



VILLAGE NEWS

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May 2004 sees the launch of a major fund-raising initiative for St Andrew's Church. Since we became part of the Sale Bay Team in 1999 and the Vicarage was sold, the Parochial Church Council has been exploring ideas for enhancing the amenities of the Church, both for parishioners and visitors. We have now received approval for plans to install an equal-access toilet in a small out-building at the base of the tower. This will involve renovation work, installation of drainage and water pipes and the creation of a doorway through into the small area by the Vicar's vestry so that the toilet is accessible from inside the Church. St Andrew's is a much-loved building that has served the community for over 500 years; it is visited by many people each year for its historic interest and the peaceful atmosphere that is found there. Any building work therefore has to be sympathetically carried out by skilled craftsmen. Bearing that in mind and knowing that building costs are soaring, we calculate that the project will cost around £50,009. Money from the sale of the old Vicarage has provided us with a sound basis for our fund-raising, but if we are to see the project through we need to raise a further £25,000. On Saturday 29th May at 6.00 p.m. we will be launching our appeal in St Andrew's; we hope that as many of you as possible will come to the Church to see the plans, meet the architect and _ the WC Committee and have a glass of wine. We have many ideas (some already in place) for fund-raising; we hope you will support us in whatever way you can. We will be sending out more details of the launch soon, but the quicker that we raise the money, the sooner the builders can start work; the equal-access toilet will then be there 'For Your Convenience'!

The WC Committee

A NEW EDITORIAL TEAM

We are seeking an editor to make up a team of two to edit your Village News; we operated for a short time with two last year and it worked very well. Anybody with computer experience and with 2 to 3 hours to spare every other month please contact me on 724379.

YOUR VILLAGE NEWS NEEDS YOU!

Brian Payne. *Chairman.*

NSPCC

There will be a car boot sale at Kessingland on 23rd May. If anyone has anything that they could donate I would be very grateful. Please call me on 722112 and I can collect or you could drop it off at the Anchor Inn.

Tina Harris. *Anchor Inn.*

WALBERSWICK FETE

Thank you to all who have returned their slips to say that they will help with the fete. The fete will be on Saturday 28th August, the theme 'The Rainbow'. We have several stalls that still need organisers. If you could run any of the following please let us know - Balls in the Jar/Finishing Touches! Marbles Through the Hole! Grand Raffle! Weight of the Cake. If you would like to run a stall not listed here please contact us. There will be a Dog Show again and an Art Competition on a Rainbow theme. If you ran any of the above stalls last year and just haven't got round to sending your slip back please let us know as soon as possible if you would like to do it again.

Thank you

Denise Brentnall. 722923 **Christine Mitchell.** 723023

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HORTICULTURAL SHOW 2004

This year to be held on Saturday 24th July in the Village Hall. Visitors are most welcome to view all exhibits in the afternoon from 3.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. Teas and light refreshments are available. Admission Free. Come and enjoy seeing the very finest produce from our own village gardens. A 'once-a-year' event not to be missed. Vegetables, soft fruits, flowers, flower arrangements, culinary delights and our junior classes. Time to enter exhibits and the full schedule of exhibits will be in the next issue of the Village News.

Vic Rowland. 722262

RETURN OF THANKS

I would like to thank all the friends who sent cards and messages of sympathy. They were much appreciated at a most difficult time. My thanks must go to Rev. Brian Fisher for his kindness and very nice service for my dear Christopher, and to all who attended. Thank you, also for the donations to 'Friends of Southwold Hospital'. The total was £450.82.

Joan Gold.

MARY BELL

Mervyn and his family are very grateful to their friends in the village for the magnificent support they have received during the past month, following Mary's death. Mervyn appreciates the many letters and cards, which have been a source of great comfort, as well as the very generous donations in Mary's memory to the Suffolk branch of S1. John Ambulance, which have exceeded £500.

David Bell.

OLIVER TIBBLES

As most of you know our beautiful grandson, Ollie, died on March 26th after a two- year battle with cancer. He died peacefully at home with his Mum & Dad, surrounded by his favourite toys and with Thomas The Tank Engine playing as he drifted away. We thank everyone from the bottom of our hearts for your support and prayers over the last two years and for the many cards & messages we have received.

Brian & Jayne Tibbles

FRIENDS OF THE SUMMER THEATRE FETE

This year our annual fete will be on Sunday 20th July from 2.00 p.m. Onwards.

Carol Carey. *Production Coordinator.*

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE ASSOCIATION

Our annual garden party will be held at Dutch House, 2.30 p.m. Saturday 26th June 2004.

Mary King. 724590

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION NOTICES

THE WALBERSWICK LECTURE: The Annual Lecture and Buffet Supper with wine will be held in the Village Hall on Friday 7th May 2004 starting at 7.30 pm. The talk "MINI SUPERPOWER REALITIES" will be given by Air Marshal Sir John Walker KCB CBE AFC. Tickets are £5 each, and will be on sale at the Tuck Shop and Blythburgh Post Office from Friday 23rd April. Remember that the Hall has a limited seating capacity, so please buy your tickets early.

Alan Walpole.

FITNESS CLASSES

The classes resume after an Easter break on Tuesday 20th April in the Village Hall between 9.30 a.m. -10.30 a.m. The session, taken by Yvonne Proctor, costs £3. It is great fun and beneficial for a healthy life style. Men and women are very welcome.

Jenny Cardwell.

SUFFOLK GROUP ANNUAL SUMMER EXHIBITION

This will be the Group's 14th Summer Exhibition and will be held in the Peter Pears Gallery in Aldeburgh from Saturday 29th May until Sunday 6th June. The Group consists of some 30 professional painters, printmakers and sculptors, all of whom live and work in Suffolk. The work on show will reflect this mix and will also feature a new print rack of mounted unframed prints and drawings.

Also on show will be work by 5 members who sadly died in recent times; paintings and prints by T.W. (Bill) Ward, prints by Verity Wookey, paintings by Katie Souter and Ken Back, and sculpture by Jane Truzzi-Franconi.

The Group was formed in 1990 when it turned out that 5 artists, who had been fellow students at the Royal College of Art in the late 1940's and in the same year, all lived in the area. It seemed a sensible move to form a working group, adding other members as we went along. selection procedure is firm, in order to keep to the highest professional standards. The whole exhibition will show a variety of work, for the Group does not have a 'brand image'. Admission is free, so come and see us in Aldeburgh in May/ June.

Mike Kelly. *Tel: 01986873390*

MUSIC AT HOLY TRINITY, BL YTHBURGH

Saturday 15th May 7.30 p.m. organist Jeremy Blasby of Bury St Edmunds in a programme of Bach and Mendelssohn. Tickets £6 (£5 Concessions) at door. Friday 28th May 7.30 p.m. Violinist Amanda Lake is back with fellow students from the Royal College of Music with a varied programme including Mendelssohn's Octet. Tickets £6 (£5 Concessions) at door.

Patsy Murray.

CHURCH MATTERS

CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY

02	4th Sunday Of Easter	9.30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist
09	5th Sunday Of Easter	9.30 a.m.	Family Eucharist
		6 p.m.	Choral Evensong
16	6th Sunday Of Easter	11 a.m.	Morning Prayer
20	(Thursday) Ascension	7 p.m.	Team Eucharist at Wrentham
23	Team Confirmation	11 a.m.	St. Nicholas Wrentham
30		9.30 a.m.	Sung Eucharist with Blythburgh

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 1700
 Sunday School Village Hall Annexe 1000 - 1215

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Kathleen Patterson, Susan Walpole, Chrissie Reeves,
 Wendy Sinclair, Sue Green. British Legion Anne Paton.

CHURCH CLEANERS

- 07 Chris & Wendy Sinclair, Cynthia Jackson
- 14 Craster & Kathleen Patterson, Pru Ford-Crush
- 21 Pat Wythe Betty Jones Ruth Bassett
- 28 Janet Simpson Jean Waller Mary King

PARISH REGISTER

21st April 2004. Service of Thanksgiving prior to Cremation
 Harry William Neville Churchill aged 94

WALBERSWICK UNITED MISSIONARY SALE

Walberswick United Missionary Council will hold their annual bazaar on Saturday 15th May from 12.30 p.m. — 3.30 p.m. Light lunches and teas will be served. Donations for the usual stalls will be welcome, but no clothes. If you are spring cleaning and have any unwanted kitchen items Sue Walpole would be grateful for them for the kitchen stall and will collect if required; please telephone 724763. All proceeds for Vellore hospital in South India and Christian Aid. **Wendy Sinclair.**

WI - RESOLUTIONS

When we meet again on 12th May we shall listen to this year's three resolutions and a lively discussion will follow before we cast our votes. At the meeting on April 14th we were delighted to have Mr PM Baker talk to us about The Taj Mahal. He travels to India twice every year and spoke with great authority at the same time showing us his excellent slides. **Julia Josephs.**

LENT LUNCHES 2004

The Lent lunches were all well attended and as a result we will be sending £185 to the East Anglian Air Ambulance Service to help them in their work.

Elizabeth Leighton.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - BACK FOR THE SUMMER

Yes, we are back on Sunday 25th April in the Village Hall Annexe and looking forward to seeing you all!

10.00 - 10.45 Mainly Middle School 9-13 yrs

10.45 - 11.30 Primary School Group 5-9 yrs

11.30 - 12.15 High School Group 13 yrs and beyond!

Dates for the term are as follows

April 25th, May 2nd, 9th (Family Service), 16th, 23rd.

June 13th (Family Service), 20th, 27th, July 4th, 11th, 18th

There will also be a summer holiday club with dates to be finalized on this - hopefully coinciding with the Southwold Beach Mission again. I look forward to seeing lots of you this term.

Julie Winyard. 722178

LETTER FROM THE OLM

This year May looks like being a bus)' month as far as the Sole Bay Team is concerned. On 2nd May we shall be saying farewell to our curate, James Saunders, at Holy Trinity Church, Blythburgh (6.00 p.m.) James is moving to the Peterborough diocese where he will be taking on responsibility for two rural parishes as well as becoming Assistant Chaplain at HM Prison, Ashwell. His official licensing service in his new diocese will take place on 28th May. James will be sadly missed in our team; we wish him well. Christian Aid Week runs from 9th to 15th May and we will once more be arranging a house-to-house collection.

On Friday 14th May, at 12.30 p.m., we resume the monthly luncheon club - having missed out for two months I anticipate that you will all be looking forward to being well fed again! Another important date will be the team's Confirmation Service at St Nicholas' Church, Wrentham on 23rd May (11 a.m.) - there will be at least one candidate from Walberswick. The Bishop of Dunwich, The Right Revd Clive Young, will conduct the service. Please note that there will be no service at St Andrew's on that Sunday. The following Sunday, 30th May, we shall be joining with the congregation of Holy Trinity Blythburgh (at Blythburgh) to celebrate Pentecost (Whitsun) - a much-neglected festival in the Church's year - as we remember the pouring out of God's Holy Spirit on the early Church.

Yours in Christ,

Brian Fisher.

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Wednesdays 14.30. Village Hall Annexe.

LIBRARY BUSAlternate Fridays. Church 2.30 p.m./ Village Hall 3.10 p.m.
2nd, 16th and 30th.**FITNESS**

Classes in the Village Hall

- 01 Concerts at Blythburgh 7.30 p.m.
- 06 WLHG Talk, The Lost City of Dunwich. Time and venue TBC
- 07 The RBL Walberswick Lecture - Village Hall 7.30 p.m
- 08 David Shirreff Bird Song Walk. Hoist Covert Car Park 5.30 p.m.
- 09 Beach Clean 9.00 a.m. - 12.00 p.m.
- 11 Save the Children Bridge Drive. Village Hall. 2.00 p.m.
- 12 WI Meeting. 'Resolutions'
- 15 Vellore Missionary Sale. Village Hall.
- 15 Music at Blythburgh Church 7.30 p.m.
- 23 NSPCC Car Boot Sale. Kessingland
- 28 Music at Blythburgh Church 7.30 p.m.
- 29 Launch of Church Appeal
- 29 Suffolk Group's annual exhibition. Aldeburgh. Until 6th June
- 26 Jun Motor Neurone Disease Garden Party - Dutch House 2.30 p.m.
- 20 Jul Friends Of The Summer Theatre Fete.