

Walberswick Village News

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A Right Royal Knees Up Walberswick's Big Coronation Picnic

Bring your picnics, chairs and tables to join together to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III.
Enjoy traditional games, tug-of-war and maypole dancing.

Walberswick Village Green - Sunday, 7 May at 12 noon
Maypole Dancing at 12 noon, races at 13.30pm
Commemorative mugs for all children

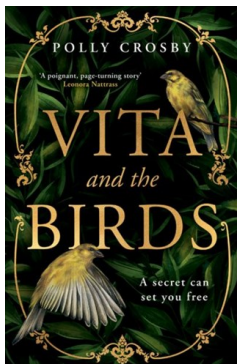
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Contact Hannah Sutton for more information - hannahsutton2013@hotmail.com.

Polly's new book published this month

Vita and the Birds, Polly Crosby's much anticipated new novel, published by HarperCollins, is due out on 25 May. A haunting mystery, it tells the story of Eve, a young woman revisiting the coastal Suffolk town of her childhood summers, and Vita, a woman whose status and controlling brother force her to keep her new friendship with local artist Dodie a secret. A compelling mystery and poignant love story, Polly's writing is described as "shimmeringly beautiful and evocative".

Polly, who grew up in Walberswick and whose parents, Kate and Toby Robinson, still live here, said: "I had an idyllic childhood growing up in Walberswick. My memories of the saltmarshes, winding creeks and sea have stayed with me all my life, infusing into my writing. *Vita and the Birds* is a story of love and art, very much inspired by the Walberswick of the early twentieth century – a creative artist's paradise."



Polly is hosting a free event at Southwold Books on Saturday, 27 May at 5.30pm when she will be discussing her book and signing copies. Space is limited and booking is essential. Contact Southwold Books on 01502 722873. *Vita and the Birds* is available from all good bookshops and online. **Editor**

The **Walberswick Bird Song Walk** is back. See the Diary Dates section for details

Saving Lives at Sea while we eat chocolate

After a successful Easter egg hunt in the dunes, we covered our costs and had an excess of £65. Walberswick Common Lands Charity, which funds the Easter eggs and insures the event, has said that as we raised so much they would like to make a donation of £150 plus the excess to the RNLI, which is very kind of them. Thank you all for your support with the Easter egg hunt, "Saving Lives at Sea" while we eat chocolate.

Jon Winyard

Congratulations to the Super Six

After months of training, massive congratulations to the Super Six who took on some tough challenges in April: Harry Dorber and Theo Langham ran the London Marathon in aid of JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation) in memory of Alex Langham; George Tibbles ran the London Marathon in aid of Make a Wish Foundation UK in memory of Ollie and Jayne Tibbles; Phil Smith cycled the Loch Ness Etape in aid of Macmillan Cancer Support; and 'Ultra Marathoness' Nicky Thorpe completed a gruelling 70km ultra-marathon in the Peak District, the fourth woman to finish. Continued good wishes to Huw Brentnall, who still has about 750 miles to go on his epic ten-week walking adventure from John O'Groats to Land's End in aid of St Mungo's, the homeless charity. **Editor**

The Anchor

Join us in Celebrating the Coronation of King Charles III
Saturday 6 May - live broadcast in our Barn from 11am

Food served from 12 noon to 8.30pm. Drinks flowing all day. We will be running our usual Anchor menu with an extra royal surprise to keep an eye out for.

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Local Government Elections in Walberswick

As you will be aware, Local Government Elections will be taking place on 4 May. In Walberswick, in addition to voting for the election of a District Councillor, voting for seven Parish Councillors was due to take place. However, because only six candidates were registered at the close of nominations, those six candidates are considered elected as it is an uncontested ballot. Thus, the newly elected Councillors for Walberswick will be: Josie Bassinette, Andrew Lewis, Esme Richardson, Lee Sutton, Peter Watson and Rebecca Whiting. In due course, the Parish Council will seek to co-opt someone to fill the one remaining place for a Councillor. Big thanks are due to all those who continue to volunteer to serve our community and special thanks are also owed to Councillors Jane Sutherland-Rogers and Vanessa Tucker for their service, as they are both standing down at this election. Therefore, on 4 May there will be no voting required for the election of Parish Councillors, but voting will still be taking place for a District Councillor. Please remember that photo ID is required for voting at this election.

Next Parish Council meeting

The next meeting is the **Annual Parish Council Meeting**, which will be held on Monday, 15 May, at 7pm in the Heritage Hut and is open to members of the public. Full details will be published on the Walberswick village website, or for further information, please contact the Parish Clerk at walberswickclerk@gmail.com.



Logo for Walberswick Common Lands Charity

Eagle-eyed villagers might have noticed the Common Lands Charity is sporting a smart new logo. Designed by our own Emilie Dadswell, it is one of a series linking local organisations, including the church, the car park company and the Heritage Hut. The logo is now starting to appear on signage, notices and correspondence. **WCLC**

Walberswick Community Café now a fixture

A café run by the community for the community. Our warm space café proved very popular and our regular customers have asked us to continue. We are, therefore, pleased to announce that the Community Café will be open every first Wednesday of the month at 2.30pm in St Andrew's Church, starting on 3 May. It is a safe place to meet with old friends, meet new faces, chatter and catch up. I hope you will join us. **Suzzie Godfrey**

Can you help?

Does anyone recall these small shallow dishes from the Silver Jubilee and does anyone have one? They are dark brown with cream text, no markings underneath. Please contact me at patlancaster@btinternet.com if you can help. **Pat Lancaster**



A Taste of Walberswick Valley Farm

This farmhouse dates from at least the 17th Century. Between 1884 and 1889, Valley Farm was the home of painter Philip Wilson Steer.

Lancaster, P. 2022. *A Taste of Walberswick*. Updated from the original dated 1981. (A compilation of the village's unusual blend of building styles by the History Group's archivist, Pat Lancaster.)

Coronation bunting by Sue English



Photo: Anne Critchlow

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Diary Dates

WI monthly meeting: Forensics

Thursday, 4 May, 2.30 pm in the Village Hall

Retired forensic biologist, Mary Newton, will be talking about her work on high-profile cases, including that of serial killer Dennis Nilson. An advisor on *Silent Witness*, Mary will reveal why women make excellent forensic scientists and why the work does not resemble that shown in television dramas. **Muriel Wortley**

Walberswick Bird Song Walk

Saturday, 6 May, 5.30am

Sadly, there hasn't been a Bird Song Walk for several years, but I am pleased to say that it will be reinstated this year. Meet at 5.30am opposite St Andrew's Church. The walk will be led by Paul Denny and Robert Mortley. Contributions will be donated to St Andrew's Church, Walberswick. Breakfast is available at the Anchor after the walk. Please make reservations directly with the Anchor (01502 722112) prior to walk day. **Pat Lancaster**

Local History Group Meeting

Saturday, 6 May at 7pm in the Village Hall

'White Barn and the Cleminsons', a talk by Marlies Veldhuijzen van Zanten. Afterwards, we will raise a glass to toast our newly-crowned King.

Pat Lancaster

A Right Royal Knees Up: The Big Coronation Picnic

Sunday, 7 May, 12 noon on the Village Green

Celebrate on the Green with a bring-your-own picnic, traditional games, a tug-of-war and maypole dancing. **Hannah Sutton**

Annual Parish Meeting

Wednesday, 10 May, 7pm in the Village Hall

The 2023 Annual Parish Meeting for Walberswick is open to all and is a great opportunity to learn about every village organisation, hear their reports and future plans. **WPC Clerk**

Celebration Choral Evensong

In honour of the Coronation of King Charles III

Sunday, 14 May, 6pm in St Andrew's Church

All welcome for this very special festive service. **Julia Josephs**

Walberswick Village News AGM

Thursday, 25 May, 6.30pm in the Village Hall Annexe

The committee of the Village News' Annual General Meeting, which members of the public are welcome to attend. **Edward Wright**

Plant Bring & Buy in aid of the East Anglian Air Ambulance

Saturday, 27 May, 10-12 noon outside the Village Hall

Please donate any surplus seedlings or plants, or buy them to fill your borders and vegetable garden. **Diana Wright, Horticultural Committee**

The Walberswick Scroll

Saturday, 24 June, 1pm in the Heritage Hut

Join us for a viewing of the Walberswick Scroll. **Pat Lancaster**

Planning applications

At the time of publication, the following properties were awaiting a decision on their planning applications:

The Village Hall, The Street | **Saltlick**, Leveretts Lane (tree) | **Half Acre**, Church Field | **Shorelands**, Palmers Lane

For the latest applications and Advisory Group Reports, go to the Planning page on the [village website](#).

The **Norwich Bus** will now depart the village at 9.15am. It will return from Norwich at either 1.30pm or 1.45pm, to be decided on the day.

Church Matters St Andrew's Church Walberswick

Team Vicar

Revd Alan Perry

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May 2023 Services

Sunday, 7 May, 11.15am

Sung Eucharist

Joined with Blythburgh

Revd Judy Miller

Sunday, 14 May, 6pm

Coronation Evensong

Canon Harry Edwards

Sunday, 21 May, 11.15am

Sung Eucharist

Revd Alan Perry

Sunday, 28 May, 11.15am

Family Service

Revd Judy Miller

Every Wednesday, 10am

Holy Communion

Coffee on first Wednesdays

Commemorative Flowers

7 May - Julia Sowerbutts

for Joe Josephs

21 May - Pat Atherton for John

29 May - Joanna Saunders

for Robert

Community Services

Community Café: Wednesday

3 May 2.30pm

St Andrew's Church.

Mobile Library: Friday 26 May

2.15-2.45pm,

Village Hall car park.

Norwich Bus: Thursday,

18 May. *Now departing at*

9.15am. Please contact

Mandy Erlenbach on

07590 697575 to book a place.

Post Office: Tuesdays 1-3pm,

Thursdays 10am-12 noon,

Village Hall Annex.

The next edition of the Village News will be published on 1 June 2023. The copy deadline is noon on 25 May 2023 and submissions should be sent to the editor at walberswicknews@gmail.com.

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