

# Box River News



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## HANDS ACROSS THE OCEAN



35 years ago on the 23rd July 1976, a whole planeload of villagers flew from Boxford to Boxford, Massachusetts at the invitation of the Boxford MA bicentennial committee to join in the American Bi-centenary Independence Celebrations.

BBC Nationwide, in the person of the late Bernard Falk, got wind of the adventure and they planned to film the trip in three parts, the villagers before departure, a film about the trip itself in America and finally one about the return home. In his letter to the organisers, Bernard stated that they would donate a copy of the finished film to the village as a lasting commemoration of what was due to be a thrilling experience. (I wonder where that film is now, it would be great to show it in the village hall). The programme was aired later in 1976

On the morning of their departure, almost everyone from Boxford turned out to bid farewell to the 76 intrepid travellers and at 3pm, the flight departed with the youngest, 21 month old James Kingsbury, to the eldest, 80 year old Mrs. Dora Sore.

During their visit the visitors were amazed by the Americans' hospitality. Along with excursions to nearby tourist attractions, such as the fishing village of Gloucester, some of them took part in an 'international' golf tournament and they also sampled such New England delicacies as clam chowder! An exchange of gifts took place between the two towns. The Boxford getting an old map of the town (I wonder where that is now?) together with a commemorative bronze medallion for everyone. In return the hosts were given a painting of Boxford village together with a book.

The whole world knew about the trip. One German reporter contacted the local press here and wondered what efforts were being made to ensure that essential services would be maintained in Boxford whilst all the villagers were away. All our National Newspapers recorded the event and the London Evening Standard organised a photograph that included almost all the Boxford Villagers. The pic above of the original Evening Standard centre spread from 1976. There was a further visit to the USA in April 1979 when 14 members of Boxford Youth Football Club took part in a soccer festival along with five teams from the Massapequa Youth League in New York. does anyone in the village remember this trip and what the result was?

In 2002, the year of the Queens golden jubilee, some 30 residents of Boxford MA were invited to join the village in it's celebrations and the following year a party from the UK were invited to visit Boxford MA during their Apple festival. Many lasting friendships were established during these trips and many of the 2002 group from Boxford MA together with new faces are expected to join another visit to Boxford UK in 2012

## HOMEFIELD DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS



The above development of 1 and 2 Bedroom Flats, is a result of a partnership approach with the involvement and support of Boxford Parish Council, Local Residents, Elected Members, Babergh District Council, Flagship Housing Group (Suffolk Heritage Housing Association) and Suffolk ACRE.

We are pleased to advise that Flagship Housing have made a good start on the groundworks and construction of this development on the Homefield garage site and the associated street works are completed.

Anyone wishing to be considered for a property, who has a local connection to Boxford, must register an application on the Choice Based Letting System called Gateway to Home Choice, and then ensure they make a bid for a property when they are advertised.

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The main framework of the buildings supplied by a Suffolk based company 'Ipswich Timber Frames' is at a fairly advanced stage. The external elevations will be brick faced and the development is due for completion by March 2012.

to celebrate the Queens Diamond Jubilee with some 20 plus residents already signed up.

The 5 day visit is expected to start with their arrival on 1st June with a packed programme of events including of course the Diamond Jubilee celebrations on Monday 4th June.

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## PIMMS AND CANAPÉS



"A Pimms Evening" Was held on Saturday 30th July attended by over forty guests. The weather had been dull and rain had threatened throughout the day but less than an hour before the event was due to start the sun came out turning it into a perfect evening in a beautiful setting. The pimm's flowed and a wide selection of canapés were served. David Richardson provided music at his Yamaha and everyone agreed that it had been a great way to spend a summer evening.

£276.00 was raised for church funds. Thanks are due to hosts Helen & Martin Miles at their home Knollgate, & to all who prepared the food & of course to David Richardson for the music.

On Sunday 14th August Boxford St Mary's welcomed a group of 20+ Kingsbury's from the USA who were spending 10 days visiting Britain and included Suffolk in their itinerary. They were able to attend the 11.00 am service at and afterwards enjoyed lunch at the White Hart.

They also visited Edwardstone, Groton, Assington & Lt Cornard before returning home.

## MARY EVERY CENTENARY



### MARY EVERY CENTENARY

Mary Every, whose generous legacy to Groton church enabled the purchase of the benefice house in Boxford that bears her name, would have been 100 years old on 18th August 2011. A coffee morning (with wine!) on 13th August to celebrate Mary's centenary was enjoyed by many from across the benefice.



**Friday, 16 September, 8.00, Ticket £17**

### Nina Ferro

With Nina Ferro vocals, Grant Windsor piano, Semi Temow guitar, Martyn Kaine drums and Simon Little. Nina Ferro is a multi award winning vocalist and songwriter whose warm sensuous voice, impeccable timing and stunning vocal range have done much to establish her international reputation. This gig is eagerly awaited.

**Friday, 27 September, 8.00, Ticket £16**

### Barb Jungr

With Barb Jungr vocals and Simon Wallace piano. Barb Jungr is an internationally known singer and songwriter who has performed and given workshops all over the world. In collaboration with Simon Wallace she reveals herself to be a peerless interpreter of popular song.

**Friday, 30 September, 8.00, Ticket £14**

### Kevin Flanagan

With Kevin Flanagan sax, David Gordon piano, Andrew James Brown drums and Russ Morgan bass. Tenor saxophonist, prolific composer and brilliant academic Kevin Flanagan makes a very welcome return to Fleece Jazz with his quartet. The list of great musicians with whom Kevin has played and collaborated over the years since his arrival from the USA would fill the whole programme!

**Friday, 7 October, 8.00, Ticket £20**

### Norma Winstone

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**Friday, 2 September, 8.00, Ticket £15**

### John Etheridge/John Horler

With John Etheridge guitar and John Horler piano. Guitar legend John Etheridge is celebrating 40 years in the music business and what better way to do it than in the company of the great John Horler at Fleece Jazz! Stephane Grappelli, Nigel Kennedy, John Williams (John E) Sir John Dankworth, Cleo Laine (John H) are just some of the long list of superstars that these superstars have shared a stage with.

**Friday, 9 September, 8.00 Ticket £15**

### Dave Lewis Quartet

With Dave Lewis sax, Sean Hargreaves piano and keyboards, Rod Youngs drums and Neville Malcolm bass. Dave Lewis is a much revered tenor saxophonist with the ability to play with intensity in a host of styles whether it is with The Blockheads or with his own band. He has a flawless command of his instrument and a wonderfully smooth tone.

# THE AUGUST LETTER FROM REV JUDITH

Dear Friends,

As the nights begin to draw in, with darkness descending a little earlier each evening, are you as conscious as I am that the year is turning? As Rufus remarked, the trees are getting that slightly tired, "end of summer" look, as they prepare to give us one last glorious show of colour before taking their winter rest. In some ways, it feels, too, here at the rectory, that the year is turning full circle. It will be a year ago this month since Rufus and I moved to Boxford, ready for me to take up my post in October as your parish priest in the five villages.

And what a full year it has been, too! Getting to know so many new names and faces, meeting you in the shops, at the school and at village events, and sharing with you, for the first time, the wonderful cycle of special services - Advent, Christmas, Lent, Holy Week and Easter and, soon, our village Harvest Festivals.

At a time when famine is afflicting our suffering brothers and sisters in East Africa, we might wonder whether it is wrong for our communities to celebrate our own good harvests and enjoy traditional harvest suppers, teas and concerts together. But as long as we have given what we can towards the various appeals for help, it is right that we should thank God for the food our farmers work so hard to grow, the food in our fridges and on our tables every day. Harvest Festivals are also a great opportunity to help our children make the connection between the supermarket shelves and the soil in which our food grows.

Do take a look at the service rota for our churches elsewhere in the magazine and find out when your nearest church is holding its Harvest Festival. It will be good to welcome you and your family as we sing the well-loved Harvest hymns and enjoy the beauty of our churches, decked out in their full Harvest glory of fruit, vegetables and flowers. Watch out, too, for Little Waldingfield's Flower Festival at the church (10th and 11th September) concluding with a special Songs of Praise service on Sunday evening.

Coming together round a table to eat as a family can sometimes be hard to manage, when both parents work or work different shifts or when



children tend to want to disappear off to their rooms or for sleepovers. But research has shown that eating together is one of the most powerful factors in strengthening family life and keeping families together. This applies to church families too, and so it was very good that more than sixty people from all our five churches sat down together for a Benefice Lunch, generously hosted by Pat and Peter

Kennedy Scott in the lovely garden of their home, Groton House, with delicious food provided by each parish.

I know that several new families have moved into the villages recently and we extend to you all a very warm welcome into our communities. Some families too, have been blessed with the arrival of babies, and if you would like to arrange to have your baby or child Christened, just give me a ring or an email. Our Christening services are always very friendly and informal, but special and meaningful too, as we welcome your child into God's family ask for God's blessing on them throughout their lives.

Finally, for many of you, I know that your lives and homes would be incomplete without your dogs, cats and other assorted pets, many becoming lifelong companions and friends. So do come along and bring your pet to Boxford Church for the Pet Service on 4th September at 11a.m. It should be good fun and he or she will receive their own special blessing. We would also love some



of you to tell us, in a few words, why your pet is special to you. Why not email me your thoughts, with a photo of your pet, to go on display at the service?

Blessings, *Revd Judith.*

# PETS SERVICE

St. Mary's Church, Boxford

Sunday 4th September at 11.00 am

We are planning to hold a Pets Service to give thanks for & to celebrate our pets.

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## NATIONAL SUCCEES FOR NEWTON YOUNGSTERS

Three Newton Green youngsters have been making big waves at national level, including brushing shoulders with top international stars.

Twelve-year-old Great Cornard school girl Alice Barlow came 11th in the three-round English Girls' Under 13 Championships held at Mentmore, Bucks. She began the tournament with a handicap of 16, and over the three days shot gross rounds of 86, 79 and 82 – 17 under her handicap – and is likely to be cut to 11.9. More than 50 girls lined up for the tournament and Alice comfortably made the last 18 cut for the final day, being in ninth place after two rounds. Although she slipped to 11th by the end of the day, she finished second in the competition for the best net score.

Meanwhile, 14-year-old Jed Seeley, who is at school in Sudbury, and who has cut his handicap in half to eight in the last year, came top of the class in a three-day coaching course at the Lee Westwood Academy in Banbury. He scored 171 points out of 190 in skills tests after being selected for the course by the junior section of the Suffolk Golf Union. He won the top prize



PLA	NAME	SCORE	NET	AGE
1	J. SEELEY	44.46	88.92	17.9
2	A. BARLOW	47.41	85.88	17.3
3	A. WOODS	47.46	88.91	17.3
4	M. THOMAS	48.45	100.97	19.7
5	A. GAWSON	38.41	86.78	16.8
6	M. LEWIS	41.41	86.82	16.8
7	M. HILL	41.42	83.88	17.1
8	M. SCOTT	41.45	83.89	16.5
9	M. WATSON	41.58	84.73	18.3
10	E. JONES	43.48	83.89	18.2
11	M. SMITH	48.42	97.98	18.7
12	M. BROWN	41.41	90.82	17.2
13	M. DAVIS	51.49	98.109	19.5
14	A. WATSON	47.47	93.34	19.7
15	M. STANLEY	41.41	90.72	17.2
16	P. BROWN	43.49	90.88	17.3
17	M. ALLEN	48.43	100.97	19.8
18	M. EVANS	50.43	98.38	19.8
19	M. SMITH	49.43	91.97	18.3
20	M. GIBSON	47.47	93.54	19.7

of six holes of golf with world number one challenger Westwood, which he will be playing with the super star at a later date. Westwood was at the event and presented Jed with his award, along with a top brand driver and putter, balls and a pair of golf shoes.

The third young player making his mark from Newton is 12 handicap teenager Scott Edwards, who won the net prize with a score of 69 in the Ian Poulter Invitation at Woburn. He was selected as a result of being on the Newton shop staff of Tim Cooper, who stocks Poulter equipment, and Scott won a set of custom fitted clubs for his success. The day included 18 holes of golf and a clinic with Poulter in the afternoon.

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# BOXFORD OVER 60'S CLUB



The Boxford Over 60's club meeting of the 18th July due to be held in the garden of Mr and Mrs Golding was moved to the Green-Lawns Bonsai in Hadleigh Road, Boxford due to adverse weather conditions.

## Green Lawns Bonsai break in

The meeting took place the day after a night raid on Green-Lawns Bonsai saw the theft of over £2000 of Bonsai Trees. A week earlier another break in took place at the and £100 was removed from the till. Police are investigating the incidents and Green Lawns Bonsai have substantially improved their security.

## Vandals attack Stone Street Paddock

Another serious incident in Boxford at around the same time, involved horses kept by the Abbotts in paddocks at the rear of Stone Street. Someone cut the electric fence on three separate occasions and one of the horses had an injury. The police horse watch are on the case but all has been quiet since.



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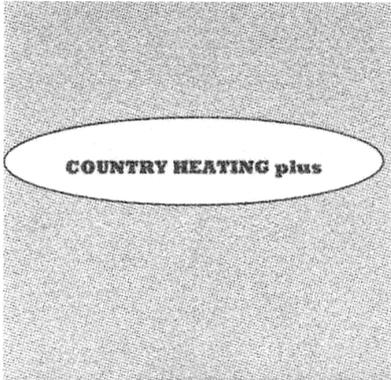


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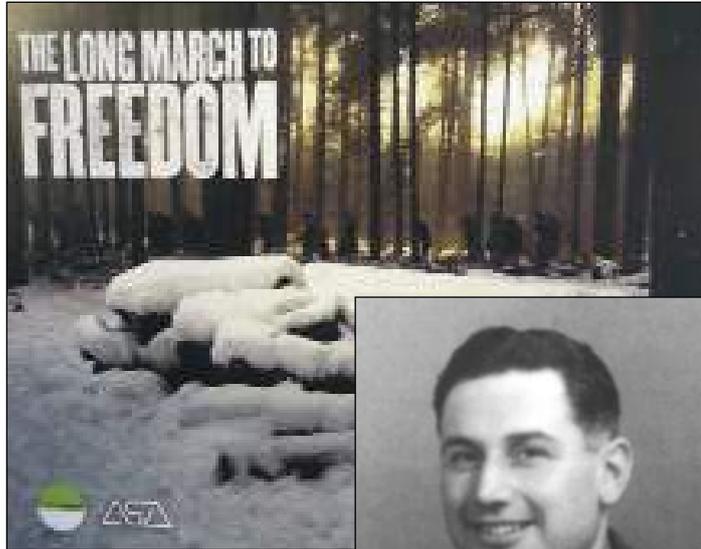
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# HARRY ATTENDS PREMIER

On 30th August at BAFTA in Piccadilly, London, Harry Buckledee will be attending the premier of a new TV series to be shown on Discovery's History Channel 'The Long March to Freedom' in which Harry's recollections will be screened together with other survivors and a reconstruction of the march by actors.

The programme will tell the story of the British and Commonwealth POWs forced to march from Germany to Poland in the winter of 1945. They marched for 17 weeks over 900miles with very little food and in freezing conditions.

A trailer of the film released by Espresso films can be seen at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=g3VVFC5le-M2](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g3VVFC5le-M2)



*Above: Part of the invitation Harry received for the premier showing one of the Scenes in the programme*

*Right: A young Harry Buckledee*

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# CHARLIE WILLIAMS

This is a story of a child called Charlie who was diagnosed with cancer when he was only five years old. In fact, on the fifth day of the fifth month of 2005.

My name is Charlie Williams. I could have died by now. I now know that I am not going to die.

At Addenbrookes Hospital I had to endure medical treatments that included radiotherapy which involved me going into a cylindrical tunnel for about half an hour, which is quite scary for a 6 year old, as I was at the time. I also had several MRI scans, also in a cylindrical tunnel, with all kinds of noises while you are inside. The chemotherapy was through a drip which was inserted into my body, in my upper chest, like a transfusion, and went on for a few hours at a time every month. I also had to have lots of blood transfusions. Needles aren't the nicest thing in the world, and I used to be petrified of them, so you can imagine what it felt like for me to have to have them inserted into me so often as a child. But I'm used to them now.

Do you think you could cope with all that medical treatment? How do you think it would change you as a person?

Being ill, and knowing that there may be a chance that you will lose the things that make up your life, makes you value those things. For instance, material things like computers and calculators, even pens and pencils, become special things in a way, because you realize that without them you would not have the tools for your education. A simple pencil may mean nothing to a child in my school, but to a child in. say, a poor village in Uganda, it may just be the start of a lifetime of education. I think about these kinds of things now, after being ill for so long.

In most classes in this school, there will always be one child (sometimes more, sometimes even three) who will distract the rest of the children by doing something daft or..... It happens so often, maybe every five minutes, sometimes every minute. The person doing it seems to want to be the centre of attention - he uses the whole class as his stage, to do his performance. He doesn't really care that there are other people there who really want to learn the subject the teacher is teaching. He just wants to distract anyone else who, like him, doesn't care about learning. He is basically being selfish. I just look at people like him and think, "Why....?" Once in a blue moon, I will also misbehave, don't we all, whether we are

children or adults, it's part of growing up, and part of life. But like I said, it's once in a blue moon, not every minute of the day. Being seriously ill makes you think about these sorts of things, because you think about what is important and what's not. I wonder if those children, who don't care and don't behave, all had cancer one day, like me. Would it change them?

For all you children, food is not just vital, you love good food, think about all those things you love to eat: chocolate, cheeseburgers, fries, sweets, cakes, sausages, roast dinner, and loads of other things. But imagine several days of not being able to put anything, even a drop of water, in your mouth. When you have to have so many operations and medicines, you just can't keep anything down.

While in hospital, I would go to the canteen and watch people eating, but not be able to eat anything myself. Just think if you were that person dying for something to eat and all you can think about is food, but you have to fast for so many hours. Since I couldn't eat much, I was fitted with a tube up my nose (sounds horrible but you have to have what you need or die). It was a little machine fitted with a glass bottle which gave me everything I needed for nourishment. All that time I couldn't eat like a normal child, made me fussy about my food; now I know what I am safe with and what I like .... I have sausages every night!

Parents may seem unfair or not let you do things you want, but they will always help you. They feed you. they clothe you and they give you a home, but most of all they help you when you are hurt. My Mum and Dad sat with me day after day in the hospital, and watched me being pulled about, having all kinds of medical treatment I couldn't stand. I know first hand what parents go through when they see their child in pain. I'm sure that when I was diagnosed with the brain tumour, they thought I would not get through it. Can you imagine if your parents thought you were going to die?

Now you have heard from a real life cancer survivor, I hope my story has shocked you in some way into thinking about your own lives. Here I am a normal child but one who has had an awful journey in the start of his childhood. But I have also had something positive from it all in that I am more serious and thoughtful about life. It makes me behave better at school and work harder.

Cancer has made me take a step back and look through the window of life at what is ahead of me.

*Charlie Williams*

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When: The new season starts 10<sup>th</sup> September 2011

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For more information please contact:

Minis Manager - **Tim Lucas** (for age 6 and below)

Tel: 01787 211388 Mob: 07931 902303 email: timclucas@aol.com

Under 8s Manager - **Evan Flockhart** (For age 7s)

Tel: 01787 211399 Mob: 07968 336883 email: evan@evan38.wanadoo.co.uk

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# NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

BOXFORD/EDWARDSTONE/GROTON

## Diamond Jubilee Celebrations June 4 2012

As many readers of the Box River News will already know the parishes of Boxford, Edwardstone and Groton are holding a Community Fair and Street Party on Monday 4 June 2012 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of The Queen's coronation and the impending Olympic Games. All are invited to put the date in their diary and to come and join the fun as part of national bank holiday celebrations being held over the long weekend 2nd-5th June 2012.

Events planned include a champagne breakfast at Edwardstone Parish Hall on Saturday 2 June, a 'Mini-Olympics' on Boxford Playing Fields, a possible wheelbarrow race from Groton, an Olympic Torch Run at The White Horse, Edwardstone, photographic and art exhibitions, a Duck Race, Children's Fancy Dress Tea Party and games, Senior Citizens' afternoon tea, a GeoCache trail, performances throughout the day with music and dancing into the night to suit all tastes and stalls along the street all afternoon and evening. The main events will take place in the main street in Boxford, but others will take place throughout the three parishes. The organising committee is meeting frequently and adding to and modifying the programme as details are developed. There has been some early success with sponsorship – more of that later.

A group from Boxford Massachusetts USA will be here throughout, both to enjoy the celebrations and to carry out other visits.

Many volunteers have come forward to help with running events but more will be needed prior to the 4th June and on the day itself. Anyone interested should let Suzanne Excell know at [Suzanne.excell@hotmail.com](mailto:Suzanne.excell@hotmail.com)

Keep in touch with developing plans, advertise your business, volunteerto help and join in events by looking at the website – [www.boxford2012.org](http://www.boxford2012.org) PUT IT IN THE DIARY

## GROTON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Registered Charity No. 1118325

The Trustees will meet on Wednesday 7th September, 2011 at Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford to consider applications for grant aid from residents living in Groton and those parts of Boxford which are included in the "area of benefit" as laid down by the Charity Commissioners - namely, Homefield, the east side of Swan Street and pockets of land in Stone Street south of Boxford Church, those parts which were included in the Tithe Map of Groton in 1881!. Details and application forms can be obtained from the Clerk to the Trustees, Mrs. Scriven, Malting Lodge, Groton, Sudbury, CO10 5ER Tel:- 01787210263. Applications from organizations serving the above area will also be considered.

## Community Speed Watch – Volunteers Needed

Boxford Parish Council have decided to participate in this scheme if we are able to share the cost with other local councils.

Members of the public are trained to use a speed gun to monitor and hopefully reduce speeding in selected parts of the village.

Three further volunteers are needed to ensure that we have sufficient team members to make this worthwhile scheme work without it being too time-consuming on individuals.

If you would like to be involved please contact the Parish Council on 01 206 210943 or email [hattrell@onetel.com](mailto:hattrell@onetel.com).

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX APPEAL

It is the time of year to start thinking about the shoeboxes again!

We invite you to join us on Monday 3rd October at Mary's house to wrap the boxes ready for filling them on Tuesday 17th October.

We will be there from 2.00pm on both days.

Please bring your empty boxes and/or wrapping paper on Monday 3rd. If you don't want to wrap them yourself we will gladly do it for you.

We will then be back on Tuesday 17th to fill them with the usual toys, pens, pencils, toiletries, sweets etc. We welcome any contributions and if you would like to help on either or both of these dates you will be most welcome. If you have any unwanted CDs or DVDs please leave them at Mary's house as we are making mobiles again with them this year for the boxes.

The leaflets will be in the shops nearer the date giving the age groups and ideas for the boxes.

For any further information please contact:

Ann Porter on 210581 Jennie Lindsley on 210520 Shirley Watling on 210024

## Calling all jam and chutney makers!

Would you be willing to donate a jar of homemade jam or chutney to the Edwardstone Christmas Fair this year? We are hoping to get a lovely selection of delicious preserves from local people to sell on the produce stall, alongside the more traditional cakes and biscuits. The fair will take place at Edwardstone Church and Village hall on November 10th and 11th, and all proceeds will be going to charity, our chosen charity this year being Suffolk Young Carers. If you would like to donate something, please call Liz Henderson on 01787 211417 and I'd be happy to come and collect it. We also look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at the Fair, which is always a great place to kick start your Christmas shopping and meet friends for a cup of tea or coffee.

## West Bergholt Concert Band

Open Rehearsal for Brass & Woodwind Players

West Bergholt Concert Band, one of the areas busiest & most popular bands, is holding an open rehearsal on Friday 30th September at Heathlands School, West Bergholt. The band, with musicians of all ages & abilities, invites local woodwind & brass players to come and join them for the rehearsal with either Training Band at 6pm (Grades 1-4) or Concert Band at 7pm (Grades 4 & above). If you can't make Friday 30th September, the band rehearses every Friday night from Friday 9th September onwards, and new members are always welcomed. For further details, please see the band website, [www.wbcb.org](http://www.wbcb.org).

## Local History Recorder

Suffolk Local History Council is looking for two Local History Recorders in this area.

Due to retirement, a Recorder is needed in Great Waldingfield and due to re-location, a Recorder is required for Little Waldingfield.

If you are interested in 'recording today for the historians of the future' please contact Patricia Bridges, Hon Recorders' Secretary at Suffolk Local History Council for further details of the recording scheme.

Telephone 01787 247626 or contact via SLHC website [www.slhc.org.uk/recorders.htm](http://www.slhc.org.uk/recorders.htm)

## BOXFORD UNITED CHARITIES

Registered Charity Number: 207861

The Trustees of Boxford United Charities will meet on Monday 21st November 2011 and will consider applications for grant aid from residents living in the three parishes of Boxford, Groton and Edwardstone, for educational, medical and general charitable purposes. Applications from individuals or organisations (serving the above area) are invited and should be made in writing to Guy Godfray, Clerk to the Trustees, 17 Swan Street, Boxford, Sudbury CO10 5NZ.



BOXFORD SPINNEY – SCOUT & GUIDE ACTIVITY CENTRE

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE BOXFORD SPINNEY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD IN THE SCOUT AND GUIDE HEADQUARTERS IN THE SPINNEY OFF FEN STREET ON :

MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011  
STARTING AT 8PM

THE COMMITTEE WOULD WELCOME ALL PARENTS AND SUPPORTERS OF THE SCOUT AND GUIDE FRATERNITY TO ATTEND AND SEE AND HEAR OF THE FACILITIES WHICH ARE PROVIDED IN THIS WONDERFUL LOCATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT AND ENJOYMENT OF OUR YOUNG MEMBERS OF THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.

THE FACILITY IS MAINTAINED AND DEVELOPED BY A SMALL TEAM OF VOLUNTARY SUPPORTERS WHO WOULD WELCOME ADDITIONAL MEMBERS TO THEIR TEAM AT ANY TIME.

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE ATTEND THE AGM  
OR CONTACT GORDON EDGAR ON 01787 378883

# Wot's On

## Edwardstone Parish Hall, 3 September:

Would you like to have a stall?

We are holding a coffee morning with stalls on Saturday 3 September in Edwardstone Parish Hall.

Please contact Daphne Clark on 01787 210698 or email on daphne@clark-home.me.uk if you are interested.

## Monks Eleigh Bygone Collectors Club

Working Day off Valley Road, Gt Waldingfield 28th August 10.30-5.00pm. Vitage Tractors ploughing, Stationary Engines Vintage vehicles etc. More info from 01787 372478

## SESAW

28TH AUGUST: SESA W SUMMER JUMBLE SALE 10.30 to 2pm at Idano, Stoke Road, Leavenheath, CO6 4PP.

## Dedham Vale Food Hub

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## Concert by Stour Winds

Concert by Stour Winds, Conductor Charlotte Robertson, with some harp music, Saturday 24th September, 7.30 pm

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Refreshments in interval

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# BOXFORD FUN DOG SHOW

SATURDAY 17<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011

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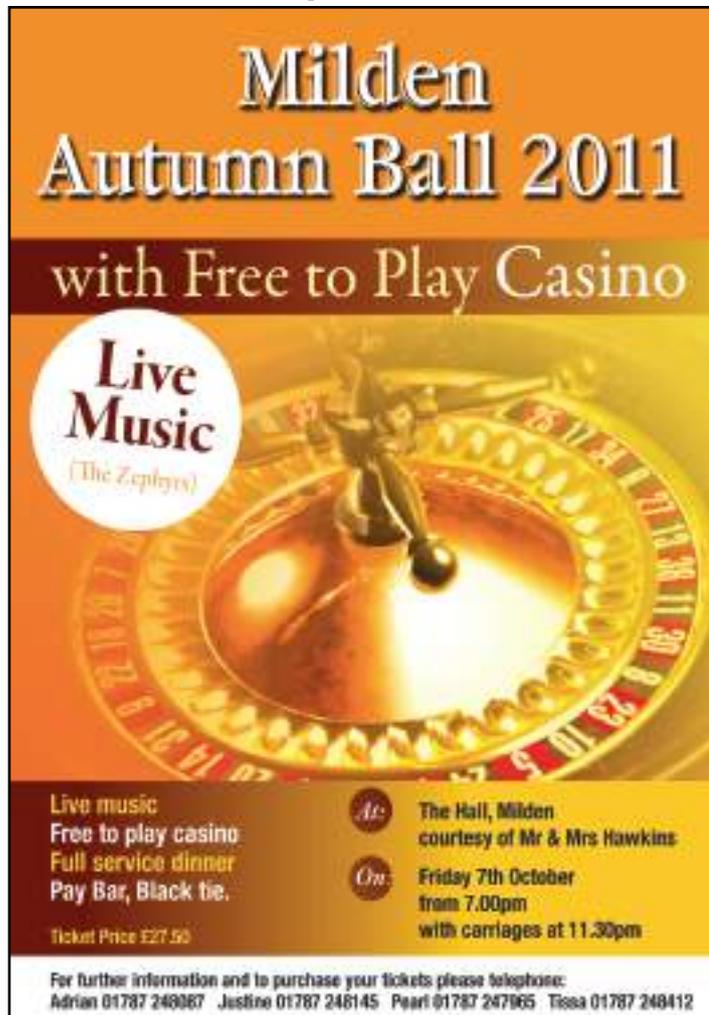
Registration at 1.00pm  
Judging starts at 2.00pm

CLASSES TO INCLUDE:

- Bar
- Agility Course
- BBQ
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# Milden Autumn Ball 2011

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Live Music  
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Live music  
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Ticket Price £27.50

**At:** The Hall, Milden  
courtesy of Mr & Mrs Hawkins

**On:** Friday 7th October  
from 7.00pm  
with carriages at 11.30pm

For further information and to purchase your tickets please telephone:  
Adrian 01787 249087 Justine 01787 246145 Pearl 01787 247965 Tissa 01787 248412

# METAL DETECTING DAY

SUNDAY 18th SEPTEMBER

10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Willows Farm, Edwardstone

£12.00 for the day

All Welcome

Bring your own detector



Organised by The Anglian Detecting Group

For more details please contact:  
Jan Paul 01787 210972

In aid of Church funds, St Mary the Virgin, Edwardstone

# Wot's On

## Snail Race Leavenheath Village Hall

The 9th Annual Snail Race will be on 12 November at Leavenheath Village Hall. The Bounty Hunters are raising funds for The East Anglian Childrens Hospice. We have a licenced bar with fish/chicken and chips supper. Reserve your tickets now £10.50 available from Gay on 01206 263997.

## Milden Autumn Ball

7th Friday October at Milden Hall

kindly hosted by Mr & Mrs Hawkins.

With proceeds to be split between St Peter's Church, Milden and Milden Pavilion Fund and Playing Field.

Tickets are £27.50 per person and include a 2 course waitress served meal, free to play Casino and live band The Zephyrs.

Doors open at 7pm and carriages 11.30pm, there will be a licensed bar, the opportunity to pre-order your wine and a raffle. Tickets are available from Pearl 01787 247965, Justine 01787 248145 and Tissa 01787 248412. Black Tie and please advise of any dietary needs.

## "Little Waldingfield Flower Festival

The biennial flower festival will be held on the weekend of 10th-11th September at St Lawrence Church. The theme this year is "Suffolk". A Songs of Praise will take place in the church on Sunday, 11th September at 6.30pm."

## EDWARDSTONE HARVEST CONCERT:

Saturday 24th September at 7.30pm in Edwardstone Church. Stour Winds: a wind decet based in the Sudbury area will show off the wonderful music written and arranged for 10 wind intruments. The group is lead by Charlotte Robertson, a professionally trained musician who teaches in many of our local schools. The decet's repertoire is always approachable, ranging from traditional classical music to more modern takes on popular music. The evening will also feature musical interludes by individuals in the group. Light refreshments available in the interval. Donations in aid of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Edwardstone.

## RE-SCHEDULED! MILDEN vs MONKS ELEIGH CRICKET MATCH

AT  
MILDEN PAVILION AND PLAYING FIELD

SATURDAY 10<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011  
Bar open at 12.30, first ball 1pm



**BAR, BBQ, RAFFLE, CAKE STALL, LUCKY DIP**

The cricket match is a friendly and open to all so if you've never played and fancy a bat or bowl please contact David Porteous (Butler (Milden) or Barry Javitt (Monks Eleigh) to put your name on the team sheets. Even if cricket is not your game come and enjoy the party and see at first hand the wonderful facilities the Pavilion and playing field has to offer!

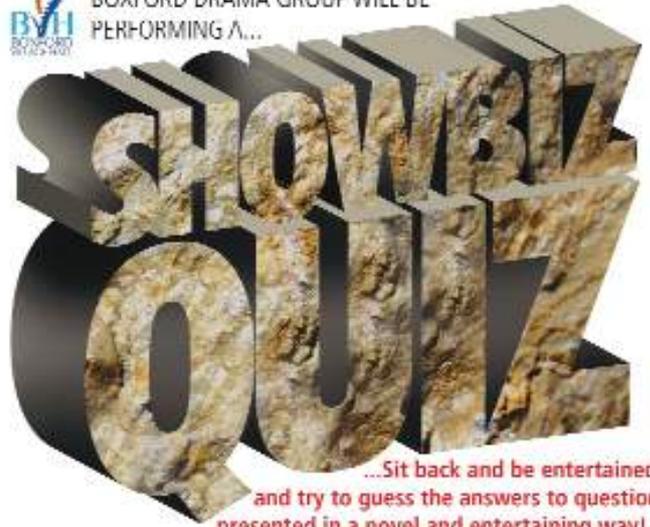


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# Wot's On

## LittleWaldingfield Parish Room

Please note that the dates for the coffee morning and Quiz night have changed. This has been necessary now that the Flower Festival dates are known (10th & 11th Sept) and to give the Bad Companions more time to set up their stage.

15th October Coffee Morning & Memorabilia Exhibition

5th November Quiz Night

25/26th November Bad Companions - Crankenstein

2nd/3rd December Bad Companions - Crankenstein

## Polstead Cinema

**Polstead Village Hall. Forthcoming films**

9 September, "Water for Elephants".

Tickets £3.50 from the Polstead Community Shop or 01787 210029

All films start at 7.30pm, doors open at 7.00pm

## COME AND JOIN US FOR A WALK!!

**Babergh District Council Health Walks Programme**

**Aug - Sept 2011**

The walks are mainly flat and easy going although there are a couple with fairly steep inclines. Suitability will be discussed before the walk starts. Walks last for approximately 40-60 mins and usually start at 12.00pm (please look out for occasional alterations)

Date	Location	Meeting Point	Time
1st September	Boxford Primrose Wood	White Hart CP	12:00
8th September	Hadleigh Behind High School Library		12:00
15th September	Sudbury/Blacks Walk Talbot Trail		
	Blacks/Milletts Market Hill. Park @ Quay and walk to town		11:30 for 12:00 start
22nd September	Lavenham	The Cock Car Park	12:00
29th September	Long Melford Kentwell Hall		
	Cherry Lane Garden Centre		12:00

Please meet outside the venue unless it's raining and wear suitable clothing including footwear appropriate for sometimes muddy conditions. Refreshments will be available for purchase after the walk. For more information please call Barbara Tottle on 01473 825834

## BOXFORD WI

This month's meeting included a visit from Meg Browne with her waistcoats. Meg is an experienced quilter, who enjoys making fun items, especially waistcoats. She uses a variety of materials, buttons, fringing and motifs to hand sew these colourful items.

The themes included sunflowers, Halloween, dogs, fat cats, fruit and cacti, water melons and African animals.

One of our members acted as a model for this variety of garments.

A few of us bought a pattern from Meg Browne and it was suggested that we might like to have a go at making waistcoats at a future craft meeting.

Our craft afternoon involved us busily knitting squares, in seaside textures, to complete make into a knee rug.

Strolling through the Gardens of the World is the subject of our monthly meeting on 7th September.

The Craft Club, on 8th September will learn how to do macramé.

All visitors are welcome at a cost of £3.

If you would like a copy of our 2011 programme please phone Heather on 01787 211566

**"Kersey Village Produce Association**

## Flower and Vegetable show

on Saturday 10th September 2.15 - 5.00 with prize giving at 4.30 in the Village Hall and Marquee including refreshments and tombola."

Rachel Wells (VPA secretary).

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**or on 01787 210029.**  
**All films begin at 7-30pm, doors open at 7-00pm**

## LITTLE WALDINGFIELD FLOWER FESTIVAL

Theme of "Suffolk"

**St Lawrence Church**  
**Little Waldingfield**  
(on B1115 Sudbury to Stowmarket road)

**Sat 10<sup>th</sup> & Sun 11<sup>th</sup> September**  
**10.00am – 6.00pm**

*Lunches in the Parish Room (£7.50)*  
*Refreshments in the Church*  
*Stalls in the Churchyard*

**Songs of Praise Sun 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**September 6.30pm**

# Wot's On

## Suffolk Churches Sponsored Cycle Ride

Saturday 10 September 2011.

It really is time to get on your bike once again to help keep our churches in good repair. And the exercise will keep you in good repair too! Half of the money you raise will go to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust and the rest to the church of your choice - in each case to help maintain these beautiful buildings. Why not assemble your tribe for a fun day out in the fresh air visiting Suffolk churches? If two wheels do not appeal then try a sponsored walk around the churches of Sudbury or Ipswich instead. Maps, sponsorship forms and full details are available from your village contact. And if you can't face any of that do be sure to sponsor a rider or walker - any of whom will be pleased to receive your hard earned money.

**BOXFORD:** Barrie Thorpe 211346, **EDWARDSTONE:** Jan Paul 210972, **GROTON:** Peter Kennedy-Scott 210319, **LITTLE WALDINGFIELD:** Barry Squirrel 247705, **NEWTON:** Diana Stock 312828

## Leavenheath Village Hall Digital Cinema

Present our latest films

7.00pm for 7.30pm start.

Tickets £3.50 per adult

Telephone: Lesley (01206 262505) or Ken: (01206 263266) for tickets  
Saturday 3rd September MORNING GLORY (2010) Romantic Comedy  
Saturday 1st October WATER FOR ELEPHANTS (2011) Drama, Romance  
Saturday 5th November OUT OF AFRICA (1985) Biography, Drama  
Saturday 3rd December Nativity (2009) Comedy, Family

We hope you enjoy the films and look forward to seeing you at the Leavenheath Village Hall for a night at the Cinema

## La Isla Sunday

A musical fundraiser in aid of La Isla Foundation at The White Horse, Edwardstone, Suffolk 11th September 2011 12pm-6pm

An afternoon of superb local music will be held at The Edwardstone White Horse on Sunday the 11th of September, between the hours of

12pm and 6pm. The event is to raise funds, awareness and support for La Isla Foundation; a Nicaraguan-based charity.

The primary mission of La Isla Foundation is to identify the causes of Chronic Kidney Disease, or CKD, which is of epidemic proportions among agricultural workers throughout Nicaragua, primarily in the sugarcane industry. They also provide vital assistance to these communities where more than 70% of men and 30% of women have lost their lives from the disease. Please come along and help us raise as much money as we can for this very worthy cause.

### LINE UP:

**Beatpusher-** From lightning tempo Cuban congas to downright mean funk. Seat dwellers beware!

**Route 66-** Superb Soul /60's 70's rock combo guaranteed to get you dancing.

**Ady Johnson- ex-Fuzzface frontman** and a dynamic, powerful crafter of songs. His already-acclaimed solo album 'Tell the Worry Dolls' is a must-hear.

**Spacecake-** Polstead based entertainers playing acoustic banjo percussive groove. Original songs mixed with covers.

**The Jim Jims-** Acoustic jazz influenced, bossa nova tinged sounds from Normandy and Suffolk.

**Richard Hepburn-** Singer-songwriter with a unique finger-picking style and a haunting sound.

Entry : £5 for adults, £3 for under 16's and free for the under 5's. Food available all day, face-painting for kids and a raffle with fabulous prizes to be won.

For more information about the event, please contact Beccy Smith on 07916261027 or email [beccysmith22@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:beccysmith22@yahoo.co.uk). For more info on La Isla go to <http://www.laislafoundation.org/> or join the Facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/#!/event.php?eid=220486124639683>  
01206 263997

## Buffet & Bubbly

30 September 2011 at 6:30pm

Elizabeth Valda Estates invite the residents of Boxford to join them on the 30 September 2011 at 6:30pm at The Black Barn, Cygnet Court, Swan Street, Boxford For a Buffet & Bubbly in celebration of their 1st year trading.

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Leavenheath Village Hall Digital Cinema 3 September see above

**LA ISLA SUNDAY**  
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FOR MORE INFO ON LA ISLA GO TO

# Wot's On

## Boxford Study Centre Literature Group

A ten week course on Monday evenings  
in Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford,  
starting on Monday 3rd October 2011 at 7.30pm

Tutor: *Steven Trerise*

### **Pamela's Daughters**

Edwardian Fiction and 'The New Woman'

Between 1880 and the end of the Great War there occurred a reassessment and redefinition of older acceptable images of women and their experience. This period of political and cultural uncertainty challenged the traditional picture of domesticated virtue exemplified by Pamela in Richardson's 18th century novel and found in many Victorian novels. The writers who pioneered that change, and their critics too, were all engaged in the debate which the nineteenth century called 'The Woman Question'. The attempt to acknowledge women as complete human beings with individual, social and political rights was fought out to a great extent in literature.

We will be discussing:

Henry James: The Bostonians (1886)

George Gissing: The Odd Women (1893)

Arnold Bennett: Hilda Lessways (1911)

DH Lawrence: The Rainbow (1915)

Course Fee: £50 for the complete course (payable in week 1 or 2)

Further information from Mrs Etain Todds, Moat Farm Cottage,  
Edwardstone, CO10 5PY Tel: 01787 210344

## Gentle Exercise Class

"The Boxford Gentle Exercise Class will resume on Friday 9 September at 9.15am at The Spinney. This class addresses balance as well as osteoporosis and both men and women are encouraged to attend in order to improve their mobility and physical co ordination skills. Age group 50 plus. Should you have any questions about the sessions please call 01787 211822.

A physical fitness class (for both men and women) aimed at increasing physical strength and improving cardiovascular fitness will be held at Boxford Primary School on Wednesday evenings at 7.00pm, commencing 7 September. Age group 18 onwards. Call 01787 211822 for details."

## ASSINGTON VILLAGE FETE

on

**SATURDAY 3 SEPTEMBER 2011**

**AT 2pm**

*free parking and free entry*

**Special attractions and entertainments  
including:**

**Dog Show**

**Owl Display**

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**Plus all the usual stalls**

**fun and games for all the family**

BOXFORD GARDENING SOCIETY

TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 7.30pm

TALK BY DR TIMOTHY WALKER

Director Oxford Botanic Garden

Presenter of the recent BBC series 'A Blooming History'

**'How to be a 21<sup>st</sup> Century Gardener'**

Members please note that entrance is by ticket only

£1 members, £5 guests

Tel. Rosie Osborne for your tickets 01787 211960

## MELFORD MUSIC HOLY TRINITY CHURCH LONG MELFORD **LUNCHTIME RECITALS**

Every Wednesday 1.10pm

Admission FREE

Light Refreshments available

## SEPTEMBER 2011

### 7 **BRYONY ENSEMBLE**

*Flute, oboe, clarinet & piano*

*Music to include composer*

*Ruth Gipps*

### 14 **CHAMPAGNE FINALE with JILLY COOPER & FRIENDS**

*Vocal, guitar and clarinet*

**To include Quiz Prize Draw**

**of Bottle of Champagne**

## HARVEST CONCERT



by **STOUR WINDS**

Leader **Charlotte Robertson**

with Guest Harpist



**EDWARDSTONE CHURCH**

**Saturday 24th September 2011 at**

**7.30 p.m.**

*A lively programme to include music ranging from*

*Beethoven to pub songs with a classical twist*

*Wine and light  
refreshments available in the  
interval*



*Donations in aid of the  
Church of St Mary the Virgin,  
Edwardstone*



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# Forthcoming Events Diary

## September

3 Edwardstone Parish Hall	Coffee Morning with stalls	Village Hall	TBA
7 Boxford WI	Strolling Through the Gardens of the World – Doreen Whitelock - Village Hall-		2pm
8 WI Craft Club -	Macrame	Mary's House	2pm
10 Suffolk Historic Churches Trust	Cycle Ride	local churches	9am to 5pm
10/11 Little Waldingfield Flower Festival			10-6pm
10 Milden CC V Monks Eleigh		Playingfield, Milden	12.00 noon
11 La Isla Sunday		Edwardstone White Horse	12 to 6pm
18 Metal Detecting day	Edwardstone Church	Willows Farm	10-4pm
20 Boxford Gardening Society	Dr Timothy Walker 'How to be a 21st century gardener' Boxford Village Hall		7.30pm
17 Boxford Fun Dog Show	Boxford Rovers and The Playingfields Committee	Homefield	1 for 2pm
17 Boxford Drama Group	Show Quiz	Village Hall	7.30pm
24 Edwardstone Harvest Concert	Edwardston PCC	Edwardstone Church	7.30pm

## October

1 Harvest Supper	Groton PCC	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
3 Operation Christmas Child	Shoobox wrap	Mary's House	2.00pm
5 Boxford WI	Anecdotes From Antique Roadshows, Stephen Lester	Village Hall	2pm
7 Milden Autumn Ball		Milden Hall	7.pm
13 WI Craft Club	Decopath –	Mary's House	2pm
18 Boxford Gardening Society	Margaret Nimmo-Smith 'Ferns & foliage plants'	Village Hall	7.30pm
15 Lt Waldingfield Parish Room	Coffee Morning & Memorabilia Exhibition	Parish Room	10.30pm
17 Operation Christmas Child	Shoobox filling	Mary's House	2.00pm
29 Gardening Day	Edwardstone Church		

## November

2 Boxford WI group	Annual meeting and Special Christmas Cards	Boxford Village Hall	2pm
5 Lt Waldingfield Parish Room	Quiz Night	Parish Room	7.00pm
15 Boxford Gardening Society	End of year party and AGM	Village Hall	7.30pm
10 Boxford WI Craft Club	Christmas Flowers	Mary's House	2.pm
19 Bridge Drive	Edwardstone Church		
25/26 Bad Companions	Crankenstein	Parish Room	7.30pm

## December

3 Cheese and Wine Party	Groton PCC	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
2/3 Bad Companions	Crankenstein	Parish Room	7.30pm

**First and Third Monday each month** Boxford Parish Council Meetings in Bell House, Stone Street St, Boxford

7.30pm



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# The Box River Parishes Church News

**Boxford • Edwardstone • Groton • Little Waldingfield • Newton**

**Priest in Charge:**

The Revd Judith Sweetman

The Rectory, School Hill, Boxford CO10 5JT

Tel: 01787 210091; e-mail: rvdjudithboxriver@btinternet.com

*The Revd Judith's day off is normally Friday but this may vary according to circumstances*

**NSM:**

The Revd David Abel, 13 Church Street, Boxford CO10 5DU

Tel: 211765; e-mail: davidabel19@hotmail.com

**Reader:**

Christopher Kingsbury, Rose Cottage, Sherbourne Street, Edwardstone CO10 5PD

Tel: 211236; Fax: 211238; e-mail: ChrisKingsC@aol.com

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David Lamming, 20 Holbrook Barn Road, Boxford CO10 5HU

Tel: 210360; Fax: 329770; 07968 791135; e-mail: djlamming@hotmail.com

Antony Dodd, Mill Green End, Edwardstone CO10 5EX

Tel: 210397; e-mail: doddpanda@tiscali.co.uk

*Please let any of the above or a Churchwarden know if you would like a home visit, home communion or a hospital visit, or of any cases of sickness or otherwise where they might be of assistance.*

**Benefice house:**

Mary's House, 5 Swan Street, Boxford CO10 5NZ.

'PRAY FOR THE PEACE OF THE CITY'

[Jeremiah 29, verse 7-]

August, traditionally, is the 'silly season' for the news media, but not this year. After months of 'big' news stories (the 'Arab Spring', military action in Libya, the Japanese earthquake, a Royal wedding, the News of the World 'phone-hacking scandal, and a crisis in the Eurozone, to name but a few) we might have been forgiven for wanting a break from 'heavy' news but, the success of the England cricket team apart, it was not to be. Instead, we have all witnessed on our television screens and in our newspapers scenes of arson, robbery, rioting and looting in our major cities with the police, seemingly, unable to cope. Here in rural Suffolk such mayhem on the streets may seem difficult to comprehend (as I write this on 15th August, the East Anglian Daily Times informs us that ours is a 'safe' county with crime rates falling). Then we read of courts sitting all night to deal with the resultant cases: a far cry from the closure of our local magistrates' court in Sudbury earlier this year for lack of work.

What are we to make of all this? Where offences have been committed and either admitted or proved, it is right that punishment should follow. This is basic justice. But we also need to ask why such criminality erupted. The Prime Minister, David Cameron, in his statement to the Commons on 11th August, acknowledged this. He spoke of "a sick society" and of "children growing up not knowing the difference between right and wrong." I am not so sure. From some interviews it seems that many rioters know that stealing is wrong: more, as with some of the MPs involved in the parliamentary expenses scandal, it was a case of taking the risk of breaking the commandment, "thou shalt not get caught."

The Church is often criticised for not speaking out on such issues. Not so on this occasion: the Archbishops of Canterbury and York both spoke in the Lords' debate when Parliament was recalled, (though, as usual, coverage of this in the media was mainly absent). Archbishop Rowan referred to the need to "build a society which takes seriously the task of educating citizens—not consumers or cogs in an economic system." Archbishop John Sentamu spoke of the importance of religious knowledge in forming and creating a culture.

Here in our benefice we can be thankful for the community spirit that helps to bind us together. Let us pray that in all the searching for answers, the Christian voice and message will continue to be heard and listened to.

David Lamming

## MARY'S HOUSE, Swan Street, Boxford

Open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9:30 to 12:30

**Drop in for a chat and a coffee** Everyone welcome

Copy Date for Church News section in the October 2011 Box River News:

**Please, NO LATER THAN 14th September Failure to meet the date will mean your copy may not be included**

Thank you. Sue Edwards. 210785

email address: SEDWARDS1946@aol.com



## THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

**Churchwardens:**

Ruth Kingsbury, Rose Cottage,  
Sherbourne Street, Edwardstone tel.211236

Peter Patrick, Amberley,  
White Street Green. tel 210346

**Thought for the Month** - Some recent research has shown that some 20% of our population used to go to church. They never made a conscious decision to stop going for a particular reason or because they lost their faith, but just drifted away. (unlike the 15% who made a clear decision to leave). Maybe the arrival of a family made going to church difficult with sleep times or fidgety toddlers or a crying baby ... or maybe a house move meant a familiar building and community were miles away and new relationships in the next locality were never made.

Whatever the reason, it seems that some of those who did go, and now don't, might really like to give it a try again and all they really need is a warm invitation to come back. So that is precisely what you find here in this month's newsletter.

All over the country churches are marking "BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY" during September. You will find all the services held in the benefice listed in this newsletter. SO - Please do come to a service at one of our benefice churches this month. We hope you'll enjoy a warm welcome with a chance to experience our hospitality over refreshments after a service.

**"A Boxford Calendar 2012"** Our judges will have to decide on the pictures for the calendar which we hope to have on sale in the autumn. We are delighted with the quality of the photographs submitted. Thank you.

**"A Pimms Evening"** Was held on Saturday 30th July and £276.00 was raised for church funds. Thanks are due to hosts Helen & Martin Miles at their home Knollgate, & to all who prepared the food & of course to David Richardson for the music.

On Sunday 14th August we were delighted to be able to welcome a group of 20+ Kingsbury's from the USA who were spending 10 days visiting Britain and included Suffolk in their itinerary. They were able to attend the 11.00 am service at St. Mary's Boxford, and afterwards enjoyed lunch at the White Hart. They also visited Edwardstone, Groton, Assington & Lt Cornard before returning home.

**A Suffolk Villages Festival Concert** at St.Mary's, Boxford on Bank Holiday Monday August 29th at 12.00 noon- details from the box office or from leaflets in village shops or in church.

**PETS SERVICE Sunday 4th September at 11.00 am.** We are planning to hold a Pets Service – to give thanks for & to celebrate our pets. These services are lots of fun! Any pet can be brought to the service from a mouse to a donkey! Do bring along your pet- whatever it may be, however big or small to this family service.

**HARVEST FESTIVAL** This year the Harvest Festival Family service will be on Sunday 2nd October at 11.00 am. Also at 6.30pm on that day there will be a service of Choral Evensong to celebrate Harvest.

**Open Gardens 2012** Angela Tolput has kindly agreed to organise the Open Gardens event which will be on Sunday 3rd June 2012- more details nearer the time, but do contact Angela if you could open your garden on that day.

**The Church Organ** The church organ in St. Mary's, a fine Hill instrument of the 1880's, will soon need a considerable sum spending on its restoration. Donations to St.Mary's Church Organ Fund please. Please look out for further information on our appeal to raise funds to keep the church organ in good condition

**Smile Lines** From a church notice: "The third verse of Blessed Assurance will be sung without musical accomplishment"



## THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

### Churchwarden:

Jan Paul Willow Farm, Edwardstone

Tel: 210972

David Saddleton 8 The Winthrops, Edwardstone

Tel: 211161

**OBITUARY - PETER WELSTAND:** It was with great sadness that it is reported that Peter Welstand died in July. Peter has been the backbone of Edwardstone Church for many years, fulfilling many roles both in the church and in the village. Members of the PCC offer their condolences and sympathy to Joan and daughters Jennifer and Patricia and we all share this sad loss with them. Earlier this year I paid tribute to Peter when he resigned from the PCC and outlined his considerable contribution to the church. He will be greatly missed. David Saddleton

**HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE** Sunday 25 September at 3.00 p.m. Our friends from Morden College will be there and this year the service will be followed by a Harvest Tea in the Parish Hall. All villagers are invited to attend either or both. While the Harvest Tea is free to everyone from the village, if you hope to attend, could you please contact Pam (210397), Jan (210972) or David (211161) for catering purposes. We look forward to seeing you there.

**HARVEST CONCERT** Saturday 24 September at 7.30 p.m. in Edwardstone Church: Stour Winds, a wind decet based in the Sudbury area will show off the wonderful music written and arranged for 10 wind instruments. The group is led by Charlotte Robertson, a professionally trained musician who teaches in many local schools. The decet's repertoire is always approachable, ranging from traditional classical music to more modern takes on popular music. The evening will also feature interludes by individuals in the group. Light refreshments available in the interval. Donations in aid of the Church of St. Mary the Virgin, Edwardstone. Pam Dodd

### EDWARDSTONE PARISH HALL, SATURDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

We are holding a coffee morning on Saturday 3 September, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in Edwardstone Parish Hall. Entry £1 to include coffee and cake. Stalls to include Honey, Candles and Books.

Please come along and see the improvements we have recently carried out and our plans for the future of the hall. Daphne Clark 210698

**METAL DETECTING DAY:** There will be a Metal Detecting Day at Willows Farm, Edwardstone, on Sunday 18 September from 10.00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m. The day will be organised by The Anglian Detecting Group and ALL are welcome to join in. Cost for the day £12. Please bring your own detector. In aid of Edwardstone Church funds. Jan Paul 210972

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES:

Bridge Drive and Supper: Willows Farm, 19 November.

Churchyard Gardening Day: 29 October.

### ROTA

	Sidesman	Cleaning	Flowers	Teas/Coffees
Sept 4	Mr Saddleton	Mrs Clarke & Mrs Clark	Mrs Paddon	Mrs Saddleton
Sept 11	Visiting	Mrs Moore & Mrs Paul	"	
Sept 11	Baptism - 1 p.m.			
Sept 18	Mr Saddleton	Mrs Moore & Mrs Paul	"	
Sept 25	Mr Saddleton	Mr & Mrs Saddleton	"	

Daily Prayer 9.00 a.m. every Tuesday



## THE PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW, GROTON

**Churchwardens:** Jayne Foster:

Ramblers, Bulmer Lane. 211360

Sue Edwards:

Cotlee, The Street, Groton; tel 210785

**GROTON'S HARVEST SUPPER** Saturday, October 1st at 7.30pm in Groton Village Hall: Now that the Combine Harvesters are busy in the fields, it is time to start thinking about Harvest Festival and the Harvest Supper. Following Harvest festival on Sunday, September 25th, the Supper will be on Saturday, October 1st, and will have all the usual attractions - a delicious two-course hot meal, Bar, Raffle, Quiz, etc. Tickets will be available soon at £10 each, from Pat Kennedy Scott [210319] Jayne Foster [211360] or any member of Groton PCC. This always a very popular event, so book your tickets early.

**Churches Bike Ride:** The 30th church bike ride is on Saturday, September 10th (9am to 5pm). You can visit churches anywhere, half the sponsor money goes to 'Suffolk Historic Churches Trust', the other half to your own parish church. Sponsor forms in Groton Church or from me. Happy cycling, Peter Kennedy Scott, 01787 210319

### Rota

**Sidesman with Sacristan:** Mr & Mrs Smith

**Cleaning:** Mrs Gill

**Flowers:** Mrs Gill



## THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

Churchwardens

Vacant

### Little Waldingfield Flower Festival

The biennial flower festival will be held on the weekend of 10th -11th September at St Lawrence Church. The theme this year is "Suffolk". Two course lunches will be served in the Parish Room (£7.50) and there will be refreshments in the church as well as stalls in the churchyard. A Songs of Praise will take place in the church on Sunday, 11th September at 6.30pm.

### Rota

	Sidesman	Flowers
Sept 4	Mr Squirrel	Mrs Ewen
Sept 11	Mrs Harbord & Mrs Carse	Flower Festival
Sept 18	Mr Bowden	Mrs Squirrel
Sept 25	Mr & Mrs Tora	Mrs Eddington



## THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

**Churchwarden:**

Christine Cornell,

"Opus", Sudbury Road, Newton,

Tel: 370331

### ROTA

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Mrs. Sue Pratt  
Mrs. Carol Langley

### CHURCH FLOWERS:

**SEPTEMBER 11th** Mrs. Jean Charity  
**SEPTEMBER 25th** HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE

### HARVEST SUPPER

This will be held in the village hall on Friday October 7th at 7.00 pm. Tickets at £8 from Chris Cornell 370331

**The Suffolk Historic Churches SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE** takes place on Saturday 10th September, raising money for the Trust and All Saints Newton.

## The Church At Worship September 2011

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## Soap Box

There is an old saying - if you want something done quickly, give it to a busy person. I understand the concept. Years of writing has turned me into a deadline junkie. By that I do not mean I feel the need to get all tasks completed by a certain time. Rather, it means that if I do not have an immovable deadline - such as a publication date for one of my articles- I put off doing things.

The result is that unless I am under pressure, things have a tendency to be put off until the last minute. But being busy - and knowing I must deliver certain things by a specific time - means that I accomplish more. For me work really does expand to fill the time allotted. The less I have to do, the less I achieve in relative terms. Fortunately I am very busy right now

Even so, I surprised myself by starting work on this Soap Box fully a week before copy was due. The reason? Such has been the magnitude of events playing out in the streets of our cities and on the trading floors of world financial centres that I considered my subject matter pre-determined.

The question is whether the two are connected. In some senses they are. What is being played out in the bourses of Europe and the markets of America is the next episode in a tragic-comedy, with the central characters finally getting their comeuppance, following a life of excess. These dubious heroes have names like Greece, Portugal and Ireland - Italy, even. The excesses relate to years of living beyond their means.

In the old days, sorting out a mess like this would have been simple. Greece has defaulted on its debt five times since it became established as a modern nation. But the game is different now. In the global village we are all related. And in the heart of the family,

where all the participants share a common currency, the blood ties are so strong that they must all stand or fall together.

Matters were moving so fast by the second week of August that I had to accept the scene could be very different by the time anyone set eyes on these comments. Austerity and hardship have become the new reality as we come to terms with the fact that we have all been awarding ourselves a standard of living that is no longer affordable. And this is where a connection with recent domestic disorder might exist.

It would be wrong to compare the riots that took place in the Greek capital and other places with those that so disrupted life in London, but some parallels can be drawn. The power of new media to draw people together has been remarkably effective in a number of places. In Egypt it was successful in toppling the regime. In other countries, the results have been more mixed.

Greece had developed a culture that not only over-rewarded areas of state enterprise, but signally failed to collect the taxation necessary to fund it. Removing benefits that many Greeks had come to expect as their due sparked the unrest. In London the trigger was deep seated divisions, but criminal opportunism took over. The similarity lies in the clear belief that people believe they are somehow owed prosperity by the state or society as a whole, regardless of whether they have earned it.

AJP Taylor once remarked that World War 1 may not have taken place, were it not for the fact that the events that led to the outbreak of hostilities took place in July when most of the important players were away on holiday. This may have had a bearing on the turbulent times seen by stock markets and even on the initial response to the rioting. It certainly didn't help.

Time will tell how things will play out, but both events should be taken as a wake up call. We can no longer afford to be complacent and believe we are due benefits and material possessions, regardless of our ability to afford them. On the other side of the world, hard working aspirational populations, far bigger than ours in the West, are gradually assuming the mantle of economic leadership. We have been warned!

*Brian Tora is Chairman of Little Waldingfield Parish Council.*



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# GARDENING IN SEPTEMBER HARRY BUCKLEDEE

Cuttings of Rosemary, Lavender and many other shrubs can be taken now and inserted in a cold frame. The cuttings should be made of half-ripened wood. This denotes shoots which have lost their softness, but are not yet woody like the older parts, but have been partly ripened by the sun.

Penstemons tend to get woody at the base after a few years resulting in a lack of vigor and fewer flowers. Now is the time to renew your stock by taking three inch long softwood cuttings and inserting them round the edge of a pot filled with a mixture of 50-50 compost and grit, sand or vermiculate. Keep the compost moist, cover with a polythene bag and keep out of direct sunshine. They root very quickly and will need frost protection throughout the winter before planting out next April.

If the lower leaves of tomatoes have turned yellow, they should be removed. Healthy green leaves should never be removed as they are necessary to supply food needed to swell the fruits.

Christmas is only four months away and if you need Hyacinths in flower for the festive season now is the time to plant. You must buy prepared hyacinth bulbs. These bulbs have been given special treatment in store to encourage them to flower a few months earlier than normal. If you are planting several bulbs in a bowl it is best to keep to one variety in each bowl to ensure they are all in flowers at the same time. Rather than plant them directly into the bowl it is best to plant them individually in small pots which can be planted into the bulb bowl later, this will ensure that all bulbs in the bowl are at the same stage of growth. In bowls that have no drainage holes you must use special bulb fibre which has oyster shell and charcoal to prevent the moisture turning stagnant. Place the bulbs in a cool dark place until well rooted.

In the vegetable garden a sowing of white turnips can be made for winter use and early in the month sowings of Japanese type of onion such as Senshyu Yellow or Expresse Yellow can be made to overwinter and supply an early crop in May - June next year. Later in the month plant out spring cabbage plants, a good idea is to draw out a V shaped drill 6" deep and plant the cabbage at the bottom. Later as the plants get established soil can be drawn into the drill to give added support and protection.

Finish clipping of evergreen hedges such as conifer, yew and laurel as soon as possible, they will not make any more growth this year.

Keep up the fortnightly spraying of roses against rust, black spot and

mildew right up until leaf fall. Remove faded blooms regularly to encourage longer flowering. To assist new wood to ripen and withstand winter frosts, scatter a little sulphate of potash around each bush and hoe it lightly into the soil

Roses are remarkably adaptable plants. They can be used to excellent effect in a variety of different ways. There are many different varieties available and I would always find space in the garden for at least one rose. Many of the old fashioned roses only flower once a year, whereas most modern roses have several flushes throughout the summer. These include English roses, patio roses and groundcover roses. Some of the modern climbers and ramblers also produce a second flush later in the season.

Some of the larger bush roses make excellent small climbers trained against a wall, over an arch or pergola. This is ideal for the smaller garden and means you can do your maintenance more easily and without the use of ladders. And with the flowers being closer to the ground you will be able to smell the flowers better!

A Shropshire Lad is a modern English rose that will form a superb climber of eight feet or more. It has lovely peachy pink flowers with a deliciously fruity fragrance. Another advantage of this rose is that it has very few thorns, unlike the traditional climber and rambler roses.

Now is a good time to search for roses for your garden and field grown roses will be available bare root from October through to April. Planting bare root roses during the dormant season allows the plants to establish quickly because this is when the soil is moist. It causes little or no disturbance to the plant. Also, there is a far wider choice of bare root roses and they should be more economical than pot grown roses if you need to buy a few of them

Roses are prone to mildew, blackspot and rust and these often occur when the plants are under stress. It is worth considering growing roses with a good disease resistance and some roses have thicker leaves and are naturally disease resistant.

Deadhead roses at least once a week to produce more flowers, cutting back to strong growth and remove any weak spindly stems. Try to always cut just above a healthy looking rich-green leaf. That is where the hormones concentrate and the plant will be able to produce a new flowering shoot faster.

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# Parish Council Matters

## Minutes of Newton Green Parish Council

June 22nd 2011

**Present:** Councillors Colin Poole (Chairman), Lee Parker, Paul Presland, Rita Schwenk, Philip Taylor and Alan Vince.

**Attending:** D Crimmin (Clerk) and 8 members of public.

**Apologies for Absence:** Apologies received from Cllr Roy Gardner who is on holiday.

**Declaration of Interests:** None declared

**Minutes of Meeting held on 8th June 2011:** The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

*The meeting adjourned for the public forum at 7.38pm and reconvened at 8.09pm (Appendix A)*

**Planning:** The councillors reviewed Planning Application B/11/00638 Whisper Wood, Sudbury Road - erection of 3 No. two-storey detached dwellings with detached outbuildings (following demolition of existing dwelling) associated works and alteration to existing access (amended scheme to that refused un B/11/00091/FUL) and resolved to object to the application. The councillors agreed that the following be sent to Babergh District Council in support of NPC's objection.

"In the opinion of Newton Parish Council the erection of the proposed dwellings at Whisper Wood would be contrary to saved Policies HS02, CN01, and HS28, of the Babergh District Local Plan Alteration No.2 (2006). Policy HS02 states that housing development should have no adverse impact on the scale and character of the village, residential amenity or the environment. Whilst Newton does not have AONB or SLA status it has a distinctiveness, recognised by many, that this application fails to address. Whisper Wood is an important site in the village scene. Whilst the Councillors acknowledge the designs of buildings proposed in this application fit much better with the village than the previous designs proposed under B/11/00091/FUL, Plot 1 remains completely forward of the visual building line recognised by NPC. Therefore the proposal does not enhance the street scene along the A134 and the village scene from The Green. The applicant refers to a visual line between The Deans and Chapel Cottage but the existing line between Broomfield, Whisper Wood and Wood Dean is the line that is associated with this part of the street scene.

Policy CN01 states that all new development will be required to be of an appropriate scale, form and detailed design for the location paying particular attention to the scale, form and nature of the adjacent development and the environment surrounding the site and be of appropriate materials. Whilst Newton does not have a Village Design Statement the village scene around the Green has been preserved and protected by LPA's, over the years, only approving applications sympathetic in both design and scale. NPC has major concerns over the scale of the proposed development.

Policy HS28 states that planning applications for infill development will be refused where the proposal represents an over development of the site to the detriment of the environment, residential amenity and character of the area or if the proposal is of a scale or form which would be out of keeping with adjacent and nearby dwellings or other buildings. NPC considers that 3 dwellings on Whisper Wood is an over development of this specific site. The councillors also have issues with the visibility splay for the highway access. The site plan shows a 43 metre visibility splay, which is only suitable for roads where it can be reasonably be expected that vehicle speeds do not exceed 30mph. However, the visibility splay requirement is to match the shortest stopping distance at the 85th percentile speed not the speed limit. As the 85th percentile is approximately 36mph, the correct distance for the visibility splay for this section of road is 60 metres not 43 metres. Peter Black's email to you of 11th March confirms the above. The extended splay then conflicts with traffic emerging from Links View which would block the visibility, and is in any case over land owned by the Newton Green Trust and not the applicant. The rules, as we understand, require the vision splay to be over the highway or land owned by the applicant.

The councillors wished to record their disappointment that whilst, according to the Design and Access Statement Section 4 Item 9, the applicant has met with the planning authority, they have not sought a meeting with the Parish Council, which would have enabled NPC's concerns to be discussed and hopefully addressed. NPC also challenges the D&AS Section 2 Site Para 9 that the site is "edge of village" it is almost dead-centre of Newton.

NPC also wish to question Section 7 paragraph 6 of the D&AS Para with regard to Disability Access. As there is no indication from the plans of an intention to build the properties to wheelchair standard, no accessible WCs, no wide doors, no ramps and the driveway is pea shingle, this section is disingenuous in giving the impression that disability needs have been taken up at all!

In the unlikely event that you are minded to recommend approval for this application, NPC would ask that the following amendments are required:

- Plot 2 – Delete bedroom window on north wall (currently opaque) to prevent later alteration to ordinary glass.
- Plot 3 – Delete the dormer window for bed 4 and replace with "Velux" type window to prevent overlooking of adjacent properties"

**Question to Chairman:** There were no questions raised.

**Next NPC Meeting:** The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th July 2011 starting at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

**Appendix A: Public Forum**

With no residents present to support the application at Whisper Wood, the councillors listened to the residents concerns over the new application before council.

End of Appendix

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They were safe to go out to play in the park  
And old folks could go out for walks in the dark.  
No valium, no drugs and no LSD,  
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No vandals, no muggings, there was nothing to rob,  
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People were happier in those far off days,  
More kind and caring in so many ways.

Milkmen and paper boys would whistle and sing:  
A night at the pictures was our one mad fling.  
We all got our share of trouble and strife,  
We just had to face it, that's the pattern of life.

Now I'm alone and look back through the years,  
I don't think of the hard times, the troubles and tears.  
I remember the blessings, our hopes and our love  
And that we shared them together.! thank God above.

Mrs Joyce Smith  
Homefield, Boxford

*Sir*

### The Late Winifred Mary Flood

Tina and family would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and kind wishes on the loss of Mary. A special thank you must go to Tessa King, Veroniva Hobbs, and Alison Stevens for all their help[ and support and to Rev. Judith for doing the funeral service.

Thanks to everyone who attended the funeral service and for the donations for the East Anglian Air Ambulance, a total of £263.50 was raised. Please accept this as our most sincere thank you

Tina and Lenny Southgate  
Boxford

*Dear Sir*

**John Grimwood**

I would like to thank all my family and friends for all their support, kind messages and many cards following the passing of my Partner, John Grimwood, on 29th May after his long battle with cancer.

Eileen Mann,  
Groton

*Dear Sir*

"I would like to thank all those who have been in touch with me both by letter and phone with regard to my enquiry about the Lacey's of Highfield. I certainly didn't expect to get the level of response that I have.

One of the people who has been in touch is Mrs Lacey's adopted daughter Jayne. It turns out that we were both living with the Lacey's at the same time and until now have been totally unaware that we are, in fact, cousins. We shall no doubt stay in touch now that we have "found" each other.

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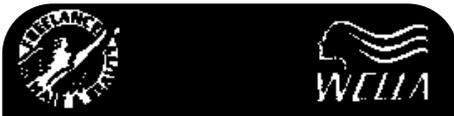
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## GARETH WEILAND SPORTS TOURNAMENT



For the third year, Gareth's friends, guided by Ben Woodfield, organised a tournament in his memory and following last year's success with a football tournament, this was repeated with 5 a-side football.

We didn't count the number of people who joined us, however the Beer Tent, Cake stall and BBQ were very busy. Many travelled from as far as Surrey, London, Manchester, Liverpool, Hereford and Mid Wales. Nottingham Trent University and Team Wales football teams were in competition with four local teams. Each played five games with the top two in the league contesting an exciting final, where Boxford Rovers B took on Team Wales. Rovers went behind by two early goals, woke themselves up and went on to win 4-3.

The picture of Team Wales embraces six family members, including the mascot. Fortunately, our daughter Helen and her husband Toby have moved back to Boxford, enabling us to provide hospitality for Team Wales and a dozen others.

The auction proved to be another money spinner. Bill Horne is brilliant at encouraging (or should that be extorting) bids from those normally unwilling to part with their money. My MD again provided the cricket memorabilia and Ray will have been delighted he offered the winning bid, especially as he was able to put on display the new cricket pitch roller, bought with a contribution from last year's proceeds.

Boxford based band, This Boy Wonders, entertained us later in the day. So many told us how excellent they were, it was no surprise that TBW were invited by the BBC to play at the forthcoming Leeds and Reading Festivals – see them on TV on 26th/27th August if you didn't get tickets.

Later in the evening, we were accompanied by large numbers of friends and family at the White Hart. The very warm evening allowed many to sit outside and not disrupt the regular Sunday Night Quiz.

We would like to thank the many people who helped make the day a success and also the numerous others who joined us on the day. We know Gareth would also have been very proud of them

We understand that with some late donations, Gareth's friends raised nearly £4,000 for local groups and clubs. One of the first to benefit this year was the Village Hall, with £1,000 towards the disabled persons' facilities at the Hall, adding to the £2,000 that Veronica and Julian raised by descending the 140ft tower block at the Ipswich Hospital – on the outside. Others that have benefited from the fund have included Boxford Rovers youth and adult football teams, Edwardstone Cricket Club, Boxford Scouts, Boxford Spinney, the Jane Whitwell Memorial Gazebo, Sisters Dance Group, Boxford Youth Club and the Village Hall. I believe the Netball Club are to be next, followed by the newly formed Boxford Cycle Club. Marianne and I were invited to the official opening of Sunflowers Childcare following Gareth's fund contributing to the money used to buy toys.

Gareth's University friends were organised by his friend Matt. Earlier this year, Matt married his American girlfriend Lisa and Gareth would have been Matt's best man. We were delighted to be invited to the wedding in Gareth's place, especially as the wedding was in Las Vegas. We took in a tour of the Grand Canyon as well.

Gareth's friends don't forget us. Soon we're attending a 3-man 30th Birthday party in London and the Wedding Party of one of his friends.

*John and Marianne Weiland*

## MILDEN CRICKET CLUB.

Milden Cricket Club had a very successful match on July 7th, making 166 runs against Bury St Edmunds 2nd eleven before dismissing them for 19 runs. This team was unbeaten this season and had scored 400 runs in their previous match.

Well done Milden and we hope it makes Richard Robinson's holiday all the sweeter!  
Tissa Rigby.

## SUBSIDISED GOLF LESSONS

Stoke by Nayland Golf Club are to give subsidised lessons to beginners! having been awarded some part funding from The English Golf Union for beginner lessons for September and October. The Club, which has gained an excellent reputation for coaching young golfers to success, and introducing beginners to the game, was last year made an East Region Performance Centre for the English Golf Union. There will be a coach to pupil ratio of 1 to 8, and all ages are welcome.

The lessons will offer great savings, and will all take place at the covered Driving Range as follows:

### Option 1: Learn to play golf in a day for beginners.

You will be taught all areas of the game including swing, chipping, putting and bunkers etc. This day's coaching is ideal for golfers who are looking for quick progression to the course – lunch is also included.

Date: Sunday 2nd October, Time: 9am – 3pm

Cost: £15.00 per person (normally £50 per person)

### Option 2: Beginner group coaching sessions.

This is a perfect way for a total beginner to learn to play golf. The 6 hours of coaching will be spread out over 3 x 2 hour sessions so you can practice in between lessons. There is a midweek and weekend option available. As in option 1 all areas of the game will be taught.

Midweek Course Wednesday 28th September 3 – 5pm

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## INTERNATIONAL GOLF AT STOKE

The international televised European Challenge Tour returned for a second year to Stoke by Nayland this summer. 160 players from around the globe competed over 4 days for the 160,000 euro pot and provided exciting viewing for the crowds, many of whom came to support Stoke by Nayland's own professional, Jamie Moul.

Frenchman Benjamin Hebert completed the most sensational seven days in his professional career by winning his second Challenge Tour event in the space of a week at this "English Challenge". The man from Bordeaux provided the perfect follow-up to his maiden victory in Switzerland during the previous week by taking home the ?25,600 first prize on offer after a final round of two under par.

Hebert managed to resist the advances of the home hero, Jamie Moul, Welshman Garry Houston and his good friend Rui before making crucial pair of birdies on the 15th and 16th holes to establish a four shot lead and a fairly simple victory march to the clubhouse where he was drenched in Champagne by his fellow countryman when he knocked in the winning putt.

Jamie had won the European Challenge Tour event in Italy 2 weeks before, and come 2nd in Switzerland, so there were high expectations for him at his home tournament. He had been winning on both the first and second days of the 4 day event, which encouraged more and more spectators to come and support the Stoke by Nayland professional. He finished joint fifth which still gives him a good chance of gaining promotion to The European Tour for next season.

The Tour was preceded as usual by a popular Pro Am tournament which included some well-known faces such as BBC Look East's Stewart White and Tom Williams, as well as DJ Spooky who entertained guests that evening at the Gala Dinner by hosting a celebrity panel discussion.

Both BBC Look East and Anglia ITV covered the event and a one hour highlights programme was televised 3 times on Sky Sports the following week which was then distributed out to over 100 countries worldwide.