day we reflect on that great truth at the heart of our faith that in the Godhead there exists perfect relationship – a relationship of equality in which no partner is greater or lesser than any other, a relationship of mutual respect, a relationship of cooperation rather than competition. The doctrine of the Trinity indicates the kind of relationships which should exist between individuals and communities, both in Church and in Society, if we truly wish to see these reflecting the Divine Image. Something to ponder on as 7^{th} June approaches.

On 10th June Julia Josephs will be stepping down as our Church Organist, though she will still be playing on the second Sunday of each month. We are most grateful to Julia for her skill, efficiency and enthusiasm over the last years in organising the music and choir at St. Andrew's. Our music really is of an excellent standard, thanks to the hard work of Julia and of our choristers. We are grateful to Patsy Murray who will be taking over as Organist.

On June 13th at 7:30 p.m. there will be a Team Any Questions at Reydon Church Room at 7:30 p.m. – this will be an opportunity for anyone to ask any questions they wish of a panel consisting of the Team Clergy. There will be a meeting of a different nature at the same location, the following day, Thursday 14th June, also at 7:30 p.m. A speaker will be coming to talk about lay contemplation and meditation groups – he will be speaking especially about Julian Groups and the Jesus Caritas Lay Fraternity. Anyone who wishes to attend either of these meetings will be most welcome.

As the month draws to a close we will be preparing to welcome our new curate The Reverend James Saunders and his wife, Suc. James will be ordained as a Deacon on the 1st of July and will be living in Reydon, in a house provided by the Diocese. Every blessing

Barry Naylor Team Rector

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EARLY MUSIC AT BLYTHBURGH

The Early Music Ensemble, Capella Antiqua will be performing Monteverdi's Vespers of 1610 in Blythburgh Church on Sunday, June 24th at 4 pm tickets from Patsy Murray 722 022, or at the door.

Patsy Murray

WI - GARDEN MEETING

We expect to enjoy a very relaxed social afternoon for our next meeting on June 13th at 2.30. It will be held at Long Meadow, Stocks Lane, by kind invitation of Richard and Sandra Stewart. There will be a plant stall and the committee will provide tea; do remember to bring a garden chair.

One of our oldest members, Merle Rafferty, is back at home with a full-time carer. We all hope she will be a lot happier. Julia Josephs

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH REPORT

Here are a few items I would like to bring to your notice. Doorstep callers - there have been several Comnet phone calls concerning doorstep callers, including people from the antiques trade. The police would like any information on these people, including vehicle colour, make and licence number, and any business cards offered. Please be wary of casual callers and use the door check chain, because they do tend to push their way in. If you have not got a check chain please get in touch. Thefts from motor vehicles. Do not leave valuables on show in the vehicles at least lock them in the boot out of sight. Tradesmen, do you mark your tools? Once removed they would be very hard to identify as yours.

WALBERSWICK 2000 MILLENNIUM PROJECT

Richard Stewart must be congratulated on his splendid photographs of the houses of Walberswick in the year 2000, which are now with the archive collection of the Walberswick Local History Group. If anyone was not able to get to our exhibition on Easter Monday and would like to see the pictures please ring Pat Wythe on 724142

Pat Wythe

FAMILY RESEARCH

I have recently been in touch with a lady in the I. O. W. who is seeking information on the Family Names: Goddard, Rimington/ Remmington, Sewell, Burley, and Galor, who may have some connection with Walberswick. She has visited the area in the past, but now does not find it as convenient as before. I have managed to find out a little bit of information, but would appreciate it if anyone has anything to add or may be remotely connected to any of these families.Mary Clayton, Vine Cottage. E-mail Clayton.Mary@Virgin.Net

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(Villagenews@walberswick.freeserve.co.uk)

GARDEN PARTY AT DUTCH HOUSE

It is Garden Party time again at Dutch House on Wednesday June 20th at 2:30 pm in aid of Motor Neurone Disease Research. Usual stalls - entrance 50p, to include tea and home-made scones. Let's hope the sun shines upon us this year!

Mary King

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MISSIONARY BAZAAR

The annual Walberswick United Missionary Bazaar raised £923.61.

The money will be divided between Vellore Hospital in South India and the Addington Fund set up to help UK farmers. Thanks to anyone who helped in any way.

Wendy Sinclair

SINCLAIR'S ART EXHIBITION

We are not having our annual exhibition in the Studio by the river this year, but we have joined 'Open Studios' and hope that everyone in the village will visit our studios at 'Driftwood' Church Lane on one of the four weekends in June, any time between 11am and 5pm. There will be a big poster up and we will be delighted to see everyone. We will be demonstrating printing techniques, framing and painting.

Chris and Wendy Sinclair

SOUTHWOLD OPEN GARDENS

Six gardens are open to the public on Sunday June 10th from 2 to 5 pm. Cost of entry to all gardens £3. (Children free). Details of gardens will be posted on notice boards and also on tickets. Teas and refreshments will be served all afternoon at the Red Cross Centre. All proceeds in Aid of the British Red Cross. You may know that many gardens that were due to open earlier in the year had to be cancelled because of the dreaded foot and mouth, so the society needs your support! John Veitch

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REPORT FROM WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS CHARITY TRUST Meeting held on 19 April 2001

In response to a request from the Village Hall Management Committee, the Trustees considered ways in which the Village Hall might be improved and agreed in principle to support ideas for improvements with funding from the car parks. Various on-going matters relating to property held by the Trust were discussed: leases for the riverside properties, maintenance of the Potters Wheel and the Print Room, repair of tracks on the Common and beside the Creek, a request for access to a property next to Trust land.

Plans to improve the grazing marshes by clearing out dykes and replacing fencing had to be postponed, probably until next spring, so that advantage could be taken of grants that would soon be available and because of difficulties in finding contractors with appropriate equipment.

Parking on the Common, especially on Palmers Green and near Heath House, was discussed. It was agreed to test the effect of small temporary notices on Palmers Green

The new bird scrapes on Old town Marshes would need to be kept clear of growth in the future. English Nature would be consulted about the most appropriate method.

The Clerk presented the Accounts for 2000 and these were unanimously approved. Rae Leighton's term of office would end in June. The Parish Council would be asked to nominate his replacement.

Barbara Priestman, Chairman

THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY – THE MUSIC INDUSTRY AND THE NET

If plans by the major record companies are fulfilled we will soon be able to buy our music over the internet. Napster, and similar operations facilitating free exchange of copyright recording, have been hit by legal action by the music industry seeking to regain control of distribution on this new medium. Sales of singles were substantially down in the US last year, thought to be due to this new phenomenon. Piers Ford-Crush, a retired recording studio owner and BVCS member talked at length, but entertainingly, about the changes new technology has brought to music recording and the industry in general. He believes that artists, writers and record companies must defend the income from their copyright material if the industry is to be profitable and be able to invest in new talent. This was the last meeting of what has been landmark season. Contact Frank Scoble on 723519 for membership details.

BUSES FROM WALBERSWICK

MINIBUS TO HALESWORTH - departs every Wednesday at 1000 hrs from the Anchor, Tuck Shop and Church, and returns by 1230 hrs.

BUS TO BECCLES – Departs Harbour 9.25 Tues and Fri. Returns 1pm from Beccles Old Market Bus Stand.

BUS TO NORWICH – Harbour 9.20am, Returns from All Saints Green At 2.00pm

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3.10pm. June 1st and 15th.

WHIST – Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

BRIDGE – Monday 7th & 21st Village Hall Annexe 2.30pm.

CARPET BOWLS - Wednesdays 7.30pm. Village Hall.

June 4th – Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

June 10th – Open gardens Southwold 2 – 5pm.

June 13th – W.I Garden meeting. 2.30pm Long Meadow, Stocks Lane.

June 20th – Garden Party Dutch House 2.30pm in aid of Motor Neurone

Sundays in June 11 – 5pm – Sinclairs Open Studio. Driftwood, Church Lane June 30th – Halesworth School Perfect Pitch music event. More details next month.



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NEW EDITOR/S NEEDED

After four enjoyable years of doing the Village News and an increase in our work and other commitments we have decided that it is time to hand over to someone else. Our last edition will be the October one – completed at the end of September. Any one interested in taking over from the 15th October, please contact Brian Payne on 01502 724379 as soon as possible. We are happy to support the new editor/s with their first few copies to help them get used to the system if necessary. We have really enjoyed doing the work and thank everyone for their continued support and encouragement.

Denise and John

CRABBING

For those not yet in the know - where have you been hiding - the 21st Annual British Open Crabbing Championship will be held on Sunday 12th August 2001. Make this a note for your diaries, and those who wish to leg-it make your holiday bookings now.

British Crabbing Federation

THE 'DAVID SHIRREFF' BIRD SONG WALK

Once again we were blessed with a gentle breaking of day, a morning to be enjoyed – cool, but sunny for the most part with little or no wind to speak of. Excellent for eaves dropping on our local songsters who were in fine voice. The two dozen or so of us set off, and stealthily worked our way through woodland, heath and marsh. Within the woods the Nightingales as usual reigned supreme with their dominant strident voices. Elsewhere Blackcaps, Chiffchaffs and Willow Warblers joined in the general cacophony. Whilst out on the marsh the Bittern not only boomed for us but gave two flight views as it moved around its territory. Bearded Tits with their pinging calls zoomed across the tops of the reed bed like miniature rockets. Sedge and Reed Warblers had all our ears as we attempted to separate their similar songs, with the occasional one confounding us. From the hill above the marsh a Cetti's Warbler shouted with its explosive outbursts, while the footpath back to Stocks Lane provided a reeling Grasshopper Warbler. With a total of over 50 species seen or heard, the walk was a grand success. The passing of the hat generated no less then £90.00, to be evenly divided between Walberswick Church and the SWT/RSPB Dingle Marshes Project. **Tony Lancaster**

VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

It has been noted that there has been, in the past, misuse of these facilities. The Village Hall Management Committee would like to point out that only the people with authorised user stickers may use the parking facilities. Those wishing to apply for stickers should contact the booking manager, Ron Horsey, on 723910. Limited spaces may be available.

Paul Janssen, Secretary

EVEN BETTER!

Last month we published the wrong figure from the Save The Children Curry Night. The correct figure should have read £566 not £469 Sorry Val, Maureen and Co!

PERFECT PITCH

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Denise Brentnall, Fundraiser

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It is not possible to thank all who supported in so many ways the traditional Mini-Fete which resulted in a total of £1015.16 (less some minor expenses) being raised for the RNLI - a truly magnificent achievement. The Branch is also very grateful to Stormy Stan and his aides for their hard work. WATCH OUT for the 2002 Mini-Fete flyer - there will be a competition to see Uncle Robin's NEXT deliberate mistake! (Sorry Jayne and Patsy). The response for support, or not, of a personalised Branch Tee/Polo shirt has been positive and will be discussed at the next Committee Meeting.

Robin Buncombe, Hon. Treasurer

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Churchwardens Ian Bruce-Jones 724020 Christine Fisher 723023

CHURCH SERVICES FOR JULY

1 Sunday Trinity 3

0930 Sung Eucharist

8 Sunday Trinity 4

0930 Family Eucharist

1800 Choral Evensong

15 Sunday Trinity 5

1100 Morning Prayer

22 Sunday Trinity 6

0930 Eucharist

29 Sunday no service

0930 Beach Mission/Southwold

Holy Communion 1662 (said) is celebrated every Wednesday at 10.00

Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00

Sunday School meets Village Hall Annexe 10.00-12.15

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Susan Walpole Wendy Sinclair Bubbles Love Judy Morton

Cynthia Jackson

Royal British Legion Annie Wardle

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

On the first day of July we will be welcoming James Saunders as our new Team Curate. James will be ordained to the Diaconate at our Cathedral Church on Sunday morning and we will welcome him to the Team during the Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity Blythburgh at 6:00 p.m. on 1st July. He, and his wife, Sue, will be living in a house provided by the Diocese in Reydon. In many parishes throughout the country July is the beginning of a quiet time when things wind down for the summer. This will not be James' experience here. In July the holiday season really begins to get under way and we prepare to welcome visitors from all over the world to this beautiful part of our land. Visitors come to enjoy this area with its natural beauty and its sense of history. The history is especially evident in our churches. The comments we find in the visitors' book at St. Andrew's, and at other churches witness to just how important it is to visitors that they remain open and they are often experienced as oases of calm in this busy world of ours. This is something our visitors value but it is something each and every one of us needs in our lives - time to be quiet, time to reflect. How wonderful it is that we have a building in our midst where people have done this for many generations. We can reflect, of course, in the open countryside, along the beach or in the woods but there is something very special about time spent in a Church, especially one which has been a house of prayer for centuries. In the church we can focus on the Cross - the symbol of God's love for his creation and we can also spend time quietly in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. What a blessing our churches are - may they be used more and more for private prayer and reflection, by locals people and visitors alike, as well as being much appreciated historical and architectural attrac-

With every blessing Barry Naylor

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PARISH REGISTERS

19th May Holy Matrimony Paul Hunter to Amanda Goff 26th May Funeral followed by Burial Christine Mary Josephine Vernetti Aged 70 years 5th June Cremation followed by Memorial David Robert Gordon Church Aged 59 years 9th June Holy Matrimony Fabian Toner to Deborah Fisher 12th June Funeral Merle Gwendolyn Rafferty Aged 93 years 13th June Funeral followed by cremation Millicent Webber Aged 86 years

THE HEAVENS ARE TELL-ING THE GLORY OF GOD

Haydn's glorious anthem from his oratorio 'The Creation' was a marvellous end to six years as choir master and organist. Thank you so much, choristers and members of the congregation, for your support and generosity at all times. My successor, Patsy Murray, is well-known to you all as a chorister and is keen to continue the musical tradition at St Andrew's. Julia Josephs

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WALBERSWICK W.I

This month on 11th July we have the last meeting before our summer break. Mr. John Allport is coming to talk to us on "London's Thief Row" and those who remember Mr. Allport's last talk on his time in the Met, will know we can look forward to an entertaining afternoon. Our coach drive and tea at Tannington Hall is on 25th July and transport will be arranged at the July meeting. At our June meeting we were entertained in Richard and Sandra Steward's delightful garden to a delicious tea with strawberries and cream organised by the committee and taxed by yet another teasing quiz. Our President had been to Cardiff as our delegate to the WI's annual Conference and summarised the day's events in our Newsletter.

Next year is to be "Wealth of the Countryside" year and Richard Wakeford of the Countryside Agency spoke about the Vital Villages programme which will be published in the autumn. This will call for local leadership in identifying need and taking action in applying for small scale grant schemes. These could range from village greens to improving local community services and public transport - scope for all of us here, suggests our President, and she has the name, number and e-mail address to contact! Julia Josephs.

THE MIND TURNS TO SUMMER

The nights are getting lighter, and youngsters thoughts will be of playing in the park or round at a friend's house. Or is that where they are? Think for a moment, do you know where they are, now? As for you young people, do your parents know where you

We live in a safe community, and we must not forget that. Incidence of crime within our policing sector, as d within Suffolk as a whole, is lower than the national average. Let's make sure we can all continue to enjoy that situation. At this time of year however, when the minds of young folk turn to summer, and sun (if we are lucky), we must ensure they can enjoy their activities, and allow others to enjoy themselves, without fear of crime or disturbance. Young people; be sure parents know where you are, and what you are doing. Parents, if your son, or daughter, is going out for the evening check their transport arrangements. If necessary take them, and bring them back. It may be inconvenient, but it will be worth it for your peace of mind and their safety

Alcohol and young people do not mix well. A substantial amount of crime and disturbance, within the policing sector, is caused by this mixture. Mindless damage is caused and residents are prevented, or feel intimidated, from going about their normal activity.

The policing sector has been working hard over the last year to ensure availability of alcohol to young people is minimised. Be aware of your own sons' or daughters' access to alcohol. Advice on alcohol and substance misuse is available at all police stations, or through identified agencies that we can put you in touch with. Speak to your local officer, Pc Matt Adams, if you have concerns about the safety of your children, or the availability of alcohol or other substances in your area.

Remember that crime does not affect the majority of people living within this area, and hopefully we can all look forward to a crime free, peaceful and hopefully sunny summer period.

If you have any questions relating to this article or any other policing matter, please contact Leiston, Aldeburgh, Saxmundham or Framlingham Police stations on 01986 835300. For specific advice on crime reduction speak with the local officer or Pc Steve BARRETT, Crime Reduction Officer on 01986 835341 (e-mail cro.halesworth@suffolk.police.uk)

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WALBERSWICK IN BLOOM

Our 44th Horticultural Show will be held on 28th July in the Village Hall 2.30-4pm. Flowers, flower arrangements, soft fruits, vegetables, an abundance of culinary items, special junior classes and wines will be on display. FREE admission to visitors and exhibitors. Why not put an entry in on this occasion. For further information, or a copy of the show schedule, if required is available from Brian Payne, Chairman on 01502 724379. Vic Rowland

DOCTOR IAN ROXBRUGH

I would like to express my sincere thanks, gratitude and appreciation for all the messages, letters and kind words that I have received from all our friends in Walberswick on the loss of my beloved husband Ian. I also want to thank everyone for their comfort and support at Ian's Thanksgiving Service. This was a great comfort to me. Ian and I spent thirteen very happy years in Walberswick and much enjoyed your friendship. I have so many happy memories to treasure in the future without him. Patricia Roxbrugh

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

At the meeting on the 14th May Mr Hunt was elected as chairman and Mr Buncombe as vice-chairman of the Parish Council. The Council received planning application for the provision of a new boat museum on Black Shore at Southwold. The Parish Council supported Southwold Town Council in opposing the plans because, among other reasons, it would affect the day-to-day operations of a working harbour. It was also felt that the sizeable building would have a detrimental effect on the landscape. Planning permission has been granted for extensions to Ilanga in Lodge Road. Before the meeting on the 4th June a minutes silence was held for prayers and personal reflections of Councillor Christine Vernetti who died on 21st May. The Chairman stated that Councillor Vernetti would be sadly missed as a colleague and a friend. Mr Tibbles asked for permission to erect a seat on the sports field in remembrance of Christine, as she had spent many hours there doing the cricket scoring for the Village team. This was unanimously supported. Financing the project would be by voluntary donations. Planning applications for June included a plan to erect a new house and garage in Church Lane; the Council unanimously supported this application. A plan to site a residential caravan for a temporary period in the field adjoining Redmay Lodge Road, was unanimously rejected because, among other reasons, it was outside the Village envelope and it was felt that temporary permission as this often leads to development by stealth. Planning permission has been granted for the demolition of the shop and workshop next to Rose End and for the erection of a two storev cottage with revised access and car parking in its place. The council were dismayed that this application had been passed as it would destroy the character of this part of the Village. It appeared that the guidelines set out in Suffolk Coastal Local Plan were not being adhered to.

John Brentnall

ANNE PATON – EXHIBITION

Our 44th Horticultural Show will be holding her annual exhibition of paintings, drawings and be held on 28th July in the Village Hall 2.30-4pm. Flowers, flower arrangements, soft fruits, vegetables, an abundance of culinary items, special junior classes and wines

Anne Paton will be holding her annual exhibition of paintings, drawings and prints at the studio by the harbour in Walberswick from 2nd – 13th July. She will be sharing with Judith Chestnutt, who makes hand made paper and mixed media collages. Other artists whose work will be included are Deborah Ardizzone, (wall hangings), Jenny Goater (wire sculptures) and Alice Palser (Ceramics). The exhibition will be open daily from 11am-6pm. Everyone is welcome.

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LIBRARY BUS – Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall

3.10pm. June 29th; July 13th and 27th.

WHIST - Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

BRIDGE – Monday 2nd & 16thVillage Hall Annexe 2.30pm. Last one, then close for Summer. Restarts 10th Sept.

CARPET BOWLS - Wednesdays 7.30pm. Village Hall.

June 30th – Halesworth School Perfect Pitch music event.

July 1st – Summer Theatre Fete. 2.30pm The Stable Fields, Westons.

July 2nd – Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

July 2nd – 13th Anne Paton et al Exhibition at The Studio, the Harbour.

July 11th – W.I Meeting 2.30pm Village Hall.

July 25th - W.I Outing Tannington Hall.

July 28th – Horticultural Show Village Hall 2.30pm.

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SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE - 8th SEPTEMBER 2001

Sponsor forms for the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust cycle ride are now available from me. Last year in the Halesworth Deanery, the amount raised by Walberswick was second only to Henham with Wangford. Can we make it to the top this year? Come on, all you cyclists! Alternatively, why not walk round Ipswich or Norwich Churches as some people enjoyed doing last year.

Ruth Bassett, 722474

PERFECT PITCH

A great day was had by everyone who came to Halesworth School's Perfect Pitch music day. Bands ranged from local Indie music to Xim and Buckshee, professional folk bands, and many more. Tony Ogogo ran African dance and mask making workshops and enthralled everyone with his storytelling. Crafty Devils provided art and craft activities and Nutmeg puppet theatre performed. Many local children and young people sang and played instruments. Planning is now beginning for the next Perfect Pitch in 2003! If you missed it this time - don't next! Denise Brentnall, Fundraiser

NEW EDITOR/S

We still don't have a new Editor for the Village News from the end of September! This is a real team effortand if you would like to join the 'Team' please contact Brian Payne on 724379. We cannot continue after this date so please think about taking it on.

LOOK OUT - CRABS ABOUT!

The British Open Crabbing Championship becomes of age on August 12th and we look forward to fair weather, plentiful crabs and a great deal of fun - all of which, fingers crossed, we will have. Sadly I will no longer be able to poke fun at Christine 'avanuvverscotch' Vernetti whom we lost through the big C - we will miss her greatly. It is right therefore that a prime beneficiary of this year's event will be St Elizabeth's Hospice in Ipswich. The other beneficiary will be the Walberswick Community Benefit Fund in recognition of the annual chaos that descends upon our community. Like or loathe the event, please support these worthwhile causes. Robin Buncombe

NORWICH BUS SERVICE SUSPENDED

The Friday bus service from Walberswick to Norwich has been suspended. It now runs from Blythburgh, picking up at the bus shelter on the A12 at 9.30am. Ted Slatter

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A casual vacancy exists for a Parish Councillor

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FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

Welcome to all of you who are visiting this area for your holidays - we hope PARISH REGISTERS vou will find a warm welcome here, have a good time and return home relaxed and refreshed.

In August there are two important feast days in the Church's Calendar. On Monday 6th August we celebrate the Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ. This commemorates the day his three closest disciples received a vision of his glory as he conversed with Moses and Elijah, those great figures of the Old Testament. There will be a Eucharist at St. Margaret's, Reydon at THANK YOU PETER

On Wednesday 15th August we celebrate, in union with Christians all over Avis has decided to resign as the world, the Feast of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of our Lord and our example in faith. There will be a Eucharist at St. Andrew's, Walberswick at 10:00 a.m..

In June we had a well attended meeting to hear a speaker talk about contemplative prayer groups and two follow up groups have been arranged, both these are planned to meet at the Rectory at Reydon, unless numbers make this impractical. (Please telephone 01502 722192 if you wish to attend and if you get the answering machine do leave a contact number!). The first of these will be on Wednesday 8th August at 7:30 p.m. This will be a Jesus Caritas evening, following the tradition of Charles de Foucauld - we will have a time of silent adoration of Jesus in the Sacrament of the Altar (30 minutes), a time of reflection on a Gospel passage and a time of prayerful reflection on our lives. The second meeting will be on Thursday 23rd August at 7:30 p.m. and will be a Julian Group. There will be an introductory reading from the works of Julian of Norwich, a time of silent prayer (30 minutes) and a brief period of reflection connected with the reading and the silence. Both these are open to Christians of any tradition or, indeed, to anyone else who may be interested.

On 26th August, the day after our Village Fete, we will celebrate the annual Blessing of Animals at Blythburgh at 11:00 a.m.. All pets, and their owners, are warmly invited to share in this celebration.

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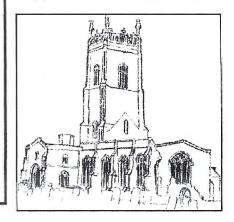
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29th June Funeral followed by Burial Mary Claudine Powell Aged 95 years

Having reached retirement age Peter Covenant Secretary, a position he has held for fifteen years. Because of his personal approach. Church income from tax free donations has increased very considerably and the thanks of successive PCCs are overdue. His place has been taken by Robin Wardle of the Old Rectory. This is, perhaps, an opportune moment to remind readers that the "Covenant Scheme" is now finished and has been replaced by Gift Aid. Provided one is a tax payer and a simple one-off declaration is signed, 28p can be recovered from the Inland Revenue for every pound donated. This applies to any registered

Special envelopes are also available at the back of the Church for use by anyone at any time. Robin (724622) will always be pleased to answer questions relating to Gift Aid.

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FUNDRAISING FOR WALBERSWICK AND BLYTHBURGH

A fund-raising recital in aid of Holy Trinity Blythburgh and St Andrew's Walberswick will be held on Sunday 23rd September at 3 pm at Blythburgh Church. The words and music group Odyssey are presenting 'Seasons Greetings' a journey through music. Composers include: Handel, Greig, Edward German, Vaughan Williams, Hamilton Harty and Quilter. The group is comprised of the celebrated soprano Yvonne Robert, Graham Roberts (George Barford in the Archers) and pianist Maurice Ridge. The event is privately sponsored and all ticket sales' proceeds will be divided between the two churches. Tickets are available from 1st September at The Tuck Shop, Walberswick (01502 72 3025), Blythburgh Post Office (01502 478833), The Crown Hotel, Southwold (01502 722275). Looking forward to your support for this worthy cause.

MUSIC, DANCING AND CLOWNING

Most of us are still hoping for the long, hot summer that seems so overdue. Therefore, to talk about the cold February nights to some may seem a little premature. However, there is a cunning plan afoot to keep our spirits lifted in the depths of winter. What better than to have our very own Village Pantomime. The committee has been formed and we are some way towards planning this event, but the most important aspect is yet to be gained – your support! Help will be needed in many ways and by all ages - from those who wish to be on stage to those who could help in the front of the house. We will be giving full details on the pantomime, auditions and other ways to be involved in next month's newsletter. You would need to be available towards the end of January and the beginning of February 2002. We plan on three performances on the first weekend in February. The Oxford dictionary defines a pantomime as "a kind of English drama based on a traditional story, with music, dancing and clowning". If this is your idea of a good time and most of all you want to have some fun – watch this space! Jaqui Morecambe

TO THE WOMEN OF WALBERSWICK.

I am writing this because I think something rather sad is soon to happen which comes under the community phrase "Use it or lose it".

In 1918 there was a meeting in the village of local women. It was the start of the Walberswick W.I. and it was the first W. I. to be formed in East Suffolk. Today there are 126 institutes in East Suffolk. There have been regular meetings for the past 83 years. In the beginning the purpose was for countrywomen to meet to hear about health and hygiene and ways of improving the standard of family well-being. Needless to say over the years the breadth of interests has widened to include talks from knowledgeable people on most subjects of interest, outings to various places of entertainment, and since 1947 the W.I. has had its very own college, Denman College. What has this to do with me feeling sad? Well, in November of this year we have our Walberswick W.I. A.G. M. The present President comes to the end of her term of office and that will leave five members willing to stand for committee. We can have 12. Membership at the moment is 23. Unless we recruit more members willing to contribute in the running of the branch, Walberswick W.I. will cease to exist. So it rests with the women of Walberswick whether the W.W.I. is "used or lost".

If you feel you can contribute to the continuation of the W.I. please do contact me on $01502\ 723847$, or call at Taystone House, Ferry Road. Barbara

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WALBERSWICK CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Members enjoyed the end of season dinner at the Anchor in May. We will start again on Wednesday October 3rd 2001 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall until May 15th 2002. Unfortunately the fee will be £1.50 as the Hall charges have been increased. See you in October! Maureen Thompson

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GARDEN PARTY AT DUTCH HOUSE

It was a warm and sunny afternoon this year for the garden party at Dutch House in aid of Motor Neurone Disease Research. The record sum of £1,329.32p was raised. Very many thanks to all those who helped on the stalls, those who generously donated gifts in prizes, and to those who made the delicious scones. Mary King

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NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on Monday 2nd July. The official minutes will be posted on the parish notice boards.

Suffolk Coastal have refused a first floor extension to Ash Cottage, on the grounds that it would have an adverse impact on the character in appearance of the existing cottage. The Council were astounded that the Suffolk Coastal had found against this application, and yet found in favour of Rose End, which has a far more visual effect on the Village, being situated in the Main Street, attached to 18th-century cottages and on a narrow plot. It was agreed to write to the Director of Planning asking for a detailed explanation. The Council received a letter from the Chairman of the Royal British Legion, asking for their views on having a more permanent granite war memorial, as the gates to the church, which give the names of those who gave their lives, would soon need replacing. The Council supported the idea of having a war memorial but would not like to lose the gates as these are unique.

The Council agreed to take part in Beach Watch 2001. There will be a beach clean and survey on Sunday 16th September. It is ho sed that as many people as possible will take part in the project.

Mr Buncombe reported that he had attended a meeting of all otment holders. As the allotments are so large it has been suggested that they should be divided into quarters. The allotment holders would like to form an association to manage the allotments.

The next parish council meeting will be held on Monday 6th of August.

John Brentnall

VILLAGE RUBBISH

Please note that the burning heaps on the allotments are for private use and are not a general dumping ground for just anyone's rubbish They are operated for the benefit of our customers.

While writing about bonfires – although November 5th may seer to a long way off, don't forget that rubbish can be saved and burnt then, if it is burnable (no glass, bricks, mattresses, bags of grass cuttings or the like). Also donations towards the fireworks are needed and help afterwards to clear up the ashes – it takes about 40 man hours to clear up!

Philip Kett and Bob Snowden

WHIST CLUB

Why not come and join us on Thursday afternoons at 2:30 PM in the Village Hal.. Tea, raffle and transport provided. We urgently needed the support of new members. Contact Peter Taylor 723847 or Maureen Thompson 723755

Maureen Thompson

WHAT'S ON - AUGUST 2001

BUS TO HALESWORTH – $10 am\ Weds.\ Fr.\ Anchor,\ Tuck\ Shop\ and\ Church\ And\ returns\ by\ 12.30.$

BECCLES BUS – Harbour 9.25 Tuesday and FridayReturn 1pm fr. Old Market. GP SURGERY – Friday 2.30pm. Village Hall Annexe.

LIBRARY BUS – Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall 3.10pm. August 10th and 24th.

WHIST – Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

July 28th – Horticultural Show Village Hall 2.30pm.

August 6th – Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

August 12th – British Open Crabbing Championship. Registration from 2pm.

August 25th – Village Fete. The Green and Village Hall 2pm.

August 26th – Blythburgh Church 11am. Blessing of the Animals

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HORTICULTURAL SHOW

A most enjoyable show with entries exceeding those of previous years, especially in the 'Junior' classes – well done!

AWARDS PRESENTED

Winyard Cup - Brian Payne

Iris Blois Cup – Jill Whittenbury

Flower Bowl - Christine Reeve

-C.C.Gold Cup - Mary King

Harvey Memorial Trophy – Brian Payne.

The Chairman, in announcing the awards, expressed his thanks to the committee and the many other 'willing hands' who contributed so much in making the show such a successful event. Here's to the next time! Vic Rowland

UNLEASH YOUR HIDDEN TALENTS

The script is finished, the Village Hall is booked and we are all set for our first production - introducing that well known lamp-rubber Aladdin.

Now it's time for casting... there are many different roles for all age groups. Enthusiasm is more important than acting experience or musical ability. The panto includes all the usual Aladdin characters, a dame,genies, baddies, a princess and many others, along with a chorus.

If you would like to join in the fun, please come along to the Village Hall on Saturday 8 September between 4-6 p.m. or 7-8 p.m. This will give you a chance to meet our director, Mark Aldridge or, if you are interested but unable to come on the 8th, please give him a ring on 724013 and have a chat anyway.

Rehearsals will be held approximately twice a week from November, although our first read-through will be on Sunday 7 October at 2 p.m. - and we shall have a good break over Christmas to enjoy the party season.

Even if you don't want to be a star, maybe you could help with back stage work or during the performances? All efforts will be most welcome. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring the village community together, with funding generously provided by the Walberswick Common Lands Trust - so come and have a go. It's meant to be light hearted

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HISTORIC CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE (OR WALK) Saturday 8th September

Final reminder! Please contact me for sponsor forms etc. This is the 20th Sponsored Cycle Ride in aid of the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. Let's make it a good one again.

Ruth Bassett (722474) Herons, Church Field

FINAL NOTICE

The October issue of the Village News will sadly be the last one. As no one in the Village is able to take over the editorship from John and Denise Brentnall, we shall have no option but to cease publication after September.

If anyone is prepared to have a go please contact me on 724379. Brian Payne

Don't forget, we are willing to work with someone for a few issues until you find your feet and get used to the software and the way of doing things. We picked it up within weeks, having never used desktop publishing before!

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Eleven members had a very successful afternoon on 25th July, riding around the country lanes in two horse-drawn carriages from Tannington Hall. The sun shone and after an hour exploring the little known roads around Wilby and Worlingworth we were entertained in the Hall to a splendid tea.

We welcome Mrs Peggy Meredith for our meeting in the Village Hall at 2.30 on September 12th. She will tell us about the Macmillan Cancer Nurses.

Julia Josephs and Margot Godbold



ROYAL BRITISH LEGION – NEW WALBERSWICK WAR MEMORIAL

Some people may have noticed that the oak gates at the entrance to the Church and Churchyard will shortly need replacing. The names of those who gave their lives in the Second World War are carved on one of them. As a result the PCC, and some others in Walberswick, feel that now is the right time to consider whether or not a stone memorial should be erected outside the Church in memory of those who gave their lives in both the World Wars, and depending on the decision what inscription, if any, should be on the replacement gates. At the last RBL Committee Meeting the matter was discussed and subsequently referred it to the Parish Council for comment. Although no one felt strongly one way or another I think from what I have heard that people would be pleased to have a more prominent memorial than the one currently inside the Church. It is generally agreed that in any event the section with the carved names on the current gates should be incorporated one way or another in the new ones. Some form of fundraising activity will be necessary and I am hopeful that grants from various sources might / will be available.

If you have any strong views or would like more information please write, telephone or come and see me before the end of September. Alan Walpole, Strawberry Corner, 724763.

BUSES FROM THE VILLAGE

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EUREKA! NEW EDITOR FOR VILLAGE NEWS

Following my cri-de-coeur in the September issue, I was delighted by the positive response from many people who were willing to help keep the Village News going. The Management Board has asked me to express our gratitude to them for their support. After considering all the factors involved, the Board has decided to appoint Mr Justin Kibble as the new Editor.

Although newcomers to the Village, Mr Kibble and his wife are Suffolk folk and wish to become involved in Village affairs. Of more practical importance he has the professional experience and technique to perform the editorship functions efficiently. All items for inclusion in the November issue should be sent, by 15th October to Justin Kibble, Tower Cottage, Palmer's Lane. Tel 722 835, villagenews@walberswick.net Keep your contributions coming.

On behalf of the Board, and the Village, I wish to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to Denise and John Brentnall for all their hard work and dedication over the past four years in producing the newsletter every month, a really demanding task. Thank you. Brian Payne.

Management Board: Brian Payne, Elizabeth Leighton, Robin Buncombe and Eric Bassett

RUSSIAN STUDENTS VISIT WALBERSWICK 2002

As many of you know, I have just returned from a visit to Russia. It was an exciting time to be there, with many people energised by their new freedoms, although the problems are not underestimated. I spent most of the time with a young impressive UNESCO appointed woman, Professor Ludmilla Selezneva from Moscow University. Her belief is that one of the best guarantees of future peace in the world and democracy in Russia is that their young people travel; but families cannot afford to travel. So I intend to bring to England and Walberswick ten undergraduates for two weeks next summer. Initially I need to raise £3500 to cover their fares and British Visa fees and to fund hosts for them. The programme that I will provide for them will include lectures by a variety of specialists on aspects of English life and outings to London, Cambridge and Norwich. Obviously I shall be asking for support from various agencies and organisations, but I should be grateful for any support moral, practical, organisational and financial that anyone feels able to give. If you can help in anyway please ring 01502-725 033. The disaster that has occurred in America shows how crucial any attempt that we can make at mutual understanding is if our world is to live in peace and harmony. Thank you in anticipation. A special account has been opened at the Tuck Shop.

Annie Kiff Wood

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Ruth Bassett

REPORT FROM WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS TRUST

Mr Keith Webb is the new nominative Trustee appointed by the Parish Council. A request from the Parish Council to re-site the bottle bank in the Ferry Road car park was refused as this area was subject to flooding and the site would attract rubbish. Waveney Contractors will take over the cutting of Palmer's Green. Suffolk Wildlife Trust have been asked to deal with the sycamore saplings on the Common opposite Moorside. The Trustees have written to register their opposition to plans to reinstate the Southwold railway. The process of registering Trust land has been started. The owners of East Point have been informed that they must apply for planning permission for the balcony on the end of the building. Dyke clearance and new corral fencing on the grazing marshes will take place this autumn. Jayne Tibbles (Clerk to the Trustees)

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

7 Sunday Trinity 17 0930 Sung Eucharist 14 Sunday HARVEST FESTIVAL 0930 Family Eucharist

1800 Festal Evensong

21 Sunday Trinity 19

1100 Morning Prayer

28 Sunday Bible Sunday

0930 Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00

Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00 Sunday School – Village Hall Annexe 1000-1215 October 7th 21st 28th

Harvest Family Service 14th FLOWER ARRANGERS

Kathleen Patterson

Harvest Dione Shirreff

Royal British Legion Vera Smith

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

I am writing this in the week of the dreadful terrorist attacks on New York and Washington - by the time you read this there will, inevitably, have been further developments. In the midst of such events we often find ourselves lost for words but we do need to remember at all times, that whatever happens, God is in there with us. The only lasting solutions will be those that seek to establish his kingdom, using only those ways that are consistent with the ends we desire to achieve.

On 14th October we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival at St. Andrew's with a Festival Family Eucharist at 9:30 a.m. and a Festival Evening Prayer at 6:00 p.m. On Friday 12th we will be having our Harvest Supper in the Village Hall - tickets are available at Church. I hope everyone will feel welcome to come and share in these celebrations.

Towards the end of the month - on 21st October and 28th - we will be joining with other churches in the Team to think about Christian Stewardship. This is about realising that everything we are and everything we have is entrusted to us by God and is, therefore, to be used, first and foremost, for his purposes. On 21st we will be looking at the way we use our time and our gifts and talents. On 28th about the way we fund God's work through his Church. The responsibility for the work of the Body of Christ in this area belongs to us who are members of the Church here - if we want God's work to be done then we have to fund it. If we are not willing to fund it then who else is supposed to do so? We can reflect on that prayer attributed to St. Teresa of Avila:

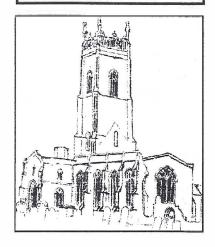
Christ has no body on earth but ours. No hands but ours. No feet but ours. and, perhaps we could add: No purse but ours. I hope all Church members will do their utmost to be at our worship on those two Sundays, when we will be examining and praying about these issues.

Finally I would like to say, on behalf of St. Andrew's, a very big "Thank you" to John and Denise for all the hard work they have put in over the last few years to producing this excellent Village News letter and also to Brian and Judy and all those who worked so hard to ensure the Village Fete was such a happy and successful occasion.

With every blessing

Barry Naylor

CHURCH MATTERS



PARISH REGISTERS

September 9th Holy Baptism Madeleine Rose Queenie Felton

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 14th October.

Donations of fruit and especially vegetables would be gratefully received at the Church early on Saturday 13th October. These

gifts are distributed within the village after the service.

Anyone who would like to help with the decoration of the Church would be most welcome on the Saturday morning. Mary King

VILLAGE HARVEST SUPPER

Please note that this year the supper is on Friday October 12th at 7 pm in the Village Hall. Patsy is cooking us a delicious meal which will also include wines, puddings, cheese and biscuits and coffee – and all for £5! And a light entertainment to follow. Tickets are available from Penny Buncombe, Belle Vue, The Terrace (722359) and at Church services on Sundays. Julia Josephs

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WALBERSWICK HERITAGE CENTRE

I would like to thank all volunteers who have manned the Centre this year. The showing of the video on the Suffolk Coastline has been very successful. We will be having our evening get together at the end of October when we can meet members of The Suffolk Coasts and Heaths, discuss the season and enjoy a glass of wine and eats. I will give further details by letter.

Maureen Thompson

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WI-NEW SEASON

On Monday October 8th at 7.30pm we are hosts to our Group AGM. This will be in the Village Hall and the speaker is Eric Punaks – a man who is said to make you rock with laughter. Our own meeting in October is also an evening one – Friday 19th at 7.30pm when Paul Mothersole will entertain us to an audio-visual show. He was extremely popular on his last visit some years ago; he has, of course, promised to bring a different set of slides! Julia Josephs

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

The new season opens on Friday 12th October with a talk on the latest developments in flat screen technology by Stephen Morris of Southampton University. If you've ever longed to replace the big ugly boxes of your TV and computer monitor with neat flat screens come and find out how soon that

may be possible. Other topics this season include introducing multimedia to young people, new ways to use the internet and an outing to ECNG's print centre near Norwich.

Watch out for posters around the village with further information. Guests are always welcome at our meetings which are held in the village. Some people say they don't come to the Society's meeting because they "don't know about computers". Don't worry. No technical knowledge or even ownership of a computer is needed to enjoy the wide ranging talks from top experts who always offer a fascinating view of our rapidly changing world. Our members are a lively minded bunch of both genders and question time always stimulates discussion. Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month between 7pm - 9pm ending with a glass of wine. Contact Frank Scoble on 01502 723519 for membership and venue details. The Society's web site is at www. go.to/bvcs. Piers Ford Crush

WALBERSWICK CARPARKS LTD

We require a new company Secretary in 2002. Anyone interested please contact Jayne Tibbles on 01502 724448. Robin Buncombe

THE VILLAGE FETE

The very grateful thanks of St Andrew's Church Council and the Village Hall Management Committee are due to Judy and Brian Morton for organising the highly successful fete on August 25th. Thanks are also due to the many people who, in so many different ways, helped to make the event the success it so obviously was. Some promised income is still outstanding and some estimated expenses remain to be paid but at the moment of writing the net proceeds should be not less than £4040 - a record! The details of the various stalls were shown in the Tuck Shop and on the Stocks Lane notice board, (but these have been removed.) I have full details if anyone would like them.

SAVE THE CHILDREN COFFEE MORNING

Join us on Saturday October 27th in the Village Hall from 10:30 am -12 noon. Enjoy coffee and biscuits, buy your Christmas cards early and a cake from our Bumper Cake and Quiche Stall. There will be books, SCF goods, a raffle, and our Bric-a-Brac stall would welcome contributions, so please search your cupboards and draws for these unwanted gifts, clothes and good jumble. All contributions for the stalls to: - Val Anderson 724609; Maureen Thompson 723755; Wyn Riddell 722869.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Coffee Morning and Bazaar Saturday 10th November, Village Hall, 10-12 am (in aid of the Poppy Appeal). Remembrance Sunday Service – 11th November, St Andrew's Church, Walberswick, 11am. Annual General Meeting Monday 19th November at 7.30pm Village Hall.

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NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

There was one planning application this month. The erection of a brick enclosure to hold wood store and WC at Concorde Cottage, The Green. The council had no objection to this. Planning permission has been granted for the erection of a garden room at St. Francis, Seven Acre Lane, and also for the erection of a play shed at Penny's Cottage, Ferry Road.

Application forms have been sent to Suffolk Acre for funds to reinstate the Norwich bus. The Council will be informed of the outcome at the end of September. The Rights of Way Department have received an engineer's report on the footpath at the bottom of Stocks Lane. It is proposed to impact the area and put hard core materials on top. The Department have written to Sir Charles Blois asking permission to do this and to cut back the hedges so as to dry out the ground. The chairman reported that more than 700 people had attended the meeting called by SHARP to oppose the the development of the Maritime Museum. A vast majority were in favour of rejecting the application, but members of Waveney District Council still passed the scheme at their planning meeting held in August. The council has received a number of complaints about the dog bin on the Village Green. The plan is to move the bin to the area of Sandy Lane. The Visitor Management Committee is to be re-formed to consider improvements in the light of observations made this summer. Among other things it will consider what do about the problem of litter. PC Matt Adams reported that a car had been broken into in the Village Hall Car Park between 23rd and 25th August and a mobile phone had been taken. On the 27th of August a hut at the Ferry had been broken into and fuel had been stolen. On the same day six cars were broken into and vandalised on a field outside the Village. Mr Webb expressed thanks for the work done on the cricket square and sports field. It is now in the best condition it has been for ten years. Next meeting will be 1st October. John Brentnall

BOTTLE BANK

Due to the noise of the bottle bank and the disturbance this causes to residents living in close proximity to the bank, could we please ask people **not to use** the bank between **2pm and 6pm**. This will enable the residents to have a deserved respite from the noise and allow the Parish Council to continue to provide this valuable service for the village. Your co-operation will be much appreciated

Vivien Hunt - Clerk to the Parish Council

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WHAT'S ON - SEPTEMBER 2001

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LIBRARY BUS – Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall

3.10pm. October 5th and 19th

WHIST – Every Thursday 2.30pm Village Hall.

BRIDGE – 8th & 22th October 2.30pm Village Hall Annexe

CARPET BOWLS – Wednesdays 7.30pm. Village Hall.

1st October – Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

8th October – W.I AGM 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

12th October - Computer Society Meeting. Also Harvest Supper.

19th October - W.I Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall

27th October - Save the Children Coffee morning. Village Hall 10.30-12

BONFIRE NIGHT - MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

Please note that only garden rubbish should be placed on the bonfire site. NO COMMERCIAL RUBBISH IS ALLOWED. The starting date for commencement of depositing on the site at Cliff Field will be Saturday 20th October.

Vivien Hunt Clerk to Parish Council

THE LAST WORD

Just to say 'Thank you' to all those people who have supported us as Editors over the last 4 years — both the volunteer 'Team' and those of you who have continued to send articles. Please continue to send copy to Justin in the same way and support him in his new role as Editor. Denise and John



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VILLAGE FUND-RAISING SUCCESSES

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

THE VILLAGE FETE

The village fete accounts have now been finalised and, helped by the addition of a generous donation, the sum of £4156.14 was raised - a record. The Church Council and the Village Hall Committee again thank all those many people who made this amazing result possible.

Eric Bassett

SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

The final total was £1000.40 (amazingly £45 up on last year). To be divided equally between St Andrew's Church and the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust - all this from only five cyclists and two walkers. Renewed thanks to them and to their many generous sponsors. Another wonderful village fund raising success!

Ruth Bassett

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Robin Buncombe

FLAT SCREEN FUTURE

The opening talk of the new season provided a fascinating insight into the way we shall watch TV, look at computers and even read books in the not too distant future. Stephen Morris who researches liquid crystal technology at Southampton University showed how various new techniques are developing. Major manufacturers are investing heavily as the commercial rewards of perfecting flat screens at affordable prices are enormous. Within a few years we will be able to download the text of a book from the internet and read it on an electronic book of flexible pages!

Guests are always welcome at the meetings which are held in Walberswick. No technical knowledge or even ownership of a computer is needed to enjoy the wide ranging talks from top experts which always offer a fascinating view of our rapidly changing world. Our members are a lively minded bunch of both genders and question time always stimulates discussion. The next meeting is on November 9th.

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Piers Ford-Crush

RUSSIAN STUDENTS' VISIT UPDATE

CHARITY 40's SWING BAND EVENING

Isn't Walberswick a special place? Twenty people have offered to help with the project so we've formed our "Think-Tank". 10 beds have been offered - so the visit is viable. Now the fundraising begins! The first big event will be the "Super Swing Big Band" - a 14 piece band playing 40's and 50's classics. Come and listen or come and dance. "Smoochie - Boogie" music, a bar, refreshments. Saturday 8th December, 8 to 11:30pm, £8.00. Tickets available from 1st November from me (01502 725033) or from The Tuck Shop. Some orders have been placed already! Thank you for the support already given and that promised for the future.

Annie Kiff-Wood

A WORD OF THANKS

I have received so many kind cards and letters from friends following the death of my dear wife Betty, that I am unable to acknowledge them all personally and would like to express my thanks to you all.

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday 4th Nov. 4th before Advent 0930 Sung Eucharist **Sunday 11th Nov.** REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 1045

Royal British Legion Sunday 1800 Choral Evensong

Sunday 18th Nov. 2nd before Advent 1100 Morning Prayer **Sunday 25th Nov.** Christ the King 0930 Sung Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00

Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00 Sunday School – Village Hall Annexe 1000-1215

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Dione Shirreff, Chrissie Reeves, Bubbles Love.

Royal British Legion: Ruth Bassett.



November is the month in the Christian Calendar when we especially commemorate the departed. The Christian family is a family that extends not only throughout the whole world but which also extends into the infinite. We believe that in the love of God we are bound to those whom he has given us in love, be they this side of the grave, or the other side. This is why we continue to hold our departed loved ones in prayer before God.

On 1st November we celebrate the Festival of All Saints, when we thank God for the lives of the heroes of the Christian faith down the ages. There will be a Eucharist at St. Edmund's, Southwold at 10:00 a.m.

On 2nd November the Church keeps the Commemoration of the Departed, when we remember and hold before God in prayer our own loved ones departed this life. There will be a Eucharist at St. Andrew's at 10:00 a.m. There will also be a Memorial Service at Holy Trinity Blythburgh at 7:30 p.m. – this is especially for the families and friends of those who have lost loved ones over the last twelve months, but anyone who wishes to remember a loved one will be warmly welcomed.

On Sunday 11th, Remembrance Sunday, we will be joining with people throughout the country in remembering those who have lost their lives in the various conflicts of this century, as we hold the annual Act of Remembrance at St. Andrew's. This year the remembrance will have a particular poignancy as we remember those who have lost their lives as a result of terrorism and as we recall the courage of those seeking to rid our world of this scourge.

TEAM DATES

- **7th November** An afternoon for those who lead Intercessions in the Church. This will be at St. Margaret's Church Room, Reydon from 2:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m.
- 13th November Jesus Caritas Meditation at the Rectory in Reydon. Open to people of any denomination.
- 20th November "Looking at Matthew's Gospel" with Tony Norton at Wenhaston Parish Church at 7:30 p.m.
- 24th November A morning for those concerned with sacristy matters in the Church. At St. Margaret's Church Room, Reydon from 10:00 a.m. 12:00 noon.

For further details of any of the above please contact me at the Rectory.

With every blessing Barry Naylor



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WALBERSWICK WI

A SHOW TO WARM AN AUTUMN EVENING

An open invitation to our meeting on Friday October 19th at 7.30pm. Paul Mothersole is coming to give us an audio-visual show which will include slides of the Highland Wilderness, Wales, Hyde Hall Gardens, A Wonderful World and others, all set to music. This will be followed by a light-hearted quiz, with a small prize for the winner. We shall be very pleased to welcome visitors.

GROUP AGM

The Village Hall was packed for the Group AGM which we hosted on October 8th. Eric Punaks certainly made us 'rock with laughter' with his brilliant reading of his own highly amusing poetry. A man of many talents, he also sang a poem to his own guitar accompaniment Each President in the Group gave us an illuminating account of their year's events, our members provided a magnificent buffet.

Julia Josephs

CANCER RESEARCH CAMPAIGN MINI-MARKET

We are holding a mini-market on Saturday, 1st December in the Village Hall at 10:00am - 12 Noon. Please make a note in your diary as we will be most grateful for your support of this annual event. Thank You.

M R Adkinson

DISCUSSION EVENING

One of the most important questions facing our country is how we can increase the spending on healthcare so as to bring the standard of care up to the level enjoyed in comparable countries such as Germany, France and Holland.

In order to examine what might be done, and what would be the effects, Mr Bramley-Harker of National Economic Research Associates, will give a talk and lead a discussion in the Village Hall on Friday, 16th November, starting at 7.30pm. This discussion, which it is hoped will be the first of an annual series on important national subjects, has been arranged by the Conservative Branch but is open, free of charge, to all members of the Village. There are no tickets-just turn up on the night and enjoy a glass of wine at the end.

Don't be put off by what might look like a daunting subject. It is a matter of great concern to us all and though all of us have views, there are not many of us - let's face it who really know much about it. For further information please contact me on 722827.

Peter Gordon Potts

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION—DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 10th Nov. Coffee Morning and Bazaar, Village Hall, 10-12 am

(in aid of the Poppy Appeal).

Sun 11th Nov. Remembrance Day Service, Church of St Andrew,

Walberswick, 10.45 am. Please note the time.

Mon 19th Nov. Annual General Meeting, Village Hall, 7.30 pm.

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BONFIRE NIGHT MONDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

Please note that only garden rubbish should be placed on the bonfire site. NO COMMERCIAL RUBBISH IS ALLOWED. The starting date for commencement of depositing on the site at Cliff Field will be Saturday 20th October.

Vivien Hunt

Clerk to Parish Council.

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Planning permission has been granted for two stables, tackroom and feeds store. with enclosed post and rail yard to be built on the field adjoining Redmay in Lodge Road. Planning applications this month included an application for the erection of a new house and garage on the land between Common Edge and Drift Wood Church Lane. Mr K. Webb declared an interest and took no part in the discussions. The remaining six councillors had no objection to the application, however, it was agreed to ask if the stainless steel flue could be painted black. There was also an application for a first floor conservatory at Hoistwood House. The council opposed the application, because it was felt to be an over development of the site and it would be visually intrusive. The council also received an application for a balcony to The Studio, Ferry Road. Mr K. Webb declared an interest. The council supported the application, because there had been a similar balcony on the property, this was simply restoring a feature. PC Adams informed the council that a car had been broken into on Ferry Road car park and that a briefcase had been stolen from the back seat. Mr K. Webb reported that the stake for the bonfire would be in place on Cliff Field on 20th October. Mr Jones agreed to put a box in The Tuck Shop, asking those who put their garden rubbish on the bonfire for donations. The next meeting will be held on Monday 29th October, because the first Monday is 5th November and some councillors will be involved in organising the bonfire night celebrations.

John Brentnall

PICKWICK AT BECCLES

In August we were shown an advert for junior cast members for a production of 'Pickwick - the musical' to be produced by Waveney Light Opera Group at Beccles and so began a great adventure for our youngest son, Huw, who auditioned and was given a role in the chorus. Rehearsals were held throughout September and early October and the show was performed from the 9th to 13th October at the Public Hall in Beccles to packed audiences every night. Huw loved it - a chance to dress in Victorian costume, be part of a sumptuous, colourful production and sing his heart out with a talented and experienced adult cast to such famous songs as 'When I ruled the World'. Huw had been Joseph in the school production of 'Joseph and his Technicolour Dreamcoat' but had never done anything outside school or on this scale in front of such a large audience. Now he is hooked. He can't wait for the next chance to get on stage and sing! It was my first experience of light opera too and I thoroughly enjoyed helping with the make up and being one of the 'matrons' to the children involved. If anyone is interested in being involved in the future please contact me for contact details or visit the Waveney Light Opera Group web site on www.wlog.org.uk. The 2002 shows will be 'Spring Serenade' - a selection of songs from various shows in April, and a production of 'Brigadoon' in October.

Denise Brentnall

16th November

WHAT'S ON - NOVEMBER 2001

GP SURGERY
LIBRARY BUS
Alternate Fridays. Church 2.30pm/Village Hall 3.10pm.
November 2nd, 16th and 30th.
WHIST
BRIDGE
5th & 19th November 2.30pm Village Hall Annexe.

CARPET BOWLS Wednesdays 7.30pm.Village Hall.

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27th October
 29th October
 5th November
 Save the Children Coffee Morning. Village Hall 10.30-12.
 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm Village Hall Annexe.
 Bonfire Night - 7:00pm Old Cliff Field

Discussion Evening Village Hall.

5th November Bonfire Night - 7:00pm Old Cliff Field9th November Computer Society Meeting.

1st December Cancer Research Mini Market - Village Hall.8th December Swing Band. In aid of Russian Students Visit.

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THE VILLAGE NEWS ON THE WEB

If you're away from the village and wish to keep abreast of what's going on, it's now possible thanks to the Internet. Following successful trials with your November issue, a copy of each month's news will be posted at www.walberswick.net from the date of release.

Justin Kibble

FROM THE SOUTHWOLD SURGERY

DR MARY HARLAND JOINS THE PRACTICE

Dr Sarah Butt is leaving us after 13 years. We have been fortunate in recruiting Dr Mary Harland to the practice as a half-time partner. Her areas of particular interest are orthopaedic medicine, sports medicine, hormonal issues, eczema and asthma. Now relocated to East Anglia she will join the partnership on 1st January 2002. We have been extremely fortunate, in these days of shortages of trained medical staff, to gain three excellent people, namely Nurse Julie Poprdan, Dr John Stammers and now Dr Mary Harland to complete our clinical team. Once they are all in post we hope to continue to provide the highest quality service, which we always strive for.

The Flu Clinics are well under way and many of you will have received your "jab" by now. Due to the number of patients requesting injections this year, and the availability of the room, we have had to continue through to 27th November.

Mary King

CAN YOU LEND A HAND?

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS NEEDED

There is little public transport to Walberswick which makes life very difficult for those who are elderly or infirm and who need to visit local services outside the village. Those of us lucky enough to have a car, and with a little time to spare, could help by becoming volunteer drivers. All you need is a few hours now and then and the willingness to help. Contact Patricia Scott at the VHC on 01502 724549 and see if you could join us. It is not a major commitment and will make all the difference to someone's life. **Pru Ford-Crush**

A BALD MOVE FOR CHARITY

THE AUTISTIC SOCIETY

I would like to thank everyone who sponsored the head and face shave for the Autistic Society on 30th September. £498.00 was raised. Thanks to Sue & Paul at the Bell for the venue. This is a charity close to my heart as our daughter Heather Kathleen is autistic.

Jerry Burchell

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

WIRELESS TELEPHONY

At the society's November meeting we heard a story of technology failing to deliver. Michael Gasper, formerly of BT's Wireless division, related the history of a BT project to test the practicalities of using wireless connections for those customers in remote or difficult locations. Sadly the project foundered on unexpected problems such as trees and buildings blocking signals. Irate customers in tests in Scotland left BT in no doubt that the system was doomed.

Guests are always welcome at our meetings which are held in Walberswick. No technical knowledge or even ownership of a computer is needed to enjoy the wide ranging talks from top experts. Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month between 7 pm - 9 pm ending with a glass of wine. Contact Frank Scoble on 01502 723519 for membership and venue details or visit our website www.go.to/bvcs.

Piers Ford-Crush

SAVE THE CHILDREN

WYN'S BOOKSTALL SUCCESS

I am delighted to tell you that my bookstall has made £231.90. Thank you for giving me books and thanks for buying them.

Wyn Riddel

COFFEE MORNING

The committee wish to thank everyone who helped at the coffee morning on 27th October. Takings and generous donations made up a record breaking £915.00.

Maureen Thompson

BRILLIANT FIREWORKS!

GUY FAWKES NIGHT

I would like to thank everyone who worked to make this year's fireworks such a success. Those who contributed to the bonfire, everyone who helped with preparations and on the night.

Wally Webb

FROM THE EDITOR

Editing has been quite merciless this month due to the large number of articles submitted. This is great, please keep them coming. There are, however, some village events that I don't get to hear about until they've happened, so if you know of <u>anything</u> of interest that's being planned, you don't even have to write it down, just call me on the number at the foot of page 4 and I'll include it.

Justin Kibble

CHURCH SERVICES FOR DECEMBER

Sunday 2nd Dec. Advent 1 0930 Sung Eucharist Sunday 9th Dec. Advent 2 0930 Family Eucharist 1800 Choral Evensong Sunday 16th Dec. Advent 3 1100 Morning Prayer St Mary's Reydon Christingle service 1600 Sunday 23rd Dec. Advent 4 0930 Said Eucharist 1800 Service of Carols and Lessons by candlelight

Monday 24th Dec. 2330 Midnight Mass of the Nativity Blythburgh Church

Christmas Day. 0930 Family Eucharist

Sunday 30th Dec. Sunday after Christmas 0930 Eucharist Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00 Sunday School – Village Hall Annexe 1000-1215

FLOWER ARRANGERS No altar flowers until Christmas.



CHRISTMAS CAROLS

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

PARISH REGISTERS

Don't miss the candlelit Carol Service, 23rd December at 1800. Hear St Luke's story of the nativity and sing carols with the choir. Julia Josephs

TEAM RECTOR
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November 6th Funeral prior to cremation Mary Joy Sanger aged 88

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

As we enter the season of Advent we begin to prepare for the celebration of the birth of the Prince of Peace. As I write this news has just come in of the dreadful air crash on the Queens District of New York and of the rout of the Taliban from Kabul. By the time you read this, who knows what further developments there will have been. On hearing of the 12th November air crash Rudolph Guilliani exclaimed "My God!" This was a heartfelt cry to God – how do we believe in an all-caring God in the midst of tragedy? Whatever answer we give has, surely, to include the sentiment: "With difficulty". Part of our answer, however, must also include the story of the gift of God's only Son, which we celebrate at Christmas. This great event was a sign of God's love for us - "he loved us so much he gave his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life". God revealed his love in the birth of Jesus and in his subsequent life, death and resurrection. If we divorce what we celebrate at Christmas from what we celebrate on Good Friday and Easter Sunday we miss out on what it's all about. God's gift of his Son involved such self-giving, such self-emptying. The way God worked was bound up with pain and suffering – he entered into it, he didn't tread around it. The same is true today. Jesus was called "Emmanuel" a name which means "God is with us". The gift of Jesus is a part of the answer to "How can we believe in an all-loving, all-caring God?" God has given us freedom, we can use that freedom for good or for evil. Tragic accidents happen and people can be unbelievably cruel to each other. However we can know God's presence - God present in the baby suckling at his mother's breast and in the man nailed to a tree. God has no body on earth but ours, as St. Teresa of Avila, wrote - if his presence is to be known today, as it was known in first century Palestine, then we are the ones who must make it known. Perhaps part of the difficulty in believing in an all-loving God is closely linked with the failure of his followers to witness wholeheartedly to that love revealed in the gift of his only Son, born of Mary. As we prepare to celebrate Christmas, let us seek to witness the power of love, ever more faithfully, in our own lives and to be heralds of God's peace. Perhaps, then, it will be that little bit easier for the world to believe in an all-loving God.

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Barry Naylor

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AN ELATED WI

There was a very real threat that Walberswick WI would have to close but, at the AGM in November, the Committee agreed to continue and a delighted Barbara Taylor was unanimously elected President by the members. It was a joyous afternoon with thanks all round to Margot Godbold for her four years in office, followed by a tribute and presentation to her. Jenny Cardwell then gave a brilliant, impromptu talk on her trip on the Siberian Railway. We look forward to the Christmas Party on 12th December.

Julia Josephs

WE WILL REMEMBER THEM

FURTHER SUFFOLK MEMORIES

I believe no-one thought there could be a worthy sequel to 'Suffolk Memories' published 3 years ago. How wrong we can be! That first volume recalled acts of derring-do, war's horrors and observations of Blythburgh and Walberswick people. Researched by David Shirreff and Arthur Sharman it was a total contribution to the history of the fighting men of these two villages. David sadly died after the first book, thankfully having sown the seeds for further reminiscences not included in 'Suffolk Memories'. Those seeds have now grown. Compiled by Arthur Sharman and Patricia Wythe, "Further Suffolk Memories" was launched in the Village Hall on Friday 2nd November 2001. This second compilation is not of battle fronts but of those left behind, to fear, to love, to wonder, to grieve and - even to thank. I was privileged to be in on the Walberswick and Blythburgh Royal British Legion (RBL) launch, with a wealth of service history present. The two speakers, General Jack Dye spoke on the narratives and the military and social history of people from hereabouts; and General Sir Patrick Howard Dobson spoke about the Home Guard. To all who contributed to both volumes, the researchers, the RBL, to Arthur, and belatedly to David, and to Patricia for taking on the mantle, we of these communities, this generation and the many generations to come, from the bottom of our hearts thank you.

Robin Buncombe

WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS TRUST

REPORT

Repair work will be carried out to the concrete paved area in front of the Potters Wheel Restaurant. The new bird scrapes have had a very successful first year; a programme will be set up to control reed re-growth on the open water areas. The Environment Agency have granted permission for steps up the river bank by the sluice bridge and the construction of a retaining wall along the river Blyth west of the ferry stage. The Trustees had no objection to the plans to reinstate a balcony on the southeast side of The Studio. A request from the Parish Council for funding to keep memorial seats in good repair was agreed. The Trustees also agreed to assist with funding to reinstate the bus service to Norwich. Mr K Webb attended the launch of the Sandlings Walk at Dunwich Heath on behalf of the Trustees. The owners of East Point had proposed planting reeds along the shingle bank in front of the property to stabilise the area. The Trustees had no objection but suggested Marram grass may be better suited to the environment.

Jayne Tibbles
Clerk to the Trustees.

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NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on Monday 29th October. Applications included a retrospective application for a workshop at Hoistwood House. The application was opposed as the current position of the workshop was only a few feet from the neighbouring property and would raise environmental issues such as noise and vibration. As it abutted a similar sized shed it was felt to represent over massing. A revised plan was submitted for a two storey extension to Ash Cottage, The Green. As the Council had no objection to the previous plan, it had no objections to the revised scheme. There was an application for a single storey rear extension to The Old Tea Rooms, The Green. Mr Tibbles declared an interest and took no part in the discussions. It was felt that the extension would improve the property and the application was unanimously supported. Planning permission has been granted for a new house and garage on land between Common Edge and Drift Wood. Church Lane. Permission has also been granted for a brick enclosure to hold store and WC at Concorde Cottage, The Green. Suffolk Acre have written to the council informing them that a fund of £540 has been made available towards the reinstatement of the Walberswick/Blythburgh to Norwich bus service. The Clerk has spoken to Routespec and it appears they are not prepared to restore the service. However, Goldline have said that they are prepared to give the route a trial run, commencing from Southwold, including Walberswick, Halesworth and Bungay. This would be twice monthly, running on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. They will apply for a licence and hope to commence the service in December. The Clerk agreed to check if the grant would still be available under these circumstances. It was agreed that the Carol Service around the tree on the Village Green will take place on Monday 17th December at 19:00. Councillor Leighton reported that the reorganisation of Suffolk Coastal District Council was complete starting on 1st December. The electoral recommended changes were also in place and Walberswick would become Walberswick and Wenhaston Ward including Bramfield, Blythburgh and Thorington. It was agreed to contact the Highways Dept. about the poor state of the footpath beside the Creek towards the windpurnp and to request a progress report on the footpath at the end of Stocks Lane. Mr Buncombe reported that the sluice gate was still open. This has been reported several times to the Environment Agency: an update will be requested.

John Brentnall

HERITAGE CENTRE

Many of the volunteers who manned the centre during the season enjoyed a 'thank you' evening at The Village Hall hosted by the staff of the Suffolk Coasts and Heaths Project. A film show and talk was followed by a lively discussion. The evening ended with wine and eats. New volunteers will be welcomed for 2002. For further information please give me a ring on 723755

Maureen Thompson

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

As part of an investigation into affordable housing the Parish Council will be sending out a survey form to every household, which we would ask you to complete as soon as possible. John Brentnall

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1st December Cancer Research Mini Market - Village Hall.

8th December Swing Band. In aid of Russian Students Visit.

12th December WI Christmas Party

14th December Blyth Valley Computer Society Christmas Meeting

17th December Carols beneath the tree, Village Green 19:00 followed by coffee & mince pies.