

# Walberswick Village News

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## Ron Horsey 1930-2022



Ron Horsey lived in the village for approximately 30 years having moved into Stocks Lane with his wife Brenda shortly after he retired. Ron really loved the village and locality having been evacuated to Helmingham as a young boy.

He was heavily involved in the village and was a volunteer for the Common Lands Charity working tirelessly clearing gorse, organising work parties and

helping with any tasks that needed undertaking. He was also Treasurer of the Village Hall for many years doing the accounting and supervising bookings, etc. In recent years he had been Treasurer of both Bridge Clubs, always ready to help when needed.

He loved his dogs and could often be found somewhere on the marshes walking Hattie and then Jip. Until recently he cycled down to the village shop, every morning, to pick up his newspaper. He had a huge allotment and for several years organised the plant and vegetable stall, with great success, at the Fete.

Ron was a good neighbour and friend and will be sadly missed. **Viv Hunt**

## The Easter Egg Hunt is back

The village's traditional Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Easter Sunday, 17 April at 11am at the back of the beach in the dunes. It will be organised in two age groups: 6 year-olds and under, and 7-13 year-olds.

The children collect Easter eggs in the dunes and then return them to the distribution tables to be shared. Everyone receives a bag of eggs to take home.

Volunteers are needed to litter and poo pick the back of the beach, just off Ferry Road car park, in the week leading up to the event. Help is also required on Sunday morning to set up and fence off the collection areas.

Any questions or to volunteer, please contact **Jonathan Winyard** on 07865 659510 or **Hannah Sutton** at [hannahsutton2013@hotmail.com](mailto:hannahsutton2013@hotmail.com).

## Cooking for Ukraine

Thank you to all the incredibly generous villagers who supported the Cooking for Ukraine fundraising. Sophie and the Anchor team raised £2,390 through Sophie's inspired Ukrainian dinner, while Guy Parry raised £1,250 by a marathon bake of delicious panforte, the spicy Tuscan fruit and nut cake. And, of course, huge thanks to Sophie and Guy. **Editor**

## Alex Langham 1994-2022

Alex Langham, one of Walberswick's few resident young people, died at the age of 28 on 19 March after a tragic accident in the house where he lived in the village.

Alex moved to Walberswick in 2011, when he joined the 6th Form at St. Felix. He worked for a long stint in front of house at The Anchor, with shorter spells at The Red Lion in Southwold and most recently at Le Roc in Southwold Harbour, where he was part of the launch team.

Alex was a hedonistic free spirit who was affable, charming, engaging and self effacing - and was the life and soul of many of the famous Walberswick house parties. His life was, however, growing increasingly complicated by the problems of his type 1 diabetes, that began when he was three.

He died peacefully in Ipswich Hospital with his heartbroken parents - Clare Parsons and Tony Langham - and younger brother Theo, by his bedside. We have been hugely comforted by the words of his many friends and the generosity of so many in the village, particularly The Anchor and The Black Dog.

His funeral is provisionally arranged, but not yet confirmed, for 3pm on Friday, 22nd April at St Andrew's in the village. **Tony Langham**

## Time to take the Ferry

The Walberswick ferry resumes service this month. It will reopen for the weekend of 2-3 April from 10am until 5pm. It will then operate daily, 10am until 5pm, from Saturday, 9 April until Sunday, 30 October. Prices remain the same: Adults £2, Children under 18 years old - £1, under 5 years old - free, bikes - £2. Dogs welcome as are buggies and pushchairs. **Cash only - no card payment.**

**Dani Church**



## The Anchor

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## Sizewell C update

The Walberswick Parish Council (WPC) has been unequivocal in its objection to the project on many grounds, including the enormous negative impacts on the land and marine environment, on the destruction of unique AONB and SSSI habitat and the inappropriateness of building the world's largest nuclear reactors in an area of the country with woefully inadequate transport and road infrastructure, as well as without a water source needed for construction or operation. Despite these arguments made by thousands of individuals and organisations, it is possible that the Sizewell C project will be approved by Government and allowed to go ahead. If that is the case, then we must change our focus to try to mitigate, to the limited extent possible, the negative impacts that the project will bring to Walberswick and all communities of coastal Suffolk.

It is for this reason that the WPC agreed at its meeting in March to sign on to a Deed of Covenant to participate in a B1125 Working Group together with Suffolk County and East Suffolk Councils, Westleton and Blythburgh Parish Councils. The intention of this working group, which will be chaired by EDF, is to try to work through the very serious traffic and safety issues that will be associated with the use of the B1125 for Sizewell traffic. During the period of construction (10-15 years), this road will see thousands of worker and delivery vans going daily to Sizewell as well as A12 rat-running. It is hard to imagine how dangerous the water tower junction and the turning on to the A12 will be under these conditions.

The B1125 Working Group is one of a large number of working groups created under the Deed of Obligation that has been signed with Suffolk County and East Suffolk Councils. This is because the project presents a seemingly limitless number of traffic, environmental, housing and safety issues that will remain unmitigated as Sizewell C advances. EDF's answer is to create "working groups" that are meant to deal with the myriad problems. Unfortunately, our B1125 Working Group (like most of the others) is flawed in its governance structure and it is not clear what, if any, funding will be available to support the necessary schemes. Nevertheless, as it has been made clear that it is the only tool at our disposal to try to have some voice, the WPC has signed on and will do its very best to represent Walberswick and try to mitigate what will, admittedly, be a really difficult situation.

More details can be seen on the Parish Council website at: [tinyurl.com/5n8cyf8y](https://tinyurl.com/5n8cyf8y)

## Parish Precept

In February, the WPC announced that we would not be increasing the precept in 2022/23 from the current £20,000 and that remains true. However, residents will note that their Council tax bills still show a small increase in the amount they pay for the Parish Precept in the coming year. If you are wondering why, this is because fewer households in Walberswick are paying the precept next year, presumably because more properties are declaring themselves as businesses and do not therefore pay Council Tax. They are subject to business rates, but the Parish is not reimbursed for business rates. That means fewer households are supporting the same level of Parish Council operations. This is unfortunately a common problem throughout our area.

## Next Parish Council Meeting

The next meeting will be held **on Monday, 11 April at 7pm** in the Heritage Hut. It is open to members of the public, who may either choose to attend in person or join remotely (via Zoom). The agenda and how to join remotely will be published on the Walberswick Village website. For further information please contact the Parish Clerk at [walberswickclerk@gmail.com](mailto:walberswickclerk@gmail.com)



## Planning applications

At the time of publication, the following properties were still awaiting a decision on their planning applications:

- Stocks Wood**, Stocks Lane | **Bittern House**, Millfield (trees) | **Sea Green Cottage**, The Green
- Vine Cottage**, The Green | **Seacroft**, Millfield (trees) | **Orchard Piece**, Lodge Road (appeal)
- Paules Fenn**, The Street

For the latest applications and full details, go to the Planning page on the [Village Website](#). The Planning Advisory Group reports, are at [tinyurl.com/tdbvulf](https://tinyurl.com/tdbvulf)

## Plants for Ukraine

If you are busy growing your plants from seed right now, like many of us you sow extra 'just in case'. Then in May you wonder what to do with all those extra seedlings. The Horticultural Committee has the solution.

On Saturday, 28 May we will have a stall in front of the Village Hall from 10am to 2pm to raise funds for Ukraine. Please donate those extra plants and drop them off at our stall. Even if you don't have plants to donate, come along and see if we can tempt you. Hopefully you will find a vegetable or flower plant ready to put in your garden and onto the show bench at our Horticultural Show on 23 July in the Village Hall.

We are asking for appropriate cash donations for the plants you choose to take home. We will then send the money collected to the Red Cross to help the Ukrainian refugees. **Betsy Lemmon**

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[WALBERSWICK.SUFFOLK.GOV.UK](https://www.walberswick.suffolk.gov.uk)

## Diary Dates

### Annual Church Meeting

**Sunday, 3 April at 12.15pm at St Andrew's Church**

A report on church finance will be received, the life of the church reviewed and churchwardens and PCC members will be elected. Those able to attend must be church electoral roll members. Please contact me if you would like to join the electoral roll. **Simon Pitcher**

### WI Meeting

**Thursday, 7 April at 2pm in the Village Hall**

Note start time of 2pm and not the usual 2.30pm. Subscription renewal and quiz. **Muriel Wortley**

### Easter Egg Hunt

**Sunday, 17 April at 11am at the back of the beach in the dunes**

See news item on the front page for details.

### Ink Festival

**Thursday, 21 April to Sunday, 24 April at 10am - late in Halesworth**

See the website for full details [inkfestival.org](http://inkfestival.org). **Julia Sowerbutts**

### Richard Scott's Memorial Service

**Saturday, 30 April at 11.30am at St Andrew's Church**

A memorial service for the late Richard Scott will be held at St Andrew's Church, Walberswick, on Saturday, 30 April 2022, at 11.30am.

[www.richardscottsuffolk.com](http://www.richardscottsuffolk.com) **Lesley Scott**

### Horticultural Show

**23 July in the Village Hall**

Yes, we are back. Details on the last two pages. We look forward to welcoming new faces, in addition to all our familiar participants, on 23 July.

**Betsy Lemmon**

## The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebration in Walberswick on Sunday, 5 June 2022

### Planned events

A working party comprising members of Walberswick Parish Council, the Walberswick Common Lands Charity, the Parochial Church Council and the Village Hall has been established to co-ordinate a series of events throughout the Sunday. The celebrations will start at 10am with a morning service at St. Andrews Church, followed by a Toast to Her Majesty, held in the ruins. Then on to a Bring Your Own Lunchtime Picnic on the Green. In the afternoon, the plans are for lots of fun for the children with Games, Races, Maypole Dancing, plus the famous Walberswick Tug-of-War and other Competitions open to anyone in the village. Live Music will feature and a Commemorative Exhibition will be held in the Heritage Hut. To ensure a happy, successful and memorable event, we are asking for a team of volunteers to help at various times throughout the day to share the load

of set up, run, take down and clear up. If you are able to give the village some of your time, please email us as soon as possible at [walberswickjubilee@gmail.com](mailto:walberswickjubilee@gmail.com).

There will be more event details in the next issue of the *Village News*.

**Viv Hunt**



### Memorabilia needed

The History Group will be setting up a small exhibition in the Heritage Hut on the day, showing jubilee memorabilia from the Archives: Silver (1977), Golden (2002), and Diamond (2012). We would welcome any photographs or other items which could be added to the display. All items will, of course, be returned to the donor after the celebrations.

**Pat Lancaster** 01502 724268  
[patlancaster@btinternet.com](mailto:patlancaster@btinternet.com)

### Planning your trip to Norwich in May?

Please note that in May the Norwich bus will run on the fourth Thursday of the month, 26 May, not the usual third Thursday. **Mandy Erlenbach**

## Church Matters St Andrew's Church Walberswick

### Team Rector

Revd Canon Simon Pitcher  
01502 725424

[revsimon63@gmail.com](mailto:revsimon63@gmail.com)

### April 2022 Services

**Sunday, 3 April, 11.15am**

Sung Eucharist

Revd Canon Simon Pitcher  
APCN after service at 12.15pm

**Sunday, 10 April, 6pm**

Choral Evensong

Revd Canon Simon Pitcher

### Holy Week

See notice boards for church and times

### Easter Day

**Sunday, 17 April, 9.30am**

Sung Eucharist

Revd Canon Simon Pitcher

**Sunday, 24 April, 11.15am**

Family Service

Revd Canon Simon Pitcher

**Saturday, 30 April, 11.30am**

Service of Thanksgiving for Richard Scott's life and work

**Every Wednesday, 10.00am**

Holy Communion

Coffee on first Wednesdays

### Commemorative Flowers

17 April - Sandra Gordon  
in memory of Adam

## Community Services

**Mobile Library:** Friday

1 April and 29 April

2.15-2.45pm,

Village Hall car park

**Post Office:** Tuesdays,

1pm-3pm, Thursdays,

10am-12 noon,

Village Hall Annex

**Norwich Bus:** Thursday,

21 April. Departs at 9am & returns  
at 1.30pm. Booking essential.

Phone or text Mandy Erlenbach on  
07590 697575.

The next edition of the Village News will be published on 1 May 2022. The copy deadline is noon on 25 April 2022 and submissions should be sent to the editor at [walberswicknews@gmail.com](mailto:walberswicknews@gmail.com)

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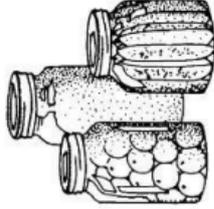
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Culinary cont.

In classes 53-62 use a plain jar of not less than 12 oz. and a new, plain lid, clearly labelled and dated (Kilner jars acceptable)

**PLEASE PUT YOUR ENTRY NUMBER ON THE JAR NOT ON LID**

- 54. Blackcurrant Jam
- 55. Strawberry Jam
- 56. Raspberry Jam
- 57. Any other Jam (can include mixtures - please label)
- 58. Lemon Curd
- 59. Marmalade
- 60. Any type of Jelly
- 61. Jar of Chutney (at least three months old)
- 62. Jar of Relish
- 63. A bottle of **Homemade Cordial** (undiluted)
- 64. Hens Eggs - three - presented in a small basket or bowl



**FLOWER ARRANGEMENTS**

(All to be arranged for effect. Flowers and foliage need not be grown by the exhibitor)

- 65. Floral Arrangement inspired by the seaside-not exceeding 46 cm. overall
- 66. Miniature arrangement - maximum 10cmx10cmx10cm
- 67. An arrangement of foliage in a vase - not exceeding 61cm high
- 68. Flower arrangement in an unusual container
- 69. Decorated Hat

**JUNIOR CLASSES - 12 and under (Open to Visitors)**

Trophies awarded to winner of each category  
Children's exhibits should have minimal help from adults, and be individual entries. Please put name and age on Exhibit.

- 70. Make your favourite filled wrap (7 and under years old) Label ingredients
- 71. Make your favourite filled wrap (8-12 years old) Label ingredients
- 72. Design an A4 Horticultural poster for next year
- 73. Flower arrangement in an unusual container by a child (all ages)  
Bought flowers acceptable.

**EXHIBITORS ARE ASKED NOT TO REMOVE THEIR ENTRIES UNTIL AFTER PRIZE GIVING**

THE 2022

**WALBERSWICK**

**HORTICULTURAL SHOW**

VILLAGE HALL, WALBERSWICK

Saturday 23rd July, 2022

Open from 3:00 to 4:30 pm

RAFFLE and TEAS

**ADMISSION TO THE SHOW IS FREE!!**

**NO ENTRY FEE FOR EXHIBITS**

**RULES**

Exhibits to be handed in at the Village Hall on Saturday, 23rd July from **9:30 to 10:45am.**

**First, Second, Third and Best in Show** may be awarded, dependent upon quality and number of entries. The SHAPA Judges' decision is final. RHS and WI rules apply.

Not more than one entry per class from any Exhibitor.

All exhibits to be made, grown, and displayed in Walberswick by the Exhibitor.

**ENTRIES RESTRICTED TO WALBERSWICK RESIDENTS EXCEPT IN JUNIOR CLASSES.**

**TROPHIES**

Scoring the most points in classes

WINYARD CUP for the man 1-43  
IRIS BLOIS MEMORIAL CUP for the woman 1-43  
FLOWER BOWL for the Exhibitor 65-69  
CC GOLD CUP for the Exhibitor 44-64  
WHITTENBURY VICTOR LUDORUM for the Exhibitor 1-64  
HARVEY MEMORIAL TROPHY see Schedule overleaf  
DAVID WEBB MEMORIAL TROPHY see Schedule overleaf

BEST IN SHOW

1st Prize - 3 points

2nd Prize - 2 points

3rd Prize - 1 point

**EACH TROPHY WILL BE HELD UNTIL THE NEXT ANNUAL SHOW**

**COMMITTEE:**

Chairman: Betsy Lemmon Secretary: Suzzie Godfrey Treasurer: Paul Bradley  
Diana Wright, Nicky Thorpe, Chrissie Reeves



## FRUIT AND VEGETABLES

The following should be shown on a white paper plate (available on the day)

1. Potatoes - five (same variety)
2. Peas - five pods (same variety)
3. Broad Beans - five pods
4. French Beans - five pods
5. Runner Beans - five pods
6. Chard - three leaves
7. Carrots - five (leaves trimmed)
8. Beetroot - three (leaves trimmed)
9. Cucumber - one (any variety)
10. Onions - three (not skinned, tops tie)
11. Shallots - seven (separate, not skin)
12. Spring Onions - three
13. Radish - five (leaves trimmed)
14. Garlic - three bulbs
15. Chilli Peppers - three (same type)
16. Lettuce - two (same type)
17. Tomatoes - three single (calyx still attached)
18. Tomatoes Cherry Type - five single- 3cm max (calyx still attached)
19. Courgettes - three (10-15 cm)
20. Mixed Herbs - a tied bunch of five varieties, non-flowering (please label)
21. Rhubarb - three sticks as pulled (leaves reduced to 2 inches)
22. Novelty - one odd shaped fruit or vegetable
23. Gooseberries - seven (with stalks on)
24. Redcurrants or Whitecurrants - seven strings
25. Raspberries - seven (with stalks on)
26. Blueberries - seven (with stalks on)
27. Blackcurrants - seven strigs
28. Any other fruit or vegetable not included above - one or two specimens



## FLOWERS

29. Pinks - five sprays
30. Roses (Hybrid tea) - three blooms
31. Roses (Floribunda) - three sprays (one or more variety)
32. Agapanthus - three stems (one or more variety)
33. Sweet Peas - nine stems (without decorative foliage)
34. Annuals - five stems (one or more varieties)
35. Hardy Perennials - five stems (one or more varieties)
36. Flowering Shrubs - five stems (one or more varieties)
37. Hydrangeas - three stems (one or more varieties)
38. Clematis - three blooms (one or more varieties)
39. Pot Plant - one, any kind: flowering in max. 23cm internal dia. pot
40. Pot Plant - one, any kind: foliage max. 23cm internal dia. pot
41. Cactus or Succulent - one pot max. 23cm internal dia. pot
42. Pelargonium - one pot (regal or zonal) max. 23cm internal dia. pot
43. Orchid - one pot 23cm internal dia. pot

## DAVID WEBB MEMORIAL TROPHY

Dahlias - five blooms (one or more colours) no buds

## CULINARY

Food Hygiene:

*Paper plates and bags will be available on the day.*

44. Lemon Sandwich Cake - max 20cm diameter, no cream, no top icing
45. Show Stopper Decorated, Iced Lemon Sandwich Cake - max 20cm, No cream
46. Rustic Focaccia Bread with Rosemary - one loaf
47. Brownies - three
48. Date and Walnut Loaf - one
49. Cheese and Onion Quiche - 18-20 cm
50. Cheese Scones - three
51. Shortbread Round - 18-20 cm
52. Sausage Rolls - three
53. Coconut Ice - six

OR

## HARVEY MEMORIAL TROPHY

Decorative presentation of own grown mixed produce

Maximum 7 varieties (inclusive of decoration)