

VILLAGE NEWS

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HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS



WALBERSWICK SEA DEFENCE

Following a public meeting held on 2nd December, at which the views of local people were sought, a group has been set up with the initial objective of buying time while a sustainable solution to the problem of the sea defence of the village and its surroundings is being developed.

Although many of the group members are, at present, parish councillors and trustees, the group will operate independently, raising its own funds, and will not call on the Parish Council precept for support. However, the annual allocation by the Common Lands Charity, of car park profits to various village projects, may well be limited next year. The composition of the group may also change. A summary of the public meeting has been delivered to each house and the group will report back regularly. It is hoped that those with any special area of expertise will be involved.

Sea Defence Group: Robin Buncombe, Maddie Dabbs, James Darkins, Alvin & Vivien Hunt, Barbara Priestman, Brian & Jayne Tibbles, David Webb, Keith Webb.

EXTRA FLOOD MEETING

For those that missed the flood defence meeting on 2nd December, there will be a repeat performance of the film showing an aerial view of the recent flooding both along the coastline and in the estuary. This will be accompanied by a presentation and brief talk given by David Webb. It will take place on Saturday 30th December at 4pm in the village hall.

Vivien Hunt - Clerk to Council

WORK OFF THE CHRISTMAS EXCESS!

At the beginning of December, about a dozen people, including a small team from Natural England (formerly English Nature), met to start clearing some of the birch scrub on the Common. We achieved a great deal and want to complete the work. Come and join us! Families will be welcome. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided but please bring your own garden fork or spade and strong gloves. Wellies are a good idea. Meet at the Sports Field at the bottom of Church Lane at 10 am on **Saturday 30th December** and stay as long as you like.

Barbara Priestman

WALBERSWICK CAR PARKS COMPANY LTD

Following the resignation of Robin Buncombe, after six years as Operations Manager of Walberswick Car Parks Company, the Board of Directors is urgently seeking a new Manager. The position of Operations Manager is a seasonal (April to October) post, running the day-to-day operation of the two car parks in Walberswick. During the season it is a full time daily job. The post is salaried at about £10,000 per year with a winter retainer. For the last eight years a substantial Performance Bonus has been paid at the end of each season. The post requires the Manager to be able to control the handling of all cash and the maintenance of financial records; to be IT literate; to be familiar with PAYE and National Insurance payments; and to have good general management and leadership skills.

Anyone interested in the position should contact the Chairman of the Directors: **Rae Leighton**, at 01502 724534 Email RaeLeighton@aol.com

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

'This is a gem!' - the only phrase one can use to describe our January film, **NINOTCHKA**. Part written by Billy Wilder and directed in 1939 by Ernst Lubitsch, a master of sophisticated comedy, the original publicity declared "Garbo laughs!". It is the immortal Greta Garbo's first and only comedy: a sparkling tale of a dour Russian envoy sublimating her womanhood for Soviet brotherhood. While studying the frivolous materialism of Paris, she falls for a suave Parisian man-about-town (Melvyn Douglas) and soon the two lovers have to overcome political and cultural clashes in the tempting world of the decadent West. The lovestruck Ninotchka is endearingly ridiculous: this film is a wonderful showcase for one of cinema's greatest stars.

7.30pm in the Village Hall, Sunday, 21st January 2007
Members £2, Guests £4, Non-members £5

Kay Ungless 722655 email: ungless@aol.com

USED CHRISTMAS CARDS

During January Mary King and I will again provide collection points for used Christmas cards at Dutch House and Shenburgh. We will deliver these to Tesco, from where they will go on to be pulped to raise money for the Woodland Trust.

Elizabeth Leighton

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room, The Green
Walberswick IP18 6TU email: julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723 275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – MONDAY 4TH DECEMBER

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to proposed development at SOUTH CLOSE, Leveretts Lane, but opposed the application for a replacement dwelling at WAVENEY LODGE, The Street. They also opposed a revised plan for development at 2, LORNE COTTAGES, The Green. Suffolk Coastal District Council had refused the application for extensions to ARDMAY, The Street.

Precept – It was agreed that there should be no increase in the precept for 2007/8 which would be set at the same rate as the previous year - in the sum of £6,945. 00.

Development of Emergency Community Plan – Councillors had been formulating an Emergency Plan for the village. An explanatory form will be sent to every household. This will help identify those with special needs in an emergency situation. The form will also ask for those with special skills or useful emergency equipment to volunteer this information.

Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator – The Council is very grateful to Annie Kiff-Wood who has agreed to become the new Co-ordinator. She can be contacted on 725033.

Horse riding on footpaths – It had been reported that riders were taking their horses along the footpaths instead of staying on the bridleways. If anyone is unsure which paths are not bridleways, please contact the Clerk (Tel:723142) who will provide a map.

Caravans at Southwold Site – It was agreed to write to Waveney District Council to ask why the caravans have remained in situ over the last two or three winters. In the past they have been removed to another site.

Damage to verges – Reports of damage to roadside verges/banks, from building works to houses in the village, had been received. It was agreed to write to the offending home owners, reminding them of their responsibility to repair the verges/banks once the work is completed.

Full reports from council meetings can be found on the parish notice board outside the village hall and in the church porch

Vivien Hunt—Clerk to Council

CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS FOR OUR TROOPS

A very big thank-you to everybody who either sent their own parcels or contributed goodies for me to pack for our troops in Iraq and Afghanistan. We sent 56 parcels from Walberswick – a magnificent effort.

Dione Shirreff

CANCER RESEARCH U.K. - MINI MARKET

We had a very good attendance which resulted in the magnificent sum of £1,860 being raised. My grateful thanks to all who worked for this success.

Margaret Adkinson

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

Blythburgh and Walberswick jointly raised £2341.72 in November. This represented house-to-house and Church collections, donations, sales of wreaths and proceeds from the coffee morning which itself raised £550.29. Thank you for your continuing support.

Judith Hetherington

“MURDER WILL SPEAK”

Well, what can I say? We were all so wonderfully entertained by a skilful cast, each of whom gave a highly polished performance. The setting was so perfect that I wanted to take my glass of wine and sit in that cosy room by the glowing fire! A big thank-you to Julia Sowerbutts and to everyone involved in any way – for all the hard work put in before, during and after the performances. Another great Walberswick success!

Ruth Bassett

FRIENDS OF SOUTHWOLD HOSPITAL

Congratulations on raising the magnificent amount of £963.99! We do so appreciate your continued support every year. We have been able to provide much needed equipment for patients that the NHS is unable to supply. Your donations help to make this possible. My sincere thanks.

Barbara Davis

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GP SURGERY	Weds 2.30pm Village Hall
LIBRARY BUS	Alternate Fridays 5th and 19th 2.30pm Church 3pm Village Hall
YOGA	Village Hall Mondays 10.30-12 noon
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TAI CHI	Village Hall Mondays 1-3pm Starts again 8th
DRAWING AND PAINTING	Village Hall Thursdays 10-12 noon and 1.30-3.30pm Starts again 11th
CARPET BOWLS	Village Hall 7.30pm Starts again 3rd
PILATES	Village Hall Thursdays 3.45pm, beginning 11th
LUNCH CLUB	Village Hall 12th
CONSERVATIVE PARTY AGM	Tuesday 16th 7pm
NORWICH BUS	Thursday 18th

THE ALPHA COURSE

If you have wondered what it means to be a Christian and why God has a claim on your life, then come and find out more. There are 12 talks on DVD given by the Rev Nicky Gumble, of Holy Trinity Brompton Rd, which are thought-provoking and give a basic outline of the Christian faith. Alpha will start on Wednesday January 10th 2007 at Suzanne Burlingham's house (Wickstead) at 19.30. Everyone is welcome and there will be lots of interesting discussion.

Julie Winyard 01502 722178/07753980427

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14 Epiphany 2 0930 Family Eucharist
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1800 Choral Evensong

Preacher The Revd Caroline Hallett

21 Epiphany 3 1100 Morning Prayer

Preacher The Revd Caroline Hallett

28 Epiphany 4 0930 Sung Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesday 1000 Holy Communion

1662 (said)

Flower Arrangers

5/12 Dione Shirreff

Mary King (British Legion)

19/26 Kathleen Patterson

Cleaners

5 Ruth Bassett Sheila Davies

Mary King Julia Josephs (brass)

12 Margreet Walpole

Craster & Kathleen Patterson

19 Suzanne Burlingham

Chris & Wendy Sinclair

Pat Wythe (brass)

26 Diane Dawson Betty Jones

Pat Wythe

WI

Our committee organised the Christmas party brilliantly! After a glass of wine we sat at well-decorated tables and were offered a choice of soups and bread rolls followed by a very large selection of delicious puddings, all kindly made by the committee. This was followed by two quizzes, one identifying flowers/plants by a photograph and the other finding the name of a Shakespeare play from a given clue. I have to tell you that both quizzes were won by our guests from Middleton WI! The Beccles Singers entertained us with a wide variety of carols and we had mince pies and the usual cup of tea before going home.

We meet in the New Year on our usual Wednesday afternoon January 10th and a week later for a festive lunch in Westleton. On January 10th we shall be welcoming Debra Shipley, former MP and now a village resident, who will be talking to us on Day-to-Day Life in Parliament. We promise no politics but a very interesting afternoon.

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

By the time you read this the celebrations for Christmas 2006 will be over so, in faith, I would just like to take this opportunity to thank all those who worked so hard to make our Christmas services such a success. Services in our church just don't happen, they involve a lot of hard work on the part of many people. So, thank you one and all.

Services in our team churches continue throughout the year of course, but I would just like to draw your attention some special ones during January. At our Epiphany Family Eucharist on Sunday 14th January our village band will be performing so come along and enjoy a time of lively worship.

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place from 18th to the 25th of January, and will be marked by a special ecumenical service at St Edmund's Church Southwold on 21st January at 6.00 p.m.

On 27th January, at 12.00 noon, at Southwold Methodist Church there will be an ecumenical service to observe Holocaust Memorial Day.

Now for the bad news! Christine & I realize that the time has come to increase the monthly cost of the Walberswick Luncheon club from £5 to £6 (ouch!). We hope that this does not put anyone off; we meet next on Friday 12th January, 12.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Why not come and join us?

Wishing you a happy and blessed New Year

Brian Fisher

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A HORTICULTURAL GURU!

Mr. Andrew Tokely, Horticultural Manager for Thompson & Morgan, the seed specialists, is coming to the Village Hall annex on Wednesday February 28th at 7.30pm for a talk on the preparation and showing of produce for a village show. In addition to his work for Thompson & Morgan, Mr. Tokely also writes regularly for THE KITCHEN GARDEN magazine on various aspects of vegetable growing and showing. It will be a great opportunity to learn the tricks of the trade from a real expert. Afterwards there will be refreshments and a chance to chat with Mr. Tokely. Come along for an informative evening and chase away the winter blues with thoughts of summer vegetable abundance! Space is limited, so to reserve a place please contact **Maddie Dabbs** on 725114 or **Jane Kirkeby** on 723079

"HAPPY FAMILIES, TANGLED LIVES"

Toby is ten months old - going on forty-five. He can't talk yet, but he's got a lot to say - about the state of his parents' marriage, and his relationship with a woman four times his age - his sister India. This is the story of twelve months in the life of Mel and Hilary Brown as observed and interpreted by their children.

This musical comedy of family life...is dedicated to anyone who has ever struggled bringing up a child...has avoided having a child...was once a child or still is a child. Originally produced by Alan Ayckbourn at the Stephen Joseph Theatre, Scarborough.

Directed by Julia Sowerbutts

Book and lyrics by Mary Stewart-David

Music by Denis King

Walberswick Village Hall 21st/22nd February at 7.30pm.. Tickets (£7.50) available at the Tuck Shop or call Jean Waller on 01502 722120

FREE DEVON HOLIDAY

We wish to house-swap our lovely Devon Longhouse for accommodation in or near Walberswick - a week or so in July or August in order to be near our parents.

Contact Susan Avis 01404 881881

VILLAGE NEWS

The Board of Management regrets to announce that Mrs Elizabeth Leighton has decided to resign from the Board. Elizabeth was one of the original members, and her advice and help over the years were invaluable and will be greatly missed. The question of a replacement is being considered. Thank you, Elizabeth, for your time, advice and support.

Brian Payne, Chairman

VILLAGE HALL

I am pleased to report that work on the village hall car park has now finished.

This was phase one of our five-year plan for improvements to the village hall. We are now about to embark on phase two: the refurbishment of the kitchen (now some thirty-five years old!) which does not meet all the current health, hygiene and safety requirements. We intend to install a replacement kitchen that will not only allow us to meet the new requirements, but stand us in good stead for many years to come. As a charity we can obtain grants towards this project and will be seeking to do this; however, we need to raise funds ourselves in the first instance, and we will be writing to each household outlining the various ways we hope to achieve this.

Mark Aldridge

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

The W.G.A. match played on December 16th was a pretty muddy affair, which is reflected in the scores. They were as follows: Andrew Horsbrough squelched in with 17pts, followed by Nick Jones on 14pts. In 3rd place was Alan Porter with 13pts. Nearest the pin, on the 3rd hole, after an extremely short, sharp verbal lesson, was Wisk with an absolutely breath-taking shot on to the green. Unfortunately for Wizzo, it was the wrong green - but nevertheless a peach of a strike! Nearest the pin, on the right green, was Duggie Goodchild with a "Barnes-Wallis" number that skipped down the fairway and just made it on! I'd like to thank everybody for turning up and splashing around, and let's hope the next game is a bit drier.

Chas Elliott

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU e-mail julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723 275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – MONDAY 8TH JANUARY

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the replacement of three LANDING STAGES at the harbour but opposed the application for erection of a single-storey and two-storey extensions at TOBY COTTAGE, Leveretts Lane. Suffolk Coastal had granted planning permission for developments at the following properties: WICKSTEAD, The Street; MARLISH, Short Lane and 2, LORNE COTTAGES, The Green. These developments were all subject to work being carried out according with submitted plans and to conditions set by the Planning Authority. The Parish Council was very disappointed that planning permission had been granted, once again, for development at 2, Lorne Cottages. Suffolk Coastal had refused planning permission for the erection of a replacement dwelling at WAVENEY LODGE, The Street on the grounds that the proposed development was out of scale and character with the existing street scene due to its bulk, scale and mass.

Walberswick to Dunwich Sea Defences - The Council had written to the Environment Agency asking them to reconsider their decision on the future repairs of the shingle ridge as a flood barrier. The reply from the Environment Agency stated that they would consider all options once the Dunwich to Walberswick Study has been completed in April or May.

Appointment of Nominative Trustee – Councillor David Webb was nominated to serve a further four years as a Trustee on the Walberswick Common Lands Charity Trust.

Carols Around the Tree - The Parish Council would like to thank all those people involved in making this such a pleasurable event: they include Brian Fisher, John Flack and his band, also Pat and Philip Kett and Mandy Aldridge for serving refreshments.

Extra Flood Meeting – Councillor D Webb was thanked for taking this meeting on Saturday 30th December. Some sixty people attended.

Rubbish in the Village – The Councillors were disappointed to see so much rubbish lying around the village over the Christmas period. This was mainly caused by some holiday home owners putting their rubbish out a few days before the collection. Other alternatives should be considered to avoid this happening again.

Vivien Hunt - Clerk to Council

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our next film is Ron Howard's **Apollo 13** (Cert PG). Starring Tom Hanks as the legendary astronaut Jim Lovell, who headed the crew of an ill-fated mission to the moon, this is a true story. Indeed Howard was so committed to realism that much of the dialogue was lifted from NASA's air-to-ground transcripts. This is a vivid dramatization of Apollo 13's true-life brush with disaster on the way to the Moon in 1971. It combines computer graphics, archive footage and seamless special effects to recreate the amazing odyssey of three men battling astronomical odds to make it back to Earth.

7.30pm Sunday, 18th February 2007, in Village Hall.

Members £2 Guests £4 Non-members £5

Kay Ungless 722655/email ungles@aol.com

PENELOPE MARY EVERETT GOODMAN-

She was an artist and poet who lived in the village in the 1940s – she is buried with her daughters in Walberswick churchyard.

I am researching and writing about Penelope - would anybody who knew her or her daughters Betty and Daphne be able to give me any information about her?

I would also be interested to hear where any of her paintings could be seen.

Please contact:

Canon Julia Allison MA

Victory Cottage,

6 Jermyns Road, Reydon, Southwold,

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DRAWING AND PAINTING	Village Hall Thursdays 10-12 noon and 1.30-3.30pm
CARPET BOWLS	Village Hall 7.30pm
PILATES	Village Hall Thursdays 4pm (Note new time)
LUNCH CLUB	Village Hall Friday 9th at 12.30pm
FOLK DANCING	Sunday 11th 1pm
WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB	Sunday 18th 7.30pm
HORTICULTURAL TALK	Wednesday 28th 7.30pm

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE

A big thank-you to all those who donated surplus garden produce to the stalls at Dutch House and Church Field this summer. The grand total of £314.77 was raised for Motor Neurone Disease Research.

Mary King

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1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher Canon Jane Wilson
18 S before Lent 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher The Revd David Eaton
21 Ash Wednesday 1000 Eucharist BCP
Imposition of Ashes
28 1st S of Lent 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesday 1000 Holy Communion 1662
(said)

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2/9 Anne Paton
Judith Hetherington (British Legion)
16/23 Cathryn Simpson

Cleaners

2 Cynthia Jackson Janet Simpson
Elizabeth Leighton Heather Hyne (brass)
9 Sheila Davies Mary King
Margreet Walpole
16 Craster & Kathleen Patterson
Ruth Bassett Sarah Lawrence (brass)
23 Chris and Wendy Sinclair
Diane Dawson

ST ANDREW'S GUILD MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Guild on Monday February 5th at 10.30am at Shenburgh, Mr and Mrs Leighton's house opposite the church.

Lent lunches, Easter decorations in the church and other matters will be discussed. All are welcome.

Wendy Sinclair (Hon. Sec.)

WI

The Stour Estuary Reserve

We are looking forward to our next meeting on February 14th when Mr. Rik Vonk from the RSPB will be with us with a talk and slides.

Irene Prince spoke in excellent detail of the five Resolutions before us for future discussion: Water Saving, Quality of Life of the Homeless, Renewables before Nuclear Energy, HM Government's closure of Hospitals, and Carers' allowances.

We were delighted to listen to Mrs Debra Shipley's talk on being a Member of Parliament. Not quite as glamorous as we imagined!

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

You may have learnt already from the media that our diocesan bishop, The Right Reverend Richard Lewis, is to retire in June of this year; he has been our bishop for ten years. The process to appoint Bishop Richard's successor has already begun and will involve consultation with representatives from the diocese and the County.

During this month we shall be entering the season of Lent, commencing with Ash Wednesday (21st February); we shall again be incorporating the imposition of ashes within our normal BCP Communion Service on that day. The ashes, which are the burnt residue of last year's palm crosses, are a sign of both our mortality and our penitence and repentance; the minister presiding at the service dips his finger in the ash and makes a cross on the forehead of each person who wishes to be so signed.

I hope to arrange another series of Lent discussion groups – watch the notice boards for further details.

The ecumenical Lent Lectures have also become a regular feature within our Sole Bay Team. This year the theme of the lectures will be the 'I am' statements of Jesus Christ as recorded in St John's Gospel. The first lecture will take place on Sunday 25th February at 6.00 p.m. in Southwold United Reform Church; the lecture entitled 'Before Abraham was, I am' will be given by Prof. Hugh Williamson.

This month's Luncheon Club will take place in the Village Hall, on Friday the 9th at 12.30 p.m.

Yours in Christ's service
Brian Fisher

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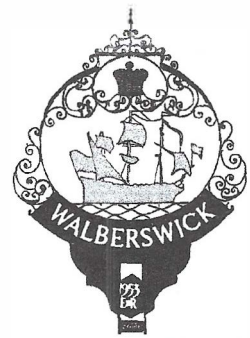
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“SUFFOLK MEMORIES” AND “FURTHER SUFFOLK MEMORIES”

As all copies of “Suffolk Memories” have been sold and very few copies of “Further Suffolk Memories” remain, the account has now been closed. After all expenses were met a total of £4,597.63 has been paid to good causes: £2,155 to various welfare cases in Walberswick and Blythburgh and (as our branch of the Royal British Legion is closed) the remaining £2,442.63 to the Poppy Appeal. The late David Shirreff was the instigator of this project and co-author of Book One; we are so sorry he is not with us to join in thanking all those who made this historical record possible, by buying copies and subscribing in the first place to get the venture off the ground.

Arthur Sharman and Pat Wythe

AFRICAN DRUMS

Master Sabar Drummer, **Modou Diouf**, is back! Modou is from the Serre people of Senegal and comes from a long line of griots (musicians). His instrument is the Sabar drum, played with the hand and stick which is great fun and very noisy! Please join us for a short concert when Modou and his students will entertain you with powerful and intricate rhythms played on many different Sabar drums, a real taste of West Africa!

Sunday, 11th March at 3pm in the Village Hall.

All welcome. Free entry and refreshments.

HORTICULTURAL SHOW

The schedule for the 2007 show has been included with this edition of the Village News. If anyone did not receive one or has any questions about entries please contact **Maddy Dabbs** on 725114 or **Jane Kirkeby** on 723079.

CHRISTMAS DAY SWIM

A belated “thank you” to everyone who sponsored me for this event. £750 was raised; this was matched by Standard Chartered Bank and along with Gift Aid meant over £1,500 went to the Seeing is Believing Sight Savers Charity.

Jodie Ellis

BOARD OF MANAGEMENT

We are pleased to announce that Jane Kirkeby has agreed to become a member of the Board to replace Elizabeth Leighton. Jane is already responsible for the advertising section of the Newsletter.

Brian Payne, Chairman

SAFER NEIGHBOURHOODS

This is the name of the amended scheme being introduced by Suffolk police in March, in conjunction with Neighbourhood Watch.

There will be a meeting in the Village Hall annex on Thursday 22nd of March at 7.30pm. Our Safer Neighbourhood Team, PC Mike Upson (whom most of you already know) and our Community Support Officer, a woman officer, will give a short presentation of the new support materials available to us. It should be an interesting meeting. I hope you can come along.

Annie Kiff-Wood (725033)

HELLO DARLING – WHOEVER YOU ARE!

I suffer severely from prosopagnosia:

I can't put a name to a face.

It's getting to be a disturbing neurosis,

Not knowing the one I embrace.

The village is changing its old population

With newcomers here by the score;

The problem is one of identification –

Now who has just come to the door?

I need some assistance to aid recognition

On beach or in new four-by-four:

I may get a clue from their new acquisition,

A golden or black labrador.

The troubles involved in an unforeseen meeting

That's likely to drive me insane,

Can sometimes be solved by a meaningless greeting

Or running like hell down the lane!

“Puffin”

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room The Green
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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – 5TH FEBRUARY 2007

Planning – The Parish Council had no objections to replacement floating pontoons for Landing Stages W02 and W29 at the harbour. The planning application for extensions to Toby Cottage, Leveretts lane had been withdrawn.

Size of Parish Councils – It was agreed that the Council should continue to elect seven members at the forthcoming election in May.

Repairs to Village Green – The Council agreed to allow shingle to be laid on the area of their land next to the Heritage Hut but parking would be strictly prohibited. Should parking occur then the Council would insist on the area being returned to grass. The Council will be carrying out seeding to the Village Green in the spring. Repairs to the Village Green would also shortly be carried out by the owners of Poplar Cottage.

Flood Protection -Dunwich Meeting – Councillors David Webb and Alvin Hunt had attended the Dunwich Parish Meeting. They reported that Dunwich were very keen to work closely with Walberswick, but considered it necessary to wait for the outcome of the Dunwich – Walberswick Study by the Environment Agency before taking any action.

Church Lane – It was agreed to report the state of the Lane to the Suffolk Heritage Association.

Binding of Parish Council Minutes – The Clerk reported that the Council had minutes from 1894 in its possession. Up to 1965 these were kept in handwritten minute books and were in good condition. From 1965 -1980 the loose leaf minutes were bound in four volumes. Since 1980 the minutes had been kept in loose leaf folders and were vulnerable to loss or damage. It was agreed that the Clerk should look into having these loose leaf papers bound. It was also agreed that a new system using a specialist binder and paper should be purchased and used with immediate effect so that binding would not be necessary in the future.

Vivien Hunt - Clerk to Council

HOME WANTED

We will be in need of a place to live beginning 1st May--sadly (for us), the owners of Saltings want it back for a holiday home. If you know of any property in the village that might suit our needs - four bedrooms, or three plus a room in which to work - preferably for long term rental but possible purchase also considered, could you please let us know.

Denis and Astrid King
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Laurie is Dead

Those in the village who knew my mother Wyn's friend and companion, Laurie, will be sad to hear that he passed away sometime in January. The funeral has yet to be arranged.. For more information please call me on 725426.

Jude Riddell

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Starring Yves Montand, Gérard Depardieu and Daniel Auteuil, and directed by Claud Berri, **Jean de Florette** is a simple yet gripping story of human greed, beautifully told and superbly acted in a stunning location. Jean de Florette was made in 1986 and adapted from Marcel Pagnol's novel: the story takes place in rural Provence.

Jean de Florette (PG) subtitles, 7.30pm Village Hall, Sunday 18th March 2007

Kay Ungless (ungless@aol.com, 722655)

GRAND QUIZ AT THE BELL

8 pm Friday 9 March. £8 per team of 4: in aid of Marie Curie Great Daffodil Pub Challenge.

Hope to see you there.

Ben Cardwell

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PILATES	Village Hall Wednesdays 8.45am Thursdays 4pm
AUSTERITY LUNCHEONS	Village Hall Fridays 12.30pm 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th
QUIZ AT THE BELL	Friday 9th at 8pm
AFRICAN DRUMS	Village Hall Sunday 11th 3pm
FOLK DANCING	Sunday 18th 1pm
WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB	Sunday 18th 7.30pm
NORWICH BUS	Thursday 15th
SAFER NEIGHBOURHOOD MEETING	Village Hall Annex Thursday 22nd 7.30pm

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04 2nd of Lent 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrant Canon Jane Wilson
 11 3rd of Lent 0930 Sung Eucharist
 The Revd Brian Fisher
 1800 Choral Evensong
 Preacher The Revd Heather Turner
 18 **Mothering Sunday** 1100 Mattins
 Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher
 25 5th of Lent 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrant The Revd Simon Ward

Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
 Wednesday 1000 Holy Communion 1662

No flower arrangements in church during Lent

Cleaners

2 Suzanne Burlingham Betty Jones
 Pat Wythe Wendy Sinclair (brass)
 9 Sheila Davies Elizabeth Leighton
 Janet Simpson
 16 Diane Dawson Cynthia Jackson
 Mary King Julia Josephs (brass)
 23 Chris and Wendy Sinclair
 Margreet Walpole

Sidesman's Rota

4th Mary Nuttall Jean Waller 0930
 11th Christine Mitchell 0930
 Darryl & Diane Dawson 1800
 18th P & M Gordon-Potts 0930
 25th Mary King Mary Nuttall 0930

AUSTERITY LUNCHESES

These lunches will be held in Walberswick Village Hall on the five Fridays in March, 12.30 - 1.30pm. Profits to go to the Southwold Voluntary Health Centre.

Wendy Sinclair (Hon. Sec.)

WI

Epidemics – What's New?

Mrs Audrey Wormold is to give us a talk on this interesting subject at the next meeting on Wednesday April 11th at 2.30pm. Visitors are always welcome. We were treated to some wonderful slides of the Stour Estuary from Rik Vonk of the RSPB. I can recommend a visit to the woodland area with its wealth of spring flowers.

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Greetings in Christ's name.

During the coming month there are to be memorial services at St Andrew's Church enabling us to give thanks for the lives of two people. On Friday 2nd March, at 3.00 p.m., we shall remember Angela MacKay, and on Wednesday 28th March, at 11.30am, we shall remember Audrey Munford. You will be welcome at either or both services. The ecumenical lectures continue on Sunday evenings during March, 6.00 pm., at Southwold United Reform Church. In previous years these lectures have generally been of a very high standard and have been warmly received by those who have attended; so, once again, please feel free to join us. Details of the lectures are:

4th "*I am the light of the world*" given by The Revd Charles Croll
 11th "*I am the bread of life*" given by The Revd David Herrick
 18th "*I am the gate for the sheep*" given by The Revd Vanessa Herrick
 25th "*I am the way, and the truth, and the life*" given by The Ven David Brierley

We are to have our first wedding of the year on Saturday, 31st March, when Simon Henderson is to marry Alison Cochrane. Please remember Simon & Ali in your prayers as they prepare for their big day and their future life together.

Just a reminder that there will be no Luncheon Club this month (during Lent). Please note that April's Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 20th April and **NOT** on the second Friday as is usual.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

Ruth Bassett is so grateful to all her friends for their many kindnesses, thoughts and prayers on the occasion of the tragic loss of her beloved grandson, Daniel. Thank you all very much.

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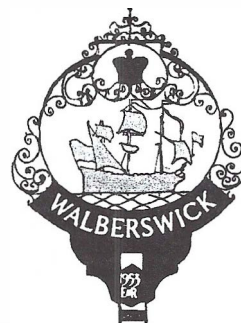
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DAVID SHIRREFF BIRD SONG WALK

This year's walk will take place on Saturday 5th May 2007. It will be led, as last year, by **Tony Lancaster**. Please meet as usual at 5.30am in the Hoist Wood Car Park.

(Contributions will again be shared equally between Walberswick Church and the Dingle Marshes Project).

Breakfast at the Bell Hotel has proved to be a fitting end to the morning's endeavours: those who wish to partake please make your reservation with the Bell Hotel prior to the Walk Day.
Tony Lancaster

VELLORE BAZAAR

The annual Bazaar will be held on Saturday 5th May 2007 from 2pm to 4pm at Walberswick Village Hall. Entrance charge will be £1.00 (children 50p) for which you will be entitled to tea and a cake. Amongst other stalls and games there will be Raffles, Plants, Cakes, Books, Gifts and Toys. A leaflet detailing the contact names and telephone numbers will be distributed to all homes in Walberswick in the next week or two if you wish to give items to any of the stalls. Proceeds to go to Vellore Mission.

Judith Morton (724572)

HAPPY FAMILIES, TANGLED LIVES

What a tour de force! The village hall may be limited but Julia Sowerbutts, Val Anderson and Astrid King succeeded again in transforming it. John Wardell and Toby Robinson constructed a wonderful set to which Clive Jackson added a magnificent chair. Many familiar faces in the village lent a hand to help it all come together. The talent of Denis King shone through in his compositions as he played his own music and coaxed fine performances from the singers on the stage. Their singing was really admirable and Sidi Scott had them dancing like old troupers.

The four actors were imported (how else would you find this age group in Walberswick?) and convinced us all of their talent and professionalism.

Ben Cardwell

VILLAGE HALL KITCHEN APPEAL

We have had a fantastic response to the Kitchen Appeal and can now commit to upgrading the kitchen, although further contributions are still most welcome! As well as the kitchen being upgraded to meet current Health and Safety standards, the overall kitchen facilities will be much improved. This ensures the Village Hall will be enhanced and safeguarded as a valuable amenity for the future, and Community assistance will have been instrumental in achieving this.

Thanks to all you very generous Walberswickians!

Mark Aldridge
Chairman, Village Hall Management Committee

WALBERSWICK FETE

This year the Fete takes place on Saturday August 25th. This is a wonderful village event and we are in need of a wonderful person to organise it! If you are at all interested please contact me as soon as possible on **07887570446** or **01502 724013**.

Mark Aldridge
Chairman, Village Hall Management Committee

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Made in 1941, our April film is *The Maltese Falcon* (Cert PG). Directed by John Huston, starring Humphrey Bogart, Peter Lorre, Mary Astor and Sidney Greenstreet, *The Maltese Falcon* appears in anyone's list of 100 best films. A brilliant adaptation of Dashiell Hammett's novel, the definitive Private Eye Sam Spade is hounded by police when his partner is killed whilst tailing a man...His client turns out to be not who she says she is...Moral dilemmas, deceptions and complications abound.

Sunday, 15th April 2007 in The Village Hall at 7.30pm Guests and non-members welcome.

Kay Ungless (ungless@aol.com, 722655)

NORWICH BUS

The Common Lands Charity will only continue to fund the free monthly bus to Norwich if the numbers hold up. A 16 passenger mini-bus leaves the village the third Thursday of each month at 9:30am, arriving at John Lewis around 10:30am and picking up again at 2pm. The next bus is April 19: **use it or lose it!** Call **Jane Kirkeby (723079)** to book a place.

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU e-mail julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723 275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – MONDAY 5TH MARCH

A12 (North) Speed Limit Review – Changes were being proposed to the speed limits along the A12 at Blythburgh, Wrentham and Yoxford. The Council supported these changes but rued the costs of these being implemented and removed in a short period of time.

Future of vehicle bridge (The Harbour) – Waveney DC had decided that they no longer required the vehicle bridge. However, the Principal Service Manager had agreed to lead a project to try and secure funding for replacing it. He would contact all organisations that would have a use for the bridge including The Environment Agency, Parish Council etc.

Rubbish lying in the street etc. - The Council was very concerned about the amount of unsightly rubbish in the street caused by holiday lets placing rubbish bags in the street before the due collection dates. This can be avoided by residents, who are involved in holiday letting, making alternative arrangements to ensure the rubbish is put out at the correct time.

Locality Grant – Suffolk County Council had granted £500.00 of their locality budget to go towards binding the past minutes of the Parish Council into book form.

Church Lane repairs – The state of the surface of the lane had been reported to Suffolk Heritage Housing and was placed on their list for repairs.

Sportsfield water leak – This had now been resolved. Thanks were extended to Councillor Tibbles and Councillor K Webb for undertaking the work.

Forthcoming Parish Council events

Annual Parish Meeting – This will be held on Thursday 26th April, in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm. Please join us for this meeting to hear what has been happening on the Parish Council during the last year. There will also be reports from the Common Lands Charity Trust, the District and County Councillor and local organisations.

Beach Clean – There will be a beach clean on Sunday 22nd April, 10am – 12 noon. Please help: gloves and bags provided

Parish Council Elections – These take place on Thursday, 3rd May between the hours of 7am and 10pm at the Village Hall. If you wish to stand for the Council, nomination papers may be obtained from the Returning Officer at Suffolk Coastal District Council or from the Clerk (St. Francis, Stocks Lane). Completed nomination papers must be returned to the Returning officer at Suffolk Coastal after 26th March but **not** later than noon on Wednesday, 4th April. Further information can be found on notice boards at the Village Hall and Stocks Lane.

Vivien Hunt - Clerk to Council

HORTICULTURAL EVENTS

Jill Whittenbury has kindly agreed to give us tips about culinary entries for the Village Show, on Wednesday April 25th at 7.30pm in the Village Hall Annex. We also hope to arrange a coach trip to Hyde Hall, a wonderful RHS garden, in early May.

If interested in either event please contact **Maddy Dabbs** on 725114 or **Jane Kirkeby** on 723079.

HUMPHREY JENNINGS

This year is the centenary of Oscar nominated film maker Humphrey Jennings, who was born in the village in 1907. To mark the occasion I will be showing Jennings' films in the Village Hall over the week-end of 29/30 September (a change from the previously notified May dates). More details to follow next month.

James Darkins (722110)

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WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB	Village Hall Sunday 15th 7.30pm
NORWICH BUS	Thursday 19th 9.30am
LUNCH CLUB	Friday 20th 12.30pm
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING	Village Hall Thursday 26th 7.30pm

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 06 Good Friday 1400 One hour devotion
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 08 Easter Day 0930 Easter Day Eucharist
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 Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
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Flower arrangers

- 06 EASTER Vera Smith (Br.Legion)
 13 EASTER
 20 Dione Shirreff
 27 Anne Paton

Church Cleaners

- 06 Suzanne Burlingham Di Dawson
 Janet Simpson brass Margreet Walpole
 13 Craster & Kathleen Patterson
 Sheila Davies brass Pat Wythe
 20 Chris/Wendy Sinclair Judith Hetherington brass Sarah Lawrence
 27 Janet Simpson Pat Wythe Betty Jones brass Sarah Lawrence

Sidesman's Rota

- 01 Ruth Bassett Ian Bruce-Jones
 06 Christine Mitchell
 08 Darryl & Diane Dawson
 15 Mary King Mary Nuttall
 22 Ian Bruce-Jones Chris Sinclair
 28 Jean Waller Suzanne Burlingham

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING April 19th at 7.30pm in church

This is an important opportunity for the congregation to elect the people they want to be on the PCC. Members can ask questions about the finances of the church, the state of the church building, or any matter of concern to the parish. Those present will hear many interesting reports and the discussions that follow. Ending at 9pm.

Julia Josephs Secretary to the PCC

WI

Epidemics – What's new?

Our April Meeting on April 11th was incorrectly announced for March!

The proposed speaker in March was suddenly taken ill, and Margot was able to replace her with Mary-Anne Bartlett, a superb artist/safari lover speaker with slides. Her talk concerned Livingstone's country, the great Zambezi river and Lake Nyasa, and all the wonderful wild animals.

The March meeting opened with a long and interesting report from Celia as our delegate at the AGM of the Suffolk WI which ended with a brilliant speech from Ann Widdecome. Seven other members accompanied Celia.

We also heard from Margot of a most amusing Magic Evening at the Group Meeting at Kelsale WI which eight other members attended.

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

With the arrival of warmer weather it has been great to see gardens coming to life again and to see young lambs in fields around our area. All these signs of new life remind me that Easter Sunday will soon be with us, a day when Christians celebrate one of their key festivals i.e. the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Why not join us at our service that Sunday, which will be suitable for all the family?

Details of the final two Lent lectures are as follows:
 1st "I am the true vine" given by Dr Esther Shreeve, at Southwold URC Church.

8th "I am the Resurrection and the Life" given by The Right Reverend Clive Young, at the Ecumenical Praise Service at St Edmund's Church Southwold.

On the Wednesday of Holy Week, 4th April, at 7.15 p.m., there is to be a special showing of Mel Gibson's film 'The Passion', at Southwold Picture Palace. Tickets, which are free, can be obtained from the Team Office at Southwold Vicarage. Some of you will already be aware that our Team Rector, Canon Jane Wilson, will be leaving us later this year for hillier pastures. She has been appointed part-time house-for-duty priest of five rural parishes in Devon. Her last Sunday with the team will be on 1st July.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting of St Andrew's will take place on Thursday 19th April, at 7.30 p.m., in the church.

A further reminder that the Luncheon Club this month will be on Friday 20th April at 12.30 p.m. A very happy Easter to you all,

Brian Fisher

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THE ANNUAL WALBERSWICK DISCUSSION AND DEBATE

The 9th Discussion/Debate will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm on Friday May 11th. For these evenings we select a topic of national significance for which there is no agreed solution. Our aim is not the immodest one of finding a solution where others have failed – though that would be nice! – but rather that we may be a little better informed.

The subject this year is “The Prison Service in the 21st Century”. What is prison for? Is it punishment? Is it rehabilitation and training? Or is prison to lock people up so that they cannot re-offend? And what is prison like? Is it, as some believe, too much like a holiday camp? Does prison do anybody any good at all?

Leading us in our discussion will be Mr. Declan Moore, Governor of Her Majesty’s Prison at Hollesley Bay. Mr. Moore has had 22 years experience in the Prison Service, having previously served in the Merchant Navy for 16 years. He will speak for about 40 minutes, leaving good time for questions and discussion. We will end with a glass of wine and snacks.

These evenings are organised by the Conservative Party in the village, but are completely non-political in nature. They are open to all members of the village, and to visitors, free of charge.

Peter Gordon-Potts

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

It was a bright, blustery day for the WGA match on the 31st March, and fortunately the course had dried out & was in good condition. Alan Porter breezed in with 18 points. Mark Waller & myself swept in with 16 points, but I nicked it on count-back, to come second, with Mark third. On the 5th hole, Andrew Horsbrough was nearest the pin, I was nearest the tee and Brian Tibbles was nearest the next field!

Thanks for turning up and see you all soon for another round of self-flagellation.

Chas Elliott

WALBERSWICK BUSES

Details of the buses which serve the village are as follows:

Run by the Suffolk county council: No.536 to Beccles on Tuesday & Friday (excluding public holidays) departs from the harbour at 9.25 & arrives at 10.25, returning homewards at 13.00. The fare is £2.70 single (free for concessions) The Walberswick Common Lands Charity Trust supports two services, both of which are free:

a) Weekly Wednesday bus to Halesworth departs at 10.00 & leaves for home at 11.45. Every 1st. Wednesday of the month this bus goes to Lowestoft instead of Halesworth; check arrival and return times with Wayland mini bus services (716989)

b) 3rd Thursday of the month Norwich bus departs at 9.30, arrives at 10.30 & leaves for home at 14.00.

All buses pick up at various points in the village, & if on the way in may be slightly early.

Eveline Hastings

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

After two meetings and much discussion with individuals, it is clear that the recent spate of incidents has caused many people to question whether our ‘laid-back’ life-style in Walberswick is coming to an end. This need not be, but it is necessary, individually, to check our security arrangements. One person’s carelessness or casualness is another’s risk: we must not be seen as a ‘soft touch’. The police ask all second-home owners to make quiet, efficient arrangements: reliable, nearby keyholders; timed interior lighting; low-level exterior lighting over dark entrances; properly secured out-houses, etc. Twenty people in various parts of the village have kindly offered to be extra ‘eyes and ears’. Ring 999 if you see a crime being committed (or even if you suspect one). For other problems, ring me. We’ll soon, I am sure, be back to normal.

Annie Kiff-Wood, Co-ordinator (725033)

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU e-mail julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723 275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT - 2ND APRIL, 2007

Planning – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of a summer house at 8, The Terrace but opposed applications for the relocation of a vehicular access at Mill Cottage, The Street and for the erection of a single storey and two storey extension at Toby Cottage, Leveretts Lane.

Locality Grant - A grant for £500.00 had been received from SCC for the binding of the past Parish Council Minutes. Thanks were extended to County Councillor Rae Leighton for his assistance in acquiring this grant.

Receipts and payments for the year ending 31st March, 2007 - The Clerk had prepared details of the receipts and payments for the year ending 31st March 2007. These would be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting and copies would be made available to the public. The Clerk pointed out that nearly £6,000.00 had been spent on Village facilities: i.e. Village sign, Jubilee seat and play equipment repairs, a new rabbit-proof fence for the playing field and a new swing on the Village Green. £5,200 had been obtained in grants to help pay for these costs.

Fencing on the Dunes – It was reported that some of the fencing on the dunes had become dangerous. It was agreed to report this to the Environment Agency.

Bus shelter – The Clerk reported that she had spoken to the thatcher and carpenter and that the work to the new roof should be undertaken in the near future

Vivien Hunt - Clerk to Council

Forthcoming Parish Council Elections

These take place on Thursday 3rd May at the Village Hall. There are ten candidates for seven seats on the Council.

DON'T BELIEVE ALL YOU HEAR!

I see in the local press that Richard Curtis is apparently setting his next film project in Walberswick.

Just in case anyone is interested, Richard is indeed *writing* his next movie while in Walberswick this summer, but the film has absolutely nothing to do with the village whatsoever – or any village for that matter. It's a comedy about the music industry. So hopefully the only village disruption that will be coming from Richard is the sound of his typing and noisily sipping tea.

Emma Freud

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our 2006/7 Season closes with Dustin Hoffman and Jessica Lange in *Tootsie* (Cert PG). Dustin Hoffman plays yet another of his unforgettable characters - the desperate actor, Michael Dorsey, who can't find a job. *Tootsie* is a small masterpiece of intelligent comedy, full of emotions, love and interesting observations. Directed by Sidney Pollack and written by Larry Gelbart, *Tootsie* was released in 1982.

After another most successful year, the 2007/8 Season will begin on Sunday, 16th September. *Tootsie*, Sunday 20th May, 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Guests and non-members welcome.

Kay Ungless (e: ungless@aol.com, (722655))

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY	Wednesdays 2.30pm Village Hall
LIBRARY BUS	Alternate Fridays 11th and 25th 2.30pm Church 3pm Village Hall
LOCAL ELECTION	Thursday 3rd 7am-10pm Village Hall
BIRD SONG WALK	Saturday 5th 5.30am Hoist Car Park
VELLORE BAZAAR	Village Hall Saturday 5th 2-4pm
LUNCH CLUB	Friday 11th 12.30pm in the Village Hall
WALBERSWICK DISCUSSION AND DEBATE	Friday 11th 7.30pm Village Hall
WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB	Village Hall Sunday 20th 7.30pm
KEEP FIT	Village Hall Tuesdays 10-11am
TAICHI	Village Hall Mondays 1-3pm
YOGA	Village Hall Mondays 10-11.15am
DRAWING AND PAINTING	Village Hall Thursdays 10-12 noon and 1.30-3.30pm
PILATES	Village Hall Wednesdays 8.45am Thursdays 4pm
NORWICH BUS	Thursday 17th 9.30am

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 13 6th after Easter 0930 Sung Eucharist
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also 1800 Choral Evensong
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 20 7th after Easter 1100 Morning Prayer
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 27 **Pentecost 1100 Confirmation Service
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Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
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Flower arrangers

04 Susan Walpole
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 11 Catherine Simpson
 18 Judy Morton
 25 Mandy Aldridge

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 25 Janet Simpson Elizabeth Leighton
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Sidesman's Rota

06 Ian Bruce-Jones Mary King
 13 Ruth Bassett Suzanne Burlingham
Evensong Peter & Marjorie Gordon-Potts
 20 Ruth Bassett Jean Waller

PARISH REGISTER

2nd March 2007 Thanksgiving service for the life
 of: **Angela MacKay** aged 90
 28th March 2007 Thanksgiving service for the life
 of: **Audrey Munford** aged 85
 31st March 2007 Holy Matrimony
Alison Jane Cochrane with **Simon Charles
 Henderson**

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Resolutions and Fair Trade

We always seem to find interesting and humorous speakers, and Audrey Wormold proved no exception on April 11th. Her fascinating account of the recent outbreak of epidemics in hospitals is little different from the similar problem with pneumonia last century before antibiotics. Her advice was clearly to avoid hospital visits whenever possible! At the meetings in May we usually discuss the current year's Resolutions and then record our votes. This year there is only one resolution put forward, so, with nothing to discuss, we shall eagerly await an as yet unknown speaker on May 9th. We shall all be looking younger due to the generosity of Dove and their samples of body cream oil!

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

I hope that many people were able to see the wonderful array of flowers in St Andrew's at Easter and beyond. The great selection of colourful blooms was partly a legacy of flowers that were left after Simon & Ali Henderson's wedding, and partly the great work of our flower arrangers under the direction of Mary King. A big 'thank you' to everyone concerned, as well as to Patsy Murray, the band and the choir for leading our music on Easter Sunday.

During May we have two more Christian festivals to celebrate. On Thursday 17th at St Andrew's Church Sotherton, at 7.30 p.m., we shall have a team service to celebrate Ascension Day i.e. the day on which Christ ascended into heaven. On Sunday 27th at St Nicholas Church Wrentham, at 11.00 a.m., there will a team service to celebrate Pentecost (you may remember it better as Whitsunday) when we celebrate God's gift of the Holy Spirit to his followers.

A deanery event that the Sole Bay Team will host this year is the Visitation by The Archdeacon of Sudbury, The Venerable Geoffrey Arrand; this will take place on Wednesday, 2nd May, 7.30 p.m. at St Peter & St Paul's Church Wangford. This rather strange sounding event is when all the elected and re-elected church wardens of the 26 churches within the Halesworth Deanery are 'sworn in' before the Archdeacon, and then receive his 'charge' i.e. what he expects of them (not sterling!) during the coming year.

The Luncheon club will take place on Friday 11th May, 12.30 p.m., in the Village Hall.

Yours in Christ's service,
Brian Fisher.

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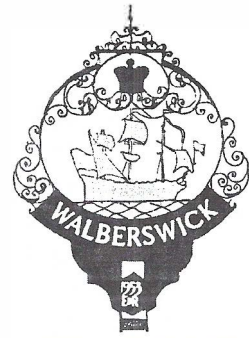
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WALBERSWICK SEA DEFENCE GROUP

Further to the recent newsletter, the Group would like to thank you all for the encouraging response to the appeal for financial assistance.

The Group comprises members of both the Parish Council and the Common Lands Trust; others with specialist knowledge and experience may be co-opted in future. The Trustees will make the £10,000 unallocated car park income surplus for 2006 available to support the initial fighting fund, and will consider future funding requests as and when required.

The SDG are mindful that any money raised needs to be spent wisely. To this end we are taking both legal and technical advice, thus ensuring that our aims and objectives are realistic and achievable.

We will shortly be setting up a website, to ensure that the strategy of the Sea Defence Group is more widely broadcast. The site will be regularly updated so that those who are interested will be kept fully informed. Once again, we sincerely thank all those that have offered help; they can be sure that, as and when their particular expertise is needed, they will be called upon to provide it.

If you haven't already made a pledge, it isn't too late. Extra pledge forms can be obtained from the Clerk to the Parish Council (Tel: 723142).

WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS CHARITY TRUST

The Trustees were surprised and delighted when Peter Gordon-Potts and Jane Kirkeby approached them with the proposition that the parcels of land now called Bennett's Copse and Bennett's Drift should be bought by them and then gifted to the Charity Trust. They wanted to ensure long-term protection and maintenance of the land for the benefit of the Village. Bennett's Copse is reached by the track leading off The Street between Anchor Cottages and Lane End, and the Drift is between Leverett's Lane and the grazing marshes.

Other than seeking preliminary advice from land agents Durrants, and from Natural England about woodland management, no definite decisions have been made about what, if anything, to do with it. The Trustees welcome suggestions: they will be considered in the light of professional advice and the Trust's land and property management strategy - which is, briefly, to ensure optimum benefit by good management.

The Trustees are extremely grateful to Peter and Jane for their far-sightedness and generosity.

Barbara Priestman - Chairman, WCLCT

WALBERSWICK KIDS' BOOK

Calling all children who love Walberswick. Please draw a picture of your house (whether you live in it all year round, or just rent it for a week) and write on the picture your name, and why you love the village. Your pictures will be made into a book to sell at the August Village Fete. All proceeds to the Sea Defence Fund. Please hand your pictures in, on A4 paper, to Tinkers on the Green. We can't wait to see them!

Esther Freud

THE DAVID SHIRREFF BIRD SONG WALK

This year saw the inauguration of a revised route, as Natural England allowed us the use of one of their own footpaths. A dull morning, but the wind stayed light so sound carried. Playing hard to get was a Dartford Warbler, but its scolding 'Churr' emanated from its home of thick heather and we also heard the explosive chatter of Cetti's. As we descended East Hill two Bitterns flapped slowly by in stately formation; a Hen Harrier, a remnant of winter, drifted over the reed bed; and a small flock of Bar-tailed Godwits in their summer livery were seen feeding in an adjacent field. A big thank you to young Lucy who once again kept tally of our sightings (56), to Flip for keeping everyone informed as to what was going on, and to all who contributed handsomely to the passing of the hat (£80.00). The latter will be divided equally between Walberswick Church and the SWT/RSPB Dingle Marshes Project.

Tony Lancaster

SUMMER THEATRE FETE

Come to Westons on Sunday 1st July 1.30 - 4.30 pm for a fun afternoon for all the family. Parking will be available from 1.00 pm at £2 (cheaper than the carparks!) which will include a programme of timed events; pedestrians pay 50p at the gate and also receive a programme. We have all the usual stalls, and a full programme of entertainment takes place in the barn, which includes our local Children's Brass Band, and a Children's Dog Show. We hope you can come along and support us. Further details from

Val Anderson (724609)

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – 14TH MAY, 2007

Mrs Madeleine Dabbs was elected Chairman of the Parish Council and Mr Robin Buncombe was elected as Vice Chairman. Mrs Mandy Aldridge was welcomed onto the Council as a newly elected member.

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of a two-storey side extension at Halsey, Lodge Road, the erection of a studio extension at Cheswyn, Adams Lane and to the revisions to an existing outbuilding at Ferry House, Ferry Road. However, the Parish Council opposed an extension to The Anchor Hotel on the grounds that the extension, which is well forward of the building, would have a detrimental effect on the character, appearance and form of the existing attractive building.

Planning Decisions - The Parish Council were very disappointed at the decision to allow the relocation of a vehicular access at Mill Cottage because of the safety aspect of exiting the property. The decision to allow an extension at Toby Cottage was also met with disappointment because of the overmassing of the site and lack of parking spaces for such a large development. It was agreed to write to Suffolk Coastal concerning these decisions.

Speed Guns – As a result of concerns reported by residents, it was agreed to write to the Police asking if they would support a scheme that had been introduced in other villages, whereby volunteers were supplied with speed guns in the battle to slow down motorists who race through the street. The volunteers would be working with the co-operation of the police and County Council.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS CHARITY TRUST

Would you like to become a Trustee? At their meeting on Monday 2 July, Walberswick Parish Council will be required to appoint one Nominative Trustee, with effect from 23 August 2007. If you would like to be considered, please inform the Clerk of the Parish Council in writing no later than Monday 18 June. A job description is available from the Clerk (723142). You may also contact Barbara Priestman, Chairman of the Trust, for further information (723914).

The Council will exclude the public from the meeting during its deliberations on the matter.

The WCLCT manages land and property in order to generate an income that can be distributed to benefit a wide range of individuals and organisations in the village. The Trustees are responsible for making decisions about how this should be done, and ensuring that they are carried out effectively and within Charity Commission regulations and guidelines.

A range of skills and experience is needed. This vacancy will, ideally, be filled by somebody who will be sensitive to the needs of beneficiaries and have some understanding of land management. Above all, candidates must have an enthusiasm for the work of the Trust.

Anyone over the age of 18 may apply.

Vivien Hunt, Clerk to the Council, St Francis, Seven Acres Lane

VILLAGE FETE

We need a design for the cover of the Village Fete Programme! If you are under 16, please forward your design (A4 size) to Jodie Ellis, Te Awahou, Millfield Road by June 30th. The best design will be used for the Programme cover and perhaps also for posters. We are also looking for people to help organise the Fete, so if you are able to assist, please contact me on 724013.

Mark Aldridge, Chairman

Village Hall Management Committee

VILLAGE HALL PAINTING GROUP

Many thanks to all those who helped to paint the Hall. It was a great communal effort and involved at least 40 people over three weekends. Special thanks go to Wayne Haslegrave for painting the ceiling and to Julia Sowerbutts for organising it all. I hope you all enjoyed the party on May 20th and I look forward to volunteers when we starting thatching the roof! Or maybe not...

Mark Aldridge, Chairman

Village Hall Management Committee

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY	Wednesdays 2.30pm Village Hall
LIBRARY BUS	Alternate Fridays 8th and 22nd 2.30pm Church 3pm Village Hall
LUNCH CLUB	Friday 8th 12.30pm in the Village Hall
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YOGA	Village Hall Mondays 10-11.15am
DRAWING AND PAINTING	Village Hall Thursdays 10-12 noon and 1.30-3.30pm
PILATES	Village Hall Wednesdays 8.45am Thursdays 4pm
NORWICH BUS	Thursday 21st 9.30am

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COMIC RELIEF

The weekend held in March at Westons on behalf of Comic Relief was no ordinary weekend! A tremendous sum of £11,734.40 was raised.

Very many thanks to all who participated and attended the events.

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Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

10 Trinity 1 0930 *Sung Eucharist*
Celebrant The Revd David Eaton
also 1800 *Choral Evensong*

Preacher Canon Jane Wilson

17 Trinity 2 1100 *Morning Prayer*
Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher

24 John the Baptist 0930 *Sung Eucharist*
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

Every Tuesday 1700 *Evening Prayer (said)*

Wednesday 1000 *Holy Communion 1662*

Wednesday (13) *Healing Service with CW*

Flower arrangers

- 01 Sue Green
Vivien Hunt (British Legion)
08 Kathleen Patterson
15 Sara Capon
22 Elizabeth Leighton
29 Dione Shirreff

Church Cleaners

- 01 Ruth Bassett Di Dawson
Margreet Walpole *brass* Pat Wythe
08 Craster & Kathleen Patterson
Suzanne Burlingham *brass* Pat Wythe
15 Chris/Wendy Sinclair Sheila Davies
brass Stephanie Anderson
25 Elizabeth Leighton Betty Jones
Pat Wythe *brass* Stephanie Anderson
29 Ruth Bassett Judith Hetherington
Mary King *brass* Heather Hyne

Sidesman's Rota

- 03 Ian Bruce-Jones Suzanne Burlingham
10 Ruth Bassett Pat Wythe
Choral Evensong Derek and Mary Burke
17 Sarah Lawrence Mary King
24 Jean Waller Mary Nuttall

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Garden Meeting

We are delighted to be invited to the Bridge House Nurseries by Roger Collier, and to hear him give a talk and some advice on the growing of clematis.

We shall enjoy our cuppa and cakes in his excellent café.

At the last meeting we had a very good talk on all aspects of Fair Trade by Julia Williamson.

Julia Josephs

JANE'S SPECIAL VISIT

Canon Jane Wilson is kindly taking Choral Evensong (6pm) in Walberswick on Sunday June 10th. We feel very privileged as she will be leaving us three weeks later to take up her new position in Devon and her services must be in great demand. The usual augmented choir will be singing and by good fortune have chosen the hymn Guide me, O thou great Redeemer!

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

As most people will be aware by now, our Team Rector, Canon Jane Wilson, is moving on (in semi-retirement) to a group of five rural parishes in Devon. Her last Sunday here in Walberswick will be at Choral Evensong on 10th June. Her last service with the team will be at St Edmund's Church Southwold on 1st July at 6.00 pm. Everyone is welcome at either/both services.

St Andrew's PCC recently decided that, because very few children (often none) have been attending our monthly Family Service over the last year, we should no longer hold that service other than for special occasions e.g. Christmas or Mothering Sunday. It does seem that for various reasons 9.30 am on a Sunday morning is not a good time. I wonder if there is any mileage in me arranging a monthly Family Service at a different time on a Sunday (e.g. in the afternoon) or on a different day? It would be helpful if people, particularly those with families, would let me have some feedback on these thoughts.

Our monthly Luncheon Club will take place this month on Friday, 8th June; usual time (12.30 pm.), usual place (Village Hall), usual cost (£6).

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher.

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24th April 2007: Interment of Ashes

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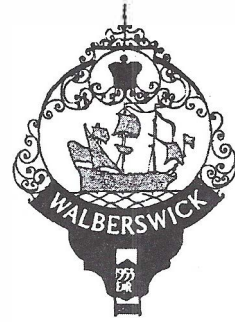
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SUFFOLK CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE 2007

On Saturday, September 8th, we shall be organizing the refreshments for all those cycling or walking in aid of Suffolk Churches. Last year Walberswick cyclists raised an impressive £1200 which was divided between St. Andrews Church and others in the county. We very much hope that we can match this great effort in 2007, so ask again for all you keen cyclists and walkers to volunteer a day riding around our beautiful countryside, visiting lovely old churches with generous sponsors urging you on. Sponsor forms will be available in July from us at Blinkers, Stocks Lane or phone 722439 and we will deliver. We look forward to hearing from you.

Margot and Maurice Godbold

SUFFOLK COASTAL GROUP

We are holding an exhibition in the Village Hall for one weekend only. It will be open from 11am to 6pm on Saturday July 14th and Sunday July 15th. The show will include paintings, prints pastels, drawings and ceramics. Members exhibiting are: Penny Butterworth, Ray Burgoyne, Miles Fairhurst, Glynn Hugo, Eveline Hastings, Julie Noad, Anne Paton, Christine and Jorgen Sedgwick and guest Harry Webster. Everyone is welcome!

Anne Paton

"OH NO IT ISN'T" "OH YES IT IS!"

Too soon Summer will be fading
The sun's heat clearly gone
Days drawing shorter
Evenings dark and long.

Forget being bored and lonely
Come and join the fun
For your pantomime is calling
And welcomes EVERYONE.

Auditions for "Robin Hood/ Babes in the Wood" will be on Sunday September 2nd/9th 3.00- 5.00 pm at Lilliput, Lodge Road. If you would like to help in any way, come and sign up or ring one of us.

Val Anderson (724609) Julia Sowerbutts (723179)

RNLI FETE

May 28th - a day of wonder: The rain torrenteth down, the wind bloweth a hoolie, and visitors were as rare as Brian buying a drinketh. Wonder? Yup - a total give or take of £1,293.49 within a couple of hours, and donations continue to flow in. Thanks, Walberswick.

Thanks a bundle.

Robin Buncombe, Hon Treasurer

FAMILY BINGO NIGHTS

Help to support the Village Hall by joining us for Bingo nights on July 25th, August 1st and August 22nd from 6 to 8pm. Cash to be won and home made snacks to chomp! There will be a bar. Entry is £1 for adults and 50p for children. Bring your friends!

Mark Aldridge, Chairman

VILLAGE FETE

This will take place on Saturday August 25th. Why not roll up your sleeves and join our other helpers for this important annual event? I'm sure you will enjoy it. If you would be willing to help please ring either myself on 724013 or Jodie Ellis on 722110.

Mark Aldridge

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

This month's W.G.A. match was played on Sunday June 3rd. In perfect weather 21 hackers turned up and played some inspired golf. Only 6pts separated all of us, which shows the handicap system is working O.K. and people are playing up to it. Even Wally, who hasn't played for ages, came in with a reasonable score despite a badly sprained wrist (can't imagine what caused that).

The first three of us all came in with 19pts: Andrew Horsbrough won on countback, Denis King was 2nd and I was 3rd as well as nearest the pin. We also had a new prize for the longest drive on the 6th hole. Well, forget Tiger Woods: "Gorilla" Goodchild pulled out a graphite stick with a Day-Glo ballcock on the end and smacked the longest drive I have ever seen. It must have been 320yds. It took some of us 2 shots just to draw level. I was so glad it wasn't the 9th, as there could have been some damage in the car park. (Well done, Kev). Hope you enjoyed it and see you all soon.

Chas Elliott

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – JUNE 4TH 2007

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the following planning applications: erection of extensions to OLD VICARAGE COTTAGE; the erection of a replacement dwelling at WAVENEY LODGE, The Street; and to the erection of a single-storey rear extension at WICKSTEAD, The Street. Planning permission had been granted by Suffolk Coastal for the erection of a two-storey side extension at ST FRANCIS, Seven Acres Lane; and for the erection of an extension to the existing dormer window and kitchen at LONGFIELD COTTAGE, The Green subject to the work being carried out according to the submitted plans.

Community Speed Watch – As a result of writing to Inspector Lucas (Leiston Neighbourhood Inspector) the Council has now registered its interest in running a Community Speed Watch scheme. It will have to be self financing and also requires six volunteers. If anybody is interested in being one of the volunteers please contact the Clerk on 01502 723142.

Rubbish lining the street from holiday homes – The Parish Council agreed to write to any holiday home owners whose tenants were placing rubbish out on the street two or three days before the Monday collection, to make them aware of the problems this was causing through dogs/foxes attacking the bags and making an unsightly and offensive mess in the village. It was hoped that they would make alternative arrangements for the storage or removal of rubbish to prevent this from happening.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

VOLUNTARY HELP CENTRE

As part of our 20th Anniversary celebrations, we will be holding the following events:

Wednesday August 1st: 2.30 pm – 4.30 pm

Cream Tea in the Methodist Church Hall

Friday October 5th: 7.00 pm for 7.15 pm start

Chilli Quiz Night – St. Edmund's Hall,
Southwold

Teams of up to 6 people - £6.50 per person

Entry forms available from VHC – 21 Church Street,
Southwold – (01502) 724549

SUMMER THEATRE FETE

Sunday July 1st, 1.30 -4.30 at Westons. Please come along and support our local theatre. Any contributions for refreshments or the stalls can be brought to the stables from 10.00am, or ring me for collection.

We'd appreciate the loan of gazebos and any help on the day.

Don't forget the Children's Dog Show!

Val Anderson (724609)

FOSTER CARERS WANTED

Could you, or a family member or friend, consider fostering a local child who needs you?

To find out more about becoming a foster carer, please call 0800 328 2148 or log on to www.suffolkfostering.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL SUMMER CLUB

This will run from Monday 6th to Friday 10 August from 10.00 - 12.00 in the Village Hall.

I look forward to seeing your children and grandchildren then.

We will follow a Bible Story Theme during the week and activities will include:

Prayer and Praise; Story and Discussion time; Art and Craft activities; Drama and role-play.

Julie Winyard (01502 722178)

WALBERSWICK KIDS' BOOK

A reminder to all children: draw a picture of your house and write on the picture your name, and why you love the village. The pictures will be made into a book to sell at the August Village Fete; proceeds to the Sea Defence Fund. Please hand your pictures in, on A4 paper, to Tinkers on the Green.

Esther Freud

SOUTHWOLD HOSPITAL

The Annual Summer Fete organised by the League of Friends will be opened by the Town Mayor, Councillor Teresa Baggott, on St. Edmund's Green at 2pm on Saturday July 21st. Please come to support your local hospital.

Mary King

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

SUMMER THEATRE FETE Sunday 1st 1.30-4.30pm at Westons

GP SURGERY Wednesdays 2.30pm Village Hall

LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 6th and 20th 2.30pm Church 3pm Village Hall

LUNCH CLUB Friday 13th 12.30pm in the Village Hall

SUFFOLK COASTAL ARTISTS' SHOW Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th 11am-6pm Village Hall

NORWICH BUS Thursday 19th 9.30am

BINGO NIGHT Wednesday 25th 6-8pm in the Village Hall

HORTICULTURAL SHOW Saturday 28th 3-4.30pm Village Hall

CHURCH MATTERS

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 Rev. Brian Fisher Tel.723023
 Church Wardens Christine Fisher Tel.723023
 Julie Winyard Tel. 722178

SERVICES

- 01 Trinity 4 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrant The Revd David Eaton
- 08 Trinity 5 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrant The Revd Julie Eaton
also 1800 Choral Evensong
 Preacher Sheila Mitchell
- 15 Trinity 6 1100 Morning Prayer
 Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher
- 22 Trinity 7 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- 29 Trinity 8 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrants The Revd B Fisher/D Eaton

Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
 Wednesday 1000 Holy Communion 1662
 Wednesday (4th) Healing Service with CW

Flower arrangers

- 06 Anne Paton
 Ann Sexton (British Legion)
- 13 Catherine Simpson
- 20 Judy Morton
- 27 Sue Walpole

Church Cleaners

- 06 Craster & Kathleen Patterson
 Di Dawson
brass Heather Hyne
- 13 Chris & Wendy Sinclair
 Margreet Walpole
brass Margreet Walpole
- 20 Betty Jones Pat Wythe
- 21 Suzanne Burlingham
brass Margreet Walpole
- 27 Ruth Bassett Mary King Janet Simpson
brass Sarah Lawrence

Sidesman's Rota

- 01 Ian Bruce-Jones Ruth Bassett
- 08 Mary King Suzanne Burlingham
Choral Evensong P & M Gordon-Potts
- 15 Pat Wythe Mary Nuttall
- 22 Julie Winyard Chris Sinclair
- 29 Ian Bruce-Jones Mary King

PARISH REGISTER

18th May 2007 Funeral service for
Elizabeth Fisk aged 93
 3rd May 2007 Interment of Ashes
Michael Colin Paton aged 44
 2nd June 2007 Marriage blessing service for
Toby & Marika Cook

WI

Life & Fashion in the Forties

This meeting on July 11th sounds like a trip down Memory Lane! To tell us about Life and Fashion in the Forties is Mrs Gloria Daines. As always, we shall be pleased to welcome visitors.

From September our monthly meetings are to be scheduled for Thursdays. There is NO meeting in August.

Julia Josephs

PCC REPORT – MAY 24TH 2007

Pat Wythe has been reading the Church Visitors' Book and noticed people were inquiring about their ancestors. The Local History Group has an alphabetical list of names of all those people who have appeared in the Walberswick Church records from the beginning of record-keeping to 1990. The PCC agreed that notices should be displayed in the porch and next to the Visitor's Book explaining that this resource was available for those who wanted to research their ancestry.

As 0930 was possibly not the best time to hold family services, Brian Fisher hoped to put forward some ideas that he would float in the Village News in the near future. The Healing Service on the first Wednesday of every month was much appreciated and should be continued to the end of the year.

It was reported that the new building for the WC was on schedule and that the opening ceremony would be arranged shortly.

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

I guess most people are aware that more and more lay people are being trained to assist in the worship and pastoral work of the Church of England. It is with great pleasure, therefore, that I can announce that, on 27th May, Ian Bruce-Jones & Penny Buncombe were licensed to act as Lay Elders in the work of our parish. The team clergy look forward to working with Ian & Penny in their new capacity.

The farewell service for our diocesan bishop, The Right Revd Richard Lewis will take place at Bury St Edmunds Cathedral on Sunday 8th July at 3.30 p.m. Just a reminder that the Sole Bay Team service to say farewell to our team rector, Jane Wilson, will be at St Edmund's Church Southwold at 6.00 p.m. on Sunday 1st July. Jane's licensing to her new group of parishes in Devon will take place on Wednesday 18th July at the parish church in Offwell.

Our monthly Luncheon Club will be on Friday 13th July at 12.30 p.m.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

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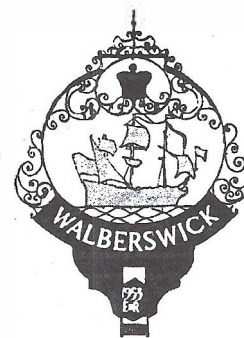
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THE SEA DEFENCE GROUP

The Quiz Night was very successful, making a profit of £652.40. THANK YOU to all who contributed.

As most of you know, the Environment Agency wants to abandon the shingle ridge that protects the reedbed and marshes and all of the east and south side of the Village. Their decision to abandon the ridge arises largely out of lack of funding, - an issue that has recently come to the surface nationally - and they have engaged a firm of consultants who have supported their view.

The SDG has been working since the New Year on strategies, on making contacts and on research and we are now beginning to have something to show for all that planning. We are in the process of engaging our own consultants to advise on the value and viability of the shingle ridge. The services of one of the top legal firms in the country, Lovells, have been offered to us - free. (Part of our strategy is to prepare our own emergency response should the shingle ridge be breached and the EA refuse to repair it - we need to be sure of our legal standing in such a case.) We have a list of those who offered their services and support earlier in the year and we are beginning to contact some of them as and when appropriate. Support in the form of pledged donations has been forthcoming already. Over £31,000 has been pledged and the WCLCT has contributed £10,000, as promised. A newsletter was delivered to every house as a way of keeping people informed. The web-site has been set up although it is not yet interactive - go to www.walberswickseadefence.org.uk Links are being established with other groups representing those who live on this coast, with a view to putting pressure on local and national politicians to place a higher priority on flood defence.

And we are arranging further fund-raising events, as you will see in due course. Please contact us, if you have any ideas or comments.

Barbara Priestman, Chairman

DISCOVERY TEAZER & QUIZ

Walk or bike around Walberswick and Southwold and see if you can answer the questions! £25 prize money. £2 for each entry form, which can be bought from the Tuck Shop, The Pump House on the Green or the Post Office in Southwold. All proceeds to the Village Hall Kitchen Fund.

Mark Aldridge, Chairman, Village Hall Committee

CHILDREN'S ART COMPETITION

Entries for the children's art competition should be handed into the Village Hall Annexe for judging on Friday, 24th August, between 5pm and 6pm. All the children's art will be displayed in the Annexe on Fete Day.

The two categories for the art work are:

*Pirate face painted on a stone or piece of flotsam

*Picture with pirate theme, any medium.

No larger than A3, please.

The classes for entries will be as follows:

Class 1: Under five years

Class 2: Five to seven years

Class 3: Eight to twelve years

Bill Ungless

SAVE THE CHILDREN

The Southwold & District Branch formed a committee in 1969 and raised £300 in the first year. Each year fundraising has taken place and the grand total to date is £170,000. During Save the Children Week in 2007 the committee raised £1,254. We have a friendly committee which raises large amounts of money, and a band of very loyal supporters. However, we would welcome new committee members. Please contact Chairman Tom Bryant. (723591)

Walberswick Coffee Morning will be held on October 27th, 10am - 12 noon, Village Hall.

Maureen Thompson

BRIDGE

The last session before the summer recess was on July 23rd. Play recommences on September 10th.

Margot Godbold

SUFFOLK CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

On Saturday September 8th this year three of last year's cyclists (plus possibly two others) will be riding. We are hoping a few new riders will volunteer: the more riders we have the more sponsorship for this very worthy cause will be forthcoming - and that is our aim! It will have stopped raining by 8th September, so have a go and enjoy a fabulous day out. We look forward to hearing from you and so do our cyclists: Rosie in the Tuck Shop, Denise Burchell in Adams Lane and Julia Reisz in the Old Tea Room.

Margot and Maurice Godbold

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room, The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU. e-mail:julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT - 2ND JULY, 2007

Planning Applications - The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of a front and side porch to Lampland House, Stocks Lane and to the erection of an extension to form a kitchen and studio (existing extension and garage to be demolished) at 3, Moorside.

Planning Appeal - An appeal had been made to the Secretary of State for the Environment in respect of a replacement dwelling at Waveney Lodge, The Street. The Councillors were very disappointed with this decision as they had recently approved another application for the same site which they considered to be more in keeping with the street scene. It was agreed to write to the Inspectorate stating this.

Election of Council Nominative Trustee to Walberswick Common Lands Trust.

Mr Nigel Hunt was re-elected as Nominative Trustee to serve for a further four years.

Rubbish Collections - District Councillor Keable informed the Council that if there was a problem with bin bags being left out before the due date of collection, the Council should report it to Customer Services at Suffolk Coastal Services Ltd. who would deal with the complaint.

Community Speed Watch - The council was surprised that only three residents had volunteered to help with the speed watch; six volunteers were needed. If anybody is interested in being one of the volunteers please contact the Clerk on 01502 723142.

Footpaths - Councillor D Webb reported that these had all finally been cut. He thanked the Clerk for the numerous calls she had had to make to achieve this outcome.

Lifebelts - Councillor K Webb reported that one was missing and they should all be checked. The Clerk will contact Waveney District Council regarding this.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

Mick Davies left a legacy - he played a big part in getting the game off the ground here with the annual 'Walberswick Open'. He was a golf 'pusher' who, with a lot of patience & encouragement, would gradually get you addicted and needing a regular 'fix'. We'll all miss him a lot.

Meanwhile, the results of the last 'fix', on 8th July, were as follows: Frank Woodcraft stormed in with 21 points and 3 of us finished with 17. I was 2nd on countback, Mark Waller was 3rd and Alan Porter had the longest drive. I suspect a few mortar rounds landed in Chediston, but it's what's on the fairway that counts! Vic Popperwell was nearest the pin on the 5th hole. On the 9th he needed a short put for a point, but the ball went round the rim and stopped dead 3 inches from the hole. He stared at it for 30 seconds, then it rolled back in. Amazing - I've never seen anyone hypnotise a golf ball before. It is only a game, Vic! We'll have another 'fix' in August, but this time with any 3 clubs and a putter only.

Chas Elliott

WALBERSWICK KIDS' BOOK

Entries should be taken to Tinkers by August 15th.

Esther Freud

ROBIN AND THE BABES

Robin Hood and his Merry Gang invite anyone interested in the next pantomime to wend their way to Lilliput, Lodge Road on Sunday 2nd or 9th September 3 - 5pm.

Everyone welcome - except the Sheriff of Nottingham!

Julia Sowerbutts 272379

Val Anderson 723609

VIC ROWLAND

Many thanks from all of us for the cards and kind wishes sent to Vic. He has now moved into a residential home with full-time care. This does *not* mean Elfinston Corner is for sale! It is available for summer letting: for further enquiries please call 07970 242397.

Jana Rowland

ADULT EDUCATION

Classes will recommence locally from September. The prospectus will be available from post offices, libraries and some village shops from the end of July/ beginning of August.

Sian Hart

Adult Centre Co-ordinator

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY	Wednesdays 2.30pm Village Hall
LIBRARY BUS	Alternate Fridays 3rd 17th and 31st 2.30pm Church 3pm Village Hall
CRABBING CONTEST	Sunday 5th 3pm Ferry Car Park
LUNCH CLUB	Friday 10th 12.30pm in the Village Hall
NORWICH BUS	Thursday 16th 9.30am
BINGO NIGHTS	Wednesdays 1st and 22nd 6-8pm in the Village Hall
VILLAGE FETE	Saturday 25th

DON'T FORGET TO RECORD VILLAGE EVENTS IN THE VILLAGE CALENDAR IN THE TUCK SHOP

MICK DAVIES

A big thank you to those who took Mick & me to the hospital and to all who visited him when he was ill. Grateful thanks for all your sympathy and flowers and also to Brian Fisher for taking the service.
Sheila Davies and family

TOBY AND MARIEKE COOK

We would like to thank everyone who attended our Blessing at St Andrews Church Walberswick on 2nd June, and for making it such a special day for us both. We would also like to thank the Walberswick hands that made the reception a great success.

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brass Sarah Lawrence
- 10 Craster & Kathleen Patterson
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brass Amorelle Hughes
- 17 Chris & Wendy Sinclair
- 18 Suzanne Burlingham
brass Amorelle Hughes
- 24 Betty Jones Mary King Pat Wythe
brass Julia Josephs
- 31 Di Dawson Elizabeth Leighton
Janet Simpson *brass Julia Josephs*

Sidesman's Rota

- 05 Jean Waller Ruth Bassett
- 12 Julie Winyard Suzanne Burlingham
Choral Evensong Sarah Lawrence and
Peter Gordon-Potts
- 19 Pat Wythe Mary Nuttall
- 26 Ian Bruce-Jones Mary King

WI

There is no meeting in August and from September our monthly meetings will change to Thursdays. Meetings are held in the Village Hall at 2.30pm on the second Thursday of the month. Judith Hetherington has written an excellent description of the WI for any future member. Anyone interested in joining should contact Judith (723403) or me for a copy. Please make a note of our Bridge Drive to be held on Tuesday October 23rd starting at 2pm.
Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Those of you who have visited St Andrew's Church recently will be aware that the new equal access toilet facilities are all but completed – as I write we are still awaiting the arrival of two important features, a toilet seat and a toilet door! Once everything is really complete we hope to arrange a special celebration evensong; I cannot promise that we will be playing Handel's *Water Music* during that service. Please watch the church and village notice boards for further information as to when such a service is to take place. The annual Sponsored Bicycle Ride, on behalf of the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust, takes place this year on 8th September. Once again our thanks must go to Maurice & Margot Godbold who are organizing the event here in Walberswick. This is a great event in which to be involved and benefits St Andrew's Church as well as other churches in the county. As last year I plan to take part in this event (although not travelling quite so far afield!); why not join me? Whether you are spending the summer here or travelling elsewhere on holiday may I wish you a relaxing and refreshing time – and by the way don't forget that the origin of the word holiday is an Old English word meaning *holy day*.

Our monthly Luncheon Club will be on Friday 10th August at 12.30 p.m.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

- 17th June 2007 Baptism
James Frederick Waller
- 20th June 2007 Funeral service & burial
Rosemary Ann Ellis
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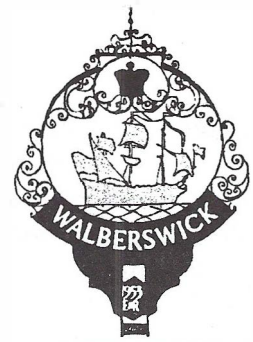
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HUMPHREY JENNINGS

This year marks the centenary of Humphrey Jennings, who was born in Walberswick in 1907. Jennings was, most famously, a director of groundbreaking documentary films for the renowned Crown Film Unit. His films brought a human face to life in wartime Britain, showing ordinary people doing extraordinary things in the face of adversity. The British Film Institute described him as "*arguably Britain's greatest documentary director*".

To mark this anniversary a selection of Jennings films will be shown in the Village Hall over the week-end of 29th-30th September. In addition there will be contributions from: his daughter Dr Marie-Lou Legg on her father's life and work; Bill Ungless on the Jennings family legacy in Walberswick; Neil Wallington, author of "Firemen at War", on the context for his best known film *Fires were Started*; plus contributions from film and documentary makers on the lasting influence of Jennings.

To find out more email info@humphreyjennings.co.uk or pick up a form from the Tuck Shop. Strong interest has already been shown from outside the village and tickets will not be available on the day, so please book early.

James Darkins

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

To celebrate the start of our 2007/8 Season we are screening the delightful musical **Gigi**. (1958) Starring Maurice Chevalier, Leslie Caron and Hermione Gingold amongst a very talented cast, this is an appealing musical, full of charm. The Lerner and Loewe songs such as *Thank Heaven for Little Girls* are some of the most memorable in any musical. The cinematography is outstanding, as is the direction by Vincente Minelli.

We shall be showing eight films from September through to May, and hope to please everyone's taste showing the best of musical, mystery, drama, romance, western, foreign, comedy, adventure – and still keeping the subscription at only £12.00. Entrance: Members £2 Guests £4 Non-members £5.

Gigi (Cert PG) Sunday, 16th September 2007 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall

All subscriptions to **Kay Ungless** at Winton, The Street. (ungless@aol.com/722 655)

WARTIME WALBERSWICK

There is little information in the archives about the history of Walberswick during the Second World War. I have agreed to do further research for eventual publication in the History Group Newsletter and for retention in the archives.

I am seeking information about village life, about those who lived in the village for some or all of the time, about the preparations that were made for war and the military presence in and around Walberswick. Perhaps you know something about the houses that were requisitioned for use by the military, air raid shelters, the WVS, gas precautions, the blackout, etc. To avoid duplication I do not wish to repeat the stories described in the two Suffolk Memories Books. Any bit of information helps complete the jigsaw.

Alan Walpole (724763)

HORTICULTURAL SHOW

The 2007 show was a great success, given that the weather had been so miserable. The committee would like to thank all those who took part, especially the children whose collages were terrific! As you can see by the winners names below, there is a "new kid on the block" who has just about swept the board!

C.C. Gold Cup - Caroline Gilby

Winyard Cup - David Webb

Iris Blois Cup - Caroline Gilby

Flower Bowl - Mary King

Victor Ludorum - Caroline Gilby

Harvey Memorial Trophy - Jill Whittenbury

And last but not least: *David Webb did not put gooseberries in his jam!!!*

Jane Kirkeby

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

Playing with just 3 clubs and a putter certainly concentrates the mind, and you sometimes wonder why you carry all the other baggage around. Golf theories aside, it was a good turnout. The 2 ladies played very well: Lyn Wilson won the match with 22 pts and Clare Fisher had a very respectable 15 pts. Ritchie Kett was 2nd on countback with 20pts. Frank Woodcraft came 3rd and also had the longest drive. Andrew Horsbrough was nearest the pin. The next game will be on the 16th September - same time, same place, normal clubs. See you all then.

Chas Elliot

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room, The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU. e-mail:julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – 6TH AUGUST, 2007

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of extensions to east, west and northern elevations of Pleach Cottage, Lodge Road and to the erection of a timber framed summer-house at 1 The Terrace.

Planning Decisions – Planning permission had been granted by Suffolk Coastal for extensions to the following properties: 1 Moorside; Wickstead, The Street; and Halsey, Lodge Road. Approval had also been received for the second application for a replacement dwelling at Waveney Lodge, the Street. Planning permission had been refused for extensions to Chegwyn, Adams Lane and the Old Vicarage Cottage in Ferry Road

Sportsfield – It had been reported that rabbits had burrowed their way under the new fencing to the sportsfield. Councillors K Webb and B Tibbles agreed to check this out and make necessary repairs.

Suffolk Preservation – Planning Workshops - Councillor Aldridge agreed to attend the training day at Haughley Park Barn, nr Stowmarket on 10th October.

Digging in Dunes – It had been reported that a person had been seen digging in the dunes. Councillor D Webb stated that this was illegal and any person seen doing this should be approached and asked to stop.

White Tailed Eagle – District Councillor Keable reported that Natural England intended to go ahead with their plan to introduce the White Tailed Eagle along the Coast stating that they were confident it would not cause problems.

Dog Bins – It was agreed to request that they be emptied more frequently during the summer months and also ask for some of the dilapidated bins to be replaced.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

CHILDREN'S SPORTS DAY

The sports day sponsored by the Common Lands Charity will be on Sunday September 2nd this year. Races for all age groups, and some for the grown ups too. Soft drinks available. Come to the Sports Field at the end of Church Lane at 2pm and join in the fun.
Jayne Tibbles (Clerk)

SUFFOLK CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

To give refreshment to all the cyclists visiting St. Andrew's church on September 8th we should appreciate volunteers to man the church porch from 11am-5pm. If you feel you can spare an hour during this period or could offer a plate of sandwiches, please let us know and we will make a rota. Find a friend to volunteer with you - we have five hours to fill!
Margot and Maurice Godbold (722439)

CHIBALL

A class will begin Thursday 13th from 10-11am, after Pilates. Call **Helen Pybus (07814 651740)** for information. The Pilates class is now full.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

I would like to record my appreciation of the tremendous trouble Annie Kiff-Wood took last month when I reported to her a visit I had from a cold-call salesman about whom I (and several other people) felt somewhat uneasy. Annie immediately went into action and established that the salesman was genuine, though badly trained and with an unfortunate manner. All this, though, only after much persistence and several phone calls, one of which turned out to be to a call centre in South Africa! I was also pleased with police response: they arrived within the hour.

Thank you, Annie, for your diligence: we are very lucky to have you heading our Neighbourhood Watch scheme.

Ruth Bassett

LIBRARY BUS

The bus will no longer call at the Church, but will instead spend an hour at the Green on alternate Fridays 1.55-2.55pm. See dates below.

Elizabeth Leighton

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

PANTO AUDITIONS Sunday 2nd & 9th 3-5pm at Lilliput
GPS SURGERY Wednesdays 2.30pm Village Hall
DRAWING & PAINTING Wednesdays 10am-12pm and 1.30 –3.30pm Village Hall
KEEP FIT Begins Tuesday 4th 10-11am Village Hall
LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 14th & 28th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green
TAI CHI Begins Monday 10th 1-3pm Village Hall
PILATES Begins Thursday 13th 8.45-9.45am Village Hall
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 14th 12.30pm in the Village Hall
WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB Sunday 16th 7.30pm Village Hall
NORWICH BUS Thursday 20th 9.30am
HUMPHREY JENNINGS CENTENARY Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th Village Hall

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brass Pat Wythe
- 14 Chris and Wendy Sinclair
Elizabeth Leighton
brass Pat Wythe
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brass Stephanie Anderson
- 28 Mary King Suzanne Burlingham
Janet Simpson
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Sidesman's Rota

- 02 Christine Mitchell Chris Sinclair
- 09 Ruth Bassett Mary Nuttall
Choral Evensong
Darryl and
Diane Dawson
- 16 Pat Wythe Peter Gordon-Potts

PARISH REGISTER

6th August 2007 Funeral service & burial

Josephine Maria Jane Balfour

10th August 2007 Funeral service & burial

Audrey Mildred Moreton

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 13th September (note change of day). We will be taken on an exciting journey around England by Roz Gordon. Her aim was to travel by as many modes of transport as possible raising money for research into Ataxia. The talk is on 'Camels, Canoes and Coracles'.

We always welcome visitors so why don't you join us in an interesting journey? We meet in the Village Hall at 2.30pm.

Irene Prince

HOLIDAY SURPRISE

Recently on a visit to Chepstow in Wales we came across some Roman excavations in a small village. We visited the church and met the organist as he was leaving after a funeral. I imagined they had a very small choir, but he proudly told us that he had a very large choir who could all read music and included *four* tenors. Fearfully envious I said we did not have even one! Any offers?

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Further to my letter in last month's edition of the *Village News*, I can now tell you that the special service to celebrate the completion of the church toilet will be September Evensong Service on Sunday, 9th September, at 6.00 pm. All are welcome at that service especially those who have worked so hard (in various ways) to complete the task that was first mooted in 2003. It will also be an opportunity for those who have given so generously in money and time to celebrate with us as well.

I have been asked by several people recently whom they should contact whenever I am not around. In those circumstances your first contact, then, should be The Revd Simon Ward at Reydon Rectory (01502 722192).

A final reminder! Please sponsor those of us who will be braving the elements to go on the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bicycle Ride on 8th September. St Andrew's Church will benefit from half the money raised by our intrepid band of cyclists.

September, having a fifth Sunday, will see us joining with Blythburgh & Reydon on 30th September for a service at Holy Trinity Blythburgh, at 9.30am. This month's Luncheon Club will be on Friday, 14th September, at 12.30pm. Cost, as usual, will be £6. Advance notice – there will not be a Luncheon Club in October; instead, we will be having the Harvest Supper on Friday, 12th October at 7.00pm.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

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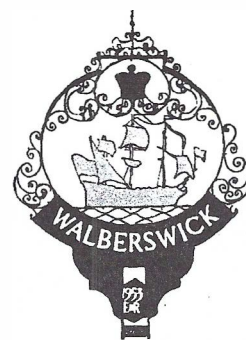
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SCRUB CLEARANCE ON THE COMMON

Last winter, volunteers met twice to carry out scrub clearance on the Common. This is necessary, if we are to keep a thriving and beautiful area of heathland in good condition. There are sapling silver birch trees, particularly near The Fen, springing up all over the place, choking other less competitive species. Left unchecked, the area would soon turn into woodland and we would lose the heath and bog with all its diverse flora and fauna.

We are planning another scrub clearance day on Sunday 21st October (to be confirmed – please look out for posters in the shop and on notice boards). Do join us. Families are welcome. Tea, coffee etc. and biscuits will be provided, but bring your own garden fork or spade and strong gloves. Wellies are a good idea.

Meet at the Sports Field at the end of Church Lane at 10 am and stay as long as you like.

Barbara Priestman, Chairman
Walberswick Common Lands Charity Trust

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Since the tragic death of Tom Bryant, our Chairman, the Committee have decided to carry on as he would have wished. Our Coffee Morning will be in the Village Hall on Saturday 27th October, 10am-noon. Please come and support this worthy cause by buying Christmas cards, gifts, books, cakes, bric-a-brac and raffle tickets. We welcome any goods, help and support.

Maureen Thompson (723755)
Faith Blackman (724278)

VILLAGE FETE.

Many thanks to all those who helped. About £5400 was raised which will be divided between the Church and the Village Hall. I can't say enough how grateful Jodie and I are for all the support we received. And it was thoroughly enjoyable too!

Mark Aldridge

Bookstall: We set a new record in terms of number of books sold. Thanks to those who donated, those who purchased and to Chas, Grahame and Vic for their hard work.

Alan Porter

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Starring Alan Ladd, Jean Arthur and Jack Palance amongst a splendid cast, the Western SHANE will be our October screening. Directed by George Stevens, it might be said that the tale it tells became the classic story-line for many a Western that followed. This is a magnificent Western featuring one of cinema's great battles between good and evil and its landscape photography is now a *sine qua non* of the genre. SHANE (Cert PG), Sunday 21st October, 7.00pm for 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Subscriptions: £12 pa. Entrance: Members £2, Guests £4, Non-members £5

Enquiries: 722655 /ungless@aol.com

Kay Ungless

CANCER RESEARCH UK

We will be holding our Mini Market on Saturday 1st December 2007 in the Village Hall from 10am. to 12 noon. This is our main fund- raising event of the year and I do hope you will be able to come along and support us. We will have some interesting stalls and again will be running our Silent Auction .

After 20 years I have decided that this will be my final year running this event. If there is anyone who would be prepared to take it on, please contact me.

Margaret Adkinson (722108)

VILLAGE ARTISTS' SHOW

There will be an exhibition of works by Walberswick artists over the weekend of 20th /21st October. Those participating are William Ball, William Bowyer RA, Olive Hammond, Eveline Hastings, Karen Keable, Jean Pappworth, Anne Paton, Richard Scott, Chris and Wendy Sinclair. Some work will be for sale and 20 per cent from any sales will be contributed to the Sea Defence Fund. The show will be open on both days from 10am – 6pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome and entry is free. We look forward to seeing you.

Artists of Walberswick

CARPET BOWLS

The Club begins again on Wednesday 3rd October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. New members are always very welcome.

Maureen Thompson

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room, The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU. e-mail:julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – 3RD SEPTEMBER, 2007

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of extensions to Cheswyn, Adams Lane; Stocks House, Stocks Lane; and to Bittern House, Millfield Road. The Parish Council, however, opposed certain aspects to extensions to Thorpe View, The Street and the Beeches, Millfield Road. They also opposed the erection of two replacement dwellings at Waveney Lodge, The Street.

Planning Decisions – Planning permission had been granted by Suffolk Coastal for porch extensions to Lampland House, Stocks Lane.

Beach Clean – This will take place on Sunday 28th October, meeting at Cliff Field at 10.00am. Gloves and sacks provided.

Visitor Management – Problems of rubbish disposal, illegal parking and emptying of dog bins throughout the busy summer period were raised. Councillor Mandy Aldridge agreed to consider all the issues and itemise them. This would be placed on the agenda for the October meeting.

Village Green repairs – Quotations were being obtained for turfing the track area of the Village Green and also for positioning posts to stop vehicles traversing and parking on the green.

Memorial Bush – A request had been made to the PCC, by the Parish Council, for a Rosemary bush to be placed in the churchyard in memory of Rosemary English, who had recently died in New Zealand. Rosemary spent most of her childhood in the village, living at 14 Church Lane, and was the daughter of George and Doris English. The family emigrated to New Zealand in the late fifties.

Vivien Hunt - Clerk to Council

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

There will be a Bazaar and Coffee Morning (Coffee, scones, various stalls and a Raffle) in the Village Hall from 10am to 12 noon on Saturday the 10th of November. All monies raised will go towards helping ex-servicemen and women and their families who are in need, country-wide. If you have items that you would be prepared to donate for sale please contact the following: Grand Raffle: Susan Walpole (724763); Gifts and (small) Bric-a-Brac: Linda Dudley (Alan Walpole's garage to store 724763); Books, games, CDs etc: Grahame Godsmark (722965); Jams & Preserves: Margreet Walpole (723371); Cakes and Sweets: Rachel Matthews (722783); Refreshments: Jean Waller (722120) (please bring scones on the day).

The Future: All those above except one have helped at this event for as long as I can remember, and I think that this will probably be the last time unless we can find others to take over. If you would be prepared to run a stall or assist in any way please let me know on the day or on by phone.

Alan Walpole (724763)

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday October 11th we will be on the trail of St. Edmund, our very own Patron Saint! Mr Chris Parfitt will be our guide to finding out more about the Saint's links with Suffolk.

Please come along if you are interested in joining us on the trail. We meet at 2.30 pm in the Village Hall.

Irene Prince

APPRECIATION

A very big thank you to everyone who has sent me cards, presents and good wishes while I have been unwell. It was extremely kind and I am most grateful.

Dione Shirreff

BINGO NIGHT

A great date for your diary! An autumn Bingo evening which will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday October 27th at 6pm. Come for an enjoyable family evening! There are lots of prizes to be won!

Mark Aldridge

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

CARPET BOWLS BEGINS Wednesday 3rd 7.30pm in the Village Hall

GP SURGERY Wednesdays 2.30pm Village Hall

FLU JAB CLINIC Wednesday 10th 2.30pm Village Hall

LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 12th & 26th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green

HARVEST SUPPER Friday 12th 7pm Village Hall

NORWICH BUS Thursday 18th 9.30am

VILLAGE ARTISTS' SHOW 20th/21st 10am-6pm Village Hall

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB Sunday 21st 7pm for 7.30pm Village Hall

BINGO NIGHT Saturday 27th 6pm Village Hall

BEACH CLEAN Sunday 28th 10am Cliff Field

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Julie Winyard Tel. 722178

SERVICES

- 07 Trinity 18 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrant The Revd David Eaton
- 14 **HARVEST FESTIVAL**
 Trinity 19 0930 Family Service
 Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
 also 1800 Festal Evensong
 Preacher David Alderton
- 21 Trinity 20 1100 Morning Prayer
 Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher
- 28 Last of Trinity 0930 Sung Eucharist
 Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- Every** Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
 Wednesday 1000 Holy Communion 1662
 Wednesday (3rd) Healing Service with CW

Flower arrangers

- 05 Judy Morton
 Margaret Adkinson (British Legion)
- 12 Harvest Festival
- 19 Harvest Festival
- 26 Kathleen Patterson

Church Cleaners

- 05 Ruth Bassett Di Dawson
 Judith Hetherington
 brass Heather Hyne
- 12 Craster & Kathleen Patterson
 Elizabeth Leighton
 brass Heather Hyne
- 19 Margreet Walpole
 Chris & Wendy Sinclair
 brass Margreet Walpole
- 26 Mary King Pat Wythe
 Sheila Davies
 brass Margreet Walpole

Sidesmen's Rota

- 07 Christine Mitchell Mary Nuttall
- 14 Jean Waller Ruth Bassett
 Choral Evensong
 Derek and Mary Burke
- 21 Ian Bruce-Jones Pat Wythe
- 28 Suzanne Burlingham Mary King

PARISH REGISTER

19th August 2007 Baptism
Sonny William Woodcraft
 2nd September 2007 Baptisms
Madeleine Helena Maria Shepherd
Eirian Elizabeth Muttitt-Jones
Edward Robert Muttitt-Jones
 13th September 2007 Cremation Service
 at Ipswich for **William Warner Cook**

HARVEST FESTIVAL

The celebrations for our annual Harvest Festival take place over the weekend of October 12-14th. Gifts of fruit, vegetables, tinned goods etc. will be gratefully received in Church on the morning of Saturday 13th. Once the Harvest Festival is over, we will again be taking all the harvest bounty to the St John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft, who were very pleased to receive it last year.
Mary King

NO SUCCESSOR TO PAVAROTTI?

The Sunday before Christmas has been booked for this year's Candlelit Carol Service and the choir would be so pleased to welcome any tenors around, preferably those able to read music.
Julia Josephs (722828)

LETTER FROM THE OLM

As most people will be aware we celebrated the installation of our new equal access toilet, at St Andrew's Church, on Sunday 9th September. I would just like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in this project, which, believe it or not, began as an idea back in 2001. Where to begin the thanks? The fund raising committee who worked with me at various times i.e. Ian Bruce-Jones, Robin Buncombe, Elizabeth Leighton, Patsy Murray, Joanna Saunders, Julie Winyard. The people who organized events i.e. Patsy Murray, Ian Bruce-Jones, Julie Winyard. The architects, Hilary Brightman & Paul Skeet. Our unpaid adviser, Brian Morton. Individuals in the village who gave time and/or money. The church's neighbours in Church Lane who put up with the presence of the builders. All those who worked on behalf of Caplin Building Services. Last but not least our thanks to the bodies that granted us funds:

The Adnams Charity
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 Suffolk County Council Locality Budget
 Walberswick Common Lands Charity

Our thanks to you all for your support. Our Harvest celebrations this year will take place over the weekend 12th/14th October. The annual Harvest Supper will be in the Village Hall, at 7.00 pm. on the Friday; tickets will cost £8 and will be available from Penny Buncombe after 1st October. Our entertainment will be provided by The Duncan Four. On the Sunday there will be a Family Communion Service at 9.30 am and Choral Evensong at 6.00 pm. Please feel free to join us for any or all of these celebratory events.

Yours in Christ's service
Brian Fisher

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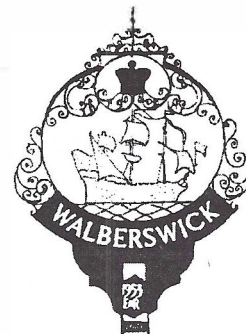
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15th - 01:04/13:17
22nd - 07:01/20:40
29th - NT/06:50

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HUMPHREY JENNINGS (1907-1950)

Over the week-end of September 29/30th an important centenary was celebrated – the birth in Walberswick of the pioneer documentary film-maker and surrealist painter Humphrey Jennings. The occasion provided an opportunity to examine the Jennings family activities, which were central to the development of the village in the first quarter of the C20th. Humphrey's father, Frank Jennings, was the architect responsible for many of Walberswick's Arts and Crafts-style houses. His first house, now named Te Awahou, was Humphrey's birthplace in 1907. Two years later his wife Mildred, an extremely able artist who had studied at the Slade and in Munich, established the Walberswick Peasant Pottery Company, which remained in Jennings hands for over two decades.

Humphrey Jennings developed a keen interest in surrealist painting, but is now principally remembered for his evocative and sensitively observed documentary films made during and just after World War II. We were shown a selection of these; additional features of the programme were a talk about Humphrey's life and work by his daughter Dr. Marie-Louise Legg; a survey of Frank Jennings' houses by Bill Ungless; and an on-stage discussion about documentaries by two contemporary (award-winning) exponents of the art, Paul Greengrass and Adam Curtis. A special treat was a short talk by Humphrey's charismatic 92-year-old brother Rodney, who had just flown in for the occasion from Poland!

This unique and extraordinary event was conceived by James Darkins, and could never have taken place without his vision and enthusiasm, and his and Jodie's exemplary organisation. The event raised over £1,500 for the Sea Defence Fund.

Richard Scott

WALBERSWICK BEAUTY SPOT

During November take advantage of our special offer: with two treatments taken together, receive the second treatment half price!!

10% of all gift vouchers purchased for Christmas will be donated to the Walberswick Sea Defences - so treat your loved ones and help save our village at the same time!!

Call Nikki at 01502 723911 or 07854 801370

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our November film will be *The Philadelphia Story* (Cert U). Directed by George Cukor and made in 1940, this film is a triple treat - starring not only Katharine Hepburn, but Cary Grant and James Stewart as well. The plot is set around a high society wedding. It is meant to be a private affair, but the bride's ex turns up with a tabloid reporter and photographer in tow: he is determined to spoil things. You do not know what is going to happen next, in this delightful romantic comedy. Don't miss this treasure!

Sunday, 18th November in the Village Hall.

Doors open 7.00pm. *The Philadelphia Story* 7.30pm.

Entrance: Members £2 Under-18s £2 Guests £4

Non-members £5

Kay Ungless (722655)

CHRISTMAS FAIR

Sunday December 9th at the Potter's Wheel, 12-3pm. In aid of the Sea Defences Fund. Jewellery, Christmas cakes, cards and lots more. Solve your Christmas gift problems and swell the Fund!

Patsy Murray

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

The results of the WGA match last month were as follows: Ritchie Kett won the competition on countback with 20pts. Nigel was 2nd (also with 20pts) and John Harris came 3rd with 9pts. Nearest the pin was Alan Porter with a superb shot that ended up 8ft from the hole. He then finished it off with a birdie - flash git! On the very next hole, the longest drive was won by Mark Hitcham (another primate friend of 'Gorilla Goodchild') who hit a jaw-dropping shot that landed 20yds from the green on a 365yd hole. Phew! It was a relief to get back to the normality of the clubhouse.

Chas Elliott

SOLDIERS OVERSEAS

Once again the Post Office has agreed to deliver Christmas parcels to our troops free of charge. They must not exceed 2kg. and the last posting date is December 8th. Last year Walberswick sent 83 parcels, and I hope we can match that again. Feel free to pack your own parcel or leave contributions with me. I shall shortly have addresses in Iraq and Afghanistan.

Dione Shirreff (723287)

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PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – 1ST OCTOBER, 2007

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of extensions (revised scheme) to The Old Vicarage Cottage, Ferry Road.

Planning Decisions – Planning permission had been granted by Suffolk Coastal for extensions to Cheswyn, Adams Lane and Pleach Cottage, Lodge Road. Permission had also been granted for the erection of a timber summer house at 1, The Terrace.

Beach Clean – This will take place on Sunday 28th October, meeting at Cliff Field at 10.00am. Gloves and sacks provided. All help will be appreciated.

Visitor Management – It was agreed to organise a sub-committee to discuss complaints that had resurfaced this summer regarding litter, illegal parking, waste disposal etc. Councillor Aldridge agreed to head this committee. Inspector Chris Lucas, who attended the Parish Council meeting, stated that he would like to meet with the sub-committee to discuss traffic matters.

Village Green repairs – The Parish Council accepted a quote from Roger Gladwell to turf the track area of the Village Green. This included removing the top surface and replacing it with 40 tons of good top soil before turfing. Posts would be positioned in this area to stop vehicles traversing and parking on the green.

Policing matters – PC Mike Upson had reported that when police stations were not manned all non 999 calls would be diverted to the Headquarters at Martlesham. The two numbers to ring are **01986 83540 (Leiston)** and **01473 613 500 (Saxmundham)**. He also stated that there had been no feedback, as yet, on the speed enforcement scheme at Debenham

Church Lane repairs – Potholes in the lane would be reported to the Highways Department.

Postal Collections – The Chairman reported that Walberswick would shortly be losing its Sunday and Bank Holiday collections.

Date of next meeting - This will be held on Monday 29th October and not on 5th November for obvious reasons!

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

There will be a Bazaar and Coffee Morning (Coffee, scones, various stalls and a Raffle) in the Village Hall from 10am to 12 noon on Saturday the 10th of November. For donations please contact the following - Grand Raffle: Susan Walpole (**724763**); Gifts and (small) Bric-a-Brac: Linda Dudley (Alan Walpole's garage to store **724763**); Books, games, CDs etc: Grahame Godsmark (**722965**); Jams & Preserves: Margaret Walpole (**723371**); Cakes and Sweets: Rachel Matthews (**722783**); Refreshments: Maddy & Laurie Dabbs (**725114**) (bring scones on the day).

Alan Walpole (724763)

SUFFOLK CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

£1773.00 was raised, so many grateful thanks to the cyclists, their generous sponsors and all who helped the day's operations in the Church porch.

Margot and Maurice Godbold

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Mark Aldridge, Chairman

Village Hall Management Committee

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We meet this month on Thursday 15th. We will be holding our AGM, and welcoming new members both into the group and on to the Committee. Afterwards we will be entertained with life and stories by Britain's top "Mrs Mop".

Come and join us for the afternoon at 2.30pm in Walberswick Village Hall.

Irene Prince

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY Wednesdays 2.30pm Village Hall
BONFIRE NIGHT Monday 5th Cliff Field
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 9th 12.30pm in the Village Hall
BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL Saturday 10th 10am-12 noon Village Hall
QUIZ NIGHT Friday 16th 8pm at the Bell
LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 9th & 23rd 1.55-2.55pm at the Green
HALESWORTH BUS Wednesdays 10am (1st Wednesday in month to Lowestoft instead)
NORWICH BUS Thursday 15th 9.30am
WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB Sunday 18th 7pm for 7.30pm Village Hall

CHURCH MATTERS

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SERVICES

04 All Saints/All Souls 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd David Eaton

11 Remembrance 1050 Royal British Legion
Service of Remembrance Revd B Fisher

18 2nd before Advent 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher

25 Christ the King 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesday 1000 Holy Communion 1662

Wednesday (7th) Healing Service with CW

Flower arrangers

02 Kathleen Patterson
Ruth Bassett (British Legion)

09 Sue Walpole

16 Sue Walpole

23 Mary King

30 ADVENT no flowers

Church Cleaners

02 Ruth Bassett Janet Simpson
Suzanne Burlingham
brass Sarah Lawrence

09 Di Dawson Judith Hetherington
Elizabeth Leighton
brass Sarah Lawrence

16 Margreet Walpole
Craster & Kathleen Patterson
brass Amorelle Hughes

23 Mary King
Chris & Wendy Sinclair
brass Amorelle Hughes

30 Suzanne Burlingham
Pat Wythe
brass Julia Josephs

Sidesmen's Rota

04 Jean Waller Mary Nuttall

11 Bill & Ann Sexton Mary King

18 Christine Mitchell Chris Sinclair

25 Darryl and Diane Dawson

PARISH REGISTER

16th September 2007: Thanksgiving Service for
the life of **William Warner Cook** aged 85

13th October 2007: Interment of ashes
Jemima Potter (stillborn)

HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEKEND

It was a very successful weekend, and thanks are due to all those involved. Firstly to Christine and her hard-working kitchen staff who provided such a delicious supper; to the Hall decorators and the charming waitresses. The entertainment was just right, and we all enjoyed it.

Thanks also to the band of flower arrangers who made the church look so colourful; and to all friends who supplied tinned food and produce for us to distribute to St. John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft. Finally, thanks to Julia Josephs and the choir for rounding off this enjoyable weekend at Evensong. Well done, everyone!

Mary King

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Several people have expressed concern (some might describe it as panic!) at having read of my "retirement", either in the Church newspapers or in other daily papers. I am pleased to reassure those who are worried that rumours of my retirement are greatly exaggerated! Although I have reached the age at which Anglican clergy are officially retired, I have been given permission by our recently retired diocesan bishop (he was younger than me!) to continue to officiate within The Sole Bay Team Ministry until 31st December 2012. Incidentally our new diocesan bishop, The Rt Revd Nigel Stock, is to be enthroned at Bury St Edmunds cathedral on Tuesday 20th November at 2.30 p.m.

A big 'thank you' to everyone who contributed to the undoubted success of our Harvest weekend, both the Supper and the two services: the church looked extraordinarily beautiful. It was good to have so many people prepared to roll up the sleeves and help.

A personal 'thank you' also to all those who sponsored me for the Suffolk Historic Churches Cycle Ride; you will read elsewhere of the amount that was raised by our 2007 team of cyclists.

Our November Luncheon Club is to take place on Friday the 9th at 12.30 p.m. in the Village Hall. Two important annual services to bring to your attention. The Memorial Service for All Souls Day will take place at St Margaret's Church Reydon at 3.00 p.m. on Sunday 4th November, whilst it will be our turn to host the Remembrance Day Service for Blythburgh & Walberswick on Sunday 11th November, starting at 10.50 a.m.

Yours in Christ's service
Brian Fisher

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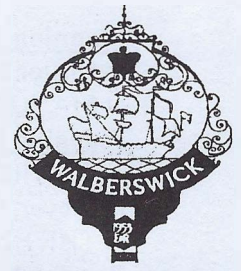
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15th - 00:38/13:32
22nd - 07:39/20:43
29th - 01:01/14:05

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VILLAGE NEWS



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WALBERSWICK COMMON

For ten years Ron Horsey has done a wonderful job as volunteer Warden for the Common. He knows it like the back of his hand. He has liaised between the Trustees and Natural England to ensure that the joint management plan is being implemented, that bracken and birch are controlled and new heather encouraged, and he has led a working party to combat the inevitable encroachment by gorse. In those ten years we have seen a great improvement in the Common, as a wildlife habitat and a place we can all enjoy. Thank you very, very much, Ron.

We now need a new warden: somebody who appreciates the unique character of the Common and our good fortune in having it on our doorstep. Ron will be very happy to talk to you about what is involved and, if you are interested, the Trustees would love to hear from you. (Please contact me on 723914)

Barbara Priestman, Chairman
Common Lands Charity Trust

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

The results of the wet and windy match at the end of October were as follows: Mark Aldridge had a great game and came in with 22pts - but he won't be doing it again for a while, now that we've mutilated his handicap! He was also nearest the pin. Ritchie was 2nd on countback and Nigel came 3rd - both with 18pts. Vic had the longest drive. Let's hope the weather's better next time.

Chas Elliott

VILLAGE NEWS ADVERTISEMENTS

Please note that bookings are already being taken for next year. A back page advert is £30 for 12 months running from January. Slots are allocated on a first-come first-served basis and current advertisers need to rebook their slots as soon as possible. The deadline for 2008 adverts is December 15th. The contact for adverts is

Jane Kirkeby on 01502 723079
email janebart@tiscali.co.uk

BONFIRE NIGHT 2007

Many thanks to all the helpers who made this enjoyable event possible. Thanks also to Sue (from the Bell) for the delicious soup and to Libby and her sons for the bonfire "guy". Donations and food sales raised a total of £624.15p. towards the cost - not quite enough to cover all expenses, but there is a small reserve from previous years that can be used to balance the books.

David Webb

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE

I have put together a collection of my verses - some of which have appeared previously in the Village News and The Cedar Tree. Entitled Mostly Walberswick, the book is being sold in aid of Motor Neurone Disease Research. It is available at Tinkers and the Tuck Shop, price £3.95.

Grahame Godsmark

THE WALBERSWICK SCROLL

There will be a showing of the Scroll in the Village Hall on Saturday, December 8th between 10am and 12 noon. Showings take about 40 minutes, so there is usually time for 3 runs. Space for viewing is limited and Pat Wythe has agreed to bring a collection of archive photographs as a rewarding sideshow for those waiting.

The Scroll is one man's view of Walberswick in 1931/32, painted by **John Doman Turner** (1873-1938) on a 123ft roll of paper. Every house in the village at that time is depicted, mostly in great detail.

No formal charge, but as usual there will be a collection for Village Hall funds.

Richard Scott

4th WALBERSWICK PANTOMIME

Robin Hood and the Babes In the Village Hall
Thursday January 31st 2008 at 7.30pm

Friday February 1st at 7.30pm

Saturday February 2nd at 3pm and 7.30pm

Tickets £9.00 and £6.00 (under 12s)

Available from the **Tuck Shop** from Monday December 17th or from **Jean Waller (722120)**

Anyone willing to help, please contact **Jean Waller** for Front of House, **Rita Woodcraft** for Bar (722958),

Val Anderson for anything else! (724609)

All copy by 8pm on the 15th of each month to Julia Reisz at the Old Tea Room, The Green Walberswick IP18 6TU. e-mail: julinka@werthimer.fsnet.co.uk Telephone: 01502 723275

PARISH COUNCIL REPORT – 29TH OCTOBER, 2007

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of a single storey kitchen extension to WINTON, The Street and to the conversion and extension to an outbuilding (revised scheme) at MANOR HOUSE, The Street.

Planning Decisions – Planning permission had been granted by Suffolk Coastal for extensions to BITTERN HOUSE, Millfield Road and the erection of a two-storey annexe at THORPE VIEW, The Street. However, Planning permission had been opposed for the erection of single-storey and first floor extensions to THE BEECHES, Millfield Road.

Beach Clean – This had been well attended. The Parish Council is very grateful to all those who turned out on a very rough and windy day.

Sea Defences – Councillor D Webb reported that a preliminary meeting had been held with Dr Brampton, an expert on coastal protection who has an intimate knowledge of this coast. The Council expected to have a response from Dr Brampton in the near future on what if any advice he could offer to the Sea Defence Group.

Blyth Estuary – The Group had agreed to carry out a survey of the estuary, measuring the height of the walls. Richard Steward had agreed to carry out the survey.

Blyth Strategy Group - District Councillor Keable reported that a group had been formed consisting of the portfolio holders of SCC, WDC and SCDC and local ward councillors covering the Blyth Estuary study area. The object of the Group would be to provide a united, considered and robust response by Local Authorities against the Blyth Estuary Flood Risk Management proposals. The next meeting would be held on 15th November.

Play areas safety inspection report - Councillor D Webb pointed out that the main concern reported by RoSPA was that the goal post on the playing field should be secured into the ground as free-standing it could be dangerous. The tiles under the swings needed to be stuck down and the area under the swings required more chippings. Councillors D Webb and B Tibbles would carry out the essential repairs; the Clerk would order the chippings.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

CHRISTMAS CAROLS ROUND THE TREE

Please note this takes place on a different day this year. We will gather at 7.00pm on Friday, 21st December. The Walberswick Band will be playing and there will be refreshments in the Village Hall afterwards.

VILLAGE HALL KITCHEN

The kitchen was installed last month and looks magnificent. Many, many thanks to all you villagers who contributed so generously. Between you, Awards for All, Adnams, British Energy and Bingo nights, we have managed to pay for it. I would also like to thank the Kitchen Committee for their work in ensuring that the project ran so smoothly. A great effort and a great result!

Mark Aldridge, Chairman
Village Hall Management Committee

BERTIE STANNARD

Walberswick's oldest resident has passed away at the great age of 104. "Tubby", as he was known, was born in Blythburgh but lived for most of his life on the village green. He worked as a bricklayer for Henry Block for over 60 years. Until quite recently he could be seen on his daily walk, and loved to stop for a chat: he had a phenomenal memory for events and people of long ago. He was the last of the old-timers, and will be greatly missed.

Julia Reisz, Editor

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

CANCER RESEARCH MINI MARKET Saturday 1st 10am-12noon Village Hall
RACE NIGHT Saturday 1st 7pm Village Hall
GP SURGERY Village Hall Wednesdays 3pm
WALBERSWICK SCROLL Viewing Saturday 8th 10am-12 noon Village Hall
CHRISTMAS FAIR Sunday 9th 12-3pm Potter's Wheel
CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 14th 12.30pm Village Hall
LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 7th & 21st 1.55-2.55pm at the Green
NORWICH BUS Thursday 20th 9.30am
CAROLS ROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE Friday 21st 7pm on the Green

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday 13th December we will be holding our Christmas Meeting. We will be gathering in the Village Hall at 12 noon for lunch, followed by games and musical entertainment from the Medieval Minstrels.

Irene Prince

CHURCH MATTERS

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LESSONS AND CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT

The enlarged Evensong Choir, two soloists and eleven readers will be taking part in the Festival of Lessons and Carols on December 23rd at 6 o'clock. As well as all the usual favourites, the congregation will join in singing Good King Wenceslas, The Holly and the Ivy, Rocking and In the Bleak Midwinter.

We are particularly delighted to include a new poem by Mary Burke, which she has called Christmas Stars.

Julia Josephs

SERVICES

02 Advent Sunday 0930 Sung Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

09 1800 Choral Evensong

Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher

16 Advent 3 1100 Morning Prayer

Preacher The Revd Simon Ward

23 Advent 4 0930 Eucharist (*said with hymns*)

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

23 at 6pm Service of Lessons & Carols by candlelight

24 at 4.30pm Crib Service

25 Christmas Day 0930 Family Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

30 Christmas 1 0930 Sung Eucharist

A joint service at Blythburgh

Every Tuesday 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesday 1000 Holy Communion 1662

Wednesday (5th) Healing Service with CW

PARISH REGISTER

16th November 2007 Thanksgiving service (preceded by cremation) for the life of

Bertie Burton Stannard aged 104

THE CHURCH MAGAZINE

Blythburgh, Reydon and Walberswick have just printed their joint 251st monthly magazine. I do urge contributors to the Village News to send another copy of any relevant news to the editor, Mary Montague mary@montague12.fsnet.co.uk by the 12th of each month. If you would like to receive a copy of this magazine (30p per copy) I will be pleased to deliver it.

Christine Mitchell, Mary King and I have agreed that from December we will not include all the church lists in the Village News, as these are, of course, printed in the Church Magazine and posted in the Church Porch. This will provide considerably more editorial space for the Village News.

Julia Josephs

LETTER FROM THE OLM

A big 'thank you' to everyone who helped to make our Remembrance Sunday service a meaningful one for all concerned. The commitment on your part was certainly worthwhile.

On Sunday 9th December there will not be a morning service in Walberswick. Instead, we shall be joining with the other parishes of The Sole Bay Team for a Confirmation Service at St Edmund's Southwold, at which The Right Revd Gavin Read will preside.

As you can probably imagine I am now gearing myself up for one of the busiest periods in the life of the Church year. In Advent we are encouraged to look forward to the second coming of Jesus Christ. On each of the four Sundays in Advent we light a special candle to remind us of the Patriarchs of the Old Testament (i.e. the ancestors of Jesus), of the prophets who foretold Christ's birth, of John The Baptist who was the one to prepare the way for Christ's earthly ministry, and of Mary the mother of Christ. A fifth candle is lit on Christmas Day as we once more rejoice in recalling the birth of Jesus Christ. Most people enjoy celebrating Christmas, so why not join with us at one of our services to celebrate the real meaning of the Christian festival? And please, do not forget those within our community for whom Christmas could well be a time of sadness rather than of joy.

The Christmas Luncheon Club will be on Friday, 14th December. It is important that you book with either Christine or myself for this one, just to ensure that there is sufficient food for everyone.

Wishing you a happy & peaceful Christmas

Brian Fisher.

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29th - 01.24/14.32

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Post Office

I have been asked to put something in the village news to explain the changes and our position with the Post Office service in the village.

It is proposed that early next year Walberswick PO is to be down graded to an outreach office run in the shop or village hall for 10 hours a week. There is a supposed consultation period that finishes on the 19th of November but as Postwatch has agreed the number to close it is unlikely to change. It is my believe that in Suffolk they have named 10 to 12 that they have no intention to close and will rescind these closures to give the consultation an impression of validity

We are not opposing these changes as we feel they were inevitable. During the last 4 years the PO has lost payments for-

Pension, Unemployment, Child benefit, Electricity cards, Saving stamps, TV licences
These formed most of the core PO business, which is now transferred directly to the bank. The Post Office's main role now is to function as a surrogate bank for Loyds, TSB, Barclays, Co Op etc as they found that small rural offices were uneconomic. The Post Office network has been heavily subsidised during these cuts and Post Office Counters has been unable to find new business other than Life, Motor and Home insurance.

The shop will find it harder to survive but we will receive 24 months salary to assist us through the transition. We intend to revamp the shop, reduce our overheads, change working patterns and look for new ways to encourage customers into the shop.

We do not see the closure as the end of the shop, far more critical is the pressure from Tesco and Asda.

If you would like more details of the changes there are leaflets at the PO or speak to Gill or myself.

Nick

Cancer Research U.K.

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