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A WARM WELCOME AT THE FLEECE HOTEL



Above: Landlords Jarred and Clare

On entering the new Fleece Hotel, it is clear that landlords Jarred and Clare offer you a warm and friendly welcome. Despite only just moving and in and no doubt still adjusting to their new surroundings, they are clearly enthusiastic about their future at the pub and in the Boxford community. Clare expressed "We can't wait to be a part of the future of this historic inn....being the couple to make this place buzz again is exciting". With an impressive background as a chef, Jarred cannot wait to get back in the kitchen doing what he loves. He sees the Fleece Hotel as a great opportunity to do all sorts of events, utilising the function room, the bar space, and the courtyard to the rear of the pub. He said "we will look to do quality traditional British food, home-made, and interesting....we can cater for all sorts with our medieval styled room upstairs and traditional bars downstairs". The pair is hoping that food will be available from early March. The pub is now open weekday lunchtimes, with the full opening times being; Mon – Thurs 12 until 3 and 5 until 11, and Fri – Sun 12 until 11.

SUPERFAST BROADBAND

The Suffolk Campaign for better internet links has gained massive support. Rural communities are rallying together to show their support for a campaign to bring better broadband to isolated pockets of the county. Thousands of families, frustrated by constant internet blackouts, have completed a survey run by Suffolk County Council to prove the level of demand for high-speed broadband expansion.

The surge in support takes the present total to in excess of 2,500 households, while more than 1,000 companies have taken part in the council's ongoing business survey. The council hopes that with more people signing up every day the surveys will encourage broadband suppliers to invest in Suffolk. Mark Bee, leader of the county council and chairman of the Better Broadband for Suffolk campaign said: "The response we've had has been really important that we continue the campaign. We absolutely must demonstrate to ministers and potential suppliers that people in Suffolk need and want better broadband and that our county is an attractive place to invest in. It takes minutes to complete the survey and everyone who does helps to move Suffolk one important step closer to a broadband network fit for the 21st Century. We are moving as fast as we possibly can with the project but strong public and media support is what we need to give the campaign a powerful boost." Last September the county council was awarded £11 million by the Government for high-speed broadband after committing a similar amount themselves. And they are encouraging investors to contribute to the £41.7m needed for the broadband contract across Suffolk.

Suffolk's internet speeds vary dramatically - depending on your address. Large parts of Ipswich and Felixstowe are benefiting from Virgin Media's extensive fibre-optic network - speeds can be as fast as 100 Megabits per second and Virgin is currently planning to double the speed of the connection to most of its broadband customers. But in other parts of the county the average broadband speed is just 5Mbps, with some rural locations struggling along with speeds as low as 0.5Mbps or relying on dial-up connections.

In parts of Ipswich he represents households have been told their broadband will be speeded up from 30Mbps to 60Mbps over the next few weeks but he says a few miles down the oad communities have speeds as low as 0.5Mbps.

Just over the county border, more than 4,000 households in Norfolk have expressed an interest in the broadband programme.

The two counties are expected to cooperate on the installation programme - but each needs to show a level of support for the scheme. Register your support at: www.suffolk.gov.uk/broadband.

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GREEN LIGHT FOR NEWTON GOLFERS



Newton villagers can play for nothing on the nine holes laid out on Newton Green. However if they wish to play the full 18 holes at Newton Green Golf Club they have to fork out a full green fee or join the club, paying £650 a year for seven-day membership. The subscription allows them to take a full part in club life, and enter competitions. But now the golf club is to allow residents to take out full membership for only £300 for the first year.

For more than half a century residents have played on the green for free and each household received a bag of coal as rent from the golf club. A few decades ago, with central heating arriving, the coal custom was discontinued, and the club began paying rent for the original nine holes from a new trust set up to administer the land. The deal allows for long-standing access rights to the land for residents to be continued.

The original, 105-year-old nine holes were designed under the supervision of legendary Scottish player and course designer James Braid. Paddy Lockwood, golf club chairman, said already a number of residents were full members of the club, and there were about 30

villagers who played the old nine holes at various times during the year for free. They had to be registered with the club and check in with the professional's shop to make sure they were covered by the club's insurance.

Mr Lockwood added: "A full fee in the first year when they can play half the course for free is a bit off putting for some. We want to make this gesture to encourage residents to become committed full members for the long haul. Newton has a great golfing tradition as a village and we want this to continue."

COLD COMFORT FOR SESAW ANIMALS

Spring may be on it's way but the long winter nights are very cold. If you are having a clear out, Suffolk and Essex Small Animal Welfare still needs blankets, bedding, towels, household textiles or saleable items. There are many animals awaiting rehoming including cats, dogs, rabbits and guinea pigs like Buggy and Butch in the photograph. Volunteers are also needed, for animal care, dog walking, maintenance jobs and fund raising. If you can help, please leave a message on 01787 210888 or visit SESAW in Stoke Road, Leavenheath, CO6 4PP, 10am-1pm, Wed-Sun, closed Mon/Tues. Bedding collections can be arranged by phoning 01473 652080, or text 07881 785535.

Another reminder of Spring is the Primrose Festive at Bypass Nurseries, Capel St. Mary, held to raise money for the Sanctuary. It runs from 25th February to 4th March, Mo-Sat 9.00-5.30pm, Sun 10.30-4.30.



piano, Christian Brewer sax, Matt Skelton drums. Damon Brown appearances at Fleece Jazz have been legendary and this band will add a new chapter to the story. Damon has toured Japan three times with Yutaka Shiina Japan's premier jazz pianist and composer. They and Martin Zenker the double-bass virtuoso have a shared love of the great Hard Bop composers and performers.

Friday, 23 March, 8.00 Ticket £15 Art Themen Quartet

With Art Themen sax, John Donaldson piano, Paul Morgan bass and Clark Tracey drums. Art Themen, the saxophone playing orthopaedic surgeon, has been an appealing presence on the British jazz circuit for 40 years and has not lost his appetite for the game. We certainly have not lost our appetite for him. More Art Themen Quart

Friday, 30 March, 8.00, Ticket £15 Marlene Ver Planck

With Marlene Ver Planck vocals, John Pearce piano, Bobby Worth drums, Paul Morgan bass Marlene is a contemporary singer who can stand comparison with the greats. Her superb voice is matched with a flawless technique and the New York Times thinks she may be the most accomplished interpreter of popular material performing today!

Friday, 6 April, 8.00, Ticket £22 Martin Taylor and Alan Barnes

With Martin Taylor guitar, Alan Barnes saxophones / clarinets Martin Taylor's immaculate style has seen him recognised as one of the world's foremost guitarists. A veritable maestro with his silky accessible tones.



Friday, 2 March, 8.00, Ticket £15 Sarah Moule Quartet

With Sarah Moule vocals, Simon Wallace piano, Mick Hutton bass, Paul Robinson drums. Sarah Moule is one of our most exciting vocal talents. Compelling empowering and highly original was the audience reaction to a recent show of tonight's singing star whose warmth can lift a lyric off the page.

Friday, 9 March, 8.00, Ticket £15 Adam Glasser Quartet

With Adam Glasser harmonica, Robin Aspland piano, Alec Dankworth bass, Frank Tonto drums. A very respected musician Adam is one of the UK's leading chromatic harmonica players appearing on many gigs sessions and recordings. He has also played keyboards for Martha Reeves, Jimmy Witherspoon and many others.

Friday, 16 March, 8.00, Ticket £17 Damon Brown International Quintet

With Damon Brown trumpet, Martin Zenker bass, Yutaka Shiina

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THE MARCH LETTER FROM REV JUDITH

Dear friends,

I don't know if you've ever watched those television programmes about de-cluttering your lives? Well, I can remember one occasion, before we moved here, when Rufus was in full spring cleaning mode. He was determined to have a great purge on the attic of our small bungalow. I must admit that it had got to the stage where the attic was so stuffed full that we no longer even knew what was up there – let alone why we were keeping it! Does that ring any bells with you? In the end, about six car loads went down to our local recycling centre - old magazines, redundant bits of electronic equipment and much more. Anything which couldn't be recycled was passed on to the next church bazaar. Come to think of it, we had enough stuff to run our own!



I don't know if you're the same, but I find that not only do I work and think better, but I actually feel better, when I'm not surrounded by mess. In my study (which is also my office) at the rectory, if my desk becomes choked up with papers, files, sticky notes (usually telling me what I should have done...), I find my mind begins to feel chaotic, crowded and oppressed too. It is harder to focus, to think clearly and calmly about what I should be doing.

I think it's much the same with our spiritual lives. There are number of stories in the Bible which remind us that we need to spiritually "declutter" ourselves, to clear a way through the mental, emotional and spiritual debris of our lives, the daily clamour of our thoughts and feelings, our "busyness", and to make space for the things in life which really matter.

In the Bible there is a story about a wealthy young man, who comes to Jesus asking how he can find eternal life, a meaningful lasting relationship with God. The young man seems to be doing all the right things in his life, but is still somehow lacking. Jesus recognises that, whilst the man's life is full of material possessions, full even of religious activity, he is spiritually "running on empty". In his case, Jesus felt the only answer was a radical one: Go and give all you have to the poor, then you will find the life with God which is eluding you.

Jesus also told other stories along the same lines: the parable of the man who finds a treasure hidden in a field. In order to buy that one field, to gain the treasure, he is willing to give up and sell everything else that he has. Then there is the parable of the merchant looking for fine pearls. He finds one pearl which is so outstanding, so spectacularly beautiful that he too sells all that he has so that he can buy it. These are all word-pictures conveying a plea to focus on the important.

Sometimes we need a spiritual spring-clean - a spiritual clear-out of our lives. In March, we find ourselves in the church season of Lent, the time when we traditionally remember how Jesus left behind the material comforts of home and focused on the things that really mattered – finding out who he was and what God wanted him to do.

It may not be for us to give up all that we have or to endure such extremities of privation and hardship, but during Lent we can try deliberately putting aside the things in our lives which crowd out and distract us from the things that really matter. And for me, the things that really matter include making more time and space for loved ones and more time and space for God. Happy spring-cleaning!

Blessings, *Judith*

Walking near Boxford.

Last February, during a visit to Her Grandparents in Boxford, 8 years old Gabriella Howard from New Zealand helped her Grandmother Ola to deliver Newsletters in the Calais Street area. It was a damp cold day but she was not deterred and after doing the deliveries she sat down and wrote this poem

Walking near Boxford.

*Walking on the pavement,
Walking on the road,
Treading on the grass and leaves,
Climbing up the willow trees.
Splish, splosh. Splish, splosh. Splish, splosh,
Jumping in the puddles three.
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Gabriella Howard. February 2011.

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BOXFORD BIKE CLUB

It has been an exciting and busy start to the year for the Boxford Bike Club. From January the club started its affiliation with British Cycling, the national body for cycling in the UK. This affiliation has brought with it many benefits, including insurance for the club and its members, advice and support as well as offering the club another avenue to attract new members. We have also taken delivery of the new club kit. We're very pleased with the resulting design, which is now being proudly worn by club members.

We held a membership evening in January and, at the time of writing, have attracted around thirty official members to the club. It still amazes us how many riders we have attend the various rides we organise through the week, even as the weather this time of year remains fairly unwelcoming. Seeing over 30 cyclists heading out from the village on a Sunday morning is quite a sight!

The popularity of the club, in some part stems from the accessible nature of the rides we organise. The club's hour long introductory ride, which leaves the village at 9.30am on a Sunday morning, remains a popular choice for those new to the sport, or just starting off. Those wanting more of a challenge leave the village at 8 o'clock for a longer ride. Although the majority of club rides are road rides, we have organised regular off road or mountain bike rides, making use of the tracks and trails which surround Boxford. Our Wednesday night ride heads out from the village at 7pm and will undoubtedly become more popular as the evenings become lighter.

Although it is still relatively early in the cycling calendar, members have already taken place in various cycling events. The Interbike sportive at Mark Tey saw three members complete the relatively hilly (for Essex) 50 mile route, in pleasing times. The more competitive winter mountain bike race series in Thetford saw three members compete in the 2 hour race. The freezing fog engulfing the riders for most of the race!

As well as taking part in cycling events this year the club will be organising its own events. The first of these will be the Boxford Tornado Sportive on Sunday 15th April. This non-competitive event will consist of 3 signposted routes of 20 miles, 40 miles and 60 miles leaving from the playing fields in Boxford and using the pavilion as the event headquarters. Hopefully this event will attract riders from Boxford, but also riders from further afield. Entry to this event will include free post ride refreshments and access to a carefully chosen scenic routes, that will take advantage of the quiet and picturesque rural roads and lanes which surround Boxford. For more details about this event go to the club's website www.boxfordbikeclub.co.uk.

In addition the club is organising a family jubilee ride, to take place on the

Monday morning of the Boxford jubilee celebrations in June. This shorter 6mile route will take in landmarks, churches and pubs in Boxford, Groton and Edwardstone. Included will be a treasure hunt activity for the children. The ride will end in Boxford in time for the jubilee celebrations starting at midday. We are really excited about playing our small part in these village celebrations.

Lastly, as a new club we are always looking for new members, so if you're interested why not join us for a ride? For more details on membership, rides and events visit the club's website.



A ride in the snow



Sunday morning ride

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After the closing date winners will be selected from each category and notified by 16th March 2012. They will be offered free accommodation between Monday 9th and Monday 16th April 2012 for either a weekend or a Monday-Friday break. For full terms and conditions, please see the registration web page - Good luck!

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MARCHBOOK REVIEW

What to look for in Winter:

A Memoir in Blindness by Candia McWilliam

When Candia McWilliam was nine her mother committed suicide. Soon afterwards her father remarried but for fearful and sensitive Candia her life was already scarred. By the age of thirteen she was six feet tall but lacking in confidence and feeling odd amongst her friends. But she matured into a very beautiful, articulate and clever young lady, a student at Oxford, where she discovered alcohol.

Her life-long consolation was reading and she became a writer of award-winning fiction. After four books there was a gap of thirteen years, and then this bombshell of an autobiography was published in 2010.

By 2006 Candia thought that nothing worse could happen to her. She had been married twice, had three children, and she found life hard. She was a full blown alcoholic and losing her beauty. That year she was invited to join the panel of judges for the Booker Prize, and in the middle of this event she became blind. She was reading nine hundred pages a day, when her eyelids shut down, like closed curtains, and she was forced to enter a world of darkness, without written words to offer much needed solace. She had blepharospasm, a very rare form of blindness and there was no known cure at that time. She could only peer at her world by painfully forcing an eyelid open with finger and thumb. Her consultant explained that twenty years ago she would have been sectioned. Perhaps her blindness was psychosomatic?

This soul searching autobiography explains her agony and cleverly she engages us on a personal level. Her words are dictated to both friends and machines; it is a talking cure for her. What to Look for in Winter is a sad, yet magical read. Don't worry about the hard words, references to the classics and the occasional complex sentence, just bash on through them. You will not be disappointed. Her language is exquisite, her descriptions and perfect use of similes and metaphors make you shiver with delight.

This book captivated and enthralled me. It is not a 'misery memoir' but a delight to inspire those of us who have experienced trauma in our lives. It has a life-affirming ending, and if you're like me, you will return to page one to meet Candia McWilliam again.



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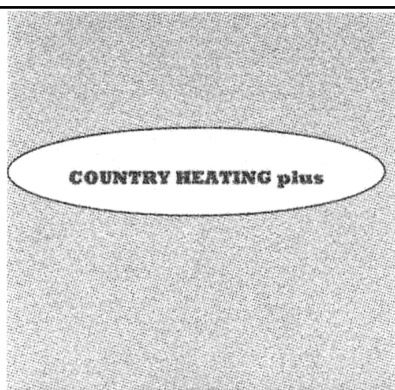


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(2nd, 3rd, & 4th June 2012)

Calling All Artists in Boxford Edwardstone and Groton

Boxford Art Group would like to invite all artists in the Boxford, Edwardstone, & Groton area to join us in this venture. The theme is "Life In Britain", - the idea being to celebrate all aspects of our national life, (past or present,) be it people, places, events, nature, or our beautiful countryside. Further details, & entry forms from:

Sue Beven, tel: 01787 210021, email: suebeven@talktalk.net .or

Pam Balls, tel: 01787 210136, email: pamballsart@btinternet.com

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St. Peters Church, Market Hill, Sudbury

Saturday 10th March 2012, 10am to 12.30pm

(Nothing accepted after 12 noon)

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BOXFORD COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME

We are a group of volunteers providing transport for medical appointments in Boxford, Hadleigh, Sudbury or Bildeston. Information is on reception at the above surgeries. Recently a volunteer from Sudbury became available especially for Hospital appointments, so our Boxford Community Car Scheme, which only started in November, is now in need of more volunteer drivers either for local medical 'needs' or, hospital appointments.

Please ring Sue Green on 210603 if you would like to know more. Do hope you can join us, thank you.

The BOXFORD COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME is Run by Volunteers for the Community.

The Chairman of Boxford Parish Council
invites all residents to the

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

on

Tuesday 3rd April 2011 at
7.30 for 7.45 p.m. start in Boxford Village Hall

FURTHER DETAILS TO FOLLOW

Reports will be provided from the Chairman and other
Village Organisations.

Parish Councillors:

Roger Balls, Steve Egglestone, Suzanne Impett, Michael
Norman,

Richard Gates, Cecil Hughes, Julian Fincham-Jacques,
Darren Rule and Sue Green

Babergh District Councillor: Bryn Hurren

Suffolk County Councillor: James Finch

Police Representative: PCSO Jamie Fudge

Will all be present and Tea & Coffee will be served at 7.30 p.m.

PUBLIC NOTICE

"It has come to the attention of Groton Parish Council that horses are being ridden on Public Footpaths in Groton. The Parish Council would like to respectfully remind riders that Public Footpaths are, in fact, a right of passage on foot only and are not Bridleways and horses can only use footpaths if they have the consent of the occupier.

[If damage is caused by those given permission the occupier has to re-instate the surface.]

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Clerk to the Council

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Wot's On

Suffolk Villages Festival

BIBLICAL SCENES: Byrd – Gibbons – Schütz – Locke – Purcell
 Claire Tomlin soprano • Psalmody • Suffolk Villages Festival Viol Consort • directed by Peter Holman

Sunday 26 February 2012 • 6pm • St Mary's Church, Boxford

BYRD Christ rising again, Susanna fair, HOLBORNE The Cradle (Pavan) – The New Year's Gift (Galliard), GIBBONS This is the record of John, TOMKINS Above the stars my saviour dwells, PURCELL The Blessed Virgin's Expostulation, LOCKE When the Son of Man shall come in his glory, SCHÜTZ Sei gegrüßet, Maria (Annunciation Dialogue), Hodie Christus natus est, Sehnet an den Feigenbaum SCHEIN Pavan & Galliard in A minor, Banchetto musicale, Suite no. 6 SCHÜTZ Die sieben Worte Christe am Kreuz (Seven Last Words of Christ from the Cross), Herr, nun lasset (Canticum B. Simeonis) Tickets: £17, £13 & £11 (half-price to those in full-time education) Box office: 01206 366603, box@suffolkvillagesfestival.com, www.suffolkvillagesfestival.com. For further information about this concert please contact Louise Jameson, 01206 366603

Better Broadband for Suffolk

Conference 9th March 8.45am to 2pm (Lunch Included)

Apex Conference Centre, Bury St Edmunds IP33 3FD

Join us for the launch of the public consultation and for an opportunity to comment on our proposals for better broadband in Suffolk

- Technological and political and political speakers
- Showcases and demonstrations
- Comment on our proposals

- Tell us what better broadband means for you

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Please contact broadband@suffolk.gov.uk with your name, organisation and telephone details

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Thursday 8th March 1-3pm - drop in any time

The Stevenson Centre, Gt Cornard, £1. Details: 07950 436584



Coffee Morning

Wednesday 7th March 2012

10.00 a.m.

at the Golf Club, Newton Green

Lots of stalls:

Plants, preserves, produce

Bottle stall

Cake stall

Raffle

Gifts books puzzles

Table games

entrance 50p to include coffee & biscuits



1st Boxford Scouts Open-day A fun day out for all the family

A great day out

Canoeing



Archery



Bar - B - Que



**Saturday
12th May
2012**

Abseiling



Raft Races



Air rifles



Bridge Building



Entrance Fee £3
£10 for families

Free Activities
Refreshments
Licensed Bar

**11:00 am – 5:00 pm
Boxford Spinney**

Some events may only be available to members of the scout or guide movements
 Change of clothing and towel needed for canoeing

COFFEE MORNING

Newton Green Village Hall on

Saturday 10th. March 2012

10.00 – 12.00



"Xclusive Bags and Accessories" of Frinton

are bringing a fabulous range for you to select from in time for
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The event is to support Jonathan Adams who lives in Great Cornard and is our very
 own Paralympian in training. He competes as a seated discus and shot put athlete and
 is a member of the GB Paralympic squad.



Coffee/Tea and cake £1.00

Cake Stall

Raffle

For further information and offers of support please contact Janet Weaver on 06787 377652
 Thank you



MILDEN QUIZ NIGHT
HOSTED BY ANDREA & LAURIE
IN AID OF MILDEN PAVILION
REGISTERED CHARITY NO 304919

FRIDAY 2ND MARCH
AT MILDEN PAVILION

£10 PER PERSON
INCLUDES A FISH & CHIP SUPPER
DOORS OPEN 7.30PM SUPPER 8PM
LICENSED BAR
TEAMS OF 6 PER TABLE
TICKETS CALL PEARL 01787 247965



Milden Singers go'Pop'

Enjoy a 'pick of the pops' from the
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The Beatles, Adele and Take That

At Milden Pavilion on
Friday 20th April 8pm

doors open 7.30 with buffet
and licensed bar

Saturday 21st April 2pm

Doors open 1.30 with
afternoon tea & licensed bar

Tickets £5 call Pearl 01787 247965
In aid of Milden Pavilion Fund Registered charity 304919

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'Bickford's Lake'
Saturday 17th
March 2012
from 10.30am to
1.30pm (ish)

Venue: Groton Village Hall
£40 per person
16 x 12 inch canvas



'Mangrove Oasis'
Saturday 21st April 2012
from 10.30am to 1.30pm
(ish)

Venue: Boxford Village Hall
£40 per person
16 x 12 inch canvas

If you bring a friend or partner you can BOTH receive a £5 discount.
Visit website or contact Sue for details and other classes.

Wot's On

Little Waldingfield Open Gardens

We shall be opening our gardens again on Sunday 10 June 2012. All proceeds to church funds. More details will follow.

Dates for your Diary

June 30Lt Waldingfield Parish Room Quiz Night Parish Room 7.00pm
Oct 27 Lt Waldingfield Parish Room Quiz Night Parish Room 7.00pm

Milden Quiz Night

Friday 2nd March

Join 'Andrea and Laurie' for their Quiz Night in aid of Milden Pavilion. £10 per head to include a Fish & Chip Supper and there will be a licensed bar. Doors open at 7.30 with supper served at 8pm.

Teams of up to 6 per table. For tickets please call Pearl on 01787 247965.

Murder Most Manic!

The Murder Room

Boxford Drama Group's next production is the hilarious comedy farce by Jack Sharkey entitled 'The Murder Room'. A comic gem with a loony plot, barmy characters, slick and fast-moving dialogue and a cellar with a great deal of steps. Complication follows complication until chaos reigns supreme, and all directed by Jane Lindekam who helmed BDG's Tiptoe Through the Tombstones, Brush With a Body and the popular Farndale comedies.

Mavis Hollister's short marriage is about to become even shorter, or so she thought! On her fool-proof plan to bump off her new husband wasn't so fool-proof after all and faced with the prospect of being discovered about a secret assignation with her lover, she panics and tries a more direct method of elimination – one that seemed to succeed all too smoothly, much to her delight.

A dead cat, a disappearing body, incompetent constabulary, an interfering housekeeper, a fiancé and the daughter who is 5 watts short of a light bulb all of which manage to complicate matters as they all try to solve the mystery whilst an ever increasing manic Mavis tries to foil their every effort.

Performance dates are Thursday 8th 7.30pm £7.00 no supper or £13 with supper, Friday 9th and Saturday 10th March 7.30pm £13.00 with supper. Tickets will be available from Boxford Newsagents from Saturday 4th February.

Boxford Over 60's Club

Meetings every fortnight on Monday afternoons at 2.30pm in the Boxford Village Hall

For information please contact Shirley Watling 01787 210024

HADLEIGH CHORAL SOCIETY

MOZART Mass in C Minor (The Great Mass)

"Laudate Dominum"

HAYDN "Insanae et Vanae Curae"

St. Mary's Church, Hadleigh

Saturday 31st March at 7.30p.m.

Colchester Symphony Orchestra, Conducted by Christopher Phelps

Soloists; Stephanie Corley (soprano), Rebecca Afonwy-Jones (mezzo)

Paul Curievici (tenor) Owain Browne (bass)

Tickets £12 £10 (concs) £2 (under16) available from The Idler, Hadleigh 01473 827752, or on the door.

The Village Players

The Village Players Present Two Plays. Lady of letters by Alan Bennett and The Real Inspector Hound by Tom Stoppard March 29th/30th/31st at 8.00p.m.(bar opens at 7.30p.m.) in Nayland Village Hall. Tickets £7.50 (£5.00 under 16) available Nayland Post Office-afternoons only please. Or telephone 01206 262430.

Groton's Quiz & Curry evening

Don't miss Groton's Quiz & Curry evening

Groton Village Hall Management Committee will be hosting its popular Quiz & Curry on Friday 20th April at 7.30pm in the village hall. With original and entertaining questions plus an irresistible selection of curries and desserts, this is an evening not to be missed. Tickets £8.00 - including a two-course meal. Please bring your own drinks, glasses will be provided. Teams of four (individuals and pairs can be accommodated, so please do come along). All funds raised will go towards the repair and maintenance of the village hall. For further details and tickets, please contact Jayne Foster on 01787 211360 or Joanna Roberts on 01787 210619.

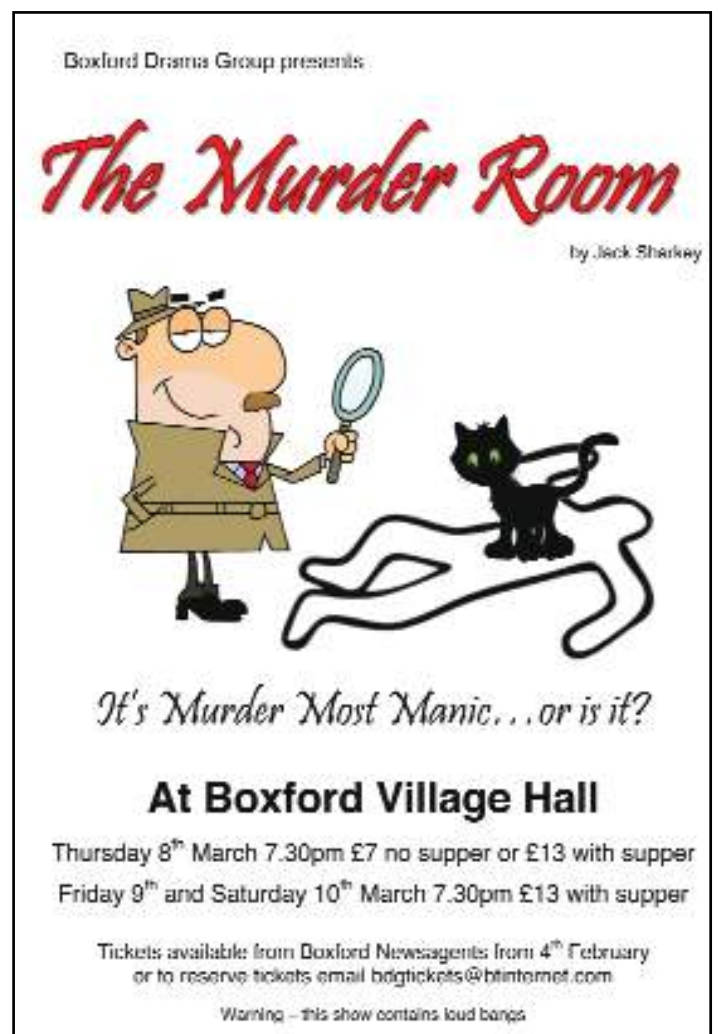


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Boxford Drama Group presents:

The Murder Room
by Jack Sharkey

It's Murder Most Manic... or is it?

At Boxford Village Hall

Thursday 8th March 7.30pm £7 no supper or £13 with supper
Friday 9th and Saturday 10th March 7.30pm £13 with supper

Tickets available from Boxford Newsagents from 4th February
or to reserve tickets email bdgtickets@btinternet.com

Warning - this show contains loud bangs

Wot's On

Polstead Cinema Polstead Village Hall.

Jane Eyre on March 23rd

Tickets £3.50 from the Polstead Community Shop or 01787 210029

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

Noel Myles

East Anglia and the Stour Valley

Gainsborough's House, Sudbury, Suffolk 31 March - 23 June 2012

This display of work by Noel Myles explores his lively and unconventional approach to landscape photography. The exhibition opens at Gainsborough's House on Saturday 31 March and runs until 24 June 2012.

Sudbury Symphony Orchestra Spring Concert

31st March 2012 7.30 pm, St Peter's, Market Hill, Sudbury

Conductor Matthew Andrews, Leader Christina Everson

Soloist - Lucinda Skinner, Cello

Beethoven - Fidelio, Leonora overture, no 3, op 72b

Saint Saens - Concerto for Cello, No 1, op 33, A minor

Brahms - Symphony No 2, op 73, D major

Tickets £10 (children £2) A limited number on the door.

Available through website - www.sudburysymphonyorchestra.com;

from Compact Music, North Street, Sudbury and from 01787 375099

(send cheque payable to Sudbury Symphony Orchestra and sae)

Boxford Gardening Society

Boxford Gardens Open

Sunday 3rd June 2012, 11am-5pm

This year's Boxford Gardens Open is set to be a very special event since it takes place on the Queen's Diamond Jubilee weekend and coincides with the visit of many friends from Boxford, Massachusetts. Please put the date in your diary and be sure to take a break from the village celebrations to visit our beautiful local gardens. Please also pray for good weather! This popular event requires a large number of volunteers to make it run smoothly, so any offers of help are always extremely welcome. In addition to existing gardens, we are also looking for new gardens to open. All money raised is used to benefit Boxford St Mary's church. Contact Angela Tolputt (212264).

EXERCISE FOR YOU -

Wednesday evenings at our local school, 7.00pm, aimed at getting stronger and improving cardiac health.

Friday mornings at Boxford Spinney, 9.15am, aimed at an older age group but with the same objectives. Call me on 01787 211822.

Mark Mitchel's Lecture 'The Suffolk Coastline'

Friday, March 16th, 7.30pm Groton Village Hall

We are most fortunate to have Mark Mitchels returning to Groton, this time to talk to us about 'The Suffolk Coast'. Those of you who remember his previous illustrated talks will be very keen to hear what he has to say about the Suffolk coast I am sure. He will cover the 40 miles from Corton to Ipswich, which will include the seaside towns and Dunwich of course, but also what he describes as "miles of sea shore and glorious deserted places". His previous talks have proved most entertaining, and his slides are always excellent. There will also be the usual delicious Groton Refreshments, but no bar, so bring your own wine [glasses provided]. So do please get your tickets soon, at £8 each from Pat Kennedy Scott [210319] or Jayne Foster [211360] All profits to St. Bartholomew's Church.

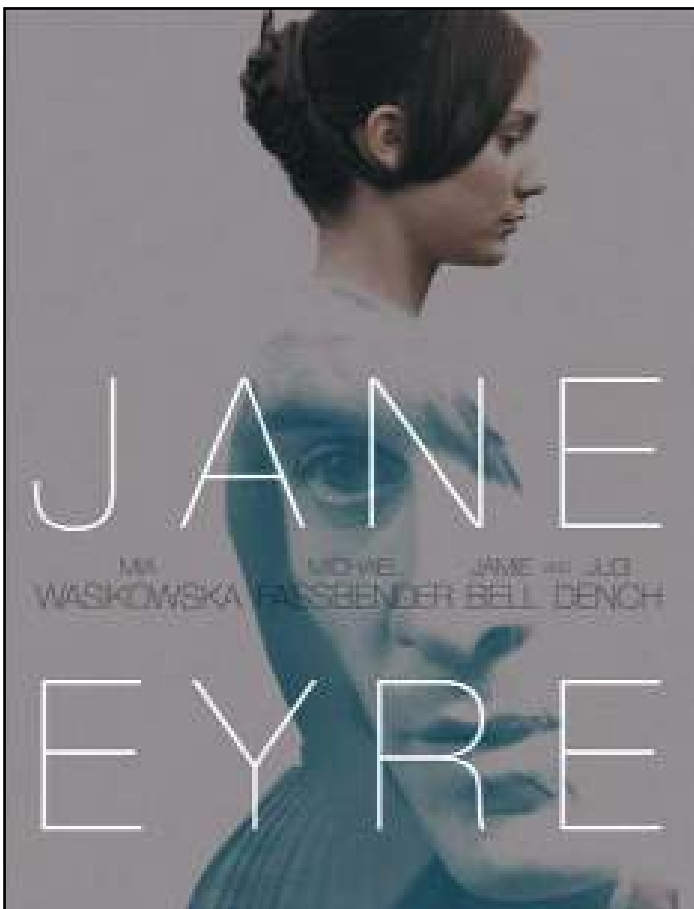
ANTIQUES FAIR March 17th

10.00am to 3.00pm Stoke by Nayland Village Hall CO6 4QP

Furniture, upholstered chairs, stools, mirrors, maritime collectibles, jewellery, glass, silver, pictures, china, teddy bears & more. FREE entrance. For information and enquiries about the Antiques Fair telephone Wendy Prescott on 01206 262087

BOXFORD WI

This month we had a musical meeting titled the History of Jazz 1900 - 1945. Our speaker, Grant Elliot was very informative and entertaining. He began the history from its early roots with the slaves in the southern states of America, to its establishment in New Orleans and the influences and development of the music as it moved further north. The talk was amply illustrated with musical extracts. The craft club began a project to make and cover a small fabric box. Next month the boxes will be completed. All visitors are welcome at a cost of £3. If you would like a copy of our 2012 Programme please phone Heather on 01787 211566.



JANE EYRE

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POLSTEAD VILLAGE HALL FRIDAY 23rd March
Tickets £3-50, from Polstead Community Shop
or on 01787 210029.
All films begin at 7-30pm, doors open at 7-00pm

QUIZ NIGHT

EDWARDSTONE PARISH HALL

Saturday 10th March
7.00 p.m. for 7.30 p.m.

Tickets £5.00 each
(To include light refreshments)

Tables of up to 8 people

Licensed Bar & Raffle

Tickets available from Daphne Clark 01787 210698

In aid of Edwardstone Parish Hall Improvements

Wot's On

Leavenheath Village Hall Digital Cinema

Present our latest films

MAOS LAST DANCER, SATURDAY 3RD MARCH

Audiences everywhere have literally cheered this wonderful film

Arrive 7.00pm Film starts 7.30pm (105 mins with 20mins interval)

Please phone early to reserve your seats

Tickets £3.50 per adult and £2.00 per child

Telephone: Lesley (01206 262505) or Ken (01206 263266) for tickets

Refreshments (wine, beer, soft drinks, coffee, tea & ice creams) will be available before the film and during the interval.

Proceeds towards LVH Capital Project Fund (Charity No 262816)

The Suffolk Villages Festival

Winter Concert Series 2011 - 2012

Artistic Director: Peter Holman

Sunday 22 April 2012, 6.00 pm, St Mary's Church, Boxford

David Owen Norris (fortepiano) From Mendelssohn to Elgar

Felix Mendelssohn-Bartholdy Songs without Words Book One, Johannes

Brahms Six Piano Pieces Op.118,

William Sterndale Bennett The Maid of Orléans: Sonata Op.46, Edward

Elgar Concert Allegro

BOXFORD GARDENING SOCIETY

PROGRAMME for first half of 2012

20th March Matthew TantonBrown, Dip. Hort. RHS Manager, The Place for Plants. "Growing your own vegetables"

17th April PLANT SALE In Village Hall as usual

15th May Bob Flowerdew, Organic gardener, lecturer, television and radio personality. "No Work Gardening".

TICKET ONLY EVENT: Cost: £8 Members, £12 Non-members

Tickets available at monthly meetings or from the Events Organiser, Rosie Osborne

19th June, Away Evening by car to Shrubs Farm, Lamarsh, Bures

C08SEA. Guided tour by owner, Robert Erith

Rare trees, perfumed rose garden, Bronze Age burial urns.

Glass of wine/soft drink, light supper. Cost £12

All events, unless otherwise stated, take place in Boxford Village Hall on the third Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm. at a cost of £1 per person for

Boxford Gardening Society Members. Members' Guests welcome to

attend our normal monthly talks for £5 per guest. All tickets available

from Rosie Osborne Events and Outings Organiser: Rosie Osborne

01787 211960 e-mail: rosie.osborne@btinternet.com Membership

Secretary: Elizabeth Wagener 01787210223

e-mail: elizabeth.wagener@btinternet.com

FOBS QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 10th MARCH 7.30pm

The Annual FOBS Quiz Night will take place on the above date in the school hall at Boxford School. Teams of up to 8 people, £5 per head.

Light refreshments will be served and there will be a licensed bar and

raffle. Please note it is a prompt start at 7.30pm, doors open at 7.00pm.

To book a team: Please telephone Stephanie Atkins on 01787 210444

or Boxford School on 01787 210332.

Nayland Jubilee Church Fete

Monday 4th June 2-4.30pm on Nayland Playing Field

Jazz Band, Stalls, Sideshows, Sports, Classic Vehicle Display

Raffle 1st prize £150.

Admission £2 Children 50p. Concessions £1 Free Car Parking

All proceeds in aid of St. James Fabric Fund

Nayland Open Gardens

Sunday 17th June 2-6pm

Homemade teas, plant stall, Tickets £5 from any garden or the Village Hall. Free car parking at the Village Hall

All proceeds towards local conservation projects.

Bob Flowerdew

Please could you note that tickets for the talk by Bob Flowerdew on May

15 are only available from me, Elizabeth Wagener Tel: 01787 210223

email elizabeth.wagener@btinternet.com or from The Boxford News.

This is a Ticket Only event open to members and non-members alike and tickets are selling fast!

GROTON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
PRESENTS



QUIZ AND CURRY EVENING

At

Groton Village Hall (Former WI Hall)

On Friday 20th April 2012 7.30 for 8.00 Start

£8.00 per head (entry plus choice of curry & dessert)

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Forthcoming Events Diary

March			
2 Milden Quiz Night		Milden Pavilion	7.30pm
7 Boxford WI	Healthy Joints, Acupuncture and Acupressure	Village Hall	2pm
7 Coffee Morning	Newton Golf Club		10am
8 Boxford WI Craft Club	Box making	Mary's House	2.15pm
8/9/10 Boxford Drama Group 'The Murder Room'		Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
10 Edwardstone Parish Hall Quiz		Parish Hall	7.00pm
10 FOBS Quiz		Boxford School	7.30pm
10 Coffee Morning	Xclusive Bags	Newton Village Hall	10-12noon
16 Illustrated Talk by Mark Mitchels	Groton PCC	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
20 Boxford Gardening Society	Mathew Tainton-Brown	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
April			
3 Boxford Parish Annual Parish Meeting		Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
15 Boxford Bike Club	The Boxford Tornado	Suffolk Routes	TBA
17 Boxford Gardening Society	Plant Sale	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
20 Quiz and Curry Evening	Groton Village Hall Mgt Committee	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm
20/21 Milden Singers		The Pavilion	8&2pm
22 Suffolk Villages Festival	Winter Concert Series	Boxford St Mary's	6pm
May			
TBA Boxford Drama Group 'Weekenders' & 'Last Flight		Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
5 Boxford Rovers	Great Boxford Run	Playingfields	9.30am
12 1st Boxford Scouts Open Day		The Spinney, Boxford	TBA
15 Boxford Gardening Society	Bob Flowerdew	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
June			
3 Boxford Gardens Open	Boxford Gardening Society		11am-5pm
4 Little Waldingfield Jubilee Celebrations		Playing Field	Noon - Evening
10 Little Waldingfield Gardens Open			
19 Boxford Gardening Society	Visit Shrubs Farm		TBA
30 Quiz Night	Little Waldingfield Parish Room	Parish Room	7.00pm
July			
7 Boxford School Fete		Boxford School	2 till 5pm
October			
27 Quiz Night	Little Waldingfield Parish Room	Parish Room	7.00pm
November			
17 Festive Fair	Boxford Village Hall	Boxford Village Hall	TBA
December			
31 New Years Eve party	Boxford Village Hall	Boxford Village Hall	TBA
First and Third Monday each month	Boxford Parish Council Meetings in Bell House, Stone Street St, Boxford		7.30pm



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Table Sale

Clear out your unwanted items and increase your bank balance!
Or come and browse for bargains

Sunday 4th March - 10am to 2pm (Free Entry)

Places are limited so please phone - 01787 880366 or
email assingtonbarn@hotmail.co.uk to book

Pitches: £5 outside, £6.50 in the polytunnel (bring your own table/s)

After you have looked around or sold all your stock! Relax on the sofas by our cosy wood burner or enjoy lunch in our Licensed Tea Room. We have a selection of teas, sandwiches, pastries and sweet treats. Our soups are homemade as are the scones & join in our Cream Tea!

We hope to see you soon.....



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

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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.

"I don't know how to pray.....can you help?"

Many people struggle with prayer – and that includes vicars and priests! It should be so easy and so natural, shouldn't it – talking to someone who love us? Because that's what the Christian faith promises us – that our Heavenly Father loves us as his children; that Jesus loves us so much that gave his all for us; that God's Holy Spirit "The Comforter" is always beside us – whatever happens - ready to guide and support us forever.

Even knowing all of this, though, we can still fall into traps when we try to pray. We think that it's something we can only do in church. We think we have to work ourselves up into a very holy and pious state of mind before we can dare to talk to God. We think we have to use special, religious language.

The truth about prayer is so much simpler. God already knows what we need. He knows us through and through (try reading Psalm 139). He doesn't need us to be in a holy frame of mind or to use religious words – in fact he doesn't need us to say any words at all, although sometimes words can help us. Some of the best prayers are short and honest and from the heart: Lord, I'm in trouble - help me; Lord, my life's a mess; Lord I feel so empty and dry. Or, when things are going well: Lord, thank you; Lord, I love you; Lord, now I understand. All we need to do is find a place, a space, a little time in our day to let his presence, his peace – or perhaps his challenge to us - filter through. That space or place could be in your car – ten minutes to sit and be still after the school drop off, before you plunge back into the daily routine, or in your lunch hour, before you return to work. It could be whilst out on a favourite walk or in your armchair. You will gradually find out what works for you. And if you are at home, why not make a "prayer corner" with some simple objects, a few smooth pebbles, a budding twig, a lighted candle, a wooden cross? Make that a special place you know you go can go to whenever you want to, helping to calm and settle you into the presence of the One who knows you, who loves you, and who hears your prayer.

Blessings, Revd. Judith



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- Lent: During Lent God is not calling us to think up some new, outlandish act of self sacrifice. Such an effort might also make us become even more stressed in what, for most of us, are already very busy lives. A good discipline for all of us would be, not to deny our humanity but to focus on it this Lent. For ours is a faith based on the life of Jesus. He took on flesh (became incarnate) just to let us know how worthwhile we are.

What do we need to change in our daily lives to live more fully, more contentedly as a human being? It might indeed be reading an improving book, but it just as well might be sitting still for 10 minutes a day doing nothing in particular, or spending regular, extra quality time with a loved one, or having one computer-free day each week or... or....

Mothering Sunday - 11.00, Sunday 18th March: Everyone is most welcome to this special family service with flowers for our mums as well

Annual Parish Church Meeting - Sunday 1st April after Evensong at 6.30pm (meeting at 7.30pm) when Churchwardens are elected & a new Parochial Church Council elected as well. News of church activities as well.

The Diamond Jubilee Weekend: 2nd - 4th June In addition to the many events & activities in the village & benefice this weekend, a special service is planned to be held 10.30am on Sunday 3rd June, in St. Mary's Parish Church, to celebrate & in thanksgiving for the Diamond Jubilee of Her Majesty The Queen. A service of Songs of Praise will be held at 6.30pm that evening. More news next month.

The Boxford Open Gardens is also planned for Sunday 3rd June

PCC Secretary Needed: The Parochial Church Council is seeking a secretary to assist with the work of the council. If you feel you could spare some time please contact a churchwarden or the Revd Judith.

Volunteers & help needed - We need volunteers to help with regular church cleaning. If you could help please contact Chris Cuthbert or a churchwarden.

Coffee rota: Sunday mornings - can you help with serving coffee after church services? Please speak to Ruth Kingsbury or the Revd Judith.

Fundraising Committee: Can you help by joining our fundraising group - we need ideas & help. Please contact a churchwarden or the Revd Judith

The Boxford Calendar- 2013 Our fundraising team will be producing a Calendar for 2013 so lots of new photos please to ChrisKingsC@aol.com

The Bible Study Group meets at 8.00pm on the 2nd & 4th Monday each month. Please do come along, you will be made most welcome.

Concerts at St. Mary's Church:

The Suffolk Villages Festival Winter series of concerts are held at St. James' Church Nayland, St. Mary's Boxford, & St. Mary's Hadleigh.

Sunday 26th February at 6.00pm in St. Mary's Boxford & Sunday 22nd April. Full details are available in church.

Smile Lines: "A minister waited in a queue to have his car filled with fuel just before a long bank holiday weekend. The attendant was working quickly, but there were many cars ahead of him in front of the service station. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump. "Father," said the young man, "I'm sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip." The minister chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."



THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwarden:

Jan Paul Willow Farm, Edwardstone
Tel: 210972

David Saddleton 8 The Winthrops, Edwardstone
Tel: 211161

FROM THE REGISTERS:

Baptism: 15 January 2012, LARA JOSEPHINE WILLIAMS

ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING:

Advanced Notice: Annual Church Meeting to elect churchwardens, PCC members etc. will be held on Wednesday 18 April 2012. We need your support. David Saddleton

QUEEN'S DIAMOND JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS:

Date for your Diaries: We are organising a Champagne Breakfast, Local History Presentation and Children's Treasure Hunt at Edwardstone Parish Hall on Saturday 2 June.

More details next month. Daphne Clark 210698

LENT LUNCH on Wednesday 14th March at 12.30pm at Mill Green End (Pam & Antony's house)

ROTA:

	Sidesman	Cleaning	Flowers	Teas/Coffees
March 4:	Mrs Dodd	Mr & Mrs Dodd	No Flowers	Mrs Clark
March 11:	Visiting	Mrs Morris	(Lent)	
March 18	Mrs Dodd	Mrs Morris		
March 25:	Visiting	Mrs Clarke & Mrs Clark		

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

ANNUAL MEETINGS:

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners (to elect churchwardens) is on Wednesday 28th March at 7.30 pm in Groton Village Hall, Broad Street, Groton. It will be followed at 7.40 pm by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting ("APCM"). This is the meeting that elects representatives to serve on the PCC for the coming year. The PCC presents its report and accounts for 2010 and there is an opportunity to raise any matter of parochial or general church interest. Anyone whose name is on the church electoral roll is entitled to attend and vote. Do come to this important meeting in the life of the church and have your say.

The Suffolk Coastline

Friday, March 16th Groton Village Hall 7.30pm

We are most fortunate to have Mark Mitchels returning to Groton, this time to talk to us about 'The Suffolk Coast'. Those of you who remember his previous illustrated talks will be very keen to hear what he has to say about the Suffolk coast I am sure. He will cover the 40 miles from Corton to Ipswich, which will include the seaside towns and Dunwich of course, but also what he describes as "miles of sea shore and glorious deserted places" His previous talks have proved most entertaining, and his slides are always excellent. There will also be the usual delicious Groton Refreshments, but no bar, so bring your own wine [glasses provided]. So do please get your tickets soon, at £8 each from Pat Kennedy Scott [210319] or Jayne Foster [211360]. All profits to St. Bartholomew's Church.

ROTA:

Sidesman with Sacristan:	Ms S Edwards
Flowers:	No flowers – Lent
Cleaning:	Mrs Y Skinner

Copy Date for Church News section in the APRIL 2012 Box River News:

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Thank you. Sue Edwards. 210785

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THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

Churchwardens

Vacant

ROTA:

Mar 4

Mar 11

Mar 18

Mar 25

Sidesman

Mr Squirrell

Visiting

Mrs Gardiner & Mr Powell No Flowers - Lent

Visiting

Flowers

No Flowers - Lent

No Flowers - Lent

No Flowers - Lent

No Flowers - Lent



THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

Churchwarden:

Christine Cornell,

"Opus", Sudbury Road, Newton,

Tel; 370331

FAMILY SERVICE:

This was held on 22nd January, having as its theme 'The Wedding in Cana'. To bring the story to life, a recently married young couple and members of the congregation helped to tell the story of Jesus changing the water to wine.

This was demonstrated 'symbolically' by the Revd Judith assisted by two young helpers who took the 'new wine' to our 'newly weds'.

Organ and guitar accompanied our singing, and the service ended on a happy note with refreshments, prolonged chatting, and activity pages for the younger members.

Thank you to all who came.

On the 29th January quite a number of Newton parishioners attended the 'Five Villages' Candlemas service held at Boxford despite the cold weather.

11th March: Holy Communion at 9.30 a.m.

18th March: Hymns and Readings for Mothering Sunday at 9.30 a.m.

25th March: Family Service at 11 a.m.

Tuesday, 17th April: A.G.M. at All Saints' Church, Newton at 7.30 p.m.

The Annual General Meeting of Parishioners will be held to elect Church Wardens.

This is immediately followed by the Annual Parochial Church meeting when the annual accounts will be presented and a report on the last year given.

At this meeting members are elected to serve on the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

All parishioners are invited to attend. Refreshments will be provided.

Date for your diary: Saturday, 19th May at 7.30 p.m. in the Village Hall

Wine Tasting and Quiz', with refreshments.

Flowers: No flowers in Lent.

Cleaning: Mrs. Wendy Turner

MARY'S HOUSE BOOKINGS

There is now a new 2012 diary in Mary's House for making bookings.

When making a booking, please ensure that a contact name and telephone number is entered clearly in the diary in respect of every booking, as we need to know who to contact in the event of any query over, or the need to change, a booking.

Please also note that the suggested donation is now £1.00 per head for a two-hour booking for all meetings.

For inquiries about bookings, please contact Pauline or David Lammings: telephone 210360.

Box River Benefice The Church At Worship MARCH 2012

Thursday 1st Lt. Waldingfield	19.00	Home Communion - Newmans Hall (Reserved Sacrament)	Tim Harbord
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Sunday 4th		2nd of Lent	(P)
Lt Waldingfield	8.00	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Edwardstone	9.30	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Boxford	11.00	All Age Worship	Revd Judith
Boxford	18.30	Evensong	Christopher Kingsbury

Wednesday 7th	10.30	Holy Communion Mary's House (Reserved Sacrament)	Antony Dodd
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Sunday 11th		3rd of Lent	(P)
Groton	8.00	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Newton Green	9.30	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Boxford	11.00	Holy Communion	Revd Judith

Wednesday 14th Boxford	10.30	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Thursday 15th Lt Waldingfield	19.00	Compline at Newmans Hall	Tim Harbord

Sunday 18th		Mothering Sunday	(P)
<i>* Starred services: flower posies will be given to mothers; coffee/tea after service</i>			
Edwardstone	8.00	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Groton	9.30	Family Service *	David Lamming
Lt Waldingfield	9.30	Family Service *	Revd Judith
Newton Green	9.30	Family Service *	Chris Cornell and Team
Boxford	11.00	Family Service *	Revd Judith
Edwardstone	16.00	Family Service *	Revd Judith

Wednesday 21st Boxford	10.30	Holy Communion Mary's House	The Revd David Abel
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Sunday 25th		5th of Lent	(P)
Boxford	8.00	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Groton	9.30	Holy Communion	Revd Judith
Newton Green	11.00	Family Service	Revd Judith
Boxford	11.00	Matins	Christopher Kingsbury

Wednesday 28th Boxford	10.30	Holy Communion Mary's House	Revd Judith
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Daily Prayer		A 30 minute informal said service with Revd Judith	All are welcome
Tuesday	9.00	Edwardstone	
	17.00	Little Waldingfield	
Wednesday	9.00	Groton	
Thursday	9.00	Newton	
	17.00	Boxford	

Soap Box

What feels like several lifetimes ago, I was embroiled in a controversy with some of my partners in a business we owned together. The problem was that I had decided to leave my colleagues in order to join a bigger ship, so to speak. The circumstances were hardly controversial. We had been in take-over discussions with our much larger competitor, but the rest of the firm were at odds with me, preferring to stay where they were.

To say they made my life difficult was an understatement. As a director, I naturally was bound by restrictive conditions and had a lengthy notice period to serve out. The last thing I wanted was an unpleasant and unco-operative last few weeks in a company I had helped to build – but that is just what I got. I felt they were resorting to tactics that were unreasonable and unnecessary. And I wanted to hit back.

Seeking help from one of the bosses of my soon to be new home, I was advised to cool down and ignore the threats made against me. He used an interesting analogy to describe why I needed to take a step back. Imagine a tree in a field, he said. Two people could look at it from different angles and gain totally separate images of the tree. Yet it was still the same oak or ash they were viewing.

I could see his point. The same set of circumstances could appear very different, depending on your viewpoint. They felt I was running out on them. I thought I was doing the right thing from my perspective and had tried to convince them of the wisdom of taking the path I had chosen. We failed to agree. The fact that subsequent events proved me right gives me little comfort.

Finding the middle ground between two opposing positions can be tricky, but is seldom impossible. The trouble is that the protagonists often refuse to listen to each other. Sometimes it takes a third party to sort out these disagreements. Even this does not always work. What concerns me is the way in which often trivial differences can escalate into all out conflict, with seemingly little chance for compromise.

A contributory factor in these high tech times, with near instant communication facilities, is email, in my humble opinion. The opportunity to fire off a missive, outlining a perceived injustice, or to respond to a message with little thought of the potential consequences of the affect your reply might engender, exists like never before. I am only

too well aware of replying in haste and repenting at leisure.

Unfortunately, as Parish Council Chairman, I find myself arbitrating in a variety of arguments of widely varying merit, many of which should never have reached such a state of affairs. Sometimes the character of one of those involved will create additional tension, or there might be a hidden agenda with one of the parties. Perhaps a previous slight is colouring the attitude of one of the protagonists. But all too often the real problem is that those involved have simply not spoken to each other.

Just recently there have been a few occasions where opposing stances have been struck with little real reason that I can detect. In a small community – like a village, or a benefice even – getting on with one another is important. A survey published recently suggested we were getting worse as a nation in knowing who we were living next to. I would like to think that in our little corner of Suffolk we rated higher than much of the rest of the country. But there again, perhaps the unresolved disputes are simply a symptom of us all growing further apart.

Brian Tora is Chairman of Little Waldingfield Parish Council.

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GARDENING IN MARCH HARRY BUCKLEDEE

This month, the days get longer, the sun gets stronger, and the first signs of spring arrive. But beware! Don't let your enthusiasm run away on mild days. Frosts will still be lurking around. It is better to delay sowing and planting if the soil is to wet and cold.

Don't be tempted to buy bedding plants, which the garden centers are selling now it's far too early. Start mulching those beds so to give a helping hand to those plants, which are starting to poke their heads through. Put stakes and other plant supports in to support new growth before it really needs it.

The invasion of moss in lawns is quite a serious problem now. The cause may be bad drainage or impoverished turf. Mowing too close in the Autumn can cause moss to grow and smother the grass. Steps should be taken to correct the poor physical conditions and treat the lawn with lawn sand. Aerate the turf by raking it several times to remove dead grass, debris and moss, then spike the whole area with a four prong fork. This action is important to maintain good drainage so that rain is not allowed to remain on the surface and create conditions ideal for disease. Watch out for patches of Fusarium disease which shows up by patches of dead grass, up to a foot in diameter with a mass of pinky white threads over the patch. Treat with a propriety brand of fungicide, following the manufacturer's instructions. Several applications may be necessary to affect a cure. A good home made mix of Lawn Sand can be made up by using the following: 3 parts Sulphate of Iron, 5 parts Sulphate of Ammonia, 8 parts dry sharp sand or dry fine grade peat. Mix thoroughly and apply to the grass at a good handful per square yard. The Sulphate of Iron will kill the moss and the Sulphate of Ammonia will encourage the grass to grow above the moss. Some blackening of the grass may occur especially if there is no rainfall for two days, but this is only temporary.

The buds of Rhododendron's, Azalias and Camelias which turn brown and fail to open, can be caused by one or two things. It can be frost damage, in which case the damaged buds are soft and can be easily pulled away from the shrub. Or it can be a condition known as Bud Blast, in this case the buds are brown and covered in black hair like growth. The buds remain firmly attached to the shrub and do not rot. Cutting off and burning the affected buds and spraying with a fungicide will help control the disease. Spray with an insecticide to destroy the leaf hopper which is thought to spread the disease from plant to plant. In the case of Camelias, the browning of buds is more likely to be frost damage. Keeping the plants watered in dry weather

will help them withstand an attack.

Over wintering veg, like sprouting broccoli and spring cabbage, will need a two oz per square yard dressing of a quick acting nitrogenous fertiliser like Sulphate of Ammonia, Nitro Chalk or dried blood. Loosening the soil around the plants with a Dutch Hoe will aerate the soil and promote good growth as well as the control of weeds.

Spring flowering pansies, polyanthus, daisies and wall flowers will all benefit from similar treatment.

Spring usually arrives by mid-March and the frequent sunny days provide the opportunity for an increasing range of gardening tasks. It's time to get busy preparing seed beds, sowing seed, cutting back winter shrubs and generally tidying up around the garden.

Top jobs this month

1. Plant shallots, onion sets and early potatoes
2. Protect new spring shoots from slugs
3. Plant summer-flowering bulbs
4. Lift and divide overgrown clumps of perennials
5. Top dress containers with fresh compost
6. Mow the lawn on dry days (if needed)
7. Cut back Cornus (dogwood) and Salix (willow) grown for colourful winter stems
8. Weeds come back in to growth - deal with them before they get out of hand
9. Open the greenhouse or conservatory doors and vents on warm days

Feeling Crafty?

If you are then you may like to know that there's a new inspirational venue for those of you who like to get creative. Brook Farm Studio in Bildeston has been opened by local artist and tutor Hazel Bradshaw for the teaching of a wide range of arts and crafts.

Hazel, who has been teaching courses for Suffolk County Council in and around Hadleigh for several years now, teaches painting and felting as well as running a craft club on Wednesday mornings. Other tutors also teach at the studio and courses planned for the autumn include Floristry and Jewellery Making using Silver Clay (P.M.C.). On Saturdays there will be monthly classes for children who are, or will be, studying Art at GCSE in order for them to develop their skills and portfolios, a cartoon club for all ages, singing workshops, drawing classes for adults and one off classes in a wide range of subjects.

During the Summer Holidays on Wednesdays the Craft Club will be open to children aged 7 and over, on Tuesday afternoons the Cartoon Club will run and on Thursday afternoons there will be a Glee style singing club for 11 - 18 year olds which, as well as being great fun will culminate in a performance at the B Natural Festival in Bildeston in September. For the adults this summer Hazel's painting classes will continue on Tuesday mornings and there will be a Felting class for beginners and improvers on Thursday mornings.

Children's craft club will run from 10.30am-12.30pm and cost £5 (plus small charge for materials). Other morning sessions run from 10 - 12.30 and cost £8. Afternoons are 2 - 4 and £7.

In addition to the classes Brook Farm Studio also boasts a well stocked shop full of unique, local, hand-crafted gifts and cards, with prices starting at under £5.

For more information call Hazel on 01473 823 819 or 07432 138 966 or pop down to Brook Farm Studio: you'll find it in the old Showcase Car Showroom building in Bildeston on the junction with the Chelsworth Road. We are open Tues-Fri 10am-3pm and Sat 10am-1pm. Closed from 8th 17th August for summer holiday.

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For details contact Hazel: 07432 138 966 or 01473

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Parish Council Matters

Little Waldingfield Parish Council Meeting

17 January 2012

Present: B Tora, V Flute, R Williams, C Hamblett, D Kiddy, R Ridgeon
5 members of the public

Apologies: M Ewen, District Cllr J Antill

Declarations of Interest: None.

Police Matters/Speedwatch: No police report received. Speedwatch resumes in March and the new rota has been issued. We now have sufficient volunteers for the village to be independent of members from other villages in the partnership. Concerns have been raised about the speed of traffic leaving and approaching the village down Church Road as there is more pedestrian activity from and to the stable/field now more horses are kept there. A 'Beware of horses' or 'Concealed entrance' sign will be requested as there is limited visibility for those leaving the field.

Minutes of the last meeting: These were agreed as a true record and signed.

Matters Arising: B Tora has drafted a newsletter for distribution to raise awareness of new initiatives/issues to all residents. It covers bus service/grit bins/Diamond Jubilee celebrations/village website and more. The PC meal was held on 15 January and enjoyed by all who attended.

Financial Matters: Between meetings a cheque was signed in favour of MTM for the 2 x grit bins.

Planning Matters: Permission has been granted for the removal of an ash tree at 1 Woodhall Barns.

The application for the erection of a farmhouse and further storage facilities at Haymarket was discussed at length. This had been circulated previously to councillors and the Chairman had met with affected neighbours, the applicant and the applicant's agent. Further tree and hedge planting to that shown in the plans has been agreed. If the farmer is living in the village heavy farm traffic is likely to lessen as agricultural machinery will be stored on site instead of needing to be brought in as now. It was decided that providing assurances can be given by the District Council that permission for an agricultural workers dwelling on this site would not open the doors for further development outside of the village envelope, no objections to this application will be made. We will also request confirmation that an 'agricultural tie' will be a condition, as a lack of this has caused difficulties previously.

Correspondence: None received.

Telephone Box: M Ewen is still trying to confirm responsibilities for the electricity supply.

Village Website: There have been 35 'hits' since our December meeting.

Public Transport: We understand that 3 responses were received from Little Waldingfield to the survey, but this was questioned by members of the public present. An 8 seater taxi on a Thursday may be a possibility if there are sufficient regular users. Options for non-car owners/users will continue to be vigorously pursued.

Diamond Jubilee celebrations: A meeting with representatives from other village groups was attended the previous evening by B Tora, M Ewen and the Clerk. Ideas for afternoon and evening entertainments were discussed and further suggestions are welcome. There will definitely be organised games for children during the afternoon. Village organisations can 'set up their stall' to raise awareness of what services they provide. The Over 60s offered to run a tea and cakes stall and this was gratefully accepted.

Footpaths: A working party will check and clear footpaths as necessary. The footpath across Park Farm is clear, but some walkers are concerned about the alpacas in the paddock and use an alternative route that is not the designated footpath.

Newsletter: A report will be submitted to the BRN.

Churchyard: No issues have been brought to our attention.

Any other business: The Clerk will investigate the cost of providing a further rubbish bin. There have been complaints about a stray dog in the village. The Clerk will contact Babergh DC. V Flute will distribute the 'Better Broadband' survey.

Litter pick to be held 17 March: Dates of future meetings were set as 21 February, 27 March, 24 April, 22 May (Annual Parish Meeting) and 3 July.

Meetings of Boxford Parish Council

held in December 2011

Meeting on 6th December

Finance: Members considered the budget for next year and agreed a nominal increase on the current Precept by 2% bringing it to £33536. The bank mandate forms updating the signatories were duly signed by members.

Diamond Jubilee 2012: It was agreed to provide a commemorative mug per household in Boxford Parish and order additional ones for purchase.

Street Lighting Feasibility Report: The Clerk had worked on a feasibility report on the potential to upgrade the Parish Street Lighting with LED in view of potential power and maintenance savings. She had investigated a potential grant source that may make the scheme desirable. She had explained details to a representative from the Green Team and was hopeful of getting a letter of support. It was agreed to apply for a substantial green grant with the balance coming from earmarked reserves and a public works loan. Once the outcome of the applications is known, the Parish Council will decide whether to proceed with the upgrade.

Reports from Members: Cllr Green stated traffic issues are of most concern to residents attending the Police Priority Setting Meetings. She has made further progress with the car sharing scheme (details can be found at the Doctors Surgery) and Cllr Norman offered to assist when he is available with his 4x4. The Cemetery Sub Committee agreed to progress the cutting of the hedge between the Churchyard and the School. At the Cemetery (on the Village Hall side of the road) they had agreed for the hedge to be reduced by a third. Cllr Gates confirmed the grit heaps requested for Brick Kiln Hill had been received.

Parish Council Meeting on 19th December

Police Report: PCSO Jamie Fudge was unable to attend, however, had provided a report showing two criminal damage incidents in the parish in the month before the meeting. Both involved fencing damage to a property at Cox Hill. In his report PCSO Jamie Fudge encouraged everyone to be prepared before taking a car journey and if it snows to make sure the snow is cleared from the bonnet and roof of the car as well as the windows.

County Council Report: County Cllr James Finch attended and reported on the County Council's budget recommendations with a 0% increase on Council Tax. He reminded everyone of the importance to complete the Broadband surveys which apply to individuals and businesses. He reported on the outstanding ofsted rating at Pakefield Children's Home. He clarified the Company offering a 25 year warranty on the potential LED street lighting was in the process of being taken over by Philips Lighting who was looking to honour the guarantee. Members asked Cllr Finch to investigate the highways position regarding the proposed Goodlands Development.

District Council Report: District Cllr Bryn Hurren was present to deliver his report and advised the Homefield flats were approaching completion and were to be open for bids in mid January. He stressed the local demand for Affordable Homes was high and the number of applicants bidding for the 8 homes was likely to be high. A site meeting was being arranged for the Development Committee to attend Goodlands. Public toilets were under review to save money. Short stay parking in Hadleigh and Sudbury was not to incur charges for the time being. Work has continued to narrow the budget gap at the District Council and they were considering an increase in Council Tax for their element by 3.5%.

Correspondence: The Clerk had circulated her report ahead of the meeting and key areas were discussed. It was agreed to ask the Cemetery Contractor to mow to the boundary in the north east corner of the churchyard where some planting has been removed.

Finance: A deposit for Jubilee Mugs was paid together with the invoice for work to the Cemetery trees.

Reports from Members: It was agreed to chase County Highways regarding the puddle at the bottom of the Croft. It was agreed to report the missing lettering on the finger post near the Village Sign. The Chairman agreed to issue a letter of thanks to Ian Tippet from Babergh District Council who was to be leaving the District Council. During his time at the District Council, Ian had helped progress many Local Needs Housing schemes in the area.

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Parish Council Matters

Minutes of a meeting of Newton Parish Council

Wednesday 11th January 2012

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

Attending: James Finch (Suffolk County Councillor), D Crimmin (Clerk) and 4 members of public.

Apologies for Absence: Apologies received from PC Garrod.

Declaration of Interests: Cllr Taylor declared personal and prejudicial interests in items 12/007a as a payment was to his father and left the meeting while the item was discussed.

Minutes of Meeting held on 7th December 2011: The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Public Forum: Mr Street, who currently occupies the mobile home at Lilleyfields, updated councillors with the background to the application under review in 12/008a. He stated that he does not work for the applicant in any office depot or security capacity. He also stated that there were no plans for him to work for the applicant if the application was agreed as Mr Street worked for himself. He also stated that the outline for this application and B/11/01361 were designed with the applicant by Babergh officers when they visited the site earlier in the year. The other issues raised during the public forum are contained in Appendix A.

Correspondence (Appendix B): The councillors reviewed the Correspondence received and no further action was required.

Clerks Report (Appendix C): Following a review of the Clerk's Report by the councillors Cllr Parker offered matting for the tunnel in the playing field **Finance:** a. All cheques signed and due for signing, as itemised in Appendix D, were authorised by the councillors. The councillors also noted the income received since the last meeting and reviewed the Statement of Accounts against the budget and the bank reconciliation against the bank statements. The councillors placed on record their appreciation for the work undertaken by Shirley and Janet Taylor and Liza Devlin for their work in organising the Christmas parcels.

b. The councillors resolved to set the 2012 / 2013 Precept at £9,000 and the councillors and Clerk signed BDC's Precept upon Charing Authority (P2) accordingly.

Planning: a. The councillors reviewed Planning Application B/11/01359 Lilleyfields, Sackers Green - Change of use of agricultural land for siting of a mobile home to be used as a permanent residential pitch by a single Gypsy family. Erection of ancillary store and construction of hard standing. The following observations were made:

1. The councillors referred back to planning application B/11/01361 which sought a Certificate for Lawfulness for the business at Lilleyfields the operation of which is now creating a reason for the mobile home to be moved. It was noted with some frustration that BDC had not determined that application before requiring our comments on a dependent application.

2. The applicant does not own the mobile home he is seeking to re-site and is not the gypsy family in need of a residential pitch.

3. The councillors noted that according to the plans that the mobile home "occupier will act as security to the plant depot machines etc", but the need for a permanent residential pitch for a gypsy family referred to Mr Street, who does not work for the applicant.

4. The councillors were surprised that Mr Street's name did not appear in the application, as had been the case with the temporary permission given. It is the expiry of that temporary permission that gave rise to the need for permanent permission to be sought.

5. The councillors were surprised with the statement that Babergh officers had mapped out the two planning applications (B/11/01359 and 03161) in order for the applicant to get permission to re-site Mr Street's mobile home when the detail in the applications, in NPC's opinion, did not accurately reflect the situation.

6. The councillors recalled that the current secluded location of the mobile home was agreed by BDC in order to meet the needs of a gypsy family as a low-key solution to their specific family needs, without the need to intrude further onto agricultural land.

7. If this application was stripped away from background circumstance, it would be very difficult to envisage BDC granting permission to site a mobile home on agricultural land as proposed.

The councillors resolved to give two responses on the application which are dependent on the outcome of planning application B/11/01361 and are to be read in conjunction with the observations above:

- If a Certificate of Lawfulness is granted in B/11/01361 then the councillors reluctantly support the move of the mobile home to the exception site for the occupancy of Mr Street and his family due to the Health and Safety issues faced in the middle of a builders yard. The site should have a limit of one pitch and BDC should ensure that the conditions placed on any permission enables them to take swift enforcement action should the conditions be broken. However, the councillors are of the opinion that the application should have been made by Mr Street.

- If a Certificate of Lawfulness is refused in B/11/01361 then the councillors object to the proposed move of the mobile home and change of use of agricultural land. The councillors would prefer to see an application for permanent permission for the mobile home in its current location and sees no reason why the site cannot be remodelled to get the desired amenity for its residents. The hoggin-surfaced yard could easily be dug up and turned into garden/amenity space. Mr Street should apply for his own permanent permission to retain his mobile home where it is situated.

The councillors also felt that the manner in which BDC was trying to develop

its policy for a permanent traveller and gypsy pitch in the District, via this application, was inconsistent and would set a dangerous precedent which could come back to haunt them in the future.

b. No further planning applications had been received since notice was posted.

c. The status of previous applications, reviewed by NPC were as follows:

Playground and Asset Maintenance Programme: No action was required by the councillors.

NPC Survey: The final analysis of the Survey responses will be completed later this month and the outcomes will be reviewed by the councillors at an extra meeting on the 22nd February at 7.30pm

Unnamed roads in Newton: BDC has stated that it prefers unanimous acceptance by residents to the road names being proposed by NPC in order to facilitate a name being allocated. With unanimous support for School Lane and Mil Lane the councillors resolved to propose these to BDC for adoption. However, with the responses received from residents not unanimously supporting The Drive, the councillors resolved to leave the road unnamed.

Effectiveness of Internal Controls and Internal Audit process: The councillors reviewed the current system of NPC's internal controls and internal audit and resolved that they were satisfied:

- With the review of the Internal Audit as per Appendix E

- That the scope of the audit is in accordance with The Governance and Accountability in Local Councils in England and Wales, A Practitioners Guide 2011 and the guidelines issued by BDO LLP and by the Suffolk Association of Local Councils

- With the report provided by the internal auditor at the conclusion of audit for review by NPC.

- The councillors further resolved that Heelis & Lodge scope of internal audit work was in accordance with the role required to be undertaken by the internal auditor for NPC

- With the Internal Control processes undertaken by the council.

Risk Management register: Following a review of NPC's Risk Management Register the councillors considered that it was appropriate for NPC's operations.

Asset Register: The councillors reviewed NPC's Asset Register and agreed with the contents.

Spring Cleaning in Newton: The councillors agreed to a Spring Clean day on Saturday 24th March 2012 at 8.30am. At the suggestion of a resident, the councillors also agreed to hold an Autumn Clean on Saturday 3rd November 2012, in order that rubbish revealed by the die-back of summer verges should not be left in view all winter.

Village Hall and Trust representatives update: The VHMC has completed the kitchen refurbishment and are now decorating the corridor. It is hoped to work on the outside of the hall during 2012 and the replacement of the sewerage system is now a long term project. Unfortunately the whist drives have been discontinued due to lack of support.

The Newton Green Trust hopes to announce the appointment of a new clerk. The Trust will be taking steps to assert its ownership and control of the layby as part of the village green.

Question to Chairman: • Cllr Vince requested a note, encouraging paper to be put in the paper bank rather than the blue bins, be published to residents. He also requested that a sign be put on the bottle banks informing users of the "other bottle bank". He also requested that SCC be informed of the grass overgrowing the pavement from Whisper Wood to The Deans.

- The councillors agreed with Cllr Gardner's request that Trading Standards be consulted with the record of cars being put up for sale in the layby.

- The councillors agreed with Cllr Presland's suggestion that a meeting with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee committee be arranged for 8.30pm on the 22nd February 2012.

- The Clerk was asked to contact SCC re the missing "Cornard Tye" road sign at the A134 junction with Joes Road and the missing distance sign on the A134 past the A1071 junction coming towards Newton.

Next NPC Meeting: An extra meeting will be held on Wednesday 22nd February 2012 and the next scheduled meeting will be held on Wednesday 14th March 2012. Both meetings will start at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9.28pm.

Appendix A Public Forum: James Finch (Suffolk County Councillor) updated those present with the latest status of issues regarding the Budget, Broadband and Ofsted Inspections. James Finch will chase the issues raised with SCC on road safety and the quality of white lines on the roads in the area.

In the absence of the Police the Clerk read the following report "My report covers the period from Wednesday 10th November 2011 to Monday 9th January 2012. During this time I am pleased to report that there have been no crimes recorded relevant to your parish. This compares to no crimes also being recorded for the same period last year."

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Parish Council Matters

Edwardstone Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30 pm Monday 16th January 2012 at Edwardstone Village Hall

Present: C Boggis (in the Chair), C Britcher, S Flack, S Norman (Vice-Chair), G Peacock, J Robinson

In attendance: Bryn Hurren (District Councillor) S Gray (Clerk), Daphne Clark

Apologies for Absence: Paul Clarke J Finch & Jamie Fudge.

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the 14th November 2011: The Minutes of the 14th November 2011 were approved; proposed by Vice-Chair Sharon Norman, seconded by Jim Robinson

To receive a report from Suffolk Constabulary: In the absence of Jamie Fudge the Clerk reported that, for the period 14th November 2011 to 13th January 2012, there had been no crimes reported and this compared to 3 crimes for the same period last year.

To receive a report from District Council: Bryn Hurren reported that he had been contacted regarding the cleaning of the streets and that Winthrops had been missed out at the last clean and would contact Babergh. Babergh were having problems making the budget balance and it was looking more likely that there could be an increase in local taxation. There would be no car park charges.

The Planning Application for Goodlands: has 7 local need houses planned but the overall planning application was far from satisfactory in terms of highways control and design. The Planning Committee had visited the site and a decision would be made late January. Edwardstone Council had been consulted as an adjoining parish and felt that the reduction in the number of houses in the amendment had reduced the concerns of increased traffic.

Regarding the comments made by Jim Robertson concerning the lifetime criteria, Bryn confirmed that he had spoken to Tracy Brinkley, who was looking into the matter.

To receive reports and questions from Councillors and Members of the Public: At the November meeting it had been agreed that Councillors would do individual research regarding the giving of commemorative mugs to the children of Edwardstone. Daphne Clark reported that she had researched the number of children in the parish to be 61. The mugs that she had found would be £5.00 a mug. The Council agreed that the £300.00 required would be discussed at the Precept.

Highway & Footpath Matters: The Clerk had still not received an answer from BT regarding the maintenance of the telephone kiosk if the Council were to take ownership of it for a pound. Bryn said that he would forward alternative contact details to the Clerk.

Precept 2012/2013: The Councillors discussed the precept for 2012/13. It was agreed that, in order to make a donation for the 2012 Community event and for some form of memorabilia for the children of Edwardstone, the precept would have to be increased. The Councillors discussed at length what the precept increase should be and agreed to a sum of £295.00, making a total of £5230.00 for the year. This equates to an increase of 0.97p per elector; proposed by Chairman Charlie Boggis, seconded by Clare Britcher. The Council also noted that the reserve fund needed to be increased to at least the equivalent of a year's precept and agreed to work towards this.

The Clerk reported that Boxford Parish Council would like to know if Edwardstone Parish Council were interested in joining with a Community Watch Scheme. At this stage they need to secure enough volunteers to make the scheme viable. After much discussion the Councillors agreed that they did not believe it would be of benefit for the parish of Edwardstone.

Dates of Future Meetings:

19th March 2012, 21st May 2012 AGM & APM, 16th July 2012

17th September 2012, 19th November 2012,

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.50 pm

Groton Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30 pm Wednesday 4th January 2012 at Groton Village Hall, Broad Street, Groton

Present: D Elliott, C Fraulo (in the Chair), Mark Mayhew, Gerald Smith.

In attendance: Bryn Hurren (District Councillor) S Gray (Clerk)

Apologies for Absence: C Blackmore J Osborne (Vice-Chairman) & A Dixon-Smith. Councillors consented to these absences. James Finch (County Councillor) & J Fudge

To Receive Councillors' Declarations of Interest in any item on the agenda: There were none.

To approve the Minutes of the meeting of the 2nd November 2011: The Minutes of the 2nd November 2011 were approved proposed by Mark Mayhew, seconded by David Elliott

To receive a report from Suffolk Constabulary: There had been no crimes reported in the period from 2nd November 2011 to 2nd January 2012. This compares to one crime for the same period last year.

To receive a report from Suffolk County Council: In the absence of James Finch, the Clerk read his report.

To receive a report from District Council: Bryn Hurren reported that Babergh were having problems making the budget balance and it was looking more likely that there could be an increase in local taxation. Mark Mayhew questioned Bryn as to the economic viability of the car park warden in view of the free three hours parking. Bryn confirmed that the fines covered all costs and were a good source of revenue for the Council. The Chairman asked Bryn if Babergh had any views of the proposed government return to weekly refuse collections and recycling incentives. Bryn said that at this stage no discussions had taken place.

In relation to the Homefield flats, all 8 would be for rent and so far there were 24 applications. Bryn confirmed that the splay at the end of Homefield and Partridge Close would be completed as it was part of the planning application. In terms of local housing Bryn, informed the Council of the need in Boxford particularly for bungalows. The Planning Application for Goodlands has 7 local need houses planned but the overall planning application was far from satisfactory in terms of highways control and design. The Planning Committee had visited the site and a decision would be made late January.

Footpath and Highway Matters:

David Elliott reported that he had had a successful meeting with Paul Gant at Maltings Farm to discuss the ongoing flooding problem and it was hoped that the problem would be now be resolved.

David also took the opportunity to take Paul Gant to see the condition of the road at Groton Street where the sewers had rutted. The Chairman thanked David for meeting Paul Gant and all his assistance in this matter.

Gerald Smith reported to the Council that he had received a complaint regarding the presence of horses and their faeces on footpath 3. The Council asked the Clerk to clarify the position of horses on footpaths with the Rights of Way at Suffolk County Council. The Council asked the Clerk to place a notice in Box River News asking horse riders to respect the footpaths in Groton and restrict their riding to bridleways.

Planning Matters: Proposed Diversion of Section of Public Footpath 9 Hayes Green House Groton- Views from Groton Parish Council to be submitted by 25th January 2012. Councillors discussed the above application and had no objections. The footpath diversion had previously been discussed at the Council meeting on 1st September 2010 and had had no objections.

Financial Matters Precept 2012/2013: The Councillors discussed the precept for 2012/13 and, after much discussion and consultation, agreed that an increase of £100.00 (£0.45 per elector) was needed to fund the donation to the 2012 A Year to Remember. Therefore, the precept for 2012/13 would be £3950.00; proposed by Gerald Smith seconded by David Elliott.

Chairman's and Clerk's Correspondence: The Chairman Carey Fraulo reported that she had met with Jo Beever from Babergh about grants to help update the village hall and that having a small term lease was not a problem in terms of applying for some funding.

In terms of the lease for the village hall, the Chairman informed the Council that Mrs Caroline Last had kindly agreed to a new ten year lease. The Council agreed that residents of Groton need to be involved in the decision making of their village hall facility and Councillors agreed that some form of questionnaire should be circulated. Therefore the village hall would be a future agenda item. The Council thanked the Chairman for all her work with regards the village hall.

Dates of Next Meetings:

• 7th March 2012 • 2nd May 2012 • 4th July 2012 • 5th September 2012

• 7th November 2012

There being no further business, the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 9.20pm

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Edwardstone Parish Council

No confirmation of make up of new council yet

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Diamond Jubilee Weekend Update

June 2nd – June 4th 2012

Plans are moving apace and are very close to coming to completion. A big 'Thank You' to all of those who have volunteered their services for the day and setting up over the weekend. More help will be needed, however, both in getting ready on the morning of the 4th and during the day. If you are able to help, please email us through our website www.boxford2012.org or telephone 01787 211926.

- We have various **stall holders** booked for the 4th but there is room for more: craft stalls, food stalls or even demonstrations of skills will be most welcome. Please telephone us on 01787 211926.
- We are also issuing a plea to anyone who might have any **bunting** or flags to add to what we have already in order to make the village look as festive as possible.
- Sign-up sheets for **The Senior Citizens' Tea** are going on display in the Post Office, and we would ask that you sign up by Friday 18th May (or telephone 01787 210572) so we have an idea of numbers. It is open to all those over 60 who will be in the village on the day.
- **The Children's Tea Party** is being organised by FOBS, so we would ask that you telephone the school (01787 210332) to book your place. It is open to all children aged 5 – 11 years, and Fancy Dress **must** be worn! The theme is **The Diamond Jubilee** or the **Olympic Games**. Again, the closing date is Friday 18th May.
- The full programme for the weekend will be available in next month's BRN, but for a taster, see the accompanying poster and on display in the village. Our **Souvenir Programme** is being put together, so if anyone else would like to advertise, please let us know as soon as possible.

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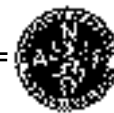
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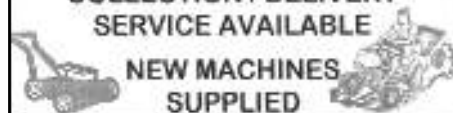
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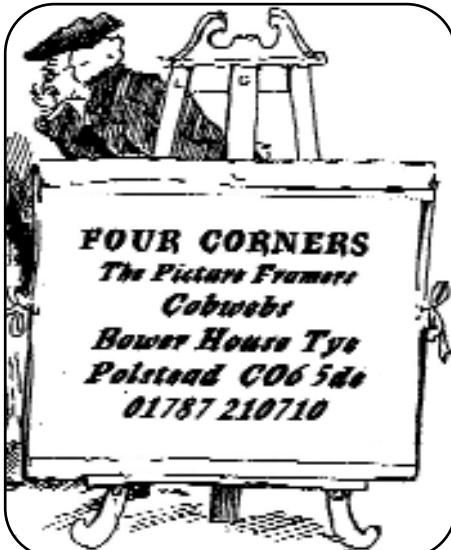
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NEWTON SENIORS DONATE £500

A cheque for £500 was handed to Angela Bessey, of Marie Curie Cancer (Suffolk Nursing Appeal), by retiring captain Peter Webb at the annual meeting of Newton Green Golf Club Seniors' Section.

The meeting heard in its matches with adjoining clubs the section had scored a majority of wins, and had organised a successful day as part of the club's annual golf week.

The seniors meet on Tuesdays and Thursday, and agreed to keep the same format. However, it will monitor the Tuesday sessions in view of increasing use being made of the course as a result of rising membership and additional visitors to the club.

Incoming captain Mick Barlow said there was very good camaraderie in the section and his chosen charity during the year would be Arthritis Research UK.

JUNIOR TEAM EVENT BUILDS FOR THE FUTURE

A new event to find the best junior golf team in the region is to be staged at Newton Green Golf Club, near Sudbury.

The inaugural D & D Aldous cup will be held at the Suffolk club on Wednesday, April 4, with clubs invited to enter teams of three.

All three Stableford scores will count, and the event is open to boys and girls, with March 26 the closing date for entries.

The sponsors are builders who already support the host club's successful junior set-up, and are backing the day under the slogan Building for the Future of Golf.

As well as team prizes, the day will also feature nearest the pin contests on all par threes, with handicaps limited at 28 for boys and 36 for girls. Entry forms and more details are available on the club's web site.

NEWTON GREEN'S FREE GOLF INITIATIVE

A new Girls in Golf initiative is being launched at Newton Green after success at an over subscribed event last year.

Club professional Tim Cooper has been offered central funding from the sport's governing bodies to enable juniors and adults to have free tuition. A large number of women who took up the option last year are about to return to the club to take up a course for improvers, prior to consider becoming full members of the ladies section.

However, a new batch of beginner level classes as part of Newton's Girls in Golf work will start in March.

The six-week courses run on Saturday and Tuesday mornings, and include coffee and all necessary equipment.

Free group beginner classes for boys and girls from five to 16 years also start on the first Saturday in March; with free improvers' classes also shortly to be announced.

Tim Cooper commented: "Because we are one of the most pro-active clubs in Suffolk looking to encourage people into the sport we have been granted exceptionally generous financial support."

Details are available on 01787-377217.

BOXFORD ROVERS YFC UNDER 14S IN SEMI FINAL



Boxford Rovers YFC Under 14s have reached the dizzy heights of the semi-finals of the South Suffolk Youth League Cup. Currently residing in the 3rd division, our village boys saw off 1st division Trimley Red Devils 4-2 in the quarter final and now stand alongside three other 1st division sides in the last four. Their semi will be against high flying Ransomes at Ransomes Sports Club in Ipswich on 3rd March.

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