

Box River News

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GROTON AFFORDABLE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT DELAYS



Compare this photo taken mid August with the one published in the Box River News several months ago and to all intense and purposes, apart from a few more breeze blocks on the site and one house started, there has been very little progress.

Long delays on the Groton affordable housing site means that far from being completed in August or at least by the Autumn, completion is unlikely to take place before the New Year possibly as late as March 2005.

Whilst the weather has been a recent factor causing some damage to the infrastructure and necessitating additional drainage to be installed, observers will have noticed that for months there have not been any builders on the site.

Money was in place in October of last year so that was not a cause, there were however some delays over the purchase of the land but even so work began in May of this year with very little progress to date

Ten months ago Babergh District Council, in camera, agreed a price for a small strip of land necessary for the developer to be able to carry out the Housing Scheme. The price was allegedly excessive as reported in the Box River News of January this year. The press officer of Babergh District Council prepared a letter for Bryn Hurren which was published in the March issue of BRN and said "Currently, because of commercial sensitivities, Babergh is not as yet able to reveal the figure, but will do so as soon as that is possible. Let me reassure your readers that the real figure is far less than the market value of the land." The letter was dated April of this year, are Babergh hoping the matter will simply go away or was this yet another Babergh promise!

Having failed to consult on the new flight paths that came into effect in March, Having imposed a twin bin system on the district which has continued to come in for a lot of criticism and the threat of car parking charges being introduced, Babergh do not have a great deal to be proud of this year. Perhaps they could honour the promise to reveal the figure charged for the strip of land in question!

Ed



Swan Street Parking!

Photo David Lamming

BOXFORD FIREWORK SPECTACULAR 2004 An appeal from Peter Hibben. Chairman of the Boxford Community Council

We are hoping to hold our 30th Firework Spectacular on Saturday 6th November at Boxford playing Fields. The display lasts approx. 25 mins and the whole evening entertainment lasts about 2.1/2 hours. Preparation for this takes weeks of planning, and organisation. This is done by the social committee of the Community Council. Over the past few years it has been down to a few individuals to carry this out. These individuals are finding it harder to continue this event. We have received help over the past years on the day which we are very grateful for. What I am appealing for is some of the parents and children and anyone else in the village to come forward and help keep this event alive.

If we don't get any help it is in danger of being lost for good, something that has become a tradition, please pledge your help if only for a couple of hours on Friday afternoon 5th November, Saturday 6th November at anytime or Sunday morning 7th November.

Please contact Peter Hibben on 01787 210819

or David Gasson on 01787 210796

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CONMEN PREY ON THE BEREAVED

Phone claim that loved one had secret debts

John Rose, 70 from Boxford, nursed his wife Jill through a three year battle with Alzheimer's disease until she died in June

Jill was cremated on 16th July but three days later Mr Rose received a phone call from what proved to be a bogus debt collecting company demanding cash.

John said "They told me £2,400 was owed. I said 'What?' and the man asked to speak to Mrs Rose. I told him quite frankly that she had died and had been cremated on the previous Friday and told him to get off the line, I was quite shattered by the experience" he said.

Mr Rose dialled 1471 but, as could be expected, the the caller had withheld their number and he immediately contacted police.

He believes conmen have been going through newspaper funeral notices and waiting until after the funeral service to catch bereaved people at their weakest and then trick them into believing their loved ones had run up secret debts.

"I think it's sick and completely heartless to prey on vulnerable people in this way. You get so many calls these days telling you you have won a Television or a holiday in the Bahamas. I just put the phone down but others are fooled into parting with money." "you hear about credit card scams and all sorts but I've never before heard anything like this. They've really crossed the line here and they have gone too far."

A spokesman for Suffolk Police said "This gentleman has done exactly the right thing, firstly by putting the phone down and secondly by contacting the police." "Any respectable firm would be more than willing to put something in writing if they were perusing a genuine claim and anyone who is contacted in this manner should ask them to do so."

Anyone who has been contacted in a similar manner or has any concerns about bogus callers should contact Suffolk Police on 01483 613500.

Gardeners' Question Time

FRIDAY

24TH SEPTEMBER

7.30 p.m.

**EDWARDSTONE
PARISH HALL**



Panel:

Rupert Eley - The Place for Plants, East Bergholt

Jonathan Jukes - Curator, Marks Hall Estate

Andrew Tokely - Horticultural Advisor,

Thompson & Morgan

Tickets £4.50 - To include glass of wine & nibbles

Please contact Sheila Saddleton on 01787 211161 or Daphne Clark on 01787 210698

(In aid of Edwardstone Parish Church)



Friday, 27th August and Saturday 28th

August 8.30 Ticket £13

Martin Taylor

One of the world's greatest and busiest players makes an eagerly awaited solo return to the Fleece. Repeatedly referred to as a guitarist's guitarist, Martin's swinging improvisation with chords, walking bass lines and melody have consistently left audiences stunned and amazed.

Friday, 3rd September, 8.30 Ticket £11

The New Couriers

This great jazz group is a worthy tribute to the classic iconic British modern jazz group that was co-led by saxophonists Tubby Hayes and Ronnie Scott between 1957 and 1960. The modern day couriers are Martin Drew (drums), Momington Lockett (tenor saxophone), Steve Moiling (piano), Jim. Hart (vibes) and Paul Morgan (bass).

Friday, 10th September, 8.30 Ticket £10

Chaz Jankel Quartet

Chaz is probably best known for being co-founder and musical director of the Blockheads with Ian Dury. He continues to be a member of that band, playing guitar, keyboards, singing and composing. Chaz released his first jazz album, 'Out Of The Blue'

in 2001. His second 'Zoom' was released in the autumn of 2003 and features his quartet of Andy Crowdy (bass) and fellow Blockheads Dave Lewis (saxophone) and Dylan Howe (drums)

Friday, 17th September, 8.30 Ticket £12

Ian Shaw and James Pearson

The UK'S premier male jazz singer can convey the emotional resonance of a song every bit as well as he shapes and contours the original melodies with his personal brand of phrasing and more importantly, he makes it all swing. Ian's latest CD is called 'A World Still Turning' on 441 Records, an American label. Ian is supported by the virtuosity and creativity of pianist James Pearson.

Friday, 24th September, 8.30 Ticket £10

The Strayhorn Project

Strayhorn was Ellington's musical partner for thirty years so please, no raised eyebrows for the dreaded 'project' word! This one is an absolute delight. The band, led by drummer Stu Butterfield with Steve Kaldestad (saxophone), Phil Lee (guitar) and Dave Whitford (bass), highlight the delicacy and the harmonies in Strayhorn's music.

JUST A TASTE OF OUR AUTUMN GIGS

We are looking forward to welcoming visitors from abroad, including

Avishai Cohen (USA), and

Jacob Karlzon (Sweden).

Also popping in to entertain us well be

Trudy Kerr,

Tho Travis and

Monica Vasconcelos with "Nois 4" (formerly "As Meninas").

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

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

NEWS FROM CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

GROTON EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Trustees will meet on 2nd September, 2004 to consider applications for grant aid from residents living in Groton and those parts of Boxford which are included in the "area of benefit" as laid down by the Charity Commissioners - namely, Homefield, the east side of Swan Street and pockets of land in Stone Street south of Boxford Church, i.e. those parts which were included in the Tithe Map of Groton in 1881!

Details and application forms can be obtained from the Clerk to the Trustees, Mrs Scriven, Malting Lodge, Groton, Boxford, Sudbury, C010 5ER Tel:- 01787 210263 Applications from organisations serving the above area will also be considered.

Little Waldingfield Parish Room

Thank you to everyone who supported the Treasure Hunt and helped us raise £204 despite the inclement weather.

Our next event is the ever popular Cheese and Wine evening on 18th September at 7.30 pm. Tickets will be £6. This year we need your 1960's photos.

Please will you let Mary, Richard or Sue have them as soon as possible. They will have tickets.

FRIENDS OF IPSWICH HOSPITAL

NHS TRUST

Camilla Parker Bowles opened the new Bone Density Unit at Ipswich Hospital

On October 2nd, Dr Gavin Clunie celebrated the success of a fund-raising appeal, which resulted in Mrs Camilla Parker-Bowles, President of the National Osteoporosis Society, visiting the Ipswich Hospital Rheumatology Department to officially open the Bone Density (DXA) Unit on November 4th 2003.

This DXA Scanner enables the early diagnosis of the extremely painful and life-threatening degenerative bone disease - osteoporosis.

Mrs Parker-Bowles emphasised the importance of early diagnosis which, she said, is not just a saving financially, but can prevent the suffering of thousands of people.

She spoke of how she became involved with osteoporosis after her grandmother and mother both tragically died as a result of the crippling disease. Her mother, who died in her early seventies, bore the pain stoically, as there was so little that could be done to alleviate her distress. As a result of her mother's death, Mrs Parker-Bowles became determined to find some way of helping people with this disease from experiencing the same fate and general disregard that her mother had encountered. In due course she became the patron and then president of the Osteoporosis society. Ipswich Hospital's DXA Scanner Unit came about as a result of an appeal spearheaded by Jean Nunn, Chairman of the Ipswich and District Group of the National Osteoporosis Society. It was financially enabled by various local charities including the Friends of Ipswich Hospital.

For more information about the Friends of Ipswich Hospital contact **Patricia Salisbury 07789 352919**

Club THEO report

The Sudbury based bereavement social club, for those under 65 who have been made single by bereavement, has had it's second A.G.M. Linda Palmer gave a talk on how the club has progressed over the last twelve months. It now has 38 members and its own web site. Funding from Community Champions enabled Linda to train in web page design and site maintenance. The site now has some 15 pages of information and photographs on the site of club activities.

Following the success of Club THEO in Sudbury the club was awarded £5,000 of funding from Suffolk Single Gateway to extend its services further into the surrounding community; firstly with a second branch in Bury-St-Edmunds and a third branch to follow later this year in Haverhill.

Members decided at the meeting to promote Linda to the roll of

President so she can oversee all of the clubs activities and focus on setting up these two new branches. Janet Reed was appointed to take over the Chairmanship of the Sudbury club.

Tuesday 20th July saw the launch of the clubs first new branch at Moreton Hall Community Centre, Bury-St-Edmunds. The evening went very well with 19 people attending the first meeting. Linda, gave a brief history of why she set up the club 2 years ago and spoke of the activities and events that member over there take part in. Ideas were discussed and a meal out was planned for everyone before our next meeting on Tuesday 3rd August. Two Sudbury members assisted Linda that evening and were able to give their views when chatting to the new people on how the club has helped them to rebuild their social lives following bereavement.

The new groups first social event was an enjoyable carvery meal at The Flying Fortress last Saturday. If you, or anyone you know, wants more information on Club THEO, then please telephone Linda on 01787 377495 or visit the club's web site at www.clubtheo.org.uk

NEWTON FETE 2004

The total proceeds from the 2004 Fete is £1,499, which Brian James will be distributing as follows:

• Church	£653
• Village Hall	£522
• Newtoners	£130

with the remainder being retained by the Fete Committee. Before closing I must thank all the individuals, organisations and companies that gave so generously towards the raffle, programme advertising, gazebos sponsorship and the bottle tombola. This support is greatly appreciated.

Finally, the inquest meeting will be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 29th September starting at 8pm. See you there.

Dave Crimmin, Chairman, Fete Committee

ST MARY'S BOXFORD

HARVEST LUNCH

Sunday 26th September

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White is an essential colour to have as a foil to other colours in a well planned herbaceous border. The following are a few suggestions which are obtainable but you may have to shop around for them.

Veronica Virginica Alba; this is a spectacular plant which is easy to grow in good soil. The long, slender stems do not need staking in spite of reaching a height of four to five feet. In July - August long central spikes open with small white flowers and if these spikes are cut off as they fade smaller secondary spikes open giving a longer flowering period.

Stachys nivea; a mat forming plant of green leaves for the front of the border. Nine inch long spikes of pure white flowers are produced from June to September. Likes a sunny position in any type of soil.

Physostegia summer snow; most people are familiar with the variety 'vivid' and its purple-pink flowers. The strong square stem of the variety summer snow carry dense spikes of pure white flowers, two and a half feet high from mid July to September.

Cimicifuga Racemosa; four feet long, strong, wiry stems with long graceful spires of white flowers and attractive foliage. Likes a fairly moist and partially shaded position.

Anaphalis yedoensis; leaves and stems of silvery grey with two feet long stems of flat top heads of white. A good flower for cutting and drying.

Lysimachia clethroides; three feet stems of leafy growth with spikes of small white flowers a bit like Buddleia. Likes a moist rich soil in sun or part shade. Plants expand quickly and excessive growth needs chopping back with a spade every two or three years.

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

Evergreen shrubs and conifers should be planted now while there is still warmth in the soil. Root growth grows immediately

so they establish quickly.

Plant bulbs of Dutch and English iris for flowering from late May to July. The Dutch are the earliest to flower followed by about a fortnight later by the English. All are excellent for cutting and garden decoration. Choose a sunny, well drained site containing plenty of organic material. Plant 3 inches deep and 6 inches apart and they can be left undisturbed for several years before becoming overcrowded. It is essential to make the planting positions so that the bulbs are not disturbed during the dormant period by digging or hoeing.

At the end of the month plant out spring cabbage 18 inches apart in rows 18 inches apart.

Cuttings or pipings of Pinks which were taken in July should now be well rooted and ready to be planted out in the border so they become well established before the cold weather sets in.

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August			
30 St Mary's Boxford Concert			12 noon
31 Ltl Waldingfield Over 60's Friendship Club	Holkham Hall		
September			
1 Gt Waldingfield WI	Traditional Moving Toys	Village Hall	7.30pm
4 Boot Sale	Newton Green Village Hall	Newton Green Playing Fields	9.00-noon
6 Boxford Over 60's	Outing to Southend	Fleece	10am
8 Boxford Community Council	Council Meeting	White Hart	8.00pm
11 Bumble Bees 'Fat Old Dad'		Leavanheath	7.30pm
11 Bike Ride for Suffolk Churches			
13 Boxford Over 60's	Hall meeting 'Air Ambulance'	Village Hall	2.30pm
17 Gardeners Question Time	Edwardstone Parish Hall		TBA
17/18 Boxford Drama Group	Murder Mystery	Boxford Village Hall	
18 Cheese & Wine/ Photo Quiz	Little Waldingfield Parish Room		7.30pm
22 Ltl Waldingfield Over 60's Friendship Club	Frinton on Sea		
24 Gardeners Question Time	Edwardstone	Parish Hall	7.30pm
24 Bridge Drive	Arthritis Research Campaign	Polstead Village Hall	1.30pm
25/30 Art Exhibition	Barnardo's	Dove Barn	1030am-4.30pm
26 Boxford St Mary's Harvest Supper		Village Hall	12.15pm
27 Boxford Over 60's	'Inns of Suffolk'	Village Hall	2.30pm
October			
1 Barn Dance	Elmsett Methodist Church	Elmsett Village Hall	7.30pm
2 Harvest Supper	Groton PCC	WI Hall	7.30pm
2 Boot Sale	Newton Green Village Hall	Newton Green Playing Fields	9.00-noon
7 Boxford Over 60's	Outing to Buxhall	Fleece	1.00pm
9 FOBS Race Night	FOBS	Boxford Village Hall	7.30pm
16 Fun Evening	Little Waldingfield Parish Room		7.30pm
16 Wish Upon A Star	Quiz Night	Village Hall	7.30pm
23 Edwardstone & Boxford CC	Dinner Dance	Stoke Club	
27 Ltl Waldingfield Over 60's Friendship Club	Birthday Tea		
November			
6 Boxford Fireworks Display	Boxford Community Council	Playing Fields	6.30 on
December			
4 Cheese and Wine Part	Groton PCC	WI Hall	7,30pm

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Grand Concert

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Little Waldingfield Parish Room

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18th September at 7.30 pm. Tickets will be £6. This year we
need your 1960's photos.

Please will you let Mary, Glen or Richard & Sue have them as
soon as possible. They will have tickets.

SUFFOLK FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S INSTITUTES

GREAT WALDINGFIELD W.I.

POTTERY - At our July meeting - Mr. Peter Harrington gave us
a most interesting talk about his travels and how he eventually
decided to become a 'Potter'

With clay purchased from Stoke-On-Trent, no water required
and using Hand Building Techniques (without a wheel) he
demonstrated how to make differing pots etc.

On display were many items - which several of our members
purchased, these were all made in his workshop at Halstead.

The evening finished with our usual refreshments plus a cake
made to celebrate the Golden Wedding of one of our members -
Mary Jackson.

As the Village Hall is closed for maintenance repairs the Bowls
Club kindly allowed us to use their premises for our August
meeting. It was a 'Members Meeting' when the committee can
take a back seat - it proved to be a very successful and
entertaining afternoon. Mrs Giulie Hennessy brought along 25
items from a 'Bygone Age' these were passed around - the
competition being to see how many we knew, some of us had
even used them!

Our next meeting is on September 1st at 7.30p.m. in the Village
Hall, the subject will be 'Traditional Moving Toys'

New members always welcome

Arthritis Research Campaign

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F.O.B.S. Race Night

F.O.B.S are organising a Race Night at Boxford Village Hall on
Saturday 9th October. Doors will open at 7.30pm and the first
race is at 8pm. Tickets priced at £5 will be available from early
September from both Boxford News and the School Office



Harvesting oil seed rape at Little Waldingfield. photo Shirley Hobson

Little Waldingfield Over 60's Friendship Club

The last two outings for the year are as follows:

Southwold - Wednesday, August 25th

Frinton - Wednesday, September 22nd

The next function will be our annual Birthday Teaparty on
Wednesday, October 27th; and the last meeting for the year is on
Wednesday November 24th at 2.30pm in the Parish Rooms,
Church Road when the speaker will be Mr C Miller of Ipswich
whose topic is Suffolk Punch Horses, with slides.

We hope as many members and friends will come along and we
offer a welcome too anyone who wishes to join us on these
occasions.

For Further information please ring Mrs Peggy Pell on 01787
247238

Shirley Hobson

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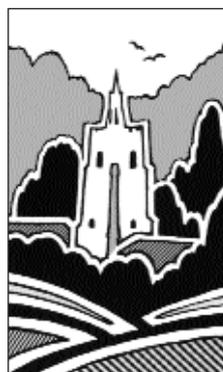
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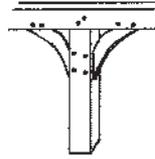
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Please let one of them or a Churchwarden or a Lay Elder know of any cases of sickness or otherwise where they might be of use. Thank You

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To the Box River Saints

The Oxford English dictionary defines truth as: the "Quality or state of being true or accurate or honest or loyal or accurately shaped...." What a pity then that our modern western world only regards things as the truth when they can be scientifically studied and quantifiably measured. Having lived in Africa for many years I have come to realise that there are more truths that we cannot measure than those we can. For example if you ask the average person in England about the spirit world most will probably tell you that they believe in ghosts. Why is it so difficult then for them to believe in the Holy Ghost? In Africa there is no dichotomy between the spiritual and the religious spiritual world. An African will tell you plainly that they have seen angels or that a dead relative appeared to them.

A story which comes out of Zimbabwe (formally Rhodesia) tells of a meeting between a white farmer and a black freedom fighter after the hostilities ended. All the farms in the area had been attacked and many of the white farmers and their families had been killed. Knowing it was just a matter of time before they were attacked, the farmer in question his wife and children had been praying to God for protection. In the midst of all the destruction in the area, neither they nor their farm were ever attacked. What the farmer asked the freedom fighter was why they had spared his farm. The other man said that they had gone to attack his farm on many occasions but had been frightened to face the soldiers in white who guarded the property. Because resources were being used to guard national key points, there was never a military presence at the farm. The freedom fighters had seen divine protection in a very tangible form.

So the question remains, what is the truth? Is it something one can weigh or measure or is it something that one can know in one's heart yet not be able to prove? The Christian faith is somewhere between these two. We know that Jesus lived and we know that he died on a Roman cross. These are facts and no serious historian would dispute them. What cannot be proved is that he rose from the dead and that he is who he said he was, the Son of God. In speaking of the resurrection, Josephus, a Roman historian in his book 'The Jewish War' speaks of Jesus as, "the one who by his actions proved that he was no mere man." At Jesus' execution he says, "Many other awe inspiring 'signs' happened at the same moment." Of the resurrection he states that the body could not have been removed because of the large number of both Roman and Jewish soldiers guarding the tomb. What is the truth? Only the individual heart can know that. However a famous evangelist preaching at Hyde Park summed up my feelings on the subject. A heckler from the back of the crowd asked him how he knew there was a God. The evangelist replied that he knew there was a God because he had spoken to him that morning for a half an hour. I often get people telling me that the Bible is a fairy story and full of lies. The first thing I ask those people is have they read it. Nine out of ten say they have not; yet they are prepared to dismiss it. No serious seeker of the truth dismisses the main documents referring to what they are investigating.

I would like to challenge those who are serious about wanting to be able to assess the truth to come to the ALPHA course. It takes ten weeks to complete during which you can challenge anything you hear. At the end of the ten weeks you will be able honestly to decide the truth for yourself.

God's richest blessings *David*



THE PARISH OF ST MARY, BOXFORD

Churchwarden:

Ruth Kingsbury: as Christopher above

THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:

"In sorrow and suffering, go straight to God with confidence, and you will be strengthened, enlightened and instructed".

St. John of the Cross

BOX RIVER CLUB NEWS:

Next Term's meetings are held in the School Hall 10.30 a.m. - 12.00 noon.

September 12th, September 26th, October 10th, October 24th, November 28th, December 12th. New members are most welcome. *Janet Daniels*

BIBLE STUDY GROUP:

Meets at 8.00 p.m. alternate Tuesdays at the home of Margaret & Peter Holden, 47 Swan Street, Boxford - presently exploring St. John's gospel. *Christopher Kingsbury*

HARVEST FESTIVAL:

Our Harvest Festival Family Service is on Sunday 26th September at 11.00 a.m.

HARVEST LUNCH:

Harvest Lunch follows the service in the Village Hall - £7.00 including a glass of wine. Please let the churchwarden or PCC secretary know if you would like to come.

Christopher Kingsbury

CHURCH RESTORATION:

The next phase of restoration work will include urgently needed re-tiling to the chancel roof and the final window restoration. The cost of this work is some £65,000.00.

The church spire cladding is due to be replaced shortly. Much help is desperately needed to finance these projects to our lovely village church (a grade 1 listed building). You can support the future work by subscribing to the *Building Trust*. Details available on leaflets in the church or please speak to the churchwarden. *Christopher Kingsbury*

VANDAL REPAIRS:

We have also recently repaired vandal damage to the south porch lead chute and a rainwater hopper on the north side of the church at a cost of £550.00. *Christopher Kingsbury*

CATHEDRAL CHOIRS:

St. Mary's Church choir will be joining choirs from around the Diocese to sing choral evensong at the Cathedral, Bury St. Edmunds on Saturday October 2nd at 5.00 p.m. Please make a note in your diary to come. *Christopher Kingsbury*

SMILE LINES:

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire".
Winston Churchill



THE PARISH OF ST MARY THE VIRGIN, EDWARDSTONE

Churchwarden:

Antony Dodd: Mill Green End, 210397

Lay Elder:

Antony Dodd 210397

GARDENERS' QUESTION TIME – EDWARDSTONE PARISH HALL:

We are holding a Gardeners' Questions evening in Edwardstone Parish Hall on Friday 24th September at 7.30 p.m. The panel will comprise: Rupert Eley – The Place for Plants, East Bergholt; Andrew Tokely – Horticultural Advisor, Thompson & Morgan and Jonathan Jukes – Curator, Marks Hall Estate, Coggeshall. They are looking forward to answering your questions. Tickets, £4.50, to include glass of wine and nibbles, available from Sheila Saddleton (211161) or Daphne Clark (210698). Everyone welcome. Proceeds to Edwardstone Church.

Sheila Saddleton

ROTAS – SIDESMAN/CLEANING:

Sept 5: Mr Saddleton (*United Benefice Service*)

Mrs Moore & Mrs McDermott;

Sept 12: Mr Currey/Mrs Moore & Mrs McDermott;

Sept 19: *Combine with Groton/Mr & Mrs Saddleton;*

Sept 26: Mrs Dodd/Mr & Mrs Saddleton.



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 378009*

REGISTERS: July 13th 2004. Funeral, followed by burial: EDWARD CHELLEW HARRISON, aged 64 years.

July 31st 2004. Marriage: SHAWN CHARLES HARVEY and VICTORIA ALICIA LETHBRIDGE.

PCC MEETING:

Wednesday September 15th, 7.30 p.m. at Mary's House.

SUFFOLK HISTORIC CHURCHES BIKE RIDE:

Saturday, September 11th, 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.:

Another piece appears elsewhere. Yellow forms and stickers are in Groton Church, for bikers. Volunteers are needed, too, for manning the church for the eight-hour event. Volunteers can also be sponsored like the riders. Not long ago this parish was the top one for this fundraising day, out of 30, in the diocese. Can we do it again? Our champion tells me he is back in the saddle again, after a two year break. Good luck!

Peter Kennedy Scott - 210319

HARVEST SUPPER -

Saturday October 2nd, 7.30 p.m. Groton W.I. Hall:

Time for our popular Harvest Supper once more! The Fund-Raising Team of St. Bartholomew's Church will be cooking up a delicious hot meal for you to enjoy, the famous 'Pat and Gerald' bar will be serving your drinks, and George Thaw is thinking up some clever and devious questions to fox you all in the legendary Quiz. So all-in-all, an evening to be looked forward to, and still amazing value at £6 a head; so get your tickets now from Pat Kennedy Scott (210319) Pat/Bob Bowdidge (211553), or any member of Groton PCC. *Pat Kennedy Scott*

REFLECTIONS OF FAITH IN TODAY'S WORLD:

Flower Festival St. Bartholomew's Church, Groton, August Bank Holiday Weekend:

Friday August 27th

Preview at 7.00 p.m., with Bar and "Eats". Tickets £3 each.

Saturday August 28th

Sunday August 29th

Monday August 30th

Open 10.00 a.m. until 5.00 p.m. each day.

Sunday 29th

Festival Evensong - 6.30 p.m.

Groton has a very busy weekend planned; as well as the Flower displays to be admired, there will be Coffee, Lunch and Tea served at Groton Hall (by kind permission of Charles Partridge) on Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Barbara Riddleston and Jayne Foster have planned a very spectacular and thought-provoking Flower Festival, which is an absolute "Must" for viewing, so please put these dates in your diaries now, and be sure to come along and bring your friends. Tickets for the Preview Evening will be on sale from Pat/Bob Bowdidge [211553] Pat Kennedy Scott [210319] or any member of Groton PCC. *Pat Kennedy Scott*

ROTAS:

September October

Flowers:

Mrs B Riddleston Mrs M Bloys

Cleaning:

Mrs B Riddleston Mrs Debbie Payne

Sidesman with Sacristan:

Mrs P Kennedy Scott

Mr & Mrs G Smith



THE PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE, LITTLE WALDINGFIELD

Churchwarden:

Sandra Harbord, 55 The Street; tel 247034

Lay Elder:

Tim Harbord 247034

HARVEST SUPPER & QUIZ:

25th September 2004 - 7.30 p.m. in the Parish Rooms, Little Waldingfield.

Tickets £7.00 to include 2-course supper - once again supper catered for by Millie.

Please obtain your tickets by 19th September 2004 to enable us to cater for the final numbers.

For a ticket please telephone Sandra Harbord on 01787 247034.

HARVEST FESTIVAL:

26th September 2004 - 11.00 a.m. (If you would like to help decorate the church on 24th/25th September, please contact Sandra Harbord on 01787 247034 - flowers will be provided).

ROTAS – SIDESMAN/FLOWERS:

Sept 5: United Benefice Service(Edw)/Mrs Clive;

Sept 12: Mrs Gardiner & Mr Powell/Mrs Bridges;

Sept 19: *Benefice Visiting Sunday*/Mrs Grunsell;

Sept 26: Mr & Mrs Tora/Mrs Harbord.



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

COFFEE MORNING –

Saturday 28th August, 10.00 a.m. to 12 noon:

There will be a Coffee Morning at Sherwood Croft, Links View, Newton, by kind invitation of Lucy and Linda Cutts. Plant Stall, Books and Raffle. *Diana Stock*

Copy Date for Church News section in the September 2004 Box River News:

Please, NO LATER THAN 15th September 2004. Thank you.

Daphne Clark 210698.

New email address – daphne@clark-home.me.uk

Boxford School News

May I begin this by saying a huge thank-you to everyone who contributed to this year's fête. Despite the awful, almost monsoon-like weather the afternoon was very well attended and demonstrated the fantastic support for the school that exists within the local community. I know that the FOBS members, who had worked so hard to prepare for the afternoon appreciated the support. My thanks goes to all of the people who turned out to help and in particular Jed Fisher and Phil Taylor who gave up many hours of their time to ensure the success of this new venture. The weather prevented us from launching the balloons until after school on the following Tuesday. Hopefully in future years the weather will be much kinder to us as several of the planned attractions had to be cancelled.

Sports Events

Once again our two sports days and three swimming galas were very successful and well attended by parents, grandparents and other friends of the school. Despite the dominance of the Yellow Team, who very nearly pulled off a clean sweep of all the trophies all of the children tried very hard and ensured that their team did as well as possible. The success of these ventures is wholly dependent on the people who organise them and I would like to thank all of the staff and helpers who ensured this success.

Early Years Camp They say you have to be mad to work with children and animals and when Mrs. Dainty came into my office to ask my opinion as to whether a camping weekend for the children in the Nursery and the Reception Class was a good idea I finally decided that mild eccentricity had developed into full-blown madness. Nevertheless Mrs. Dainty and her team of 'willing volunteers' went ahead and arranged for twenty-five of our families to spend a night under canvas on the school field. Unfortunately I had a prior engagement! The 'happy campers' spent the weekend swimming, singing songs around a campfire, cooking on a barbecue and quite simply having a wonderful time. In fact it was so successful I think it may even become an annual event. Well done to Mrs. Dainty and her team and my thanks to them and the many parents who came along for giving up a weekend for the children.

Music Evenings In June we held the first ever Cornard Pyramid of Schools Music Festival. A large audience was treated to a wide range of musical performances from gothic rock to a classical quartet and even a medley of Beatles songs from our very own choir, who were quite simply magnificent. This event was the first of what I hope will be an annual event celebrating the diversity of music across our pyramid. The evening was held at Great Cornard Upper School in their theatre and attended by over two hundred very proud parents. Much of the organising and running of the event was by the students of the Upper School and I would like to congratulate them on the sensible, mature approach they took. They were a real credit to their school.

This time of year can prove to be a very sad one for us all in school as whilst we are all looking forward to our summer break we are also going to be saying goodbye to many pupils and parents, some of whom have been with us for many years. I hope that as you move on to pastures new you will remember your time with us as successful, rewarding and enjoyable. I will be keeping a watchful eye on those children who are moving on to Stoke by Nayland but for those moving to other schools please keep in touch and let us know how you are getting on. An occasional email would be most welcome.

Finally at the end of what has been another exciting yet challenging year for us all I would like to say a personal thank-you to the staff, governors, pupils and parents and FOBS for all of their hard work and support this year. It continues to be a real privilege to work with you all. Have a relaxing and enjoyable holiday and I look forward to welcoming you back to school on Thursday 2nd September.

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Parish Council Matters

Notes of Newton Parish Council Meeting

held on Wednesday 21st July 2004

at Newton Village Hall at 7:30pm

1. Present:

Cllr. John Taylor - Chairman

Cllr. Janet Crimmin - Vice Chairman

Cllr. Harry Buckledee

Cllr. Alan Vince

Cllr. Rita Schwenk

Peter Holbrook

PC Darren Marshall

Brian James - Clerk

Member of the Public

2. Apologies for Absence - Cllr. Colin Poole and Cllr. David Smalley

3. Declaration of Interest - None

4. Minutes of Last Meeting Held on 26th May 2004 - The Chairman signed the Minutes as a true record of the meeting.

Questions from the public – None

5. Matters Arising

a) Matters Arising from circulated material – None

b) Proposed Speed Management Measures – Wayne Bryan confirmed all the requirements specified by the Council will be included in the project.

Ongoing – Clerk has requested copy of the project plan including details and timescales.

c) Replacement Street Lighting Timers - A M Street Lighting are due to complete a survey of the lights concerned in early June 2004.

Ongoing

d) Parish Plan – All who attended the special meeting with Mary Mitson-Woods of SALC, agreed the benefits of a Parish Plan should be pursued.

The Chairman proposed that Newton Parish Council support a meeting to carry out a public consultation and approves contributing 5% (£100 - £400) of the cost of the project and agrees to support the action points to come out of the consultation.

The members of the Council carried the resolution unanimously and the Clerk was requested to make the necessary arrangements for a meeting to be held late October or early November.

Ongoing

e) Path Adjacent to Village Sign – Request for Locality Budget to contribute to the project has been agreed. Final amount to be confirmed on receipt.

Ongoing – SCC Highways have confirmed that work will commence late summer or early autumn.

f) Village Sign – The Clerk reported the Highways Department would replace the missing sign at their expense.

Ongoing – SCC Highways have confirmed the job is included in the works programme. All agreed that the issue has to be resolved quickly.

g) Babergh Common Housing Register and 1 Alston Close – It has been confirmed that

1 Alston Close has been allocated to members of Newton Village.

Ian Tippet, Babergh Housing Services Manager, is to attend the September meeting of Newton Parish Council to address the concerns raised regarding the Housing Register. Discharged

h) Cutting of the Daffodil's on the Village Green – The Clerk confirmed an email has been sent to the Secretary of the Golf Club. Discharged

i) Grass cutting Children's Playground – Gary Flowers has completed the additional work requested.

j) Highway Safety – Work requested for repairs to the A134 have been completed. Discharged.

6. Finance

a) Audit Year Ending March 2003 – signed off by LubbockFine

b) Lubbock Fine - £188

c) Chiltern Office Supplies - £ 32.82

d) PowerGen Street lighting – 20.18

e) Village Hall Building Regulations - Receipt required

f) Clerks remuneration April – June 2004

g) PowerGen Hall - £85.69

h) Wymark & Moulton Surveyors (Hall) – £528.75

Payment of items a-h above was proposed by Cllr. Janet Crimmin and seconded by Cllr. Alan Vince.

7. Planning

a) St Michael's the Green – Application for flood lighting of the tennis court. NPC has no objections to the proposed scheme. Ongoing

b) Potash 1 - Application for the erection of a first floor side extension. Planning permission granted.

c) Abbey House erection of replacement garage and store - Planning permission granted.

d) 14 Links View, Single store extension - NPC has no objections to the proposed scheme.

8. Correspondence

a) Notice of BDC Meetings

b) Training and Development – Various courses on offer were discussed

c) Babergh District Youth Strategy – Following some discussion it was agreed Cllr Poole will complete action required by the 23rd July. Discharged

d) Community Planning Initiatives – BDC now require specific information from Parishes. Clerk to action request. Discharged

e) All Saints Church Newton – A letter acknowledging the recent grant made has been received.

f) Material for Circulation

9. Police Report

All welcomed PC Darren Marshall to the meeting. A copy of his report can be found on page 5 to these notes. All expressed concern over the recent criminal damage to the children's playground. A Police Surgery for villagers is to be held at the Newton Village Hall on Friday 24th September, late afternoon and early evening. Darren to ensure a copy of the notice of meeting is provided to Dawn Bridger for inclusion in the newsletter before the 18th August.

10. Village Hall

Cllr. Collin Poole reported the Building Regulations application has been submitted.

Babergh DC has awarded matching funds of £10000 for Phase 1 of the refurbishment (including: toilets, rear exit, re-roofing and a new front entrance porch). The Council accepted the funding along with the conditions. Clerk will sign off for NPC after checking conditions with Cllr Poole.

Alan Vince reported the recent car boot sales have raised a further £800 for the fund. The Golf Club Charity Event sponsored by Teresa of the Saracens Head raised £500 for the hall fund.

11. A.O.B (Questions to the Chair)

Peter Holbrook took the opportunity to discuss several items for which he is awaiting the deliberations of BDC.

- Asbestos – Requirements and funding for inspection of village halls.

- How proposed Licences for all events held in and round village halls will be managed and the process to be followed.

- Traffic volumes through Newton as a result of the Chiltern Woods development.

John Taylor thanked all those involved with the Fete for another successful event this year.

N.B. Chiltern Woods Public Enquiry is to be held 28th September. Watch for details in local press.

12. Dates of Meetings - To be held in the Village Hall at 7:30pm on:

- Wednesday 22nd September 2004

- Wednesday 24th November 2004

13. The meeting closed at 9.30pm.

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Take the increasing flow of traffic through our village. I know that, compared with Newton Green, our traffic problem is relatively minor, but there is a definite rush hour - morning and afternoon - to be faced if you are walking along The Street. Not all this traffic adheres to the 30mph speed limit either. Indeed, there are some large agricultural vehicles that look as though they are giving the legal limit a run for its money.

Traffic calming has been an ongoing concern for our village ever since I first came to this delightful corner of Suffolk. The initial measure introduced - and it was far from welcome at the time - was the speed limit. Indeed, I well remember that my journey to Colchester station back in the mid-1980s did not involve driving within a restricted zone at all from my house until I was within a mile of the station.

All the speed limit did was to provide a stick to beat those motorists who were caught driving too fast. There were very few, if any, of those. The rare positioning of speed traps in the village appeared to confirm Little Waldingfield motorists as paragons of virtue. Yet the behaviour of drivers passing through appeared to us residents to change not one jot. The limit could have been written in Cyrillic for all the difference it made.

Why should working from home make me view this differently? For a start, the big traffic flows are Monday to Friday - days when I left home before the rush hour started, returning after the

commuters were all safely tucked up in front of their televisions. Now the changing pattern of road traffic is as familiar to me as it is to other daytime residents. No more can my wife say - as she did quite justifiably in the past - "you really don't understand. You're never here".

It happens that, after several years of trying, we did achieve some emasculated calming measures last year. White fencing has been installed at both ends of the village. A rumble strip is now in situ. Rumble - grumble. You really cannot win with this approach. Too severe, and complaints will abound - from both motorists and the neighbouring residents who suffer the noise pollution. Too gentle (as ours could be described) and you wonder why the effort was made in the first place.

What was achieved appears to be more through the coincidence of Suffolk County Council and the police collaborating on developing a uniform approach to the problems relating to the B1115 than to the village's efforts. In the end excess speed and poor driving discipline are more down to attitude than signage. We are lucky in our village that no fatalities have occurred - so far. And this despite having a sharp bend with poor visibility, lacking a pavement, at the eastern end of The Street, around which lorries hurtle with little regard to what may lurk around the corner.

Of course, we are all a little Jekyll and Hyde when it comes to driving. We consider our freedom to use our cars as we wish sacrosanct and we are all, of course, excellent drivers. But if we are on the receiving end of someone else's stupidity, then we are up in arms for the rights of the pedestrian or the resident. It was interesting to see traffic problems in Boxford as a front page item in last month's BRN. We all have a view on the car and how it affects our personal space. What is yours?

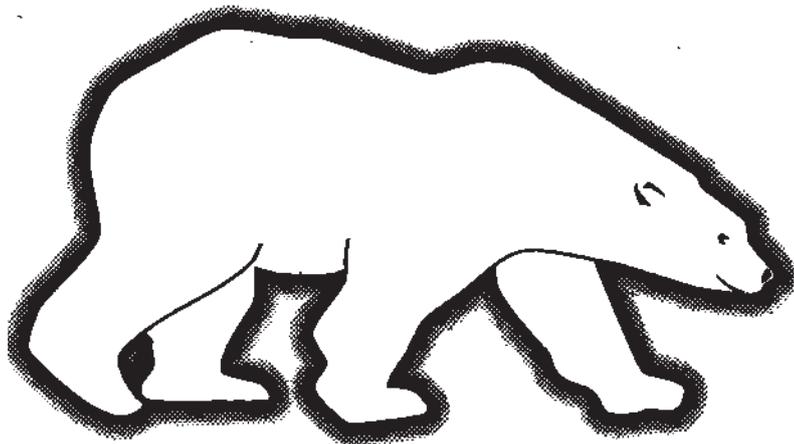
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Boxford Over 60's Club

Dates for September

After the varied events of summer September brings end of season outings

Monday September 6th

Outing to Southend, leaving the Fleece at 10am

Thursday October 7th

Outing to Granary Crafts, Buxhall, leaving the Fleece at 1pm.

Non members welcome

For further details please ring Barbara Hamling Tel: 210936 or Maisie Tricker: 210045

Speakers

Monday September 13th Village Hall 2.30pm Patsy Johnson on "Air Ambulance"

Monday September 27th, Village Hall 2.30pm. Andrew Jackson on "Inn signs of Suffolk" with slides.

Thelma Williams 01787 210118

Sudbury and District Horticultural Society's Autumn Show

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Saturday	18th September	12.30pm to 5.30pm
Sunday	19th September	11.00am to 5.30pm

GARDENERS' QUESTION TIME

EDWARDSTONE PARISH HALL:

We will be holding a Gardeners' Questions evening in Edwardstone Parish Hall on Friday 24th September at 7.30 p.m. The panel will comprise: Rupert Eley – The Place for Plants, East Bergholt; Andrew Tokely – Horticultural Advisor, Thompson & Morgan and Jonathan Jukes – Curator, Marks Hall Estate, Coggeshall. They are looking forward to answering your questions. Tickets, £4.50, to include glass of wine and nibbles, available from Sheila Saddleton (211161) or Daphne Clark (210698). Everyone welcome. Proceeds to Edwardstone Church. *Sheila Saddleton*

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Pat Kennedy Scott

Elizabethan Survey

By Clive Payne

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Delia Smith, Celebrity Chef and Director of Norwich City Football Club, enjoyed some of the delicious fayre prepared by Executive Head Chef, Nigel Taverner at The Stoke by Nayland Hotel this week.

Delia was the celebrity guest at the Colchester United sponsors' lunch which was held in the Hotel's magnificent Devora Suite. After what Delia herself called a most delicious lunch she answered guests' questions and was quick to point out that she was looking forward to a Premiership season with Norwich City. Delia also revealed that although she didn't have a favourite dish her favourite meal was still the traditional Sunday Lunch because of the excellent quality of produce available in Great Britain.

Richard Scudamore, Chairman of the Premier League, delivered

a passionate speech about the success of football clubs in the lower divisions and the wonderful loyalty they attract from local supporters. He was followed by Mr Peter Heard, Chairman of Colchester FC and member of several committees at the top level of the FA and the Football League, who introduced Delia after thanking all Colchester United's sponsors.

Head Chef Nigel said "In my previous position in London I cooked for all the Prime Ministers in the last 20 years, and most of the Royal family. This lunch has provided a rather different challenge and one that I have enjoyed immensely. I designed a menu around the supply of fresh local produce, and indeed the berry fruit in the pavlova comes directly from the Hotel's own farms."

The Stoke by Nayland Hotel, Golf and Spa complex is familiar with the world of football. Many of the Premiership teams such as Manchester United, Arsenal and Chelsea stayed at the family-owned Hotel before their games with Ipswich Town and now First and Second Division teams continue to enjoy its excellent, extensive facilities.



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Local Walks

Wormingford

Walks every third Sunday of the month. Please phone Trevor or *Ellen Nicholas* for details on 01206 241991

Lavenham Rambling Club

The new programme commencing September is still awaited.

Contact *Graham* on 01787 248128 for general enquiries and information

Ramblers Association Walks:-

Thursday 16th September. Starting at 10am from Bures St Mary. Meet at the Village Hall car park (GR 909 338) for a mystery walk with a pub stop. About 10 miles

Janet Penfold 01787 227929

Saturday 25th September. 'Elm Walk' Glemsford Area. Meet at Glemsford Village Hall car park (GR TL 827 479) for a 10.30am start. 5 miles.

Leaders *Bill Dewhurst/Ingrid Kay* 01787 370019

This is a National Elm Walk.

The Natural History Museum, English Nature, The Ramblers Association and eight other national organisations are participating in a country wide survey to map these wonderful trees. The walk is accompanied by Bill Dewhurst from Little

Cornard Conservation Society who will help to identify these trees around the Glemsford area.

Wednesday 29th September. Meet at Old Ellis Farmhouse, Ellis Street, Boxford (GR TL 995 314) to make a 10.30am start for a circular walk in the Stour Valley. Lunch at 'The Anchor' Nayland or picnic by the river.

Tea and Cakes afterwards in Gill and Grahams garden. 9 miles
Leaders *Gill and Graham* 01206 273804

BROADBAND UPDATE:

BT's extended-reach trials in Milton Keynes are due to finish at the end of September.

Unofficial reports suggest that the trial has been successful which is very good news for us if true. I hope to have the official report in time for October's magazine.

Daphne Clark (210698).

Email address: daphne@clark-home.me.uk

BOXFORD & DISTRICT BOWLS CLUB

"100 Club Winners for August:

£45 - Mrs V Leeder; £18 - Mrs M Moore; £7 - Mrs M Jones.

THE CHURCH AT WORSHIP

SEPTEMBER 2004

Wednesday 1 September

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

LtW 1900 Home Communion*

Tim Harbord

Sunday 5 September, Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Edw 0930 *United Benefice Service*

The Revds. David Matthews &
Brian Waffling

Box 1830 Evensong

Christopher Kingsbury

Wednesday 8 September

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

Sunday 12 September, Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity

Edw 0800 Holy Communion BCP

The Revd. David Matthews

Gro *Combine with Edwardstone*

New *Benefice Visiting Sunday*

LtW 0930 Holy Communion CW*

Tim Harbord

Box 1100 Family Communion CW

The Revd. David Matthews

Wednesday 15 September

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

LtW 1900 Compline

Tim Harbord

Sunday 19 September, Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity

Box 0800 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

New 0930 Holy Communion CW

The Revd. David Matthews

Gro 1100 Family Service

The Revd. David Matthews

Edw *Combines with Groton*

LtW *Benefice Visiting Sunday*

Wednesday 22 September

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

Sunday 26 September, Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Gro 0800 Holy Communion BCP

The Revd. David Matthews

Edw 0930 Matins

Graham Brook

New 0930 Harvest Festival Service, Hymns &
Readings

Diana Stock/Jean Green

Box 1100 Harvest Festival Family Service with
Baptism

The Revd. David Matthews

LtW 1100 Harvest Festival Family Service

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Wednesday 29 September

Box/MH 1030 Holy Communion

The Revd. David Matthews

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Parish Council Matters

Police Report SUDBURY SECTOR

REPORT TO NEWTON GREEN PARISH COUNCIL The report covers the period from the 1st April 2004 through to the 19th July 2004.

During this time there have been 8 crimes reported within the parish, this compares to 5 the some period the previous year.

BREAKDOWN OF CRIME

Burglary; 1 report of burglary other building has been received when on the night of the 25/05/04 unknown offender's entered the village hall by forcing open a window, a search was made of the building but nothing appeared stolen.

Criminal damage; Again only 1 report received, on the 11/07/04 someone set alight to the wooden bridge situated within the children's play area on the sports field, this was reported at 0500hrs in the morning.

Vehicle crime; 5 reports received, on the 20/04/04 someone stole the vehicle tax from a vehicle parked and unattended on the village hall car park, on the 25/04/04 damage was caused to the paintwork of a car parked in Links View, the owner did not live there but had just parked his car whilst visiting. On the 14/06/04 a car parked and unattended at an address in Sudbury Road had corrosive fluid poured over its boot causing the paint to peel off and on the 22/05/04 a vehicle was stolen from Nicholson Court, this was later recovered from the village of Acton having been used in the commission of other crimes.

The other incident involved a drink driving offence

Violent crime/public order; 1 offence of a male being drunk and disorderly was dealt with on the Sudbury Road.

There are no other matters to report

Note: There were no crimes to report in Boxford, Edwardstone, or Groton for the same period.

Little Waldingfield Parish Council

The meeting on 3rd August was attended by 5 Councillors and PC Scott Lee-Amies.

We were also pleased to welcome District Councillor Frances Bates.

The **minutes** of the previous meeting were approved and signed. **Police Matters.** 3 crimes have been reported. An increase of 50% on last year. It is hoped the long promised SID will appear in the village in a month or so. There are ongoing discussions to try and halt the accidents on the B1115 across the Airfield The police - carried out a "silent" survey and the equipment recorded about 80% kept to the speed limit and the average speed was 42mph.

Correspondence. Plans for an extension to 2 New Cottages have been received.

Any other business. The meeting was brought up to date with the results of the District Planning meeting held on 30th June regarding Bell House.

The next meeting will be on 7th September at 7.30pm in the Parish Room.

BT TELEPHONE BOXES

It seems that BT are planning to scrap many of the telephone kiosks in our villages. These include Groton, Lindsey, Milden, Wicker Street Green, Bower House Tye and almost certainly those in other villages including Stone Street, Boxford, Newton and Little Waldingfield!

They claim this to be a review of constant improvement to services! How do you improve a service by removing it altogether?

It seems that if approached Babergh District Council might put them under a Protected Building order providing our parish councils are prepared to create a enough fuss. The box in Groton is a Giles Gilbert Scott design and many of these have been listed in the past. Let us hope we can protect these historic structures. Ed

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The notes are provided by the Parish Clerks, not by the editor, and are expected to represent an accurate record of what took place at any given parish council meeting. The editor may not alter the notes without consultation, and then only to reduce the number of words to make the notes or minutes fit available space without altering their context.

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Ed

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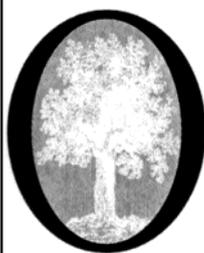
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£1000 was raised, but none of this would be possible without the volunteers, it's just about enough to keep us running for a couple of months. Not only are we eternally thankful to the people who help out with looking after the animals each day, but equally so to others who work to raise the money to keep the rehoming centre solvent. Our biggest expense is veterinary care, as thanks to Tesco allowing us to have a tub in their store we are well supported by their customers donating tins of food and cat biscuits.

Our next fund raising events are:-

11th Sept Fiveways, Abbots Rd. Colchester

18 th Sept Guild Hall Hadleigh Table Sale/Annual Raffle 1-5pm to book a table phone 01787 210888.

OPEN WEEKEND FOR NEWLY EXTENDED PEAKE FITNESS

The exciting new expansion of Peake Fitness Health Club and Spa at The Stoke by Nayland Club is due to be completed by the middle of September. The new extension includes a large, 104 sq.m. air-conditioned aerobics studio overlooking the lake and 9th fairway which will offer an extensive range of fitness classes such as dance, pilates, yoga, body balance, karate and many more. (Full details in main ad)

There will be an **OPEN WEEKEND** for Peake Fitness at The Stoke by Nayland Club (on the B 1068 just off the A134 at Leavenheath between Sudbury and Colchester) on Saturday 16th and Sunday 17th October and everyone is welcome to come and see our superb facilities, whether you are interested in joining the Club or booking Spa days or treatments.

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Readers Letters

Sir

I was enjoying an early evening pint in the Fleece when I noticed a few strangers wandering through and looking lost.

I later discovered that they were at the wrong venue!

I thought to myself "I hope the Stansted Airline Pilots have better navigation than their protesters".

Andy Sargeant Boxford

Sir

John Rose would like to thank everyone for their letters, cards and messages of support over the loss of his wife Jill following her battle with illness during the past three years.

This has been sincerely appreciated. Unfortunately it has not been possible to reply to everyone but wishes you all to know how much he has appreciated your thoughts

John Rose Little Orchard, Boxford

Sir

Boxford Parish members Beware

Please make sure that you do not have to suffer the stress I recently had of receiving a phone call from a parish councillor stating that the internment of my departed loved one has not been officially sanctioned and that permission has not been granted for their final resting place.

I feel that the parish council should make all relevant parties aware of the rules. Perhaps a flysheet detailing the rules could be placed in the church, local magazine and notice boards around the village.

Please don't let anyone else suffer

Mrs G Baxter An upset villager, Boxford.

Sir

It seems to me that you should not have to put announcements of social events in your informative magazine, for three four and sometimes five consecutive months. Surely we can all make a note of an event of interest, with time and place on a calendar or in a diary? My gold star goes to the church who having no immediate social events to report, simply list the necessary rotas, instead of repeating past events - some very past - or future.

One has a horrid feeling that ere long, we shall begin to be notified of Christmas Cheese and Wine Parties - or are they a thing of the past?

I apologise for feeling anti everything at the moment

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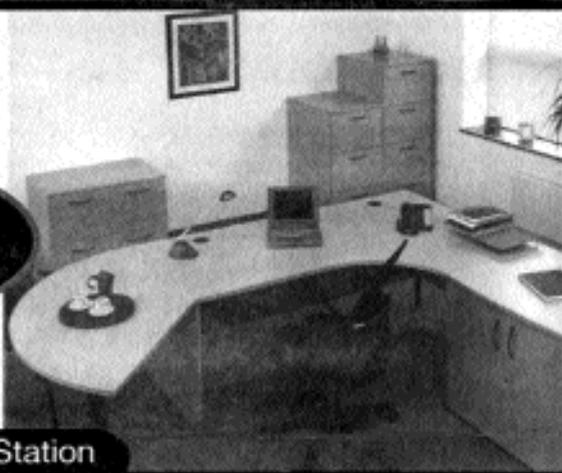
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What's On

Boxford Drama Group

There are tickets on sale now at Boxford News for Elaine Horne's Murder Mystery "Murder at Ripley Manor".

The tickets are priced at £9 including a two course supper. The show takes place at Boxford Village Hall on Friday 17th And Saturday 18th September at 7.30pm. This is a not to be missed mystery and if you can guess who done it? you will win a fabulous prize! Once again proceeds from this show will go to the village hall funds, toilets for the disabled

Derek Butler 01787 210884 (producer)

The NO SMOKING ban will apply throughout the evening since this now seems to be the most popular consensus of opinion with our audiences.

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Wat's On



BIKE RIDE:

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 11TH 2004

Cycle from church to church, take a picnic, enjoy a great day out 'Blood, Sweat and Gears' (but it is not like that at all, except for sporting enthusiasts!) is the heading under which the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust Sponsored Bike Ride was written up in the August issue of the Anglican News. Each year the money raised increases. Ray Bedwell, Suffolk's Chairman, wishes to thank all last year's riders for raising £151,894. In its 22 years of history just over £2,500,000 have been collected. Each parish partaking sees half the money it raises being returned for use by that particular parish church. This is a great incentive for all five parishes to encourage riders, of all ages, to take part. It does not matter whether you ride locally or transport your bikes to far-flung Suffolk, or Norfolk, Essex or any participating county – providing that you get your yellow form completed. These will be found in the five parishes churches, with instructions on the reverse telling of the name to which the money raised should be handed or posted, and the closing date for collection later in the year. I have paying-in slips for Groton, and Edwardstone, and for other parishes if needs be.

Peter Kennedy Scott, 210319, Groton House.

Diocesan Choral Festival 2004

The Diocesan Choral Festival will be held in the Cathedral, Bury St Edmunds, on Saturday October 2nd and will take the form of Choral Evensong. The service commences at 5.30pm and will last approximately one and a quarter hours.

This year the choir of St Mary's are taking part and it is expected that the new extension will be complete. This is an annual festival incorporating choirs from all over the Diocese and will usually number in excess of 400 voices.

Those who have experienced these occasions will, I am sure, remember such thrilling events. Why not come along and share in this wonderful evening.

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Stuart Potts

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This year's sale is in aid of Cancer Research UK and runs between 10am - 4pm. As well as a whole host of fabrics and materials, visitors can also enjoy light refreshments.

Admission to the event is £2.50, with free car parking available. If anyone has any fabric or material they feel able to donate for the event. Jenny and Rowena would be delighted to hear from you.

For more information on the event please call Nicki at Cancer Research UK on 01284 766311.

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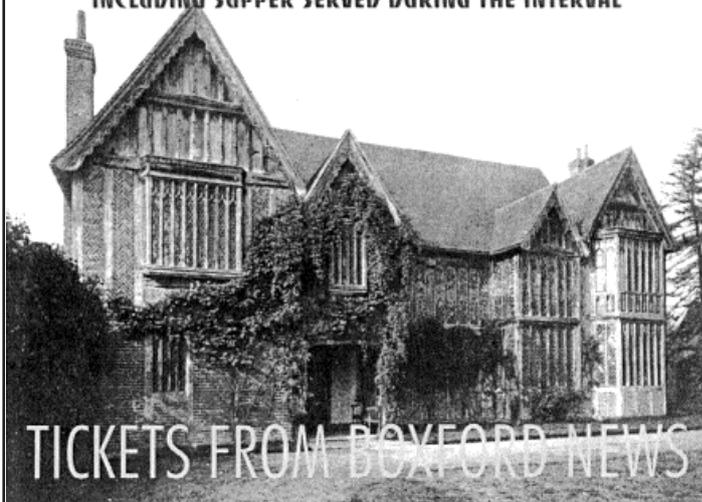
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