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PANTO'S GREAT SUCCESS

The Boxford Drama Groups Christmas Pantomime "Hansel and Gretel by Sally Phillips, played to packed audiences throughout its run. The day that tickets went on sale saw a queue forming early in the morning and shortly after 9.00am all Saturday tickets had been sold and shortly after all Fridays tickets had gone the same way. The remaining tickets went quickly and many were left disappointed or waiting for returns.

Tim Kerr and Penny Hylands 'Hansel and Gretel' were about as daft as you might expect especially Tim, who seems to specialise in these parts, one wonders if he is the same at school! In fact the casting was excellent as always with Jon Kirby's Headmaster attracting most of the hisses and boos Hansel and Gretel getting all the Aahs and Coralie Browns Thigh tapping! Minstrel wooing of Elaine Carpenters Oriel getting all the Wows This year the meal served during the interval was 'Home Grown' and the Drama Group members responsible deserved a round of applause. Well done and see if you can top it next year.



Another satisfied customer!

FATHER CHRISTMAS visits Newton early again

Yet again the Newton Christmas Coffee Morning held in the Village Hall on Saturday 7th December proved to be a resounding success, even Father Christmas sold out.

The Coffee morning held in aid of All Saints, Newton had stalls selling Christmas Cakes and Christmas presents, there was also a raffle and competitions for Children.

At the end of the day it all added up to £470.52, about 50p less than last year, not bad at all. Well done to everyone, an event like this takes a lot of organising.



Left: Children from Boxford C of E Primary School at the final rehearsal for this years Nativity Play

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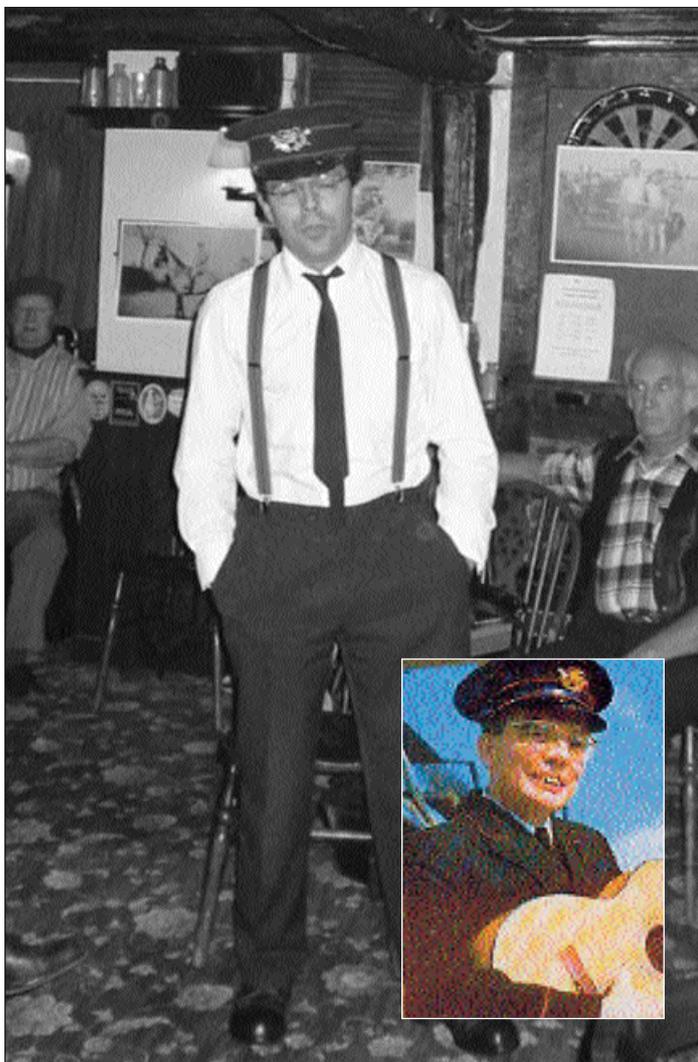
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HEY YEW GOTTA LOOK A LIKE BOR?

November saw the return of the Bumpstead Boy's to Boxford only this time at the White Hart to honour one of East Anglias favourite sons, Allan Smethurst, better known as The Singing Postman. Allan Died in poverty in December 2000 at the age of 73. Best known for his chart hit 'Hey Yew Gotta Loight Bor', he wrote and recorded many folk songs and enjoyed a brief but heady period of fame and popularity in the 1960's.

The Postman's songs sung in Norfolk dialect have become part of Norfolk's musical history and embody the rural traditions and dialect of the region. Allan Smethurst - the former Postman from Sheringham in North Norfolk - wrote most of the songs himself and incorporated into them many of the familiar towns and events of the surrounding area. Born in Lancashire he moved to Sheringham in North Norfolk as a boy. He was a postman for 12 years but, as a great fan of George Formby, he taught himself to play the guitar and he had a great gift for song writing.

Since the 1960s The Postman has become part of East Anglian folklore. Everyone in East Anglia and many nationally have heard of 'Hev Yew Gotta Loight Bor" and many others of his songs including A Miss From Diss and Oi Can't Get A Noice Loaf a Bread. Hev Yew Gotta Loight Bor won the Ivor Novello award for the best novelty song of 1966. Allan found great difficulty in coping with the publicity and suffered badly from stagefright. Sadly he died just before Christmas 2000.

The Bumpstead Boys and Friends put on a great evenings entertainment singing many of his popular songs in a manner that Allan would have been proud of.

Readers will remember that 'The Bumpstead Boys and Beryl' entertained us and our American cousins from Boxford MA in the Village Hall on 31st May 2002. The evenings entertainment was captured on video and the video is now available from Neil Lanham at:

The Bumpstead Boys, Ivy Todd, Helions Bumpsted, Nr Haverhill, Suffolk. CB9 7AT. Telephone 01440 730414

Jazz at the Fleece

Boxford Suffolk

Friday, 3 January, 8.30 Ticket £10

Jean Toussaint

A great start to the New Year at the Fleece as we welcome back Jean Toussaint and his quartet. He comes from Berklee College of music via a four and a half year stint with Art Blakey's Jazz Messengers when he toured Europe, Japan, Africa, USA and Canada. Jean has worked with artists of the calibre of Wynton Marsalis, Gil Evans and McCoy Tyner, he has a warm pleasant tone and is a consummate technician with a fine lyrical flair that has established a wide audience for his expressive straight jazz work. With Andrew McCormack (piano), Orlando Le Fleming (bass) and Troy Miller (drums).

Friday, 10 January, 8.30 Ticket £9

Big Chief

With their music always unmistakably rooted in jazz BC play Duke Ellington, Fats Domino, Alain Toussaint and Horace Silver. Whether the numbers originate in boogie woogie, rhythm and blues, rock n' roll, township kwela, big band swing, bebop or post modernist freeform, puts its liberated stamp on them and lets the good times roll. But it won't mean a thing if it ain't got that swing. BC are John Fry (sax & vibes), Edward Benstead (trumpet), Christopher Fry (trombone), Mike Jacques (guitar), Adrian Paton (keyboards), Tony

Reeves (bass), Louis Borenus (drums) and Tony Edwards (piano & vibes).

Friday, 17 January, 8.30 Ticket £10
Renato D'Aiello's International Quartet

Saxophonist Renato has a tone reminiscent of Hank Mobley and articulation that has a touch of Dexter Gordon about it. This is not to say that he is not his own man. His style is mature, adventurous and powered by a first class technique. Joining him are the outstanding Patrice Galas (piano), Nicola Muresu (bass) and Tristan Maillot (drums).

Friday, 24 January, 8.30 Ticket £10

Ola

Make sure that you book early for the eagerly awaited return of Ola, whose gig last year was a sell-out. Combining sophisticated, modern soul with the power of his African roots, Ola is a charismatic vocalist, whose four albums have served to seal his reputation as an outstanding singer, songwriter, musician and producer fully deserving of the high regard in which press and public alike hold him. His live performances have to be seen to be believed. With Tony Smith (guitar), Ash Soan (keyboards), Winston Blissett (bass) and Matt Johnson (drums).

Friday, 31 January, 8.30 Ticket £12

Victoria Newton

Britain's premier male jazz singer defies stereotyping with a voice containing an orchestral spectrum of tones and timbres. Ian's range extends from a velvety baritone to a startling falsetto and he can vary his vocal texture from smooth to rough edged in accordance with emotions he wants to communicate. With James Pearson (piano) Thad Kelly (bass) and Mark Fletcher (drums)

To buy tickets for any gig, obtain further information or add your name to the mailing list please telephone the BOX OFFICE:

01787 211865

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Jazz at the Fleece, 18 The Causeway, Boxford, Suffolk CO10 5JR

Parish Council Matters

BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 9TH DECEMBER

Planning

Babergh had approved tree works at Knollgate. Council approved pollarding a balsam polar on Butchers Lane. Council approved the extension and new building at Hill Farm.

Chairman's announcements

The chairman was pleased to see freshly painted white lines in the village. The chairman had studied the Policy document for rural speed limits and felt that Boxford would not qualify for a 20mph limit. The chairman asked for a letter to be written to Babergh about street cleaning arrangements in villages, following the recent news items concerning Glemsford and Long Melford. The clerk had in previous years applied for more cleaning or more funding. Council felt that pressure should be kept on Babergh over this issue.

There was still concern over safety at the Cox Hill junction. The clerk is to request SLOW signs for traffic approaching from Cox Hill or from Ellis Street.

The chairman will meet the auditor on 11th December.

Police report

PC Warren offered to implement a cones and parking ticket system where problems were caused by inconsiderate parking near the school. In particular the bus bay and its access should be kept clear.

50 offenders had been recorded as exceeding the speed limit on the by-pass during a recent speed check. Since August there had been 10 reported crimes: a shed burglary, a theft, an assault, a criminal damage, possession of a shotgun, several thefts from vehicles and damage to vehicles. PC Warren warned parishioners not to leave valuables in cars. Cars should be garaged whenever possible.

Police HQ could be phoned on 01473 6135000. 999 should be left free for real emergencies. PC Warren could be contacted on 01473-613555/2. To reach his voice mailbox, dial 01473-613614.

SCC Mr Pembroke

A payment of £371m for the coming year had been agreed with central government. This was an increase of 6%.

Beeston's had tried having their bus service make a detour to visit Daking Avenue but found this added too much to the journey time.

Babergh

Residents of Clubs Lane had complained about the state of the lane after the building contractors had gone. Although this is not a Parish Council matter, Council decided to write to Babergh to see if any pressure could be put on the builder to make good.

The probation service may be able to provide labour for village projects and an officer will attend the next meeting.

Babergh will keep its Council Houses as opposed to passing them on to a Housing Association.

Tesco had applied to have extra shopping needs incorporated in the next Local Plan. With the pink bag scheme, recycling had increased from 11% of total waste to 18% and this should improve as the scheme is developed.

Finance

The current balance is £25,774.67, with £13,824.75 in the current account and £11,949.92 in the deposit account.

Motion to adopt the Freedom of Information Act, 2000, Core Classes Only. Information to be available:

- 1 Minutes, Standing Orders, Parish Meeting reports for last 2 years.
- 2 Declarations of Acceptance of Office, Members' Register of Interests, Register of Interests book.
- 3 Last Electoral Review and last Boundary Review.
- 4 Terms and conditions of employment and job descriptions.
- 5 Responses to Planning Applications.
- 6 The annual return form, the auditor's report, the receipt/payments book, bank statements, the precept requisition,

the VAT report, the Financial Standing Orders and Regulations, the assets list, and risk assessments. All these as they apply to the last financial year.

It was proposed by Mrs Hobbs and seconded by Mrs Cull that the motion be passed. Councillors agreed unanimously.

Playing Fields projects

The Playing Field Committee had sent a copy of their proposals for the future of the Playing Fields and asked Council for their comments. Council felt the plan was over ambitious. It would prefer to support improvement of existing facilities. It still supports the skateboard park. It is opposed to moving the play area. The clerk will write to the Playing Fields Committee.

Clerk's report and correspondence.

Mr Rice offered to take charge of the American Memorabilia and see it safely housed in the village hall, having glazed the painting first. The clerk proposed to commence the publicity needed to enter the competition organised by EEDA (Eastern England Development Agency) to have BT Broadband brought to the area. A more detailed report would be made in January.

A new register of electors is available but there are now restrictions on its use. Mr Watling had withdrawn his objection to the name of Rules Yard. Mr Watling had rescued the BPC bin after drunken youths had thrown it and the rubbish into the river near his house. There was some discussion whether to secure the inner bins but if this was done Babergh would not agree to emptying them. It was agreed to monitor the situation for now. It was reported that the Playing Field dog bin was overflowing. The clerk had ascertained that it was emptied once a week. If the situation continued it should be considered whether to provide another dog bin. Hadleigh Health Centre had replied at length to the clerk's enquiries and had emphasised the Group's commitment to the Boxford surgery which will reopen on 19th December. There will be changes at Hadleigh while the new surgery is constructed but the care of patients will not be affected. It was decided to write to Mr Lamer, Manager of the Group Practice, and thank him for the efforts of all the staff.

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NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

BOXFORD SUNFLOWER PLAYGROUP

Our various projects are coming together now and will hopefully be completed in the early part of next year. One of our events next year be the 30th Anniversary Celebration. **SATURDAY 21st JUNE**

We are planning a day at the Pavilion where you can meet up with people from your past! Did you work on the staff or attend as a child between 1973 and the present day? If so, we would love to hear from you so we can plan a good get together.

We are aiming to have a fun day with plenty to keep the children amused while the adults reminisce over a cup of tea or a glass of wine and a barbecue. Offers of help on the day would be very much appreciated. More details in the New year!

If you would like to help or more details please contact:

Ann Porter Mulberry Cottage, 3 Church Street, Groton, Sudbury, CO10 5HD Tel: 01787 210581 Or Moira Grant, 1 Church Road, Lindsey, Ipswich, Suffolk. IP7 6PS Tel: 01787 211513

We would also like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas From all the Staff At the Playgroup.

BOXFORD BOUNTY

The time of year is with us once again, for the Boxford Bounty collectors to come knocking at your door asking for your continued support.

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If you have an outgoing personality, love walking, enjoy meeting people and are interested in becoming a collector for the Boxford Bounty please contact Mark for further details.

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Boxford Study Centre

Winter 2002

History/General

At the time of writing classes on **Victorian Suffolk** with our tutor **Clive Payne** are well attended and popular providing a rich insight into Suffolk during that period. It is a pity there are only ten classes. Never mind Clive will be returning in the autumn with **Elizabethan Suffolk** but more on that in future newsletters. Beginning in Boxford School on 14th January 2003 at 7.30pm we have the equally popular **Sam Newton** continuing his theme with the **Vikings in Suffolk**. Those of you who attended his previous ten classes on the **Anglo Saxons in Suffolk** will surely not want to miss this further ten classes exploring the subsequent period.

The course will be liberally illuminated with slides, overheads and readings from Old English sources in additions to Sam's

considerable knowledge. Participants will get a guided exploration of the history, culture and literature during the Viking age from the 9th to 11th centuries. The course content will include:

1. Chronicles, Sagas and verse: the literary and Historical Sources

2. The Wuffing Kingdom of East Anglia

3. England in the 9th Century

4. The coming of the Vikings

5. St Edmund and the Ragnarssons

6. King Aelfred and the Raven Banner

7. The Danelaw Kingdoms

8. The Recovery of England

9. Kings and Half-Kings of the 10th Century

10. Harald Bluetooth and the return of the Danes

11. Earl Byrhtnoo and the Battle of Maldon

12. Sweyn Forkbeard and the end of the line of Aelfred

13. King Cnut and the Battle of Asmedun

14. The Norsemen and the Norman Conquest.

So lots of interest and enjoyment for you so come along and bring a friend.

Phone *Bob Martin* 01787 210837 for further information.

Literature

Part II of Dr Patricia Gillies' course: will begin on Monday January 13th 2003 in The Fleece, Boxford at 7.30 pm. We will be examining texts from More's 'Utopia' through Swift, Voltaire and Thoreau to the modern distopias of Huxley and Orwell. It is not necessary to have attended Part I of the course.

For more information and a syllabus contact: *Mrs. Etain Todds, Moat Farm Cottage, Edwardstone, Sudbury, CO10 5PY. Tel: 01787 210344.*

All courses run by the Boxford Study Group attract University credits. Each lecturer will discuss work requirements with anyone wanting to obtain credits. However I would like to emphasise that this is optional so you can attend just for general knowledge, pleasure or interest.

WHO IS THAT MAN WITH A CAMERA (and a pony tail !!) ??

Well, yes it's our Richard Gates on an important mission, working (voluntarily) for Images of England. This is a Lottery-supported project, creating a new photographic record of every listed building in the country for the 21st century. One photograph is being taken of each of England's 360,000 listed buildings - and Boxford has more than 70 ! Richard's task will be to take a single exterior image of each building from publicly accessible land. (If he is unable to photograph a building from public land, he may request permission from the householder, occupier, owner or their agent to enter private land to take a photograph. He will carry an identity card (his pony tail !), so if you see him loitering, you'll know he has good intentions !)

The whole project is being masterminded by the National Monuments Record, the public archive of English Heritage and supported by the Royal Photographic Society and Kodak, and whilst they have undertaken a comprehensive regional press campaign to inform listed building owners and occupiers that the project is taking place, it has not been feasible for the project to contact the owners in advance of the photographic survey. All the photographs are being stored in a digital image library and will be made available to the widest possible audience via the internet. It will be of enormous educational value for schools, local historians, researchers and students. To find out more, you can contact Ann Vink, Communications Officer on 01793 414705

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Maureen Cooling

Brian Tora's column

Now, I do not know how widely this August publication is read, but was it just a coincidence that last month I wrote on wine and in the first week of December I was asked to take part in a wine tasting - on air. The occasion was the launch of a new range of wines, put together by wine writer and broadcaster Jilly Goulden. Okay, to say I was asked to take part is bending the truth a little. It happened that my sharp-eared wife heard the request for a volunteer to join in on the programme when listening to BBC Radio Suffolk. How could I refuse? And great fun it was too.

It appears that Ms Goulden is blending the output of various vineyards in South Africa to produce wines to her taste - a red and a white. The grape variety is constant - Shiraz for the red and a Chardonnay for the white. However, by using a variety of producers, it has been possible to produce precisely the type of taste she thinks will attract buyers. Regardless of how I came to take part, it seems that my destiny is inextricably linked with wine.

But I feel the need to return to the topic of village pubs - or pubs in general for that matter. I am, I suppose, what you might term a "pubby" person. It is not that I quaff vast quantities of ale. Sadly, at my time of life this form of conspicuous consumption simply serves to hasten the purchase of yet another pair of trousers with a larger waistband - something that seems to happen with increasing regularity without the added push of beer. It is the social aspect of the pub that I like. And a pub is, of course, only as good as its landlord or landlady.

Not that this is the only factor to be taken into account today. The ownership and management of pubs has changed a great deal over recent years. Some little while ago, major brewers were compelled to divest themselves of their pub chains and, although smaller concerns like Greene King are still able to own their outlets, these days the industry is largely divided between those who brew the beer and those who run the pubs.

You would have thought that this would make for a more efficient industry, but life is not always easy in the pub trade. Just before Christmas, independent pub giant J.D. Wetherspoon (once rumoured to be eyeing Sudbury as a home for one of its music-less establishments) issued a profits warning and saw its share price tumble. Operator of the Slug and Lettuce chain, SFI, has also found itself in deep financial difficulties - forcing the suspension of its shares. Despite my personal endeavours, it seems not enough money is being spent in pubs.

We are fortunate in our village to have a free house. It was once owned by Greene King, which applied to convert it into a private house. A vigorous campaign to ensure it remained open as a hostelry eventually led to East Anglian's leading brewer selling to a couple who wanted to get into the pub trade. For years, Greene King beer was banned in protest, but it returned to popular acclaim.

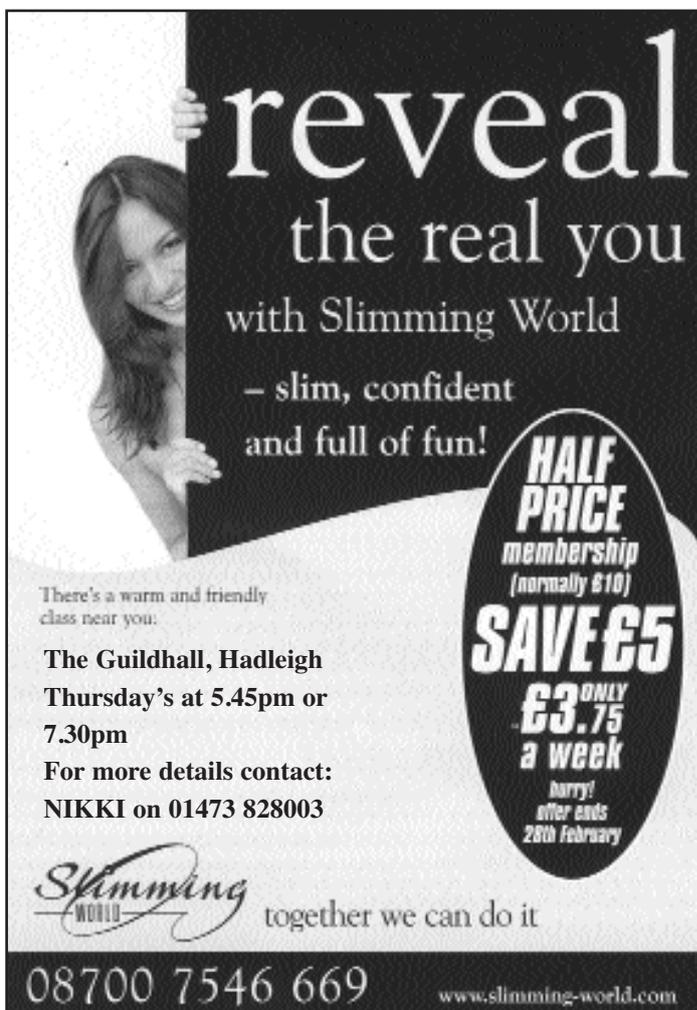
Apparently the new owner of Little Waldingfield's Swan is also likely to be a first time pub owner. I feel relieved it is not one of the chains taking control. Too often they impose an identity that does not reflect the character of the village in which it is located. I look forward to meeting my new landlord with enthusiasm. One thing about owning a pub in this village - those behind the bar are unlikely to be short of local custom. We are not known as "Liquid Waldingfield" for nothing.

Brian Tora is Chairman of the Little Waldingfield Parish Council and a regular writer and broadcaster on investment and financial matters

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GARDENING IN JANUARY *Harry Buckledee*

Carry on with the winter digging of the vegetable garden. Lime in the form of hydrated lime can be applied this month, if necessary. Manure and lime should not be applied at the same time, as the chemical reaction of lime releases nitrogen from the manure in the form of gas and the nitrogen is lost. Allow at least three months between manuring and liming

Weather permitting, this is the best time to carry out alterations and constructional work in the garden. In the summer there is too much maintenance work to permit it. Pathways can be laid, pergolas built, flower beds and shrubberies made. Examine posts and tree stakes for signs of rot and replace where necessary. Slacken off ties which are in danger of cutting into the tree trunks. Posts on pergolas and archways which are rotten at ground level can be supported by driving a metal stake into the ground beside them.

If you are thinking of planting new shrubs this winter, the Viburnums are worth considering. This is a large genus of shrubs with varieties to provide colour all the year round. All are hardy and easy to grow in any type of soil, including chalk. No regular pruning is needed. Viburnum tinus (Launstinus), the popular evergreen, provides clusters of white flowers throughout the winter months December to April. V. Fragens and the stronger growing V. Bodmantense provide fragrant white and pink flowers from November to March. These are followed in spring by V. Carcephalum and V. Burkwoodii with heavily scented flowers. Both Carcephalum and Burkwoodii are hybrids of V. Carlesii which is famed for the sweet scent of its pink budded white flowers. V. Plicatum Lanarth and Mariesii provide a spectacular show of broad white flowers on tiered branches in May and June. V. Opulus (Guelder Rose) a native of Great Britain found in hedge rows, has large maple like leaves, white

flowers in June followed by translucent red berries and good Autumn colour from the leaves. For small gardens the dwarf form Opulus Compactum flowers and berries freely. If its berries you are after, the best berry form is Xanthocardum with large bunches of bright yellow translucent berries almost the size of grapes.

If you are planting a mixed hedge and your soil is not too dry it is worth including Opulus (Guelder Rose) and Santana (The Wayfaring Tree), another British native. Both will provide handsome flowers in summer and autumn colour and fruit.

Examine regularly plants which are overwintering in the greenhouse, such as geraniums, fuchsias, primulas and cyclamen, removing any dead or discoloured leaves, which if left on will attract grey mould and will soon spread to them causing the whole plant to collapse

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Harry Buckledee

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December			
	27 Boxford over 60's	Regents Panto	1.15pm
	31 New Years Eve Bash	Boxford Village Hall	8.00pm
2003			
January			
	4 Newton Mothers and Toddlers		10.00am
	4 Box River Club	Quay Theatre, Treasure Island	2.30pm
	6 Box River Club	A party	3-5.00pm
	12 Box River Club		10.30am
	17 Boxford Community Council	Executive Committee Meeting	8.00pm
	18 Boxford Rovers Football Club Quiz Night		TBA
	18 Ron Fletchers Appeal Coffee Morning		10.00am
	20 Boxford over 60's		2.30
	25 Burns Night Supper	Village Hall Funds	7.30pm
	31 New Years Eve Party	Boxford Village Hall Committee	8 till late
February			
	1 Newton Village Hall Committee		10.00am
March			
	1 Talk on Arthritis Research	News Views and Coffee	10.00am
	8 Fun and Games Night	Boxford Community Council	Village Hall. Contact Doug Impett 210035
	22 Quiz Evening/refreshments	Groton PCC	WI Hall
April			
	13 Fly the Eye - Walk the Parks	Boxford Footpathers	Depart Boxford 7.45am
May			
	3 Dance to the Beavers	Boxford Community Council	
	3 Fireside Club	Newton Green	Village Hall 10.00am
June			
	1 Boxford Gardens Open Day	Boxford PCC	Boxford
	7 Summer Fun Day	Boxford Playing Fields	
	8 Edwardstone Gardens Open	Provisional booking	
	14 Spinney Fun Day		
	21 Boxford Sunflower Group	30th Anniversary Celebrations	Boxford Pavilion
	21 Summer Fete	Groton PCC	Groton Manor
July			
	12 Presidents Day	Edwardstone & Boxford Cricket Club	Boxford Playing Fields 2.00pm
October			
	4 Harvest Supper	Groton PCC	WI Hall 7.30pm
	18 Annual Dinner Dance	Edwardstone & Boxford Cricket Club	The Stoke by Nayland Club 7.00pm
December			
	6 Wine and Cheese Party	Groton PCC	WI Hall 7.30pm
Second Monday each month Boxford Parish Council Meetings in Bell House, Stone Street St, Boxford 7.30pm			
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Readers Letters

Dear Sir,

May I please express through your columns something important to people hereabouts ?

Sarah, Lucie and I want to thank you for the kind things you have said and written to us over the last few months.

The retiring collection at Evensong at Little Waldingfield on 27th October came to £466 and this has been received by Water Aid with their sincere thanks. Then there were the presentations of gifts at Boxford School on two separate occasions. These have quite simply taken our breath away.

Living here with you has been the best thing to happen to us. That we may have touched upon some important things together has enriched that and we edge away from you with sadness but also with an overwhelming feeling that somehow it was all worth it. Thank you for it.

Richard Titford

Sir,

Following my retirement from Riddelsdell Bros Boxford, I would like to express my sincere and grateful thanks to all my friends and customers with whom I have worked and served over the last 30+ years.

I will miss you all terribly, but hope to see you when I am out walking with Janey, my Westie.

Lynn Sargeant
Sand Hill, Boxford.

Dear Sir

I have to write to say how much I and my companions enjoyed the Boxford Drama Groups performance of Hansel and Gretel at the Boxford Village Hall on Friday 6th December. The whole production was very professional from the performances of all those taking part to the presentation of the evening meal.

As a member of our group said such events and many others provided by differing organisations throughout the year makes Boxford a most pleasing place to live in.

A most wonderfully enjoyable evening, thank you Boxford Drama Group. Looking forward to next years panto already.

David House

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£13.50 (non members)

A happy and Healthy Christmas to one and all

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Little Waldingfield Luncheon Club

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home, Mailing's Farm, The Street, Little Waldingfield on
Wednesday January 8th from 12-2 pm. We look forward to seeing
you there- make this the year to meet old and new friends in the
village. A telephone call to confirm that you will be joining us
will be appreciated on 247217. *Mary Bullard*

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will start around 8pm and family's with children are encouraged
to bring them along too (though no children on the dance floor
after 10.30pm!) - so save on the cost of a babysitter. We have
even laid on a FREE bus to take you home to surrounding areas,
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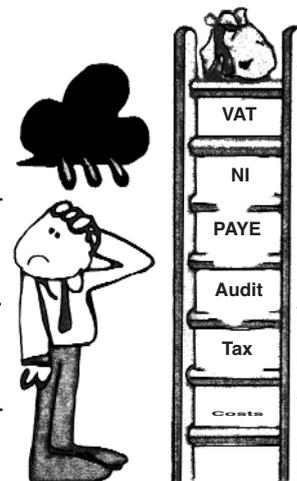
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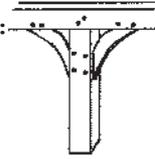
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Please let one of them or a Churchwarden or a Lay Elder know of any cases of sickness or otherwise where they might be of use. Thank You

While there is no Rector working here please refer all matters concerning Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals to the Rural Dean of Sudbury: The Reverend Canon Lawrence Pizzey, The Rectory, Christopher Lane, Sudbury CO10 6AS, tel 372611 email: 1rp.sudbury@virgin.net

The Rural Dean writes

CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR GREETINGS

As I'm writing this article (in mid-December) the traditional greetings of "Merry Christmas" and "Happy New Year" are flying around. Thanks to the efficiency of our postal service, a larger number of greetings cards than ever before are expected to wing their way into homes throughout the land, whilst, of course, some of us are now receiving Christmas and New Year greetings by e-mail - and there are many millions of spoken greetings, in addition to the written ones. This is traditionally the time for expressing goodwill - wishing well to others.

Of course some people think that being 'merry' and 'happy' implies indulging in alcohol or drugs, because those adjectives narrower meaning than they had originally. When I wish other people happiness and merriment and gaiety in the context of Christmas and the New Year, its with the realisation that there is a lot of sadness and unhappiness around. I am not implying that they should ignore, or seek to avoid, that sadness and unhappiness - but hoping that it won't take over their lives - that they'll be able to see it in proportion to the whole of life, and be able to cope with it.

This hurly-burly of life is a great mixture of experiences and emotions and some people, it seems, can't cope with the mixture. They try to grab all the best bits for themselves, and reject, or ignore, the unpleasant experiences, but we can't do that forever.

Jesus' life was certainly not monochrome. Besides great happiness and certain faith, he also experienced times of great sadness and doubt; and that's how life is for all of us. You'll sometimes hear people refer to "the rich tapestry of life". Well, that pattern is woven from a vast number of experiences; and we can only know its richness for ourselves by accepting all the strands of life, which go into the weaving. Christians have the example of Jesus to follow in this - for we may see the many strands of human experience that went into his life. He only knew (and we can only know) great happiness by also experiencing its counterpart. To reject experiences of poverty and sorrow is paradoxically to lessen our capacity for enjoying life.

As we wish one another "A Happy New Year" let us not think that greeting implies an avoidance of painful experiences. Rather, it implies being able to accept the fullness of experience, which 2003 will certainly bring.

Lawrence R. Pizzey



THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

Churchwarden:

Ruth Kingsbury: as Christopher above

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

C. S. Lewis commented on the uniqueness of Jesus. "There is no halfway house and no parallel in other religions". "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me" (Mt.28.18).

Clearly the disciples accepted this, as John begins his gospel with these words " In the beginning was the word and the word was with God and the Word was God".

BOX RIVER CLUB:

January 4th: A visit to the pantomime at the Quay Theatre. A party of 52 children and parents are booked to see Treasure Island. The performance starts at 2.30 p.m.

January 6th: A party at Newton Green Village Hall 3.00 p.m. to 5.00 p.m. This will be an "art" party so come with an old shirt to protect your clothes. We will need to know numbers and if a lift is required. Please ring me on 210798 or Linda on 310242.

The club meets on January 12th at 10.30 a.m. in Boxford School hall. New members are very welcome. *Janet Daniels*

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE: £130.45 was sent to the Children's Society after our enjoyable service. Thank you everyone. *Christopher Kingsbury*

ST MARY'S CHOIR NEWS:

We had an excellent choral evensong in November when we were joined by the Choir of St. Peter's Coggeshall and their organist Mr Keith Gamble Beresford who accompanied the service. We look forward to another visit from the choir on a future occasion. Our thanks to the ladies who provided the tea after the rehearsal in "Mary's House".

A very happy New Year to you all. *David Felstead.*



THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwardens:

Antony Dodd: Mill Green End, 210397

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REGISTERS: 30th September, Burial COSMO ALEXANDER RICHARD NEVILL, aged 95 years

CHRISTMAS SERVICES:

24th December: The Carol Service for all members of the family will be at **6.00 p.m.** on Christmas Eve.

Christmas Day: There will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 8.00 a.m. *Antony Dodd*

DECORATING THE CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS:

I shall be very grateful for offers of help to decorate the church for Christmas. Thank you. *Doreen French (210183)*

CHRISTMAS FAYRE:

The receipts from the Fayre exceeded £2,000 once again this year, due to the tremendous efforts of so many people to whom we are extremely grateful. Jan Paul, in particular, is to be praised for her co-ordination and masterminding of all the stalls, not only on this occasion but for the previous nine years also. Sadly, she has said that this is her last year and we thank her for such a great contribution. *Antony Dodd*

EDWARDSTONE ALMSHOUSES AND OTHER CHARITIES
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In days gone by, money was given by generous people to help those of us who live now in the Parish of Edwardstone. The charities known as

- The Edwardstone Almshouses;
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- The Charity known as the Town Lands comprised in conveyances dated 29th and 30th March 1810

were all amalgamated on 22nd March 1968 under the Charities Act 1960 into one charity called 'Edwardstone Almshouses and other Charities'.

THERE ARE FIVE TRUSTEES

Two are nominated by Edwardstone Parish Council; two are co-opted because of their knowledge about the village; and the Rector is a trustee ex officio. They administer the charity as regulated by the Charity Commissioners, in confidence, and cannot benefit from it themselves. They meet usually in March, September, November and when occasion demands.

MONEY AND THE WORK OF THE CHARITY

The charity owns land and financial investments. The income is about £2,500 pa, but of course this varies. The Trustees spend that money helping people during emergencies, when in need, both generally and individually; on gifts at Harvest and Christmas, the over sixties club, re-investment and a very little on administration. Accounts are presented annually to the Parish Council. How the money is spent is dictated by the original trust deed; in effect it can be spent on the "relief of need" or when hardship or distress afflicts people, provided they live in Edwardstone. For example, we try to help:-

- those who are ill, either at home or in hospital;
- those who are disabled, mentally or physically;
- those who care for and visit the sick and the housebound;
- those who need extra funds during severe weather;
- those who are in education or are trying to find a job.

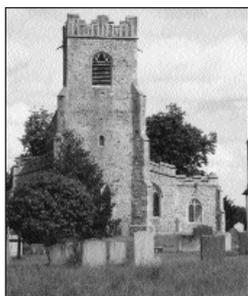
The Trustees do try to provide money quickly when needed.

THE FUTURE

• This is your charity. All applications for assistance should be made, in confidence, to the Clerk to the Trustees or to any Trustee. • Calls on the charity are increasing and it is hoped that people who live in Edwardstone now might want to help those who will live here in the future. Could you, please, leave some money in your will? Details can be obtained from the Clerk. The **Clerk to the Trustees** is Leslie Clark, Rose Cottage, Edwardstone C010 5PX, tel 210698. **The Trustees are:** Mr Richard Abrey (210454); Mr John Blatch (210102); Mrs Pauline Cox (211030); Mr Peter Welstand (210525) & the Rector. *The charity exists to help people who live in Edwardstone*

ROTA - SIDESMAN/CLEANING:

Dec 29: Combined Benefice Service (BOX)/MTS Clarke & Mrs Clark;
Jan 5: Benefice Visiting Sunday/Mrs Clarke & Mrs Clark;
Jan 12: Mrs Tregear/Mrs Moore & Mrs McDermott;
Jan 19: Mr Saddleton/Mrs Moore & Mrs McDermott;
Jan 26: Mrs Dodd (ComBenefice)/Margaret & Roy Richardson;
Feb 2: Mrs Tregear/Margaret & Roy Richardson.



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GROTON WINE AND CHEESE:

A quick check with Psalm 104 would have reminded us that wine "maketh glad the heart of man" and if you add a vast array of cheeses, succulent sausage rolls and even a birthday to celebrate you could have been at Groton's much renowned annual Wine and Cheese event. A warm and jolly W. I. Hall was brimming full and friends met friends before joining in the friendly contest of the auction orchestrated with mirth and merriment led by Bob Bowdidge. Posh kitchen utensils, fine draperies, antique glass and a hotly contested rare book all slipped smoothly under his hammer. The birthday? Gwen Wild shared her big day with us all. Many happy returns... and many more of them! A very grand total of almost £500 was raised for church funds and a big thank goes out to all those hewers of wood and drawers of water whose hard work helped make it such a happy evening.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE AT GROTON:

On Christmas Eve at 3.30 p.m. there will be a short informal celebration of "Carols around the Crib" for all the family. Look forward to seeing you there! *Pauline Lamming*

ROTAS:	January	February
Flowers:	Mrs S Tweed	Miss D Finch
Cleaning:	Mrs S Gooderham	Mrs A Scriven
Sidesman with Sacristan:	Mrs D McCorkell Mr R Mares	



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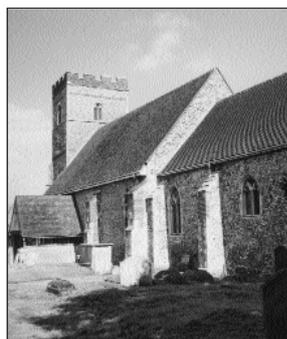
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Lay Elders:

Tim Harbord 247034

ROTAS - SIDESMAN/FLOWERS:

Dec 29: Combined Benefice Service (Box)/Mrs Clive;
Jan 5: Anne Miller/Mrs Farthing;
Jan 12: Mrs Kelsey/Mrs Bridges;
Jan 19: Benefice Visiting Sunday/Mis Fernando-Martin;
Jan 26: Combined Benefice Service (Edw)/Mis Ewen;
Feb 2: Penny Farthing & Chris Bowden/Mrs Squirrel.



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Lay Elders:

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& Diana Stock 312828

**Copy date for Church News section in the February
 Box River News: Please, no later than 16th January 2003**

Thank you. Daphne Clark 210698
 e-mail daphnes.clark@eggconnect.net



Whoops!!!

This coming together occurred on the morning of December 11th when dozens of Horse Boxes were making their way up Swan Street, Boxford causing a jam all the way up to Homefield Road. The Audi was badly damaged on its offside but the Horse Box seemed to be unscathed. Why was the Audi parked on the pavement preventing the passage of wheelchairs?

Panto Video

Anyone at the Boxford Drama group Pantomime on Thursday 5th December could not have missed the crew videoing the proceedings. The camera man, sound recordist and monitor were situated at the back of the hall and if the images seen on the monitor are anything to go by the result will be brilliant. Last years video was a great success and one can expect the same again this year. Watch this space to find out when the video of 'Hansel and Gretel' is to go on sale.

Wildflower Area of Churchyard

After only two years of the new cutting regime suggested by Suffolk Wildlife Trust there are fewer thistles and nettles in the wildflower area of the churchyard. This is the area between the church and the school that cannot be used for burials because the water table is too high. For several years it has not been cut in the summer but nettles, creeping thistle and coarse grasses have largely taken over. Despite being beneficial to butterflies they do not enhance the appearance of the area and their growth is too dense to allow other species to grow. It was decided to attempt to create conditions more conducive to wildflowers in the centre of the area leaving nettles and thistles on the perimeter. Hence the new cutting regime. Last summer there were more oxeye daisies and knapweed as well as 11 other species of flowering plants, and fewer nettles and thistles. It is hoped that other species might occur naturally as conditions become more favourable.

Churchyards are often remnants of old pastureland that has not been 'improved', that is had fertiliser applied. Some churchyards, for example at Assington, Edwardstone and Kersey, have a wonderful mix of naturally occurring wildflowers. Suffolk Wildlife Trust feel strongly that if we want to plant wildflowers they should be plants grown from seed collected from locally occurring wildflowers. I have gathered some seed but so far nothing has germinated. I will keep trying.

If the winter is mild the first cut of the year will be in February or early March, which is why we have not planted any bulbs. The next cut is scheduled for mid June, before the thistles seed, with a final cut in late September, or early October.

We hope that in a few years time there will be more than the 13 species of wildflowers found in this area in 2002 *Joan Cull*

EDWARDSTONE PARISH HALL 155 CLUB WINNERS:

October: £25 - Mrs Rides; £10 - Mandy Coil; £7 - Mrs Parry Jones; £5 - Mrs E Simpson.

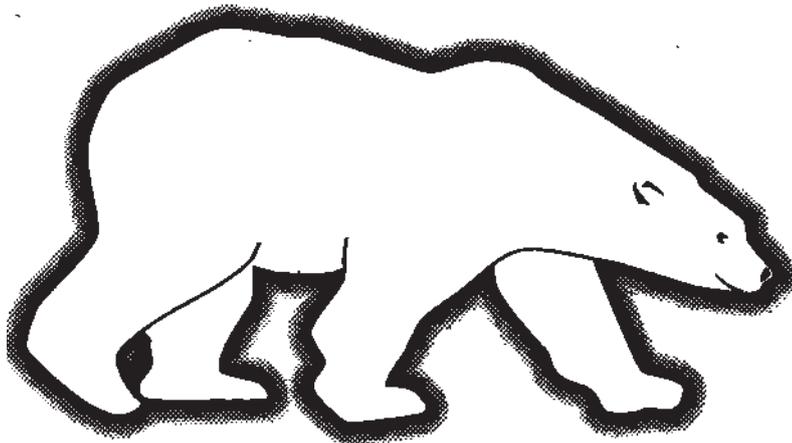
November: £10 - Mr Mick Cox; £7 - Robin Dastur; £5-Mr Dastur.

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Boxford School News



Children from the Nursery Class after their fantastic Nativity Play

Well, here we are again! Christmas. As one gets older this annual festival seems to come around with ever increasing regularity. Once again we are just about to embark on our round of end of term nativity concerts, parties, dinners etc. With only six days left of term at the time of writing it is hard to imagine how we will fit everything in.

As you will be aware we have our own website which has recently undergone a major transformation. Miss Harris has spent a great deal of time updating the site which now contains new class pages and a much more user friendly interface. Please take a few moments to have a look at the site and mark it as one of your favourites. The address is www.boxford.suffolk.sch.uk

At this time of year we try to help others by raising money for a chosen charity and this year we are supporting the PICU Appeal which is supporting the Addenbrookes Paediatric Care Unit. The FOBS will be donating some of the proceeds of their Santa Run, which no doubt you will have seen over the weekend, and we will be holding collections in the church after our Nativity Concerts.

Every year our choir represents the school at the Boxford Church carol concert which is on the Sunday before Christmas starting at 6.30 pm. We hope that we will see many of you there.

Last week we were presented with our Investors in People award by Graham Fretwell from the Suffolk Learning Skills Council.

One of the things that impressed me when I first came to Boxford was the strength of the local community and the support it gave to the school. This has continued throughout my time here so may I take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to all those who have supported our school in so many ways over the past year. Finally, on behalf of us all at Boxford School may I wish you a very happy Christmas and a healthy and prosperous new year.



The picture shows children from the school's School Council together with Wendy Mitson, Deputy Headteacher and Robert Giles, Headteacher, receiving the award from Graham Fretwell, Director for Workforce Development, of the Suffolk Learning and Skills Council and Helen Rackham



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Tamara Unwin with Steve McClaren, Manager of Middlesbrough

PREMIERSHIP TEAM MIDDLESBROUGH CHOOSE STOKE BY NAYLAND YET AGAIN

Soon after Ipswich Town were drawn against Middlesbrough for the Worthington cup Tamara Unwin, director of the family-owned Stoke by Nayland Club Hotel, received a telephone call from the North East of England. "We were obviously delighted to hear that Middlesbrough wanted to stay with us again", said Tamara, "particularly as we weren't really expecting to see any premiership teams this season in the region."

Over the last two seasons, many premiership teams have stayed in the area including Manchester United, Arsenal, Tottenham, Chelsea and even Inter Milan when they came for the UEFA cup. Whilst Ipswich were in the UEFA tournament, European teams are continued to choose Stoke and some individual players, such as the recent Luxembourg contingent, have even returned to the hotel to enjoy their superb 36 hole golf course and Peake Fitness leisure facilities for a long weekend.

"This is now the third time I have come to stay at the Stoke by Nayland Club when playing against Ipswich Town", said Steve McClaren Manager of Middlesbrough who recently resigned as England Coach. "The first time was as Assistant Manager of Manchester United and I know they were very happy to return. I also chose to come back and stay as Manager of Middlesbrough and then when we learned that we were playing against Ipswich in the Worthington Cup there was only one choice of hotel as far as I was concerned."

Local Walks

Lavenham Rambling Club

Sunday 12th January. Meet Lavenham at "The Cock" car park (GRTL 914 490). A circular walk around Lavenham. Contact *Graham 01787 248128*

Sunday 26th January. Meeting at Toppesfield Bridge, Hadleigh (GR TM 254421) to walk West of the River Brett, leader *Jean 01787 249067*

Members Social. A Social has been arranged for **Wednesday 29th January** at Lavenham Guildhall commencing at 7.30pm. Drinks will be provided, but please bring a plate of eats with you. Everyone is welcome to join the walks which unless otherwise stated all start at 2pm. Walking at an easy pace for about two hours. For general enquiries phone *Graham 01787 248128*

Wormingford

Sunday 19th January. Meet at Wormingford Village Hall (GR TL 935315) for a 2pm start. Walking with the footpath Warden on the Essex side of the Stour Valley. Walks at an easy pace lasting about 2 hours.

Contact *Trevor & Ellen Nicolas 01206 241993*

Ramblers Association Walks

Sunday 5th January. Meet at The Splash, Kersey (GR 001441) for a 10am start. Walking in and around Kersey.

Please park at a sensible place in the village. Bring your own food and drink as there will not be a pub stop. Approx 7.5 miles. Leader *Janet Penfold 01787 227929*.

Wednesday 15 January. Meet Stoke by Nayland playing field (off B1066)(GR TL 986364) for a 10am start. A walk including the Stour Valley Path and Tendring Hall Park. Lunch at 'The Rose' Thorington Street, or picnic. Distance 9.5 miles. Contact *Alan 01206 230791*.

Sunday 19th January. Hadleigh Town Walk. Meet Hadleigh, Magdalen Road car park (GR TM 027426) for a 10.30am start. Iain Taylor will take us on a guided walk around the town indicating and highlighting features of this ancient town. We will complete the walk with suitable refreshments

Contact *Iain Taylor 01787 370019*

Wednesday 22nd January. A choice of two walks today Leavenheath - Nayland. Leaving Leavenheath Village Hall (GR TL 965365) at 10.30am. A walk of about 7 miles.

Contact *Vivienne Hazel 01787 375047*

Lamarsh - Bures figure of eight. Meet 'The Lion' Lamarsh (off B1508) (GR TL 892355) for 10am start. Lunch at 'The Lion', good pub food. Distances am 5 miles - pm 4 miles.

Contact *Barrie 01206 560616*

Sunday 2nd February. Meet Long Melford, Cherry Lane Garden Centre car park (at end) (GR TL 870460) for a 10.30am start. Walking to Chadbrook, Bridge Street 6 miles

Contact *David Taylor 01787 880875*

BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL POLICE ADVICE

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For any advice or information you can telephone Pc 557 Keith Warren at Hadleigh Police Station 01473 - 383441 or to leave a message 01473 - 613555 then #2, Voice Mail Box Number 3614.

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In any event you should report any criminal activity or suspicious circumstances in order for the police to arrive at a true situation as to what happens in Boxford and from that they can relate to the needs of the community. Your input is most important so that Boxford gets the policing it needs not that which is the perceived need.

BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

Following the resignation of the present post holder, Boxford Parish Council wish to appoint a new Parish Clerk as soon as possible. The post is part-time and carries a salary of £2,880. Duties involve minutes, accounts, correspondence, management of the cemetery and various other duties. Applicants ideally should be conversant with computer systems and electronic mail. It is required that the new clerk shall attend training sessions. Further details can be obtained from Ann Jessop on 01787-210753. The closing date for applications is Friday 11th January.

BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL TEMPORARY MEASURES

Until the appointment of a new clerk, all Boxford Parish Council business should be addressed to Ann Jessop, 15 Brook Hall Road, Boxford, Sudbury Suffolk, CO10 5HS, tel: 01787-210753, email: ann.jessop@btopenworld.com. As before, correspondence can also be left at Bell House in Stone Street.

BOXFORD PARISH COUNCIL SPEED LIMITS IN THE VILLAGE

A policy document received by all parish councils gives information as to what are the guidelines when Suffolk County Council gives consideration to applying a particular speed limit restriction in a designated area. It may be possible for a village like Boxford to seek a 20 M.P.H. limit in the built up parts of the village.

As a matter of general safety and this is recommended by all authorities, Boxford Parish Council would request that pedestrians and cyclists wear some form of highlighted clothing during the hours of darkness. It is quite dangerous when school children are going to and arriving from school.

In line with the current policy of Boxford Parish Council all motorists are requested to reduce their speed in the village as a matter of safety to reduce the incident of injury and also it should give motorists those extra few seconds to react in any situation. Naturally, Boxford Parish Council endorses Suffolk County Councils " Christmas Don't Drink and Drive Campaign " but implores everyone to be sensible at all times not only at Christmas time.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS MAY 2003

As the time is rapidly approaching when you will be required to make your vote for the nine candidates from those who will put themselves forward for the elections in May, you will all have a varying level of interest in the process from total apathy to probably looking to register as a candidate yourself but it is important to be involved. You may feel the current councillors have made a veritable pigs ear of the whole thing for the last four years and look to change matters, well unless you get involve you simply will not be able to do so.

SO IF YOU WISH TO OFFER YOURSELF AS A CANDIDATE AND DO SOMETHING FOR BOXFORD, PLEASE EITHER REGISTER WITH BABERGH DISTRICT COUNCIL OR LEAVE YOUR NAME WITH THE ACTING PARISH CLERK - ANN JESSOP (TEL . 210753). ACT NOW DON'T WAIT.

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everyone in the region who wants broadband can access it. there are two things we'd like you to know about.

1. www.demandbroadband.com. If you want broadband please go to this site and register. Tell your friends too. We'll be telling the companies who supply broadband where the demand is and encouraging them to connect you as soon as possible.

2. We've also launched the Connecting Communities competition. EEDA has £3m to provide communities like yours with broadband. All you have to do is get at least six of you together, fill out the entry form (available from the website or by calling 0845 601 8824) and enter. If you can't get broadband and want it, click on www.demandbroadband.com website now and join the campaign. At the same time, please email ann.jessop@btopenworld.com to register your interest with Boxford Parish Council.

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Burns Night Supper

Newton Village Hall

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Boxford Rovers 'Quiz Night'

The Boxford Rovers Football Club are holding a 'Quiz Night' on 18th January in the Boxford Village Hall. There will be teams of 8 and for tickets and more information please contact 01787 210572

Gt Waldingfield WI

Firstly our deepest sympathy to the husband and family of Briar Skinner, a valued member for many years, who recently died.

November - A.G.M. - boring? Never! We had the usual business meeting, and elected our new committee and officers. Our President is now Mary Jackson (an old hand at this post) and a vote of thanks was given to Frances Bates who has been an excellent hard working president for the past four years. The various reports showed what a busy and interesting year we have had.

A quiz on coins, ancient, modern and worldwide, prepared by one of the members kept brains puzzling for part of the evening - can you think what coin sounds like a meal? 'Smarties' were the reward for the highest scorers.

The programme for 2003 is now being printed and should be available soon. Our first meeting in January is at 2.00 p.m. on Wednesday the fifth, with a talk on 'The mystery of Gainsborough's Mother' - sounds intriguing. New members of all ages are always welcome - come as a visitor and meet us.

Sheila Dunnett

Hadleigh Choral Society

Rehearsals for Hadleigh Choral Society's spring concert will start on Tuesday 7th January at 7.30pm-9.30pm in the Drama Hall, Hadleigh High School, Hadleigh.

The choir will be performing Elgar's Music Makers and Alan Ridout's Canticle of Joy on Saturday 12th April at St Mary's Church, Hadleigh. If you are interested in joining us please contact the Secretary, *Peter Sankey* (tel: 01473 822872) for further details.

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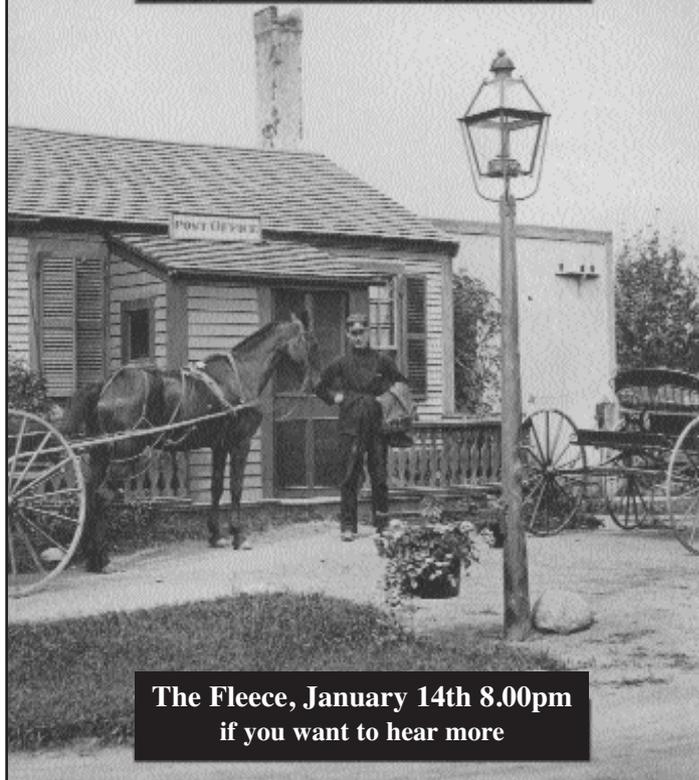
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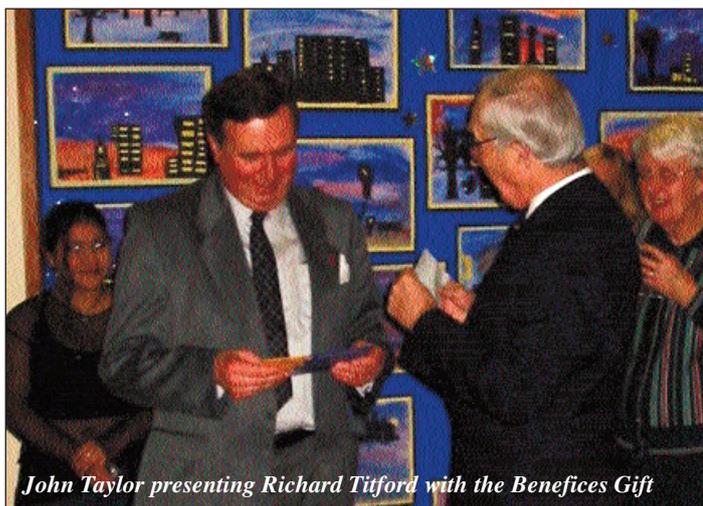


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THE FIVE PARISHES FAREWELL TO RICHARD, SARAH AND LUCIE.



John Taylor presenting Richard Titford with the Benefices Gift

The following is the speech that was made by Jon Taylor, Lay Reader, on the occasion of the Benefice Farewell for Richard, Sarah and Lucie on 2nd December in Boxford School Hall

This is a special tribute to a very special priest and for all that he has done for our parishes. I feel humbled tonight, for I know there are very many here, who have known Richard much longer than I have. We have already heard a fine tribute to him by Peter Wellstand, when Richard took his final service at Lt Waldingfield, so please bear with me as I reminisce.

I first met Richard some 12 years ago, during an interregnum (much as the Benefice is going through at this time) at St Andrews, Cornard. At the time he was acting rural dean and thus had responsibility for the Parish. The thing that stands out most clearly in my memory was that Richard is prepared to work with you, listen to you and above all trust you to get on with your work without interference.

There was at that time the beginnings of a bond between us. When some four years ago, I had the opportunity to come to these Parishes and assist Richard, I jumped at the chance and it is something I will always treasure. I am now in my 34th year as a Lay Reader. I have taken services in every parish in the Deanery, and many outside. I have worked under many different Parish Priests but I have never been so happy and fulfilled as I have in my time here with Richard, and of course with you all.

When I first came over there were many things which struck me. To begin with, the friendliness and welcome I received in the Parishes. The easy manner with which Richard mixed with his parishioners, and the high regard and love they had for him. The fact that each Parish had been allowed to follow its own traditions, nothing had been imposed on them. Whether in the shop, Post Office or street in Boxford, people would stop and chat to him. Sitting in Mary's House, at the window, people would wave. Here was a much loved figure.

Then came my first introduction to the Lay Elders. Here they were a fundamental part of the religious life. They were authorised to take Morning and Evening Prayer; Compline was in their repertoire. I had never met this before, but how essential for a Benefice of 3 then 4 and later 5 Parishes. The Bishop was keeping a keen eye on how this system worked. Richard reported regularly. Then came permission for them to take a service of extended Communion, when necessary. Is this a pattern for the future for Rural Benefices 'The Titford Scheme'. Our elders have taken their duties seriously. They have trained and taken services with dignity, reverence and clarity. They are fully accepted and appreciated. Visiting clergy who have come to look at our system, have been amazed and asked Richard where he found all these elders. Did he grow them locally. Again it is a tribute to Richard that these good people have come forward. He has inspired them to offer their talents to assist Richard in Gods

work. I think that the system we have will be a permanent reminder of all we owe to Richard. With two elders at Edwardstone, 2 at Groton, 2 at Newton, 1 at Little Waldingfield and 2 readers at Boxford and myself he has created a team who can carry on his work, until a new priest is found, who in turn should benefit from the system.

Richard, too, has been involved with all the communities. Attending meetings of Parish Councils, Community Councils, being involved in charity work, paying visits to our school etc. etc. No wonder everyone knew and admired him.

A parish priest is what Richard had always wanted to be. He sought no promotion, indeed rejected it when offered. He is a man of the people and they love him for it.

So we must say our farewells but we cannot do so without coupling it with our love and heartfelt gratitude. We know that this was so much more than a job, it was your life. We sympathise with the decision you have had to make and pray that you, Sarah and Lucy will find happiness in your togetherness. You will still be near, and I speak for everyone here when I say, you will always be welcome back in our midst. So God bless you and please accept these tokens of our respect, love and gratitude.

It is also of course farewell to Sarah and Lucy. I forget the exact saying but I am sure some of the ladies here will put me right 'behind every successful man there is a woman'. That is Sarah, She has wholeheartedly supported Richard although his duties often meant he was not home until late at night.. Over the years she has been a tower of strength at Sales, Bazaars, markets, coffee mornings etc. A great supporter of the 'Bell Ringers' in the Benefice, leading by example. We can say Thank you for being Sarah. Lucie too has been with us for 12 years. It seems that she will still be able next year to join up with her friends at Cornard Upper School. We wish her well.

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4th January	Mothers& Toddlers
18th January	Ron Fletchers Appeal Coffee Morning
1st February	Village Hall Committee
1st March	Arthritis Research
5th April	Parish Council
3rd May	Fireside Club

For further details contact:

Nancy Harries 01787 374626 Alex. Stevens 01787 374093

FLY THE EYE - WALK THE PARKS - SUNDAY 13TH APRIL 2003

It is proposed that the Boxford Footpathers, in conjunction with the Sudbury Ramblers, organise a coach visit to London on 13th April 2003. The days programme to include a flight on the London Eye and to walk the 7.5 mile "Diana, Princess of Wales" Walk. Approx timings will be:

1. 7.45am. Depart Boxford.
2. 10.00am. Arrive Jubilee Gardens by Waterloo Station.
3. 10.30am. Flight, followed, after a short break, by the walk.
4. 6.30pm. Depart Jubilee Gardens for return to Boxford.

The flight on the Eye will be optional. The walk will follow the Diana" foot path signs. There will be a stop for lunch after about four miles. Picnic if you wish. There are places to eat in the vicinity. Cost will depend on numbers. A comfortable coach will cost about £10 per head. The Eye, 25 passengers plus, about £9.25 per person. Concessions are also available.

Before any further action can be taken to finalise this trip names of those interested is required. If you are interested please contact

JOHN HARRIS [01787] 210961 by 31st December. He will need to know whether or not you wish to go on the Eye. Early next year firm cost and timings will be known. Confirmation of booking will then be required.

Bible Study Group

A Bible Study Group held monthly at 47 Swan Street Boxford at 8.00pm for more information please telephone 211077.

Groton WI

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone. Our compliments to Pat Carpenter for the interesting programme she has arranged for 2003 and we look forward to our first meeting, 2.30pm. Wednesday 8th January, WI Hall when one of our favourite speakers, Mr Gary Egerton, will entertain us with 'Great Spy Stories'

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Tuesday 24 December, Christmas Eve

New	1500	Children's Carol Service	LC
Gro	1530	Carols round the Crib	FML
Edw	1800	Carol Service	AJCD
Box	2330	Midnight Mass	DBW

25 DECEMBER, CHRISTMAS DAY

Edw	0800	Holy Communion*	AJCD
Gro	0930	Family Communion	DHW
Box	1100	Family Service	CJK
LtW	1100	Family Service With Holy Communion*	JLT/TDH

Sunday 29 December, 1st Sunday of Christmas

Box	1100	Holy Communion <i>Combined Benefice Service</i>	DCLR
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JANUARY 2003

Sunday 5 January, 2nd Sunday of Christmas

Gro	0600	Holy Communion	DCLR
New	0930	Matins	JLDG
Box	1100	Holy Communion	DBW
LtW	1830	Evensong	GCB
Edw		<i>Benefice Visiting Sunday</i>	

Wednesday 8 January

Box	1030	Holy Communion*	AJCD
LtW	1900	Home Communion*	TDH

Sunday 12 January, 1st Sunday of Epiphany

LtW	0800	Holy Communion BCP	JFL
Edw	0930	Holy Communion CW2*	PFW
Box	1100	Matins & Holy Baptism	DLCR
New	1600	Compline	DMS
Gro		<i>Benefice Visiting Sunday</i>	

Wednesday 15 January

Box	1030	Holy Communion*	JLS
LtW	1900	Compline	TDH

Sunday 19 January, 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

New	0800	Holy Communion BCP*	JLT
Gro	0930	Holy Communion CW1	DLCR
Edw	1100	Matins	AJCD
Box	1830	Evensong	GCB
LtW		<i>Benefice Visiting Sunday</i>	

Wednesday 22 January

Box	1030	Holy Communion	DCLR
LtW	1900	Compline	TDH

Sunday 26 January, 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

Edw	0930	Holy Communion CW2 <i>Combined Benefice Service</i>	DBW
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Wednesday 29 January

Box	1030	Holy Communion*	AJCD
LtW	1900	Compline	TDH

FEBRUARY 2003

Sunday 2 February, Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Box	0800	Holy Communion BCP	LRP
LtW	0930	Holy Communion CW1	DLCR
Gro	1100	Matins	PML
Edw	1600	Evensong	PFW
New		<i>Benefice Visiting Sunday</i>	

Wednesday 5 February

Box	1030	Holy Communion*	JLS
LtW	1900	Home Communion*	TDH

* Public Worship with Communion by Extension

Boxford midweek services are held at Mary's House, 5 Swan Street, Boxford

Readings: Year B, please, & track 2 when offered.



Mill Surgery, Boxford Re-Opens

A statement from the practice manager, Peter Lerner

I am delighted to inform you that after much hard work by all concerned the Mill Surgery will be re opening from **9am Thursday 19 December 2002.**

The damage caused by the tree and associated rain damage has meant repair has needed to be in stages and has taken considerable organising by my staff and the numerous other professionals and trades involved. It will possibly still not be complete by the re-opening but will be in a suitable condition for us to operate the Doctors Surgery and the Dispensary. The extensive renovation of the Nurses Treatment Room has been left to last to facilitate earlier than expected reopening and for this reason the Nurses, Phlebotomy and any other Associated Clinics will continue to be held at the Hadleigh Health Centre until early into the New Year. When contacting us to make appointments patients will be advised of the current state of play and where and when to attend.

It will be necessary at some time in the near future to temporarily re close the Surgery (for hours rather than days) to lay new flooring and to put the drive in a suitable state again after the heavy equipment disturbance. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the vast majority of the patients who normally use the Mill Surgery for their patience and understanding following this unavoidable incident. I would also like to thank all the staff of Hadleigh Boxford Group Practice who have worked even harder, longer and often under very difficult conditions since the tree fell. This has ensured the Surgery will be out of operation for less than 7 weeks in all and we were able to offer an almost seamless service with the very minimum of disruption to all the patients of the Practice after relocating nearly 20% of the total Practice records overnight.

THREE PARISHES RESPONSE



BOXFORD/EDWARDSTONE/GROTON

**Boxford
Edwardstone
& Groton**

A celebration was held in Boxford Village Hall on 17th December at 8.00pm to welcome 3 newly qualified members on to the team together with 5 from Glemsford and other 3PR members who had qualified earlier but been unavailable to receive their Certificates.

3PR were also presented with a cheque for £1000 from Waitrose Council Commission and with their very own defibrillator by the Sudbury Branch of the British Heart Foundation. Until now they had been using a defibrillator borrowed from the St John Ambulance Brigade.

At the time of writing 3PR had attended 18 call outs whilst operating 24/7. There are now 24 qualified members and new volunteers would be most welcome. If you do not feel that you could have a hands on involvement or are over 70 a small contribution to the teams funds would be most welcome.

For further in formation contact Vic Rice on 01787 210504 or Sheilagh Smith, secretary on 01787 211017

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What is the 'Vital Village' grants scheme?

In the Rural White Paper (November 2000), the Government asked the Countryside Agency to establish a new grant programme 'help communities sustain or re-establish basic village services'. Some of our grants are available to anyone who lives in a rural area, who has an idea for improving or introducing new services and are worth up to £25,000 each. In addition to these grants, larger grants are available to organisations, for example in delivering co-ordinated community transport schemes.

The Countryside Agency officially launched the Vital Village grant programme in July 2001. Since then, we have awarded over £14 million in grant aid to rural community groups, charities, voluntary groups and others including:

- over £300, 000 to improve rural community buildings, including improvements to village halls and meeting places
- provided Parish and Town councils with over £700,000 to run projects that address their local priorities
- over £ 1.5 million for maintaining existing or introducing new services into rural areas.
- over £6 million to fund rural transport projects, enabling rural people to access jobs, training, social and leisure activities in their local villages and market towns

These grants are supporting a variety of essential services including shops, post offices, childcare and play facilities. In total, we are funding around 2,000 vital village projects across England. From the extensive positive feedback we have received from local communities, the scheme has been an overwhelming success. This is because the grant schemes empower local communities to provide local solutions to local problems. Problems that they themselves know best how to solve. As a consequence, throughout the country there are rural post offices, transport facilities and childcare facilities, many of which simply would not be able to operate if it was not for Countryside Agency funding.

What has the grant scheme already achieved?

We have created a database of all of the projects we are currently funding, which is available on the internet. If you want to know what is happening in your local ward, parish, district, county or region, simply visit www.countryside.gov.uk/vitalvillages The database is fully searchable on a local level, and gives full details of the 2,000 projects to which we have awarded grants, over the last year, and how they are improving the everyday lives of local communities.

How do people in my community apply?

Full details of our application criteria can be found at www.countryside.gov.uk/vitalvillages. For those who do not have access to the internet, application packs can also be requested from our helpline on 0870 333 0170.

I also hope you will browse through some of the projects on the database, not only from your region but from around the country, to see if innovative solutions to problems elsewhere might also be appropriate in your constituency. We are very proud of our successes. But it doesn't stop there. By 2004, we want to fund a further 6,000 - 10,000 new projects, around the country. If you know of a local group who have a worthwhile project that deserves funding, please do encourage them to contact the Countryside Agency, via one of the methods outlined above. Together, we can help make a real difference to the quality of life for your constituents.

Elections May 2003

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The CAB service has been helping people since 1939, originally to help those who had been bombed out, or who had lost relatives or ration books. Over the decades our work hasn't changed that much - we're still helping the homeless, with tracing relatives and lost benefit books. We give information on a phenomenally wide range of subjects and last year were awarded the Legal Service Commission's Quality Mark in recognition of our high standards.

Although our name appears in all government leaflets, we are not a government agency. We are a charity run by local people and funded largely by Babergh District Council and from donations. Our advisers are all volunteers who give us 6 hours each week. We are now looking for 8 more people to train to become advisers, to help us meet the demand for our services. We are also in need of a new treasurer to serve on our trustee board.

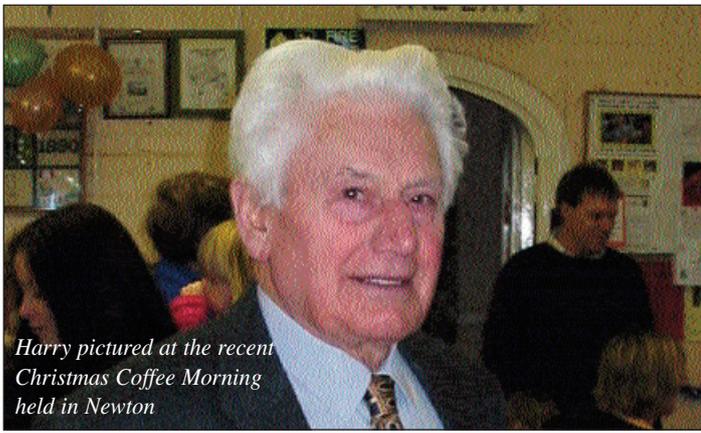
Our work is very interesting. If you are a good listener and would like to help local people by answering their questions, please telephone either Kim or Karen on 01787 312538 to find out more.

BOXFORD BOUNTY DRAW RESULTS November • December 2002

The Boxford Bounty would like to thank Members of the Boxford Community Council for drawing the following winners at their meeting in the White Hart on 27th November 2002:

1st Prize	£ 160	PM Seward	Swan Street
2nd Prize	£ 75	Mr R.F. Inskip	Daking Avenue
3rd Prize	£ 30	M.J.L. Gausen	Broad Street
4th Prize	£ 15	Box Soc C/O Lt Col Harris	Ellis Street

**Tickets for the Boxford Bounty are available
from: Mark Miller 01787 211596**



Harry pictured at the recent Christmas Coffee Morning held in Newton

Remembrance

The following address was given by Harry Buckledee at the Remembrance Service in All Saints Church Newton Green

Remembrance time is also about memories. All of us who were around at the time have memories of war time.

My most enduring memory of the war is that of the comradeship. Thousands of men from all walks of life were thrown together, many of whom you would never mix with in civilian life and we got on like a house on fire. We were all mates or 'muckers' - that was the term used. We mucked in together.

It was a time of pride; pride in our country. Everyone took a pride in themselves; in their regiment; in their division. We were proud to be part of the Seventh Armoured - the desert rats division. We all thought that our own regiment was the best in the British Army. You fought for each other as much as anything else. You wouldn't let your mates down and they wouldn't let you down. You wouldn't have it said that your regiment didn't do well.

This comradeship saw us through some difficult times. In 1941 nothing was going right for us. Half the desert army had been sent to Greece. Those of us who were left were up against Rommel's newly arrived 'Afrika Korps' which was superior in numbers and in quality of arms as well as having control of the air. Ground and air attacks were an everyday occurrence and we were having difficulty in hanging on. In spite of everything morale was high. We were getting a hiding but we still thought we were winning. It was a long, hard, hot and tiring summer.

Another of my memories is waiting for the Battle of El Alamein to begin. It was a clear moonlit night and I was one of two armoured cars supporting the sappers who were to clear a gap in the minefield. Hundreds of infantry were all around us, waiting for the barrage and the order to move forward. Everyone was so calm - yet some would be dead in a few minutes. I don't know how others felt but I thought, 'I'll be alright'. I sometimes think it was wrong of me to feel like that, as if I had more right to live than anyone else, which I hadn't. But you knew that some would die, some would live, and you hoped and prayed that you would be among the living. Unless you had faith and a belief that someone was watching over you, you would not have been given the courage to move forward when the order was given. At times like that I don't think there were many atheists around!

We remember those who gave their lives to make El Alamein such a resounding victory.

Whilst remembering our own dead, we should spare a thought for those who were our enemy. They were not all Nazis - most were decent men. fighting for their country in the same way we were fighting for ours. We will not forget the comradeship of the desert army and we will never forget the mutual respect that existed between the two opposing armies.

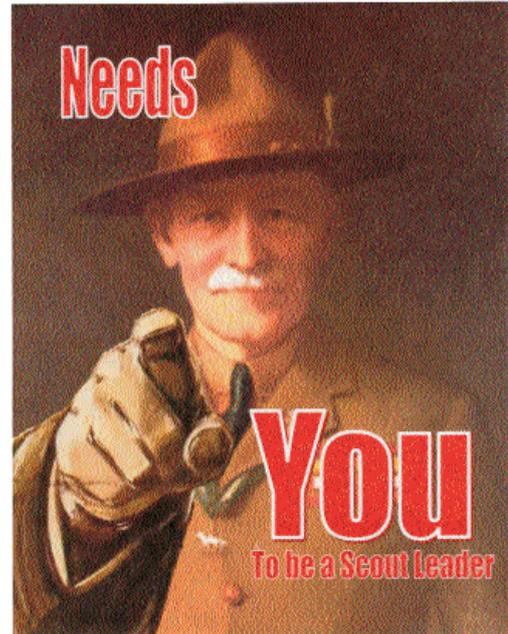
It is all a long time ago, but the memories linger on. To finish with the words of the Kohima Epitaph:

**When you go home. Tell them of us and say
For your tomorrow. We gave our today**

Harry Buckledee Remembrance Service
Newton, Suffolk November 2002



1st Boxford Scout Group



Leaders are needed in all sections.

Explorer Scouts	14-18	Richard Robinson	21114
Scouts	10-14	Jeremy Morgan	211081
Cubs	8-10	Mark Miller	211596
Beavers	6-8	Diana Taylor	210239
General Information		Richard Gates	210432

FIRST BOXFORD SCOUT GROUP

You may have noticed these posters recently in our area. The reason we have had to advertise for new Scout Leaders and helpers is twofold. Our Scout Group has become very popular, a victim of our own success. Due to large numbers and leaders having other commitments we now find ourselves short of help and hope to appeal to our community at large. This can be in two ways, either by becoming a leader (after the requisite training which is not as onerous as previously), or by helping on a casual basis (once checks have been made). You may be a Student, ex Scout, Parent or even Grandparent - we would welcome help in all areas. It is not too time consuming, it offers valuable help in the community, looks good on CV's and can be very enjoyable. The Scout Group comprises Beavers (aged 6 - 8), Cubs (aged 8 - 10!4), Scouts (aged 10 1/2 - 14) and Explorers (aged 14 - 18). If you are available and would like to help any of the above, please speak to Richard Gates (Group Scout Leader) telephone 01787 210432 or any of the current leaders. Thank you for your support.

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Boxford to Boxford IV September 2003



Pictures Anti-clockwise

Above: A view of the apple festival September 2002

Right: The Holyoke French House where the Civic Reception is to take place

Centre Right: A hump Back Whale about to go deep

Bottom Right: The West Boxford Congregational Church, Pastor Jeanne Marechal

Bottom Left: The State House, Boston All photos taken during B To B III September 2003

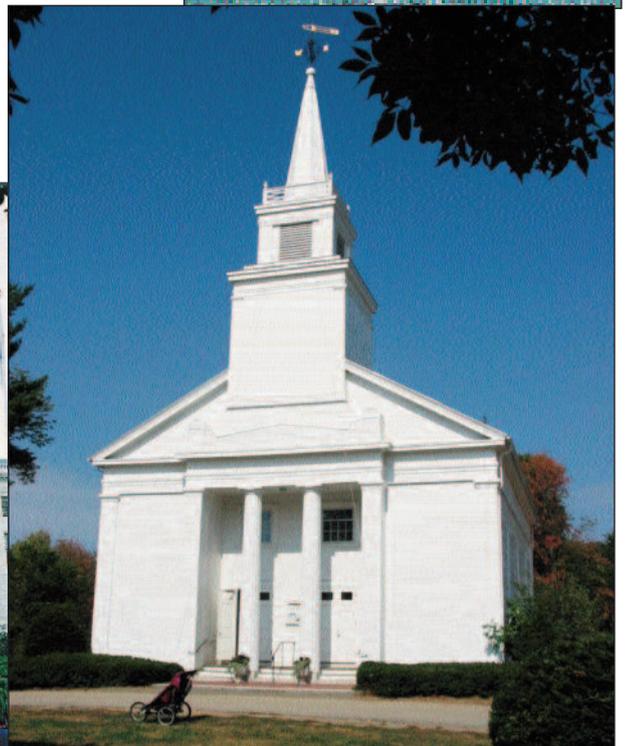
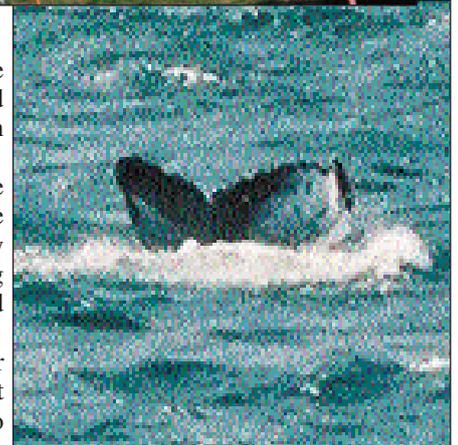
The Boxford to Boxford IV committee in Boxford MA have been making plans for next September's visit to their town by folk from the Box River Benefice. The trip is planned to start on 18th September 2003 with the flight out to Boston and 30 minute journey from the airport to Boxford where we will be met at the Community Centre in East Boxford. We are not expecting to arrive until about 6.30pm and are due to meet our hosts over some light refreshments and have a relaxing evening dining with our respective hosts.

There will follow 4 days of activities including a Tour of Boston including the State House and 'Old Ironsides' in Boston Harbour. Friday Night is Clam Bake Night at the West Boxford Library. On Saturday after a choice of morning activities it is time for the Apple Festival in East Village and in the Evening The Village will be holding it's Music Festival.

Church on Sunday Morning may include readings of the Winthrop Letters. Lunch at the Church, and what splendid facilities the Church has and then a House and Garden Tour in the afternoon followed by a Civic Reception in the Holyoak French House (French is a family name). The evening to be spent at the 4 Mile Village with a Pot Lock Dinner and evening entertainment including another International Bowls Match and possibly the Bumpstead Boys?

Monday a visit to Appleton Farm is planned with Lunch in Newburyport Where we had our first of many Lobster meals during our stay in September 2002. The final evening will be spent dining with our hosts and on Tuesday we make our way to wherever we will have chosen to go for the remainder of our 14 days or more stay.

We are holding a meeting of all who may be interested in joining the trip across 'The Pond' in the function room of **'The Fleece' on Tuesday 14th January at 8.00 pm**. Come along and find out more about the trip and help us decide details of flights, periods folk wish to stay in the USA and any other ideas you may have for Boxford to Boxford IV.



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