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BOX VALLEY FLIGHT PATH: PUBLIC DEBATE

A meeting is being planned to take place in the Boxford Village Hall sometime in November when it is expected that representatives of both the District and County councils will be joined by representatives from the National Air Traffic Services (NATS).

The following article has been submitted to BRN for publication
NO FRILLS AIRLINES END BOX VALLEY TRANQUILLITY

Local residents who tolerated Cold War low-flying military aircraft and who endure the regular clatter of Wattisham-based helicopters are being sacrificed for the sake of cheap "no-frills" airline flights to Stansted and Luton.

Babergh District Council officers' recommendations to the Strategy Committee on proposed changes to controlled airspace over Boxford and Bildeston were rejected by Councillors at a July meeting.

In a Council briefing Paper C55 [available on the Babergh website www.babergh.gov.uk] Babergh's Head of Planning Policy, Neil Greig recommended support for the proposal to move incoming flightpaths away from the Dedham Vale AONB and that NATS should make further efforts to eradicate all overflying of the Dedham Vale AONB.

The Council paper also noted that this consultation offered by NATS was an informal one and aimed at environmental issues. Neil Greig went on to comment that the Council had been concerned about aircraft noise and had lobbied for change. The 12 page NATS/MoD Informal Consultation Paper dated 7th May is complex and expressed in aviation jargon, larded with acronyms and has four pages of Appendices and ten pages of maps that do not relate the reader to any ground feature; it gives no scale and does not show the towns and rural settlements that could be affected by the proposed changes. The document and the maps were "available" to Strategy Committee members [ie: in the members room, but without any vital exegesis].

The District Council Strategy Committee met on the July 17th and administered a slap on the wrist to Council officers, declaring that Councillors could not make "...meaningful objective comments due to the lack of accessible, understandable information... greater clarity should have been provided on the noise and environmental impact... on identifiable communities". Committee members went on to say... "we request that steps are taken to minimise the environmental impact... on all of Babergh District... that we (should) be consulted, and our views taken into account if there are any further substantial increases in air traffic or night flying..."

Babergh's answer to criticisms in the September issue of the *Box River News* [printed elsewhere in this issue] are disingenuous to say the least. It is true that un-elected officers did not make the decisions. They made the recommendations, which the elected Councillors rejected.

Both Boxford and Groton Parish Councils were concerned at the lack of public consultation and discussion. Lack of time says

Neil Greig, albeit that the NATS/MoD Consultation Paper was put out in May.

Martin Wood, Groton Parish Council Clerk said:

"Most local residents were only alerted to the proposals in an article in the EADT on 12th July. It soon became apparent that the deadline for replies to the NATS paper was the 1st August, an intolerably short time in a holiday period when many parish councils [who were not informed or involved] do not meet. Groton Councillors were dismayed at this failure by Babergh to inform and it does not match up to Babergh's professed and well publicised **Purpose, Objectives and Vision** which claims that they will work with others to: 'listen to and involve local people'.

The "official" consultees on our behalf are Suffolk County Council and Councillor Jeremy Pembroke has offered to chair a public open meeting in Boxford when residents of local parishes can learn from NATS officials what effect the changes would have on their peace and quiet, if there is sufficient public response.

The changes were "fully supported" by our M.P. Tim Yeo an East Bergholt resident, who went with members of the Dedham Vale Society to lobby the Civil Aviation Authority. He did have the decency to say: "...I would sympathise with residents of other villages who might suffer".

BOXFORD TO BOXFORD IV

By the time you receive this issue of Box River News, twenty two intrepid travellers will be enjoying New England hospitality as guests of Boxford Massachusetts. For five days the party's feet will not touch the ground. Visits to the State House in Boston and the USN 'Constitution' (Old Ironsides), hiking around the Boxford trails followed by Boxford's Apple Festival and Music Festival. There is also a trip to the theatre planned, together with whale watching, house and garden tours, Church service and an International Carpet Bowls tournament. It seems their hosts will be getting their own back for the very busy programme they had during their visit to Boxford UK during the Queens Jubilee celebrations. There will be a full report of the visit together with photographs in the November issue of BRN

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New Dinning Room at The Case



Barry and Linda Kappes

Barry and Linda Kappes accompanied by members of their family were proud to show off their new Garden Dinning room to invited guests on Monday 1st September. The Garden Room increases the number of diners that can be accommodated at The Case to 80. It is 17 years since The Case was established in Assington and has gone from strength to strength. Their

extensive but modestly priced menu enables their clients to enjoy a gourmet lunch or dinner without breaking the bank in pleasant friendly surroundings in the certain knowledge that their every request will receive the personal attention of the family.



Relatively Speaking, this performance by the Boxford Drama Group of Alan Ayckbourn's comedy was absolutely brilliant. We could have spent a fortune travelling down to 'the smoke', paying premium prices for seats in a London theatre and still not have enjoyed ourselves as much as we did on Friday 29th in Boxford Village Hall.

The casting was perfect with Ian Drake as Greg, Linda Drake as his girl friend, Ginny, Joe Barrett as her ex 'older man' Phillip and Elaine Horne playing his wife Sheila were word perfect, the prompt was redundant on the first night. Their professional performance had the audience rolling in the aisles as the intrigue unfolded and each character managed to talk themselves into greater problems with their respective partners.

To top it all off at the interval we were served Sausages, Mash and Mushy Peas with Gravy, Fantastic!



Friday, 3 October, 8.30 Ticket £10

Julian Marc Stringle and the Dream Band

Julian was a child prodigy reed player making his TV debut with Roy Castle and Acker Bilk at the age of 15. Julian plays the clarinet, alto and tenor saxophone and sings, but the clarinet is his main passion and he is now recognised as the most stylish performer on the instrument in Europe. John Dankworth CBE said, "Julian is an immense talent! Probably the best clarinetist to emerge in British jazz for several decades". "Elegant and masterful playing, Julian has given a much neglected instrument a truly new lease of life." says Tony Coe. With Neil Angille (keyboards), Dominic Ashworth (guitar), Chris Dodd (bass) and Nic France (drums).

Friday, 10 October, 8.30 Ticket £10

Ed Jones Quintet

Ed is a formidable saxophonist who has clearly been influenced by the great masters from the jazz tradition. He cites Charlie Parker, Sonny Rollins, John Coltrane, Wayne Shorter and Johnny Griffin as a constant source of inspiration. As a session musician and sideman he has worked and recorded with some of the very best artists in the world. Ed is a player of forceful imagination, whose vigorous and sometimes downright volcanic tenor sound has long been one of the great delights of British jazz. His 'terrier with rat' approach raises the musical temperature whenever he solos. His band includes Jonathan Gee (piano), Winston Clifford (drums) and Damon Brown (trumpet).

Friday, 17 October, 8.30 Ticket £12

Viktoria Tolstoy

Viktoria is one of Sweden's best-loved young jazz singers. She made her break-through at the age of nineteen with her debut CD entitled "Smile, Love and Spice". In 1997 she became the first Swedish artist to record for the renowned Blue Note label with "White Russian" which was met with worldwide acclaim. Viktoria has appeared across Europe and has recently toured in South America. She brings her Swedish band made up of some of that country's leading musicians, Jacob Karlzon (piano), Matthias Svensson (bass) and Peter Danemo (drums).

Friday, 24 October, 8.30 Ticket £12

Kirk Lightsey and Joe Lee Williams

Kirk Lightsey took up the piano at five and became a full time jazz musician in his late teens. In the mid sixties he became sideman for Chet Baker which resulted in five fine album recordings but it was his work with Dexter Gordon that brought him to the attention of a wider jazz public. Kirk is a highly polished, virtuosic but always architecturally minded player who has earned a reputation as a fine solo performer. Accompanying Kirk is guitarist and singer Joe Lee Williams, Steve Watts (bass) and Dave Wickins (drums).

Friday, 31 October, 8.30 Ticket £10

Karen Sharp Quartet

Karen was attracted to jazz during her last few years at school in Ipswich. When at college studying composition she was drawn to the tenor saxophone and on hearing Dexter Gordon her choice of instrument was confirmed. A superb musician and regular member of the Humphrey Lyttelton Band and her debut CD called 'Karen Sharp' received rave reviews. Her career is really taking off. Making up the quartet are Richard Busiakiewicz (piano), John Day (bass) and Matt Fishwick (drums).

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NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

Boxford Study Centre

Classes commence 30th September at 7.30 p.m. in Boxford School for the History/General course and 7th October 2002 at 7.30p.m. in The Fleece, Boxford for the Literature Course.

History/General (Michaelmas Term, commencing 30th September 2003 7.30 pm Boxford School)

Always entertaining and enjoyable, once again we have Clive Payne giving another in his series of courses on Suffolk History. This time we go back in time to Tudor Suffolk, Clive's lectures are ever popular. This is the third course in as many years in which Clive focuses on yet another period of history as it really was for the people of Suffolk. Two of the ten meetings will be on Saturdays at venues to be announced soon after starting the course. If you've not been to Clive's lectures before then you are in for a real treat. So come along.

Clive writes the following brief: The course investigates local aspects of the reign of Henry VIII, Mary and Edward VI, Elizabeth, Mary Tudor, Duchess of Suffolk: the closure of religious houses: Tudor dwelling houses: the struggle between Mary Tudor and Lady Jane Grey and the effect of the reformation.

Literature (Michaelmas Term, commencing 6th October 2003 7.30pm The Fleece, Boxford) Etain Todds will already have contacted most of the literature students with details of the coming course and a reading list. However new students are always welcome. This course "Only Connect": FIVE NOVELISTS LOOK AT SOCIETY, delivered by Steven Trerise, will invite much discussion and explore ideas on society.

For more information about this course and a syllabus contact: Mrs. Etain Todds, Moat Farm Cottage, Edwardstone, Sudbury, CO 10 5PY. Tel: 01787 210344.

History/General (Lent Term, commencing 13th January 2004 7.30pm Boxford School) Ten years have passed since we last had a course delivered by Stella Dodd. Then it was French Impressionist Painting. This time Stella's course is Early Christian and Byzantine Art. It promises to be equally as good as the previous course so fill a void in your knowledge by enrolling in Stella's course with Boxford Study Centre.

Stella writes: A study of Early Christian art as it developed from Imperial Roman-style painting in the Catacombs to Byzantium where a new type of art and architecture emerged based on Rome yet overlaid-with Christian piety.

Primrose Wood

As promised last month we have now met with the Woodland Trust officer responsible for Primrose Wood, he is discussing the state of the paths with the contractor, who appears to have let us down badly. He is also increasing the number of times each path is cut each year. Hopefully this will solve the problem. We have good news in that a new grazer has been found for next year, he will be using Long Homed cattle to graze both meadows. This will greatly improve the conditions for the orchids - over 100 of which were found this year.

The next working party will be on Wednesday 15th October at 2.00 pm All are welcome, please give us a call for more details. We will be undertaking light tasks, mainly clearing the tree guards and removing them from the larger trees.

Ian & Jennie Lindsley (210 520)

The Groton Winthrop Mulberry Trust Tri Annual Meeting

The Groton Winthrop Mulberry Trust Tri Annual Meeting is to be held in the Groton W.I. Hall on Thursday November 6th at 7.30pm

BOXFORD ART GROUP

The Boxford Art Group has been meeting for members to enjoy

painting and drawing together in a convivial atmosphere since the mid 1970's. We have always held an open membership policy welcoming the rawest beginner through to the most competent of long term amateur painters and have also enjoyed the company of professional artists from time to time who joined with us just to have the pleasure of painting with others in a relaxed atmosphere away from the pressures of work.

Over the years our membership has fluctuated in numbers. There was even one period when space restrictions at our meeting place at that time meant we had to operate a waiting list. However, several years ago we moved location to the function room of the Fleece where space has not been a problem. I am pleased to report that the new management at the Fleece has extended their welcome to the Group and we are continuing to meet there on Thursday evenings.

A regular feature of the Group's activities has been an annual exhibition of member's work. This year the two day exhibition will be held on Saturday and Sunday 8th and 9th November at the Fleece, 1.00am - 5.00pm where all will be welcome.

Since its inception the group has always met in the evenings. However, earlier this year, we decided to experiment by having meetings in the afternoon. Contrary to expectations the afternoons did not prove to be as popular as anticipated so since September we have reverted to our normal Thursday evening meetings at 7.30.

The other change is that we have decided not to meet in December where members find there are too many other demands on their time. For a number of years we have not met in August for similar reasons. Apart from that, meetings are on a regular weekly basis. We are pleased to welcome new members just telephone Pam Balls, Group secretary, on 210136 to let her know when you intend coming along.

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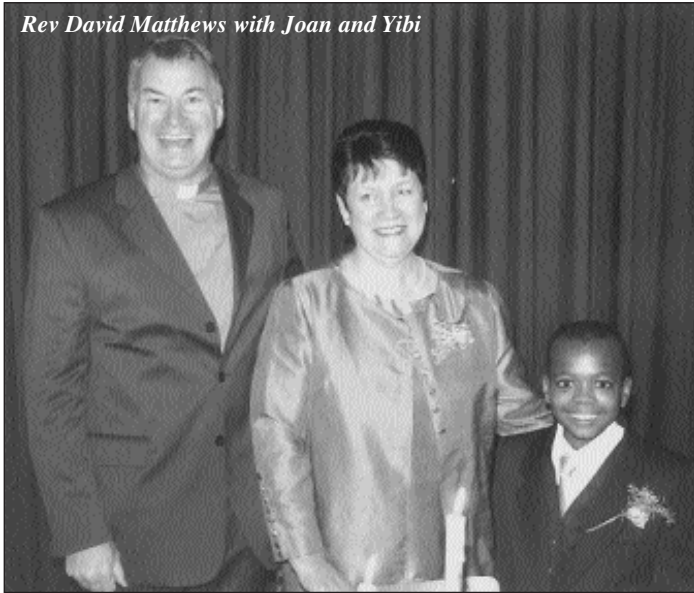
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Dispatches from Africa Part three

Rev David Matthews with Joan and Yibi



During my curacy there was a dearth of assistant priests and so I had the opportunity to roam the diocese where ever there was a need. One of the places I went was St. Agnes Zwartkops, a little church in a village along the Swartkops River estuary near Port Elizabeth. I remember saying to Joan; "I wouldn't mind a parish like this one." God really has a sense of humour because within three months, without any help from me, I was their Rector.

The area consisted of two villages each with its own church that had been amalgamated into one parish rather than a benefice. There was also a dormitory area of new houses across the estuary. Unlike the situation in England, a South African parish has no fixed geographical area and people sometimes travel long distances to a church they like. The parish was called the Zwartkops River Valley, using the old German name for the river. The old tiny rectory was on the riverbank and only consisted of a lounge/dining room and three bedrooms, it was damp and the roof leaked. Consequently only our son was able to stay with us, our daughter had to live in a flat in town some 12 kilometres away and at our expense.

The Parish had been in interregnum for 18 months and it had taken its toll. Many of the congregation had joined other parishes and some had stopped going to church altogether. There was also a simmering rivalry between both of the villages centring around the use of the churches. I knew I had a huge task ahead of me.

As you will know if you read the last dispatch, I am a fisherman. So placing me in a riverside parish was like giving a heavy drinker their own pub. Thank goodness the bedroom I chose for my study didn't overlook the river! I used to spend my days off and lots of my holidays fishing and eventually I acquired a small boat. I name the boat "Cockleshell" because she was so small I could lie with my head on the transom and my feet overhanging the bow. She only had a 6 inch freeboard and as the waves in the estuary could reach about 4 feet, one had to be very choosy about the weather. For my first birthday in the parish I was presented with a small dinghy that some of the parishioners had transformed from a rotting hulk into a very comfortable (and seaworthy) boat. They told me later that they thought it was only a matter of time before "Cockleshell" sank and I drowned and they were frightened of losing me!

I spent all my free time on the river and finally started to catch some fish. I also got to know many of the local fishermen and my ministry grew to include them. One day during a week of holiday spent fishing, one of the local fishermen in his seventies wanted to know why I as a newcomer was catching fish everyday and he who had fished the estuary from his boyhood was catching nothing. I flippantly pointed heavenward and said I had an arrangement. I knew he had been a churchgoer in his younger days so I told him that if he went to church he would catch fish

too. He came to our Thursday morning Eucharist much to the amazement of the rest of the congregation. The following day I heard his old Seagull outboard (which I think was older than him) wheezing and popping up the river and I took a walk to the slipway to see if he had caught anything. He had a boat filled with some of the biggest fish I have ever seen come out of the river and a bemused expression on his face. As far as I know he still goes to church.

After about five years in the parish my Bishop decided to appoint me as the Chairman of the local Mission to Seafarers Committee. This led to a post in Richards Bay in Zululand where I write from at the moment.

The move to Richards Bay might just as well have been to another country. The climate is hot and humid as against the dryer and cooler weather of Port Elizabeth. In summer the air is so damp that frogs and toads walk around in the sun! The work was very different. Where I had been a humble parish priest, here I was suddenly Chaplain and Manager of one of the largest Seafarers clubs in the world with a staff of seventeen reporting to me. One minute I could be counselling a seafarer who had just received bad news over the phone the next negotiating with a shipping agent to get a sick seafarer to hospital. Conducting a mass for Roman Catholic Filipino seafarers on their ship to 'diplomatically' easing a vodka intoxicated East European back to his ship.

The road warning signs are different in Zululand too. Instead of the international leaping deer sign there are signs with hippo on them. The rivers have signs with crocodiles. During the breeding season the smaller crocodiles are driven out of the breeding areas by the larger ones. They are often seen walking in the central business district at night and occasionally take up temporary residence in private swimming pools! So we have come full circle and the thoughts of those who believed we were going to a place where wild animals roam the streets finally came true.



Above: Joan and Yibi eating sushi

Below: Casandra, Rev David Matthews Ridge back dog who has "been put in prison (quarantine) for six months". We will not meet Casandra until March 2004



GARDENING IN OCTOBER *Harry Buckledee*

Most gardens have areas of shade. This can vary from permanent shade where parts of the garden are completely sunless caused by tall buildings, walls or trees. There is also temporary shade which varies according to the movement of the sun, obviously there will be a larger area of shade in winter when the sun is low than with the high summer sun.

The main problem with shady areas is the dry soil conditions, caused mainly by walls and trees diverting rainfall from falling on the soil.

It is important when preparing such areas for planting that the soil is dug to a depth of 15 inches, incorporating as much moisture retentive material as possible. High nitrogen fertilisers should be avoided as plants in such a situation are likely to be soft and a bit lanky through lack of light and excess nitrogen will only make matters worse. Best to work in a liberal dressing of bone meal to encourage a good root system. After plants have become established and look as if they need hardening up 2oz. per square yard of Sulphate of Potash should do the trick. Mulch the whole area after with a thick layer of whatever suitable material is available. As well as conserving moisture, mulching insulates the soil against variations in temperature.

For permanent shade in dark corners there is nothing to beat the spotted laurel, *Aucuba japonica*, with its glossy green leaves and yellow spots. A good companion is the *Choisya teranata* with its sweet smelling white flowers and leaves. The (Oregon grape) *Mahonia aquifolium* has yellow flowers followed by blue berries seems to thrive anywhere. These shrubs can make large plants but can be kept to a required height by regular running. Some small plants for permanent shade are *Hosta Lily of the Valley*, *Iris foetidissima*, *Hypericum calycinum*, *Saxifraga umbrosa* (London Pride), *Phyllitis* (Harte Tongue Fern) *Periwinkle* and *Euphorbia robbiae* which makes an attractive ground cover.

Temporary shade is suitable for *Rhododendrons* and *Camelias* provided they are shaded from the early morning sun. An excellent small shrub is *Sarcococca hookeriana* digyna with shining green

leaves and fragrant pinky white flowers in winter and the slightly smaller *Sarcococca humilis* with fragrant white flowers, both are followed by black fruits.

Several herbaceous plants thrive in such situations, *Alchemilla mollis*, Japanese anemone, *Aquilegia*, *Bergonia*, *Astrantia major*, *Cimicifuga racemosa*, *Brumera macrophylla* heart shaped leaves and blue forget me not like flowers from April to June. *Lilium muscari* with 12 inch spikes of blue flowers in summer, similar to grape hyacinth.

Tiarella grandiflora and wherry, maple shaped leaves and numerous spikes of creamy - white flowers in May and June. *Tellima grandiflora*, rounded leaves and large spikes of greenish flowers from April to June.

There is no shortage of shrubs, climbers and plants that will adapt to shady situations although it may be necessary to shop around specialist growers to find them.

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September

29 Boxford over 60's	Speaker	Village Hall	2.30pm
30 Boxford Study Centre	Courses start	Boxford School	7.30pm

October

1 Gt Waldingfield WI	members meeting		7.30pm
4 Harvest Supper	Groton PCC	WI Hall	7.30pm
4 Harvest Supper	St Lawrence Ltl Waldingfield	Parish Rooml	7.30pm
4 Newton Boot Sale		Village Green	
6 Ltl Waldingfield Luncheon Club		Octavia Long	12-2pm
7 Induction of Rev Matthews	At St Lawrence's Church	Little Waldingfield	7.30pm
7 Boxford over 60's	Outing to Malden	Fleece	11.30am
8 Groton WI	It's Written all over your face	WI Hall	2.30pm
11 The Spinney	Spinney Goes Posh	Dinner in the Spinney	TBA
13 Boxford over 60's	Speaker	Village Hall	2.30pm
15 Primrose wood	Working Party		2.00pm
18 Annual Dinner Dance	Edwardstone & Boxford Cricket Club	The Stoke by Nayland Club	7.00pm
20 Newton Whist Drive		Village Hall	
23 Gt Waldingfield WI	Fashion Show		6.30pm
25 Wish Upon a Star Quiz	Pop Quiz	Boxford Village Hall	8.00pm
27 Boxford over 60's	meeting	Village Hall	2.30pm

November

1 Boxford Community Council	Firework Display	Boxford Playing Fields	6.30
1 Boxford Village Hall	Guy Fawkes Dance and Bar	Boxford Village Hall	
6 Groton Winthrop Mulberry Trust	Tri Annual Meeting	WI Hall	7.30pm
8/9 Boxford Art Group	Annual Exhibition	The Fleece	10am to 5pm
27 Newtoners		Newton Village Hall	10am
15 Ltl Waldingfield Parish Room	Photo Quiz/Cheese & Wine	Parish Room	7.30pm
28 FOB's Xmas Fayre		Boxford School Hall	

December

6 Wine and Cheese Party	Groton PCC	WI Hall	7.30pm
8 Newton Whist Drive		Village Hall	
27 Newton Church Christmas Sale		Newton Village Hall	10am
14/15 Fobs Santa Run			
31 Boxford Village Hall	Biggest Village New Year Bash	Boxford Village Hall	8 till late

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Readers Letters

Sir

If the Dedham Vale does not want aircraft stacking, then neither does Boxford. Boxford is in a Conservation Area and is an extension of the Dedham Vale. We pleaded for a by-pass and got one because the heavy lorries were shaking the tiles off our beautiful old houses. We had the lines put underground in Swan Street and the centre of the village and we had our beautiful village paved.

Boxford is a lovely village and we don't want pollution by noise. We are all ratepayers so why weren't we asked for our opinion?

All our houses will lose value, Have you even considered claims for BLIGHT?

Imagine on a hot summer like this one, with our windows closed and the garden too noisy to enjoy.

Sincerely

Dora Russell-Ross

Parsonnage Farm, Stone Street, Boxford.

Sir

David and Ann Jessop, with Will and Rob, thank all the people of Boxford for sharing the last 15 years with us in this lovely place

Farewell *The Jessop Family*

Sir

We would like to thank everyone for all the kind messages and cards. Also, thank you to the Revd. David Rutherford for such a lovely Service.

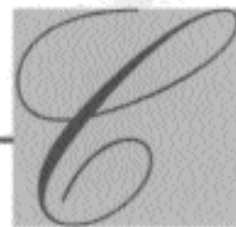
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More Wots On

BOXFORD OVER 60'S

October Events

Tuesday 7th Outing to Maldon leaving the Fleece 11.30am

Monday 13th Speaker, Stroke Association, Village Hall 2.30pm

Monday 27th Meeting Village Hall 2.30pm

Non members always very welcome to join us on outings. Please ring Maisie Tricker for details.

The Boxford Over 60's Club meets fortnightly at 2.30pm in the Boxford Village Hall for talks, outings and various activities.

General Secretary Thelma Williams 01787 210118

Fundraising for Community Organisation,

County Councillor Jeremy Pembroke invites Parish Councils and other organisations to a meeting in Elmsett Village hall to talk on External Fundraising possibilities. Date and time to be advised.

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GROTON'S HARVEST SUPPER –

Saturday, October 4th, 7.30 p.m. W.I. Hall:

Our popular Quiz is returning to the Harvest Supper this year and, of course, there will be the usual delicious hot meal (we have our reputation to keep up). Pat and Gerald's bar team will also be there to keep your thirsts at bay. So get your tickets now – excellent value at £6 each, from Pat Kennedy Scott (210319), Pat/Bob Bowdidge (211553) or any member of Groton PCC. All proceeds to St Bartholomew's Church. Pat Kennedy Scott

Hadleigh Choral Society

Rehearsals for the Autumn Term will began on Tuesday 9th September in the Drama Hall of Hadleigh High School, Hadleigh at 7.30pm. please call *Loveday Perceval Maxwell 01473 824419*

LITTLE WALDINGFIELD LUNCHEON CLUB:

The next lunch will be held on Monday 6th October from 12-2 p.m. at the home of Mrs Octavia Long, Long Barn, Little Waldingfield. PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DAY AND DATE. As Mrs Long is a new hostess everyone MUST confirm their acceptance 5 days prior to the lunch.

Please ring 01787 248337. *Alison Carse*

Newton Green,

News Views and Coffee

in the Village Hall at 10 a.m on Saturdays.

8th November	Newtoners
13th December	Church Christmas Sale
11th January	Village Newsletter
7th February	Village Hall

For further details contact:

Nancy Harries 01787 374626 Alex. Stevens 01787 374093

Newton Green Whist Drives

The dates for the next whist drives are 22nd September, 20th October, 8th December

Newton Green Boot Sale

The final boot sale for this year will be held on Saturday 4th October

'Wish Upon a Star' Quiz

There will be a Music Quiz in Boxford Village Hall on 25th Oct at 8.00pm. The charity is for terminally ill children. Refreshments will be served. A bar is available. Please book your team through Veronica on 01787 211529

The Spinney Goes Posh

You are invited to dine with friends at 'The Spinney on the 11th October 2003. Make a note in your diary now for this special event brought to you by Just Food. More details to follow.

St .Lawrence Church Little Waldingfield.

4th, October 2003.

Harvest Supper in the Parish Room Church Road. Tickets £7.00 in include two courses (choice of menu) tea coffee (refreshments extra) As we are using Millie in the village to do the catering we need to have numbers no later than the 1st October 2003 - tickets from Sandra Harbord - 247034 or Betty Rattee on 247528

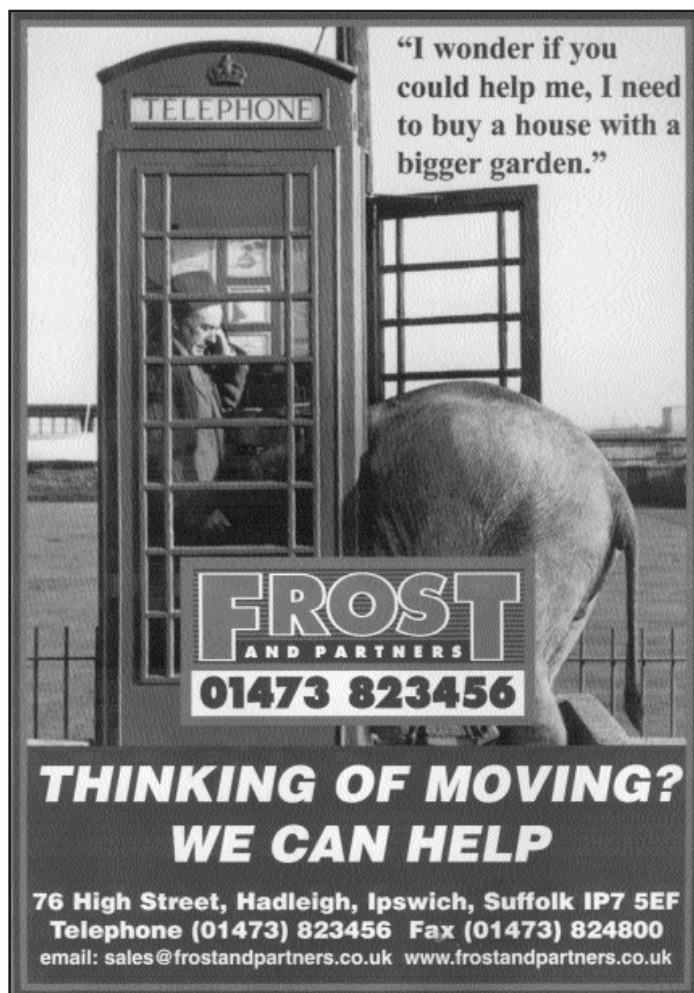
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Sudbury Festival

Talented musicians, dancers, and speech and drama enthusiasts of any age have their chance to perform at the annual Sudbury Festival of Music, Speech and Dance. The 2004 Festival starts on 14th February and finishes on 14th March. The syllabus is widely available, free, from libraries, information centres and performing arts shops in the area, and has been distributed to schools throughout East Anglia. Anyone can enter, either as part of a group or as an individual. Closing date for entries is 8th November.

The Festival offers about 400 classes in the three main branches of the performing arts, for soloists and groups of any size. Most classes are competitive, but there are some non-competitive for those who prefer. The Festival is open to all age groups, and people with a wide range of abilities from all over East Anglia take part each year. They benefit enormously from the experience learning their piece, taking the stage, and watching and listening to their peers. There is a team of experienced adjudicators who give friendly and helpful assessments to each performer.

The Festival starts with the Dance section, from 14th-19th February. The Speech and Drama section is from 6th-8th March, followed by the Music classes from 9th-14th March. The venues are all in Sudbury – Uplands Middle School, the Town Hall, and St Peters. The grand finale will be the Festival Concert at Sudbury Upper School on 28th March, when a selection of the best performers will be on stage. There is more information on Sudbury's website, www.sudburysuffolk.com.



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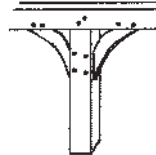
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Tel: 211236 Fax: 211238 e-mail: ChrisKingsC@aol.com

Please let one of them or a Churchwarden or a 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: lrp.sudbury@virgin.net

To the Box River Saints

Fear is one of the most important feelings a human or an animal can have. The flight or fight reaction to get one out of trouble is triggered by it. We can run away or stand our ground and fight. However, there is another response where fear can also be paralysing, causing our hearts to beat faster while we do nothing. In my humble opinion and from what I have experienced, fear is one of the greatest barriers blocking the spread of the Gospel in our modern times.

Where we have been living in Zululand there is a feeling of fear in the air, which permeates every aspect of life and determines ones every action. However, the fear I am talking about in relation to the Gospel is simply the fear of rejection, ridicule and exclusion. How many people do you know who speak openly about their faith? How many are open about the fact that they are actually a Christian? They may go to church, but so often this can be a social event rather than the outworking of a vibrant faith. How often do people avoid talking about their faith even when there has been an unsolicited question about Christianity? We need to be brave when it comes to our faith, not apologetic. We do not need to be apologetic about having the most resonant story of love ever told to share with others. And we need to remember that bravery is not the absence of fear, but the mastering of it.

But, there is another good reason for sharing our faith. In Africa there is an often-used word, "Ubuntu" which describes a concept not unlike the practical side of Christianity. The concept it describes is the African belief; "I exist only in relationship to others." In its perfect form it would describe humanity before the fall, living in perfect harmony with each other and creation. It is Ubuntu that bound members of a tribe to one another and it is Ubuntu that prevented a massacre after the first free elections in South Africa. People downtrodden for years by apartheid still recognised that they existed in relation even to their white oppressors. Where it is still practiced, someone with two pieces of bread will give one to a perfect stranger who has none ("I eat only in relationship to others"). Someone lighting a cigarette will share it or give one to the person next to him ("I smoke only in relationship to others"). If we take this concept into Christianity, then someone who has heard and knows the good news of Jesus Christ must share it to be in relationship with God and his fellow human beings. We know that this is true, because love of God and love of our neighbour, Christian or not, dictates that we share what we know of the love of God for us in Jesus Christ. We are commanded to go into the world and preach the good news, but really we should do it not out of a sense of duty but out of love and as you know, "Perfect love drives out all fear" (1Jn 4:18). One of the latest buzz phrases used by homosexuals is "Coming out", when they speak out about their sexual orientation. When they have done this, they no longer have to keep it a secret. It is about time that Christians "came out", let everyone know that they are Christians and then they will no longer have to keep it a secret.

I saw a sign on a church notice board when I was over here in July which stuck in my mind which I think we need to take to heart, it said: "If you were accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?"

God's richest blessings

David

Services for the Institution and Induction of the Reverend David Matthews as new Rector of the benefice and for the Licensing of the Reverend Brian Watling as Non-Stipendiary Assistant Priest will be at St Lawrence's Church, Little Waldingfield on Tuesday 7th October at 7.30pm.

ALL WELCOME

(Little Waldingfield has no street lighting - please remember to bring a torch)



THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

Churchwarden:

Ruth Kingsbury: as Christopher above

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"He who binds to himself a joy
Does the wing'ed life destroy;
But he who kisses the joy as it flies
Lives in eternity's sun rise" (William Blake 1757 - 1827)

HARVEST FESTIVAL:

Our Harvest Festival Family Service will be on Sunday 28th September at 11.00 a.m. CK

BOX RIVER CLUB:

Meets in the school hall at 10.30 a.m. on Sundays. Please see notice boards for dates in October. New members are most welcome. *Janet Daniels*

AN APPEAL - WILL YOU HELP?:

The reason for this appeal is that the general account of the Parochial Church Council (the PCC) is currently operating with a deficit of some £3,500.00 a year, due to ever increasing costs. The PCC is responsible for providing the running expenses of the church (over and above the costs of restoring and maintaining the grade 1 listed building). This annual expenditure is well over £20,000.00. A large part of this is, of course, paid to the diocese, and from this money the clergy are trained, housed, paid, and their pensions provided. In recent years these costs have risen very considerably, due in large part to the rising numbers of retired clergy, and also that their pensions have been brought more in line with other occupations.

The PCC has no income to support these expenditures other than that which is donated, or given in collections and by our various fund-raising activities, but there is a limit to what such activities can raise, and of course, this income is not at all dependable, being affected by such things as the weather.

In order to put the PCC's income on a sound footing we do urgently need a larger circle of people who are prepared to contribute regularly to church funds. There must be a lot of

contribute *regularly* to church funds. There must be a lot of people in the village who would be prepared to do this, if we could contact them, and they realised our needs.

We operate a Free Will Offering scheme to facilitate regular payments, or gift envelopes are available in Church. Through the Governments Gift Aid scheme the PCC can also redeem 28p for every pound donated by a taxpayer.

If you wish to know more, and I hope you do, please contact the PCC Freewill Offering Secretary, Mr Philip Rich, Tel: 01787 211403, Ruth Kingsbury on 01787 211236 or any member of Boxford PCC. Thank you. *Ruth Kingsbury, Churchwarden*

MATTERS OF FAITH:

Meekness is one of the chief graces and fruits of the spirit: as listed in Gal.5: 22, 23. As with every Christian grace, our Lord is our model. He said "learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart" (Matt. 11:29). It is an important grace as it prevents us from being contentious, helps us to be open to the opinions of others and enables us to sacrifice our rights and privileges when principle is not at stake. *CK*



THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwardens:

Antony Dodd: Mill Green End, 210397

Lay Elders:

Antony Dodd 210397 Peter Welstand 210525

CHRISTMAS FAYRE:

It is very sad that we have been unable to find someone to take over from Jan Paul who has done so much for this, the Church's most important fundraiser. It is also a village social event, which will be very much missed.

If you feel that you might be interested and able to help next year, please contact Jan Paul on 210972 or Antony Dodd on 210397 for more information. *Antony Dodd*

ROTAS

Sept 28:

Oct 5:

Oct 12:

Oct 19:

Oct 26:

SIDESMAN/CLEANING:

Mrs Dodd/Mrs Morris & Mrs Kennett;

Mr Saddleton/Mrs Clarke & Mrs Clark;

Mrs Tregear/Mrs Clarke & Mrs Clark;

Mrs Dodd/Mrs Moore & Mrs McDermott;

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THE PARISH OF ST BARTHOLOMEW, GROTON

Churchwardens: *Barbara Riddleston:*

Poplar Farm, Goslings Green, 210261
David Lamming Lodge Farmhouse 210360

Lay Elders: *Pauline Lamming 210360*

Joy Sellers 210275

REGISTERS: 21st August, Burial: EDWARD WILLIAM JOHN STUCKEY, aged 60 years.

1st September, Funeral: ROBERT WILD, aged 92 years, followed by cremation at West Suffolk Crematorium.

4th September, Interment of ashes: HAZEL HURST.

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ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S DAY:

Thank you to all who made the church and flowers look so lovely

**Copy Date for Church News section in the October Box
River News: NO LATER THAN 17th October 2003.**

Thank you. Daphne Clark 210698,
email - daphne.clark@btopenworld.com

for St. Bartholomew's tide. We enjoyed a good Festal Evensong, and our thanks to Lawrence Pizzey for coming to join us at short notice. *Pauline Lamming*

ROTAS: **October** **November**

Flowers: Mrs S Block Mrs P Thaw

Cleaning: Mrs S Block Mrs P Thaw

Sidesman with Sacristan: Mrs J Sellers Mr D Lamming



THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

Churchwarden:

Sandra Harbord, 55 The Street; tel 247034

Lay Elders:

Tim Harbord 247034

HARVEST SUPPER – 4TH OCTOBER:

The Harvest Supper will be in the Parish Room on 4th October at 7.30 p.m. Please see 'Wot's On' and 'Forthcoming Events'. *Sandra Harbord*

DECORATING THE CHURCH:

We will be decorating the Church on 4th October for the Flower Festival on the 5th and for the induction of Revd. David Matthews on the 7th October.

If you would like to help with the flowers please contact Sandra Harbord on 247034 or Peggy Pell on 247238. (Flowers supplied). *Sandra Harbord*

SPEEDY RECOVERY:

We all wish Mary Bullard a speedy recovery after her recent illness. *Sandra Harbord*

FLOWER FESTIVAL:

Thank you to everyone who helped with making the Flower Festival a great success. Special thanks to Audrey Ewen for her hard work in bringing together the theme of "World Cultures" and to all the flower ladies who interpreted the displays in wonderful and imaginative ways.

The stalls, lunches and teas were a great success and the weekend ended with a Songs of Praise. (Please see separate write up.) *Sandra Harbord*

7TH OCTOBER:

Institution and Induction of David Matthews - 7th October 2003. Please see separate write up for arrangements. *Sandra Harbord*

ROTAS – SIDESMAN/FLOWERS:

Sept 28: Mr Squirrel/Mrs Ewen;

Oct 5: Mrs Miller & Mrs Carse/Mrs Squirrel;

Oct 12: Combined Benefice Service (New)/Mrs Pell;

Oct 19: Mrs Gardiner & Mr Powell/Mrs Storar;

Oct 26: Mr & Mrs Tora/Mrs Clive.



THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS, NEWTON

Churchwardens:

Diana Stock: 12 Links View, 312828

John Turner, Severn, Church Rd 372677

Lay Elders: *Jean Green 373383*

& Diana stock 312828

REGISTERS: 17th August, Baptism: EMILY MOLLY COPELAND

HARVEST SUPPER:

The Harvest Supper will be on Friday 3rd October at the Village Hall, 6.30 p.m. for 7.00 p.m. Tickets £5 available from Jean Green on 373383, Margaret Chaplin on 374494 and Diana Stock on 312828. Please bring your own knife, fork and spoon. In aid of Church funds. *Diana Stock*

THURSDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER – MUSICAL EVENING:

There will be a Musical Evening, with John playing well known music on his electronic organ, on Thursday 25th September in Newton Village Hall at 7.30 p.m. There will be good food and a glass of wine. Tickets £4. Please telephone 372677. In aid of Church funds. *Diana Stock*

More Wots On

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7.30p.m. in the Village Hall

Boxford St Mary's

Cheese, Wine and Madrigals

On the evening of the 29th November There will be a cheese and wine evening accompanied by Madrigals. The time and venue will be announced in the November Box River News.

Boxford Village Hall September Draw Results

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If you would like a copy of the Training Programme or more information about specific courses please do not hesitate to contact the Training Centre Staff and to avoid disappointment please remember to book your place early. Contact details are: *Phone:* Keely on 01473 242522 or Debbie on 01473 242508, or alternatively E-mail us on: keely.walker@suffolkacre.org.uk or: debbie.dodd@suffolkacre.org.uk. You can also Fax us on 01473 242530.

Groton Parish Council

Subject: Reported crime in the 3 Parishes.

PC 891 Ben Coombes, Groton Community Police Officer based at Hadleigh reports today:-

No reported crime in Groton in the 7 week period from 1st July to 18th August.

Our neighbouring parishes:-

Boxford: 1 burglary and 1 criminal damage.

Edwardstone: 1 arrest for drink driving.

We may sleep safely.

Martin Wood Groton Parish Clerk

Letter from Neil Greg, Head of Planning, Policy & Economic Development, Babergh District Council

Dear Sir

It was unfortunate that your front page article about aircraft flightpaths over the Box Valley did not tell readers about the actions which Babergh District Council have taken as a result of the consultation.

The Council welcomed the opportunity to comment and have written to National Air Traffic Services making the following points:

- The Council could not make meaningful comments due to the lack of accessible, understandable information on the proposal. Greater clarity should have been provided on the noise and environmental impact of the proposals on identified communities.
- If the proposals are implemented we request that steps are taken to minimise the environmental impact on the Dedham Vale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty *and all of the Babergh District* (my emphasis).
- Request that we are consulted, and our views taken into account, if there are any further substantial increases in air traffic or night flying over the Babergh District.

This is the formal decision on the consultation and was made by the elected members of Babergh. The article did not cover this critical information in relation to the content of the response and wrongly suggested that un-elected officers made the decisions. Whilst your article eventually refers to National Air Traffic Services need to increase airspace capacity to accommodate anticipated growth in air traffic as the reason for the changes, it gives the impression that the changes have come about because Babergh wanted aircraft moved away from flying over Dedham Vale. The proposals were driven by the capacity needs and the diversion from Dedham Vale is incidental to this. Babergh did not trigger the changes.

Finally, the consultation was from National Air Traffic Services seeking the views of Babergh Council. We would not normally undertake further consultations ourselves as the Council includes members covering the whole of the district elected to represent local views. In addition, the analysis of the proposals was made shortly before the report to Committee and it was only at this late stage that it became apparent that the changes would affect other areas of the district. The written summary of the proposals makes no reference to aircraft overflying Bildeston and Boxford. The Council's comments about the nature of the consultation material reflect these problems in having to interpret complex and confusing maps.

Yours sincerely

Neil Greig

Head of Planning Policy & Economic Development
c.c. Tim Yeo, Member of Parliament

Babergh District Council

Extended Telephone Service for Benefits, Council Tax, Housing Rents and Business Rates

On 1st September the Council launched an extended telephone service for the four services mentioned above. Those services are provided by our Revenues Division, who as part of a Best Value Review completed earlier this year, identified a demand for greater telephone service hours, particularly after 5.00 p.m. on weekdays.

In order to establish the depth of that demand the Division is now maintaining a minimum of two telephone lines open from 8.00 a.m. to 7.00 p.m. Monday to Friday (01473-825798 or 825898). All main lines are open as normal from 9:00 am to 5:00pm but hopefully the extensions at each end of the day are helping more people make contact either before they leave for work or when they return home, especially if they find the telephone easier than writing letters or leaving messages.

R.L. Southgate, Head of Revenues

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no appointments necessary.

The community minibus will be collecting people every half hour (starting 8.30am) from Magdalen Road (bus stop) up to the High School.

We are also holding a flu session at

Boxford Village Hall on

Wednesday 29th October
from 9.00am-12.00noon
and 2.00pm-4.0pm
no appointments necessary (no community minibus)

Please contact the surgery if you are unable to make these dates
01473 822961



A couple of old photographs have been handed to the BRN by Derek Wymark. The photographs in sepia are somewhat the worse for wear probably through regular viewing throughout the years. Major damage has been repaired electronically

Top left: This was taken at a Groton Fete and judging by the fashions on display would appear to have taken place before the first world war

Bottom: This is a photograph of the members of Boxford St Mary's Sunday school taken circa 1929. Do you recognise anyone? or even whereabouts the photograph was taken. At a rough count there are over 100 young folk in the picture, almost as many as there are registered players with Boxford Rovers today!





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It has always struck me as strange that people are prepared to pay to ride horses. While I have paid in the dim and distant past, it was because I was insufficiently competent to offer to exercise my friends' mounts. Many accomplished horse people find themselves in demand to ride other people's steeds – free of charge – a superior alternative to possessing several hundredweight of bone and muscle with a voracious appetite and clearly owning shares in a veterinary practice. These days I would sooner watch horses flash by me at the racetrack than to sit on them myself – not that I save money as a consequence.

My last two forays on horseback involved an argument with a brussel sprout plant and some unscheduled equine mountaineering, neither of which did me much good. Sailing, on the other hand, is something in which I am prepared to indulge whenever the opportunity presents itself, despite being something of a nervous sailor. Yachties divide into two camps in my experience – those uncomfortable out of sight of land and those worried if they can see the shore. This is not as daft as it sounds. Land brings hazards, such as sandbanks and rocks. Actually, these hazards can occur a long way from the shore. On holiday in Sardinia some years ago, we were alarmed to find rocks just below the surface even though we were fully two miles offshore.

My early experiences were gained dinghy sailing off the Essex coast. Even in my teens I cottoned on to the desirability of knowing someone who owned a boat – but it did mean that I tended to crew rather than helm. For the Hornet class dinghy in which we sailed, this involved sitting on a sliding plank that you transferred from one side of the boat to the other whenever you went about, as changing direction into the wind is known. These sliding planks were

capricious to say the least – they were replaced a trapeze, a system of ropes which allowed you to hang out over the side of the boat. Fortunately, I never got round to trying one.

If my experience with the sliding plank was anything to go by, then using a trapeze would probably have been fatal. My most common error involved sliding the plank out and then endeavouring to sit on it outside the boat in order to balance the effect of the wind in the sail. All too often the plank would slide back before my bottom was in place, which on more than one occasion involved me sitting first on thin air and then in the water, with the inevitable consequence that the boat capsized. We never did win many races.

Over time I graduated to sailing boats on the Norfolk Broads. I have fond memories of a cruise which took place in 1964. The General Election, which brought Harold Wilson to power, was in prospect. Nine intrepid youths hired three boats from the now defunct yard of Percy Hunter at Womack Water. Finished in mahogany, they had no engine and no electricity, the evening light being provided by oil gimbals lamps. But what I remember most of all was the wind.

That week a mobile polling booth was snatched by the tempest that raged throughout East Anglia and smashed to matchwood at the end of a street in Norwich, just a few miles from where we were sailing. With the benefit of hindsight, we should have stayed moored in the boatyard, but with the confidence of those lacking the experience to realise what might happen, we set out, to be ravaged by the elements. To relate all of the adventures would take a novel, but the more memorable events included sailing up a slipway, blowing up a pair of plimsolls in an oven and losing a table overboard. Amazingly I am still invited sailing from time to time and only a few weeks ago, spent an enjoyable weekend with boat owning neighbours off the Suffolk coast. Getting our anchor entangled with a mooring line at Orford reminded me that, when on the water, if things can go wrong they probably will. But it was fun – and there was not a brussel sprout plant in sight.

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Great Waldingfield WI

We were fortunate with the weather this summer for our August meeting hosted by Molly and Mandy in their lovely garden, thank you both for a super evening - the ideal holiday get-together. The next week we walked to Little Waldingfield where we felt the need to support the local hostelry before setting off for home again - yet again, a perfect evening with those unmatched Suffolk skies.

Our September meeting was a Tour of England via the Victorian Lantern, courtesy of Rev John Robinson (and his accordion). Did you know that they've been around since 1670, once lit by candles, then oil lamps then even lime-light - sounds wonderful doesn't it, but I can't imagine how many went up in flames, along with the owner and audience. Rev Robinson took us on a tour of the area and a social history tour too - transport through the ages, costumes and a way of life we can only imagine - going to the sea-side in your best bib and tucker! Please keep on collecting - these slides are such a valuable resource, a record of all our local history.

Our next meeting on 1st October at 7.30pm will be a members meeting - tantalised? Come along and see what's in store.

October 23rd we are going to the Edinburgh Woollen Mill for a Fashion Show (with a 10% discount if you're tempted) 6.30pm for 7.00pm - bring a chair!

Finally, don't forget the Calender Girls' film - we WI ladies all have talents, some remain hidden, some don't! Enjoy!

Firework Spectacular 2003

Once again this year we will be holding our Firework Spectacular on Saturday 1st November on the playing field, procession commences at 6.30pm from the village centre.

This is a large event to organise and takes part of Friday and all Saturday to set up.

I am appealing for help from anyone who can spare a couple of hours particularly after the event when we have to clear the field in preparation for the football matches on the Sunday.

Last year we were very lucky despite the weather in getting help and the majority was cleared away quite quickly.

If you could help in any way please call myself on 210819 or David on 210796 or just turn up, this will be very much appreciated.

Peter Hibben

Chairman Boxford Community Council

BOXFORD ART GROUP SHOW

The 22nd annual exhibition of work by members of Boxford Art Group will be held in the function room of the Fleece on Saturday and Sunday 8th and 9th November, 10am-5pm both days. All are welcome.

St. Lawrence's Church Little Waldingfield Flower Festival - 6th, 7th September.

The weekend was a great success and well supported. Although the fund raising is important, equally important was the terrific community spirit generated throughout the weekend and for this we have to thank all those who came along and gave us support, and thank you to the following who helped in making the weekend a success. Audrey and Mike Ewing, The Flower Ladies, Brian and Elizabeth Tora, Betty Rattee, Mr and Mrs Cardy for letting us use their yard. Anne Miller and Peggy Pell along with their tea ladies, the ladies and gentlemen who looked after the church over the two days, the ladies who clean and polish the church, the Men for making and serving the lunches, Rita Baker our treasurer, and finally the Playing Field and Parish Room for all their help.

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NATIONAL CHAMPIONS:

Malcolm Grimwood with Polly and Eddie Josh, members of Boxford Bowls Club, representing North Essex County Bowling Federation, are photographed with Les Clark, the County President, also a member of Boxford Bowls Club, having won the mixed Links competition at Skegness on Saturday 23 August this year.

Having played well in the preliminary rounds, the trio came up against a formidable Suffolk team from Norbridge Bowling Club, Ipswich in the final. The match, which was keenly fought, was played in heavy drizzle. The Boxford team won with a score of 24 to 10. *Les Clark*

GOOD START TO A SEASON OF PROMISE FOR BOXFORD ROVERS

With the summer out of the way the Boxford Rovers Football machine moves into gear - and it promises to be an exciting season.

The club has an amazing **130 registered players** with teams from minis right through to under 18s and they can boast some real pedigree. A number of players have been selected from the Ipswich Town Academy and Boxford Rovers took home some Colchester and District Youth League silverware in the last season.

This season Rovers are looking for more success, commitment and enthusiasm - and the future already looks very bright. As this correspondent writes Boxford Rovers under 9s have won their very first match (against Earls Colne, 2-0) and witnessed a fantastic turn-out for the minis on Saturday. The under 18s are confidently lining up against St Johns, having watched the under 16s beat Oyster 10-4 in an extraordinary game and the under 15s are travelling in the other direction - playing Oyster at home. The under 11s, the stars of the club, will be hoping for another fantastic season under the management of Colin Cromar. His brother Andy will be masterminding another assault on the title

with his under 10s squad, the under 12s will be getting fired up for another season of improvement and Mick Evans faces his first season with the under 14s - taking on the management mantle of Tony Excell.

If you have a child who is keen to join Boxford Rovers get in touch with the team manager. The numbers are listed below:

All are 01787 prefixes unless stated. Under 9s - Malcolm Nice 210816; Under 10s - Andy Cromar 223447; Under 11s - Colin Cromar 211020; Under 12s - Claire Prescott (01206) 263344; Under 14s - Mick Evans 211549; Under 15s - Mark Lane 211656; Under 16s - Richard Robinson 211115 and Under 18s (incl. Under 17s) - John Mayhew (01473) 258005.

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Africa

A Floral Display of World Cultures

At St Lawrence Church, Little Waldingfield, the annual Floral Display this year was based on World Cultures and visitors during the weekend of 6/7th September were dazzled by the beauty and imagination that had been put into the 12 displays around the church.

The folk responsible for the displays had been given a culture and a poem to use as their model for the display. In the case of Africa seen in the photo above the poem read

Oh mask of my Africa
My enigmatic land
You are my idol
You are the totem of my fathers, fathers, clan.
In you life never dies.
Your Tattoo marks sing of my origins
Oh sacred mask, oh double millenary face,
Rest your silent gaze in my dark hands!

The poem was called *Pende Mask* by Lisembe Elbe.

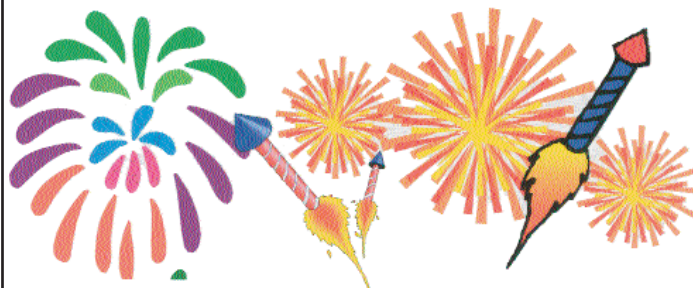
In addition to the display, lunches and Teas were available together with Tombola, stalls and children's activities

A great deal of hard work went into the preparation of the various displays and the organisers of the event, Audry Ewing, Sandra Harbord, Brian Tora and many more are to be congratulated on yet another very successful Floral Display.

The photographs shown in black and white do not do justice to the displays shown.



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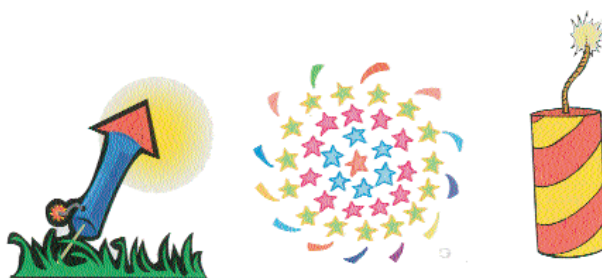
Boxford Firework Spectacular

Saturday 1 November 2003

Now in it's 29th year, Boxford's Firework Spectacular is no ordinary village firework display. In fact those who have been before say its the best for miles around! The evening organised by Boxford Community Council in association with the Parish Council starts at 6:30pm with an atmospheric torchlight procession through the streets of Boxford. The procession leaves the village centre for the playingfield where there will be childrens rides etc. and you will be able to purchase refreshments such as hot dogs, burgers, hot doughnuts, hot and cold drinks, etc as well as sparklers and novelties from a well stocked stall. Then at approximately 7:30pm there's the fabulous 25 minute firework display.....well, what can we say, we think you'll be impressed.

This is an evening we know you will enjoy. But don't take our word for it, come and find out for yourself and bring your friends. Advance tickets are available from Boxford Newsagents at: £2-00 for school age children (under 4s free) and £4-00 adults (£3-00 and £5-00 respectively at the gate on the night).

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THE FLEECE

The Boxford Fleece changes hands

Jacky Hare (Osborne) became the new landlady at the Boxford Fleece on thursday 28th August.

Jacky, well known in Boxford being from a local family, has been in the catering trade for some years and has re-introduced catering to The Fleece much to the delight of her customers and the Jazz Club. All the organisations who have previously enjoyed the hospitality of The Fleece are being made welcome. There are plans to carry out some refurbishment of the premises.

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