

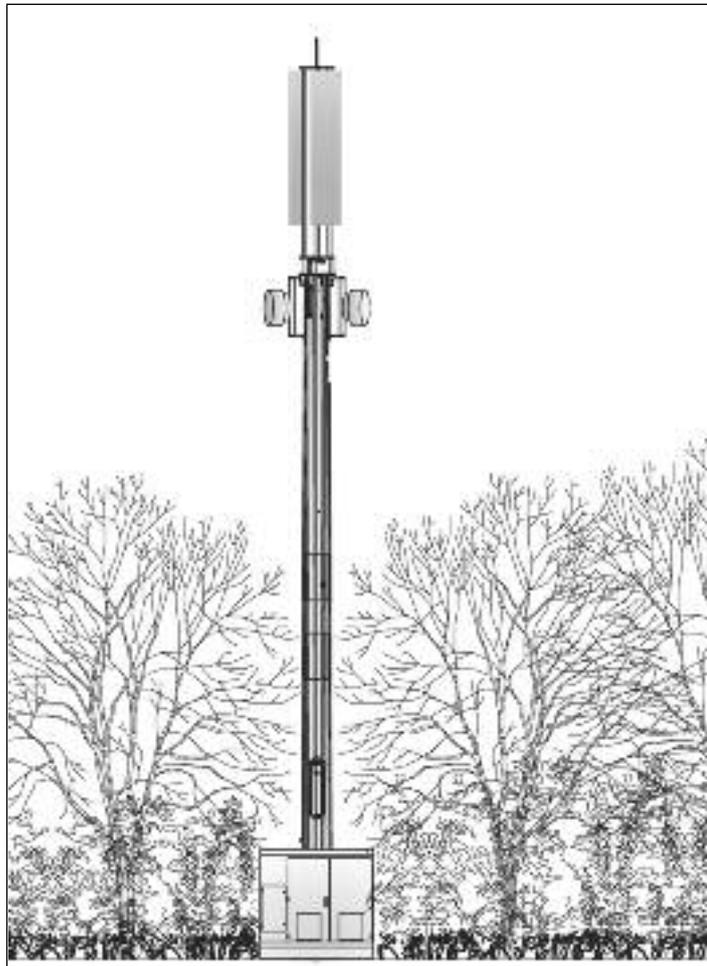
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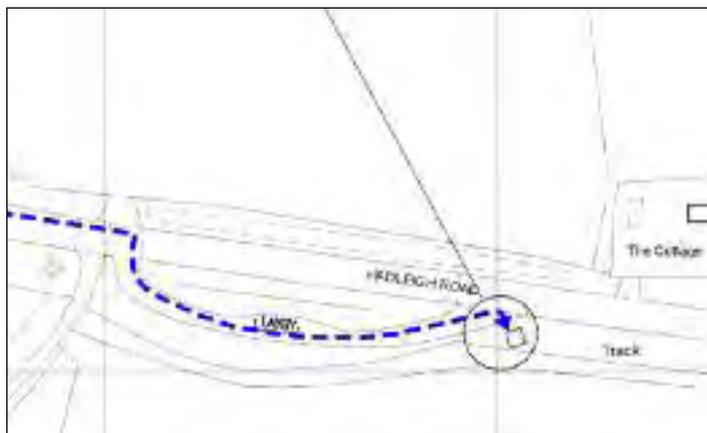
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PROPOSED MAST FOR BOXFORD



Extract from the Boxford Parish Council meeting of 18th July

'A Pre-Planning Consultation on a proposed telephone mast base station from O2 on Hadleigh Road (A1071) has been received. Members stated they were supportive of improving mobile telephone signal in and around the village subject to the right location being found. In this instance they believe more consultation is needed and hoped that the whole village were being contacted in this respect. It was agreed to invite the applicants to share their proposals at the Parish Council Meeting on 8th August - this invitation was declined. Reservations at this stage were put forward regarding the proximity to the road as a distraction to motorists and that they would be interested to hear views from neighbouring residents.'



SIMON CELEBRATES

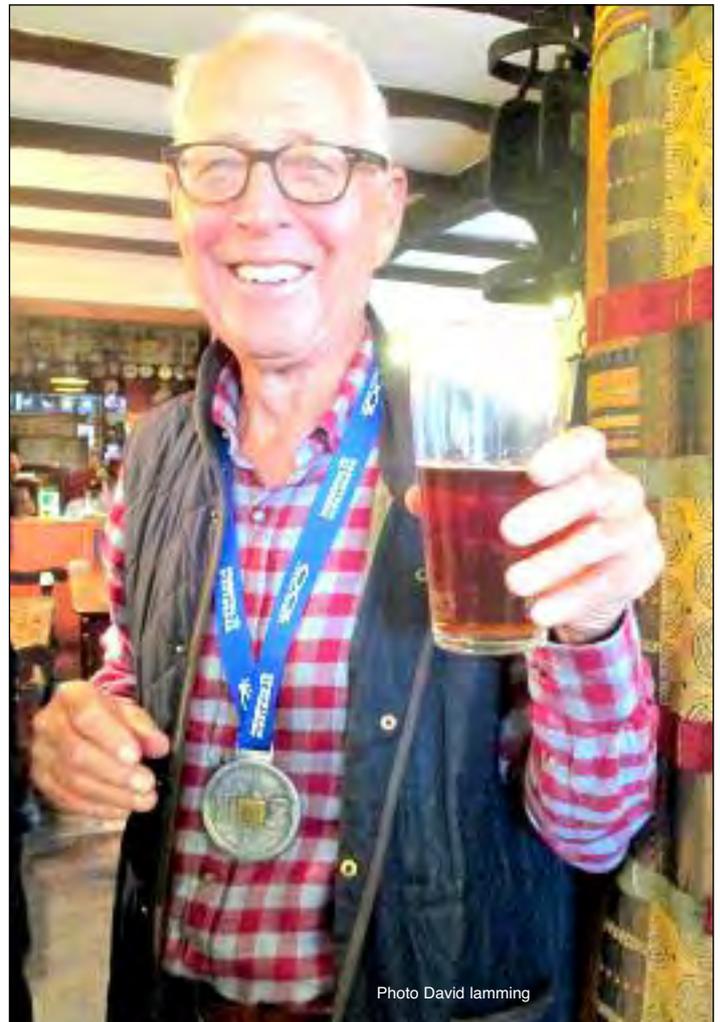


Photo David Jamming

The photo above shows Simon Marchant celebrating in the White Horse, Edwardstone, on Monday 1st August while wearing his medal for successful completion of the 100 miles Prudential "Ride London-Surrey 2016" cycle ride on Sunday 31st July. The course, which finished on The Mall, took the riders into Surrey and involved the cyclists riding up both Box Hill and Leith Hill. Simon's actual time for the 100 miles was 6 hours 32 minutes and 19 seconds. He raised over £2,000 in sponsorship for the Sick Children's Trust, which provides "high quality home-from-home accommodation for families with sick children in hospital".

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COVENT GARDEN BUSKERS COME TO EDWARDSTONE



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Performing mainly as a string quartet, ZHL also work in different combinations as well as with other instrumentalists and vocalists. Although ZHL is a London based group they travel widely throughout the World. " The ZHL Strings are coming to Edwardstone Church on Saturday 15th October, an event not to be missed. See ad in Wot's On for details

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Ryan Quigley Quintet

Ryan has assembled an all-star line up for his new recording "What Doesn't Kill You" (Whirlwind)

Ryan Quigley is one of the premier trumpeters in the UK known for his talents as both a world class lead player and virtuosic improviser. He's been featured with the upper echelon of big bands (Quincey Jones, Robbie Williams), symphonies & orchestras (BBC, Scottish Royal, Metropole), and pop and jazz stars (The Bad Plus, Kurt Elling, Aretha Franklin) around the world. As a composer and small band leader he has won multiple awards in the UK including the Parliamentary Award for band of the year.

He has assembled an all-star line up for his new recording What Doesn't Kill You (Whirlwind) which is touring in September 2016 in support of the release. With Paul Booth (tenor sax), along with one of the most exciting rhythm sections to tour the UK in years: Americans Geoffrey Keezer (piano), Michael Janisch (double bass), and Clarence Penn (drums).

Friday 16 September 8.00 £15
Alison Rayner Quintet

Alison's driving force skilfully guides this stunning band Alison Rayner bass, Steve Lodder piano, Deirdre Cartwright guitar, Diane McLoughlin saxophone, Buster Birch drums For the past two years ARQ has built a substantial and wide ranging audience for their "deliciously upbeat, groovy and thoughtful jazz" (Jazz UK). They released their first album "August" to critical acclaim with Arts Council England Grants for

the Arts support for their new project "A Magic Life". Alison Rayner has had a lengthy career as a bass player and composer, touring and recording with Afro-Latin group the Guest Stars in the 80 s; and working with a myriad of jazz stars, with Tal Farlow, Ian Shaw, Jean Toussaint and John Etheridge, to name a few. The new album "A Magic Life" will be released in November 2016 and is bursting with melodic and harmonic references. It follows on from the success of their acclaimed debut album August, with it's funky grooves and influences of roots and folk musics.

Friday 23 September 8.00 £15
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THE AUGUST LETTER FROM REV JUDITH

Dear friends,

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One of the consolations of the long school summer holidays coming to an end, for me as a child, was the appearance in the shops of the new "Back to School" stationery! The perfect excuse to buy lovely new pens and pencils, new exercise books or folders, a new pencil case, maybe even a new school bag. Geeky or what? And in those (long ago!) days, there was nothing like the wonderful choice that there is today. Go to any W.H. Smith or similar outlet, and the shelves are resplendent in matching stationery sets – for adults as well as for children and young people. You can do smart: black, grey, silver. You can do cottagey: sprigs of flowers, pinks. You can do bold: spotty, stripey or fruity. I could go on...



The start of a new term, for pupils, teachers and teaching assistants and support staff, headteachers must always be a challenge, as well as, hopefully, a joy. New names to learn, new subjects to tackle, perhaps new duties to fulfil. So it is that, as I write this, I am thinking especially of our new headteacher at Boxford School, Justine Davies - and I am sure you will all join me in wishing her well as she takes up her demanding and responsible new post this term and begins to get to know us all and play her part in the life of the community.



There is, of a course, a parallel to educational school learning, and that is learning in the school of life, something which is open and freely available to all people, of all ages. We all learn, and go on learning, as we travel along on our own distinctive journeys, growing as best we can from the experiences life brings us. Sometimes, though, we feel as if we could do with some kind of grounding, something to give us a framework within which we can make sense of life, something to equip us for the big questions of life – and death.

The life of Jesus can be a helpful starting point, but how much do we really know about

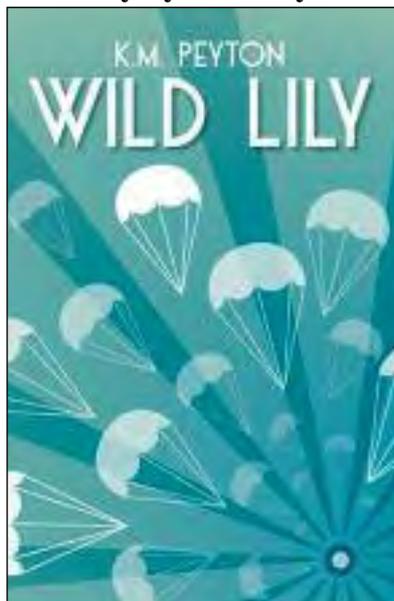
what he taught, what he stood for, and why his life continues to resonate with us – with its radical inclusivity and welcome to all, its call to justice, its ultimate sacrifice? Many of us have been christened when we were babies, and it is one of the delights of my ministry that so many still come to me asking me to christen their children. But christening, by itself, can't provide that framework for reflecting on and dealing with our lives as we grow older. That's why the church offers the next stage of Confirmation. Confirmation courses offer the chance for people of all ages and all backgrounds to explore the Christian faith, in an informal way and without pressure, to see whether the life of Jesus can provide them with the tools to face life's challenges and also to enjoy life's gifts to the full. I am already exploring confirmation with one adult and two young people, but would be delighted to hold a parallel course (just four sessions of an hour each) during September if anyone else is interested. The Confirmation service for the Sudbury area of churches is being held this year at St Mary's, Boxford, on the evening of Thursday October 6th. If you think this might be something you would like to consider, please give me a ring or email me soon, using the contact details at the top of the church pages.

I may not be able to promise you colourful stationery, but I can offer you a way to bring spiritual colour and harmony into your life!

Blessings, *Revd. Judith*

THIS MONTH'S GOOD READ

Wild Lily by K M Peyton



Now in her 86th year and author of more than 70 novels, KM Peyton won the Carnegie and the Guardian children's book award in 1970 for the bestselling Flambards trilogy, which was serialised on television. Wild Lily is her latest book and although captivating, the novel is hard to categorise. While more than a simple romance, it has strongly romantic elements. It's not an adventure story, but adventure – and the idea of adventure – plays a key role in the novel. Nor is it a saga, though the narrative spans more than six decades (the lion's share of which takes place in the 1920s).

What gives this novel its particular charm is the central character, the eponymous Wild Lily who, despite the domestic burdens she shoulders, continues to yearn for what life could be, over and above the routine and the mundane.

"Don't waste yourself on Antony," a friend advises 13-year-old Lily. "He's not worth it." As we get to know the characters, it would be hard to disagree. It's 1921, and the hardworking and resilient gardener's daughter, a "cauldron of energy", is besotted with the spoiled and feckless Antony up at the big house. Compensating for parental absence with money, Antony's father, who is fabulously wealthy, buys him an aeroplane for his 17th birthday. When Antony's Eton chums are too scared (and sensible) to go up with such an inexperienced pilot, Lily conquers her fears, revealing more pluck than any of the privileged sixth-formers. The fact is, Lily adores Antony, and no one is going to make her change her mind: "The awful thing about her relationship with Anthony, she recognised, was what a puppet she was: if he said dance, she danced. Anything to please him."

Later, Antony ropes Lily into other schemes, for he "knew she would do anything for him, nut that she was". Antony's behaviour is often appalling (something he occasionally acknowledges to himself), but it is his appetite for adventure and excitement that is a magnet for Lily. Without Ant, her days would be empty and dull. Lily stores up memories for a future she knows is "not bright". Her flight with Ant is reckless and terrifying but it "turned out to be magic. Something she would never forget." These moments are only made more affecting and significant when viewed through the telescope of tragedy and, later, old age. The parachute jump that Lily makes when she is 14 becomes layered with meaning and symbolises her continued openness to what life can be if you dare.

The story leapfrogs through time taking surprising turns, contrasting – with the lightest of touches – the different, and evolving, life chances of the haves and the have-nots, of boys and girls. There are some extraordinary moments: a party orchestrated in a grotto beneath a lake; Ant's blind and deaf older sister being moved to burst forth in unearthly song; a haunting dream sequence that hangs over the remainder of the novel. Even when the narrative creeps a little, as with an under-developed subplot involving Antony's father, or strains your suspension of disbelief, as in the case of an adopted baby, Peyton's fluid storytelling bowls along, sweeping you towards a moving finale.

It's the spirit of this novel that makes it stand out. It is inspiring to read Peyton's celebration of a sense of adventure, which, eschewing the epic, focuses instead on the person of a gardener's daughter, who instinctively understands that a life lived to the full demands occasional wildness of heart.

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Summer school premises improvements:

Over the summer, we are excited to be having some building works carried out at the school. We wanted to notify local residents as there may be some minor traffic and noise implications for our area of Boxford village. We do not expect any large vehicles to cause any access problems but there may be limited access to the site on some days. The works are as follows:

School Boilers!

Not the most exciting improvement, but long overdue! The Local Authority has scheduled work to begin on replacing our boilers and oil tanks. Work is expected to last all summer. Contractors will be working on site for the entire summer period.

New Front Entrance:

In order to make the front playground safer and to improve our school's entrance, we are carrying out some fencing and building work during the holidays. The school's entrance and main office will be relocated to the center of the school. New fencing will ensure that all visitors to the school are directed through the current pedestrian gate. There will no longer be a gate at the front of the school, to reduce risk caused by the school busses and road.

All access to the school grounds will be controlled by lockable gates, ensuring that visitors report to the school office on arrival.

The new office & entrance will consist of glass windows to welcome visitors. We will also be installing an interior security door so that all visitors must be 'buzzed in' to access the school building.

I am delighted that these changes should dramatically improve our school's security and safeguarding.

If local residents have any questions or concerns regarding the work, please contact the school in the normal way.

Preparing for the new school year already!

Staff at Boxford CEVC Primary School have spent the summer preparing for the new school year in September. We are delighted to welcome Mrs J. Davies as Headteacher and I wish her very well in her transition to Boxford. Mrs Davies knows the local education context very well, having been appointed from Hintlesham & Chattesham Primary School.

With an excellent staff team in place to support Mrs Davies' arrival, and with much preparation already undertaken in order to support this change, we wish all of our pupils, families and staff a wonderful summer holiday! On a personal note, I want to thank the local community for their support over the past year. The school is a richer place for it!

Toby Barkworth-Knight



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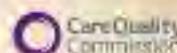
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LITTLE WALDINGFIELD OPEN GARDENS 3 JULY



Having battled against the elements for the past few weeks, we were blessed with a glorious day for our Open Gardens. There was a wonderful atmosphere as people walked round the village in warm sunshine and no rain! Our many visitors enjoyed the 15 gardens, and also the plants and delicious refreshments so kindly donated. We raised £1,170.81, which will benefit the restoration of our church. A huge 'thank you' to everyone who worked so hard in the weeks and months leading up to the event, and on the day itself, to make our Open Gardens such a success.

Fran Gregor-Smith

Scout Group Annual General Meeting

1st Boxford Scout Group Annual General Meeting will be held in Boxford Spinney at 7:30pm on Tuesday 6th September 2016.

This meeting is open for the election of executive committee members and the presentation of the group's annual accounts.

The group are keen to recruit any adults wishing to support scouting activities in Boxford. If you would like to help the group, in an administrative or leadership role or helping to mow the camp areas, please contact Mark Miller on 01787 211596.

GROTON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Trustees will meet on Thursday 8th September, 2016 at Mary's House, Swan Street, Boxford at 4.30pm to consider applications for grant aid from the residents living in Groton and those parts of Boxford which are included in the "area of benefit" as laid down by the Charity Commissioners - namely, Homefield, the east side of Swan Street and pockets of land in Stone Street south of Boxford Church, i.e. those parts which were included in the Tithe Map of Groton in 1881!

Details and application forms can be obtained from the Clerk to the Trustees, Mrs Scriven, Malting Lodge, Groton, Sudbury, CO 10 5ER

Applications from organizations serving the above area will also be considered.

We hope that newcomers to the area will be made aware of this charity by long time residents of Groton and Boxford who have themselves benefited from grants in previous years.

Security Gates at The Spinney



Following a recent spate of vandalism at The Spinney Scout and Guide Headquarters, the entrance gates have been moved to the edge of the main buildings to prevent access to the activity area while still allowing access to the car park and paper bank.

Vandalism is not new as the following extract from the minutes of the management committee 17th Sep 1987 show "...vandals had broken the flagstaff support by dropping the pole. Fortunately the pole itself was only slightly damaged at the truck but the a capstan was badly damaged. There had also been further damage to the store container and the caravan. The dog litter situation has not improved despite appeals in the Newsletter."

Gordon Edgar, warden at The Spinney, was keen to point out we must make it clear that scouting and guiding equipment should not be accessed without adequate adult supervision as this may be dangerous if not used in the correct manner. We must also meet safeguarding requirements for young people staying at the site.

Mark Miller, Group Scout Leader, said "I would prefer the young people to come to Scouts or Guides and learn how to use the equipment properly and safely, if they were involved in scouting they would not feel the boredom and frustration that leads to this behaviour". Both movements are keen to recruit and the subscriptions for scouts are only £75 a year (this can be reduced through grants).

For further information about joining the groups please contact:

Scouts – MARK MILLER - 01787 211596

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POPPY APPEAL 2016 - HELP NEEDED

I am looking for two additional house-to-house collectors in Boxford to help with this year's Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal; one to cover Ash Street and Fen Street, and the other for Ellis Street. Collections start on Saturday 29 October.

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Our next quiz will be held in the Parish Room on Saturday 29th October. It will be, as usual, a fun evening with Mary's quality questions put to you by the well-known quiz master, Brian, and an excellent two course meal provided by Sue. All for £8.50. To book your place ring Sue 247173 or Mary 247658. Should you have any dietary requirements please let Sue know.

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BOXFORD GARDENING SOCIETY

Unless otherwise stated, meetings take place on the FIRST Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm in Boxford Village Hall and guests (£5 each) are very welcome. See this months ad. Just turn up.

Monks Eleigh Whist Drives 2016

Come and join a group who play whist every third Monday of the month (apart from December when it's the second!) in Monks Eleigh Village Hall. We play 12 hands, homemade refreshments are provided and we have a raffle. We aim to have a social game of cards and a fun evening so beginners to experienced players are welcome.

Dates: • Monday February 15th • Monday March 21st
Contact Angela Forrest on 01449 740414 for further details.

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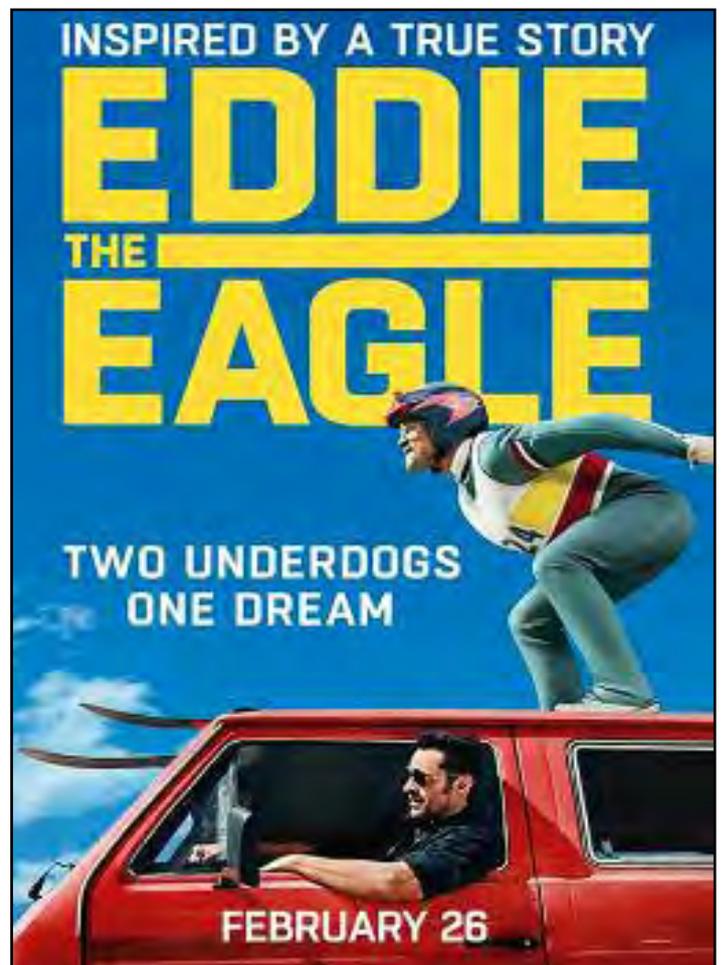
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Wot's On

Newton Village Hall Events REGULAR EVENTS

Monday mornings (term time only): Yoga class (phone Sophia on 313662 for details)

Monday evenings: (6.00 pm) Trayfit high intensity exercise class (call Tracy 07772 575325)

Monday and Thursday evenings: Western Partner Dance Club (call Chris 371006)

Tuesday evenings: JT Steppers Line Dance Club (call Jean on 377434)

Friday afternoons: Art and Craft club (call Anne on 312346)

Friday evenings: Sudbury and District Wargames Club (call Brian on 312160)

LWHS Programme of Events - 2016

21st September

Rev: Henry Watts Wilkinson - A Victorian Clerical Melodrama by Roger Green.

Rev Wilkinson was Sudbury clergyman from 1807 to 1851. Roger tells the curious tale of Henry's eldest daughter, deemed unable to conduct her own life but left a considerable sum of money. Despite 4 guardians, a poor cousin kidnapped and bore her off to marry her. Come along to hear the entire historical melodrama.

12th October

Overpaid, Oversexed and Overhere by Ian McLachlan.

A history of the USAAF in East Anglia during the war, by an expert Eighth Air

Force historian who has also taken part in a number of "Time Team" episodes.

9th November

The Great Exhibition of 1851 by Geoffrey Kay.

The first international exhibition of manufactured products, organised by Henry Cole and Prince Albert and held in the purpose built Crystal Palace in Hyde Park.

7th December

The Angel Roofs of East Anglia by Michael Rimmer.

Michael will reveal the history and development of this fascinating subject. Outstanding photographs will reveal the visual quality of these works of art.

Stoke-by-Nayland WEA

Shakespeare's Villains with Ron Marks

Stoke-by-Nayland WEA presents a series of 9 Lectures starting on Thursday 29th September 2016 in Stoke-by-Nayland Village Hall at 7.30 pm

This is a 9 week topical illustrated course exploring Shakespeare's insights into how "one may smile, and smile, and be a villain", a scheming 'Machiavel', "bloody, bawdy" and eternally fascinating to audiences!

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Ron Marks has taught English Literature for over 50 years now, in Essex comprehensive and grammar schools and abroad and for the WEA for the last ten years. In 2010 he gained an M.A. in Shakespeare and Theatre from the Shakespeare Institute in Stratford-upon-Avon.

Fees: Adult £48 (payable after the first session). Try the first session (free).

For further information please contact Sue Whiteley.

Phone: 01787 210945 or email: whiteleysa@hotmail.co.uk

GROTON'S HARVEST SUPPER

Friday, September 30th 7.30pm at Groton Village Hall

The year has progressed, and it will soon be time for our annual Harvest Supper, following on from Harvest Festival which is in the Church on Sunday, September 25th. The Harvest Supper will be the usual delicious meal, with a Bar and Entertainment and Groton Christmas Cards for sale, and the price has been frozen at just £10 each, what a bargain! so get your tickets soon from Pat Kennedy Scot [210319], Jayne Foster [211360] or any member of Groton PCC. All proceeds to St. Bartholomew's Church, Groton.

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Forthcoming Events Diary

August

31 Boxford WI	Book Club	Mary's house	3pm.
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September

6 Boxford Gardening Society	TV's Christine Walkeden	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
7 Boxford WI	Gardening for Winter colour	Village hall	2pm
8 Boxford WI	Assington walk		2pm
10 Cake Stall	Shoebbox Appeal	Mary's House, Boxfprd	9.00am
13 Boxford WI	Long Melford Walk		2pm
21 Little Waldingfield History Soc	A Victorian Clerical Melodrama	Parish Rooms	7.30pm
30 Groton's Harvest Supper	Groton PCC	Groton Village Hall	7.30pm

October

1 Illustrated Talk by Ms Gladis Garcia-Soza	Boxford Society	Boxford School Hall	7.30pm
10 Boxford Study Centre	See Full programme in Wots On		
12 Little Waldingfield History Soc	Overpaid, Oversexed and Overseas	Parish Rooms	7.30pm
15 Boxford WI	History of the Theatre Royal	Village hall	2pm
15 Covent Garden Buskers	Edwardstone Church		7.30pm
26 Boxford WI	Book club	Mary's house	3pm
29 Quiz Night	Little Waldingfield Parish Room		

November

9 Little Waldingfield History Soc	The Great Exhibition of 1851	Parish Rooms	7.30pm
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December

7 Little Waldingfield History Soc	The Angel Roofs of East Anglia	Parish Rooms	7.30pm
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First and Third Monday each month Boxford Parish Council Meetings in	Bell House, Stone Street St, Boxford	7.30pm
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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.

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St Mary's Church, Boxford

11 a.m. Sunday September 4th



THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

Churchwardens:
Peter Dilnot

Suffolk Villages Festival Concert
St. Mary's Church, Boxford
Monday 29th August at 11.00 am

For Concert tickets and more details of these Suffolk Villages Festival concerts phone 01206366603 or visit www.suffolkvillagesfestival.com

Suffolk Historic Churches Bike Ride - Saturday September 10th 2016
If you have never heard of this wonderful event or indeed have never taken part in it, now is the time to join in!

The Historic Churches bike ride started in Suffolk as a means of raising money for the restoration of the fabric of some of our 500 medieval churches. It has now spread across the country and every September thousands of people walk, take to their bikes or man local churches providing refreshments for the many riders and their families. Half of the money goes to the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust, the rest towards the maintenance of your church.

This is a fun event (which can include other vehicles such as mobility scooters). If interested in cycling or walking or importantly helping out with welcoming cyclists and walkers, please pick up a sponsor form from St Mary's Church or contact assistant churchwarden Michael Gray on boxford.warden @btinternet.com for more information.

Dates for your Diary at St. Mary's Boxford:

A Pets **Blessing Service** is being planned at St Mary's Boxford on **Sunday 4th September at 11:00am**
Harvest Service Sunday 2nd October at 11:00 am. (Boxford School have their harvest service on 29th September)
Remembering our Loved Ones Service October 30th at 4:00 pm

Babergh District Council are holding their Civic service on **7th December** (invited guests of the Council only)

Our **Traditional Carol Service** is planned for **18th December at 6:00 pm**

A PCC Secretary is needed for the PCC of St. Mary's Boxford. Anyone willing to assist in the work of the PCC and Church as the PCC Secretary should please contact Revd Judith. The Secretary would attend approximately 6 meetings a year, deal with some correspondence and assist Revd Judith as required.

Copy Date for Church News in the October 2016 Box River News:

Please, NO LATER THAN 12th September 2016

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Thank you. Rev'd Judith. 01787 210091

email address: rvdjudithboxriver@btinternet.com



The Bible Study Group meets at Russets, 47 Swan Street on 2nd & 4th Mondays each month by kind permission of Margaret & Peter Holden. We are presently exploring Mark's Gospel. All are welcome to this hour of fellowship.



THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwarden:
Vacant

Sunday 18th Harvest Festival at 3:00 pm
Sidesman/Coffee David and Sheila Saddleton
Flowers Marie Paddon then All for Harvest
Cleaning Justine & Jane Walters

Many thanks to all those who came to rake up the dead grass around the churchyard on 6th July. It made a great difference for the Wedding which took place the following Saturday.

A date for your diary! **Saturday 15th October.** Come and enjoy a fun evening in Edwardstone Church with Covent Garden buskers ZHL Strings and David Richardson playing tunes not normally played on the organ!! Tickets £20 to include a glass of wine and canapes, available from Jan Paul 01787 210972. In aid of Church Funds



THE PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW, GROTON

Churchwardens:
Vacant

PCC Meeting: Tuesday 20th September 2016, 7:00 pm in Mary's House, Boxford. Any items for the agenda should be notified to the secretary (David Lamming, Tel: 210360; e-mail djlamming@hotmail.com) by Sunday 11th September.

Churchyard Clear-up Morning: Saturday 10th September 2016. Please come along and join a small working party of village volunteers from 10:00 am to Tools will be provided or you are welcome to bring your own.

Groton Parish Quiet Day: Saturday 24th September 2016 10:00 am to 3.00 pm at the 'HOME' retreat centre, Monks Eleigh. Come along to share in a time of gentle spiritual reflection and refreshment. All welcome. Coffee and tea will be provided, but please bring your own packed lunch. Unfortunately the building is not wheelchair accessible. Further details from Revd Judith.

Groton's Harvest Supper

Friday September 30th at 7:30 pm at Groton Village Hall
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THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

Churchwardens
Vacant

Rotas	Flowers	Sidesmen
4th	Mrs. Squirrel	Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Eddington
11th	Mrs. Eddington	
18th	Mrs. Duffy	
25th	Mrs. Roser	

At the service on the 7th August a much larger congregation than usual gathered to meet a most welcome visitor, Philip Samponaro, a descendant of Samuel Appleton whose family emigrated to America at the same time as the Winthrops of Groton.

Reverend Judith celebrated Holy Communion, and afterwards we were delighted to introduce Philip to the church where his ancestors had

worshipped. We showed him the mementos of his family, which we treasure, and acquainted him with their generosity to our church. We were helped in this by the Little Waldingfield History Society, who arranged a display from their archives.

Update The tower, long inhabited by pigeons, has been cleared and fumigated. This had to be done before any other work can begin. The organ stop which was wrenched out by persons unknown has been replaced and other damage to the pedals repaired by Peter Bumstead.

THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

Churchwarden:
Christine Cornell,
"Opus", Sudbury Road, Newton, Tel; 370331



10th July: Service of Morning Worship was conducted by Revd. Judith and she used the story of the Good Samaritan to illustrate that everyone is our neighbour. We are blessed in life if we only experience good neighbours but it is something that we can aim for whatever the circumstances. Our Churchwarden was absent from church as she was supporting her husband Peter who was taking part in the walk to raise funds for the Stroke Club. This was a huge achievement for Peter, a stroke victim himself. Thank you to Nancy Roser for playing the organ and to all helpers.

24th July: The Service of Holy Communion was celebrated by Revd. Judith and in her address she went through the Lord's Prayer explaining each part. We were given a book marker with the first two words of the Prayer written on a photo of circles spreading out from a pebble thrown into still water Thank you to our organist, Nancy Roser for joining us and our helpers are much appreciated.

31st July: The Five Villages Service took place in St. Bartholomew's Church, Groton and celebrated the old tradition of Lammastide.

Notice: 10th September: The Newton Green Autumn Show will take place in our church.

BENEFICE NEWS

Ministry Team: The ministry team meet this month in Mary's House at 7:30 pm on Wednesday 7th September 2016.

DEANERY NEWS

Deanery Synod: The synod is meeting on Wednesday 21st September 2016 at 7:30 pm at St Catherine's Church, Long Melford (refreshments from 7:00 pm) when we shall welcome Bishop Mike Harrison (Bishop of Dunwich) to address us.

GENERAL CHURCH NEWS

Proxy Debates and the challenge to trust one another: This short report by our diocesan representatives of the July meeting of the General Synod in York is now available to download from the diocesan website: <http://www.cofesuffolk.org/synods-committees/general-synod> (scroll down for the pdf.)



Music for a summer evening

Patricia Eddington, entertained an appreciative audience at St Gregory's Church, Sudbury, on Saturday 30th July with an amusing account of her early days in repertory theatre.

Clearly another evening is required for Parts 2 and 3 of her theatrical career. (Tricia still has her Equity card!) The enjoyable short concert included music from Sue Wigglesworth (Flute) and Rob Spivey (French horn), both accompanied by Tom Cogan on the piano.

Churches Together' Prayer Breakfasts Saturdays 8.00 am to 9.30 am. CTiS&D prayer breakfasts in **September**, to which all are welcome, will be held at the following venues:

3rd St John's Methodist Church, Sudbury

10th Sudbury Baptist Church

17th St Mary's Church, Bures

24th St Gregory's Church Hall, Prince Street, Sudbury.

AGM and Open Forum: Thursday 29th September 2016, 7:00 pm for 7:30 pm at Sudbury URC (Friars Hall, School Street, Sudbury.)

Please look at the Churches Together website for details of other forthcoming events: www.churchestogetherinsudbury.org.uk.

Village Prayers

Each week, in the five churches, informal, friendly service, 30-40 minutes, with Revd Judith. We pray for those who are ill, concerns of the villages, and for the wider world. Do join us! Please let Revd Judith know of any people or situations for prayer. Confidential messages can be left on Tel. 01787 210091 or emailed to revd.judithboxriver@btinternet.com. All these services take place in the churches during the months April to September and the rota is as follows: **Tuesday** 9.00 Edwardstone **Wednesday** 9.00 Groton, 17.00 Little Walsingham; **Thursday** 9.00 Newton, 17.00 Boxford.

SPECIAL SERVICES

***** Pet Blessing Service Boxford *****

***** Harvest Festivals at Edwardstone, Groton and Newton ****

Thursday 1st

Lt Walsingham 19.00 Holy Communion - Newmans Hall (Reserved Sacrament) Lay Team

Saturday 3rd

Edwardstone 14.00 Wedding of Benjamin Morgan and Abigail Jackson with Christening of Noah Morgan Revd Judith

Edwardstone 16.30 Wedding of William Milbourn and Victoria Morris Revd Judith

Sunday 4th

15th Sunday after Trinity

(G)

Boxford 08.00 Holy Communion Revd Judith

Lt Walsingham 09.30 Morning Worship Revd Judith

Boxford 11.00 **Pet Blessing Service and Café Church** Revd Judith

Boxford p.m. Christening Service (TBC) Revd Judith

Boxford 18.30 Evensong Christopher Kingsbury

Wednesday 7th

Boxford 10.30 Holy Communion - Mary's House Revd Judith

Sunday 11th

16th Sunday after Trinity

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Lt Walsingham 08.00 Holy Communion Revd Judith

Newton 09.30 Morning Worship Revd Judith

Boxford 11.00 Holy Communion Revd Judith

Wednesday 14th

Boxford 10.30 Holy Communion - Mary's House Revd Judith

Thursday 15th

Lt Walsingham 19.00 Compline - Newmans Hall Lay Team

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Wednesday 21st

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Edwardstone 9.30 Holy Communion Revd Judith

Newton 11.00 **Harvest Festival** Revd Judith

Boxford 11.00 Matins Christopher Kingsbury

Groton 18.30 **Harvest Festival** Revd Judith

Wednesday 28th

Boxford 10.30 Holy Communion Mary's House Revd Judith

Soap Box

How many of you remember Parkinson's Law, I wonder? This is the title of a book by C Northcote Parkinson (the C stands for Cyril, not Cecil, by the way), published in 1958 and based on a series of essays written for the Economist magazine a few years earlier. The law itself was that "work expands so as to fill the time available for its completion" – a truism if ever there was one. Actually, the essays were really about the tendencies of bureaucracies to expand over time, but this law extends to many areas.

Take the condition of those who have retired. How many times have I heard a retired friend say he is so busy that he doesn't understand how he ever had time to go to work? More times than I care to think about. It applies to me as well. As I gradually wind down my business activities in an ineffectual attempt to correct my work/life balance, I find that I am still too busy to accomplish all I wish. Perhaps the ageing process contributes to my evident declining output, but I am sure Parkinson had a point.

Remember, too, that old adage - if you want something done, give it to a busy person. How true. When I was gainfully employed by a major financial institution, I was so busy that anything placed before me was treated as urgent, so keen was I to see it off my desk. Not that I was indiscriminatory in how individual matters were treated – unlike a colleague, who took pleasure in resolving anything that came in front of him on the same day. Our nickname for him was "Action Man", but mistakes were inevitably made in his rush to clear his in tray.

We are all of us busy in ways we could not have envisaged a generation or two back. Personally I blame the computer – a sentiment I have no doubt espoused before. While it has undoubtedly brought benefits in a variety of areas, the fact remains that it places more responsibility on our individual shoulders and adds to the urgency of almost anything we do. Booking a holiday or a flight? As like as not you'll be doing it online, providing all the important information that would have been taken by a travel clerk on the phone or in a shop before and even printing out your own tickets and boarding cards.

On the plus side, my experience at the Sudbury Health Centre has been massively improved by a smarter booking and check in system for blood tests and other appointments – computer driven, of course, with a touch screen in reception. And the internet makes it easier to check and compare prices, though that is an added chore – something I doubt I would have

considered before the start of this millennium.

But you can't uninvent the computer and the internet. I am rather proud of the prescience I showed in the one book I have had published, not that it sold too well. Indeed, I used to joke that if anyone was interested in acquiring a copy, then it was the unsigned versions that were the rarity. The topic was the way in which technology was changing the financial services industry. It attracted modest, but useful, interest and led to me explaining why technology would change the way in which we operated to a variety of audiences.

Shortly after publication, at an event organized by the Life Assurance Association at which I was speaking, I was collared by an adviser who claimed to have an excellent paper filing system and couldn't understand why I advocated introducing computer systems into his firm. I said it was because, before too long, the insurance companies with which he did business on behalf of his clients would insist on electronic communications. That was 1995. It wasn't much more than a decade before this did, indeed, become the case.

I am pleased to be able to report that Speedwatch is once again up and running in the village of Little Waldingfield. Hearty congratulations to Alan Wells who, with the guiding hand of Rick Ridgeon – our previous co-ordinator, has revived this much needed institution. Sadly, the reports from the first endeavours suggest that motorists pay little attention to the speed limit within the village. 'Twas ever thus.

Let us hope a visible Speedwatch initiative will encourage those travelling through to moderate their speed. And if you live in Little Waldingfield and are prepared to join our band of volunteers, do let us know. Alan or I – or Parish Council chairman Andy Sheppard – will happily guide you along the correct path.

Brian Tora is a local writer and broadcaster.

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GARDENING IN SEPTEMBER HARRY BUCKLEDEE

Further to last months notes of plants for dry conditions, a most spectacular on flower now is the Russian sage, *Perovskia blue spire*. It revels in hot sunny weather and the three feet high greyish - white, strong, erect stems display deep blue flower spikes which are not blown down by wind. It has a strong sage-like aroma and flowers from July to September, spreads slowly and needs to form a large clump of about a square yard to look effective. Prune stems back to two buds from ground level in spring.

Due to the recent shortage of rain lawns are begining to lok a little brown. when we get enough rain to soften the earth, use a hand fork or turf aerator to spike or hollow line the turf. Rake the lawn vigorously to remove debris and to open up the turf surface letting in air and water to the soil. Apply a dressing of autumn fertiliser which is low in nitrogen and high in phosphates and potash. Too much nitrogen at this time of the year renders the grass liable to disease attack. It is important to keep up the spraying of roses against Mildew, Black Spot and Rust right up until leaf fall. Give each bush two ounces of sulphate of potash to assist new wood to harden and withstand hard winter frosts

Prune rambler roses which have only one flush of bloom in summer. These roses flower best next year on non flowering stems produced this year, so remove all old growth which has finished flowering and tie in new shoots.

Cuttings of rambler roses root easily. Select strong shoots 9" to 12" long, cutting just below a leaf at the bottom and a 1/4inch above the top leaf, remove all thorns and leaves except the top two. Open up a V shaped trench in a shady part of the garden, put some coarse sand in the trench and insert the cuttings, six inches apart so the leaves are just above soil level and firm in.

Continue to dead head and feed dahlias with a liquid fertiliser to produce blooms of good quality and to build up strong tubers.

Mildew is often a trouble in autumn and effects many plants especially michaelmas daisies. It Can be controlled by spraying with a suitable fungicide, but keeping plants which are prone to this disease always moist at the roots is probably the best preventative measure.

Reduce the amount of water given to cacti and stand them where they

will get as much light and sunshine as possible. The rate of growth of all house plants will slow up as days get shorter and feeding and watering should be reduced.

On land that was manured for a previous crop, seeds of Arctic King or Winter Density lettuce can be sown for a spring crop to overwinter without protection. Spring cabbage plants also be planted out at the end of the month.

Top 10 jobs this month

- 1 Divide herbaceous perennials
- 2 Pick autumn raspberries
- 3 Collect and sow seed from perennials and hardy annuals
- 4 Dig up remaining potatoes before slug damage spoils them
- 5 Net ponds before leaf fall gets underway
- 6 Keep up with watering of new plants, using rain or grey water if possible
- 7 Start to reduce the frequency of houseplant watering
- 8 Clean out cold frames and greenhouses so that they are ready for use in the autumn
- 9 Cover leafy vegetable crops with bird-proof netting
- 10 Plant spring flowering bulbs

September is generally a cooler, gustier month than August and the days are noticeably shorter. While there's not as much to do in the ornamental garden at this time of the year, if you have a fruit or vegetable patch, you'll be busy reaping the rewards of harvest. It's also time to get out and start planting spring-flowering bulbs for next year and you can collect seeds for next summer's colour too. Make the most of the remaining warmth while you can!

Get your compost going by buying a compost bin or building a partially enclosed and easily accessible area for a heap. It is essential to replace the goodness in soil and autumn produces quantities of garden waste that will add invaluable organic richness back into your soil next spring.

Remember to add a variety of different materials; spent vegetable plants are ideal, but NEVER add diseased or pest-ridden material to your compost heap - it will nurture whatever villain you are trying to eliminate with loving care!

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Parish Council Matters

Little Waldingfield Parish Council meeting of 21st June 2016

Present: Councillors Andy Sheppard (Chairman), Stewart Braybrook, Barbara Campbell, Jeremy Coomber, Matt Foster and Chris White.

Attending: Rvd Judith Sweetman, Dave Crimmin (Clerk) and 4 members of public.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr T Sheppard (work commitment) sent his apologies.

Declaration of Interest and Requests for Dispensation

No interests were declared and no requests for dispensation had been received.

Minutes of Meeting held on 17th May 2016: The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Public Forum: A resident raised his concern over the benefits of a designated conservation area for the village when it had not, in his opinion, ensured that a like for like wall replacement had been built on the development in Church Road. Judith Sweetman raised the PCC's points on Item 16/066a that the application should have shown the PCC as owner of the land not LWPC and that whilst LWPC maintained the closed churchyard and Babergh had to agree any work on the trees covered by the TPO, the PCC as owners of the land had to confirm their acceptance of any planned work on the trees. A member of public put forward the amenity value of the lime trees in the closed churchyard.

Planning:

a. The councillors reviewed Planning Application B/16/00724 St Lawrences Church, Church Road - To reduce the crown by 25% on T1 & T3 Lime trees. To fell to ground level on T2 & T4 Lime trees. Tree Preservation Order WS 230/G8. As the planning application had been raised by LWPC the councillors did not wish to make a formal response to Babergh on the application. However, in light of the points raised by the PCC the councillors recapped, for the benefit of Judith Sweetman and residents, on the background to the application.

As part of LWPC's Risk Assessment the lime trees had been inspected by Suffolk Tree Services (STS) two years after their last inspection. The report from STS was attached to the planning application submitted by STS on LWPC's behalf and the councillors agreed that the wrong owner had been indicated on the application. The councillors confirmed that the STS report presented LWPC with safety works on 4 of the 6 lime trees which included two options for trees 2 and 4. With trees 2 and 4 the councillors had requested their removal:

- due to the lack of amenity that both these trees served, particularly with replacement trees likely to be a condition of any removal
- to minimise the impact of tree 2 on the neighbouring property
- to minimise the costs of the maintenance of the trees in the closed churchyard, that had to be borne by all members of the community.

The councillors highlighted that the costs of these works, if approved, would be £2,500. This would follow a cost of £1,150 incurred by LWPC on the lime trees in 2014. The councillors also raised their concerns to the PCC over any delay that PCC approval could cause to the safety works being undertaken by STS. The councillors felt that the responsibility for any claim, should an insurable event occur before delayed PCC approval was received, would pass from LWPC to the PCC / Church.

b. The councillors reviewed Planning Application B/15/01556 Bell House, Humble Green - Erection of 3 No holiday lodges. Revised site layout plan received 2nd June 2016 and resolved that they had no comments.

c. No further planning application had been received since the agenda was posted.

Questions to the Chair: The Clerk was asked to raise concerns with SCC Highways that hedgerow growth is covering 30mph signs in the village.

Next Meeting

The date of the next scheduled meeting will be Tuesday 19th July 2016.

The meeting closed at 8.10pm.

DRAFT MINUTES OF NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 13th July 2016 in Newton Village Hall at 7.30pm

Present: Councillors Paul Presland (Chairman), Russell Bower, Sue Crawte, Lee Parker, Colin Poole and Phil Taylor.

Attending: Lee Parker (Babergh District Councillor), James Finch (Suffolk County Councillor), D Crimmin (Clerk), Ross Bain (Vaughan & Blyth) and 1 resident.

Apologies for Absence: Cllr Schwenk (unwell) sent her apologies.

Declaration of Interests and Requests for Dispensation: No interests were declared and no request for dispensation had been received.

Minutes of meeting held on the 15th June 2016: The minutes of the meeting were approved by the councillors and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

Public Forum: James Finch updated councillors on his previously circulated report on the Devolution consultation. He also agreed in principle to provide up to a 50% Locality Budget award to a defibrillator for the village, review the hedge cutting at the A134 junction with Valley Road to ensure better visibility, look at why line painting had not been undertaken along Valley Road and to review the flooding issue at the top of Church Road near Plampin Close. Lee Parker updated on Babergh's first Local Development Order, a small business survey and the move of premises for the Citizens Advice Bureau.

Proposals for developing opposite the Saracens Head: The councillors reviewed the outline proposals for 8 dwellings on the land opposite the Saracens Head as presented by Ross Bain of Vaughan and Blyth. The councillors were keen to see as much flexibility for the development to offer its residents the best options of joining the A134 to travel in either direction and for adjoining properties and the publican to be given the opportunity for reviewing the proposals as well. The mix of 2, 3 and 4 bedroom properties was in accord to the outcome of the recent survey of villagers. The councillors also hoped that Newton residents interested in any of

the dwellings would be given the opportunity of expressing their interest.

Police Reporting: After reviewing the newsletter contained on the SNT webpage the councillors would like to know if crime reporting at Village level was to be included. There would also like to see the statistics on any vehicle speed enforcements within the village.

Correspondence (Appendix A) Following a review of the Correspondence there were no further actions requested of the Clerk.

Clerks Report (Appendix B) Following a review of the Clerk's Report there were no further actions requested of the Clerk.

Finance

a. All cheques signed and due for signing, as itemised in the RFO Report (Appendix C), were authorised by the councillors. The councillors also noted the income received since the last meeting, agreed the Reconciliation of Accounts against the Bank Statements and reviewed the Statement of Accounts against the budget.

b. The councillors resolved to provide a budget of £750 towards the purchase of fireworks and any necessary training for the event on the 5th November 2016.

DRAFT MINUTES OF NEWTON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 13th July 2016 in Newton Village Hall at 7.30pm

Planning

a. The councillors reviewed the amendments to Planning Application B/16/00567 Land west of Sudbury Garden Centre - Erection of detached agricultural building and surfacing and resolved that the responses of the applicant did not answer the concerns of both Chilton and Newton Parish Councils and that they continued to object to the application. NPC raises the following points in relation to the answers provided by the applicant to the Parish Council queries:

Query i - The applicant has not answered the question of viability, sustainability or the requirement for such a large building.

Query ii - Nothing similar to the scale of what is now being proposed has been observed on the site before.

Query iii - Where are the separate shelters on the planning application? The Agricultural Statement says the animals will all be housed in the building during periods of bad weather, which contradicts this response.

Query vii - This conflicts with the claim the barn will be used for unwell or birthing animals. The answers on the application form at Q11 and Q16 are unacceptable and the plans should show the arrangements if it involves additional structures on the site.

Query ix - "This is being arranged" is not an answer. How is it being arranged? Groundwater extraction? Wind turbine? Solar panels? Connection to mains?

b. No further planning application had been received since the agenda was posted.

c. The status of previous applications and appeals were reviewed.

Flooding in Church Road: James Finch is to investigate the issue of flooding near the Church Road / Plampin Close junction at the request of NPC.

BDC RefApplicationNPC RefNPC ResponseBDC ResponseEnforcement enquiry on the expected completion date of building works at Motts Farm. Appeal against refusal of Planning Application B/13/01107 - Rogers Farm, Rogers Lane - Change of use of agricultural land to use as solar farm for generation of electricity from solar energy together with associated works comprising solar panels Did not support appeal. Appeal dismissed. Chilton Woods Mixed Use Development, Land North of, Woodhall Business Park, Sudbury - Outline application (with all matters reserved except for access) - Erection of up to 1,100 dwellings (Use Objected. Marks Meadow, Rectory Road - Application for Certificate of Lawfulness of an Existing Use - Erection of storage building. Responded on recent use. Assington Road - Erection of first floor rear extension. ObjectedAmendments to application submitted. Potash, The Green - Application for Listed Building Consent - Replace existing windows. Supported Approved. Land west of Sudbury Garden Centre - Erection of detached agricultural building and surfacing. Objected. Site formerly known as The Organic Box, Rectory Road - Erection of private stables, hay barn, maintenance shed and construction of manege. Supported. Mascals Farmhouse, Boxford Lane - Erection of detached garage, workshop and store building. Supported. 29Abbey House, Rectory Road - Erection of two detached dwellings with garaging. Supported. The Little Bungalow, Sudbury Road - Erection of single-storey side extension (following demolition of existing porch) and erection of pitched roof over existing side. Supported. 2 Assington Road - Amendments to application for erection of first floor rear extension. Supported Approved DRAFT

Defibrillator: The councillors reviewed the processes required to operate a defibrillator scheme in the village. It was agreed to write to the Village Hall to request that the defibrillator cabinet be placed on the outside wall of the hall and an electricity supply be provided, at the expense of NPC. The councillors resolved to allocate funds to the total project cost of £2,000 plus electricity supply costs, for which it is hoped to get a locality budget grant of 50% from James Finch.

Financial Regulations and Standing Orders: The councillors reviewed the changes proposed by NALC to NPC's Financial Regulations and Standing Orders and resolved to adopt the changes to both from the 14th July 2016.

Village Hall and Trust representative updates: The Village Hall committee has cancelled the Summer Munch on the 17th July as ticket sales were very low. The Trust's next meeting is on the 27th July 2016. The Clerk requested the Trust to clarify the boundaries of the Village Green, as registered with the Land Registry, in relation to the byelaws enforcement.

Footpath Consultation: It is hoped that Cllr Schwenk will completed the footpath survey on behalf of NPC.

Questions to the Chair: The councillors asked for an update from the Fete Committee on the finances to this year's event. The Clerk was requested to find out the policy for the replacement of fire hydrant signage.

1Standing Order 3d: In accordance to NPC's Standing Order 3d the councillors resolved to exclude the public and press from the meeting due to the confidential nature of contingency arrangements for village assets and the Clerk's Contract of

Parish Council Matters

Employment

Assets of Community Value: The councillors agreed that they should further understand how the process of maintaining assets of community value is being achieved by organisations in the local area and that NPC should review its Earmarked Reserve policy in this regard.

Clerk's Contract of Employment: The councillors reviewed the agreement reached by the National Joint Council on the cost of living rises from the 1st April 2016 and the 1st April 2017 which equated to 1% each year. The councillors noted the agreement and resolved that the Clerk was eligible to both increase under his contract of employment on the dates specified.

Next Meeting: The next scheduled meeting is on Wednesday 15th September 2016 starting at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9.35pm

Meeting of Boxford Parish Council

Report of the Meeting held on 4th July

The next full meeting of Boxford Parish Council will be held on Monday 5th September.

Public Forum: Items raised included the state of the roads and pavements on Daking Avenue which have been reported to County Highways. A limited amount of patching has been done which is not comprehensive enough. A neighbour to Riddelsdell Garage attended with a copy of their letter to Babergh Planning objecting to the proposed workshop.

County Council Report: County Cllr James Finch attended and updated the meeting on Devolution.

District Council Report: Cllr Bryn Hurren attended and reported that the Fleece was under new management. Station Field is proceeding at a pace and the 5 private houses have been sold. Cllr Hurren was not involved with the detail, however, was told all buyers had strong local connections. There is high demand for the Local Needs Housing. He has attended various meetings with the playing fields to assist with their projects. Following his report, concern was expressed at the lack of information of a Planning Event arranged by Babergh Council at the Village Hall. Cllr Hurren agreed to follow up this matter together with the upkeep of the triangle of land at Homefield mentioned at previous meetings.

Correspondence: A report of correspondence had been circulated ahead of the meeting. Approval was given for the School to cut the boundary between the school and the churchyard.

Finance: In addition to the usual business, it was agreed to ask Suffolk Tree Services to fell the diseased oak in the Cemetery. The VAT rules in relation to the Playingfield projects were discussed.

Cemetery: Further quotations were being sought in respect of overhanging sycamore trees from the Cemetery.

Suffolk Association of Local Councils Meetings: It was agreed to attend the area meetings on a rota basis.

Babergh Alliance: Cllr Balls attended a meeting of the Alliance which aims to share issues of mutual concern in the District.

Reports: A one off cut to the Jubilee garden at the entrance to the Causeway had been organised. The pathway on School Hill was in need of clearing.

Planning: The Planning Authority confirmed work can proceed for a rear extension at 48 Daking Avenue and to fell a hawthorn tree at 8 Fen Street. There were no objections from the Parish Council to the 4th Clamp at the Anaerobic Digester Plant at Boxford Suffolk Farms, for a rear extension at 32 Homefield and Listed Building Consent for replacement window at 3 Swan Street. The Parish Council continued to object to the workshop application at Riddelsdell Brothers following further amendments. Although the height of the proposal had been reduced, it was still 2 storey.

Meeting 18th July: A Planning Meeting was held and during the meeting the Parish Council received the resignation of Cllr Sue Green. She will be greatly missed on the Council and this leaves a vacancy which will be advertised shortly. Anyone wanting to consider what is involved, please take the opportunity to discuss Councillors or Clerk or observe at a forthcoming meeting.

Planning: The Planning Authority confirmed permission had been granted for a rear extension at 48 Daking Avenue and to fell a hawthorn tree at 8 Fen Street.

A Pre-Planning Consultation on a proposed base station on Hadleigh Road had been received. Members stated they were supportive of improving mobile telephone signal in and around the village subject to the right location being found. In this instance they believe more consultation is needed and hoped that the whole village were being contacted in this respect. It was agreed to invite the applicants to share their proposals at the Parish Council Meeting on 8th August - this invitation was declined. Reservations at this stage were put forward regarding the proximity to the road as a distraction to motorists and that they would be interested to hear views from neighbouring residents.

The Parish Council had no objections to proposed tree work at Knoll Gate, School Hill and change of use of B&B to Hair Salon at The Fleece.

Meeting 8th August: This was a Planning Meeting and there were No Objections to the application for first floor, roof terrace and out building at Silver Birch, Hadleigh Road. The Parish Council continued to object to proposals at Riddelsdell Brothers, Ellis Street. This was due to the proposal still being 2 storey and concerns about soil contamination and noise. The large proposal was not considered in keeping with its surroundings.

Debbie Hattrell, Clerk to Boxford Parish Council

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Readers Letters

Sir

Anne Kingsbury

Daughters Sarah Kingsbury and Heather Smith and family would like to thank family and friends for the cards, messages and flowers of sympathy sent on the sad and sudden loss of our dear special mum Anne Kingsbury. Also thank you to everyone who came to her lovely funeral service given by the lovely Rev Judith Sweetman and for the generous donations. Thanks to Kingsbury and Saunders for all their help and looking after mum whilst she was in their care. Its such a shock to lose our mum she was a very special lady and a best friend who will be dearly missed but always loved and remembered.

Thank You

Sarah Kingsbury and Heather Smith and family

Sir

John & Margaret, Neil & Michelle and the Kent family would like to thank everyone for the incredible support and messages of sympathy they have received following the sad loss of Michael. A thank you also to everyone who attended the service celebrating his life and for the donations. Particular thanks to the Rev Judith who has helped us through this most difficult time.

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THE NAMES ON OUR WAR MEMORIALS - SEPTEMBER 2016



The month of September in 1915 and 1916 brought news to our villages of the death of four more of their sons on the battlefields of France and Flanders. In 1915 two men from very different backgrounds but born in the same year lost their lives; Private William Davey of Newton, 9202, 7th Battalion Suffolk Regiment, died on the 18th of the month, and Lieutenant Frederick Richard Henry Lowry-Corry of Edwardstone, Royal Field Artillery, died on the 30th of wounds sustained on the 25th. In 1916 Sergeant Temple William Joslin of Boxford, 14411, 'C' Company 9th Battalion Suffolk Regiment, died on the 16th and Private Archibald Bernard Griggs of Boxford, G/28995, 12th Battalion Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment) died on the 26th. These latter two men were casualties of the continuing carnage of the Somme offensive, which by September had already been going on for two months and, by the time our two men were killed, the battlegrounds around the Somme still had another two months of destruction to witness.

Returning to 1915, I will use Frederick Lowry-Corry's war to set the scene on the Western Front for the summer and autumn of that year, but first the man himself.

Frederick was born on 13th May 1890 in London, his birth being registered in the district of St. George, Hanover Square.

Frederick's parents were Colonel, the Honorable Henry William Lowry-Corry and the Honorable Blanche Edith Wood. Henry was born in 1845 in Ireland and Blanche in 1851 in London. Both of Frederick's parents were members of long established families within the Peerage of the United Kingdom.

Frederick was the youngest of four children having two elder sisters, Emily and Alice, and an elder brother, another Henry, who also fought in the War, but survived, rising eventually to the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. The family owned Edwardstone Hall and the 1911 Census shows Henry senior and Blanche residing there along with Frederick and his sister Alice, as well as four other members of the extended family and eight servants.

Frederick was commissioned into the Royal Field Artillery, possibly through the Officer Training Corps of Cambridge University, where he studied between 1908 and 1911, graduating as a Bachelor of Arts.

Frederick was to be present in the vicinity of the deployment of two very different types of warfare, one ancient and one modern. Even if he did not personally witness them, he would certainly have been aware of the nature of them and their consequences. Frederick's Brigade, the 47th, was part of the 14th (Light) Division, which in June and July 1915 was deployed in the actions at Hooze and Bellewaard a short distance east from the town of Ypres. Hooze is infamous for the devastating use of the placing of mines beneath the German trenches. Mining enemy fortifications is a technique dating back at least to the middle ages, where it was used to try and bring down the walls of castles. In the First World War the same principal was used to destroy enemy trenches. At 19:00 on the 19th July a mine was detonated beneath the German positions which created a crater 120 feet in diameter, 20 feet deep and with a rampart of 15 feet high thrown up by the explosion. The Allied forces held onto the ground gained as a result of the mining, but on the 30th July in the very early morning the German forces mounted a counterattack, which, in complete contrast to the ancient practice of mining, demonstrated a hitherto unknown barbaric weapon, the flame thrower. The use of this weapon took the Allied commanders by surprise, and even though initially not very accurate, the simple horror of the effects was very damaging to the morale of the troops.

The actions at Hooze and in the vicinity ultimately achieved nothing in respect of an Allied advance, so during the summer the Allied commanders develop a detailed and comprehensive plan of an engagement that it was hoped would break the stalemate, force the Central Powers back to the east and turn the war from a static trench bound conflict into a mobile advancing front, a type of combat with which all the senior staff were familiar and in which they believed they would be successful. This engagement was to become the Battle of Loos.

Frederick's Division was detailed to take part in this battle and were positioned again at Belleward to open one of several diversionary attacks designed to draw fire away from the main point at which the Allies were planning to break out of the trenches near the small town of Loos, now a suburb of Lille. The battle opened on the morning of 25th September and during that day Fredrick sustained serious injury. He was evacuated away from the front line to Etaples on the Channel coast, which was used as a

concentration point for hospitals and the gathering of supplies and reserves. But his injuries proved fatal and he died on 30th September aged 25. He is buried along with 10,770 other Commonwealth casualties in the Etaples Military Cemetery. Frederick's life is also commemorated in the eastern most window of the south wall of the chancel in St Mary the Virgin, Edwardstone. The stained glass was placed there by his parents in 1920.

The Battle of Loos ultimately failed in its objectives and the War settled back into the all too familiar pattern of attritional trench warfare. But it was significant for several reasons. Firstly, it was a harbinger of the shocking casualty rate that was to characterise the Somme offensive a year later, caused in no small measure by highly effective German machine gun fire as Allied troops advanced across no-mans land. 8,000 British soldiers were killed or injured on the first day, and it is said they advanced almost as if on the parade ground offering devastatingly easy targets to the gun emplacements. So shocked by the carnage were the German gunners that they chose not fire on the retreating British troops as the second day unfolded. At least this allowed the Allies to gather some of their injured and dead from what became known as the 'corpse field of Loos'.

Secondly, Loos was the first battle in which the Allies used gas in preparation for the advance itself. The German army had first used gas on a large scale, a modified form of tear gas in January 1915. But this was deemed ineffective so other chemicals were brought into play, including chlorine gas which kills by suffocation as, on inhalation, it turns into hydrochloric acid in the lungs; mustard gas which causes dreadful blistering both on the skin and the eyes and in the lungs; and phosgene which was equally shocking in its effects. Whilst gas had been used in previous conflicts, the difference in the First World War was the perfecting of the delivery of the material by howitzer shells, which could be fired from ten or more miles distant.

Poison gas was outlawed by the Geneva Convention in 1925, but these awful events described here have a terrible resonance in our own time as evidence mounts of the use of chlorine gas in Syria and other parts of the devastated areas of the middle east. History has so much to teach us, yet so few will listen.

Turning to William Davey, researching his life has uncovered one of those intriguing stories that I wish I could conclude, but more research is needed for which I do not have the time to undertake.

William was born in 1890 in Bungay on the Suffolk/Norfolk border. He was the son of Samuel and Jessie Davey both also born in Bungay, Samuel in 1855 and Jessie in 1860. Samuel is recorded in the Census returns as a Hay Trusser or a Hay Cutter. The family lived in Nethergate Street in the small town, not a tied cottage on a farm, which suggests Samuel had established himself as an independent journeyman or tradesman. William was one of nine children, all sons.

William is one of a few servicemen whose name appears on three war memorials, in his case Bungay, Sudbury and Newton. The Commonwealth War Graves Commission's records tell us that William's wife, Sybil Helen Proctor, was living in Sudbury, so the Bungay and Sudbury memorial entries are to be expected, but why Newton? What follows is conjecture, but it might be possible to prove. In 1911 William was still living with his parents in Bungay. North of the town was the Bungay and Waveney Valley Golf Club, established in 1889, one of the earliest courses in Suffolk, the first being that at Felixstowe Ferry, founded in 1880. The 1911 Census records William's occupation as Greensman, which suggests that he was working on the golf course. In 1907 the Newton Green Club was opened and it seems possible that William journeyed down from Bungay sometime after 1911 to take up employment with the relatively new club. Whilst working in the village he probably met his future wife, Sybil, born in 1895 to Joseph and Anna Proctor of Sudbury. Joseph started his working life in Hitcham, north of Bildeston on the Stowmarket road, as an agricultural labourer but became a self-employed house painter, plumber and carpenter. William married Sybil towards the end of 1914.

William enlisted into the 7th Battalion Suffolk Regiment probably in Colchester soon after his marriage. He would have arrived in France at the beginning of June 1915, and by mid-July the Division to which the Regiment was attached was holding a 7000 yard sector of the front line north from Armentieres, a town on the border of France and Belgium a little north west of Loos. It remained there until after the start of the Battle of Loos, during which it was moved to support the battle, but by then William had lost his life in the ordinary bitter day to day exchanges of trench warfare. He died on 18th September 1915, aged 25, and never lived to see his first wedding anniversary.

William is buried in the small Gunners Farm Military Cemetery near Hainaut in Belgium along with 174 of his comrades. In the early 1920's, the last time I can trace her, Sybil was living with her parents at 2 Clifton Villas on the Cornard Road in Sudbury.

Moving now to 1916 we will encounter the short lives of Temple Joslin and Archibald Griggs, who died ten days apart in battles on the Somme. Last

month we left the Somme offensive in its early stages. By early September six major battles had been fought by the British forces and the front line had been pushed eastwards by between two to four miles. Key objectives were the high ground to the northern end of the front line and the attacks on High Wood, the Battles of Delville Wood, Pozieres, Guillemont, Ginchy, Flers-Courcelette, Morval and Thiepval were all directed towards achieving that commanding position, which was finally secured on the 28th September. Temple and Archibald were lost in this fighting.

Temple was born in 1893 in the parish of Boxford, probably at White Street Green, where his family are recorded as living in the 1901 Census.

He was the son of Frederick Joslin, born in Boxford in 1861, and Rowythen Pattle, born in Wickham Market near Woodbridge in 1864. By 1911, with the family now living in Stone Street, Temple had four brothers and three sisters, though he was the only one to be given a less than usual Christian name. Frederick was a farm bailiff and Temple a farm labourer.

Temple enlisted in Sudbury, probably in 1915. He served in 'C' Company, 9th Battalion the Suffolk Regiment, which initially formed part of the 24th Division, but which was transferred to the 6th Division in October 1915. The battalion arrived in France at the end of August 1915.

The 6th Division entered the Somme offensive in the Battle of Flers-Courcelette, two villages on the northern edge of the battle zone north of the Somme river. They were significant staging posts to the action which eventually secured the town of Thiepval. But before these villages could be reached, two heavily defended woods, High Wood and Delville Wood, had to be won. This battle is significant in that it was the first engagement in which the British forces used tanks, and it was these new weapons which played a major role in driving the German forces out of the fortifications in the woods.

Temple lost his life on the second day of the Battle, 16th September 1916; he was 23 years old. He has no known grave and is commemorated on the Thiepval Memorial, which as we have heard before, bears the names of more than 70,000 Allied troops, who never returned to their loved ones, nor their familiar surroundings such as this village of Boxford.

Archibald was born in Groton in 1891.

His mother, Elizabeth Griggs, was born in 1862 and also came from Groton. Without access to Archibald's birth certificate it is not apparent who his father was. Elizabeth is recorded as single in the 1891 Census in the household of Thomas and Florence Ford at Horners Green along with her infant son of three months.

Archibald gained a sister Elsie in 1895 and in 1899 Elizabeth married John Clackson, an agricultural labourer, and by 1901 the family appears in the Census as living in Stone Street Road, Boxford. Perhaps John Clackson was the father of both the children. By 1911, Archibald was boarding with another part of the Griggs family in Swan Street, Boxford and was working as a gardener.

Archibald enlisted in Bury St Edmunds in 1915. He served in the 12th Battalion, Duke of Cambridge's Own (Middlesex Regiment), which formed part of the 18th (Eastern) Division.

The Division moved to France at the end of July 1915 and his battalion was held as reserves on the opening morning of the Battle of the Somme in July 1916. They were soon moved forward and were engaged in the ensuing attritional trench warfare for the next two weeks. After a spell of recuperation, the battalion returned to the front line and took part in the action that finally secured the town of Thiepval, and the strategic ridge upon which it stands, on 28th September. The battle opened on the 26th September and on that day Archibald lost his life, aged 25.

Archibald is buried in the relatively small Authuille Military Cemetery along with more than 400 others. The cemetery started to take burials from the summer of 1915, but, such was the fluid nature of the Western Front that, even before the ground was taken by the German army's advance westward during the second Battle of the Somme in 1918, it had been ruined by shellfire. Along with Archibald it now rests in peace, and we hope and pray it will do so for evermore.

Temple Joslin will be remembered at the 11:00 service of Holy Communion in Boxford on the 18th September and Frederick Lowry-Corry at the Edwardstone Harvest Festival Service at 15:00 on the same day. Archibald Griggs will be remembered at the 11:00 service of Matins in Boxford on the 25th September and William Davey at the Newton Harvest Festival Service at 11:00 on the same day.

As always, if you have any more information about anyone mentioned in this article, please do get in touch by contacting Revd. Judith, email or letter only please, and she will pass it on to me. I would be particularly interested if anyone knows whether William Davey did work at the Newton Green Golf Club.

Finally, I must apologise for the incorrect spelling of Walter Tricker's middle name last month. The correct spelling of Raleigh is as in Sir Walter Raleigh, not as in the town of Rayleigh in south east Essex.

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On August 8th 2016 Top of the League Edwardstone travelled to 4th placed Nowton Cricket Club for a Hunts County Bats League Division Three game. It was rather warm and no shade in sight at a lovely ground just on outskirts of Bury St Edmunds. ECC started the day with Coach Iain Young putting the team through its paces which was the first time this year as he wanted to test the teams catching ability as he was not impressed in previous games. Luckily after this gruelling training, the skipper had gone and done the toss and chose to bat. Edwardstone started rather steady with openers Jack Clark and Sam Chapman. Jack made the usual steady start whilst his partner Sam Chapman was hitting the bowling with ease. Jack made 26 before getting out LBW whilst his partner Sam Chapman went on to break an Edwardstone record with 173 runs in his innings with quite a few partners before he was caught in the deep. The coach was unlucky to be out on 49 and Tom Davey 24 not out. Together the team managed to get 349 runs which is an all-time Edwardstone record broken beating the 287 against Leavenheath at home. After posting this high score we managed to defend it well restricting Nowton to 203 in 40 overs. The skipper was influential with his bowling taking 3 wickets only conceding 26 runs the notable bowling performance of the day. The fielding performance was fantastic from expert fielder Harry Young who ran out 4 of their batsman with sharp fielding in the covers almost too sharp at times when he collided with other fielders! We haven't checked but we think that might be another record for ECC. After this game we found out that our closest challengers in 2nd and 3rd had both lost leaving us clearly top of the league. The team have four tough league games left plus the John Bailey Trophy against Mildon at home August 28th.

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