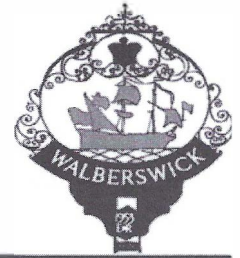


VILLAGE NEWS



JANUARY 2011 ISSUE 168

A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OUR READERS!

A WALBERSWICK LEGEND

We were very saddened at the loss of the large willow tree at Old Vicarage Cottage, which was a casualty of the strong winds this autumn. We understand that this tree started out as one of three willow stumps used during a game of cricket in the war (either the first or second), which they intended to finish after the war ended! We were sad to see it go, but some people have taken branches and planted them in the hope of continuing this lovely tradition. If anyone has any more information about this tale we'd love to hear it.

Clive and Nikki Jackson

MAMMA MIA! THE SING ALONG!

An evening that will definitely drive away midwinter and post-Christmas gloom! Big easy-to-read lyrics for all the Abba songs will be on the screen. Jana Rowlands has kindly agreed to give us a vocal warm-up to dispel all inhibitions. It's not compulsory to dress up but it will really add to the fun. Dip into the wardrobe of your imagination and surprise us with your creation. Remember—*in the dark no one will know you are singing!*

7 for 7.30pm, Sunday 16 January, Village Hall.

The Film Club Committee (722255)

FITNESS WITH FRIENDS

Come and join our friendly groups on Tuesday mornings in the village hall. There are three classes: 8.30 – 9.15 Step (Hard); 9.15 - 10.15 Fitness (Moderate); 10.30 - 11.30 Stretch and Tone (Easier). Sessions cost £5 each or bargain £20 for 5 sessions. Classes resume on 4 January.

Jenny Cardwell

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New Years Day

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WALBERSWICK PARISH PLAN

We are very grateful to all the volunteers who delivered and, with more difficulty, collected our questionnaires for the Parish Plan. Because we were anxious to get as many responses as possible, we extended the completion period until mid-October and our Report could not therefore be ready before Christmas. However, all the answers have been uploaded into the Suffolk ACRE software and we are now analysing the results. We hope that the Report will be complete before Easter when we shall present it to the Village.

Thanks again to all our helpers.

The Parish Plan Steering Committee

(wppsc@aol.com)

LETTER FROM AMERICA

As some of you already know, I visited Suzanne Burlingham (and Diva) in LA in November. Walberswick is a very special place to Suzanne and everyone here is often in her thoughts. She welcomed me fondly and we both enjoyed dog walking, birding, shopping and tasting the local fare, though not necessarily in that order! Although she contributed to the Christmas Card donation to Macmillan Nurses in The Tuck Shop, she wanted me to send her very best wishes to everyone who made her time in Walberswick unique and warmly remembered. She also asked me to say that visitors are always welcome – I guess I can't have been too bad a guest....

Pat Lancaster

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE

A big thank you to all the friends who donated vegetables, fruit, and plants to my stall at Dutch House.. The grand total of £676.55 was raised for research.

Mary King

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6TH DECEMBER 2010

New Councillor: the Chairman introduced Mr Nick Crocker, who had been the only person to put his papers forward after some residents had called for an election. He signed the Declaration of Office and was welcomed to the meeting.

Suffolk County Council: County Cllr Mr Rae Leighton explained to the meeting about the proposed budget cuts at the Council and stated there would not be a rise in Council Tax, which is good news for all; however the **New Strategic Direction**, in which the Council are looking to others to provide services they currently carry out, will impact every household. The Parish Council will endeavour to keep everyone informed, but for those interested there is more information on both the SCC Website www.suffolk.gov and the SCDC Website www.suffolkcoastal.gov

Planning Matters: Permission was granted for the extension at **Greyroof, Millfield Road**, and the Parish Council had no objections to the extension proposed at **Driftwood, Church Lane**.

Precept: it was unanimously agreed that this year it would remain at the same level as last year, which roughly equates to a charge of £22.00 for a Band D property.

Digital Switchover: we have been notified that the switchover for the Tacolneston Transmitter will take place **9 November 2011**. For more information either call **FREE** on **0800 40 85 900**, email on info@helpscheme.co.uk, or by post to **FREEPOST Switchover Help Scheme**.

The Parish Council formally adopted a **Public Participation in Council Meetings Protocol**. This has been placed on the noticeboards and will take effect from January.

Meetings for 2011 will continue to be the first Monday in each month where possible, with full Parish Council elections being held in May, and the Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 14 April. Dates and Agendas will be posted in the normal places nearer the time.

The Parish Council would like to take this opportunity to thank those in the village who have continued to support them during this sometimes difficult year, and look forward to continuing support for the work they are trying to do in the future.

Mischi Verneti, Clerk to Council

WALBERSWICK WILDFOWLERS' QUIZ

Saturday 29 January 2011 7.30pm

Walberswick Village Hall

Teams of 5 maximum, £2.00 each player

Question Master Mr. Tony Kohn

Grand Raffle

Tea, Coffee and Biscuits available during interval

Or bring your own tippie

THE DIARY OF ANNE FRANK

Tickets for this production went on sale at The Tuck Shop on Friday, 17 December.

Dates of performance: Friday 11/Saturday 12 February at 7.30pm; Sunday 13 February at 2.30pm
Adults £8, under 12s £5.

Wanted: a 2-seater (small) sofa, preferably without arms, from Saturday 5-Sunday 13 February. We will collect and return. Please ring me if you can help.

Val Anderson (724609)

DIABETES SKYDIVE

On 27 November I took part in a sponsored sky-dive. It was an amazing experience, and the view from the sky over snowy Suffolk was indescribable. There couldn't have been a more impressive picture of our county! Together my friend Penny Norgan and I raised a total of around £1000, and we are very grateful to everyone who supported us. So thank you from us and from Diabetes UK. Please don't hesitate to talk to me more about it if you are interested, and there are pictures to show you as well. Do get in touch if you would like to see them.

Megan Buncombe

NORWICH BUS - THURSDAY 20 JANUARY

Please book early, as space is very limited.

Sue and Alan Walpole (724763)

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

FITNESS CLASSES BEGIN Tuesday 4th from 8.30am

MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 14th & 28th 1.55-2.30pm Village Hall Car Park

LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 14th 12.30pm Village Hall

NORWICH BUS Thursday 20th 9.30am The Tuck Shop

WILDFOWLERS' QUIZ NIGHT Saturday 29th 7.30pm Village Hall

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

WOMENS INSTITUTE

Our January meeting will be on the *first* Thursday of the month with an invitation to hear about an *Arctic Challenge* (nothing to do with our recent weather!)

Our own Claire Whittenbury will be showing us some of the sights and problems encountered when undertaking such a trek. Claire is planning a fund-raising trip in the near future with a group from East Anglia.

Come along to the Village hall on January 6 at 2.30pm for an exciting afternoon. Subscriptions will be due and bookings taken for our New Year lunch at the Wentworth.

Irene Prince

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Julie Winyard (722178)

JANUARY SERVICES

- 2 Epiphany 1100 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Peter Trendall
- 9 Baptism of Christ 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
also 1800 Choral Evensong at Blythburgh
Team Epiphany Carol Service
The Revd Simon Pitcher
- 16 Epiphany 2 1100 Said Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher
- 23 Epiphany 3 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- 30 Epiphany 4 Team Service TBA
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
Wednesday (5th) Healing Service with CW (said)

PCC MEETING

There will be a meeting of the Parochial Church Council on Tuesday January 18 at 9.30am.

Julia Josephs

CANCER RESEARCH

Thanks to all who braved the cold icy weather to support our Cancer Research Mini-Fete. We were thrilled to raise £1530 for such a good cause. Many thanks to all who donated items to the stalls—and especially to all the dedicated volunteers who made it possible!

Betsy Lemmon

CYSTIC FIBROSIS

Warm thanks to those of you who donated and bought books from my Cystic Fibrosis stall over the last year. I have today written a cheque for £1452.52. Cystic Fibrosis gene trials are under way and although these things take a long time there is progress there. I have some space for books so please keep them coming!

Toby Robinson (722526)

NEW YEAR'S MESSAGE FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

"We have an anchor that keeps the soul..."

These are the first words of a seafaring hymn, in which storms at sea are compared to the storms of life. Just as Jesus commanded the waves to be still, so does he provide us with a secure anchor and with calm and peace.

The year 2010 was unexpectedly choppy for me! Twelve months ago I lived in West Yorkshire, secure and confident in my job; the children were happy at school, my wife was content and we had no anticipation that anything would change. Then I saw an advertisement for a position as Team Rector for the Sole Bay Team. There were many logical objections against applying, but somewhat to our collective astonishment, and also delight, we now find ourselves here. I can lie in bed in the morning and gaze across the marshes to see Walberswick church tower...truly beautiful.

Changing jobs and moving house are two of the most stressful things that we can do. Add resettling children, and 2010 had its fair share of stress points. 2010 proved to me that we are never as fully in control as we like to think. The unexpected is always just around the corner. My faith in Christ has been my anchor through the unexpected. Who or what is your anchor for the journey through 2011?

Simon Pitcher

The Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 14 January, 12.30pm in the Village Hall.

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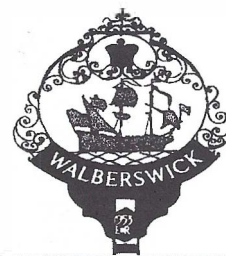
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22nd - NT/12.25
29th - 06.06/18.56

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LONG-LOST VILLAGE SIGN

The village sign that now stands by the green is a replica of the original that stood at the entrance to the village just to the west of Adams Lane. The original sign was stolen at Easter in either 1984 or 1985. I am pleased to say that the original sign has now been found.

I have been contacted (thanks to the Parish web site) by a couple who, some time ago, purchased the original sign at a garage sale in the London suburbs, and had no idea it was a village sign until last summer. Travelling up the A12 towards Norfolk, they spotted the signpost for Walberswick and decided to visit. In their words they "*fell in love with the place*", noted the replacement sign, and realised it was virtually identical to the one in their possession.

The couple, Mr. and Mrs Newstead, have said they will be very sorry to part with the sign but believe it should be returned to its rightful home. The Parish Council will now liaise with them to arrange for the return of the sign. It should be possible to make quite an event of the occasion – so watch this space for details.

David Webb

FEBRUARY COINCIDENCE

Nick is making a welcome return as Landlord to The Bell at the beginning of February and Sanderlings is performing *The Diary of Anne Frank* the following week. We are indebted to him for generous sponsorship of the show. This is possibly our most challenging play, but the excellent cast are looking forward to performing for you. Tickets are on sale at The Tuck Shop, £8 adults and £5 for under 12s.

Friday 11, Saturday 12 at 7.00pm, and Sunday 13 at 2.30pm in the Village Hall.

Val Anderson

THE ANCHOR walberswick

Curry nights Friday 4 & 18 February, 4 March
Dr Todd Metaphysical Magician – Saturday 5 February
Saturday Brunch – Starting Saturday 5 February
Weekend Cream Teas
Valentine Night – Don't forget to book!
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WALBERSWICK HISTORY GROUP

As from January 2 our Archivists Kay and Bill Ungless have resigned from the committee. Out of our membership of 140, I hope that we may be able to find a replacement for them and also another committee member.

I would like to thank everyone who helped in any way at the Xmas meeting and at the Auction of pictures, proceeds going to the Guildhall School of Music towards a Violin Scholarship.

Philip Kett, Chairman

GRATITUDE

Time to thank again, I think,
Our unsung heroes who, week by week,
Through sunshine, snow, and hail and rain
(Whatever the weather, they're out again)
Fetching our medication for us;
All together now, in this chorus:

*"We're very grateful, Graham and Mary
And Anne and Bill and Hazel and Jill.*

*Thank you for all your dedication;
We send our sincere appreciation".*

Ruth Bassett

WALBERSWICK SEED SWAP

Bring along your saved seeds, surplus seed packets and tubers, and discover new plant varieties in the Village Hall on Saturday 19 February from 10am-1pm. We'll have a number of unusual potato varieties: why not try one or two tubers? Or a sprinkling of native wild flower seeds for that "natural" corner of the garden? If you have no saved seeds, don't worry: we'll have plenty to go around. Refreshments will be available, and all are welcome to this free event.

Betsy Lemmon (722384) Caroline Gilby (725416)

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 10 JANUARY 2011

The first meeting of the New Year was well attended. County Cllr Rae Leighton spoke about the inevitable cuts in services that would happen at County Council level in order to "Balance the Budget" - but he stated that exactly which services would go was still under discussion and he would keep the Parish Council and Village updated.

Broadband Speeds Our new Councillor, Nick Crocker, is doing some research into improving the broadband speeds in the village. He also suggested that a "substantial community project" could bring the village together by harnessing the wide range of skills available, and potentially create an iconic legacy for future generations. So if anyone reading this has any ideas, please contact the Clerk, or any of the Councillors.

Planning Matters There were none to be discussed this meeting. For those concerned about the felling of the Beech Tree at the entrance to the Alexandra Cottage site: the Parish Council obtained a second opinion as to whether the tree could be saved, and it was clear this was not possible. We have asked that it be replaced with something of a compatible size.

Carols Round the Tree Thanks to all who attended this occasion, with special thanks to Brian Fisher for officiating, to Mr John Flack for organising the musicians, and Councillor Aldridge and Mrs Pam Webb for providing the teas and coffees in the Village Hall. Along with the hardy carol singers who visited many homes on Christmas Eve a fantastic £398.60 was raised which will be sent to the East Anglian Children's Hospice Tree House Appeal from the village.

Royal Wedding This has been announced for 29 April 2011. The Parish Council would very much like to celebrate this happy occasion with a village event. Many in the village must remember the celebrations for the millennium, Charles' and Diana's wedding in the 80s, and even further back to the Silver Jubilee in 1977! So the Parish Council would love to hear from anyone with ideas of how we could celebrate the day. Please contact the Clerk or any of the Councillors.

Mischi Verneti, Clerk to Council

THE ROYAL WEDDING 29 APRIL

Join in the fun! See it live on the big screen in the Village Hall in High Definition. Bring your friends, a picnic & booze. Doors open at 9 am. £2/£1, under 5s free. **722255** for more information.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

This year, together with the residents of Blythburgh, we raised £2,186. Thank you to everyone involved in the running of the coffee morning which raised £846 and to the house-to-house collectors who collected £965. Thank you also to everyone who contributed so generously to these, to the Remembrance Day service and to the purchase of wreaths. Although less than last year it is a wonderful result and much needed for the care of injured service personnel and their families.

Judith Hetherington, Poppy Appeal Organiser
(Blythburgh and Walberswick)

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

This month we shall be showing Woody Allen's *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*. Allen had a big hit with this 2009 drama of romantic conflict and comedy. Two girlfriends on a summer holiday in Spain become enamoured with the same painter, unaware that his ex-wife is about to re-enter the picture. Javier Bardem, Penelope Cruz, Scarlett Johansson. Rated 12.

7 for 7.30pm Sunday 20 January, Village Hall.

Forthcoming films. March 20: *Sherlock Holmes* (2010 Robert Downey Jnr., Jude Law).

April 7: *Made in Dagenham*. (2010 Sally Hawkins, Bob Hoskins)

The Film Club Committee (722255)

NORWICH BUS

Please note that the Norwich Bus will again run this month, on Thursday 17 February.

Please book early. **Eve Hastings (724702)**.

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

DIARY OF ANNE FRANK Friday 11th, Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th Village Hall

NORWICH BUS Thursday 17th Tuck Shop

WALBERSWICK SEED SWAP Saturday 19th 10am Village Hall

MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 11th & 25th 1.55-2.30pm The Green

LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 18th 12.30pm Village Hall

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SOUTHWOLD SURGERY

PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP

I have taken over from Bill Ungless in the role of Walberswick representative to this group. The remit is broadly:

To facilitate good relations between the Practice and patients by communicating patients' experience, interests and concerns.

To help maintain good relations and communication between the Practice, the local community and other bodies.

To explore ideas identified from patient surveys.

To be a forum for ideas on health promotion and self-care.

To make recommendations to the Practice on how it can improve services to better meet the needs of its patients.

Members of the PPG make a commitment to respect Practice and patients' confidentiality at all times. I hope to be effective in this role and would welcome pertinent observations or queries from patients.

Christine Mitchell (723023)

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FEBRUARY SERVICES

6 5th S before Lent 1100 Sung Eucharist

Celebrant N/A

13 4th S before Lent 0930 Sung Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

also 1800 Choral Evensong

Preacher The Revd Heather Turner

20 3rd S before Lent 1100 Sung Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Peter Trendall

27 2nd S before Lent 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)

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday 3 February Michael Strand from the Suffolk Wildlife Trust will be telling us how the Trust is *Creating a Living Landscape for Suffolk*. Come and join us in the Village Hall at 2.30pm. Our landscape is very precious to us and it will be an interesting afternoon finding out about what is happening around us.

Irene Prince

CHRISTMAS CARDS

A number of local residents subscribed to the scheme and donated money to charity, in place of Christmas cards. £221.65 was donated to Macmillan Nurses, and other charities also benefited. A big thank you to everyone concerned, including the Jones's and staff at the Tuck Shop.

Pru & Piers Ford-Crush, Viv & Alvin Hunt

LETTER FROM THE OLM

(Retired!)

This is the first chance that I have had to put in writing my thanks to all those who had a part, however small or seemingly insignificant, in contributing to the success of our Christmas services. Thank you so much everyone. A particular thank you to Alan Walpole who, for several years now, has been responsible for organizing the candles for the Carols by Candlelight service. The attendance at the Crib Service just seems to grow year by year – it is not just for children by the way, although you would probably enjoy it best if you enjoy being with children!

Since David & Julie Eaton left the Sole Bay Team we have had a vacancy for a stipendiary priest within the team. The vacant post has now been advertised so please pray that the person of God's choice will be appointed.

Those of you who remember Canon Barry Naylor may be interested to know that he will be preaching at a special team service, to be held at St Margaret's Church Reydon on Thursday 3 March at 7.00pm., to mark Margaret Dinn's 25 years as a Lay Reader. All at welcome at that service.

Because the Sanderlings production is taking place during the second week of February, the February Luncheon Club will take place on the third Friday, 18 February, 12.30pm. in the Village Hall. As usual, all are welcome.

Finally, this is also the first opportunity that I have had to wish all our readers a happy and blessed 2011.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

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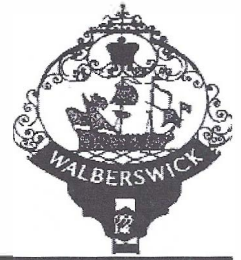
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NATURE NOTES

Common Volunteers

Many thanks to the volunteers who have again done some most useful work clearing footpaths and Silver Birch saplings on the heath. We will start work again next September.

Caterpillars of the Brown-Tailed Moth. It has been reported that these pests are present in bramble bushes near the beach huts, so they could be elsewhere in the village. Up to 2000 caterpillars overwinter in small silken tents on bushes and then emerge in spring to eat buds and leaves of trees and shrubs. They are between 7mm and 38 mm in length, dark brown in colour with a white stripe down each side and two red/orange spots at the tail end of the back. **Beware: these caterpillars are covered in up to two million barbed hairs that can cause an irritant rash.** (*Treat with calamine lotion or antihistamine cream*)

The best time to tackle these pests is in the winter by cutting out and burning their tents. **Protective clothing must be worn.** Look on the Internet for further details.

David Webb

JAZZ ON THE RADIO

Two Walberswick residents broadcast regularly on Blyth Valley Community Radio on the *Jazz Hour* which is broadcast every Tuesday afternoon at 3.00pm. Tune in at 105fm on your radio or blythvalleycommunityradio.co.uk on your computer. **Tony Kohn** is on every third Tuesday of the month and **Ben Cardwell** isn't - but is worth listening out for. If only two of you tune in you could double their listening figures!

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VELLORE BAZAAR

The Annual Bazaar will be held on Saturday, 30 April 2011 from 2pm to 4pm in Walberswick Village Hall. Entrance charge will be £1.00 (children free) which includes a cup of tea/coffee/squash. Amongst other stalls and games there will be Raffles, Plants, Cakes, Books, Jewellery and Good as New. A leaflet detailing the contact names and telephone numbers will be distributed to all homes in the village, if you wish to give any items to any of the stalls. Proceeds to go to Vellore Mission.

Judith Morton (724572)

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Sherlock Holmes (2010) On a quest to solve a string of mysterious and brutal murders, Sherlock Holmes (Robert Downey Jr) and his trusted ally Watson (Jude Law) plunge into a world of dark arts and startling new technologies, where logic and a good right hook, are the best crime fighting weapons. Explosive action, baffling mystery and astonishing intrigue follow the two in a race to uncover and foil a terrifying plot that threatens to destroy the country. Director Guy Ritchie helms the all-action adventure reintroducing the great detective to the world. In High Definition. Rated 12.
7 for 7.30pm Sunday 20 March, Village Hall.

Piers Ford-Crush

NORWICH BUS

Please note that the Norwich Bus will run this month on Thursday 17 March. The bus leaves promptly at 9.30 from the Tuck Shop. Please book early. **Eve Hastings (724702).**

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 FEBRUARY 2011

Planning Matters: The final "permission granted" letter was received for the land **North of Alexandra Cottage**; and permission was also granted for the extension and alterations at **Driftwood, Church Lane**. New Applications had been received for **Fishers Garage** and **Bunbury Cottage** and the Councillors had no objections to either.

It appeared **Suffolk County Council** were considering the suggestion of a sluice at the A12 at Blythburgh, instead of raising the road, which was a positive step. The **Environment Agency** had been told about the fencing on the beach, and enquiries are being made into the possibility of steps being put alongside the sea wall at the end of the footpath by the allotments.

The Royal Wedding: As stated in last month's Village News, the Village Hall Management Committee are planning to show the ceremonies on the big screen in the Hall, and the Parish council would like to arrange some other events for children in the afternoon. There have been suggestions of an Art Competition, which would be judged on the day, and some sports on the Village Green. Cllrs Rita Woodcraft and Mandy Aldridge are liaising with the Village Hall Committee.

Parish Plan: Peter Byrne gave an update on the status of the Plan on behalf of the Committee: this will be available as part of the full minutes. The Parish Council asked Mr Byrne to convey their thanks to the Committee for all their hard work.

The National Grid are asking for the public's views on its approach to undergrounding electricity cables. Anyone interested can complete the questionnaire at www.nationalgridundergrounding.com or call the project information number at **0800 319 6175**.

High Speed Internet Access: Cllr Nick Crocker reported to the meeting his findings on this subject. A copy of his positioning paper has been posted to the PC website at www.onesuffolk.co.uk/walberswickpc. There is a likelihood of Walberswick being disadvantaged compared to other areas in regard to the future provision of internet speed and availability. Given there are likely to be significant social and environmental gains from having universal access in addition to the more obvious benefits, this is a cause for concern. Some initial feasibility work is being undertaken to seek potential solutions, and Cllr Crocker now needs to form a small team to take the project forward. Anyone interested in helping (particularly if they have a technical background in the subject) should make contact on **07971-285118** or nick@oldcrocks.net.

Mischi Verneti, Clerk to the Council

OPEN GARDENS

There are 14 Walberswick gardens, so far, that will be open to the public on 25 /26 June. If you would like to take part in this fund-raising event by opening your garden, baking cakes, helping with stewarding etc, please contact **Barbara Priestman** at barbara@walberswick.ws or **01502 723 914**. We would love to hear from you. Proceeds will go to the Village Hall.

Whether you are opening your garden or visiting some of the beautifully varied and tended gardens of your neighbours, keep your fingers crossed for good weather and a warm, 'growing' summer!

Village Hall Management Committee

DIARY OF ANNE FRANK

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the many people who freely gave their time, talent and commitment, helping to make the performance the great success it proved to be.

Two comments: "The performance was riveting, the actors convincing with the many shades of emotion they each experienced." (From a resident).

"We really loved the show. Anne was amazing and the rest of the cast were brilliant. We saw Miep on her old-fashioned bike as we left the village, and I thought she was still in character, going to buy vegetables!" (From a visitor).

Val Anderson

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NORWICH BUS Thursday 17th 9.30am Tuck Shop
MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 11th & 25th 1.55-2.30pm The Green
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 11th 12.30pm Village Hall
FILM CLUB Sunday 20th 7pm Village Hall

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday 8 March at 2.30pm Mrs Sheila Harrison will be paying us a return visit to tell us about Parson James Woodforde who was an 18th century diarist. He wrote about the lives of the people he met through his life in a Norfolk Parish. His diary is now held in the Bodleian Library in Oxford. Do join us for this interesting talk, with tea and biscuits
Irene Prince

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK

Jana Rowland and I have started Sunday School again, at Sophie and Mark's house *Marlish* which is opposite the church, and meet from 10.00 until 11.00. every Sunday. If you are age 5-11 come and join us - all are most welcome. We start again after 1/2 term on the 27 February.
Julie Winyard (01502 722178)

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MARCH SERVICES

6 Sunday before Lent 1100 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
13 1st of Lent 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Wisken
also *1600 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd Heather Turner
20 2nd of Lent 1100 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher
27 3rd of Lent 0930 Sung Eucharist
Celebrant Revd Richard Henderson
Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662
(said)
Wednesday (2nd) Healing Service with CW. (said)

ST ANDREW'S APCM

The Annual General Meeting of the Church will be held in Church on Sunday 10 April, at 11am.
Julia Josephs, Hon Sec to the PCC

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

There will be five Lent lectures on Sunday evenings at 6pm at the United Reformed Church in Southwold. The title of the series is *The Changing Place of the Church in the World*. It is true that the church has changed during our lifetimes, and I often hear comments that express regret at this. The truth however is that the church is always changing, and that change is necessary for life. Our lecture series will look at the changing church.

13 March: Jonathan Herbert will reflect on how the church has changed during our lifetime. Jonathan is a member of the Pilsdon religious community. The community was established in 1958 in Kent with the aim of "the advancement of the Christian religion by the formation of a community of people who endeavour to live together as one household in order to welcome people in need, and be united in love and prayer according to the precepts of the Christian Gospels."

20 March: Revd Charles Croll will offer insights into the contemporary life of the church in Zimbabwe and Revd Paul Daltry will speak about our link Diocese in Tanzania. They will show how the church in Africa compares to the church in England at this time. Charles is the minister of Southwold URC. Revd Daltry is the Diocesan Link Officer for Tanzania, and works as a pioneer minister in Ipswich.

27 March: Bishop Clive will speak about the different types and expressions of Church that exist in Suffolk, and will offer his insights on what the future Christian church in England might look like.

3 April: Dr Claire Daunton will offer an historical perspective on how the church shaped community life in a town such as Southwold in the past. Dr Daunton is a medieval historian at Trinity Hall in Cambridge.

10 April: How a personal Christian faith has changed the life of one man. Brian Gault is one of 480 survivors of the drug Thalidomide that emerged in Britain during the 1960s. Brian was born with no arms. Originally from Northern Ireland, he now travels widely in the UK sharing his story and experience, and offering real encouragement to his hearers. Brian, through his work, supports those who care for children in need in Brazil. He is also an inspiration to non-Christians, so you might like to invite friends to come and hear him.

Through this series of lectures I hope that we will be encouraged in our faith, enthused by the faithfulness of our God, and inspired to look forward into the future with a fresh energy and commitment.

Revd Simon Pitcher, Team Rector

The Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 10 March at 12.30 in the Village Hall.

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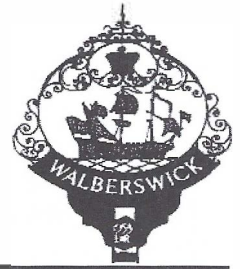
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CRABBING CHAMPIONSHIP

There is to be no Championship in 2011. From humble beginnings back in 1981 the event has escalated yearly to the extent that the organisers now need to step back and review the impact on our community. For thirty years, tens of thousands of pounds have benefitted local, national and international charities and other worthwhile causes; some twenty thousand competitors have taken part - each and every one enjoying a fun day out (and getting a pot of crab paste from our main sponsors, Shippams). Local businesses have grown as a result. But there has been a cost, as organising the Championship increasingly puts pressures on safety and resources; and the huge popularity places strains on the community that could not have been foreseen thirty years ago. We wish to thank the community of Walberswick for their forbearance and understanding, and in recognition of this we will contribute £500 towards the restoration of the original Village Sign (nicked decades ago), back to Walberswick.

Robin Buncombe, on behalf of the organisers

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Made in Dagenham is the story of a group of female factory workers, featuring a stellar British cast. It is 1968, but in Dagenham, far from the swinging sixties, the Ford motor company is about to face its biggest ever threat from the female sewing machinists. The women down tools when they are reclassified as "unskilled". With humour, common sense and courage they take on their US paymasters, to strike a blow for equal pay for women.

7 for 7.30 pm, Sunday April 17, Village Hall.

This is the last film for this season. Film Club will be back in the autumn.

The Film Club Committee

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THE ROYAL WEDDING 29 APRIL 2011

See it *Live* on the big screen in the Village Hall beginning at 9am.

Bride leaves for Westminster Abbey 10.30am;

Wedding Ceremony 11.00am;

Broadcast ends 14.00 pm approx.

Bring friends, a picnic & booze. Drinks/cakes for sale.

Entry: £2 adults, £1 under 15s, under 5s free (*bring a cushion*). Family quiz and fun on the Green.

Proceeds to the Village Hall.

Village Hall Management Committee (722255)

PAINTING COMPETITION

As part of the celebrations for the Royal Wedding the Parish Council is organising a painting competition. It will be open to two age groups – under 6 and 6-12 years. The theme is *The Wedding* and paintings should be no larger than A3. Entries can be left with Mandy Aldridge at 3 The Terrace. Closing date is Thursday 28 April. The paintings will be exhibited in the hut at the rear of 3 The Terrace and the winners announced in the Village Hall on Friday 29 April. **Mandy Aldridge (724013)**

WALBERSWICK PARISH PLAN

The Survey Report will be published by Easter 2011. A copy will be delivered to each household and business in Walberswick with the next Village News. The Report will be presented at a Public Meeting at 10.30am on Saturday 14 May in the Village Hall, where everybody will have a chance to discuss it. We intend to set up groups which, collectively, will decide what actions need to be taken by Walberswick on the basis of the Survey. These decisions will be included in an Action Plan which, with the Survey Report, will comprise the Walberswick Parish Plan. **The Steering Committee**

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 MARCH 2011

Planning Matters: No objections were found for **Marshview, Moorside Cottage** and **Marshway**, but there were objections to the adding of another property at **Primrose Cottage**. There was also concern that the new proposed cart lodge at **Lane Corner** could easily be turned into a separate dwelling and it was suggested that SCDC be asked to put a condition on the application to prevent this happening.

Royal Wedding: Several events are being planned for the afternoon of the 29 April on the Green – it is hoped to run the **Leveretts Lane Street Race** again, as well as a fancy dress competition for the children. It is also hoped to run an **Art Competition**. Cllrs Rita Woodcraft and Mandy Aldridge will arrange this along with the events at the Village Hall. Look out for posters on the notice boards, in the shop and on gates.

Black Box outside the Church: This was placed there by Suffolk County Council to collect speed data of traffic in the village – we await the results!

Dogs: Dog fouling inside the fencing on the common has increased; the Chairman had put some signs up which had been ripped down. There is a dog bin at the end of Church Lane. Please remember that during the Easter Holidays children will be playing there – if you see anything, please let one of the councillors know.

The Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Thursday 14 April. Invitations have been sent to all the local groups to make reports and it would be great to see as many residents as possible.

Mischi Verneti, Clerk to Council

WILLIAM 'TERRY' BALL (1931-2011)

Terry was a very popular member of our community, and the news of his sudden death sent a shock-wave through the village. He loved good conversation and was an engaging raconteur, his stories always replete with his particular brand of dry humour. He made painting visits to Walberswick in the 1970s, and finally settled here with Christine in 1999.

In earlier life Terry had an interesting and unusual career. He was a full-time art student for eight years; the last three of these were at the Royal College of Art, where he studied alongside some of the major artistic figures of his generation (Riley, Auerbach, Kossoff, etc.) and was tutored by distinguished luminaries of the time. He painted prolifically all his life, but took an unusual turn after the RCA with a long spell in Palestine and Jordan, drawing and recording ancient monuments. In the 1960s he was part of the team working on the Church of the Holy Sepulchre and until recently was undertaking freelance work making meticulous cutaway drawings of castles and other ancient buildings for guide books etc. (he called this 'the day job'). He was also a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries.

Richard Scott

NORWICH BUS

Please book early for Thursday 21 April at 9.30am.
Sue & Alan Walpole (724763)

THIRD ANNUAL SEED SWAP

This successful event took place on a bitterly cold February day, but we hope everyone who attended enjoyed the refreshments and browsing through the seeds and potatoes. Attendance included people from the village, allotment holders from neighbouring villages and even a bee-keeper from beyond Halesworth! We again sent a donation of £50 to the Heritage Seed Library (providers of many rare seed varieties).

If you chose tomato *Orange Heart* or pea *Time out of Mind* and listened the following week to Radio 4's **Gardeners' Question Time**, you will have heard these varieties being presented to the panel. Many thanks to the team who made this event a success.

Betsy Lemmon (722384) Caroline Gilby (725416)

VILLAGE HALL AGM

This will take place in the Village Hall on 12 April at 7 00pm. You will hear what the Committee has been doing for the past year and some of its thinking about the future: officers will be elected.

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MOBILE LIBRARY Friday 8th 1.55-3.15pm The Green
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 8th 12.30pm Village Hall
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING Thursday 14th Village Hall
ROYAL WEDDING Friday 29th Village Hall & The Green
VELLORE BAZAAR Saturday 30th 2-4pm Village Hall

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

TERRY BALL

To all the good friends who so kindly sent me cards and flowers after Terry's death: thank you all so much.

Christine Sutton

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday 7 April we will be treated to a talk and demonstration of arranging *The best of Spring Flowers* by Karen Lear Hudson. Please join us for an informative afternoon and good company !! We meet in the Village Hall at 2.30pm.

Irene Prince

CHURCH MATTERS

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APRIL SERVICES

3 Mothering Sunday 1100 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

10 Lent 4 0930 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

17 Palm Sunday 1100 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher

22 Good Friday 1400 One Hour Devotion
The Revd Brian Fisher

24 EASTER SUNDAY 0930

Choral Eucharist

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Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)

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

EASTER SUNDAY

The Evensong Choir will join in singing Choral Eucharist on Easter Sunday at 0930 when the band will also be playing. The Choir will close the service with The Hallelujah Chorus

Julia Josephs

ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This will take place in Church at 11.00am on Sunday 10 April after the Eucharist service. If you are on the Church Electoral Roll you have the right to attend the APCM, voice your views and vote at it.

Julia Josephs

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Judith Morton (724572)

LETTER FROM THE OLM

Somewhat later than usual we will reach Easter in this year's calendar. I wonder what you think about when you hear Easter mentioned? Easter eggs, chocolate, Easter bunnies, greeting cards, or recognition that it is one of the major festivals in the Christian calendar? As usual The Sole Bay Team will have a full programme of services leading up to and including Easter Sunday. During the week prior to Easter, known as Holy Week, there will be a series of four services Monday to Thursday at 7.30pm when we will think about Jesus Christ's journey to his execution, by way of the Stations of the Cross. These services will take place as follows:

Monday 18 April at St Andrew's Church, Sotherton

Tuesday 19 April at St Margaret's Church, Reydon

Wednesday 20 April at St Peter & St Paul's Church, Wangford (this will be with Taize music)

Maundy Thursday 21 April at Holy Trinity Church, Blythburgh (with the Blythburgh Singers)

On Good Friday 22 April we shall have our usual one hour service of devotion & meditation at St Andrew's Walberswick, at 2.00 p.m. Easter Sunday morning we meet on Walberswick beach for our Easter Vigil at 6.00am. Later that morning at 9.30pm we shall have our Easter Parish Eucharist at St Andrew's. In the evening there will be a Team Evensong at St Mary's Church, Uggheshall, at 6.00pm.

On Sunday 10 April at 11.00am St Andrew's Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held in the church. Please join us at any of these services or meetings.

The Luncheon Club will be on Friday, 8 April, at 12.30 p.m. in the Village Hall.

A happy and blessed Easter to you all

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

11 March 2011 Funeral Service & Burial

Patricia Mary Longyear aged 90

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DAVID SHIRREFF BIRD SONG WALK

This year's Bird Song Walk will take place on Saturday 30 April. It will be led as usual by myself. Please meet 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 or an early brunch after the walk has proved to be a fitting and most enjoyable end to the morning's endeavours: those who wish to partake this year should make reservations with the Anchor Hotel prior to the Walk Day.

Tony Lancaster

BOOMING BITTERNS

Guided walk for all ages to enjoy the Nature Reserve in the evening and find out more about these rare birds. Meet at Westwood Lodge car park on Lodge Road, Walberswick at 8pm on Friday 6 May. Walk will last until dusk. No booking required.

Carrie Bewick (naturalengland.org.uk)

WALBERSWICK PARISH PLAN

The Parish Plan Survey Report has now been published, and a copy will shortly be delivered to each household and business in Walberswick. The Report will be presented at a public meeting to be held at 10.30am on Saturday 14 May in the Village Hall, when everybody will have a chance to discuss it. If you have not received your copy by 7 May, please phone 722655.

The Steering Committee

HORTICULTURAL SHOW

Despite last year's poor growing conditions, entrants pulled out all the stops to provide 348 items to be judged. The Committee would like to thank the Village for their amazing effort and support. This year's Show will take place on **Saturday 23 July**, and the 2011 schedule has been updated to include a few new categories (garlic and chilli peppers in vegetables, Victoria sponge and meringues in baking). We would like to encourage even more participants this year and hope parents will urge their children to enter the junior classes.

The Horticultural Committee hopes to arrange additional activities or presentations for the autumn. We encourage anyone with an interest in gardening and ideas for future projects to join the Committee.

Betsy Lemmon (722384)

BRITISH/JAPANESE RED CROSS

Our coffee morning and bake sale raised £1261.00. It was an incredible result! Because I pay tax I was able to use Gift Aid. For each pound we raised, the Red Cross gets another 28.2% so the amount they should receive is around **£1616.00**. Thank you to everyone who donated time, help, and money - far too many people to thank individually. Yet again, the goodwill and generosity of the people in this village shows why it's such a fantastic place to live. Thank you all.

PS. Do also make a note of **July 31**, when I hope to have another 50/50 sale of men's and women's clothing, in aid of Marie Curie Cancer Care and Help For Heroes. More details later.

Maddy Dabbs

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS 23 MARCH AND 4 APRIL 2011

Planning Matters: An extra meeting of the Parish Council was held in March to discuss the revised application for the land at the rear of **Rosemary Cottage**. The public were allowed to make their views known and those councillors who had not declared an interest discussed the application before them and voted in favour of the development.

At the April meeting there were no new applications but permission was granted for the works at **Marshview, and Bunbury Cottage**.

The Old Village Sign: The Chairman, Cllr D Webb, has been in touch again with the couple who have the old Village sign – they have measured it at 5'2" wide by 6'1" tall! This makes it considerably bigger than the new one on the Green. The Parish Council would love to hear from residents as to where they think the sign should go.

Rubbish on the Beach: It has been noticed that a lot of the rubbish is foreign packaging, and the Parish Council raised concern that this might be coming from the oil tankers off shore. It was agreed that the Clerk should write to our local MP, as well as checking with Southwold to bring attention to the issue.

Play equipment on the sports field: This has been fenced in, with thanks to the Walberswick Common Lands Charity.

Resignation: Finally, I regret to inform you that I have resigned as Clerk. I will of course continue until a suitable replacement is found. So if anyone has approximately 10 hours to spare and would like to be considered, please send an email to walbpcclerk@aol.com or if you would like any more information call on **01502 725204**.

Mischi Vernetti, Clerk to Council

CALLING ALL CARERS

A meeting of residents was held at The Anchor on 12 April, facilitated by Suffolk ACRE. Kim Mellor invited residents with an interest in caring to explore ways of providing mutual support for carers and other needs in the community. Though all agreed that much of this is already done in the village, sharing the load would help those who don't have enough contacts or the right kind of contacts to seek help. In the present financial climate there is increasing need for self-help capabilities, but finding out what resources are available is very hard. Another meeting is planned soon; if interested, please call for information.

Kim Mellor (01502 723767)

NORWICH BUS

The bus will run on Thursday 19 May at 9.30. It starts at the Tuck Shop and also picks up passengers by the Church.

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NORWICH BUS Thursday 19th 9.30am Tuck Shop
MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 6th & 20th 1.55-3.15pm The Green
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 13th 12.30pm Village Hall
PARISH PLAN MEETING Saturday 14th 10.30am Village Hall

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COMIC RELIEF

A huge "Thank You" to Walberswick and nearby residents for supporting Red Nose Fun Weekend in March at The Stables. It was generously supported by all and raised a whopping £8,393.48.

For those who attended, we hope you enjoyed it; and for other residents we hope the extra traffic did not cause you too much inconvenience. We are grateful to you all.

Angie Power

LUNCHEON CLUB

This will take place on Friday 13 May at 12.30pm in the Village Hall. All are most welcome.

Brian Fisher

CHURCH MATTERS

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MAY SERVICES

1 Easter 2 1100 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher

8 Easter 3 0930 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Edward Shotter

also 1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd Simon Pitcher

15 Easter 4 1100 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher

22 Easter 5 0930 Parish Communion
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

29 Easter 6 Eucharist service 1100
at **Wangford**

Celebrant The Revd Richard Henderson

Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662
(said)

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

EASTER FLOWERS

Do join us in church on Easter Sunday at 0930 and enjoy the magical displays so lovingly presented by our team of flower arrangers.

Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Thursday 5 May will be our first evening meeting of the year. We will be discussing the resolution to go forward to the National Conference in June. Our Federation adviser will be with us to lead the discussion. We will be enjoying a Sausage and Mash supper to help us along, so please come along at 7pm to join in the debate.

Irene Prince

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

A few years ago my mother made some elderflower wine. She was so excited that she opened her bottles and drank it without waiting long enough for the wine to properly mature. It tasted horrible, because she, encouraged by the whole family, acted in haste!

During May this year the church celebrates the season of Easter. Easter is not just one day, but a season of 40 days from Easter Day until Ascension Day, which this year falls on 2 June. In the Bible seasons of 40 days or 40 years occur for example in the story of the Exodus, when the people of God travelled from Egypt to the Promised Land. Noah's Ark floated for 40 days and 40 nights. 40 is a symbol of completeness. It takes time to understand what belief in God might mean for us. It takes time in the Bible for great things to happen. Understanding the purposes of God requires time and patience, prayer and reflection. There are rarely instant answers.

Allowing ourselves time to think, to prepare and to respond gives us an opportunity for wisdom and maturity. No one ever worked out the meaning of life, the universe and everything in five minutes. The 40 days of Easter is a complete time to work out what the message of new, risen and different life might mean for each of us.

The following year my mother made some more elderberry wine, and this time patience was rewarded. We had bottles of delicious, fine tasting wine that were the fruit of mature waiting.

Simon Pitcher

PARISH REGISTER

16th March 2011 Funeral Service & Burial
William Thomas Ball (Terry) aged 79

29th March 2011 Thanksgiving Service
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CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Members enjoyed the end of season dinner at The Bell, where we thanked Mary King for looking after our lottery investments over the last 10 years; although we didn't win the jackpot, we usually won 50% back.

The next season starts on Wednesday 5 October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Sadly, unless we can find at least 4 new members, we may have to disband: when members are ill or on holiday we are reduced to 6-8 players – not enough to keep the Club going in view of rising costs. It is an enjoyable evening and you will be very welcome, so please come along and give us a try.

Maureen Thompson (723755)

Philip Kett (723800)

NORWICH BUS

The bus will run on Thursday 16 June. As seats are very limited, it is advisable to book early. The bus leaves promptly at 9.30 from the Tuck Shop.

Sue & Alan Walpole (724763)

DAVID SHIRREFF BIRD SONG WALK

On April 30 a beautiful clear blue sky was deceptive as a strong and decidedly chilly east wind dictated it was not a morning for dilly-dallying. The brave few (our numbers being somewhat depleted in part due to a certain royal function as well as the cool conditions) ventured forth through wood, heath and marsh in search of songsters.

A Nightingale, our most exquisite of that tribe, poured forth from suitable thicket, while Blackcap, Chiffchaff and Whitethroat vied for prominence from their breeze-buffed green canopies. From waving reed bed came forth the staccato shout of Cetti's warbler and the never-ending chatter of Reed and Sedge warblers. A handsome male Marsh Harrier briefly entertained before rapidly vanishing down wind. If the Bittern did utter his resonant boom then it was stolen by the wind for not one was heard. Not the greatest morning for birds but who would have missed standing on top of East Hill drip-feeding on some of Suffolk's finest scenery?

The hat collection plus donations from those who could not attend came to a very respectable total of £100.00, so a huge thank-you to one and all. This amount will be divided equally between Walberswick Church and the SWT/RSPB Dingle Marshes Project.

Tony Lancaster

WALBERSWICK PARISH PLAN

A well-attended meeting to discuss the Survey Report took place on 14 May 2011. The minutes of the meeting are set out in the flier enclosed with this copy of the Village News.

The Steering Committee

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 9TH MAY 2011

Election of Chairman and Vice Chairman. This was the first order of business for the successfully returned Parish Councillors. Cllr K Webb proposed, as they had done such a good job under very difficult circumstances, that the current Councillors carry on for another year in the hope of an easier period to come. Therefore Cllr David Webb was re-elected Chairman and Cllr Alvin Hunt as Vice Chairman. Mr Hunt was also re-elected to the Village Hall Management Committee; Cllr Mandy Aldridge was re-elected as SALC rep, and agreed to carry on attending the Sizewell Group meetings.

New District County Councillor. Mr Michael Gower introduced himself to all present and wished success in his new role, replacing Peter Austin who was thanked for all his hard work.

Planning Matters: Notifications were received granting permission for the alterations at **Marshway** and the remodelling of the existing dwelling at **Primrose Cottage**. Various amendments to Plots 1 & 2 on the land to the rear of **Alexandra Cottage** had been received and for the most part no objections could be found. However the proposed glass window on Plot 1 was considered too large and clearly overlooking the neighbouring property; it was agreed to make reference to this in the objections.

Broadband Connection Cllr Nick Crocker gave an update on the situation: a couple of residents had come forward to offer assistance and it was hoped to further enhance this group after the Parish Plan meeting. There appear to be a few options which all need thorough investigation, and Cllr Crocker agreed to carry on with this and to keep the Parish Council fully updated.

Mischi Vernetti, Clerk to Council

THE ROYAL WEDDING

What a wonderful day we had on 29 April when a large number of villagers gathered to celebrate the royal wedding. Special thanks are due to Piers Ford-Crush for setting up the big screen broadcast of the ceremony, and to Celia MacCarthy for the wonderful wedding cake she produced. Behind the scenes the village hall management committee worked really hard to make the day a success, from decorating and setting out the hall, to serving the refreshments and even managing an emergency in the men's toilets! We actually made the national press when Libby Purves, a one time resident of the village, wrote in her column in Monday's Times: "a quality of spontaneous frothing family fun... was certainly around me as I watched it in a village hall full of wedding outfits and cupcakes, both formal and ironic. Everything that was not touching was funny, everything that was not funny was touching. Perfect."

Jenny Cardwell.

SUMMER THEATRE FETE

Sunday 3 July at Westons, Walberswick 1.00 pm to 4.30 pm. Official opening at 1.30 by Lady Freud. . A real family day out with music, magic, fortune-telling, games, 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.

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VELLORE BAZAAR

The Chairman and Committee of Walberswick United Missionary Council (Vellore Bazaar) wish to thank all those who attended the Bazaar on Saturday 30 April 2011; all those who gave so generously to the various stalls; for Raffle prizes and Tombola prizes; to the stall-holders, those serving teas and cakes; and anyone who was involved in raising the handsome sum of £1,144.00 this year. We were delighted to welcome Richard Smith, Director FOV UK, once again, and during the afternoon Richard gave a short update of the current situation with Friends of Vellore (Christian Medical College & Hospital, Vellore, South India). He also thanked our local committee and those who had given up their time to raise funds. On behalf of the WUMC Local Committee, many thanks.

Judy Morton

ADAM GORDON

The family would like to thank all those who sent such kind and comforting letters and cards. It is so good to feel such friendship and support around us.

Sandra Gordon

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Drought Gardening will be the topic of our talk on Thursday 7 June. It will probably be raining by then, but we have had such a dry spring we are suffering already. Come along at 7pm to hear Sonia Burroughs talk to us and hopefully give us some guidance on dealing with the problems of this type of gardening. We meet in the Village Hall. Visitors are always welcomed.

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM

(Retired)

Due to holiday commitments this article is being put to paper somewhat earlier than usual but, hopefully, the information within it will be accurate. By the time you read it (always assuming that you do?) I will be back in circulation and you will be able to complain directly to me rather than to the editor!

In last month's article Simon Pitcher wrote about the 40 days of Easter culminating in Ascension Day on 2 June, when we celebrate our Lord Jesus Christ's ascension into heaven. Our special Team Service for that day will take place at St Margaret's Church Reydon at 7.30pm. Ten days later, 12 June, we remember God's gift of the Holy Spirit being given to the first Christian disciples; on that day, a Team Service will be held at St Edmund's Church Southwold at 10.30am. You would be made welcome at either of those services. You will see from the service schedule that there is no service in Walberswick that morning.

On 27 March we were able to announce that the Revd Joan Lyon has been appointed to serve as a Team Vicar in our Sole Bay Team. Joan, who is currently Assistant Chaplain at the Anglican Chaplaincy in Luxembourg, will be licensed and welcomed to the Team on 8 September 2011. Upon Joan's arrival the team will be fully staffed once more.

The **Luncheon Club** will take place this month on **Friday 10 June, 12.30pm** at the Village Hall. Our thanks to Celia MacCarthy, who held the fort last month whilst Christine & I were away on holiday. It was a bit of a shock to realise whilst producing this letter that the Luncheon Club had just passed its 8th birthday!

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

CHURCH MATTERS

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| 12 | at St Edmund's | 0930 | Team Eucharist |
| | Celebrant | | The Revd Simon Pitcher |
| 12 | at St Andrew's | 1800 | Choral Evensong |
| | Preacher | | The Revd Simon Pitcher |
| 19 | Trinity Sunday | 1100 | Parish Eucharist |
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| 26 | 1 st after Trinity | 0930 | Parish Eucharist |
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THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS

This is to be our next Christmas production, with music composed by Denis King and performances during the 1st week of February. Weasels, rabbits, field mice, constables, Black Beauty, Badger, Toad, Ratty and Mole etc., not to mention a car, gypsy caravan, boat and barge... Saturday 3 September 5.00-6.30 there will be drinks at Lilliput for anyone interested in volunteering for: front of house, make-up, chaperones, set-building, publicity, costumes, catering, sound, lights, assistant stage managers etc. Sunday 4 September: auditions, also at Lilliput, from 2.00-5.00pm for all actors, no experience necessary. Everyone is very welcome.

Julia Sowerbutts (07867507286).

CHARITY CLOTHES SALE

After last year's success we are going to hold another 50/50 Clothes Sale, on **31 July from 10.30-3.30** in the Village Hall. This time we will include men's clothing as well! If you have any *good quality* clothes you would like to sell on a 50/50 basis, then please contact me the week commencing **25 July at the latest** to discuss the realistic pricing of anything you wish to sell. (50% will be shared between the charities **Help For Heroes** and **Marie Curie Cancer Care** again, and you will get the remaining 50%) There will also be a 100% donation to charity rail.

There will be refreshments, a raffle with some great prizes and hopefully a few cakes for sale as well. Entry fee of £1.00 will go to the charities.

Maddy Dabbs (01502 725114)

ANDY – WILL HE OR WON'T HE?

If, and only if, Andy Murray is in the Wimbledon final on Sunday 3 July, we will show it live on the big screen in the Village Hall from 1 pm.

Look out for posters or phone **722255**.

Village Hall Management Committee

WALBERSWICK HORTICULTURAL SHOW

We know it is another challenging growing year, but the Horticultural Committee hope you will support the annual show on July 23. We would like to see some new faces and more children entering the show alongside our faithful entrants. Even if you have nothing to exhibit, please join us from 3:00 - 4:30 in the Village Hall to admire all the displays of fruit, vegetables, flowers and children's entries. There is no entry fee. Cakes and drinks will be on sale. If you need another schedule of entries, contact me.

Betsy Lemmon (722 384)

THE GREENING OF WALBERSWICK

It seems that Walberswick should be very well placed to make the most of solar energy as a power source, particularly now that there are so many suppliers of equipment. A yield of around 7% per annum has been suggested, and there are various discounts available, plus the possibility of selling surplus electricity to the grid.

Some communities have adopted a collective approach, which might be appropriate here, taking advantage of the experience of those who have already gone down this route. Anyone interested in exploring these possibilities should contact me.

Kim Mellor (723767)

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 6TH JUNE 2011

It was a quiet meeting with both the County Councillor and District Councillor giving reports as to the ongoing changes at both district and county level since the election – no doubt it will take a while for everything to settle down.

The **Annual Audit** was agreed and signed off for submission to the auditor, and the Chairman reported a healthy meeting with all the parties regarding the future of the **Visitor Centre**.

The Village Sign: More discussion was held regarding the placement of the original village sign and where it is to be sited, either on Stocks' Green or opposite the Church, near the bus shelter. Please give your preference to one of the councillors. The Chairman also announced that the Village Hall Committee and Parish Council would be working closely with regards to the village celebrations for next year's **Queen's Jubilee**.

Planning Matters:

Notifications were received granting permission for the separate cart lodge at **Lane Corner**, (with the required condition that it not be considered a separate dwelling); and the new dwelling at **Primrose Cottage**.

New applications were received and discussed for the erection of a porch at **Short Lane House**; alterations to the previous application for **Hoistwood House**; single rear and side extensions at **Seven Acres**; and the installation of an external oil tank and boiler at **3 Church Lane**. The Parish Council had no objections to any of these applications.

The flyer enclosed with this month's Village News contains the Chairman's report from the **Annual Parish Meeting** and a copy of the final agreed **Accounts** for the year ending 31.03.11.

Mischi Vernetti, Clerk to Council

THEATRE OUTINGS

I have a few tickets left:

Friday 9 September for *End Of The Rainbow* at the Theatre Royal, Norwich, direct from the West End. Tracie Bennet's "remarkable portrayal of this tough, talented and compelling woman has been rewarded with Olivier awards and standing ovations". There is a 6 piece on-stage band and the show features most of Judy Garland's memorable songs. Leave at 5.50 from the Tuck Shop. Tickets £21.50 . Coach £7.00.

Thursday 27 October: Top Hat, also at Norwich. Fred and Ginger's greatest Hollywood dance musical live on stage for the very first time. Tickets £34.00. Coach £9.50.

Please email juliasowerbutts@hotmail.co.uk or phone **07867507286** if interested.

Julia Sowerbutts

NORWICH BUS

This will run on Thursday 21 July, promptly at 9.30 from the Tuck Shop Please book early and contact me (for this month only).

Judith Hetherington (723403)

VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK

A limited number of annual parking permits are now available. Contact me if interested.

Peter Byrne (723743)

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LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 8th 12.30pm Village Hall

HORTICULTURAL SHOW Saturday 23rd Village Hall

CHARITY CLOTHES SALE Sunday 31st 10.30-3.30 Village Hall

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

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday 7 July we are holding an open meeting. ALL are welcome to attend. Peter Ransome will be introducing us to Ancient Egypt with a fully illustrated talk about the *Tomb of Tutankhamun*. Please come and join us in the Village Hall at 7pm. Tea/coffee and home-made biscuits will be served.
Irene Prince

CHURCH MATTERS

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- 24 Trinity 5 0930 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Heather Turner
- 31 Trinity 6 0930 Holy Communion
Book of Common Prayer
Celebrant The Revd Rich Henderson

Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)

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

BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

Please note there will be a Book of Common Prayer Communion Service with Hymns and Merbecke held in St Andrew's on Sunday 31 July at 0930. It will be a Combined Churches Service of Blythburgh, Reydon, Walberswick and Wangford with Celebrant The Revd Richard Henderson. This will be the first time a Communion Service from the Book of Common Prayer has been held in Walberswick Parish Church on a Sunday morning for some time, so please come.

Julia Josephs

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

A question has been raised by the recently published village plan for Walberswick regarding the use of the Parish Church. The church has for centuries served the community for the purpose of worship of God, prayer, and for the important rites of passage of baptism, weddings and funerals. In addition our Parish Church is visited by many people every year. Some seek a quiet space to sit and think. Others are interested in the history and architecture.

When our medieval ancestors built our parish churches they also intended them to be community spaces in which the whole life of the community was celebrated. At the reformation much of this community life was removed from churches, and then in later centuries churches were stuffed full of pews so that there was no remaining space for anything other than formal worship and prayer.

In recent times communities have rediscovered the potential for church buildings to be used for concerts, art exhibitions, café and hospitality purposes, education, enhanced tourist facilities, post offices, mobile phone masts etc! Much of this is to be encouraged because the best future for our church buildings, and for community life, is to fill them with life, and to reconnect the people of each community with their parish church.

As the Team Rector of the Sole Bay team, and with particular responsibility for Walberswick, I am very happy to encourage the use of our church of St Andrews for exhibitions and concerts, and the church council will be delighted to offer hospitality and a warm welcome to all who look to the church for help.

Yours in Christ

Rev Simon Pitcher

LUNCHEON CLUB

This will take place on Friday 8 July at 12.30 as usual, in the Village Hall. Everyone is most welcome: come along and join us.

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1st June 2011 Funeral Service & Burial
Andrew Radston Longyear aged 82

12th June 2011 Baptism
Sophie Alison Naomi Hosea

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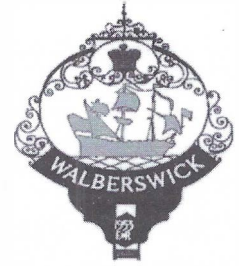
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HISTORIC CHURCHES' CYCLE RIDE

Every day cyclists come into Walberswick and admire our lovely old church, its beautiful stonework and flint decoration, and its peaceful interior. How about getting on *your* bike and visiting other beautiful churches in the villages around us - to raise money by sponsorship for the upkeep of these historic buildings? Half of what you raise will come to St. Andrews for much needed support and the rest goes to Suffolk churches elsewhere needing help. **Saturday 10 September** is the day for the cycle ride: take a picnic, enjoy the countryside & support a very worthwhile cause. We can supply sponsorship forms and a list of churches open, as well as help with planning a route.

Margot & Maurice Godbold (01502 722439)

FAMILY BINGO

This popular event will be held in the Village Hall on 10, 17 and 24 August. Doors open at 5.30pm; 'eyes down' at 6.00pm. Cash prizes. Drinks and snacks available. All welcome - children and adults. Proceeds to the Village Hall for the improvement of audio equipment.

Village Hall Management Committee

VILLAGE NEWS

At the recent meeting to discuss the Parish Plan, a focus group was formed to consider possible ideas for changes and improvements to the Village News. As presently constituted, it is constrained by issues of space and cost. If you have thoughts on the subject, and/or suggestions to make, please get in touch with us.

Neil Murray (neil@suffolk.com)

Anne Paton (annpannie@tiscali.co.uk)

VILLAGE FETE - 27 AUGUST

There is a flyer in this edition of the Village News with *all* the details about the Fete, the proceeds of which will be divided equally between the Village Hall and St Andrew's Church as usual. When you have found all your white elephants, nurtured your plants, looked out your finery and items for children, and baked your cakes, please rush them to the stallholders listed, who will be very grateful for all your offerings. If you would like to help in any way on the day or beforehand please could you give us a ring. We are planning a fun-packed day for all the family and your friends too, starting with a Fun Dog Show at 11.30am, (please refer to the flyer for the classes), continuing with refreshments over lunchtime and the Grand Opening of the Fete at 2.00pm.

Ben Cardwell (722611)

Christine Mitchell (723023)

The Fete Committee

MY DRAMATIC FALL

Following my fall into our cesspit on 19 May 2011, I would like to thank all those who sent cards or telephoned to see how I was doing. I am pleased to report that, thanks to all your prayers and "get well" wishes, most of the cuts and bruises have healed and the broken bone in my arm is slowly mending. Thanks also to those who dropped in for a chat or delivered gifts while I was confined to the house. I am now more mobile and being very well looked after. Many thanks again.

All the holes in the garden have now been safely filled in with sand - much to the delight of the felines!

Jackie Bruce-Jones

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 4TH JULY 2011

Mobile Police Station: PCSO Newson attended the meeting and stated that the Mobile Station visited the village each month. He also reminded the Parish Council that there was no **Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator** in the village. This is an important role which keeps the police and PCSOs informed of any issues of concern. If anyone is interested in taking up this role, please contact the Chairman or one of the other Councillors.

Planning Matters: Permission has been granted for the amendments to **Plots 1, 2 and 3, Alexandra Cottage**, but the Parish Council are going to try and contact the developer to see if the colour of the "security fencing" around the site could be changed to something a little more sympathetic and in keeping! With regard to the application to vary conditions imposed on permitted development rights at **Plot 1 at Alexandra Cottage**, it was felt that as the North Area Sub-Committee had imposed the restrictions they should remain in place.

No objections were found to the demolition and replacement of a bathroom at **The Anchor**; and the construction of a dormer with oak French doors (replacing a roof light) to open on to a new oak and glass balcony at **Hidden House**.

Open Gardens Day: The Parish Council extended congratulations to all those associated with this very successful event.

Street Lights in Adams Lane: Suffolk County Council have confirmed that the street lights in Adams Lane will be fitted with the "intelligent light" systems early in December. The lights will come on automatically when needed but can be programmed to go off at a predetermined time. Any residents of Adams Lane and Nightingale Close who want further information should contact the Clerk.

New Clerk to Council: The position of Clerk has been offered to and accepted by **Mrs Jane Gomm**. We will work closely together this next month to ensure a smooth handover; Mrs Gomm's contact details will be published on the notice boards, and the website changed over the next few weeks.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank those who have supported me during my time as Clerk; for the most part it was a wonderful experience, and I trust that Jane will receive the same support.

Mischi Verneti, Clerk to Council

WALBERSWICK GARDENS

The Open Gardens weekend was a great success, and £2,726.95 was raised for the Village Hall (to pay for redecorating the main hall, stage, side corridor and entrance lobby as well as resealing the floor). The gardeners had spent more than a year preparing their plots and, after an anxious drought-ridden spring, the 'right kind of rain' fell just in time. Walberswick's bakers produced many delicious cakes for a grateful public; while the Church offered an exciting opportunity to climb the tower! Many people took advantage of this and were very well rewarded by the view; while down in the body of the Church was a wonderful celebration of summer flowers. It was the first time that this Committee had staged such an event and we hope that you enjoyed it, as we did.

Village Hall Management Committee

SUMMER THEATRE FETE

Friends of the Theatre were delighted with another enjoyable and successful Fete on Saturday 3 July. £5,500 was raised and will go towards paying for the Children's Entertainment and the Students on Work Experience. Sincere thanks to all.

Val Anderson

NORWICH BUS

This will run on Thursday 18 August. Book early.

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ST ANDREW'S HOLIDAY CLUB

Ages 5 years to 10 years: All welcome. We do hope you will come and join us for this summer's Holiday Club. We have a very exciting story to tell all about Joshua. Activities include making props for the storytelling, drama and cooking, and composing our own songs to go with the story.

August 1 to 5, Village Hall Annex 10.30 – 12.00

Friday 5 August we will be in Jana Rowland's garden for storytelling and a picnic with parents.

Julie Winyard (722178 or 07753980427)

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COMBINED SERVICE AT WALBERSWICK

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Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

There will be no meeting in August. We shall meet again in September, when we shall welcome members both old and new to an interesting programme.

Irene Prince

FROM THE OLM (Retired!)

As I prepare this letter I am looking out on what has been a pretty wet day; not a good start for the holiday season. Holidays are good for us in several ways; they enable us to recharge our batteries, physically, mentally & spiritually. Clearly, not everyone in the world is able to enjoy a holiday – particularly those in the midst of warfare or civil unrest, and those suffering the impact of natural disasters – but here in Walberswick, we are able to welcome those who come to enjoy what we see around us daily. Let's welcome all visitors warmly and thank God continually for what we enjoy day after day. If you are going elsewhere to enjoy a break do just that – enjoy it and stay safe.

It was great to see all the open gardens in the village at the end of June and to enjoy the hard work that had taken place to make the weekend such a success – thank you, gardeners! Thank you, too, to those who made it possible to open up the tower of St Andrew's Church to the public – we are hoping it will be possible to do this again in August so look out for notices about that if you are interested.

We look forward to our first wedding of 2011 on Monday, 8 August, when Simon Connick & Selina White are to marry. Please remember them in your prayers as they prepare for their special day & for their life together.

Luncheon Club this month will be on Friday, 12 August; regrettably, we have had to increase the price to £6 – but still a bargain!

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

29th June 2011 Funeral Service & Burial
Ailsa Joan Gold aged 89

1st July 2011 Thanksgiving Service for the
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15th July 2011 Funeral Service at Nacton
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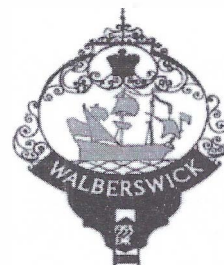
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VILLAGE NEWS



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STOP PRESS

The **Suffolk Coastal Group** (Miles Fairhurst, Eveline Hastings, Glynn Hugo, Julie Noad and Anne Paton, plus Chris & Wendy Sinclair) is having its Bank Holiday exhibition in the Village Hall from **Sunday 28-Tuesday 30 August**. Paintings, pastels, prints and ceramics will be shown Open from 10am - 6pm daily. Entrance is free and everyone is welcome.

Anne Paton

SUFFOLK CHURCHES' CYCLE RIDE

Saturday, 10 September 2011. If you feel like a lovely day out cycling around Suffolk churches for the benefit of St. Andrew's and others there is still time to get a sponsor form & get started. You don't have to cycle far to help a good cause! Volunteers to register cyclists in and out at St. Andrew's are also needed. Please phone us for forms or volunteering and we will deliver.

Margot & Maurice Godbold (722439)

WINTER VOLUNTEERS ON THE COMMON

Volunteers meet most Wednesday afternoons (2 pm. to 4pm) from September to February (weather permitting) to help clear footpaths and scrub on the common. Tools are provided but volunteers need to wear stout shoes and gloves. The first meeting this season will be on Wednesday 21 September on the sports field at the bottom of Church Lane. All welcome.

David Webb

NORWICH BUS

This will run on Thursday 15 September. Book early.
Sue & Alan Walpole (724763)

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WALBERSWICK BRIDGE CLUB

Like many groups in Walberswick this one has grown older and smaller! The club meets every Monday afternoon from 2.30 to 5pm, and we would welcome more members. The club started off as a result of lessons given 12 years ago, and we would be happy to arrange a set of lessons in order to revive an interest in this marvellous game. Anyone interested in having lessons, please ring us.

Ben Cardwell (722611)

Margaret Adkinson (722108)

THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS

Saturday 3 September 5.00 - 6.30pm. Drinks at Lilliput, Lodge Road (excluding actors) for anyone who wishes to be involved with this production in any way.

Sunday 4 September Informal Auditions at Lilliput, Lodge Road.

2.00 pm Under 11s
2.45 pm 11 - 16 year olds
3.30 - 6.00 pm 16 - 100 year olds

No experience is necessary, no parts have been pre-cast and all are most welcome.

Julia Sowerbutts. (07867507286)

juliasowerbutts@hotmail.co.uk

WALBERSWICK VILLAGE HALL

The village hall will be closed for redecoration 16 to 24 September inclusive. Additionally during this period we must ask car park permit holders to park by the hedge adjacent to the allotments or on the tarmac adjacent to the hall so that the brambles which have been encroaching alongside the hedge boundary to The Street can be cut back.

Village Hall Management Committee

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 1 AUGUST 2011

Local Recycling Centres: The recycling centres in Leiston and Lowestoft will remain under the same management. The centre at Southwold will close on 15 August and reopen on 22 August under new management. From 22 August fees will be charged at Southwold.

Planning matters: Planning permission has been granted for the following: a kitchen and utility extension at **Hoist Wood House, The Street**; single storey rear and side extensions at **Seven Acres, Lodge Road**; an external oil tank and boiler at **3 Church Lane**; a porch at **Short Lane House, Short Lane**; the demolition and replacement of a bathroom at **The Anchor**. An application had been made to retain external render to walls at **Little Meadow, The Street**. The Council have objected to this application as it was felt that, because the work had already been carried out, there was no chance for the Council or members of the public to make constructive criticisms or voice their comments.

Sea Defences: The cost of repairs and new facilities to the north dock wall at the harbour are to be met by Waveney District Council and the European Fisheries Fund and work should commence in the Autumn.

Lights which detrimentally affect views of the night sky: One of the Councillors mentioned that some of the security lights erected, particularly in the Street, affect views of the night sky. Would householders please try to position or screen them so that the light is not spread into the sky.

Jane Gomm, Clerk to Council

(01502 723294) wpcclerk@btinternet.com

NSPCC NEWS

The recent Village house-to-house collection raised £464.19. Huge thanks to all residents and holiday makers for making this a great result. The NSPCC Book Swap (or buy) at The Anchor continues to provide a year-round service. You will find the shelves by the rear terrace door. Books are always wanted to keep the shelves well stocked. There are collecting boxes at The Anchor, The Bell and the Pump House. If anyone would like a collecting box at home, please contact me.
Cathryn Simpson (01502 723384)

VILLAGE NEWS

At the recent meeting to discuss the Parish Plan, a focus group was formed to consider possible ideas for changes and improvements to the Village News – chiefly to make it more lively and a forum to express people's views. If you think this might be a good idea and have any suggestions to make, please get in touch with us.
Neil Murray (722022) Anne Paton (722068)

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On **Thursday 1 September** we will be back to our regular meeting time of **2.30pm** when we will be entertained by Mr David Ryan, "*Masterchef of Great Britain*". No doubt he will have some interesting tales to relate!
Do come and join us in the Village Hall. Visitors and new members are always welcome.
Irene Prince

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

The season starts on **Sunday 16 October**. Please let us hear about any films that you think we should consider and would like to see. Send your suggestions to ericadonnellan@hotmail.com
The Film Club Committee

CHARITY CLOTHES SALE

The sale raised £1850, and cheques have gone off to **Help for Heroes** (£945, which includes some specific donations); and **Marie Curie Cancer Care** (£905). Thank you to everyone who supported us.
Madeline Dabbs

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

WIND IN THE WILLOWS Meetings 3rd & 4th Lilliput, Lodge Road
SUFFOLK CHURCHES' CYCLE RIDE Saturday 10th All day
NORWICH BUS Thursday 15th 9.30am Tuck Shop
MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 9th & 23rd 1.55-3.15pm The Green
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 9th 12.30pm Village Hall

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SEPTEMBER SERVICES

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- 11 12th after Trinity 0930 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- also* 1800 Choral Evensong
Preacher The Revd Joan Lyon
- 18 13th after Trinity 1100 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher
- 25 14th after Trinity 0930 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Edward Shotter
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
Wednesday (7th) Healing Service with CW (said)

9/11 SERVICE

Choral Evensong on September 11 at 6pm will incorporate an element of reflection, commemoration and prayer for peace in our worship on the tenth anniversary of the terrorist atrocities in the USA, often simply referred to as '9/11'. The service will be led by the Revd Joan Lyon, a new member of the Sole Bay Team.

Julia Josephs

HEATING AND LIGHTING

The Revd Simon Pitcher, the two Churchwardens and members of the PCC had a meeting in July with Mr John Moore, Diocesan Heating and Lighting Advisor, to discuss the poor heating and lighting in the church. Mr Moore recommended under-pew heaters and new light fittings attached to the beams of the roof. Revd Simon Pitcher summed up, with general agreement, that new heating and two spot-lights seemed to provide a manageable product with some fund-raising; this will now be discussed at the full PCC meeting on 13 September.

Julia Josephs, Hon Secretary

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

Archbishop William Temple once said that the Church is the only organisation that exists for those who are not its members. What he meant was that the Church was called to be a community that serves others and not itself. Jesus did not see his life work as being the foundation of a global institution, but rather he gave his life so that all and every person might come to know the love of God for each of us. The mission of the church in each generation is to make the love of Christ known in our own time and place.

Working out what this means at local and parish level requires a flexible and imaginative approach. In Walberswick there is the monthly lunch, which is given as an act of love and service by some dedicated and generous people for the sake of the whole community. Those who provide this lunch are a real blessing, and deserve our thanks. The Church is open each day so that anyone who feels drawn can find peace and quiet for a few precious moments. In theory Church Wardens are elected by the whole community, not just by church members, so that the voice of the community is heard and understood in the life of the local church, and so that the church is part of local life.

In recent weeks the church tower has been open for visitors, and it will be again on 10 September, when the Historic Churches Trust sponsored bike ride takes place. Many visitors enjoyed the climb and the view from the top. From 31 August until 4 September there will be an art exhibition in the church. This is not about turning the church into a shop, but is about making the church available for the whole of community life, so that both church and community can be enriched by working together. If anyone is interested in using the church for any event do ask us, and we will be pleased to try to help.

Revd Simon Pitcher
Team Rector

The Luncheon Club will be held on 9 September at 12.30 in the Village Hall

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8th August 2011 Holy Matrimony
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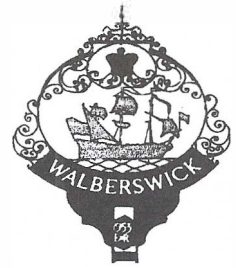
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THE VILLAGE FETE

The Fete 2011 raised well in excess of £8,600 for the benefit of the Village Hall & St Andrew's Church! This is a truly extraordinary result, especially in view of two downpours during the afternoon, and is thanks to the generosity and enthusiasm of everyone who helped, contributed in any way, or who attended and enjoyed the day. It was a really happy day for the village and a most amazing result – thank you to everyone who made this possible.

If you really enjoyed the Fete this year and have any suggestions or constructive comments, do please contact us on the numbers below. The Fete committee are meeting in early October to review this year's event and would welcome any observations.

Ben Cardwell (722611)

Christine Mitchell (723023) & the Fete Committee

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Please come and support this very worthy cause at our Coffee Morning on Saturday 22 October from 10.30am-12 noon in the Village Hall. Christmas cards, gifts, cakes, books and bric-a-brac will be there, plus a raffle. Coffee and biscuits are included in the £1 entrance charge.

Faith Blackman (724278)

Maureen Thompson (723755)

NORWICH BUS : THURSDAY 20 OCTOBER

For this month only, please book with
Eveline Hastings (724702)

WASTE BINS

Would householders please make arrangements to ensure their 'wheelie' bins are returned to their property after the Monday waste collection .

David Webb, Chairman, Walberswick PC

THE ANCHOR walberswick

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WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Our new season will start with *An Education*. Lyn Barber's autobiographical coming-of-age story, with a script by Nick Hornby, is about a teenage girl in 1960s suburban London, and how her life changes with the arrival of a playboy nearly twice her age. Starring Carey Mulligan, Peter Sarsgard and Alfred Molina.

Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm Sunday 16 October.

Film Club Committee

THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS

We had a fantastic turn-out for both the production drinks and the auditions. Rehearsals begin shortly with our largest cast yet, headed by Jack Solloway playing Toad, alongside 26 others including 11 children. It is not too late if you would still like to help.

Julia Sowerbutts (07867507286)

Juliasowerbutts@hotmail.co.uk

CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Wanted: four new members to join us on Wednesday evenings from 7.30-9pm from October 5, in the Village Hall. Why not come along and see what we do? It is great fun and not too energetic. We end the season in May by having a dinner; and we also enjoy mulled wine and eats at Christmas. We may have to close down without more support, so do come along.

Maureen Thompson(723755)

Philip Kett (723800)

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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 5 SEPTEMBER 2011

Agendas and Minutes: The Council has agreed to put the agendas and approved minutes on the Council's website again.

Planning matters: Planning permission has been granted for the following: the construction of dormer doors to open on to a balcony at first floor level at **Hidden House, The Green**; and to retain the painted render at **Little Meadow, The Street**.

The Council also considered four planning applications and/or applications for conservation area consent. It had no objections to the proposal to demolish an old workshop to the rear of **Bunbury Cottage, The Street** as it appeared to be in a dangerous condition. They objected or had very serious concerns about the other applications which were: **Rosemary Cottage, The Street**, where it was proposed to demolish some side and rear extensions and remove a dormer window, and replace them with two dormer windows, two roof lights and two side extensions; **Tow's Cabin, Ferry Road**, where it was proposed to demolish the existing dwelling and replace it with a two storey dwelling; **Sea House, 2 The Terrace**, where it was proposed to insert a dormer window into the roof.

Emergency and non-emergency telephone calls to the police: From October in Suffolk and Norfolk, people should continue to dial 999 for emergency calls to the police and dial 101 for non-emergency calls. This system will, in time, cover the whole country.

Beach Clean: The next beach clean will be held on Sunday 16 October. Please look out for posters giving more information. Gloves and bags will be provided to volunteers.

Waste Collections: After the review by Suffolk Coastal District Council, it has been confirmed that there will be no changes to the dates and times of collections in Walberswick.

The bridge over the creek near East Point: The Environment Agency has informed the Council it intends to demolish the bridge as it is in need of repair and because, according to the Environment Agency, there are no public rights of way over it. The Council is opposed to this and is making strong objections. If you feel the same you should telephone **01473 706736** or write to **Louise Hall, Asset System Management (Norfolk and Suffolk) Team Member 1**, Environment Agency, Icen House, Cobham Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP3 9JE, making your feelings known and setting out why you think the bridge should remain. You need to act before **Friday 28 October**.

Jane Gomm, Clerk to Council
wpcclerk@btinternet.com, 01502 723294

BRITISH LEGION BAZAAR

This will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday 12 November from 10am to 12 noon, to raise money to help our Servicemen and women and their families in need.

More details to come in the next Village News, including the names of volunteers running the various stalls. With that in mind, if you would like to help, or run a stall yourself, please give me a call and/or leave a message.

The event has been run on the same lines for many years so I would also appreciate any new ideas that you might have. Thank you.

Alan Walpole (01502 724763)

NOTES FROM THE COMMON

People have commented on how nice the heather is looking on the Common - it certainly is. However, the rapid spread of Silver Birch will soon form a forest and smother the heather. So the next step in the management plan must be to remove small Silver Birch to check the spread of this "weed".

David Webb, Volunteer Warden

SUFFOLK CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

Grateful thanks to all who cycled for this worthwhile cause, and the sponsors. The total raised will be announced next month.

Margot & Maurice Godbold

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

CARPET BOWLS CLUB Wednesday 5th 7.30pm Village Hall
MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 7th & 21st 1.55-3.15pm The Green
HARVEST SUPPER Friday 7th 7pm in the Village Hall
NORWICH BUS Thursday 20th 9.30 at the Tuck Shop
SAVE THE CHILDREN Saturday 22nd 10.30am-12 noon Village Hall

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE: www.onesuffolk.co.uk/walberswickpc

APPRECIATION

I would like to thank everyone who sent cards and flowers, and helped during my recent stay in hospital. Thank you also for the many good will messages received.

Mary Clayton

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Harvest Festival
- 9 16th after Trinity 0930 Family Eucharist
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- 16 17th after Trinity 1100 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher
- 23 Last Sunday of Trinity 0930 Parish Eucharist
Celebrant The Revd Richard Henderson
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 said)
Wednesday (5th) Healing Service with CW (said)

HARVEST FESTIVAL

A **Harvest Family Eucharist at 0930** will be celebrated on October 9, at which Simon Pitcher and Brian Fisher will officiate. Instead of singing Evening Song the Church Choir will sing at this service leading the congregation in all the well-loved harvest hymns and rejoicing in *'The heavens are telling the glory of God'*.

Gifts of tinned goods, dry and personal toiletries, will be gratefully received on the Saturday morning or at the service. As soon as the Festival is over, all the harvest bounty will be taken to the St John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft, who are always so very grateful.

The Harvest Supper will be on Friday 7 October at 7pm in the Village Hall. Tickets at £8 can be bought after the end of September from Penny Buncombe at 4 The Terrace.

Julia Josephs

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We are looking forward to a real treat on Thursday 6 October. Dr Wil Harvey will be coming to talk to us about the East Anglian Landscape painters. An accomplished artist himself, Wil will also be telling us how it's done!! Do come and join us in the Village Hall at 2.30pm. You will find a warm welcome.

Irene Prince

LETTER FROM THE OLM (Retired!)

Come, ye thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home!

Yes, it is that season of the year once more when, in our church, we shall be celebrating another year in which God has provided for us in so many ways. Looking forward to seeing you at our celebrations, details of which you will find on this page.

October having five Sundays this year, there will be a joint Taize Service (a meditative form of service) with Blythburgh, Reydon & Wangford, at Holy Trinity Church Blythburgh, on Sunday 30 October at 11.00am.

The displays of flowers that are seen in our parish church week by week (apart from the period of Lent) bring great joy both to regular worshippers and to visitors. St Andrew's PCC have decided that it would like to give those who wish to do so, the opportunity to provide flowers in the church in memory of loved ones or to celebrate a particular event. If this is of interest to you please contact Simon Pitcher, me or one of the wardens for further information; if any donors wish to have their name or that of their loved one published, we anticipate that we will do this either in the Village News and/or in the church magazine.

The opening of St Andrew's church tower on three occasions this year has given a great deal of pleasure to many local people as well as to visitors. We, in turn, have been delighted by the generous donations given by individuals in appreciation of our efforts. Encouraged by people's reaction we hope to open the tower on further occasions in 2012.

There will not be a Luncheon Club this month, as we are having the Harvest Supper.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

11 September 2011 Memorial Service
for the life of **Pamela Dorothy Deacon** aged 85

11 September 2011 Interment of ashes
Philippa Wendy Hunter aged 50

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STOP PRESS

There will be a special exhibition of work by **Artists of Walberswick** the weekend of **29 and 30 October** in the Village Hall. Paintings by the late William (Terry) Ball will be shown to celebrate his life and work. Entrance is free, and artists include: William Bowyer RA, Julie Cronin, Eveline Hastings, Jo Lowrie, Anne Paton, Richard Scott, Chris and Wendy Sinclair and Bill Ungless.

Anne Paton

EAST POINT BRIDGE

Horatius kept the bridge in Rome
When facing overwhelming odds.
We have a problem nearer home
With threats from bureaucratic bods.
From ferry stage to sandy shore
The path must cross the tidal creek;
The bridge is used by kids galore
When catching all the crabs they seek.
No East Point Bridge, and then we'll see
The Kissing Bridge soon over-used,
A crowded footpath to the sea,
And crabbers' safety much abused.
Our heritage we must preserve,
Our artists' paradise secure,
For generations who deserve
The pleasures that today we share.
Don't take decisions that you may repent,
Do what is best for the environment ! **G.G.**

WALBERSWICK FILM CLUB

Members voted overwhelmingly to see the recent film *The King's Speech* starring Colin Firth and Geoffrey Rush. It's a treat in store! Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm, Sunday 20 November.

Film Club Committee

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THE HERITAGE HUT

Brief History

Built as a Congregation Chapel on Parish Council land, it has also been used as the Village School, a Workingmen's Club, an antiques store and the local HQ of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade before becoming a Suffolk Coasts and Heaths Visitor Centre. In 1956 the St. John's Ambulance Brigade signed a 99-year lease (to occupy the land) with Walberswick Parish Council and the balance of this lease was transferred to Suffolk County Council (SCC) when it purchased the building from the St. John's in 1979. Until recently the building has been used as a Visitor Centre by Suffolk Coast and Heaths AONB, manned by local volunteers.

Current Position

Suffolk Coasts and Heaths are no longer able to operate the visitor centre and as part of SCC's proposals to divest parks and recreational sites to local communities, SCC has agreed to transfer ownership of the building to the Parish Council or another local community organisation. It has been decided to ask SCC to transfer ownership to Walberswick Common Lands Charity; the reasons for this are (a) the Charity already has experience of buildings ownership, and (b) it maintains a double lock on the future use of the building (the Parish Council owns the land and the Charity will own the building).

The future

Following transfer of ownership it is proposed the building continue as a visitor centre, but with a more local focus than has been the case recently. A Visitor Centre Management Group will be established, initially consisting of 2 representatives each from the Parish Council, the Common Lands Charity and the Walberswick History Group. Both Suffolk Coasts and Heaths and Natural England desire to have some exposure within the remodelled visitor centre and have offered assistance. The aim is to have the visitor centre re-opened in time for next year's holiday season, once again manned by local volunteers.

David Webb

Chairman, Walberswick Parish Council

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 3 OCTOBER 2011

Planning matters: The Council did not object to a planning application to construct a small wall outside Fishers Garage.

The Post Office has started to consult on plans for mutualisation which the Council will make comments on at its next meeting. If you wish to comment details can be found at <http://discuss.bis.uk/pomutualisation/>

The mobile library service is being reviewed by Suffolk County Council and it has suggested reducing its fortnightly visit to the village to a monthly or four-weekly visit and reducing the number of stops made to one in the village. The Council accepted a four-weekly visit which would retain the visit on the same day of the week, but objected to the number of stops being reduced to one as this would mean many people would have to drive to the library stop and in the summer would find it difficult to park.

The Government's Draft National Planning Policy Framework was considered and comments were made to the Secretary of State concerning the definition of "sustainable" in the document and expressing concern over the apparent dropping of the current presumption in favour of conservation and concern that countryside not covered by specific designations such as Heritage Coast or National Park will become more vulnerable to development.

Footpath 36 between Tinkers House and 900m west of the Bailey bridge is being closed for up to six months to allow flood defence work to proceed.

Freedom of Information Act Requests for Information: During the course of August the Clerk had worked approximately 83 hours (that is, 43 hours more than her contracted time) of which 45 hours were spent dealing with requests for information from a small number of people in the village. During September she spent about 30 hours in dealing with requests for information, again requiring her to work many hours over her contracted time. In September she dealt with 65 requests and she is also dealing with the Information Commissioner's Office on eleven outstanding complaints from the same group of people. Many but not all the requests have been outstanding for some time and it is hoped that new requests will reduce in number in the future.

Jane Gomm, Clerk to Council
(01502 723294, wpcclerk@btinternet.com)

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

The Bazaar And Coffee Morning will take place in the Village Hall on Saturday 12 November from 10am to 12 noon. Admission: adults £2, children free, which includes coffee and snacks. Money raised will be donated to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal, providing financial support and help for Servicemen and women and their families. If you have items that you can give or make for the stalls or for refreshments please contact the following: **Grand Raffle** – Maureen Thompson (723755); **Books, Cds/Dvds Etc** - Toby Robinson (722526); **Jams/Preserves/ Cakes/Sweets (Homemade)** – Suzzie Godfrey (724630); **Gifts/Bric-A- Brac** – Linda Dudley (items to Alan Walpole to store before the day - 724763); **Scones, Jam And Cream /Cheese, Cakes And Sausage Rolls** – Sue Ireland-Cutting (478213).
Alan Walpole (724763)

THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

Our website is a way of keeping people in touch with Walberswick. We are changing to a more modern and far more comprehensive format. Are you interested in helping to run it? We shall particularly need help keeping the **What's On** page up to date. It needs no technical knowhow, just a computer with access to the internet. If you are interested, please email me at ungless@aol.com
Kay Ungless, The Village Website

NORWICH BUS

The bus will run on Thursday 17 November, leaving from the Tuck Shop promptly at 9.30 as usual. Please book as early as possible, as spaces are limited.
Sue and Alan Walpole (724763)

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 11th 12.30pm Village Hall
BRITISH LEGION BAZAAR Saturday 12th 10am-noon Village Hall
MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 4th & 18th 1.55-3.15pm The Green
NORWICH BUS Thursday 17th 9.30 at the Tuck Shop
KEEP FIT Tuesdays Stretch 9.15-10.15, Tone 10.30-11.30 Village Hall

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WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

On Thursday 3 November we will be hearing from Dianne Hurn of Hughes Electrical in Southwold. She will be getting us up to speed with the digital changeover happening here in November. If you need some guidance with this too, you should be there!

We will be following the talk with our AGM, when we elect our committee for the next year. We have an exciting programme lined up for 2012. New members and visitors are always welcome. Please join us in the Village Hall at 2.30pm.

Irene Prince

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NOVEMBER SERVICES

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|----|----------------------------------|------|------------------------|
| 6 | 3 rd before Advent | 1100 | Parish Eucharist |
| | Celebrant | | The Revd Simon Pitcher |
| | Remembrance Sunday | | |
| 13 | 2 nd before Advent | 1050 | Remembrance Service |
| | Preacher | | The Revd Joan Lyon |
| 20 | Christ the King | 1100 | Parish Eucharist |
| | Celebrant | | The Revd Brian Fisher |
| 27 | 1 st Sunday of Advent | 0930 | Parish Eucharist |
| | Celebrant | | The Revd Joan Lyon |
- Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)
Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)
Wednesday (2nd) Healing Service with CW (said)

SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE

This year it is our turn to hold the annual Service of Remembrance on November 13 in St Andrew's, with parishioners from Blythburgh joining us. It will be conducted by The Revd Joan Lyon making her first visit to St Andrew's, and sung by the Church Choir accompanied by the band. The service starts promptly at 1050.

The new Church Gates should be in place by this Sunday and will be dedicated after the service. They are a replica of the old gates incorporating the names of the fallen in WW2. Coffee will then be served.

Julia Josephs

HISTORIC CHURCHES CYCLE RIDE

This year we have been able to send £1460 to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust as a result of the efforts of all of you sponsors and the seven cyclists who did the pedalling. Thank you all for this great response..
Margot and Maurice Godbold.

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thank you to all those who took part in decorating the Church for Harvest Festival. The generous donations of groceries have been delivered to the St John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft.

Sara Capon

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

November is a month for remembering, and remembering can be used constructively.

"Remember, remember the 5th of November, gunpowder, treason and plot", could be celebrated helpfully by encouraging us as a nation to understand that we should have left behind centuries ago the notion that differences of religion can ever justify acts of violence. Also in early November we remember before God those who have died. All Souls Day is the occasion for the commemoration of the faithful departed. To mark this church festival on Sunday 6 November at 6pm, at Reydon Church, there will be a special service to which everyone is welcome. There will be an opportunity to read out the names of those we remember and a chance to light a candle in their memory.

Sunday 13 November is Remembrance Sunday when we hold before God those who have laid down their lives for their country in war. This year we will hold our services against the background of the continued struggle in Afghanistan, and of the cuts imposed on our armed services during these difficult economic times. It is very important therefore to pray for and to remember the men and women of our country who have served us all so bravely. Our service on Remembrance Sunday will be at 10.50 when we will be joined by the church congregation from Blythburgh.

In all our remembering we can seek God's guidance in learning from the past in order to build a peaceful future, and we have his assurance that those entrusted to him are safe in his keeping and at peace.

Yours in Christ

Simon Pitcher, Team Rector

The Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 11 November at 12.30 in the Village Hall.

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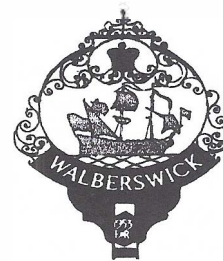
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CANCER RESEARCH MINI MARKET

This event will be held on Saturday 3 December from 10am to 12 noon in the Village Hall. Entry is £1.50 which includes tea and biscuits. Please come along and support this worthy cause. Donations for the following stalls are urgently needed: Silent Auction, Cakes & Food, Books, Fancy Goods, Bottle Tombola, Bric-a-brac, Raffle, Things for Kids, and Christmas decorations. I also have Cancer Research Christmas cards for sale; contact me if you want to see them.

Betsy Lemmon (722384)

CHRISTMAS CARDS IN THE VILLAGE

Following on from last year's successful scheme, we are again encouraging you to make a donation instead of delivering cards locally. This year our nominated charity will be *Cancer Research UK*. There will be a list to sign and donation box in the Tuck Shop from early December. Last year it raised over £220 for charity (and saved some paper!).

Pru & Piers Ford-Crush (722255)

Vivien & Alvin Hunt (723142)

BONFIRE NIGHT

Many thanks to all those who helped to make our Bonfire Celebration on November 5 a great success again. Total receipts from the collection and food sales during the display, plus donations in the tin kindly hosted by the Tuck Shop, amounted to nearly **£900**. Thanks to all those who made a contribution, to the Common Lands Charity for the use of Cliff Field and to the Parish Council for insurance cover. In the last two years expenditure has been greater than receipts, but this year's donations should not only cover all costs but also enable some money to be put into the reserve fund held in a Building Society account.

The Bonfire Committee.

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Saturday 24th Carols with Denis King
31st Hogmanay Hip Hop
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A WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Shirley and Freddie Eade celebrated their Golden Wedding on 21 October. They thank everyone who sent them good wishes, cards and flowers – and we mark the occasion because they were the very last couple to be married in the old Congregational Chapel. A piece of Walberswick history!

Editor

THE WIND IN THE WILLOWS

A dramatization, with enchanting songs, of Kenneth Grahame's classic tale of river-bank animals – wise old Badger, kindly Ratty, gentle Mole and conceited, boastful and bossy Toad - whose crazes for caravanning and motorcars land in him in all sorts of trouble. Music by Dennis King.

Performances : 1- 4 February 2012 at 7.30pm with a Matinee on **Sunday 5 February at 2.30pm** in the Village Hall. Tickets on sale at The Tuck Shop, from 20 December; also from Jean Waller (**07889452822**) Adults £10 (Sat £12) Children £5

NOVEMBER 5TH

Our bonfire is an annual source of joy
To gardeners who dump their autumn load,
And sparkling showers thrill every girl and boy
As rockets soaring in the sky explode.
Our thanks to those who work for this success,
And later clear up the resulting mess;
You give us all a memorable day,
A splendid pyrotechnical display ! **GG**

A CHRISTMAS QUIZ...

...will be held at The Bell on Friday 2 December at 8pm. Bangers and mash will be served in the interval. We hope to see you there.

Ben Cardwell

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Bookings for these are now due: a back page advert is £30 for 12 months running from January. Current advertisers should re-book as soon as possible.
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PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 NOVEMBER 2011

Planning matters: Suffolk Coastal District Council has given conservation area consent to the demolition of a workshop to the rear of **Bunbury Cottage, The Street**. In respect of plot 1, to the north of **Alexandra Cottage**, it has refused permission to vary a condition which restricts permitted development rights for extensions, alterations and outbuildings of the proposed house. The Parish Council raised no objection to the application for the retention of a boiler flue on a barn at **The Stables, The Street**. It also had no objection to an application to erect extensions and alterations at **Little Meadow, The Street**.

Councillors Crocker and Aldridge have resigned, due to pressure of commitments outside the village. The Council will miss both of them.

The Post Office has asked for suggestions on reinstating a service in Walberswick. If there is a business in the village that feels it could host a *Post Office Essentials* service in its premises, and would like more information, please contact Wendy Hamilton at **07753905010** or wendy.hamilton@postoffice.co.uk

The Council's Communications: A protocol on styles and methods was agreed, and will be available shortly on the website and notice boards.

Sat navs: it is possible to correct these via a website, to prevent them directing HGVs along unsuitable roads such as Short Lane. If there are any others in the village please let Cllr Hunt know before 15 January, after which he will be making the corrections.

Saxmundham and Framlingham Safer Neighbourhood Team: The village needs a representative to attend the tasking meeting held every two months. This meeting with the local police discusses issues of local importance. If you are able to volunteer please contact the Clerk.

Suffolk County Council's Draft Budget Proposals: comments may be sent to www.suffolk.gov.uk/WeAreListening **Waveney District Council's Draft Built Heritage and Design Supplementary Planning Document** covers the conservation area on the Walberswick side of the harbour: comments should be sent to www.consult.waveney.gov.uk. The document is available to download or for inspection at Southwold Library.

Carols Around The Christmas Tree followed by mince pies in the Village Hall for everyone will be held on Monday 19 December.

Requests for Information: during the course of October the Clerk worked for approximately 36 hours dealing with requests for information from a small number of people in the village. She is also dealing with the Information Commissioner's Office on complaints from the same group of people. The Council is statutorily obliged to deal with these matters and it is now posing a serious financial problem for the Council. The cost to the Council between July and October has been £1,093.

Jane Gomm, Clerk to Council (01502 723294, wpcclerk@btinternet.com)

BEWARE OF SCAM

As we approach Christmas criminals are getting to work on various "scams" to trick you out of your money - so be alert. If you receive strange unexpected phone calls - **just put the phone down**. Another possible scam (reported last year) is a card through the letter box asking you to ring a certain number to arrange a parcel delivery - **do not ring the number** unless you were expecting a delivery and are sure the card is from a legitimate delivery service: otherwise you are liable to lose a large sum of money

David Webb

STAMPS FOR ST ELIZABETH HOSPICE

Thanks to all who have been putting their used stamps in the box at The Tuck Shop. You have filled four large shoe boxes, which I have taken to the centre. Remember to save your Christmas stamps this year. Thank you again.

Jill Whittenbury

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Selling books from my gate has raised £720 for East African relief. Thanks for all the support.

Val Anderson

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

CANCER RESEARCH MINI MARKET Saturday 3rd 10-12 Village Hall
LUNCHEON CLUB Friday 9th 12.30pm Village Hall (Please book)
MOBILE LIBRARY Fridays 2nd 16th & 3 1.55-3.15pm The Green
NORWICH BUS Thursday 15th 9.30 (Ring 724763 to book)
KEEP FIT Tuesdays Stretch 9.15-10.15, Tone 10.30-11.30 Village Hall

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE: www.onesuffolk.co.uk/walberswickpc

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Thursday 1 December will be our Christmas meeting. Members and invited guests should arrive at the Village Hall at 12.30 for lunch at 1pm. After lunch Sidi Scott will entertain us with her show *The Letters of Joyce Grenfell*. It will be a fun afternoon!

Irene Prince

APPRECIATION

We would like to thank all those who have sent sympathy cards and letters of support after the recent sad loss of our daughter Honor. .

Faith & Pete Blackman

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11 Advent 3 0930 Parish Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Simon Pitcher

ALSO 1800 Choral Evensong

Preacher The Revd Peter Trendall

18 Advent 4 1100 Parish Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

22 Nine Lessons & Carols by Candlelight 1800

conducted by The Revd Simon Pitcher

24 Christmas Eve 1630 Crib Service

conducted by The Revd Brian Fisher

25 Christmas Day 0930 Parish Eucharist

Celebrant The Revd Brian Fisher

Tuesdays at 1700 Evening Prayer (said)

(not Tuesday 27th December)

Wednesdays at 1000 Holy Communion 1662 (said)

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

O HOLY NIGHT!

This lovely carol by Adolphe Adam is one of the eight carols to be sung by choir and congregation in our Church at the **Candlelit Service on Thursday 22 December at 6 o'clock**. The choir are enthusiastically rehearsing Rutter's jolly *Shepherd's Pipe Carol*, also *A Virgin Most Pure* and Sally Beamish's beautiful carol, *In the Stillness*. The service will include two poems as well as traditional Lessons.

Julia Josephs

NEW GATES AT ST ANDREWS

The new gates were dedicated following the Service of Remembrance on Sunday 13 November 2011 and witnessed by about 90 people, including relatives of those named on the gates. The gates were made by Clive Jackson, a craftsman living in the village, and feature the names of those who fell in the Second World War.. They are a copy of those installed following that war which, after approximately sixty years, had become rather dilapidated - although the original hinges have been restored and reused. We believe that the original gates were made by Leighton Block, a craftsman living in the village at that time, members of whose family still live here. He was Judy Morton's uncle and it seems very fitting that Brian and Judy facilitated the carving of the names on the new gates.

Christine Mitchell (Churchwarden)

LETTER FROM THE OLM (Retired)

Our congregation was saddened by the recent death of Addie Fox. Addie had for many years been a faithful member of our church choir, and was very much involved in our support of the Vellore Hospital in South India. She will be greatly missed.

Christmas started early for St Andrew's this year, when several parishioners contributed to filling the 92 shoeboxes with toys as well as practical items: these were sent abroad by The Sole Bay Team as part of Operation Christmas Child 2011. The boxes are sent overseas to children in need, with no regard to their background or beliefs. Thanks to all those who packed a shoebox

Our annual Carols By Candlelight Service is to take place midweek this year, on Thursday 22 December at 6.00pm. Another celebration will be our annual Crib Service for young people (as well as those who are young at heart!) & their families, which takes place on Christmas Eve at 4.30pm: we encourage those of any age to dress up as Biblical characters, animals or objects. If you've never been before please join us for an unforgettable experience.

The Luncheon Club will take place on Friday 9 December, 12.30pm in the Village Hall; the cost is £6. This is the only occasion in the year when we ask you to book your place by contacting either Christine or me at **723023**.

However or wherever you celebrate the first coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ to Earth some 2000 + years ago, may I wish you a very happy Christmas.

Yours in Christ's service

Brian Fisher

PARISH REGISTER

18 October 2011 Funeral Service & Burial

Adelaide (Addie) Haslam Fox aged 94

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