



Walberswick Village News

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Wendy Sinclair 1932-2024

We are saddened to announce the death of Wendy, who passed away peacefully on 2 October at St Barnabas care home in Southwold, having recently moved from her home of more than 60 years in Church Lane, Walberswick. Wendy, alongside her future husband Chris, trained at the Wimbledon Art School, then The Slade School of Art in London. She continued to create works of art for the rest of her life, despite bringing up a family of four, contributing to many aspects of village life, and caring for elderly relatives.

She will be missed by her many friends for her kind nature, generosity of spirit, intellect, gentle humour and love of nature. She was especially proud of her wild and beautiful garden, which was the subject of many of her paintings and frequently the venue for afternoon tea with friends and family. She will also be remembered for her deeply held, but unassuming, religious belief and constant support of Walberswick church where her funeral took place on 22 October. We would like to thank all those who joined us in saying goodbye to our remarkable mother.

The Sinclair Family



Cancer Research Christmas Fayre



In aid of

**CANCER
RESEARCH
UK**

Walberswick's annual fundraiser for Cancer Research UK will be on Saturday, 7 December from 10am until 12 noon in the Village Hall. Please join us for refreshments and a natter with friends.

Our Christmas Fayre stalls include cakes, wreaths, gifts, Christmas cards, and our fabulous handmade Christmas crafts, which proved such a hit last year. We also have exciting items in the auction and raffle, as well as the popular bottle tombola.

We would be extremely grateful for any donations for the stalls as well as homemade biscuits for the teas. Please see the insert on page 4 for details. You can also make online donations at our Cancer Research Giving page at tinyurl.com/wwchristmasfayre24

Instagram users can follow us for a preview at @walberswickchristmasfayre.

On the day we will be able to take card payments, but we would very much prefer cash. Many thanks.

Guy Parry at parry.guy@gmail.com or 07775 512995

NOTE

The URL of the village website has changed to walberswick-pc.gov.uk. Please ensure your bookmarks are up to date.

Reduced winter rates for the Village Hall

The Village Hall Committee is keen to encourage greater use of the hall, especially during the quieter winter months. It has decided to reduce the hire rates for village residents to £50 per 5 hour session or £100 per day (both half the current rate).

We would also be interested in ideas for new activities in the hall, such as the Salsa classes that started in October on Thursday evenings. Please contact David Neeves, Martin Lovick or any member of the Hall Committee.

Full details of the reduced rates can be found on the Walberswick website at tinyurl.com/3nn893h4.

Martin Lovick

The Anchor

We're busy hatching plans for some exciting Christmas and New Year specials.

Meanwhile, 5 November fireworks and food.

Come and celebrate our 20th Anniversary from 5.30pm, fireworks at 6.30pm.

We'll be closing on Mondays and Tuesdays from the second week in November.

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Walberswick Common Lands Charity

Wally's Bridge

Now that scaffold has been erected to the underside of Wally's Bridge, the extent of the work necessary to make the bridge safe is greater than originally anticipated. It will, therefore, be closed for longer. The Trustees don't anticipate it reopening until early in the new year.

LionLink

A new page has been created on the Walberswick Common Lands Charity section of the village website to

keep interested parties up-to-date with the Charity's activities on this matter, including the current issue of test boreholes. Please look at tinyurl.com/mmufb3m.

Ice-Cream Franchise

The three-year franchise to sell ice creams and associated products in the car parks renews at the beginning of April 2025. Trustees are inviting 'expressions of interest' from experienced firms. Full details can be found at tinyurl.com/3ru7z4xd.

Walberswick Parish Council

Southwold Half Marathon

At its October meeting, the Parish Council heard from a company called Epic Norfolk about a proposal to hold a Half Marathon in Southwold and Walberswick on Sunday 2 March 2025. The currently proposed route and timings can be seen at tinyurl.com/4buvdj4n.

The race would require a number of temporary road closures on the day, resulting in restrictions of both pedestrian and traffic movements in and around Walberswick for a couple of hours. Councillors had a number of reservations to discuss with the organisers, particularly around the inconvenience to residents and access/exit to the village down our only access road. At the end of the debate, the Council gave qualified support for the event, subject to the concerns raised being addressed before permission from Suffolk Highways was given. If given the go-ahead, this will be the subject of further

communication from the Parish Council in the weeks leading up to the event, in order to minimise disruption to the village.

Clerk of the year

The Parish Council was very pleased to find out that an award from the Suffolk Association for Local Councils for 'Clerk of the year' had gone to our very own Clerk, Mark Knight. The entire Council conveyed its congratulations to Mark, who will now go forward as the Suffolk representative to the National level awards

Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 11 November at 7pm in the Heritage Hut and is open to members of the public. Full details will be published on the village website or, for further information, contact the Parish Clerk at clerk@walberswick-pc.gov.uk.

LionLink Ground Investigation works have now started (but with restrictions.....)

As of 20 October, residents will have seen teams of LionLink contractors being deployed around Walberswick starting the programme of drilling boreholes and 'trial pits' at a number of locations.

LionLink originally proposed to start their ground investigation works at the end of August but following the amazing responses from residents of both Walberswick and Reydon, as well as submissions from the Walberswick Parish Council and Walberswick Common Lands Charity, East Suffolk Council only gave their approval on 18 October. Moreover, National Grid Ventures (NGV) LionLink are obliged to comply with a number of mitigation measures. These include restrictions: limiting some intrusive works that might disturb breeding birds to September and October in any year, relating to the transportation of equipment for

borehole 'B' along the beach from Dunwich, and requiring the use of acoustic barriers around equipment.

WALL (Walberswick Against LionLink) is now taking legal advice as to how these mitigation measures will impact on the groundworks programme that NGV LionLink originally proposed. Once we have a clearer understanding of the position we will post further updates via the WALL website www.wall-update.org and WhatsApp group. **WALL Committee**



Photo: Kay Ungless

Christmas Concertina Cards

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Available from the Black Dog Deli in Walberswick, Craftco in Southwold or 'GlynisPorterPrints' on Etsy.

Also available: Walberswick themed and Suffolk inspired concertina cards.

Shop Etsy:



Planning applications

At the time of publication, the following properties were awaiting a decision:

Bennett's Copse (tree) | **Admiral House**, The Street | **Long Roof**, Leveretts Lane | **Longshore**, The Street | **Hérons**, Church Field

The latest applications & Advisory Group Reports, can be found on the Walberswick [website](https://www.wall-update.org).

Walberswick in Wartime: The Second World War

With over 200 pages and 300 photographs and maps, this new publication is a comprehensive record of how things reportedly were in Walberswick during the Second World War. It's about those who left and those who stayed; where people lived; the preparations for war and the arrival of, and relations with, the Military. It contains interview memories from those who were in the village at the time, extracts from Walberswick and Southwold records, and information about the Emergency and Voluntary Services, and local organisations. There are details of wartime restrictions, local amenities, and day to day living for both the adults and the children, together with the actions and activities of both allied and enemy air forces. At the end, the celebrations, the sadness, the clearing up, and the move towards normality. Beryl Sharman observed: "... and when the Cameronians arrived they really caught the imagination, wearing their kilts and marching up and down the village green playing their bagpipes ...".

This book is dedicated particularly to those from the village, who went away to war, some never to return.

Compiled by Alan Walpole, it is available in Walberswick from the Parish Lantern (on The Village Green) from 2 November 2024, or by telephone: home 01502 724763, mobile 07753 307494.

Proceeds from the sale of this book will be donated to the Royal British Legion. **Alan Walpole**



Diary Dates



WI monthly meeting and AGM

Thursday, 7 November, 2.30pm in the Village Hall

Chiara Saunders, Chief Executive of Citizens Advice in East Suffolk, an independent charity that is part of the Citizens Advice national network, will be chatting to us about its work. **Muriel Wortley**

Remembrance Day service

Sunday, 10 November, 10.50am in St Andrew's Church

This year it is our turn at St Andrew's to celebrate Remembrance Day. The service will be led by the Revd Margaret King with the Walberswick choir and a trumpeter for the last post. Please be seated by 10.50am. **Julia Josephs**

Community Cafe

Wednesday, 20 November, 2pm - 4.30pm in the Village Hall

After an encouraging start to the Community Café last month, we are delighted to announce that we will be moving into the main hall this month and thereafter on the third Wednesday of the month. Do drop in at any time. A warm welcome and free tea, coffee and cake awaits. **Christine Fisher**

Cancer Research Christmas Fayre

Saturday, 7 December, 10am - 12 noon in the Village Hall

Join us for refreshments (included in the entry fee of £2.50 for adults and £1 for kids), catch up with friends, and browse our festive stalls. **Guy Parry**

Walberswick Local History Group talk

Saturday, 14 December, 2pm in the Village Hall

Charlie Haylock, the distinguished language historian, will be discussing the origins and meanings of surnames. He will explain the Anglo-Saxon and Viking 'by-names' and how surnames were introduced by the Normans. He will also talk about Suffolk names. There will be wine and snacks after the talk. Those wishing to attend should email Edward Wright at ewright123@btinternet.com to reserve a place. Tickets at £5 are available for guests accompanying members. **Harriett Wilson**

Church Matters

St Andrew's Church Walberswick

Team Rector

Revd Russ Gant

russ.gant@solebayteamministry.co.uk
solebayteamministry.co.uk

November 2024 Services

Sunday, 3 November 11.15am

Sung Eucharist
Joined by Blythburgh

Sunday, 10 November 10.50am

Festival of Remembrance
Joined by Blythburgh

Sunday, 17 November 11.15am

Sung Eucharist

Sunday, 24 November 11.15am

Family Service
10.45am coffee and pastries

Every Wednesday 10am

Holy Communion
Coffee on first Wednesday

Commemorative Flowers

5 November - Denise Brentnall for her parents, Peggy & Ernest Hughes

Parish Registers

22 October - Funeral Service,
Wendy Sinclair aged 92

Community Services

Community Cafe: Wednesday,
20 November, 2pm-4.30pm in the
Village Hall

Mobile Library: Friday,
8 November 2.15pm-2.45pm,
Village Hall car park.

Norwich Bus: Thursday,
21 November. Please contact
Mandy Erlenbach on 07590
697575 to book a place.

Mobile Post Office: Wednesdays
12 noon to 1pm in the Village Hall
carpark.

VISIT THE VILLAGE WEBSITE

walberswick-pc.gov.uk

The next edition of the Village News will be published on 1 December 2024. The copy deadline is noon on 25 November 2024 and submissions should be sent to the editor at walberswicknews@gmail.com.

Insert

Walberswick Christmas Fayre

Saturday 7 December 2024, 10.00-12.00 in the Village Hall

We are looking forward to welcoming everyone to the annual Walberswick Christmas Fayre in aid of Cancer Research UK. We would be very grateful for any donations and, as ever, we appreciate your generous support. Please contact the stallholders below. Many thanks, Guy Parry.



Stall	Suggested donations	Contact
RAFFLE	Prizes such as bottles, chocolates and Christmassy things	Elaine Heeler & Vanessa Tucker Prizes to Guy please: 07775 512995
CAKES	Homemade cakes, biscuits, jams etc	Suzzie Godfrey: 07539 513753 Astrid King: 07968 306313
GIFTS	New/nearly new and quality gifts	Rita Woodcraft: 07796 475350 Jill Willison: 07503 407912
BOTTLE TOMBOLA	Any bottled or canned drinks within the use by date	Gordon Beard: 07734 996114 Alvin Hunt: 07824 671752
AUCTION	New or unused items, gifts, art, premium wine and spirits etc	Phil & Esther Smith Donations to Guy please: 07775 512995
HANDMADE CHRISTMAS	Handcrafted Christmas decorations, stocking fillers and gifts	Maryanne Sheth: 07905 259049 Karen Maxwell: 07788 926186
TEAS	Homemade biscuits: please deliver to the village hall from 09.00 on the day	Dave Harrison, Harriet Wilson & Sam Beacock. Any queries to Guy: 07775 512995

Sue Ireland-Cutting, Betsy Lemmon and Sue Green will be offering beautiful handmade Christmas Wreaths and Table Arrangements. Christmas Cards will also be available.

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