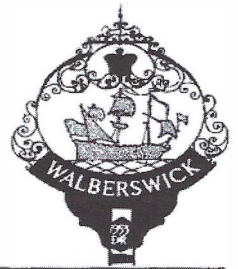


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A Very Happy New Year to All Our Readers!

WINTER ROADS TREATMENT

The County Council's policy for treating roads in this area during the winter is as follows:

Priority 1 network is all principal and primary routes, plus selected other roads including all B roads.

Priority 2 network is a wider network which includes at least 1 route to all main villages, regular bus routes and for access to most LEA schools.

If *ice only* is expected then Priority 1 network roads are gritted - 1095 miles of road, using approx 140 tonnes of salt. If *snow and ice* are expected to persist then we grit Priority 1 and Priority 2 network roads - 1660 miles out of 3900 miles of road in the county, using 330 tonnes of salt. We start the season with 15,500 metric tonnes of salt in 10 'strategic' locations across the county. 39 vehicles run from 10 locations across the county. We treat 1095 miles (1760kms), which is 28% of the network. It's all A and B roads, and other roads where there is a presumption of more than 4000 movements a day. This includes access to main hospitals and 24/7 fire stations. We have a modern fleet of gritters which use wetted salt, and special additives to help the salt stick better to the road. There are arrangements in place to bring over 300 local farmers and contractors out on to the roads to assist with snow clearing if necessary. Each treatment costs approximately £10,000 in direct costs.

Rae Leighton, County Councillor

THE POPPY APPEAL 2008

This year the Poppy Appeal raised £2216 which will go to help Servicemen and women and their families who are in need. This is an increase of 9.6% over last year's total. My thanks to all those who helped, and to those who gave so generously.

Judith Hetherington

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Would the person who stole the Notice Board advertising the Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning from outside Hoist Cottage please return it so that it can be used for other charity notices in the future. Thank you.

Alan Walpole

NEW KEEP FIT CLASS

On Tuesday 3rd February you have the chance to be stretched and toned from 10.30-11.30am in the Village Hall. Mark Hussey, who takes the Keep Fit sessions, will be leading and the cost is £5 per session. The new class will follow on from the fitness sessions. After the Christmas break Keep Fit begins again on Tuesday 6th January, 9.15-10am.

Jenny Cardwell

ADOPTING THE COMMON

Although our Wednesday afternoon Working Party is very busy cutting back gorse and opening out some of the paths, we wondered if anyone else - families, single people or children - might be interested in adopting a small part of the Walberswick Common Land. You could choose an area, or we could show you some of the smaller ones that need looking after. It's mostly very simple maintenance as prescribed by Natural England, and we can explain what needs to be done in your specific area. So if there is a part of the Common you particularly like or enjoy, why not make it even more special and adopt it? Please call us if you're interested.

David Webb (723871) Jodie Ellis (722 110)

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our January screening: Hitchcock's *North by Northwest* (Cert PG) starring Cary Grant, James Mason and Eva Marie Saint. The master of suspense takes us on a 3000 mile chase across America. Love, murder and a game of tag. 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Sunday, 18th January. Members £2 Guests £4 Non-members £5.

Kay Ungless

APPRECIATION

Recently I underwent major surgery in the James Paget Hospital. While I was there, prayers were said on my behalf, and I would like to thank all those concerned. Fortunately I am now very much on the mend. I must also thank my dear wife Denise, whose unstinting care and love saw me through this time, and my good friend Jo Saunders, a constant support. God bless you all!

Jerry Burchell

All copy by 8 pm 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 723275

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 1ST DECEMBER, 2008

Planning – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of an external staircase and dormer window, replacement of existing windows and insertion of new windows to 2, VALLEY FARM, Ferry Road (Application No: C08/1947/1948) or to the extension of existing store to provide two lockable stores at THE STABLES, The Street (Application No: C08/2019/2020). The Parish Council also had no objections to the removal of an internal wall to create a larger opening between the kitchen and breakfast room at MERCERS HALL, The Street (Application No: C08/1860 – Listed building consent).

Post Office – The Chairman reported that there were still problems with failures to the online system at the post office which was extremely frustrating for the Subpostmaster and customers alike. The Council had written twice to Post Office Ltd who had informed them that the problems were being rectified. The Chairman stated that it was vitally important for residents to continue to use the post office despite the problems being experienced at present. The Council would continue to press for an acceptable service for the village.

Housing – Mrs Janet McNeill, Area Manager of Suffolk Heritage Housing, had informed the council that their new scheme ‘Choice Based Lettings’ would become operational in SCDC in February 2009. She stated that it is important that any resident in the village with a housing need (now or in the future) should apply immediately. Information about the scheme can be found at www.flagship-housing.co.uk or by contacting Suffolk Heritage Housing Association on 01728 727555.

Revised scheme of Walberswick Common Lands Charity Trust - Presentation by Miss Barbara Priestman and Mr James Darkins - Miss Priestman, Chairman, explained that the Charity Trust constitution needed updating to reflect current best practice in the terms of the administration and operation of the charity and in part to reflect the requirements of the new Charities Act 2006 which became fully effective in 2008. Mr Darkins explained all the changes that had been proposed. The Chairman, Mrs Madeline Dabbs, considered that these changes should now be discussed by the Parish Councillors before replying to the Common Lands Charity Trust. This would be placed on the agenda in January.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

NOT THE VILLAGE GNUS

Oh what is the name of those wonderful creatures
Becoming the finest of Walberswick features?
Has old Mother Nature produced a great gaffe
By putting together a goat and giraffe?
With winter approaching they'll face snow and storm:
Their fine woollen jumpers should keep them all warm.
This riddle you'll find in your best Christmas crackers;
The answer of course is – our splendid alpacas!

GG

PILATES

For back pain, joint stiffness, or unwanted tension, why not give Pilates a try? For a gentler type of exercise, try ChiBall. A highly-qualified instructor gives classes in both in the Village Hall on Thursday mornings: Pilates at 8.45am. and Chi-Ball at 10.00am. For more information call Helen on 07814651740 or visit her website:

www.pilatesandhealth.co.uk

Betsy Lemmon

CHARITY BONANZA

On Sunday 22nd February five of us are planning to cook brunch all day in the Hall, to raise money for 2 good causes: Alzheimer's Society and First Responders. With a bar, music and all day food we are going to need help, lots of it! If you could spare anytime on that Sunday between 9.30am and 4.30pm, please contact one of us.

Astrid King (07968306313)

Julia Sowerbutts (07867507286)

CANCER RESEARCH

I would like to thank all who attended our mini-market on Dec. 6th, with a special thanks to all the volunteers who helped make this event a resounding success. We raised £2100 on the day! Added to pre and post sales, the grand total we are able to contribute to Cancer Research is £2500 Thanks to all for supporting this worthwhile cause.

Betsy Lemmon

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SANDERLINGS GALA DINNER Wednesday 28th 7.00pm Village Hall
LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 2nd, 16th and 30th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green

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Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd David Eaton
- 16 Epiphany 2 0930 Morning Prayer**
Preacher The Revd Simon Ward
- 23 Epiphany 3 0930 Sung Eucharist**
Celebrant The Revd Julie Eaton
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
Wednesday (7th) Healing Service with CW (said)

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On December 10th, 35 members and guests from neighbouring institutes enjoyed a delicious Christmas lunch of soup and puds provided by the committee. We then had fun with games and quizzes.

On Friday 16th January we will be celebrating the New Year with a lunch at the Swan in Southwold.

Our first regular meeting of 2009 will be on Thursday 8th January, 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Our speaker will be Debra Preston, Britain's classiest Mrs Mop, with some juicy stories from her life at the top hotels. Please join us for an entertaining afternoon.

Irene Prince

VOLUNTARY HELP CENTRE

The Centre has moved into the Stella Peskett Millennium Hall, Might's Road, Southwold, IP18 6BE. (01502) 724549. Last year our volunteers fulfilled nearly 3400 requests for help and drove 65,000 miles. If you have an hour or two a week to spare - I would love to hear from you. This is a valuable local service that is also very rewarding for the volunteers.

Tricia Scott (Co-ordinator)

USED CHRISTMAS CARDS

During January 2009 Mary King and I will again provide the collecting points for your used Christmas Cards. Please put them in the containers outside Dutch House or Shenburgh. The cards will be pulped and the money raised will go towards the work of the Woodlands Trust.

Elizabeth Leighton

LETTER FROM THE OLM

As 2009 dawns, along with most people we are reviewing the old year and anticipating the new, often with mixed feelings as our circle of family and friends inevitably changes. Last month we celebrated the life of Canon John Matthews and, whilst we were saddened by his death, we thanked God for his many gifts and particularly for his years of service in the Church, both at Dunmow and here in Walberswick. His widow Rachel is most appreciative of the support that she and John have received from our community during recent years.

In view of all that has happened both internationally and nationally during 2008 it is easy to feel apprehensive about just what might lie around the corner in 2009. I wonder where you place your hopes and aspirations for the New Year? In a recovery from the credit crunch? In a big win on the National Lottery? In an election leading to a change of Government? Or do you, like me, place your trust in God, a God who knows all things from the beginning?

There is a carol that can often be heard sung during the Christmas period which dates back to the 17th century, called the 'Wassailing Song'. It does not celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ but looks ahead to the New Year. The word 'wassail' is an old English word for a toast similar to 'good health'; it also refers to the contents of a glass or goblet. The chorus of the carol expresses what I would hope for everyone in Walberswick for 2009:

*'Love and joy come to you
And to your wassail too,
And God bless you and send you
A Happy New Year.'*

And by the way, I look forward to seeing you at some of our services during the coming year, as well as at our monthly Luncheon Club on the second Friday of each month (except in October).

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher.

FRIENDS OF SOUTHWOLD HOSPITAL

Congratulations on raising the magnificent amount of £825.27! We do so appreciate your continued support every year. We have been able to provide much needed equipment that the NHS is unable to supply. My sincere thanks to you all, especially the collectors.

Barbara Davis, Chairman

HOT DOGS!

There was such a good response to my appeal for blankets etc. for the Rescued Dogs' Home that 26 bags have been sent. Very many thanks - especially from the dogs who will be warm this Christmas.

Mary King

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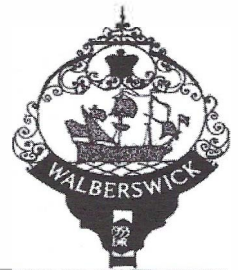
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BEN SUTTON

Ben was one year older than me, so we grew up together in Walberswick. We both attended the village school, taught by Mrs. Hargreaves. As teenagers, we chased girls together, and Ben used to attract a lot of posh girls from London: with his long hair, fur waistcoat and fur boots, he looked like a rock star in the 60s.

His first job was as an apprentice with Baggotts the butcher in Southwold; later he worked for two years in London for the Gas Board. He worked as a driver for Blyth Hazell Removals, and for many years until his death worked for Duncan & Sons as a lorry driver. At one time he and two friends owned identical cars, borrowing parts from each other in order to scrape past the MOT. He acted as father and mother to his two boys, Adam and Lee, and when anybody complained about them he refused to believe it: he thought sunshine came out of their backsides.

Unlike the rest of us, he didn't own a gun: fishing was what he loved, and he had worked on a fishing boat as a teenager. I took him fishing for years and, no matter who was on the boat, he would never let anyone interfere. He went fishing with me a month before he died.

Though each year he said he wouldn't help with the crabbing contest, on the day he would turn up with the lines and weights which he had spent hours making at home; on November 5th he was always there to light the fire and let off fireworks. He was a regular sight in the Anchor, where he objected to children coming into the bar; and he often sat with his back to the company in his typically grumpy way. He was a real Walberswick character, and we will miss him.

Wally Webb

WILLOW FENCING

Should be treated every year to prolong its lifetime

Preserve with linseed oil/turps

Call Bob 724070

ROBERTS GARDEN SERVICES

THE BIG BIG BIRTHDAY BRUNCH!

Sunday 22nd February 2009 in the Village Hall, any time between 11.00am-3.00pm, with all proceeds going to The Alzheimer's Research Trust and First Responders. Not just a fry-up, but four cooks with waitress service, bar and music. To help indicate numbers please buy a £6.00 BBB Brunch Voucher from The Tuck Shop, available from 1st February.

Julia Sowerbutts Astrid King

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our February screening will be *Bugsy Malone* (Cert U). Made in the UK, this eccentric musical is a pastiche of all those nineteen-thirties gangster movies, the novelty being that all the roles are played by children. It's a fun film stuffed with memorable moments and great tunes.

7.30pm, Sunday 15th February, Village Hall.

Kay Ungless

A TREE STORY

Years ago we planted a little Christmas tree on the bank outside our house, where it grew and flourished. Just before Christmas we found that someone had sawn through the trunk and stolen it. All our friends were very sympathetic and the police, when we reported the theft, even offered to give us their tree. But what a pleasant surprise to find one morning that a kind person had planted a new tree in place of the old!

"Whoever you are, I send you my thanks,

For the grand little tree that now grows on my bank".

Pat Atherton

WALBERSWICK HERITAGE CENTRE

There are plans to renovate the Centre, hopefully before Easter. I trust that I will have full support from all the usual volunteers. The calendar is on its way to you, so please fill in the afternoons you can manage. New volunteers welcome.

Maureen Thompson (723755)

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 1ST DECEMBER, 2008

Planning – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of a replacement dwelling at INNISFREE, Leveretts Lane (revised scheme). Councillor K Webb declared an interest and took no part in the discussions. The Councillors also had no objections to the erection of a single storey extension and demolition of existing outbuilding at MAFEKING, The Green. However, they were concerned about access for builders' vehicles as they did not want the recent work on the green to be spoiled.

Revised scheme of Walberswick Common Lands Charity Trust – The majority of Parish Councillors opposed clause 4 of the proposed revised scheme, which changed the composition of the Trustees from four Nominative Trustees from the Parish Council to three. The Council's concerns were that the perception of the Trust should be one of public trust, transparency and confidence in the parish. This change could have an adverse effect. It was agreed that the Parish Council would write to the Trustees asking them to reconsider this change. It was also recommended that the parishioners should have the opportunity to discuss the proposed changes with the Trustees before the revised document was sent to the Charity Commissioners for acceptance.

Parish Plan – Four volunteer residents had carried out a survey on the viability of a Parish Plan for Walberswick by contacting other villages who had processed the plan. It was generally considered that a Parish Plan could be an asset to the village. Another public meeting may be called after discussions amongst the volunteers.

History Group – Permission was given by the Parish Council for the History Group to take photographs of the village scroll for use at an exhibition at the Southwold museum in March.

Horse riding on the sand dunes – It was reported that there has been evidence of horse riding on the sand dunes. Riders are reminded that this is an offence under 'The Land Drainage and Sea Defence Byelaws'. More importantly, it is vital not to damage our vulnerable sea defences.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

WATS OUTING - TWELFTH NIGHT

On Saturday March 7th the coach will pick up from The Tuck Shop at 9.30am. The matinee doesn't start until 2.30pm, which allows ample time to stroll, lunch or shop beforehand. On our return we will be collected from Browns Restaurant, opposite Wyndhams Theatre, after a post-theatre supper at approx 7.00-7.30pm. This production has received rave reviews! Do ring if you have any queries.

Julia Sowerbutts (07867507286)

WALBERSWICK SEED SWAP

Come and exchange your saved seeds and discover new plant varieties at the Walberswick Seed Swap in the Village Hall Annexe on Saturday 21st February from 10am – 1pm. If you have no saved seeds, don't worry: we'll have plenty to go round! Refreshments will be available. and all are welcome to this free event.

Jodie Ellis (722110)

Caroline Gilby (725416)

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LUNCH CLUB Friday 13th 12.30pm in the Village Hall
PILATES Thursdays 8.45am CHIBALL 10.00am
NORWICH BUS There will be no bus in February or March
LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 13th & 27th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green
SEED SWAP Saturday 21st 10.00am-1.00pm Village Hall Annexe
BIG BIG BIRTHDAY BRUNCH Sunday 22nd 11.00am-3.00pm Village Hall

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- 15 2 before Lent 1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher
- 22 Service at Blythburgh 0930 Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

Choral Evensong

Please note that Choral Evensong will be a week later i.e. February 15th because of a farewell Eucharist for Simon Ward at 6.00pm in Blythburgh Church on February 8th.

There will be no Morning Prayer in February.

CAROL SERVICE

It is my pleasure to extend a large "thank you" to the Choir and the Readers at this service as well as to the large congregation who joined in so enthusiastically. The Church was beautifully decorated and mention must be made of the candle arrangers. The organisation was faultless! Julia Sowerbutts must also be thanked for her hospitality after the service to over forty people who had taken part. It was a splendid assembly of villagers: in all a great beginning for all the blessings of Christmas we are so fortunate to enjoy in Walberswick.

Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our next meeting will be on Thursday February 12th at 2.30pm in the Village Hall. Our speaker will be John Warwicker, Security Chief at Number 10 Downing Street from the 60s to the 80s. John will be telling tales of his time at Number 10, accompanying a succession of Prime Ministers on various trips. It should be an interesting afternoon! We welcome new members or visitors.

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM

On 8th February The Sole Bay Team will be saying farewell to one of our team priests; the Revd Simon Ward has been appointed Chaplain to the Bishop of Norwich. Simon's farewell will be a Sung Eucharist service at Holy Trinity Church Blythburgh at 6.00 pm. on Sunday 8th February. We have been privileged to have had Simon as a member of our clergy team, particularly as he has done so much to encourage the children and young people of our team parishes and local schools. (Southwold Rugby Club has also found him more than useful as a prop forward!) His licensing as Bishop's Chaplain will take place at Norwich Cathedral on Friday 6th March at 5.15pm. We wish Simon and his family well as they set out on a new part of their life journey.

Because of the farewell service for Simon our monthly of Choral Evensong will be moved to the third Sunday of the month - 15th February. Also, because of Simon's departure and the unavailability of other team priests during the month, our pattern of services will be different to normal, so please keep an eye on the village notice boards (or refer to the Team website:

www.stedmundsbury.anglican.org/solebay/)

Ash Wednesday falls on 25th February this year. There will be two team services on that day, the first here at St Andrews at 10.00am., the second at St Edmunds Southwold at 7.30pm.

This month's Luncheon Club will be on Friday, 13th February, 12.30pm. at the Village Hall.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

21st November 2008 Funeral Service (followed by
Cremation at Ipswich) for

Canon John Matthews aged 86

22nd November 2008 Service of Thanksgiving
for **Canon John Matthews**

7th December 2008 Confirmation of
Noah Benjamin Godfrey

13th December 2008 Holy Matrimony
Matthew Edward Crosby to **Polly Kate Robinson**

28th December 2008 Baptism
Amy Diane Patricia Walker

30th December 2008 Funeral Service at Gorleston
Crematorium for **Brendan (Ben) Sutton**
2nd January 2009 Service of Thanksgiving
for the life of **Ben Sutton** aged 63,
followed by Interment of Ashes.

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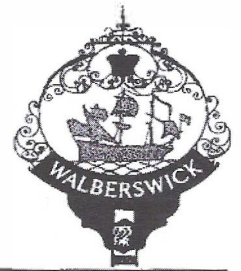
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OUR COMMON

Walberswick Common is not registered as "Common Land" under the Parliamentary Act. Walberswick Common Lands Charity (WCLC) is the registered owner of the "Common" and other parcels of land within the parish, which the Charity holds on behalf of the parishioners of Walberswick.

The "Common" is included, with the Charity's other land, in a DEFRA "Environmental Stewardship Scheme", which provides grants for environmental works, and the "Common" is being managed by WCLC to a plan drawn up by Natural England. Work undertaken by the "Winter Wednesday Volunteers" follows this plan.

In my youth it was management by fire: around Easter each year a section of the common very mysteriously caught fire and large overgrown areas were cleared in a 12-hour blaze. These fires could be quite frightening and it is hoped to avoid such scares by using the current management plan, but it will still be necessary to dispose of some piles of cut material by burning. A progress report and information on the common will be included in the Village News from time to time.

David Webb

WELL DONE, SANDERLINGS!

A splendid production, very professional,
Kept up our spirits in times recessional.

Our thanks to the actors who held us in thrall –
Especially Rosi, the star of them all!

G.G.

And from the Producers....

Thank you for supporting our latest show. It proved a most enjoyable production, helped by so many people. Thanks to cast and crew for their efforts and talents.

Val Anderson (from Oz) and Julia Sowerbutts

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Fridays 27th February 13th March & 27th March

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Thursday 19th March 7pm

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WALBERSWICK AT WAR

I have had a good response to my request for stories, articles and photographs to be included in an article or booklet about Walberswick in the Second World War, but would appreciate more in order to fill some of the gaps or to confirm detail that I already have. If you think that you have a story to tell and/or photograph(s) that you would like included (as a contributor) in the publication please give me a call on 01502 724763. Thanks to those who have already provided me with material - I still have a long way to go!

Alan Walpole

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, which is great fun! **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 8th March at 3pm in the Village Hall.

All welcome. Free entry and refreshments.

Jane Walters

NEWS FROM SOUTHWOLD SURGERY

Sadly the Primary Care Trust has yet again delayed a decision on the Healthy Living Centre, despite promises that the go-ahead would come in December 2008 at the latest. They now vaguely talk of an approval in the Spring.

Please note that the surgery is now open from 9.00-12.00am on Saturdays, with one doctor in attendance and reception and dispensary both manned. This is for routine appointments, by prior arrangement, to fit in those who cannot attend during normal surgery hours, which are now 8.00am-6.30pm Monday to Friday. However, they can handle any genuine emergencies when open on Saturday.

All over-65s are entitled to a free Pneumonia vaccination. This is a once-in-a-lifetime injection and is highly recommended as many conditions can develop into Pneumonia if one is unlucky.

Bill Ungless

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 2ND FEBRUARY, 2009

Planning – Suffolk Coastal District Council had approved an extension to the existing store and a further extension to provide two lockable stores at The Stables, The Street – subject to the work being carried out in accordance to the submitted plans and conditions set out by the authority.

Allotments - All allotments were now taken. It was agreed that the rents should remain the same for the year 2009 -2010.

Fencing play area of sports field – The Clerk and Councillor Aldridge had staked out the area for the proposed fencing of the play area. Councillor K Webb agreed to obtain prices for the fencing.

Climbing Frame – Councillor Aldridge asked if it was possible to raise enough money to purchase a climbing frame for the play area on the sports field. County Councillor Rae Leighton stated that it might be possible to obtain £500 from the Locality Grant. Councillor Buncombe thought the Crabbing Championship would be able to help. The Clerk agreed to obtain quotes and approach Suffolk coastal DC to see if there was any money available for Walberswick in their Play Scheme.

Water on Robinson Marsh – Councillor K Webb reported that there was much more water on Robinson Marshes than usual. It was agreed to write to the Eastern Area Manager of the Environment Agency to ask them to see if there was a fault on the Charity Sluice.

Timber washed up on the beach - Approximately 50 tons of timber had been washed up on Walberswick beach as a result of a recent shipwreck. Many people had been on the beach salvaging some of the timber. Councillor Buncombe stated that anybody collecting timber must report it to the Receiver of Wreck (under section 236 of the Merchant Shipping Act 1995).

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

Parish Plan – At a public meeting held on Saturday 7th February a large majority of residents supported the motion that Walberswick should produce its own Parish Plan.

Parish Clerk – I am planning to retire as Parish Clerk in the next few months. If anybody is interested in taking over, please contact me for details and job description (723142).

Vivien Hunt

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Babette's Feast (Cert PG) Sunday, 15th March 2009.
7.30pm in the Village Hall. Under-18s £2. Guests £4.
Non-members £5.

Flawlessly directed and performed, this Danish film is the story of a pastor's two daughters who devote their lives to the flock he serves. They take in a French refugee, Babette, as their servant, and as the film progresses we come to love the characters. The scenes in which Babette prepares her feast and the meal is eaten are beautiful. Many films have used food as a metaphor for love, but none approach the artistry of *Babette's Feast*.

Kay Ungless

GENTLY DOES IT

On Tuesdays from 10.30 to 11.30am our instructor Mark Nussey takes a special stretching and toning class in the Village Hall. It's gentle exercise, good fun and costs £5. All are welcome. We have even had some men there!

Jenny Cardwell

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KEEP FIT CLASS Tuesdays 9.15-10am Village Hall
STRETCHING & TONING CLASS Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am Village Hall
AFRICAN DRUM CONCERT Sunday 8th 3pm Village Hall
LUNCH CLUB Friday 13th 12.30pm Village Hall
PILATES Thursdays 8.45am CHIBALL 10.00am
NORWICH BUS There will be no bus in March
LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays 13th & 27th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green

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- 08 2nd Sunday of Lent 0930 Said Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
also 1600 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher
- 15 3rd Sunday of Lent 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher Sheila Mitchell (*Reader*)
- 22 Mothering Sunday 0930 Family Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- 29 Service at Reydon 0930 Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd David Eaton

Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)

Wednesday (4th) Healing Service with CW (said)
Choral Evensong

Please note that Choral Evensong will be at the earlier time of 4pm because of the Lent Lecture at 6pm in the United Reform Church in Southwold.

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

In February we had a most interesting talk from John Warwicker MBE about his time as Chief of Security at Number 10 Downing Street. He revealed the inside track on the goings-on during the time of Harold Wilson, James Callaghan and Margaret Thatcher.

On Thursday March 12th our guest speaker will be Mr Brian Heard. Brian was Deputy Head of Forensic science at Scotland Yard, dealing with the likes of the Krays and the IRA in London. Eventually he became Director of Hong Kong Police.

We always welcome guests and new members. Please join us in the Village Hall at 2.30pm.

Irene Prince

GRATEFUL THANKS

I should like to thank everyone for the kind messages, cards and visits I received during my unexpected stay in hospital. I am also enjoying your visits now that I am at home!

Annie Kiff-Wood

APPRECIATION

Very many thanks for all the kind wishes, support and practical help received during Brian's recent operation and ongoing convalescence. The sweets, chocolates and delicious cakes were thoroughly enjoyed by "Nurse Tibbles"! Brian hopes to be back in harness about the middle of March.

Brian & Jayne Tibbles

LETTER FROM THE OLM

It seemed only yesterday that we were celebrating Christmas, yet here we are rapidly approaching another Easter. Before Easter, in the Christian season, we shall be in the period known as Lent which runs for forty days from Ash Wednesday (25th February) through to Holy Saturday (11th April). Lent, in a sense, gives us a period of time to 'spring clean' our lives; a time of penitence and reflection.

During the five weeks of Lent I will be running a group at Green Gates when week-by-week we shall be looking (on DVD) at a series of paintings depicting events in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Linked to each painting will be a meditation and prayer provided by the Bishop of St Albans, The Right Revd Christopher Herbert. The evenings are open to anyone – there is no need to book in advance! The group will meet at 7.30 pm. on the following dates:

Tuesday 3rd **Wednesday 11th** Tuesday 17th

Tuesday 24th Tuesday 31st March

The Churches Together in our area have again arranged a series of Lent Reflections (formerly known as Lent Lectures). These will take place on Sunday evenings during Lent, at Southwold URC Church at 6.00pm. (See notice boards & leaflets in St Andrew's for details of all events during Lent). Mothering Sunday this year is on 22nd March: our service that day will be a Family Eucharist. The Licensing of the Revd Simon Ward, as Chaplain to the Bishop of Norwich, is to take place during Evensong at Norwich Cathedral on Friday 6th March (5.15pm.)

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

8th February 2009 Holy Matrimony

Jonathan Winyard to Ania Rutkowska

9th February 2009 Funeral Service

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NATURE NOTES ON THE COMMON

Reptiles on the common are the Common Lizard, Slow Worm (a legless lizard), Grass Snake and Adder. The **Grass Snake** is larger than the Adder; females can grow over 120 cm (4 ft) in length (males are shorter); it is non-venomous. Coloured grey/green, often with black spots and usually a yellowish collar, with golden eyes. If threatened, Grass Snakes will play dead.

The **Adder**, Britain's only venomous reptile, grows up to 65cm (just over 2 ft) in length. The females are usually brown with dark marking; the males (smaller than the females) vary in colour from grey-buff to green.

Both sexes have red-brown eyes and normally a zigzag pattern down the back - not always clear on dark coloured Adders. Adders are not aggressive, will try to get out of harm's way and only attack if threatened.

Their venom poses little danger to a healthy adult but the bite is very painful and requires urgent medical attention. The smaller the victim's body, the more effect the venom will have.

At this time of year the Adders are coming out of hibernation. If you see one on a path - stamp your feet on the ground and it will move off.

Note: if a snake does not have a yellowish collar, play safe and assume it is an Adder.

There are three varieties of **Gorse** on the Common.

European Gorse, the tallest variety, grows to 2.5 metres (8 feet) and even higher in places. This gorse flowers in winter- spring. **Western Gorse** grows up to 2 metres in height and flowers summer - autumn.

Finally there is **Dwarf Gorse**. This grows up to about 1.5 metres in height and flowers mainly in the summer. The smaller bushes provide better habitat for wildlife and the management plan is to encourage the lower growing varieties and restrict the larger ones.

David Webb, Volunteer Joint Warden

THE ANCHOR walberswick
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Spring Menu Launches Thursday 26th March
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PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

The Parish Council are building a website to be included on www.onesuffolk.co.uk, covering all aspects of our village life. Would you like your society, club or organisation to be included on the site? Do you have your own website which you would like us to put a link to? Do you have accommodation to let which you would like us to mention? Is there anything else you would like to see included?

Contact **Kay Ungless (722655/ungless@aol.com)**
Madeline Dabbs, Parish Council Chairman

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our April screening will be one of the greatest film classics: *Rebel Without A Cause* (Cert AA). Made in 1955, this tells of a teenage victim of the world he didn't make and repudiates utterly. There is a fantastic performance from James Dean as the archetypal 50s rebel: it shot him to instant stardom.

7.30pm in the Village Hall, Sunday, 19th April 2009
Members £2 Guests £4 Non-members £5

Kay Ungless

THANKS A BUNCH

How could we celebrate half term?

We had a sudden hunch;

So tired of soup and sandwiches

We'd all go out for lunch.

The signs outside the Village Hall

Said lots of things to munch;

As well as that, the price was right

To beat the credit crunch.

So thanks to all who worked so hard,

We left as pleased as Punch.

You really had a winner

With that Big Big Birthday Brunch.

G.G.

A BIG BIG THANK YOU ...

..to the ladies who created the miles of bunting for the Big Big Birthday Brunch. It has now been donated to the Village. Also to Julia Sowerbutts (Birthday Girl), who kindly donated 100 white coffee/tea mugs and teaspoons that we used to the Village Hall.

Astrid King

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 2ND MARCH, 2009

Planning – As most of their objections from the previous application had been addressed, the Parish Council had no objections to the erection of a two-storey dwelling at HIDDEN HUT, The Green. The Parish Council supported the application for the erection of a side extension, creation of a first floor verandah and other external alterations to SALTINGS, Seven Acres Lane. Councillor Hunt declared an interest in this application, left the room, and took no part in the discussions.

Water on Robinson Marsh - The Environment Agency had checked the Charity Sluice and reported that it was working normally. They considered the amount of water on the marsh was caused by the very wet and snowy winter.

Post Office – The Clerk produced a number of letters which had been sent (and received) by the Parish Council to Post Office Ltd. and John Gummer MP over the last few months. It was felt by Councillors that these letters had hopefully been of some help in procuring the proposed new system which is to be installed in the near future. This should ensure that Walberswick Post Office can offer a service to their customers without any further problems. The Clerk was thanked for all her work on this matter.

Revised bus services operating in Walberswick – Revised times of the bus service from Walberswick to Beccles had been received: The bus leaves Walberswick Harbour at 9.25am and arrives in Beccles at 10.25; leaves Beccles Old Market Bus Stand at 1.00pm and arrives back in Walberswick at 2.00pm. The bus runs on Tuesday and Friday. This allows people to have 2 ½ hours shopping time in Beccles. Full details can be seen on the Parish Council notice board at the Village Hall and on the Stocks Green notice board.

Adoption of the New Model Publication Scheme (Freedom of Information Act 2009) -It was proposed by Councillor Buncombe seconded by Councillor Hunt and **unanimously supported** that the new scheme be adopted by Walberswick Parish Council.

Parish Plan - The Chairman reported that fourteen volunteers had come forward to help produce the plan. The group had applied for grants and preparing the plan would not commence until these were in place. The Common Lands Charity Trust had also agreed to support this project.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

Annual Parish Meeting – Everyone is invited to the Annual Parish Meeting to be held on Thursday, 16th April, at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. If there are any groups in the village who would like to give a brief report on their activity at the meeting, (not those already included from previous years) please contact the Clerk (723142)

WAVENEY LEARNING COMMUNITY

The Introduction to Computers class has started, and due to the **number** of people wanting to take part we will be organizing some more sessions. If you have ideas for courses or activities please let us know what you would like to see put on at the Stella Peskett Millennium Hall in Southwold.

For further information, please contact

Christine Pinsent (01502 539711),

Co-ordinator,

Waveney Learning Community

HORTICULTURAL SHOW

This year's show on Saturday 25th July promises to be another hotly contested event, and there are some exciting new categories for you to prepare for. You can enter your favourite cake (with recipe), show off your hen's eggs, and get the children to keep an eye out for a great subject in Walberswick to photograph. Anyone who is interested in helping on the day, I'd love to hear from you (big or small) as there are lots of little jobs looking for willing volunteers.

Jodie Ellis (722110)

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY Village Hall Wednesdays 2.30pm

KEEP FIT CLASS Tuesdays 9.15-10am Village Hall

STRETCHING & TONING CLASS Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am Village Hall

NO LUNCH CLUB IN APRIL

ARMY BENEVOLENT FUND COFFEE MORNING Saturday 18th 10am Village Hall

NORWICH BUS Thursday 16th 9.30am The Tuck Shop

LIBRARY Alternate Fridays 10th & 24th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green

BECCLES BUS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.25am at the Harbour

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ARMY BENEVOLENT FUND

Coffee Morning, 10am - 11.30am, **Saturday 18 April** Please come and support this very worthy cause. Entrance of £1 includes a mug of coffee/tea and access to a home-made cake stall whose contents will make your mouth water!!

Jenny Cardwell

APPRECIATION

Pauline and I would like to express our gratitude to the Walberswick friends who enquired after my health and offered help, during and after my brief stay in James Paget Hospital. Thank you all.

Brian Payne

CHURCH MATTERS

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- 10 Good Friday 1400 One hour devotion
The Revd Brian Fisher
- 12 **Easter Day 0930 Sung Eucharist**
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
also 1800 **Festal Evensong**
Preacher The Revd Peter Trendall
- 19 2nd of Easter 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher The Revd David Eaton
- 26 3rd of Easter 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

Thursday 23 April 7.30pm in Church

This is an important opportunity for the congregation and those on the Electoral Roll to hear interesting reports about the finances, the state of the building, and other matters of concern to the parish. Questions and discussion will follow. The election of the Church Officers and the PCC will also take place at this meeting.

Julia Josephs, Secretary to the PCC

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday April 16th we will be meeting Mrs Jean Smith "the Cycling Granny". Jean has cycled 17,500 miles around Britain raising money for the Macmillan Nurses.

Please join us in the Village hall at 2.30pm to hear about Jean's travels. We welcome new members.

Irene Prince

GRATITUDE

I wish to thank so many people for their kindness and generosity to me since my recent operation. Your cards, visits and so much more have been greatly appreciated. Thank you all.

Sue Walpole

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Good news! Our Diocesan Bishop, The Right Revd Nigel Stock, has informed The Sole Bay Team that we are now able to begin the process of filling the two vacant stipendiary clergy posts based at Reydon & Southwold. Having said that, it is likely to be several months before the actual posts will be filled.

For the time being The Revd David Eaton, who lives at Wangford, will hold responsibility for our parish, with yours truly assisting him..

With Easter fast approaching, April will be a busy month both within the Team and within the parish. During the week leading up to Easter, known as Holy Week, there will be opportunities for meditation, prayer and creativity, details of which will be on our various notice boards.

Here in Walberswick there will be the One Hour Devotion in St Andrew's on Good Friday at 2.00pm. At 6.00am. (yes, am!) the Team Easter Vigil service will take place on Walberswick Beach (meet at the main car park). Later that day there will be services morning (Family Eucharist) & evening (Choral Evensong) in our church. Come along and celebrate Christ's resurrection with us.

Because Good Friday falls on the second Friday of the month, there will be no Luncheon Club in April. Advance notice! On Saturday, 2nd May, our deanery is arranging an Away Day (by coach) to Rochester Cathedral; this will include a guided tour of the cathedral and joining with Choral Evensong. If you are interested in taking advantage of that trip please contact me (723023) for further details. I hasten to alert you that, on that same date, the annual Vellore Bazaar will be taking place here in the Village Hall. Choices, choices!

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

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DAVID SHIRREFF BIRD SONG WALK

This year's walk will take place on Saturday 2nd May 2009, led as last year by myself. 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 Anchor Hotel

A hearty breakfast after the walk has proved to be a fitting end to the mornings endeavours; those who wish to partake should make their reservations with the Anchor Hotel prior to Walk Day.

Tony Lancaster

NATURE NOTES FROM THE COMMON

There are lions and tigers on the common, *but you will have to look very hard to find them.*

Look closely in sunny sites that have little vegetation and areas of bare ground, and you may see a bright green beetle - the **Green Tiger Beetle**.

Also on the common we have Antlions. The adult **Antlion** resembles dragonflies or damselflies, and like the latter is a poor flyer. It is seldom seen because it is only active in the evening; during the day it rests motionless, well camouflaged by its dusk body and transparent wings.

The **Antlion** gets its name from the larval stage. The brown hairy larva preys mainly on ants and can be said to be a "lion" among ants. The larva digs a shallow cone-shaped pit (in sandy soil), then waits at the bottom of the pit. Eventually an ant, or other small insect, enters the cone and the loose sand slips (like a mini-avalanche); the insect falls into the bottom of the pit - where it becomes a tasty meal for the waiting larva.

David Webb

Volunteer Joint Warden

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Thursday 21st May 9.30am
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VELLORE BAZAAR

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

Judith Morton (724572)

SOUTHWOLD-WALBERSWICK FERRY

Dani Church, our own oarswoman, has written a history of the Ferry, going back several centuries. She is exceptionally well-qualified to do so, as she represents the 5th generation of Ferry rowers in her family, and the book is a fascinating account of the many local characters who have plied the oars over the years, as well as the operators of the steam ferry which conveyed passengers across the river in the decades before World War II. There are some wonderful photos of times past and present, and she brings the book up to date with an account of today's operations. I took particular pleasure in her efforts, as I can recall travelling on the steam Ferry in the 1930s, but I recommend it warmly to anyone who is interested in Walberswick and its river. It is available at the Tuck Shop and Tinkers.

Julia Reisz

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our final screening for this season is *The Remains of the Day* (Cert U), starring **Anthony Hopkins** and **Emma Thompson**. It is the story of a butler who sacrifices body and soul in the service of his aristocratic master in the years before and after World War II, only to realise too late how misguided his loyalty has been. The film will be preceded by a short AGM. 7.30pm, Sunday, 17th May in the Village Hall.

Doors open 7.00pm. Members £2 Guests £4 Non-members £5. Everybody welcome. (Next season will start on Sunday, 20th September 2009)

Kay Ungless

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 6TH APRIL, 2009

Planning – The Parish Council had no objections to the replacement of an existing greenhouse at TE AWAHOU, Millfield Road.

Request for road sign to warn of concealed driveways (Blyth Reach, The Stables and Green Gates) – This request would be referred to the Highways Department

Request from Walberswick Car Parks Ltd asking if the parking restrictions could be extended to include April – This request would also be referred to the Highways Department before making any decisions.

Fencing of dunes – The Council agreed to write to the Environment Agency to see if they would be prepared to re-erect the fencing around the dunes in order to protect them.

Cycling Courses – It was agreed to consider running two more cycling proficiency courses during the summer holidays for local and visitors' children as concern was being expressed at the number of children cycling on the wrong side of the road in the village.

Appointment of new Clerk – The Parish Councillors had interviewed for the position and were pleased to appoint Miss Mischi Verneti as Clerk. She will take up the position on 1st June, 2009. Miss Verneti moved to Walberswick in 1976, living here with her mother and father, Christine and Joe Verneti. She now lives in Reydon but still has very close connections with the village and is delighted to accept the post.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

CLIFF FIELD CAR PARK AND TRACK

The Environment Agency is proposing to carry out preliminary testing of the ground near the Cliff Field sluice from 11 – 14 May. This could mean the track to the car park will be closed for a time. Please bear with it – it is in a good cause. An improved sluice means that the marshes can drain more quickly and thus recover from winter flooding more effectively.

Barbara Priestman

Chair, Common Lands Charity Trust

FROM BACH TO THE BEATLES

The Gilbert and Sullivan Singers are a choir of 40 based in Ipswich, in demand all over Suffolk. They are coming to sing in the Village Hall on Saturday 30th May. Tickets cost £10, available from the Tuck Shop; all profits to the Village Hall Improvements Fund. Doors open 7.00pm, performance at 7.30pm. Refreshments and raffle. Book early - they come highly recommended!

Mark Aldridge, Chairman, VHMC

SOUTHWOLD MUSEUM

Members of the Walberswick History Group were invited by the Museum to mount a special exhibit about the village, which can be seen at the Museum for the rest of the summer. We urge Walberswick residents and visitors to go and view it in the newly refurbished Museum. Opening hours are 2-4pm seven days a week.

Philip Kett, History Group Chairman

HELPING WITH THE FETE!

There are 3 vacancies on the Fete Steering Committee. Do join and get involved in the planning of this year's event (Saturday August 29th).

Mark Aldridge (724013)

BIG BIG BIRTHDAY BRUNCH

We raised: **£1,200 for The Alzheimer's Research Trust and £500 for the Village's 1st Responders**. Thanks for all your generous donations, and also thanks to the marvellous "Team of 42".

Julia Sowerbutts

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GILBERT & SULLIVAN SINGERS Saturday 30th 7.30pm Village Hall

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our cycling Granny, Jean Smith, gave a most interesting talk about her cycling adventures all over Britain, covering all of the coastline and much of the interior. She has raised many thousands of pounds for Macmillan Nurses from her talks.

Next month we will be discussing the subject of Bees. Bees will be the focus of our next National campaign, to be launched at our National Conference at the Albert Hall in June. We will follow the discussion with a DVD about New Zealand, sent from an ex-Walberswick resident.

Do join us on Thursday May 14th in the Village Hall at 2.30pm. Visitors and new members are as usual always welcome.

Irene Prince

CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Kate and I thank all those who have donated books for the Cystic Fibrosis cause. We made £421 last year in our first season, and we are happy to take your books ready to sell this year.

Toby Robinson (01502 722526)

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03 Easter 4 0930 Sung Eucharist
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10 Easter 5 0800 Holy Communion
Farewell Team Service for Archbishop
St Edmunds Southwold

also 1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd David Eaton

17 Easter 6 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher The Revd Tom Gladwin

24 Easter 7 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

31 Pentecost 0930 CW Eucharist
Team Service at Southwold

Celebrant The Revd David Eaton

Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662

(said)

Wednesday (6th) Healing Service with CW (said)

APPRECIATION

Thank you to everyone who so kindly sent me flowers, cards, prayers and good wishes during and after my stay in hospital. Best wishes to you all.

Vera Smith

FROM THE SOLE BAY TEAM

We would like to say a **very big thank you** to everyone who helped to make our Holy Week and Easter celebrations in the Team so special. To everyone who cleaned, decorated and prepared flowers for our churches, to our musicians and choir members, our servers and all who worked quietly away behind the scenes in so many ways we are very grateful. Special thanks to our Readers and retired clergy without whom we couldn't run all we do and who add so much to our Team.

We hope that the different ways we keep Lent and Easter across our Team enables each of us to be strengthened and sustained in our Christian journey, and that year by year we are growing in our faith. Easter lasts not just for a day of course, but a whole season until Pentecost - so we hope we all have plenty of time for Easter joy and some relaxation from the busyness of this time of year!

Brian, Caroline, David and Julie

Our Archdeacon, Geoffrey Arrand, will be retiring in the summer after 15 years as Archdeacon of Suffolk. We have arranged a Team service at 11.00am on Sunday May 10th in St Edmunds Southwold, where Geoffrey will preach and preside. Geoffrey has worked particularly hard for us in recent times sorting out our new Team and although there will be formal farewells to him later in the year, we wanted to say our own personal Team thank you and make a presentation to him. After the service there will be a lunch in St Edmunds Hall.

The Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 8th May, 12.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

31st March 2009: Funeral Service & Burial
for **Margaret Mellis** aged 95

8th April 2009: Interment of ashes
(following Funeral Service
at Gorleston Crematorium)
of **Harcourt Bellew Montague Falck** aged 96

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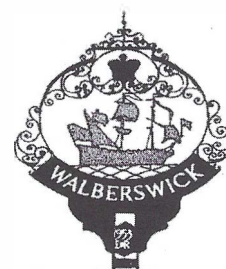
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DAVID SHIRREFF BIRD SONG WALK

Following last year's superb weather, no one would have dared believe that we would experience the same again. What a morning! Dazzling sunshine, the air scented with the coconut and honey of flowering gorse and so warm that even if we had not heard or seen a single bird nobody would have wanted to miss it. Whereas the number of participating walkers at around 40 was a record high, a total of 42 species for the morning was well down on previous years. However, a female Ring Ouzel seen briefly on East Hill was a nice surprise. A Bittern fly-past was a rare but much appreciated sight, as was its strange booming song emitted from deep within the reedbed. Other denizens of the reedbed, Bearded Tits and Sedge Warblers, also showed well close to the footpath - while Nightingales and Blackcaps regaled us from woodland thicket. The collection plus donations from those who couldn't make the walk broke all records with an amazing total of £260.00, so a huge thank you to one and all. This will be divided equally between Walberswick Church and the SWT/RSPB Dingle Marshes.

Tony Lancaster

THE 2009 LONDON MARATHON

Irina Mikitenko won the Women's elite race in 2 hours 22 minutes. I finished 3 hours and 7 minutes behind her! However it was a wonderful experience and I felt grateful to be a part of the world's largest Marathon. It is also the world's greatest fund raiser, to which so many of you generously donated. Money is still pouring in...but you sponsored me for at least £1,400. Combined with the Birthday Brunch you have now given over £2,500 to The Alzheimer's Research Trust. Fantastic! Thank you so much.

Julia Sowerbutts.

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SMASHING TIME AT THE FETE!

We are going to have a 'smash the crockery' stall at the fete this year. Have you any old plates etc that you can donate to us? All offers gratefully received! If you would like to run a stall this year please ring me.

Mark Aldridge (724013)

NATURE NOTES FROM THE COMMON

You can find three different heathers on the common: **Bell Heather (*Erica cinerea*)** – This plant prefers drier heath land and has purple 'bell-like' flowers that bloom from May to September.

Crossed-leaved Heath (*Erica tetralix L.*) - Soft grey/green foliage, with leaves set in whorls of four, at the top of which is a cluster of pinkish bell shaped flowers. It blooms from June to October, favours damp acid soil and can be found in the fen area (on the far side of the old railway track).

Common Heather or Ling (*Calluna vulgaris*) – Generally has mauve flowers (they may occasionally be white) that appear late summer. The name *Calluna vulgaris* comes from the Latin 'vulgaris' for common and the Greek 'Kallune' to clean or brush (the twigs were used for making brooms). The alternative name "Ling" is derived from the Old Norse 'Lyng' meaning fire, referring to the plant's use as a fuel.

David Webb (Joint Volunteer Warden)

FERRY GIRL 2009

Our Dani is the ferry girl
Who's done a lovely book,
A piece of village history
You shouldn't overlook –
With pictures of the families
She talks about with pride,
The weatherbeaten ferrymen
Who rowed across the Blyth
For villagers and visitors
To reach the other side.
So thanks to Dani and her team
Whose services we seek;
Without your expert oarsmanship
We'd all be up the creek!

G.G.

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PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - 11TH MAY, 2009

At the Annual General Meeting of the Parish Council, **Councillor Alvin Hunt** was elected as Chairman and **Councillor David Webb** as Vice Chairman. Councillor Madeline Dabbs was thanked for her work as Chairman over the previous two years.

Planning Applications – The Parish Council had no objections to the erection of a pitched roof over the garage and conversion of garage to studio at **Close Cottage, Manor Close** or the erection of a single-storey rear extension and two-storey side extension at **Mafeking Cottage, The Green**. However, the Parish Council did oppose certain aspects of the extension and changes to **Old Corner House, The Street**.

Cycling Proficiency – The Parish Council plans to organise two cycling proficiency courses in August. These courses are aimed at local children and second home owners with children. Please contact the Clerk for more details.

Fencing of Dunes – The Environment Agency has agreed to carry out fencing of the sand dunes. The work should be carried out in June.

Play equipment on sports field - The Parish Council agreed to two sets of modular climbing frames being erected on the sports field subject to the necessary funding being raised.

Surgery at Walberswick – Councillor Dabbs reported that Walberswick would lose its surgery if people did not use it. Residents are advised to attend the surgery in Walberswick when possible, rather than going to Southwold.

District Council Election – At present there are no candidates for this election and therefore we are currently not represented at the District Council.

Vivien Hunt (Clerk to Council)

PARISH CLERK

Vivien Hunt, our parish clerk, has decided after 12 years to retire. All the parish councillors extend a very big thank-you to her for all her very hard work. She has put in many hours, paid and unpaid, to help keep this village such a wonderful place. We wish her many happy hours of digging her allotment and garden and of course playing golf, without having to worry about typing up her minutes!

Our new parish clerk, Mischi Vernetti, takes up her position on the 1st June.

Walberswick Parish Council

WALBERSWICK GOLF CLUB

The results of a blustery game on the 3rd of May: Alan Porter won the match with 21pts and had his handicap slashed as well. Nigel Hunt was 2nd on countback from Andrew Horsbrough who came 3rd with Frank Woodcraft, all with 18pts. The longest drive on the 6th was won by Alan with the shortest drive ever (but with the only one to land on the fairway) and Nigel was nearest the pin.

Chas Elliott

SUMMER THEATRE FETE

1.00 pm to 4.30 pm. Sunday, 28th June, at Westons, Walberswick. Official opening at 1.30pm by Lady Freud. A real family day out with choir, band, clowns, games, children's dog show, pony rides, bouncy castle, a scrummy teashop, cakeshop, picture gallery, bookstall, garden centre, bric-a-brac, tombolas and a lucky draw to beat them all.

Proceeds support the Summer Theatre and the performing arts in our area.

Entry 50p. Car parking (including entry) £3 available from 11 am.

Barry Tolfree

GRATEFUL THANKS

While away I have had time to reflect and be grateful to all those who have sent their best wishes, enquired how I was and offered help to Susan. Ere long I will meet you and thank you personally, but in the mean time through the Village News, thank you so much.

Alan Walpole

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY Village Hall Wednesdays 2.30pm (Use it or lose it!)
STRETCHING & TONING CLASS Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am Village Hall
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 19th 12.30pm Village Hall (Note unusual date)
NORWICH BUS Thursday 18th 9.30am The Tuck Shop
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SUMMER THEATRE FETE Sunday 28th at Westons

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

APPRECIATION

Thank you to everyone for all the get-well cards and messages sent while I was in hospital and since I have been home.

John Brentnall

CHURCH MATTERS

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HELP WANTED

Many visitors to St Andrew's comment on how lovingly it is cared for; this we know is thanks to our loyal and dedicated volunteer cleaners. We are looking for new people to assist with cleaning our Church to fill the gaps left by those whose circumstances have changed or who are not quite as sprightly as they were. The task need not be arduous and, with enough people on the rota, could be only once in six weeks. If you think you could spare an hour to assist with church cleaning on a rota basis please contact **Wendy Sinclair (724433)**.

Why not volunteer with a friend?

Thank you,

The Churchwardens

SERVICES

- 07 Trinity Sunday 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd David Eaton
- 14 1st of Trinity 0930 Said Eucharist
also 1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd Peter Trendall
- 21 2nd of Trinity 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher The Revd David Eaton
- 28 3rd of Trinity 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
Wednesday (3rd) Healing Service with CW (said)

CHURCH SERVICE ERROR!

The Sung Eucharist on 31st May is at **Walberswick Church** and not at Southwold. Blythburgh and Reydon will also be attending and The Revd David Eaton will be in charge.

Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Our meeting on Thursday June 11th will be our garden meeting. We will be visiting the garden of our member Vivien Hunt at St. Francis, Stocks Lane at 2.30pm. There will be a plant stall and our usual delicious tea will be served.

Members from other local WIs will also be attending. All we need is a bit of sunshine to help proceedings along!

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM

May 1st 2009 was an important day in the life of The Sole Bay Team Ministry, it being the day when Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth signed an Order in Council establishing the 'mark two' team comprising the eight parishes of Blythburgh, Reydon, Sotherton, South Cove, Southwold, Uggeshall, Walberswick, and Wangford. At the same time a new benefice was created comprising the four other parishes previously in the team i.e. Covehithe with Benacre, Frostenden, Henstead with Hulver, and Wrentham. The new arrangement ends a period of uncertainty for the team & provides a fresh opportunity for the eight parishes to spread the good news of the Gospel in this part of God's world. In the not too distant future we hope to be able to appoint clergy to the two existing vacancies in The Sole Bay Team.

Some dates to bring to your attention:

The monthly Luncheon Club will move (for one month only) to the third Friday of June, so will take place on **Friday, 19th June**, at 12.30 pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome. Cost £6.

The following day Saturday, 20th June, we are holding a Coffee & Cakes morning between 10.00 am & 12.00 noon in the Church porch to raise funds toward maintaining the fabric of St Andrew's.

On Saturday 27th June we are looking forward to the wedding of Chris Hosea & Fiona Fisk. Please remember them in all their preparations for this important day in their lives.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher.

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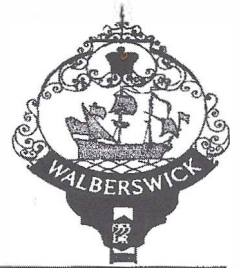
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KEEPING FIT

Our Tuesday morning classes (9.15-10.15/10.30-11.30) will continue through the school holiday period, except on 4 August and 1 September. We really need to keep supporting Mark Nussey and ensure that these classes continue. If you have visitors why not bring them along!?

Jenny Cardwell

FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD

A scarecrow, a wizard, Dorothy, a tin-man, a lion, two witches (one good), Munchkins and many more are all needed at auditions for **The Wizard Of Oz** on Sunday September 13th at Lilliput. Further dates: Read through Sunday September 27th at 3pm. Performances the last week of January 2010. Rehearsals commence October 2nd and will be predominately at the weekends on Friday nights and Saturday and Sunday afternoons to assist those working or going to school outside the village. "Why, oh why, can't I?" You can, come along, all welcome!

Julia Sowerbutts

HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Please remember to support the Walberswick Show on July 25th. Extra show schedules are available from Betsy Lemmon (722 384)

WALBERSWICK PC WEBSITE

If you are organising a fund-raising event anywhere in Walberswick, do get it mentioned on our Website www.onesuffolk.co.uk/walberswickpc The website is being read and might well bring you in extra revenue! Just let me know and I'll add it on.

Kay Ungless (722655) ungless@aol.com

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THE HERITAGE HUT

For many years a team of volunteers has run a visitor centre at the former chapel on the village green. They have done this on behalf of Suffolk Heritage Coast Project and, more recently, the Suffolk Coast & Heaths Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Unit, who still manage the centre today.

It has been a long-held wish to see the centre refurbished, and last year this became possible. The old displays dated from the 1980s and needed to be replaced. As the main purpose of the Suffolk Coast & Heaths Unit is to care for and promote the AONB – a nationally-important, legally protected landscape – this was the main focus of the refurbishment.

This has attracted significant criticism, as many people in the village thought that the features that made the centre special and particular to Walberswick have been lost. There have been a number of valuable comments and suggestions, and it is clear from these that the visitor centre volunteers should have had more opportunity to influence changes at the centre.

As the new AONB Manager, I believe the changes to the centre have been positive, but I accept many of the criticisms and I am committed to working with the village. There is still plenty of opportunity to make changes that will promote the AONB, while also providing an interesting Walberswick-specific experience for visitors and volunteers alike. I shall be working with Maureen Thompson to ensure a mutually-acceptable outcome.

Nick Collinson

Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB Manager

VELLORE BAZAAR

The committee and friends of Walberswick United Missionary Council (Vellore) would like to express thanks to all those who in any way helped to raise £1,000.00 at the recent Vellore Mission Bazaar held in the Village Hall. We have forwarded a cheque in this amount to the Mission in India, which provides quality medical education and healthcare especially to the poor, the disadvantaged and the disenfranchised. Sincere thanks to all.

Judy Morton - Secretary

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 1ST JUNE 2009

Planning Applications – There were no new planning applications received, but approval was received for the erection of a pitched roof over the garage and conversion of garage to studio at **Close Cottage, Manor Close**.

Cycling Proficiency – The Parish Council plans to go ahead with the cycling proficiency course in August. These courses are aimed at local children and second-home owners with children. Details are not finalised yet but please contact the Clerk for further information.

Play equipment on sports field – A substantial donation has been received from two residents in the village ensuring that The Parish Council can now go ahead with the two sets of modular climbing frames for the sports field. It is hoped to get these in place before the end of the summer holidays.

The Marine and Coastguards Agency had written to Councillor Dabbs stating that there would not be a claim on the timber recovered from the beach. However, they did request that anyone in possession of timber from the wreck should make a donation of between 50p and £1 per plank to the RNLI.

The problem of rats in Leveretts Lane has become worse – Residents, as well as second-home and holiday home owners are reminded **NOT** to put out rubbish bags before Sunday night.

Transfer of Clerkship Mrs Vivien Hunt has officially stepped down as Clerk, and the role has been taken by Miss Mischi Verneti. Please find below details on how she may be contacted.

Mischi Verneti (Clerk to Council)

32 Windsor Road
Southwold, Suffolk
IP18 6PQ

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Email: walbpccclerk@aol.com

NATURE NOTES FROM THE COMMON

Did you know that a cow produces about 7 tons of dung each year?

Well, that would certainly be more than a mouthful for the **Minotaur**, a spectacular dung beetle that can be found on the common. The Minotaur is a shiny black beetle with long prongs on the thorax, and is usually seen with other dung beetles on rabbit or sheep droppings. The Minotaur inhabits heaths, moorlands and mountains (*but there are not many of these in Walberswick*).

David Webb
Volunteer Joint Warden

UNSUNG HEROES

We owe an enormous debt of gratitude to the people who bring our prescriptions over from Southwold, sometimes twice a week. They also open up the village hall surgery each Wednesday – so a big “thank-you” to Hazel Church, Grahame Godsmark, Mary King, Ann and Bill Sexton and Jill Whittenbury. We are so grateful to you all.

Ruth Bassett

A BIG THANK-YOU...

...to so many friends for their kindness and good wishes while I was in hospital and since I have been home. Greatly appreciated by us both!

John & Carol Wardell

THE LITTLE STUDIO

We will again be open this summer holidays, selling local craftware and beach supplies. Join us for drinks and nibbles at our opening on Friday 17th July between 5 and 7pm. Hope to see you there!
Patsy Murray

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(said)
Wednesday (3rd) Healing Service with CW (said)

ANNOUNCEMENT OF TEAM VICAR

The Revd Richard Henderson, Curate at St Michael's Beccles, is to be the new Team Vicar and will move into the Reydon Vicarage in August. Richard and his wife Sarah have four children: Ashley, Louise, Hayley, and Maisie. The new Archdeacon of Suffolk, Canon Dr Judy Hunt, Director of Ministry and Mission in the Diocese of Chester will be instituted in October. By training Judy is a vet and has formerly lectured in equine medicine.

Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On July 9th in the Village Hall, we will be listening to some music introduced by Caroline Meigh. Caroline will tell us how music can be used to deliver subtle messages. Intrigued? Then do join us at 2.30pm to hear more.

Our June Garden meeting was interrupted by the weather at some points in the afternoon, but when the sun shone everyone got a tour of Vivien's lovely garden. We entertained guests from neighbouring WIs, had a go at some fiendish quizzes and finished up with a delicious afternoon tea.

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM

A combination of having written my previous letter for the June edition of *Village News* less than two weeks ago and having little in the way of special events to bring to your notice, it is likely that I will either ramble incoherently (some might say 'what's different?') or that I will not write very much (sighs of relief all round).

By the time you read this Christine & I will have returned from what we trust will have been an enjoyable and relaxing holiday. If you are looking forward to a holiday in this country or farther afield I trust that you will have a great time and will return happily to this wonderful part of God's creation in which we are privileged to live.

Whilst you and I might be spending time elsewhere for a while, there will be many people visiting our lovely village, whether staying here for a week or so or just passing through as day visitors. Let's make a special effort to make them welcome. Remember that Jesus reminded us that we should love our neighbours as ourselves, and he was not restricting that to the people who live next door to us.

Wherever you spend the summer months, just relax and enjoy – you could do that here at Walberswick Village Hall on Friday 10th July by joining us at 12.30pm on that day for our monthly Luncheon Club; just £6 for a good two-course meal.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

23rd May 2009

Thanksgiving Service
for the life of **Monty Falck**.

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING

The APCM, held on 23rd April, was well attended. Christine Mitchell and Julie Winyard were re-elected as Churchwardens; Diane Dawson was newly elected to the Parochial Church Council together with the re-election of the other eight members. Brian Fisher was given a very big thanks for his work as Ordained Local Minister by The Revd David Eaton, who chaired the meeting. David stressed how overworked Brian had been due to the shortage of clergy in The Team. He also gave an account on the subject of quotas and how it was shared out among The Team. We shall need to boost our regular giving in order to meet the running costs of the church and to continue paying the parish share of the quota. There are now 64 people on the electoral roll; church services continue to be well attended; and an ever-increasing number of people visit the church and the ruins.

Julia Josephs

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WALBERSWICK PARISH PLAN

Walberswick is an attractive and special place, and the main aim of the Parish Plan is to set down why this is so and find out what steps are necessary to protect or enhance the character of the village. To achieve this the Steering Committee, who are about to start developing the Plan, need to know your concerns and aspirations, and where the priorities of the whole community lie, so that the Plan may genuinely represent Walberswick. The Plan will thereby aid the Parish Council in their negotiations with other bodies.

Eventually a questionnaire will be sent to each household, but before this happens the Committee would like to hear from as many people as possible. We propose to set up a stand at the Village Fete on 29 August 2009 where anybody and everybody will have a chance to air their views. Following this there will be a "drop-in" session at the Village Hall on Saturday morning, 12 September 2009, again to get your opinions.

The Steering Committee recognise that this process involves a long haul, and they will need as much encouragement from the Village as possible. Please support us so that your Plan is a great success.

Bill Ungless, Chairman

BLYTH VALLEY RADIO

We successfully launched on our FM frequency on July 4: Blyth Valley Radio is now a reality! Tune in to FM 105 and tell us where you are listening and how the reception is. From the beginning of August we will be broadcasting daily from 10am until 6pm. Contact us if you want us to publicise any local event, fund-raiser or organisation *free of charge*. We always have room for volunteers, and look forward to hearing from you.

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SUFFOLK CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

On Saturday 12th September many cyclists in Suffolk will be visiting our beautiful churches raising money for their upkeep. Last year Walberswick cyclists raised £1202.31, half of which came back for St. Andrew's benefit. Our stalwart regular cyclists would appreciate new recruits to the team, so please get in touch if you can join us. Sponsorship forms and the list of participating churches are ready now and we can help with planning interesting routes.

Margot & Maurice Godbold (722439)

LUNCHTIME CONCERTS AT ST EDMUNDS

Monday, 3 August **David Bunkell & Oliver Densham**

Monday, 10 August **Nathan Williamson** – piano

Monday, 17 August **Rachel & Victor Scott** –
Voice and piano

Bank Holiday Monday, **Blythburgh Singers**

These informal concerts begin at 1.10pm. Bring sandwiches, and escape from the rain or sun for a while as you are entertained with a wide variety of music. Admission is free, with a retiring collection to help cover the costs.

Victor Scott (723775)

NATURE NOTES

Summer is here and so are **Jelly Fish and Weaver Fish**, both of which can give a nasty sting.

Jellyfish have tentacles covered with sacs (*nematocysts*) that release toxins. If stung, gently scrape the area with something like a credit card; **do not rub** the area as this could cause yet more toxins to be released. Apply a tissue soaked in vinegar to the affected area for 20 to 30 minutes. Remember to take a small bottle of vinegar with you to the beach.

Weaver Fish, which often lie partly buried in the sand, have venomous spines on their dorsal fin. If you stand on a Weaver the result will be extremely painful. The venom is deactivated by heat, so you should immerse the affected area in very hot water for about 15 minutes. Then check the area and remove any bits of the spine that remain in the wound. If in doubt seek medical advice.

David Webb

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY, 29TH JUNE, 2009

Planning Applications Received

Retrospective Planning Application was opposed for **Thorpeview, The Street**

Planning Application for erection of three new dwellings on the land **North of Alexandra Cottage, The Street** was opposed.

Planning Application, and re-establishment of **Mea Allen garden at Westwood** (including demolition of **Pleach Cottage** and garage, new dwelling, garage, studio, wall and stores including cycle store. While the Council had no objection to Pleach Cottage being demolished in favour of reinstating the garden, they did make objections to the design of the new property and the proposed wall in Lodge Road.

There was no objection to the replacement of fencing at **Rippleway, 16 Millfield Road.**

Planning Notifications:

Suffolk Coastal granted permission and listed building consent for the extensions and conversion of garage to habitable accommodation at **The Old Corner House, The Street**, subject to all conditions set out by the authority but refused consent for any alterations to the parking area or the relocation of the oil tank. Both will require further planning permission.

Suffolk Coastal granted permission for the extension subject to all conditions set out by the authority at **Mafeking Cottage, The Green.**

Play Equipment: The money has all been received and the equipment has been ordered; it is hoped that it will be installed on or around the first week in August.

The PCC sought permission from the Parish Council to apply for three disabled parking bays outside the church, on either side of the gate. This was unanimously agreed.

Mischi Vernetti, Clerk to the Council (725204)

There will be a **Cycling Proficiency Day** on Thursday 20 August. The first general session open to everyone will take place on the football field between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon. If there are sufficient over 10s then a second "Road Safety" session will take place in the afternoon from 2.00 pm. More information will be posted on the notice boards and in the Tuck Shop nearer the time, but the more children that turn up the better. For further information please contact The Clerk on **725204**.

Walberswick Car Parks Limited have applied to the Parish Council to consider extending the parking restrictions, and bring them forward to 1 April instead of 1 May. Should you have any views on this or indeed wish to discuss the proposal further, please contact The Clerk in writing, or attend the next Parish Council Meeting which will take place on Monday September 7 at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall annex.

Mischi Vernetti

SUFFOLK COASTAL GROUP EXHIBITION

Here will be a 3- day exhibition of paintings and ceramics in the Village Hall, opening at 11 am on Sunday 30 August. Dee Nickerson, a painter who depicts ordinary moments of life in a figurative decorative manner, has been invited to join the group as a guest artist.

Members include: Ray Burgoyne, Penny Butterworth, Miles Fairhurst, Eveline Hastings, Glynn Hugo, Julie Noad and Anne Paton. It will be open 9.30am – 6pm daily. Please join us for an opening drink.

Anne Paton

APPRECIATION

A big "thank-you" to all who supported me so generously with donations, attendance and advice at my recent fundraising Coffee Morning for Project Trust in Africa. We raised an amazing £350 towards my future work with them.

Florence Austin

SARAH WEBSTER'S ART GALLERY

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NORWICH BUS

A reminder that places on the Norwich bus (3rd Thursday of each month) need advanced booking. Many thanks to Jane Kirkeby, who initiated and administered the service for several years, and to the Charity Trust for its financial support.
Annie Kiff-Wood (725033)

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ST ANDREW'S CHURCH HOLIDAY CLUB

I am hoping to see lots of children and young people at this year's holiday club.

Purpose: To have fun; to learn more about the Bible; to find out about Jesus as friend and saviour; to praise and worship God together; to co-operate with others and follow simple rules.

Every morning in the Village Hall Annex from 10.00-12.00, 3-7 August. Stories, songs, craft activities and lots of fun! Cost: £1 per session.

Julie Winyard (722178)

VILLAGE FETE 2009

This year's fete is on **Saturday, 29 August**. We hope it will be as successful as the last one which raised a record amount for the Church and Village Hall. The theme this year is "making waves" and we have all the usual stalls plus a few extra games and other things. Something new: a *smash the crockery* stall. Only possible if we can find lots of old plates etc to smash! Hunt around and bring anything to my house at 3 the Terrace, or phone 724013 and I will collect. We also need you to **clear your lofts and attics** of any unwanted original art or numbered prints, antique or modern, for the Art Sale which was so successful last year. Please ring Ann Paton on 722068 and she will follow up your offers.

(Details of the **Dog Show** classes and stallholders are on the separate flyer delivered with this issue).

Mark Aldridge

LETTER FROM THE OLM

As most of you will have discovered by now, we are safely back from a refreshing and relaxing holiday although, due to the nature of our respective jobs, it was probably inevitable that we seemed to hit the ground running as soon as we were back in Suffolk. Nevertheless, we thank God for the physical, mental and spiritual refreshment that we received during our two weeks away. Having said all that, it is good to be back in Walberswick, among people whom we love and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

What have we got to look forward to in August? From 2 August the Scripture Union will hold its annual Beach Mission in Southwold for two weeks, to which children and young people of all ages are invited (there are also some activities for parents). Walberswick's own Holiday Club for children aged between 5 & 11 will be held at the Village Hall Annex during the week commencing 3 August (Monday to Friday) 10.00am to 12 noon.

On Friday, 14 August, we have our community Luncheon Club, 12.30pm. in the Village Hall.

Saturday, 15 August at 4.30pm., we have the wedding of Mark Anderson & Kim Doyle (you may not recognize the names but they do have a connection with the village); please remember them as they prepare for this important day in their lives.

To round off the month, please join us at the Village Fete on Saturday 29 August.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

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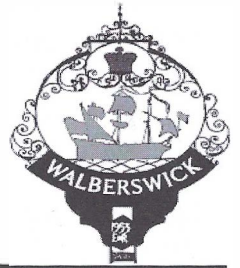
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WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our 2009/2010 season starts on Sunday, 20th September. We shall be screening *The Red Shoes (Cert U)*. Moira Shearer, Anton Walbrook and Marius Goring play an intriguing trio of real people with their failings, talents and desires. Moira Shearer, as the star ballerina, becomes torn between her love for the composer of the *The Red Shoes* ballet, and artistic devotion to her profession. Annual subscription still only £12 + £2 entrance. Eight films to be shown on the third Sunday of each month - September to May excluding December. Guests £4, Non-members £5 (limited to two films in any one season)

Sunday, 20th September, 7.30pm in the Village Hall (doors open 7pm)

WILLIAM BOWYER EXHIBITION

There will be a solo exhibition of paintings by our senior artist, **William Bowyer RA**, at the Chappel Galleries, Chappel, Essex from September 12 until October 11. Galleries are open Thursday to Sunday, 10am-5pm. There will be a large selection of oil paintings, a number of which were painted in Walberswick, as well as some of the large water colours shown in William's solo show at the Royal Academy last year. The venue is on the A1124 off the A12, signposted to Halstead; it is the last building on the left before the Colne Valley Viaduct.

Richard Scott

THE HERITAGE CENTRE

On Monday 21 September we will have our end of season party at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. This is a great opportunity for the volunteers to express their thoughts on the Centre. Open to past volunteers. There will be wine and eats. (Help with the food, please). Contact **Maureen Thompson (723755)**

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Beer Safari: Thursday 17th & Friday 18
September
Beer Academy: Friday 18 September
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MIKE JEANS 1922-2009

Mike came to live in Walberswick aged 10, when his father the playwright Ronald Jeans bought Valley Farm. His early years in the village were supported and enhanced by his partner in crime Lucian Freud, both at home and at boarding school.

During the war, Ronald and Mike ran the Barn Cinema at Valley Farm to entertain the troops and the village, until Mike enlisted in the Fleet Air Arm.

In 1950 Mike started the East Point Pottery, selling to outlets such as Heals in London, and also in Southwold Market Place.

With the start of Commercial Television in 1956, Mike joined ATV as a director/producer, making many diverse series. When Anglia TV began in Norwich Mike moved there, where he was responsible for amongst others starting *About Anglia* and also giving David Frost his first TV appearance. In 1964 he returned to ATV where, during the making of his series *Rules Rules Rules*, Mary Whitehouse called Mike "the chief corrupter of youth"! Retirement brought him back to Southwold, which he adored almost as much as Walberswick. I shall miss the sight of him, sailor's hat perched on his head, careering down the High Street on his electric cycle.

Luke Jeans

THE WIZARD OF OZ

Anyone wishing to be involved in the next Village Production please come to Lilliput on Sunday 13th September 2.00 - 5.00pm. If you are unable to make that time, kindly ring Julia Sowerbutts on **07867507286**. There are about 3 times as many people needed behind the scenes as are on the stage, so whatever your talents we could use them!

The Pantomime Committee

FITNESS CLASS

From 8-30 September any new member can try one of our Tuesday sessions free of charge. Fitness session is 9.15 to 10.15am., the stretch and tone session is 10.30 to 11.30am. Here is a great opportunity to get fit. It's a wonderful offer so come and try!

Jenny Cardwell

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 MEETING - MONDAY 3RD AUGUST 2009

New Play Equipment was installed on the 6th August. Thank you to everyone who contributed in getting this bought and paid for. Don't forget it's up there. Just remember to close the gates when you leave.

Retrospective Planning Approval was granted for THORPE VIEW, THE STREET. The Parish Council were very unhappy about this and asked the newly elected District Councillor, Mr Peter Austin, to take the views of the Parish Council to the District Council.

Two New Planning Applications at WALBER HOUSE, LEVERETTS LANE, and BLYTH REACH, PALMERS LANE, were not received in time to be discussed at this meeting; therefore a special planning meeting was arranged for Monday 17th August to discuss these applications as well as amendments received for the LAND NORTH OF ALEXANDRA COTTAGE, THE STREET.

Walberswick Common Lands Charity The Parish Council have been informed that in October one of the Nominative Trustee positions is due for renewal. Advertisements for this position have been placed on both notice boards for submission to the Parish Council **before 11th September**. Please contact the Clerk in writing if you are interested.

Mobile Library Suffolk County Council have advised that they are proposing *increasing* the amount of time Mobile Library Route 12 is in the village. The proposed changes will come into effect in October, still with alternate Friday visits, 1.55–2.25pm at the Church and 2.30–3.15pm at the Green. This is purely due to increased demand for the service.

Cllr Rae Leighton was re-elected as **County Councillor** at the recent elections and **Cllr Peter Austin** has been elected to the vacant **District Councillor** position.

There have been some instances of people having bonfires on lovely summer's days. Please be considerate to your neighbours!

Mischi Vernetti, Clerk to Council (725204)

HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Another fantastic effort by all participants! Both the the Winyard Cup and Whittenbury Victor Ludorum were won by the unbeatable David Webb; Caroline Gilbert whisked off both the Harvey Memorial Trophy and C.C. Gold Cup; Jill Whittenbury swooped on the Iris Blois Memorial Cup and Chrissie Reeves took home the Flower Bowl. The new *Best in Show* award was won by "Henrietta Tibbles" for her double-yolked eggs (accepted by Mrs. Jayne Tibbles). A huge thanks to all the committee members for their hard work, and also the volunteers who provided the teas. Start saving your seeds now for the Seed Swap early next year.

The committee desperately needs new members for 2010: please call Betsy Lemmon (722384) if you can help keep this wonderful village event going.

Jodie Ellis, Chairman

MALAWI SPONSORSHIP

Thanks to all who bought plants from my stall, so that I can continue my sponsorship of a girl my age (11).

Zoe Shipley

SIGN FLU

At the end of last summer visitors arriving at the beach via the sluice or camp-site bridges were faced with a total of 31 signs between the village hall and the dunes. Less than a year later there are now 65 signs – an increase of more than 110%! We are now forbidden to walk on the concrete wall, which has been used for many years by children and adults to avoid traffic in the lane. Too many signs will result in overkill – and people will tend to ignore them all. The Environment Agency should surely be aware of this.

Richard Scott

BROADBAND

We have intermittent interruption of our BT broadband service. If anyone else has similar problems I would be interested to hear from them: if there are enough actual/potential users experiencing problems BT might be willing to improve the service.

John Ormerod (44 7768 323571)

John@ormerods.net

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY Village Hall Wednesdays 2.30pm (Use it or lose it!)
STRETCHING & TONING CLASS Tuesdays 10.30-11.30am Village Hall
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 11th 12.30pm Village Hall
NORWICH BUS Thursday 17th 9.30am The Tuck Shop
LIBRARY Alternate Fridays 4th & 18th 1.55–2.55pm at the Green
BECCLES BUS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.25am at the Harbour
FILM CLUB SEASON BEGINS Sunday 20th 7.30pm Village Hall

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

ARTHUR SHARMAN

Arthur was born in Blythburgh and grew up in Walberswick. He enlisted in 1937 as a boy soldier and served overseas during the war until he was invalided out in 1945. He ran the Post Office in the village from 1945-1955. Always active in the British Legion, he was co-editor of *Suffolk Memories* and *Further Suffolk Memories*, two valuable books about the experiences of local people during the war. He had been in poor health, and was devotedly cared for by his daughter Valmai; he died at home on July 19th.

Julia Reisz

APPRECIATION

My sincere thanks for all the written and verbal tributes to my very dear Dad, Arthur. The great kindness and support which I appreciate so much reflect the Walberswick I have known and loved throughout my lifetime. It has given me so much comfort.

Valmai Sharman

CHURCH MATTERS

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- 06 13th of Trinity 0930 Sung Eucharist
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- 20 15th of Trinity 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher The Revd Peter Trendall
- 27 16th of Trinity 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
Wednesday (2nd) Healing Service with CW (said)

HARVEST SUPPER

Please make a note in your diary that harvest supper will be on Friday October 9th in the village hall starting at 7pm. Tickets at £8 will be available from Penny Buncombe at 4 The Terrace. The Evensong Choir will be singing a short programme of 'Songs my Father taught me' and are hoping there will be lots of vocal help and support from the floor. Words will be provided!

Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE OPEN MEETING

On Thursday September 10th we will be treated to a talk about the Plantation Garden in Norwich. Dr Sheila Adams will be telling us about this undiscovered gem which has been lovingly restored by volunteers - a showpiece based on an Italianate garden. The History Society members are particularly welcome. In the Village Hall at 2.30pm.

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM

I would just like to say a big 'thank you' to everyone who had any part in the preparations leading to the Fete this year. Some people seem to think that the Fete just falls into place by itself - I can assure you that it takes a lot of preparation by a small group of people, who encourage (pressgang!) others to get involved. A special 'thank you' to Mark Aldridge who chaired the Fete committee this year. The annual Suffolk Churches Trust Bicycle Ride takes place on Saturday 12th September 2009. I shall be taking part once more, together with several other intrepid cyclists; please give us your support by encouraging and by sponsoring us. Half of the money that we raise will come direct to our parish church. If you are not up to cycling it is possible to help by doing a sponsored walk from church to church.

Whilst on the subject of raising money for Walberswick's ancient parish church, have you ever thought of leaving money to the church in your will? Just sowing a thought.

On 21st September, 7.30pm. at Holy Trinity Church Blythburgh, The Sole Bay Team will officially welcome the Revd Richard (known as Rich) Henderson as he is licensed to the team. Rich will be based at Reydon.

Our monthly Community Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 11th September, 12.30pm. at the Village Hall.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher.

PARISH REGISTER

20 July 2009 Marriage Blessing
Karl James Kerridge & Tamares Goh Sze-hui
28th July 2009 Memorial Service (preceded by Funeral Service at Church of the Sacred Heart, Southwold & followed by burial in Walberswick)

Arthur William Sharman

4th August 2009 Funeral Service (followed by Cremation at Ipswich) for **Rachel Matthews**

7th August 2009 Funeral Service at Earlham crematorium for **Eric Humphries**

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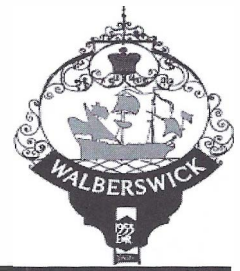
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THEATRE OUTINGS

I have arranged 2 theatre trips for Wats before Christmas, but there are usually spare tickets. If anyone is interested in joining us please ring me on **07867507286** or **723179**. First, on Thurs 12th November at The Theatre Royal Norwich, The National Theatre's award winning production *The Pitman Painters* written by the author of Billy Elliot. Depart approx 5.50 for the 7.30 performance. £28.50 p.p includes the coach fare. Second, on Wed December 9th The Eastern Angles' Christmas Show, *Mansfield Park & Ride (A Long Way From Jane Austen)* at The Sir John Mills Theatre in Ipswich. Leave at approx 2.40 for 4.15 matinee. Price £20 p.p. again including the coach fee.

Julia Sowerbutts

BELL INN BOULE TEAM

Following two back-to-back wins at the Low House (Kings Head), Laxfield with a total score of 7-1 the Bell Inn Boule Team celebrated becoming Blyth Division champions 2009. With one game still to be played, the team comprising of Kate Goodchild, Mark Aldridge, Doug Goodchild, Nigel Hunt, Kevin Goodchild, Wally Webb, Steve Goodchild and Paul Ireland cannot be beaten. They will represent Blyth Division in the County Championships in late September. So far this season the team has played 9 matches, winning 8 and losing just 1.

Paul Ireland

THE WALBERSWICK SCROLL

There will be a showing of the Scroll on Saturday, October 10, from 9am until 12.30pm in the Village Hall. Some archive material will be available to pass the time for those waiting for a place. No formal charge, but a collection will be made for Village Hall funds.

Richard Scott

THE ANCHOR walberswick
Friday Curry Nights— 9th & 30th October
Food Safari – Wild Meat in a Day 3rd October
An evening with John & Brigid Forrest
7pm Tuesday 6th October
Food Safari – Fungi & Wild Food Foray
Saturday 24th October
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WALBERSWICK PARISH PLAN

The Steering Committee thank all those who turned up to voice their opinions, hopes and aspirations for Walberswick on Saturday morning, 12th Sept. The exercise was a resounding success and some interesting ideas were put forward. If you weren't able to attend, it's not too late: you can pop your thoughts through any door belonging to a member of the Steering Committee, or email: wppsc@aol.com. Our thanks too to The Anchor for providing the coffee and delicious brownies!

Bill Ungless, Chairman WPPSC

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

This year the Bazaar and Coffee Morning will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday the 7th November from 10am to 12 noon. Admission: Adults £1.50, children free, which includes refreshments. As always money raised will be donated to the British Legion Poppy Appeal, providing financial support and help for Servicemen and women and their families. Please be generous to those who have given their lives or have been injured, now and in the past. Anyone prepared to give or to make for the Stalls or for refreshments please contact the following: **Grand Raffle** – Maureen Thompson (723755) or Mary King (724590); **Books, Cds/Dvds etc** – Grahame Godsmark (722965); **Jams/Preserves/ Cakes/Sweets** (homemade) – Ruth Bassett (722474) or Margreet Walpole (723371); **Little Gifts/Bric-A- Brac** (for Christmas) – Susan Walpole (724763); **Scones, Jam And Cream** – Sue Ireland-Cutting (478213).

Help In The Future This time last year I asked if anyone would be prepared to volunteer to help in the future. Do please give me a call.

Alan Walpole (724763)

ARTISTS OF WALBERSWICK

There will be an exhibition of works by Walberswick artists in the Village Hall over the weekend of October 24-25. Open from 10 am – 6 pm on both days. Some of the work will be for sale, and 15% of any sales will be contributed to the Sea Defence Fund. Admission is free and all are welcome.

Richard Scott

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 MEETING 7TH SEPTEMBER, 2009

Planning Matters A request had been received to take down Leylandi Trees at the rear of **Mercer's Hall**. After looking at the trees in question the Parish Council have asked for more information.

Planning Committee Site Visits for Alexandra and Pleach Cottages took place on the 1st September. The Committee meeting was on 16th September; however, subsequent to the meeting the application in its current form for land at the rear of **Alexandra Cottage** has been withdrawn.

No objections were made to the application for internal alterations and new windows at **Valley Farm, Ferry Road**. But as the Councillors believed that the two applications for works at **Redmay, Lodge Road** were incomplete they put off their decision until more information could be obtained.

The Cycling Proficiency Day – About 20/25 children of various ages attended. Everyone seemed to enjoy it and it was good to see the sports field used. Thank you those who supported it.

The Parish Council had received a copy of the **SCC Shoreline Management plan**. Cllr D Webb produced a report for the Council which will be available as part of the full minutes to be displayed after the next PC meeting.

The Chestnut Fencing on the dunes has been due for replacement all summer – The Environment Agency have now committed to replace it mid-September.

The Parish Council had received a letter from Mr Scott, similar to his item in last month's village news regarding **Unnecessary Proliferation of Signs**. The Parish Council have passed this letter on to the Environment Agency and we await their response with interest!

As there had been no formal complaints regarding the request from Walberswick Car Parks Limited to **extend the Car Park operations** to 1st April the Parish Council agreed to start the formal process. If any member of the public has any issues they should let the Parish Council know, in writing, before the end of October so that they can be discussed at the November Parish Council meeting.

The topical subject of **Ship to Ship Oil Transfers** off the coast of Southwold and Walberswick was discussed. It was agreed to write to John Gummer MP supporting his stand.

Finally the Councillors would like to thank those residents who continue to clean up after visitors and keep litter to a minimum in the village. The Parish Council really appreciates your efforts.

Mischi Vernetti, Clerk to the Council.

CYCLING PROFICIENCY

A big thank you to the Parish Council and to Mischi Vernetti for arranging the cycling proficiency class for the children, and laying on the refreshments. .

Michelle Webb.

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Owing to an error beyond our control, we shall now be screening **The Red Shoes** on Sunday October 18th. 7.30pm in The Village Hall. Subscriptions £12. Entrance: Members £2, guests £4, non-members £5.

Kay Ungless

ATTENTION LOCAL ARTISTS!

Wanted: painted colour images of Walberswick, any media, to be reproduced for possible inclusion as part of the stage design for the forthcoming panto **The Wizard of Oz**. Full credit given.

Please contact **Astrid King (722 339)**

COMMON CLEARANCE

The volunteer working party will meet each Wednesday afternoon (weather permitting) from October to February to continue clearance work on the common. First meeting is at 2pm on Wednesday 7th October on the sports field, Church Lane. **Beginners most welcome, tools provided but please bring your own strong gloves.** The first meeting will include a walk round the common to see what needs to be done.

David Webb, Volunteer Warden

ERIC HUMPHRIES

A big 'thank you' to all those kind people who sent cards and messages to Eric during his illness and all who have written and given me support in so many ways. I sent a cheque to Cancer Research UK for £1,052 following the church celebration of Eric's life.

Shirley-Ann Humphries

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY Village Hall Wednesdays 2.30pm (Use it or lose it!)
CARPET BOWLS BEGINS Wednesday 7th 7.30pm Village Hall
HARVEST SUPPER Friday 9th 7pm Village Hall
NORWICH BUS Thursday 15th 9.30am The Tuck Shop
SAVE THE CHILDREN Saturday 17th 10am-12noon Village Hall
LIBRARY Alternate Fridays 2nd, 16th & 30th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green
BECCLES BUS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.25am at the Harbour

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

SAVE THE CHILDREN

The annual Coffee Morning will be on Saturday October 17th from 10am –12 noon in the Village Hall. Raffle, Books, Bric-a-Brac, Cakes, Christmas Cards and Gifts. All help and donations gratefully received especially with Cakes. Southwold and Walberswick branch raised £8,100 last year.

Faith Blackman (724278) Maureen Thompson (23755)

WALBERSWICK FETE

A huge thank you to all who helped at the Fete this year. We raised £6200! As an organizer it is a terrific relief to know that all the activities and stalls are being efficiently taken care of by the numerous helpers. A hundred thousand thanks! Let me also mention those who helped at our three Village Hall bingo nights last month. They raised well over £1000.

Mark Aldridge

CHURCH MATTERS

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH WALBERSWICK

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04 17th of Trinity 0930 Sung Eucharist

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11 HARVEST FESTIVAL 0930 Family Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd David Eaton

also 1800 Choral Evensong

Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher

18 19th of Trinity 1100 Morning Prayer

Preacher The Revd Peter Trendall

25 Last of Trinity 0930 Sung Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

Tuesdays 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesdays 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)

Wednesday (7th) Healing Service with CW (said)

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Please note that gifts of fruit, vegetables and tinned goods will be gratefully received on the Saturday morning of 10th October when the church is being decorated. When the Festival is over all the harvest bounty will be taken to the St John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft. Tickets are still available from Penny Buncombe at £8 for the Harvest Supper on Friday 9th October at 7 pm.

Sara Capon, Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday October 8th we will be introduced to the beauty of the night sky over Walberswick by Mr Paul Whiting. Come to the Village Hall at 2.30pm and all will be revealed !! Visitors always welcome.

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Because last month's edition of the **Village News** was published earlier than I had anticipated, my thanks to everyone concerned with the Fete seemed somewhat premature. My excuse is that I was certain that the event would be as great a success as it turned out to be; so well done again, everybody.

I feel on safer ground this month, because the 28th **Suffolk Historic Churches Sponsored Bicycle Ride** took place on the day before I composed this letter. Our thanks are due everyone involved in Walberswick's participation, i.e. our organizers, Margot & Maurice Godbold, all those who took part, and all our generous and enthusiastic sponsors.

Last month I was able to look forward to the arrival of the Revd Rich Henderson in the Sole Bay Team. This month, with mixed feelings, we are anticipating some departures. The Revd Caroline Hallett has been appointed Priest-in-Charge of Acton with Gt Waldingfield in the Sudbury Deanery; we are await news of the date of her licensing to the new post. On 18th October at 6.00pm. at Holy Trinity Blythburgh, we shall be saying 'good-bye' to one of our Lay Readers, David Alderton, and his wife, Ann; they are moving to Essex to be nearer their family. Whilst we rejoice with Caroline, David & Ann as they anticipate new beginnings in life, we will miss them all.

There is no Luncheon Club in October; instead, on Friday 9th October at 7.00pm in the Village Hall we shall be celebrating at our Harvest Supper, followed musical entertainment. Tickets for the supper (£8) are available from **Penny Buncombe (722359)**

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

17th August 2009 Funeral Service & Burial
for **Michael Jeans** aged 87

24th August 2009 Interment of ashes followed
by Memorial Service for the life of

Eric John Humphries aged 81

28th August 2009 Interment of ashes of

John Matthews aged 86 & of

Rachel Matthews aged 85

30th August 2009 Baptism of

Maya Susanna Denny

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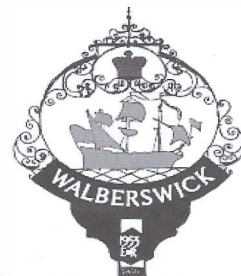
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CHRISTMAS CARDS

We love our friends and neighbours in Walberswick but this Christmas have decided not to deliver cards in the village. **We will make a donation to charity instead.** If you would like to do the same please sign the list in the Tuck Shop which will be displayed in the window two weeks before Christmas, to wish everyone a very happy Christmas and New Year - so all your friends know you have not forgotten them. There will be a collection box in the shop so you can make your donation when you sign the list. You can also deliver it to 2 Manor Close or St Francis, Seven Acres Lane. Or you can donate to your own favourite charity.

Nominated charity: Macmillan.org.uk.

Pru&PiersFord-Crush(722255)

fordcrush@btinternet.com.

Vivien & Alvin Hunt (723142) alvindhunt@aol.com

pru.

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

We apologise to all those who were let down by our change of programme. We hope to source licences elsewhere. Our November screening will be *Witness for the Prosecution (Cert U)*, starring Tyrone Power, Marlene Dietrich and Charles Laughton. Directed by Billy Wilder.

Sunday, 15th November 2009. 7.30pm in the Village Hall, doors open 7pm. Entrance: Members £2, their guests £4, non-members £5. Everyone welcome.

Kay Ungless ungless@aol.com

TOTO

Are you a small, light and very well-behaved dog who would relish 15 minutes of fame? Then trot along to our canine auditions in the Village Hall on Sunday 8th November between 1.30 - 2.15. We are barking mad to see you!

Dorothy and All In Oz

THE ANCHOR walberswick

Friday Curry Nights— 13th & 27th November

Food Safari – Wild Meat in a Day 8th November

Beer Academy One Day Course 24th November

Bonfire and Fireworks 5th November

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

A reminder of the Bazaar and Coffee Morning which will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday the 7th November from 10am to 12 noon. Admission: Adults £1.50, children free, which includes refreshments. As always money raised will be donated to the British Legion Poppy Appeal, providing financial support and help for Servicemen and women and their families. Anyone prepared to give or to make for the Stalls or for refreshments please contact the following: **Grand Raffle** – Maureen Thompson (723755) or Mary King (724590); **Books, Cds/Dvds etc** – Grahame Godsmark (722965); **Jams/Preserves/ Cakes/Sweets** (homemade) – Ruth Bassett (722474) or Margreet Walpole (723371); **Little Gifts/Bric-A- Brac** (for Christmas) – Susan Walpole (724763); **Scones, Jam And Cream** – Sue Ireland-Cutting (478213).

Help In The Future This time last year I asked if anyone would be prepared to volunteer to help in the future. Do please give me a call.

Alan Walpole (724763)

RIVER BANK REPAIRS

The Environment Agency plans to start work early November to raise low points along the bank between the ferry and the Bailey bridge. The footpath will be closed or access restricted during the period of work; *notices will give further details.*

BLYTH ESTUARY

A planning application, permitting local action to improve flood banks in the estuary, has been approved by Suffolk Coastal District Council and Waveney District Council. It is hoped that work can start on the Tinkers Marsh section this year. The application was submitted by Walberswick Parish Council on behalf of the Blyth Estuary Group (BEG) and thanks are due to Richard Steward and Andrew Blois, who put in much time and effort planning and drafting the application.

David Webb (Walberswick Sea Defence Group).

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2009

Residents will be glad to see that the Environment Agency are finally replacing the **Chestnut Fencing** around the **Dunes**. The Parish Council are doing their utmost to replace the **Emergency Phone** down on the river, and hopefully this will be done soon. A letter was received from John Gummer MP thanking the Parish Council for their support over **Ship to Ship Transfers**. Subsequent press reports suggest that the practice is going to be stopped.

Planning Matters: The Parish Council held an extra Planning meeting on the 21st September. At this notification had been received that the application at **Walber House** had been approved. The Council also considered the plans for the erection of a new dwelling at **Redmay**. Whilst the Council had no planning objections, a letter of concern was sent to the Planning Office regarding the continued practice of sub-dividing larger plots as it is felt that this will have a negative effect on the character of the village.

At the meeting of the 5th October the Council was notified that the application for the demolition of **Pleach Cottage** was approved; however the application for a replacement dwelling was refused in its current form. The Council also considered the application for the erection of a detached dwelling at **Troy, Churchfield**. Again, no planning objections were raised but as with Redmay above, concerns were expressed to the Planning Office at this continued practice.

River Wall: The Council was also informed that the Application for the river wall reinstatement on behalf of the Blyth Estuary Group had also been approved.

Cllr Buncombe made a report to the Council about the **proposed dredging off Southwold** and it was agreed to contact MP John Gummer expressing our concerns.

Finally there will be a **Beach Clean** on Sunday 15th November. Please look out for notices as to times and starting points. Your help is appreciated.

Mischi Verneti, Clerk to Council

GADABOUTS

There are many of us whose interest in film, theatre, concerts (both classical and jazz) and shows has been curtailed either because we can no longer drive at night or feel uncomfortable doing so. If you would be interested in exploring the possibility of a group doing such things together in a comfortable hired car (initially for 8) with door-to-door transport, please ring me.

Annie Kiff-Wood (725033)

JUST THE TICKET.

If you would like to be part of our Village's Christmas Show, how about designing our **Wizard Of Oz** tickets? Black and white on A5 paper (**bold as possible, please**). Hand in your entries to the Tuck Shop, with your name on the back, by November 23rd.

Any age can take part! The artist Terry Ball has kindly agreed to pick a winner.

Julia Sowerbutts

WALBERSWICK GOLF ASSOCIATION

The results of the 4th October game: Mark Aldridge won with 20 points. Brian Tibbles came second on countback with 19pts from Nick Crocker, who also had 19pts. A terrific start from Nick! Brian was Nearest the Pin and nobody won the Longest Drive because nobody landed on the fairway.....again !

Finally, many thanks to Sophie at The Anchor for providing the tasty *après-golf* snacks.....again !

Chas Elliott

A BIG THANK-YOU

I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to everyone who offered friendship, help and meals over the last 6 months, helping me through a very difficult time My new address details are at the Tuck Shop, if anyone would like to venture out to visit me in Woodbridge..

Jodie Ellis

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

GP SURGERY Village Hall Wednesdays 2.30pm

BRITISH LEGION BAZAAR Saturday 7th 10.00am to 12 noon Village Hall

WILDFOWLERS' QUIZ NIGHT Saturday 7th 7.30pm Village Hall

LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 13th 12.30pm Village Hall

NORWICH BUS Thursday 19th 9.30am The Tuck Shop

LIBRARY Alternate Fridays 13th & 27th 1.55-2.55pm at the Green

BECCLES BUS Tuesdays & Fridays 9.25am at the Harbour

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SUFFOLK CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

This year's efforts by both cyclists and sponsors has beaten all records for this parish. Over £2000 was raised, half of which will come to St Andrew's. Very many thanks to all who have helped to make this such a successful year.

Margot & Maurice Godbold

CYSTIC FIBROSIS

I would like to thank every one of you who have so kindly donated or bought books this year in aid of C.F. I have sent a cheque to the Trust for £1602, which represents 3204 books sold. This year is particularly exciting as gene trials have started and, although it will take a while for results, we hope the outcome will be positive. I have plenty of space should you want to lighten your bookshelves! Very many thanks to you all.

Toby Robinson

CHURCH MATTERS

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH WALBERSWICK

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Rev. Brian Fisher Tel.723023

Church Wardens Christine Fisher Tel.723023

Julie Winyard Tel.722178

SERVICES

- 01 All Saints/All Souls 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd David Eaton
- 08 **Remembrance Sunday** 1050
Preacher The Revd Brian Fisher
- 15 2nd before Advent 1100 Morning Prayer
Preacher The Revd Julie Eaton
- 22 Christ the King 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- 29 Advent 1 0930 Sung Eucharist
at **Reydon** David/Julie Eaton/R Henderson
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
- Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
- Wednesday (4th) Healing Service with CW (said)

HARVEST FESTIVAL WEEKEND

A big thank-you to all who contributed towards this weekend: to Christine and her team for a delicious supper; to Julia and the Evensong Choir; to the flower arrangers who made the church look wonderful; and lastly to all who donated groceries and produce which have been gratefully received by the St John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft. All in all an excellent weekend.

Sara Capon

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday 12th November we will be holding our AGM. We always look forward to welcoming new members. Our WI Adviser will be attending this year. If you haven't met her yet, now is the time! Before the AGM we will be introduced to the 'Sailability' scheme on Oulton Broad. Kevin Taylor is leading this scheme which helps people with disabilities enjoy the opportunities of sailing, given the necessary support and encouragement. Come along to the Village hall at 2.30pm to hear all about it, and enjoy meeting friends too !!

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM

It is always good to give thanks, both to God and to other people, and this month is no exception. Last month our harvest celebrations seem to have been regarded as exceptional by many, as we thanked God for all the blessings he pours upon us daily but at the same time remembered those around the world less fortunate than us. Our Harvest Supper was enjoyed by over 60 people; our thanks must go to all those who, in any way, made that evening a great success. Similarly, our two services on the Sunday were well attended so, again, we must thank all those who contributed to that success i.e. those who cleaned the church, those who decorated the church (you missed a treat if you did not look in to see what had been achieved), the singers, the musicians, and everyone else who played their part. In the words of Book of Common Prayer General Thanksgiving, we really did give hearty thanks for all God's goodness and loving kindness toward us.

While on the theme of thanking people I would just like to thank all those who, be they paid or offer their labour voluntarily, keep our churchyard neat and tidy. I would particularly like to acknowledge the work that John Simpson has done recently in the area where cremated remains are interred.

I mentioned last month that the Revd Caroline Hallett was shortly to leave the Sole Bay Team for pastures new; her last services will be at St Edmund's Southwold on Sunday, October 25th.

The Team's annual All Souls Day service, when we remember relatives and friends who have died, will take place at St Margaret's Church Reydon at 3.00 pm. on Sunday, November 1st. Those who have had relatives die during the course of the past twelve months will receive an individual invitation to the service, but anyone is welcome to join with us.

The Luncheon Club will take place on Friday, 13th November, 12.30pm. at the Village Hall.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

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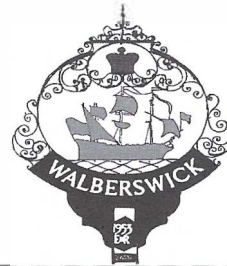
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Our annual fundraising mini-market is on Saturday 6 December from 10:00-12:00 in the Village Hall. Entry (£1.50) includes tea and biscuits. Stalls include Fancy Goods, Bric-a-Brac, Books, Things for Kids, Christmas Decorations, and Cakes. You can bid in the Silent Auction or win a prize in the Raffle! Any donations, please contact me.

Betsy Lemmon (722384)

COMMON LANDS CHARITY TRUST

The new Scheme, about which the Village was consulted in the spring, has been approved by the Charity Commission. It is now on the Trust's Website along with information about how to apply for a grant or qualify as a beneficiary. Current policies and procedures are explained and there is a piece about the history of the Charity, as well as some photos.

The address is very long! It is: www.onesuffolk.co.uk/walberswickpc/commonlandscharitytrust

Barbara Priestman

Chairman of the Trustees

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

There will be no showing in December. Our next film will be *Great Expectations* on 17 January 2010. A classic directed by David Lean.

Kay Ungless

GUY FAWKES

Once again it is many thanks to all who helped make our Bonfire Night an enjoyable evening for the village. The firework display was great and the pumpkin soup provided by the Anchor was delicious.

The Bonfire Committee

THE ANCHOR walberswick

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Please contact the Advertising Manager:

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WIZARD OF OZ TICKETS

Tickets will be available from the Tuck Shop from 17 December. Prices: Adults £10, Children £5

Evening performances on 27, 28, 29 & 30 January 2010. Matinee on 31 January 2.30

Any queries call **Jean Waller (722120)**

FOLLOW THE YELLOW BRICK ROAD...

and you *may* win the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow! The Munchkins will be hiding numbered yellow bricks around the village. If you find one, take it to The Tuck Shop and register the number. The lucky brick will be drawn after the final performance of *The Wizard of Oz*, Sunday 31 January. Hunt begins on December 19 (only 16 yrs and under eligible and only 1 brick per child!)

Astrid King

SUFFOLK COASTS AND HEATHS

The AONB unit have written to the Parish Council to say that we are eligible to apply for a grant of up to £500 through their Connect scheme. The grant supports conservation, access and awareness projects. The Parish Council applied in 2007/08 and were successful in receiving a grant which was used to plant Marram grass to help stabilise the dunes (some successfully growing now despite the rabbits!).

The Parish Council would like to give everyone an opportunity to submit any ideas for project(s) which would fall into the criteria mentioned above. If you could submit your idea(s) to me with an estimate of the cost before 15 January, it will be discussed at the February Parish Council meeting so that an application can be made.

Maddy Dabbs (725114)

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 2ND NOVEMBER 2009

The **Emergency phone** by the Harbour Wall is now operational again: just lift the receiver and dial 999; there is no dial tone but you will be connected. The **lifebelts** have once more been vandalised but are being replaced. The **flag pole** was damaged last month when it appears a lorry hit it. It has been laid on its side for safety reasons and is being repaired.

Planning Matters:

Listed building consent was approved for **2 Valley Farm, Ferry Road**; and the erection of extensions, a new garage and a new detached dwelling in the garden of **Redmay, Lodge Road**, was also approved.

Planning Applications were received for the following: A revised scheme for **Land at Rear of Alexandra Cottage, The Street**: the Council felt the new scheme was far more in keeping with the surrounding buildings and saw no planning reasons to object but were still extremely concerned about the access on to the street.

The following two **Applications** were received too late for the 2 November meeting but a second planning meeting was held on the 9 November when they were discussed:

Saltings, Seven Acres Lane: construction of a new dwelling to replace the current dwelling. The Council objected on the grounds that this development was not remotely in keeping with its surroundings, was overly large and box-like in design.

Westwood, the Street: the erection of a new sculpture studio and new boundary wall. The Council had no objections to the studio, but were concerned about the height of the new proposed boundary wall, which appears to be over 8ft! .

Formal application had been received from **Long Roof, Leveretts Lane**, for the removal of 20 trees from the rear of the property. Representations were made from residents and it was agreed to contact Suffolk Coastal and Natural England to obtain further information about nesting and the impact of removing these trees. It was also agreed to object in principle to the Tree Works Notice while further information was obtained.

As County Councils are now ordered to turn their **Planning Applications** round in 8 weeks, we are obliged to respond to applications within 21 days with little chance of an extension. If you are affected by a Planning matter, please do not hesitate to make contact with either the Clerk or any of the Councillors. If it does not appear on the Agenda for the regular Council meeting, another meeting will be arranged one or two weeks later, with the Agenda being posted in the normal manner.

As no one has objected to the proposed **Extension to Car Park Operations** the Council agreed to begin the formal process.

A Meeting took place at the end of October at the Sailing Club, hosted by the prospective Southwold Harbour Lands Trustees, to consider the updated H R Wallingford report which offered up the options for the **repair/replacement of the North Dock Wall**. It was a very constructive meeting and the Parish Council fully support the chosen option. This has gone back to WDC for their consideration and it is hoped that work will begin by October 2010.

Mischi Verneti, Clerk to Council

WALBERSWICK IN WARTIME

There is now a website devoted to the experiences of the village during World War II. This is a very well designed site which is full of interest for those who would like to learn about those years.

Click on www.walberswickww2.co.uk

Maddy Dabbs

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE

I would like to thank all those who gave plants and vegetables and contributed to the stall at Dutch House this summer. We raised the grand sum of £541.00 for Motor Neurone Disease Research.

Well done!

Mary King

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

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WALBERSWICK PARISH COUNCIL

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FROM THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 16TH APRIL

The Chairman, Mrs. Madeline Dabbs, commenced her report by stating that it had been, surprisingly, a very busy year for the Council. The affordable housing project in Nightingale Close had been completed. The Parish Council had expressed concerns to The Housing Association that had not taken into account the cost of housing in Walberswick when dismissing applications from local people, claiming their salaries were too high for such housing. However, there had now been a change of policy but it was vitally important that all people ensured they were on the waiting list and not just apply when they found out that a house was going to become vacant.

The Parish Council had been very concerned when it realised that very little constraint was put on home owners who wanted to erect a swimming pool in their garden. This Council successfully took to the Suffolk Association of Local Councils and who unanimously supported, a motion to urge the National Association of Local Councils to push the Government for stricter controls on the proposed installation of a permanent pool at private properties.

The children's play area on the sports field had benefitted from more play equipment during the year but unfortunately the Council was being forced to fence off the area because of dog fouling. She stated that in future dogs could be banned from the playing field and the beach if owners did not become more responsible in clearing up after their animals.

The Chairman informed the meeting that all the Parish Councillors and the Clerk were members of the Sea Defence Group. This was not on the agenda as the village had recently been updated on this work.

The allotments, after some years of partial neglect, had now sprung back into life and all those on the waiting list had now been allocated allotments (or parts thereof).

As Chairman of the Parish Council, she had been invited to be part of a group which looked at where the new 'Healthy Living Centre' would be situated. She was pleased to report that this should be up and running within a couple of years on a much more accessible and suitable site.

The saga of the Post Office occupied a lot of the Council's time. Letters to Post Office Ltd. (frequently unanswered) and to our MP John Gummer, about the appalling level of service being received due to technical difficulties, were fast and furious. We now, at last, have got a permanent computer connection which had made the service much more reliable.

In October the Parish Council called a public meeting to hear about and discuss a Parish Plan. After consultation with other parishes by a small group of volunteers, it was agreed that the village would develop a plan, although a considerable amount of work would be necessary to achieve this.

The arrival of 50 - 100 tons of wood on our beach brought interest from afar. The arrival of many visitors, not to enjoy the sea and sand but to collect the wood, was a spectacle. It was soon cleared from the beach and hopefully those who took it reported their actions to the Recorder of Wreck!

The Council had recently taken the decision to apply to become a Quality Council. Much of the criteria had already been met but one change required that time was allotted for parishioners to discuss problems with the Council. Therefore, in future time would be set aside between 7.15pm until 7.30pm before a council meeting (normally first Monday of every month) specifically for this. A further requirement was that the Clerk should obtain a Certificate in Local Council Administration (CILCA). As the present Clerk, Mrs. Vivien Hunt, was retiring from the position it was essential that the new Clerk was prepared to work for this qualification. At this point the Chairman introduced the new Clerk, Miss Mischi Verneti, who would be taking up the appointment on 1st June (Mischi had agreed to study for this qualification as part of her duties).

She stated that another requirement to becoming a Quality Council was to have a web-site and this was already up and running, thanks to the hard work of Mrs. Kay Ungless. The website can be found at www.onesuffolk.co.uk/parish. On this site dates and times of meetings, agendas and minutes of the Parish Council could be found along with many other interesting items.

The Walberswick Common Lands Charity Trust had consulted the Parish Council about the revision of their constitution. The proposal for the reduction of nominative trustees (from 4 to 3) was opposed by the majority of the Parish Council. The WCLCT have since withdrawn this change.

She stated that all the aforementioned had not covered the many hours of extra work undertaken by members of this Parish council. She explained that the work of the Parish Councillors was not just about meeting monthly to make decisions. Responding to what can only be described as a deluge of correspondence and e-mails, sifting out what was urgent and what was relevant to us and acting accordingly was another part of the duties. Dealing 'hands on' with day to day problems and queries raised by parishioners when out in the village was yet another. She thanked the Parish Councillors for their work and support throughout the year.

The Chairman thanked the Clerk, Mrs. Vivien Hunt, for all the work she had put in over the past twelve years as Clerk. Finally she presented her with a bouquet of flowers and wished her well in her retirement.

**WALBERSWICK PARISH COUNCIL - RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
YEAR ENDING 31 MARCH 2009**

<u>31st March 2008</u>	<u>RECEIPTS</u>	<u>31st March 2009</u>
£ 12,363.09	Opening balance	£ 9,733.76
£ 6,945.00	Precept	£ 7,290.00
£ 936.08	VAT	£ 1,113.07
£ 201.00	Allotments	£ 205.00
£ 380.91	Bank Interest	£ 174.33
£ -	Other rents	£ 22.99
£ 34.70	Community Benefit Fund	£ 50.00
£ 1,232.50	Grants	£ 5,360.75
£ 776.53	Other Income	£ 256.38
£ 10,506.72		£ 14,472.52
	<u>PAYMENTS</u>	
£ 1,468.34	Administration	£ 1,127.65
£ 3,859.44	Salaries	£ 4,609.27
£ 500.00	Community Benefit Fund	£ 17.81
£ 175.00	Section 137/Donations	£ 245.00
£ 741.07	Insurance	£ 842.71
£ -	Allotments	£ -
£ 247.60	Travelling/Courses/Allowances	£ 292.00
£ 160.50	Subscriptions	£ 169.50
£ 5,023.62	Village Facilities	£ 6,280.95
£ 960.48	VAT paid	£ 1,197.83
£ 13,136.05		£ 14,782.72
	<u>RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS SUMMARY</u>	
£ 12,363.09	Balance b/fwd at 1st April 2008	£ 9,733.76
£ 10,506.72	Add Total receipts	£ 14,472.52
-£ 13,136.05	Less Total payments	-£ 14,782.72
£ 9,733.76	Balance c/fwd at 31st March 2009	£ 9,423.56
	These funds are represented by:	
£ 1,461.69	Current Account	£ 496.44
£ 4,109.46	Business Reserve Account	£ 4,510.46
£ 2,165.72	Community Benefit Fund Account	£ 2,181.21
£ 1,996.89	Clerk's Gratuity Account	£ 2,266.65
	Less uncleared cheque	-£ 31.20
£ 9,733.76		£ 9,423.56

These Accounts represent fairly the position of the authority as at 31st March 2009 and reflect its receipts and payments throughout the year

I certify that these accounts were approved at Walberswick Parish Council on 6th April 2008

Signed Chairman.....

Date.....

Signed RFO.....

Date.....

CULINARY (cont...)

55. Gooseberry Jam
56. Raspberry Jam
57. Any other Jam (can include mixtures - please label)
58. Lemon Curd
59. Marmalade
60. Jar of Chutney (at least three months old)
61. Jar of Pickled Onions or Shallots
62. A bottle of homemade wine presented with small tasting glass
63. A bottle of homemade cordial - diluted to taste and presented with small tasting glass
64. A miniature bottle of sloe gin presented with small tasting glass
65. Hens eggs - three - presented in a small basket or bowl

In classes 53-61 use a jar of not less than 12oz
PLEASE PUT YOUR ENTRY NUMBER ON THE JAR NOT ON LID

FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS

(All to be arranged for effect)

66. Arrangement with an exotic theme - not exceeding 46cm overall
67. Miniature arrangement - maximum 10cmx10cmx10cm
68. An arrangement of foliage in a vase - Not exceeding 61cm high
69. Flower arrangement in an unusual container by a man
70. Dried arrangement - not exceeding 36cm overall

JUNIOR CLASSES

(Open to Visitors)

Children's exhibits should have minimal help from adults, and be individual entries. Please put name and age on Exhibit.

71. Largest sunflower head - judged by diameter
 72. Mustard and/or cress grown in a decorated eggshell
 73. Decorated cupcake (judged on decoration) (Age 7 and under)
 74. Photograph taken in Walberswick - maximum A4 size (Age 8+)
- 1ST PRIZE IN EACH CATEGORY WILL BE A BOOK VOUCHER**

SURPLUS PRODUCE

A box will be available at the Show for any surplus vegetables or produce and any exhibits not collected after the Show. The contents will be donated to The St. John's Housing Trust for the homeless in Lowestoft.



THE 2009 WALBERSWICK HORTICULTURAL SHOW

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Saturday 25th July, 2009

Open from 3.00 to 4.30pm

RAFFLE and TEAS

ADMISSION TO THE SHOW IS FREE!!

NO ENTRY FEE FOR EXHIBITS

Proceeds to the Show Fund

RULES

Exhibits to be handed in at the Village Hall on Saturday, 25th July not later than 10.45am.
First, Second, Third and Best in Show may be awarded, dependent upon quality and number of entries.

The SHAPA Judges' decision is final.

Not more than one entry per class from any Exhibitor.

All exhibits to be made or grown in Walberswick by the Exhibitor.

ENTRIES RESTRICTED TO WALBERSWICK RESIDENTS EXCEPT IN JUNIOR CLASSES

(see overleaf for Schedule of Exhibits)

TROPHIES

Scoring the most points in classes

WINYARD CUP for the man	1-44
IRIS BLOIS MEMORIAL CUP for the woman	1-44
FLOWER BOWL for the Exhibitor	66-70
CC GOLD CUP for the Exhibitor	45-65
WHITTENBURY VICTOR LUDORUM for the Exhibitor	1-65
HARVEY MEMORIAL TROPHY	See Schedule overleaf

1st PRIZE - 3 points 2nd Prize - 2 points 3rd Prize - 1 point

**EACH TROPHY WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE NEXT ANNUAL SHOW
EXHIBITORS ARE ASKED NOT TO REMOVE THEIR ENTRIES UNTIL AFTER PRIZE GIVING**

COMMITTEE:

Chairman: Jodie Ellis, Secretary: Betsy Lemmon, Treasurer: Paul Bradley, Sue Green and Chrissie Reeves



FOLD

SCHEDULE OF EXHIBITS

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

(Variety Named if Possible)

The following should be shown on a white paper plate (available on the day) or a white background.

1. **Potatoes** - five white or five red
2. **Peas** - five pods (any variety)
3. **Mange Tout Peas** - five pods (any variety)
4. **Broad Beans** - five pods
5. **French Beans** - five pods
6. **Runner Beans** - five pods
7. **Cabbage** - (any variety) - one
8. **Carrots** - five (leaves removed)
9. **Beetroot** - three globe (leaves removed)
10. **Cucumber** - one (any variety)
11. **Onions** - three (not skinned, tops tied)
12. **Shallots** - seven (separate, not skinned, tops tied)
13. **Spring Onions** - three
14. **Lettuce** - two (same type)
15. **Tomatoes** - three (calyx still attached)
16. **Tomatoes** cherry type - five (calyx still attached)
17. **Courgettes** - three (10-15cm)
18. **Mixed Herbs** - a bunch of three or more
19. **Rhubarb** - three sticks (leaves reduced to 2 inches)
20. **Novelty** - one odd shaped fruit or vegetable
21. **Blackcurrants** - seven strings
22. **Redcurrants** - seven strings
23. **Raspberries** - eleven (with stalks on)
24. **Gooseberries** - eleven (with stalks on)
25. **Blueberries** - seven
26. **Any other soft fruit not included above** - five
27. **Any other vegetable not included above** - one or two specimens
28. **Vegetable or flower grown from a seed from The Walberswick Seed Swap**

HARVEY MEMORIAL TROPHY

Decorative presentation of own grown mixed produce (may include some fruit). Maximum 7 varieties.

FLOWERS

(Named if possible)

29. **Pinks** - five sprays
30. **Roses (Hybrid tea)** - three blooms
31. **Roses (Floribunda)** - three sprays (one or more variety)
32. **Gladioli** - three stems
33. **Sweet Peas** - eleven stems (without decorative foliage)
34. **Annuals** - five stems (one or more varieties)
35. **Hardy Perennials** - five stems (one or more varieties)
36. **Flowering shrubs (not roses)** - three stems (one or more varieties)
37. **Dahlias** - five blooms (one or more colours)
38. **Pot Plant** - one, any kind: flowering in max. 15cm diam. pot
39. **Pot Plant** - one, any kind: flowering in max. 23cm diam. pot
40. **Pot Plant** - one, any kind: foliage
41. **Cactus or Cacti** - one pot or pan
42. **Pelargonium** - one pot (regal or zonal)
43. **Succulents** - max. 25cm diam. pot or pan (three or more varieties)
44. **Exotic plant** - one pot or stem

CULINARY

Food Hygiene:

Exhibits must be placed on white paper plates in an untied plastic bag (not clingfilm). Paper plates and bags will be available on the day.

45. **Cake** - one cake displayed with its recipe - any size and it may be decorated or iced. We would like to auction the winning cakes at the end of the Show. Proceeds will be donated to the Heritage Seed Library. ***Please make a note on your entry if you would NOT like to have your cake auctioned.***
46. **Handmade wholemeal loaf** - one round loaf
47. **Chocolate chip biscuits** - five
48. **Cheese Straws** - three
49. **Sweet Muffins** - three
50. **Plain Scones** - three
51. **Shortbread Round** - 18-20cm
52. **Vegetarian Savoury Tart or Slice** - any size
53. **Blackcurrant Jam**
54. **Strawberry Jam**

Walberswick Common Lands Charity

Founded 1901 - Registered Charity No 206095

Invitation

The Trustees cordially invite residents of Walberswick to a 'drop-in' session to discuss proposed revisions to the Scheme under which the Charity operates

10:00 – 12:00 Saturday 25 April 2009 - Village Hall annexe

History of the Charity

In 1901, the Chancery Division of the High Court of Justice approved and established a "Scheme for the regulation and administration of the Charity known as the Common Lands in the Parish of Walberswick in the County of Suffolk and for the application of income thereof".

Under the Scheme seven Trustees, including the Vicar and the Chairman of the Parish Meeting and the Board of Guardians, were to manage land comprising

- 84.5 acres of heath land
- 34 acres of enclosed grazing marshes
- 40 acres of salt marshes
- 3.5 acres of marsh land.

The heath land is most of what we know as the Common, the "enclosed grazing marshes" lie between the Village and the River Blyth and the "salt marshes" are those behind the beach which are not owned by the Blois estate. The remaining land comprises what is now the Cliff Field and Ferry Road car parks, the latter including the land occupied by the houses and huts alongside the river. Since the original Scheme, two properties (The Potters Wheel and the building now known as the Lantern Gallery) plus some parcels of land have been kindly donated to the Charity including, most recently, Bennett's Copse and Bennett's Drift.

As well as providing for maintenance of the Charity's land and property, the 1901 Scheme empowered the Trustees to apply surplus income to helping individual Walberswick residents who were in need and to supporting initiatives that were of general benefit to the inhabitants of Walberswick. These charitable activities continue today in the form of individual grants such as home improvements to cope with disability or assistance with educational expenses, through to more general projects such as providing children's play equipment and supporting local schools and charities.

The current Trustees are; Ms Barbara Priestman (Chairman), Mr James Darkins, Rev Brian Fisher, Mrs Kate Goodchild, Mr Nigel Hunt, Mr David Webb and Mr Keith Webb.

The Scheme

The original 1901 Scheme was subsequently reviewed and amended in 1925, 1932, 1963 and, most recently, 1985. The Scheme is a requirement under the Charities Act and sets out the objectives of the Charity and the rules under which Trustees are required to operate. Unlike a Company where the Directors have wide discretion over both the strategy and day to day decisions of the Company, the Trustees must operate within the more limited scope of the Scheme and the Charities Act.

The Trustees wish to update the Scheme in part to reflect current best practice in terms of the administration and operation of charities and in part to reflect the requirements of the new Charities Act 2006 which became fully effective in 2008. The services of solicitors Bates Wells & Braithwaite of London (ranked 1st in an independent survey of UK charity specialists in 2007) were engaged to advise Trustees on the Scheme. The Trustees have reviewed the Scheme based upon the advice they have received. They now wish to have the Scheme formally approved by the Charities Commission and are required to observe the following procedure:

1. Adoption of a draft Scheme by the Trustees - completed
2. Consultation with Walberswick Parish Council - commenced
3. Submission of the Scheme to the Charities Commission - in progress
4. Consultation with the inhabitants of Walberswick - beginning
5. Finalisation of the Scheme by Trustees
6. Approval of the Scheme by the Charities Commission

Changes to the Scheme

Most importantly no changes are proposed to: (i) the requirement for the Trustees to act as responsible custodians of the Charity's land and property; (ii) the way in which the Charity applies its income and the priorities for its expenditure or grants and (iii) following consultation with the Parish Council, the composition and appointment of Trustees.

The majority of the proposed changes come under three categories:

1. Changes resulting from the new Charities Act such as: greater freedom to delegate tasks such as the appointment of financial advisors; regulations on the disposal of property and management of conflicts of interest.
2. Best practice changes recommended by the solicitors such as procedures for the removal of Trustees; liability and indemnity issues and the power to make decisions via circular resolution.
3. Changes in technology such as the ability to hold meetings via teleconference.

Consultation

With regard to consultation, contrary to a report in the February Village News, it has always been the Trustees' intention to consult with the inhabitants of Walberswick before making any changes to the Scheme. However, formal consultation can only commence after a draft Scheme had been submitted to the Charities Commission. The consultation process being followed is:

1. Notification via the April Village News
2. From 3 April hard copies of the revised Scheme will be available for short-term loan from Mrs J Tibbles, Clerk to the Trustees, Lima Cottage, Ferry Road. You may also obtain an emailed soft copy by calling (01502) 724448.
3. A 'drop-in' session with Trustees on **Saturday 25 April 2009** from 10:00 to 12:00 in the Village Hall annexe
4. Written submissions are also invited, addressed to the Clerk to Trustees.

The Trustees very much look forward to your feedback on what is an integral part of village life.

Barbara Priestman
Chairman of Trustees

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

At our November meeting we held our AGM. Jenny Cardwell has stepped down as President after five very successful years. We will miss her verve and enthusiasm greatly, but know she will be on hand when we need her: we don't let the good fade away that easily! Margaret Adkinson is our new President so we will be in very capable hands. The committee is as last year, and all have pledged to support Margaret in her role.

Our Christmas Meeting is on Thursday 10 December. Entertainment by the Programme Group, and a sumptuous lunch will be provided by the committee. Don't be late: 12.30pm start. All the fun to follow.

Irene Prince

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Celebrant The Revd David Eaton
- 13 Advent 3 0930 Said Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
also 1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd Julie Eaton
- 20 Advent 4 0930 Said Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- 20 at 6 pm Service of Carols and Readings
by candlelight**
- 24 at 4.30 pm Crib Service**
- 25 at 9.30 pm Christmas Day Family Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher**
- 27 Team Service at Southwold 1030
All Together Service David/Julie Eaton
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
Wednesday (9th) Healing Service with CW (said)

CAROLS & READINGS BY CANDELIGHT

The Evensong Choir with Brian Fisher will be leading the annual Carol Service on December 20th at 6 o'clock. Be certain to come and join in singing many favourite hymns and carols in our lovely church.

Julia Josephs

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

In Lieu Of Village Christmas Cards

The collection box and list to sign are in the Tuck Shop (by kind permission of Gill & Nick Jones). Please ask at the till if you cannot see it and wish to donate. The completed list will be displayed in the shop for the last two weeks before Christmas.

Viv & Alvin Hunt, Pru & Piers Ford-Crush

THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

This is a "Thank You" to all those who gave so generously and/or gave valuable time to collect or help organise the events. The Poppy Appeal this year made £2528.00, an increase of £100.00 on last year. The breakdown was: Poppy Collection in Walberswick and Blythburgh £968; Static Collections £215; The Bazaar and Coffee Morning £866; the Remembrance Sunday Service collection £354 and sale of wreaths £125.00.

Judith Hetherington (Poppy Appeal Organiser)

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Where has the year gone? It seems as though I was wishing Happy Christmas to everyone just a few weeks ago but it is that time again; a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ together and individually. I do hope that as many of you as possible will join us at one of our services over the Christmas period. In the words of a modern carol by Valerie Collinson why not '*Come and join the celebration, it's a very special day; come and share our jubilation, there's a new King born today*'. Families are particularly welcome at our Crib Service on Christmas Eve (4.30pm.) and the Family Eucharist on Christmas Day morning (9.30am.)

Sadly, we have said farewell recently to two regular members of our congregation, Sheila Davies & Suzanne Burlingham. On behalf of St Andrew's I would just like to thank both Sheila & Suzanne for all that they have brought to our church family. I would wish to thank Suzanne especially for representing St Andrew's so well on the Village Hall Committee. We wish them both every blessing on the next step of their life's journey, Suzanne's taking her somewhat further away than Sheila's.

Our final wedding for 2009 is to take place on Saturday 12 December. Please remember Jack Heald & Rebecca Mantin as they prepare for their big day and their ongoing life together.

The Christmas Luncheon Club is to take place on Friday 11 December, 12.30pm. in the Village Hall; this is the one occasion when we ask that you book with Christine or myself (723023) in advance.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

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