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FUND RAISING SUCCESS

CANCER RESEARCH CAMPAIGN MINI MARKET 2001

Our final figure for the mini market now stands at £1527.00. This is a wonderful result and I would like to thank everyone for their continued support which is very much appreciated.

We also sold Christmas cards to the value of £222.44. Thank you all again.

Margaret Adkinson

RUSSIAN STUDENTS' VISIT UPDATE

SWING BAND EVENING

Thanks to everyone in Walberswick who supported the dance on the 8th of December. We raised £1000.00 and had a good time doing it. Thanks especially to the support group who worked so hard. It was good to see such a large cross-section of the village kicking up their heels. The 10 students are now chosen and Professor Ludmilla Selezneva will be in the village soon. Watch this space for news of a lecture and a special Russian evening at The Bell.

Annie Kiff-Wood

CONGRATULATIONS

YEARS OF SERVICE RECOGNISED

Congratulations to Pat Roxburgh who has been awarded the British Red Cross badge of honour in recognition of outstanding service to the Red Cross.

Fiona Skelding

AFFORDABLE HOUSING

QUESTIONNAIRE

As part of an investigation into affordable housing the Parish Council will be sending out a survey form to every household, you should receive the form within the next few weeks and we would ask you to please complete it as soon as possible. Thank you.

John Brentnall

GREEN FINGERS?

ALLOTMENT GARDENS

Owing to a reorganisation of the gardens there are three 1/4 size plots available to rent at £6.00 per year. The size is approximately 20m x 10m which is just a nice size to produce a crop but not too big so as to be daunting. For more information please call me on 723800.

Philip Kett

HE'S BEHIND YOU!

ALADDIN 2002

When the turkey has been given the bird and Santa's sherry has run dry, it's time to look forward to a vibrant show with old songs and bright new jokes performed by a talented troupe. Never mind, we couldn't get tickets either! Instead come and enjoy yourselves at the Walberswick Pantomime - Aladdin.

Performance dates; Thursday 31st January, Friday 1st February 2002 & Saturday 2nd February 2002.

All performances start at 19:30. Admission is free but by ticket only, available after 1st January 2002 from Maureen Thompson on 723755. If you really enjoy the show and would like to contribute towards future productions, donations will be much appreciated on the night. To add to the fun theme there will be a raffle and refreshments on sale during the interval.

Wishing you all a happy New Year.

The Walberswick Pantomime Committee.

A WARNING TO RESIDENTS

THEFT IN THE VILLAGE

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Sunday 6th Jan. Epiphany 0930 Sung Eucharist
Sunday 13th Jan. Epiphany 2 0930 Family Eucharist
 1800 Choral Evensong
Sunday 20th Jan. Epiphany 3 1100 Morning Prayer
Sunday 27th Jan. Epiphany 4 0930 Sung Eucharist
 1500 Brian Fisher's Service
 Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00
 Sunday School – Village Hall Annexe 1000-1215



ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

TEAM RECTOR

Revd Barry Naylor 722192

CHURCHWARDENS

Ian Bruce-Jones 724020
 Christine Fisher 723023

PARISH REGISTERS

November 21st
 Interment of Ashes
 Phyllis May Morgan aged 90
 Formerly of Greenways

December 4th
 Funeral and Interment
 Blanche Irene Hunt aged 84
 Late of 4 Church Lane

December 7th
 Funeral and Interment
 Doris Evelyn English aged 87
 Late of 2 Albion Cottages

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Kathleen Patterson and Judy Morton.
 Royal British Legion: Mary King.

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

I would like to wish you, and your loved ones, every blessing for the New Year.

At New Year we realise that yet another year has passed by with all its experiences, both good and bad. This, however, is a time to look to the future, as we journey on. On the 6th, Christians celebrate the arrival of the Magi, after their journeying, to visit the Christ Child. They found their goal but this was only the beginning of the rest of their lives. We each need to have a goal in life to which we travel - for many people this is to experience true LOVE. St Paul describes some of what is involved in loving - being patient and kind, not envious, arrogant or boastful, not insisting on our own way; love is not irritable or resentful, it rejoices in the truth. What better New Year resolutions could any of us have than seeking to cultivate such attitudes, as we journey through life?

In January there is a week of Prayer for Christian Unity, when we pray that the love we speak about might be a reality in the life of the Church. On Sunday 27th there will be a Service at St Andrew's at 15:00, to which everyone is warmly invited, led by Brian Fisher. As many of you know, Brian lives in the village and is training to be an ordained minister in our Team Ministry.

With every blessing
Barry Naylor

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VOLCANOES & EARTHQUAKES

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Christmas party saw us performing Cinderella, piano duets, carol singing, Margot's games and, of course eating a delicious tea. We look forward to our luncheon outing to the Aldeburgh on January 23rd 2002. Val Sutch is coming from Middleton on January 9th to give us an illustrated (slides) talk on Volcanoes and Earthquakes.
Julia Josephs

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Thorington, Blythburgh****COMMON LANDS TRUST****REPORT**

Work to clear dykes and erect new fencing at the corral area on the grazing marshes will be carried out in Jan/Feb 2002. An Inspection of The Potters Wheel Restaurant and The Print Room will be carried out in January. Regular users of the free minibus to Halesworth have asked if one trip per month could go to Lowestoft instead. Goldline have been approached to see if this can be arranged. A Christmas bonus has been paid to regular village beneficiaries. Grants have been made to Southwold & Halesworth hospitals, the Voluntary Help Centre and schools that serve the village. We need some good ideas for distribution of the 2001 car parking profits. Please let me have them with costings where possible by end of January 2002.

Jayne Tibbles

Clerk to the Trustees

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - FROM THE CHAIRMAN**EVENTS IN 2001**

I would like to repeat my thanks to those who helped, contributed and attended the Royal British Legion events during 2001. The pattern has changed little over the last few years but that is the way people seem to like it. The Poppy Appeal raised a new high of £1988.00. Add to that about £40 for the Gift Aid Tax rebate to bring us to over £2000. Well done and thank you.

GOLD BADGE PRESENTATION TO ARTHUR SHARMAN

Mr Arthur Sharman was presented with the rarely given RBL Gold Badge by Maj Gen J B Dye CBE MC DL at our AGM on the 19th November. At the same time Mr John Farmer, the RBL County Chairman presented Arthur with the County Certificate. Arthur, born at Blythburgh, was brought up in Walberswick. He has followed on where his father Sergeant Major Edward Sharman DCM, one of the founder members of the Branch, left off. Arthur enlisted into the Royal Artillery as a Boy Soldier at the age of 14 and as a junior soldier became a "top" trumpeter. At the beginning of the war he "served the guns" in North Africa until badly wounded during a major German tank attack. He was evacuated back to the UK where he met his wife to be while recovering in Ipswich Hospital. He and his wife eventually set up home in Walberswick. He was Clerk to the Parish Council, Secretary to the RBL Branch, and for over twenty years Secretary and then Chairman of the RBL Service Committee. He is still a Caseworker on that Committee and Vice President of the Branch. With his understanding of computers he continues to produce posters, flyers etc for events throughout the year. He worked with David Shirreff on the book "Suffolk Memories" and latterly, with Pat Wythe to help him, has produced and had published "Further Suffolk Memories". Arthur is a shining example to us all, a most loyal and dedicated member of the Royal British Legion.

DATES FOR 2002

Late April or early May - the Annual Lecture. The end of June - the annual visit. Saturday 9th November - The Poppy Appeal Bazaar and Coffee Morning. Sunday 10th November - Remembrance Sunday Service (Blythburgh). Monday 18th November - the AGM.

Alan Walpole**TOO MUCH CHRISTMAS PUDDING ?**

From the 15th of January and each Tuesday thereafter there will be a ladies whole body workout in the Village Hall from 10:00 to 11:00.

Jen Cardwell

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VILLAGE HALL BINS

The Village Hall Management Committee wish to draw to the attention of all villagers that the refuse bins provided by Suffolk Coastal District Council situated by the Village Hall are not intended for the disposal of garden rubbish.

Paul Janssen
Secretary

OUR OLDEST READER?

Ivy Cross writes to say that Sonny Cross (formerly of Heath House) is doing well for his age, 99, and greatly enjoys the Village News.

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Following last month's meeting it was reported that Goldline has not been able to get the bus service to Norwich up and running before Christmas because of licensing delays. Messrs K and D Webb met with a Member of the Environment Agency to discuss the erosion of the sand bank, because of loss of marram grass near the beach huts. He was very keen to set up a system and stated that the Environment Agency would help with costs. It would involve fencing and replacing marram grass over a number of years. The Environment Agency has removed an obstruction from the sluice gates which had been causing them to malfunction and they are now operating satisfactorily. The Council received a retrospective planning application for the veranda on East Point which had been constructed for the filming of Iris. Mr Tibbles declared an interest and took no part in the discussion. The remaining councillors had no objection to the application. The Southwold Surgery has requested permission to reduce the number of surgeries to one per week. In addition they wish to change it to Wednesday afternoon's at 2:30 PM. Changing it from Friday to Wednesday would mean that patients requesting drugs would not have to wait until after the weekend to receive them. The Council agreed to consent to this change. Richard Scott requested permission to include images of The Walberswick Scroll in his forthcoming book on the history of artists in Walberswick from 1880 to 2000. The Council unanimously supported the request. The Council also agreed to support the Russian Students visit to Walberswick coordinated by Anne Kiff-Wood and to attend the welcome reception in August 2002. The Council received documents asking if they would support the proposed cycle route from Halesworth to Southwold. Although the councillors had no objections to a route they had reservations about certain points. The junction of Palmer's Lane and the B1387 is quite dangerous and several "near misses" have been reported by residents. The junction of Lodge Road is also precarious for cyclists. The Council was also concerned that if the track at the end of Lodge Road was improved it might encourage motorists to use this route from the "five ways" to Walberswick. The proposed crossing place on the A12 near Red House Farm was also felt to be dangerous. Mr Buncombe reported from the police that three cars had been broken into in November and mobile phones had been taken.

John Brentnall

POLITICAL DISCUSSION

The first annual political discussion on financing healthcare attracted a good attendance on 16th November. There were lively questions and valuable contributions. Excellent though the NHS is, we may not realise how much better healthcare is in other countries and how we might learn, to our advantage, from their experience.

Peter Gordon-Potts

WALBERSWEB

For those of you who are connected to the Internet, the Walberswick Village News website has undergone a facelift. It's online at www.walberswick.net

Justin Kibble

WHAT'S ON – JANUARY 2002

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| GP SURGERY | Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe. |
| LIBRARY BUS | Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10
January 11th and 25th. |
| WHIST | Every Thursday 14:30 Village Hall. |
| CARPET BOWLS | Wednesdays 19:30 Village Hall. |
| 9th January | WI Volcanoes & Earthquakes |
| 15th January | Whole body workout for Ladies 10:00 to 11:00, Village Hall.
Every Tuesday thereafter. |
| 31st January | Pantomime opening night 19:30. |
| 1st February | Pantomime 19:30 |
| 2nd February | Pantomime 19:30 |



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FUND-RAISING NEWS

MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE RESEARCH

My collecting boxes around the Village which ask visitors to make a donation to Motor Neurone Disease Research and take a 'Lucky Walberswick Hagstone' have raised the record sum of £1012.50 over the past year.

Mary King

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

£210.64 was sent to the Children's Society after collections made at carol singing on the Green and house to house on Christmas Eve. Thanks to all who gave so generously and those who turned out to sing.

Chris and Wendy Sinclair

WHAT'S IN YOUR SOCK DRAWER?

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY

Countries converting to the Euro will no longer accept old notes from the end of February this year. I am collecting foreign notes for the above charity, so if you have any left from your holidays please call me on 724622 or see Pat Wythe. Many thanks.

Robin Wardle. Hon Sec

INSPIRATION FOR YOUNG OFFENDERS

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

January's meeting heard a fascinating and often moving talk about the work of Aldeburgh Education, part of Aldeburgh Productions, based at Snape Maltings. Head of Education, Phillipa Reive, showed extracts from a recent project where two very different groups of young people were provided with computers to develop jointly a multimedia installation. Young offenders in the Culford Unit at HMP Hollesley Bay and pupils at Debenham High School swapped video and sound recorded in their own surroundings. Each group then processed them using music and video software with the help of video artists and composers. The results were remarkable but more importantly it provided a chance for the young offenders both to achieve something of their own and to work with others. The prison authorities were most impressed with the beneficial effects and three follow up projects are in hand.

For more information about the Computer Society call Frank Scoble on 723519.

Piers Ford-Crush

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BENEFITS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

THE FOX TRUST

A new project has been launched in the Southwold area by the trustees of A.B.D. Fox Trust (reg. Charity No. 235800). The aim is to assist older members of the population in maintaining their independence by providing confidential guidance on the availability of benefits and practical help in the home. There is a great deal of help available, but for many knowing where to start can prove quite daunting.

The Fox Trust is well established in Southwold, having provided homes for older people for 40 years. It is now reaching out to meet the changing needs of today's retired population, with the help of a recently appointed assistant. For more information, or to make an appointment for a home visit, please call me on 724877.

Jill Wells. Fox Trust Assistant

RUSSIAN STUDENTS UPDATE

VISIT TO WALBERSWICK 2002

Professor Ludmilla Selezneva, whose students are visiting us this summer is spending two weekends in the Village during her lecture tour of the UK.

On Saturday 23rd February at 19:30 she will give a public lecture in the Village Hall. Her topic is 'Russia Today, 10 Years After Communism'. There will be plenty of time for questions. Tickets are £5 including a warming drink. All proceeds will go towards the students' visit. To book, call me on 725033.

On Saturday 2nd March she will be guest of honour at a special Russian evening at The Bell, courtesy of Sue and Paul. There will be a Russian menu and Russian music. Call The Bell on 723109 for details.

Annie Kiff-Wood

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY

Sunday	3rd Feb.	Candlemas	0930 Sung Eucharist
Sunday	10th Feb.	Sunday Before Lent	0930 Family Eucharist 1800 Choral Evensong
Wednesday	13th Feb.	Eucharist & Ashing	1000 BCP
Sunday	17th Feb.	Lent 1	1100 Morning Prayer
Sunday	24th Feb.	Lent 2	0930 Said Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00.
 Evening Prayer is said every Thursday at 17.00.
 Sunday School – Village Hall Annexe 1000-1215.

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Kathleen Patterson and Dione Shirreff
 British Legion: Chrissie Reeves



FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent, and this year it is 13th February. There will be three Eucharists with Ashing on that day (07:30 at St. Margaret's, 10:00 here at St. Andrew's and 19:30 at St. Edmund's) to give us a chance to begin these weeks in a spiritual manner.

Christians traditionally keep Lent as a time for 'spiritual spring-cleaning', as we prepare for the most important week of the year – Holy Week, culminating in Easter Sunday. We are invited to look at the quality of our prayer lives, and of our study of the Faith and to grow in our concern for the poor and needy.

Fasting and self-denial, traditional components of a good Lent, are part of our prayer life and can also result in charitable giving, as with our Friday Lent austerity lunches in the Village Hall.

In addition to the regular Wednesday Eucharist at St. Andrew's (10:00) and Evening Prayer on Thursdays (17:00) there will be Stations of the Cross at Blythburgh (19:30) every Wednesday in Lent. There will also be a Study Group in the Village. Any villager who wishes, is warmly invited to attend these opportunities for prayer and study and, of course, the lunches.

As we reflect on our lives, it may be that some wish to avail themselves of Sacramental Confession – I would be very happy to talk further about this with anyone.

With every blessing for a spiritually profitable Lent
Barry Naylor

ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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PARISH REGISTERS

January 2nd
 Thanksgiving Service
 Interment of Ashes
 Florence Alice Denny aged 99

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CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

The Church was packed for this year's candlelit service of readings and carols on December 23rd. The Choir sang well despite losing 3 members unable to travel on the treacherous roads. Of the 140 people who braved the ice and snow, there appeared to be many more children than on previous occasions which we shall bear in mind when planning the service in December 2002.

Julia Josephs

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TEMPORARY RESTRICTION OF ACCESS

EAST POINT, FERRY SHORE.

In order to stop the movement of gravel towards East Point we are planning to extend the existing reed bed in front of the house by several yards. Please be tolerant of the temporary posts and warning tape which will be needed to prevent damage to the young plants. Thank you.

Annette Tolson and Bridget Lytton Minor.

MINIBUS TO LOWESTOFT

From Wednesday 2nd January 2002, and on the first Wednesday of every month, Gold Line Coaches will be going to Lowestoft.

Departing at 10:00 from The Anchor, Tuck Shop and Church, and leaving Lowestoft at 13:00. This will replace the Halesworth visit.

The Halesworth run will still take place on every Wednesday, except the first Wednesday of each month, at the usual times of 10:00-12:00. The minibus is sponsored by the Walberswick Common Lands Trust Charity, and is provided free for village residents without cars, or those who, for other reasons, feel unable to use their car.

Others are welcome to use it if space allows.

Pru Ford-Crush

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE ANTIQUES ROADSHOW

Miles Landin will be our speaker at the next meeting on February 13th at 14:30. Members are encouraged to bring along any interesting small items they wish to know more about. Visitors are most welcome.

Julia Josephs

WALBERSWICK SURGERY

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

Surgery will be in the Village Hall Annexe at 14:30. Call 01502 722326 to make an appointment & 725300 for prescriptions.

Mary King

ALADDIN TICKETS

The tickets for the Pantomime have sold out. If anyone finds they have tickets to spare, please let Maureen Thompson know on 723755, so she can re-issue them to those waiting for returns.

Please Note: Admission strictly by ticket only.

Piers Ford-Crush. Walberswick Pantomime Committee.

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NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Since last month the Suffolk Health Authority has informed the Council that surgery services provided to the Village will now take place at 14:30 on Wednesdays. There was just one planning application this month, for alterations to an extension to provide a bay window, a replacement conservatory and kitchen at Dudley Cottage, The Street. There had been no letters of objection and the Council unanimously supported the application. The Queen's Golden Jubilee will take place on 3rd June with a further bank holiday on 4th June. The Council agreed that the Village should mark the occasion. It was noted that for the Queen's Silver Jubilee in 1977 a committee of representatives from various groups in the village had been set up and a programme of events had been organised. It was considered that this would be an excellent idea for organising this year's event. The Council has already received one letter making suggestions for the day's events and is eager to receive further suggestions. (See notice included in this month's News). Among correspondence this month, the Council received a request for permission for two allotment holders to rent two quarter allotments for keeping chickens. The Council had no objections to this request provided the conditions of the Tenancy Agreement for Allotment Gardens were observed. The Council were also informed that only one quarter allotment remains unused. County Councillor Church had written to say £600 has been allocated to the Village from the Locality Budgets to support local projects. The Council will inquire if the money can be used to help with works required to drain the footpath at the end of Stocks Lane. The following suggestions were put forward by the councillors for allocation of some of the money from the covenant of Walberswick Car Parks Limited to the Trust: chippings to refill the area under the swings on the Village Green; repairs to Stocks Lane footpath; a thatched roof to enhance the bus shelter by the church; reinforcements of the sand wall by the beach huts; money towards the Golden Jubilee celebrations. Members of the Council will meet with members of the Trust to allocate the 2001 covenant on Monday 25th February. The next meeting of the Parish Council will be Monday 4th February at 19:30.

John Brentnall

REPORT FROM THE VISITOR MANAGEMENT GROUP

Mr Buncombe reported that the Visitor Management Group, consisting of himself, the Chairman, Councillor David Webb, Mr Alan Walpole, Miss Barbara Priestman, and Mrs Jane Gomm, had met four times over the winter period and had recommendations to put to the Parish Council for their consideration. Inspector Shields had attended one of the meetings to discuss traffic problems.

The following proposals for parking restrictions were supported by the Council: existing single yellow lines to be extended on the south side of the road between the junction with Lodge Road to opposite the Palmers Lane junction and a new single line to be positioned on the north side between Freud's stables gate and the junction with Palmers Lane. A broken yellow line to be painted outside the Tuck Shop from the existing line to the junction with Manor Close; supported by a 30 minutes parking restriction sign. A meeting will be arranged with Mr Youngman from the Highways Department to discuss these proposals.

The following proposals for monitoring and enforcement were supported by the Council: a new sign at the approach of the Village stating that "Parking Restrictions Apply Every Day"; more Traffic Warden cover to be requested for the coming season; Traffic cones to be placed in specific problem areas on busy days; two speed checks to be carried out per year, the checks to be undertaken closer to the entrance of the village than on previous occasions. Inspector Shields has promised increased cover of Traffic Wardens over the coming season. He also noted the proposal for the two speed checks, but could not guarantee that they would be undertaken. Traffic cones can be delegated to an authorised person or authority. Extra cones would be requested for use on the bend opposite the Village Hall. Although disabled parking is not allowed where cones are deployed, they would be strategically placed so that one or two spaces would be made available for disabled parking along the Village Green.

The Council supported the following proposals on refuse and rubbish: larger, or more bins to be acquired for Ferry Road car park; Waveney District Council should be asked if they were prepared to help with beach cleaning activities; more young people (of the right age) to be employed to pick up litter, and over a longer period of time, starting earlier in the day; SCDC should be asked to clear dog bins more regularly during the Season.

The Council supported the following recommendations concerning the impact on the environment: to continue to press for maintenance of the footpaths from The Highways Department and Suffolk Coasts and Heaths; to continue to discourage advertising and promotion of the village as it had reached saturation point.

The Parish Council agreed to endeavour to put the above recommendations in place by the next summer season. Mr Keith Webb thanked the working group, on behalf of the rest of the councillors, for the time and effort they had spent over the winter months discussing the visitor management problems experienced by the Village last year.

John Brentnall, and Vivien Hunt. Parish Clerk.

THE QUEEN'S GOLDEN JUBILEE

It's time to get ready for the Golden Jubilee Celebrations in June! The Parish Council wants your ideas to make a memorable celebration the Village can be proud of. If you have any ideas contact the Clerk, Vivien Hunt, on 723142
John Brentnall

WHAT'S ON – FEBRUARY 2002

**GP SURGERY
LIBRARY BUS**

Wed 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.
Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10
February 8th and 22nd.

**L'TOFT MINIBUS
WHIST**

First Wednesday in every month 10:00.
Every Thursday 14:30 Village Hall.

CARPET BOWLS

Wednesdays 19:30 Village Hall.

1st February

Pantomime 19:30

2nd February

Pantomime 19:30

7th February

Computer Society visit to ECNG

13th February

W.I. Antiques Roadshow 14:30

23rd February

'Russia Today...' Lecture - Village Hall 19:30

02nd March

Russian evening - The Bell



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JOLLY GOOD SHOW!

This month's mailbag was bursting with congratulations for the excellent Aladdin. So much so that many reviews fell victim to a tide of editor's Tippex. The tattered remains reflect what an outstanding achievement the whole thing was!

WALBERSWICK PANTO

When Panto came to Walberswick Production didn't miss a trick. Fire breathing dragons on the wall Transmogrified our Village Hall. Superb the sets, and costumes too, (Where did you get them all from, Pru?) Excruciating puns were heard And age old crosstalk disinterred. Invidious to nominate A star performer; all were great! From smallest genie on the stage To Abernazer in a rage, Aladdin and the Widow Twanky, A cast of comic thespians manqué! Our seats were worth at least five quid. Did we enjoy it? Yes we did!!

Graheme Godsmark

A NOTE OF THANKS

An excellent presentation of Aladdin, compliments on a superb production. Well done to all for a most enjoyable show.

Don Thompson.

THE BEST THING ABOUT THE PANTO

The adrenalin rush was exhilarating, the kind comments were welcome, and the relief at the end was enormous. The best thing about the pantomime however, is not finished and I hope it will not finish. It is that I believe I have made some new friends that I would not otherwise have made. Walberswick is a friendly place and everyone says good morning to a familiar face, but so many familiar faces have now become mates. Many thanks are due therefore to those visionaries who took on the huge task of bringing it to fruition. May I also tell the parents of the children who performed, both on and off stage, what gorgeous kids they have. But you already knew that of course.

An anonymous Chinese washerwoman

WHAT AN ACHIEVEMENT

I feel that we should all congratulate Mark Aldridge and all the other committee members who made the dream of a Walberswick production of Aladdin a reality. I have received so many comments on how professional the whole production was and how much (now not so hidden) talent we have here in the Village. It is so good to have entertainment that can be enjoyed by so many people of all ages. But what is most important is the way that the whole process of production and performance (and the party afterwards!) brought us all together as a village in such a happy atmosphere. People of all ages from all corners of the village came together and had a great time. Memories of the Millennium Breakfast come to mind and lets hope this paves the way for an equally memorable Jubilee celebration!

Denise Brentnall.

THE VIEWS OF A FULL-TIME CRITIC

At the end of each performance Widow Twanky in a stentorian boom asked all to give Mark Aldridge the clap. Without exception those present did so - for what Mark and so many others had achieved was miraculous. In our rural setting we got a high standard of theatre using a motley set of local performers, superb musical renditions, topical jokes and a series of ad-libs that created mayhem as much within the cast as for those watching. From the start it moved with gusto, verve and pace to the extent that to highlight individuals would not be right. But who could forget: Widow Twanky smelling her own smalls, Princess Scrumptious' solo and the most powerful genie of all. But then there were the powerful (highly disruptive but hilarious) asides of Aladdin. Oh yes, and the two extremely dubious policemen who kept popping up. The impressive scenes and acting within the Palace, the imposing evil Abernazer with his oh-so-flexible lines, The King with guitar (just WHAT was he doing there?), the brilliant performances of the townsfolk and nobility . . . the list goes on and on. Let us also not forget the technical, directorial, costume, front of house, and behind the scenes team. All of them, without exception, deserve our thanks. It was brill!

Nibor Ebmocnub. Freelance Theatre Critic.

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR MARCH

Sunday 3rd March	Lent 3	09:30 Sung Eucharist
Sunday 10th March	Mothering S.	09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong
Sunday 17th March	Lent 5	11:00 Morning Prayer
Sunday 24th March	Palm Sunday	09:30 Sung Eucharist
Friday 29th March	Good Friday	12:00 One hour meditation
Sunday 31st March	EASTER	06:00 Easter Vigil (Beach) 09:30 Sung Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00
 Evening Prayer is said every Thursday at 17:00
 Sunday School March 3rd & 17th – Village Hall Annexe 10:00-12:15

FLOWER ARRANGERS

No flowers in Lent. Easter Sunday
 British Legion: Vera Smith

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

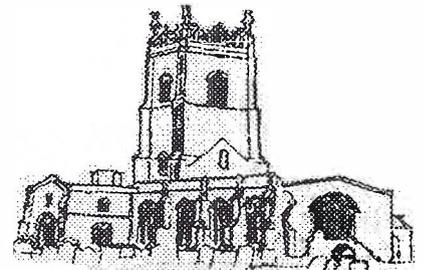
During March the Church continues its celebration of Lent – a time of spiritual spring-cleaning, when we are each invited to examine our spiritual lives. As essential as the material side of life is, and as wonderful as material things can be, a life that is restricted to such things will be greatly impoverished. I am available for Confession, if anyone wishes to make use of this channel of grace.

The 10th March is Mothering Sunday and there will be a Baptism during our worship. Traditionally, on this day, people returned to where they were baptised, acknowledging the Church as their spiritual mother. She is one of the trilogy of mothers Christians remember on that day, along with our earthly mothers and Mary, the mother of Jesus.

At the end of March is Holy Week, beginning with Palm Sunday, on 24th — there will be the traditional Procession with Palms to introduce our worship at 09:30. On Maundy Thursday there will be an ecumenical Eucharist with the Washing of Feet and a Vigil until Midnight – at Holy Trinity, Blythburgh at 7:30 pm. Please note that the Good Friday devotions at St. Andrew's will be at 12 noon this year – the liturgical Celebration of the Passion will be at St. Margaret's Reydon at 14:00.

Easter Sunday will begin at 06:00 (a.m.) with the Lighting of the Easter Fire on the beach – about thirty people came along last year – can we make it fifty this year?

With every blessing,
Barry Naylor



ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

TEAM RECTOR

Rev'd Barry Naylor 722192

CHURCHWARDENS

Ian Bruce-Jones 724020
 Christine Fisher 723023

OTHER NEWS

LENT LUNCHES

Lent austerity lunches will continue on Friday 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd of March in the Village Hall from 12:30 to 13:30. Profits will go to St John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft. Everybody is welcome.

Wendy Sinclair

EASTER DAY FLOWERS

Flowers and greenery will be welcome at the Church early the day before, Saturday March 30th. Donations towards the Easter flowers should be sent to me at Dutch House.

Mary King

ANNUAL VESTRY AND PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

This important meeting will take place in the Church on Wednesday 3rd April at 19:30.

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BUNTY McLELLAND

Her many friends will have been saddened by the news of Bunty's untimely death after a short but severe illness. She will be most sorely missed. Her family was able to be with her at the end, and held a short service of prayer at her bedside. By the time you read this note there will have been a private cremation service, but arrangements have been made for a memorial service of Thanksgiving for Bunty's life at St Andrew's on Friday 5th April at 15:00, followed by a reception at the Bell Inn. Bunty's ashes will be scattered at the place she herself chose for her late husband's remains to be spread. Both services will be conducted by the Team Rector, Barry Naylor.

Bob Trevelyan.

WI - BEES AT THE BOTTOM OF THE GARDEN

Robert Maidstone will be talking about 'Bees at the bottom of the garden' at our meeting on 13th March. Our last speaker was able to tell us about the antiques we brought - he was knowledgeable and interesting. We are the only group in the county holding afternoon meetings and welcome guests at any time. The Bridge Drive is in the Village Hall on 14th May starting at 14:00. The charge is £20 per table including, of course, the usual delicious WI tea!

Julia Josephs

WALBERSWICK ON THE INTERNET

I am aware that a Walberswick website is being developed by Blythweb which can be viewed in draft format at www.walberswick.ws. The content is similar to information seen on the Blythweb pages for other villages. There is a hyperlink to the Village News site. It is intended to include contact details for Walberswick clubs and societies who wish to be involved. This website is going ahead and Blythweb are now looking for anyone who wishes to advertise on the site. I can only support a site providing factual information on Walberswick which includes an effective Visitor Management message. I am seeking comments from anyone who has specific comments on the concept.

Robin Buncombe

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

For our annual outing we visited ECNG's print centre at Thorpe St. Andrew. The presses can print up to 70,000 pages of full colour per hour. We saw the operators adjust ink and paper settings remotely without stopping the presses. The finished papers are conveyed into a packing area and then straight onto vans for delivery. ECNG also print papers for North London and Essex. Members were all given an Evening News "hot off the press" to take home. Contact Frank Scoble on 723519 for details on our meetings..

Piers Ford-Crush

SHREDDER

The Common Lands Trust has agreed to fund an industrial shredder with an operator once a year to reduce garden waste in the Village. Shreddable waste would be collected for a small fee. We need to know if there is enough interest to warrant such a scheme, so if you'd like to participate please call me on 01502 723079

Jane Kirkeby.

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VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

Help spring clean the Village Hall. Volunteers wanted to help on Saturday 9th March between 09:00-12:00. Cleaning materials will be provided. The AGM of the Village Hall Management Committee will be held in the Hall on Tuesday 2nd April at 19:30. All are welcome. At this meeting nominations for the election of four Lay Village Members will be received. There will be a glass of wine afterwards. **Pru Ford-Crush**

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Friday 10th May (alternative 3rd May) – Annual Lecture; Friday 28th June – Annual Visit (Imperial War Museum, Duxford); Saturday 9th November - The Poppy Appeal Bazaar and Coffee Morning. Sunday 10th November – Remembrance Sunday Service (Blythburgh). Monday 18th November – Branch AGM. **Alan Walpole**

NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on Monday 4th February. The Parish Council had no objection to the application for the erection of a conservatory at Ilanga, Lodge Road. Planning permission has been granted for the erection of a single story extension to the Old Tea Rooms, The Green. Permission has also been granted for the erection of a first floor conservatory and the retention of a detached workshop at Hoistwood House, The Street. Planning permission has been refused for a two-storey extension to Ash Cottage, The Green. It was agreed to keep a check on the footpaths and include them on the agenda on a quarterly basis. Mr David Webb volunteered to monitor the footpaths and report on their condition at the May Meeting. The Council has received a specification and costs for the work to Stocks Lane footpath from SCC. The County Council has asked if the Village would be prepared to contribute £1,500 to the project, the total cost being £3,300 plus VAT. The Council agreed to put the Locality Budget of £600 towards the project. It was also decided to approach Suffolk Coasts and Heaths to see if they could assist with the costs. Mrs Denise Brentnall was re-nominated as Chair of Governors for Yoxford School. Mr Brentnall declared an interest. PC Adams informed the Clerk that the car and freezer thefts, which took place in the Village, have been resolved and the culprits have been imprisoned. The Council agreed to write to Mark Aldridge to thank him and all those involved in the production of the pantomime. As usual, the full and official minutes of this meeting will be posted on the parish notice boards in due course. The next meeting will be on Monday 4th March.

John Brentnall

SOUTHWOLD HOSPITAL LEAGUE OF FRIENDS

As Chairman I should like to thank all those concerned in Walberswick for their help and support in raising £805. I fully realise how much dedication and hard work is involved; it is greatly appreciated.

Barbara Davis. (Details of how the money is spent are in the booklet, distributed to all households)

HUTS FOR SALE

Walberswick Car Parks is to dispose of 2 used framed timber huts in sound condition. Each measures 6' x 4', have fixtures and fittings and anti-vandal windows. The huts may be viewed in the Village. Buyers must arrange immediate removal .O.I.R.O of £100.

Robin Buncombe. (722359)

HISTORY GROUP

Walberswick Local History Group A G M on Thursday 21st March at 19:30 at The Village Hall Annexe. All welcome - wine and nibbles afterwards.

Don Thompson.

WALBERSWICK RNLI

Fish and Chip Supper at The Anchor Inn with popular music. Saturday March 9th from 19:30. Tickets £7.50 available from **Robin Buncombe.** (722359)

WHAT'S ON – MARCH 2002

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| 9th March | Village Hall Spring Clean - 09:00 to 12:00 |
| 13th March | WI Bees at the bottom of your garden - 14:30 |
| 14th March | WI Bridge Drive 14:00 |
| 15th March | Lent austerity lunches, Village Hall - 12:30 to 13:30 |
| 22nd March | Lent austerity lunches, Village Hall - 12:30 to 13:30 |
| 30th March | Natural Arts Sale of Work , Village Hall - 10:00 to 16:00 |
| 2nd April | Village Hall Management Committee AGM 19:30 |
| 3rd April | Annual Vestry & Parochial Church meeting 19:30 |



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FUND RAISING SUCCESS

CHILDREN'S SOCIETY - FOREIGN CURRENCY

Thank you to those who donated; we made £78.46. Would all box holders leave their boxes at The Old Rectory for emptying by 15th April or take to Pat Wythe, 10 Manor Close. Used stamps are also appreciated.
Robin Wardle. Hon Sec.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS' VISIT UPDATE

VISIT TO WALBERSWICK 2002

Since the last issue we have held two hugely successful events. Professor Ludmilla Selezneva's lecture (att. 110!). Many remarked on her frankness concerning both Russia's past and present. She received many phone calls and letters of appreciation. The evening raised £490.81. The Russian dinner at The Bell saw 30 diners in jovial mood, Ludmilla showed her non-academic skills dancing the night away! The Balalaika band (Klaus and Kay Torman) gave their services free. This brought together the hosts of the students and fundraisers ready for August. Sue and Paul at The Bell kindly donated. It was a lovely evening. On 28th April, the Anchor will host 'A Very English Evening' in aid of the fund. There will be a reasonably priced meal, and a small children's choir will sing. Call The Anchor (722112). Places are limited so book early! The Anchor is giving £2 per head to the fund.
Annie Kiff-Wood.

ALADDIN - THE FINAL CURTAIN

ALADDIN 2002

Due to excellent support from the Village, we raised a total of £1,512.34 which will go towards future Walberswick pantomimes. A big thanks to all involved.
Jacqui Morcombe. Walberswick Pantomime Committee.

BIRD SONG WALK

THE DAVID SHIRREFF WALK

This year's walk will take place on Saturday 11th May 2002 led by Tony Lancaster. Please meet at 05:30 am in Hoist Wood Car Park. Contributions are divided equally between the Church and the Dingle Marshes Project.
Flip Bruce Lockhart.

MEN IN MARIGOLDS

VILLAGE HALL SCRUBBERS

The voluntary spring cleaning morning at the Village Hall on 9th March saw doughty scrubbing of dirty paintwork and tiles by some of our menfolk. Very many thanks for the hard work to those who turned up.
Pru Ford-Crush.

MEETING PEOPLE

When we moved to Walberswick last year we quickly realised our fears of being outsiders in a rural community were unfounded. We met more people in ten days than we'd met in ten years living in Ipswich. Editing the Village News meant we met people and knew what was going on first-hand. Equally important was the Wine Club, an opportunity to meet villagers in a relaxed atmosphere and taste good wines before buying at a discount. You don't need to be a wine-buff but if you drink wine at home it's ideal. A small annual fee is paid to the Tuck Shop and there's a monthly informal tasting in the Village Hall annexe. If you find something you like the wine will be delivered to your door. No spittoons, no wine-waffle and no obligation to buy, just an opportunity to save some money and mingle.

Justin & Ingrid Kibble.

A JOB FOR THE SUMMER

CAR PARK RECRUITMENT

Walberswick Car Parks is currently seeking applications from anyone interested in working as a Parking Attendant this summer. Rates of pay are good and you will be working in a healthy environment. We will later be seeking to recruit 'litter persons' who must be aged 14 or over. Anyone interested should contact the Operations Manager, me, on 722359 as soon as possible.
Robin Buncombe.

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

Our March meeting heard about "Designing and Building Websites" from Tristram Smith. At the age of 15 he runs his own company creating websites and has won the IT Prize at Bungay school for two successive years. From the interpretation of a client's needs, through the creative and technical stages to uploading the finished site he explained the process with illustrations. He showed how style sheets might be used, together with sound and animation. Tristram's excellent and very professional work can be seen on the Society's own website. Our meetings are held on the second Friday of the month from 7pm - 9pm. Contact Frank Scoble on 01502 723519 for details. Visit our website www.go.to/bvcs.
Piers Ford-Crush.

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR APRIL

Sunday 7th Apr.	Easter 2	0930 Sung Eucharist
Sunday 14th Apr.	Easter 3	0930 Family Eucharist 1800 Choral Evensong
Sunday 21st Apr.	Easter 4	1100 Morning Prayer
Sunday 28th Apr.	Easter 5	0930 Sung Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00
 Sunday School is on holiday until 21st April.

FLOWER ARRANGERS

April: Dione Shirreff, Bubbles Love, Kathleen Patterson
 Royal British Legion: Vera Smith.

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia! This is the belief at the heart of the Christian religion which believers all over the world will be celebrating as we keep the Sundays of Eastertide, culminating on Pentecost, 19th May. It is a time to celebrate the gift life in all its richness and joy. This has much more to do with the "quality" of life than "quantity", which is why "eternal" is a much better word to describe it than "everlasting". Sunday 12th April marks the beginning of Christian Aid Week - the theme of our own Choral Evensong on that day. During this week we remember those whose quality of life is marred by degrading poverty and by exploitation. We will be organising a house to house collection in the Village during this week, to support the invaluable work of Christian Aid among some of the poorest, and most disadvantaged people in our world. I hope that this will receive widespread and generous support. During May we celebrate Rogation Sunday - 5th - an important day for country dwellers as we ask God's blessing on the land and all who work on it. There will be a Team Picnic at St. Andrew's, Sotherton at 12:30, followed by a Service of Blessing at Reydon Wood at 2:30 p.m. The day will conclude with a Rogation Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity, Blythburgh at 6:00p.m., with the Blythburgh Singers. Thank you.

With every blessing
Barry Naylor.



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CHURCH MEETINGS

ANNUAL VESTRY & PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

A reminder that these important meetings will take place in the Church on Wednesday April 3rd at 7.30pm.
Churchwardens.

THANKS TO FRIENDS

I would like to thank everyone for their kind help and support in letters and cards during Dennis' illness. They have been a great comfort.
Audrey Munford.

WI - THE WOODLAND TRUST

Mrs Jennifer Tyson will talk at our next meeting on 10th April at 14:30. The Woodland Trust owns 44,000 acres, creating more native woodlands than any other conservation organisation. In the last 2 years they have planted over two million trees. Book your table at our Bridge Drive in the Village Hall on Tuesday 14th May at 14:00 at £20 per table including, of course, the usual delicious WI tea!
Julia Josephs.

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Thorington, Blythburgh**COMMON LANDS TRUST****REPORTS FROM 21ST & 25TH 2002**

Nigel Hunt was elected Chairman. Barbara Priestman was thanked for her work as Chairman. Kate Goodchild is our representative on the Jubilee Committee. Firebreaks were cleared behind Gorse View and Heath House on the Common. Dyke clearance and corral fencing on the grazing marshes has been completed, a 3 year grazing agreement to be negotiated. Permission was granted for the balcony at East Point to remain. English Nature offered to maintain the bird scrapes this year. Reed bed water levels will be reduced for 6 months to dry out the path to the mill by Dunwich River. The developers at Moorside were asked to remove their sign on the Common and repair the land and road on completion. Permission was given for the original boundary at Fairhaven, Leveretts Lane to be reinstated. **Feb 25th.** The Parish Council made these allocations from the 2001 car park profits: chippings for safety surface for swings £200, Village Hall grant £2000, mini-bus to Halesworth & Lowestoft £2600, steps by sluice bridge £1600, travel & enterprise scheme £500, Jubilee celebrations £2500, Easter egg hunt £159, Common Lands Trust for relief of need £3500, Parish Council reconstruction of Stocks Lane path £900 and £2500 for the Parish Council's Jubilee thatching of the Church bus shelter. The remaining £10,000 was put in an Environmental Trust Fund to repair and protect the Village for the future. Funding for a chipping machine was refused due to insufficient interest. Clean hardcore is needed for the marsh corral area. Please dump any at the top of the Drift, leaving gateways clear.

Jayne Tibbles. Clerk to the Trustees.

RON ENGLISH 1928 - 2002

Ron English of Walberswick, died 17th February 2002 aged 83. Born in July 1918, his father, Robert English, was then fighting in the Great War. 21 years later Ron was called up for WW2. Ron saw the deserts of North Africa, Italy and the horrors of the final days of Hitler's Germany (see Suffolk Memories for more detail). But the war also introduced him to the love of his life and plucked him from Walberswick. He returned to Walberswick briefly to live in 1945 and then as a visitor every year of his life to see his family and enjoy holidays with his wife and son. His father, died in 1968. His mother, Ada, died in 1995 and his brother, Owen, in 1997. The family house built for his grandfather George, remains in the family. Ron was there for the last time in autumn 2001. During that visit he met the son of his long-lost friend Geoffrey Fairs. Ron is survived by sister Peggy (Thetford) and brothers Tony (South Africa) and George (New Zealand). He will also be greatly missed by the good family that embraced him after Dorothy (his first wife and my mother) died in 1970. His second wife, Betty, was with him to the end. The village of Ron's childhood was a different place to the Walberswick of today. From the football pitch on the back of the beach to the large families that worked the boats and fields, most have gone. Economic forces have changed the village throughout history. Those who remember Ron will miss him. But like he did we must look to the future and enjoy the present.

*To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under
the heaven.**A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to
pluck up that which is planted.***John English.**

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NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Since last month's meeting the work to the footpath at the bottom of Stocks Lane has been completed. This month there was a planning application for the conversion of the garage roof space into a loft at North Dale, The Street. The council had no objection to this. Planning permission has been granted for alterations and extension to provide a bay window, replacement conservatory and kitchen to Dudley Cottage, The Street. Mr Hunt reported that a committee has been set up for the Golden Jubilee and two meetings have already been held. He stated that it had been agreed that apart from the church service, all the events would take place on one day, Monday 3rd June. There will be numerous events held on the Village Green including a picnic, fancy dress and fun races. There will be a tea party held in the Village Hall later in the afternoon and a buffet and dance in the evening, with a fireworks display. New plaques designating the Jubilee will be mounted on the Village Sign and the bus shelter, opposite the church, will be re-roofed and thatched and designated to the Golden Jubilee. PC Adams reported that a car had been broken into at the Lodge Road car park and that a mobile phone had been stolen from the Anchor Inn. He advised everyone to be more vigilant as the holiday season approached. Mr David Webb reported that vehicles had been mounting Stocks Green. Mr Tibbles agreed to erect posts around the Green to protect it. Mr Hunt reported that the work to shore up the River Blyth near the ferry was imminent. He also informed the Council that there will be a reception on the 1st or 2nd August, for the Russian students who will be staying in the Village for ten days. Next meeting Monday 8th April
John Brentnall.

EVENTS IN THE ARTS

There will be a recital by the Meridian Saxophone Quartet from Trinity College London on 6th April 2002 at 19:30 in Blythburgh Church. Tickets are available on the door. Don't forget the Natural Arts Exhibition and sale of works at the Village Hall 30th March 2002 10:00 - 16:00.

Patsy Murray.

VILLAGE HALL AGM

Tuesday 2 April 2002 at 7.30. Come and hear about the hall most of you use occasionally even if not regularly. Nominations for lay members welcome.
Pru Ford-Crush.

WHAT'S ON – APRIL 2002

GP SURGERY	Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.
LIBRARY BUS	Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10 April 5th and 19th.
WHIST	Every Thursday 14:30 Village Hall.
CARPET BOWLS	Wednesdays 19:30 Village Hall.
30th March	Natural Arts Sale of Work , Village Hall - 10:00 to 16:00
2nd April	Village Hall Management Committee AGM 19:30
3rd April	Annual Vestry & Parochial Church meeting 19:30
6th April	Blythburgh Church Meridian Saxophone Quartet 19:30 Tickets on the door.
8th April	Parish Council Meeting.
10th April	WI The Woodland Trust, Jennifer Tyson speaks. 14:30
12th April	Blyth Valley Computer Society.
28th April	'A Very English Evening' at The Anchor.
11th May	David Shirreff Bird Song Walk 05:30 Hoist Wood Car Park.
14th May	WI Bridge Drive, Village Hall 14:30.
3rd June	Queen's Golden Jubilee Celebrations



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JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS, 3rd JUNE.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED!

The Jubilee Committee has decided that the Village Green will be the centre of our celebrations during the day, moving to the Village Hall and the surrounding area in the evening. The Committee would therefore like all the properties around the Green to be appropriately and festively decorated. All residents and businesses have agreed to this, and steps are in hand to provide bunting, flags, crowns and other material. We need a team, the more the merrier, but numbering at least 6 or 8 to work under the guidance of Wally Webb and Brian Tibbles, to do the decorating of the properties. The team will assemble on the Green on Saturday, 1st June 2002 09:00 and the work should be completed by 12:00. So, please, get your ropes, ladders and climbing crampons at the ready. Let me have your names so that I may know how much beer to order. See you on the Green!

Peter Gordon-Potts
01502 722827

SHOW TIME

ANNUAL HORTICULTURAL SHOW

This will be held on Saturday 27th July 2002. Flowers and flower arrangements, fruit and vegetables, numerous culinary items and wines on display. All entries and visitors free. Be sure to retain the 'Schedule of Entries' to be inserted into next month's issue of Village News. We welcome your support for this enjoyable day. All proceeds to the Show Funds.

Vic Rowland
01502 722262

NATURAL ARTS AT THE VILLAGE HALL

CRAFT CONSORTIUM NATURAL ARTS

This Consortium held its first exhibition and sale of work on 30th March 2002. It was lovely to see some of you there. We'll be holding further sales throughout the year, the next on Saturday 25th May 2002. We aim to feature a varied selection of crafts including driftwood art, cards, wood, jewellery, fabric designs, ceramics and food. I am wearing a chef's hat for the day and providing snacks, hot meals and home made cakes throughout the day. So come and join us for lunch! Sample menu: smoked salmon pate £2.50, Coq au Vin £3.50, dessert £1.50

Patsy Murray

HEARING IMPAIRED GROUP ?

Voluntary Help Centre, Stella Peskett Hall, Mights Road, Southwold, Suffolk. IP18 6BE. Tel: 01502 724549

One in three people over retirement age suffers from acquired deafness. This can come on slowly and is difficult to recognise. It can have many implications:

- being unable to understand what is being said in a group situation
- causing difficulty understanding TV, theatre and telephone despite having a hearing aid
- making the sufferer feel emotionally and socially unacceptable
- causing a feeling of isolation

A suggestion has been made that a Hearing Impaired Group be set up in this area. This could help sufferers have more understanding of their own needs; encourage mutual support; get advice on hearing aids and other technical equipment; have the opportunity of meeting others socially.

If you would be interested in joining such a group please write to me at the above address or telephone me – if there is no-one in the office, please leave a message on the answerphone. If there is sufficient interest in this venture, I will take it from there.

Patricia Scott, Co-ordinator

LADIES' FITNESS

AN OPPORTUNITY TO GET FIT!

On Tuesdays, in the Village Hall, 20-30 ladies have been working on improving their fitness levels. Yvonne Proctor takes both sessions and makes them interesting and fun. Do not miss the opportunity to join us! Sessions began again on 9 April 2002 and continue until 16 July 2002. See you there?

Jenny Cardwell

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR MAY

Sunday 5th May	Rogation	0930 Sung Eucharist
Sunday 12th May	Sunday after Ascension	0930 Family Eucharist 1800 Choral Evensong
Sunday 19th May	Whitsuntide	1100 Morning Prayer
Sunday 26th May	Trinity	0930 Sung Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10.00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17.00
 Sunday School: Village Hall Annexe 10.00 to 12.15

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Susan Walpole, Cynthia Jackson, Chrissie Reeves and Pat Longyear. Royal British Legion: Ruth Bassett

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

My apologies for any confusion caused by my article in last month's newsletter – I seemed to completely confuse April and May – some of which we managed to rectify but others pieces slipped through the net! May 5th is Rogation Sunday, when we ask God's blessing on the land and on those who work on it. We will have our usual Sung Eucharist at St. Andrew's and there will be a Team Picnic at 12:30 p.m. at St. Andrew's Sotherton, followed by the Beating of the Bounds and later on, a Team Choral Evensong at Holy Trinity Blythburgh at 18:00, with the Blythburgh Singers. Ascension Day is 9th May and there will be a Team Eucharist at St. Nicholas Wrentham at 19:30. Christian Aid Week does, in fact, begin on 12th May, not April, as I announced in the last edition. We will be having a house to house collection in the village and the Week will begin with our Family Eucharist and Choral Evensong on that day. I hope people will give generously to support the invaluable work of this organisation, which seeks to make real, to the poorest people of the world, that love and compassion we so easily speak about from our relative comfort in this land.

The great season of Easter draws to a close on the Feast of Pentecost, which we will celebrate with our Sung Eucharist on 19th May. Every blessing to you and your loved ones
Barry Naylor

WALBERSWICK VILLAGE FETE

The Fete is a great village social occasion and fundraising opportunity. The event has been run alternatively by individuals from the Church and the Village Hall Management Committee, with the substantial proceeds being distributed equally between the two organisations. Whilst there are stallholders who are willing to run their stall again, the task of co-ordinating the event has fallen in the past to a small number of people. This year it is the task of the Church to manage the event, and as yet we have been unable to identify a volunteer. It may be necessary for the village to reconsider the structure of the Fete organisation and distribution of funds, but in the meantime we are hoping that there may be an individual or group who would be prepared to co-ordinate the management of the fete. There is an abundance of information available from those who have done the task previously and anyone undertaking it would not be without support and advice. If you can help or would like to discuss this please contact Christine on 723023 or Barry Naylor –Team Rector on 722192
Churchwardens



ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

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Revd Barry Naylor 722192

CHURCHWARDENS

Ian Bruce-Jones 724020
 Christine Fisher 723023

PARISH REGISTERS

10th March 2002
 Holy Baptism
 Callum Drew Horrod

5th April 2002
 Memorial Service
 Betty Patricia McClelland "Bun"
 Aged 81 years

FUND RAISING

The Austerity Lunches held on Fridays in February and March raised £261.65 gross. £167.32 was sent to the St John's Housing Trust in Lowestoft. Thanks to everyone involved.
Wendy Sinclair

ANNUAL BAZAAR

The United Missionary Council will be having their Annual Bazaar on Saturday 4th May 2002 12:30 – 15:30 in the Village Hall with light lunches, teas and all the usual stalls. Proceeds will be divided between Vellore Hospital in South India and the International Seafarers' Centre Trust in Great Yarmouth.
Wendy Sinclair

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ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

Annual Lecture 10th May 2002 19:30 Village
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Over Here...60 Years On" given by Deputy
Commander 48 Fighter Wing USAF, followed
by a light Buffet Supper with Wine, Tickets £5
at the Post Office. **Alan Walpole** 724763.

FUND RAISING

MUSIC AT BLYTHBURGH

Many thanks to those who were able to support the Meridian Saxo-
phone Quartet concert on 6th April 2002. The four talented first
year students from Trinity College, London gave us a very varied
and interesting programme from Handel arrangements, via music
written by one of the group to a spirited jazz encore. Hopefully
they'll be back next year! This was the first of four concerts given in
aid of Holy Trinity's Church Fabric Fund and although we only
raised £25 this time, I am confident we will improve as we go! The
next concert features the Blythburgh singers and is on Saturday 4th
May 2002 at 19:30. Do come if you can.

Patsy Murray

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK

Sunday 12th May 2002 marks the beginning of Christian Aid Week
when Christians of all denominations have in their thoughts and
prayers those whose quality of life is marred by degrading poverty
and exploitation. I am organising a house to house collection for
Christian Aid during that week and if anyone is willing to help could
they please phone me on 01502 724020.

Many thanks

Ian Bruce-Jones

THE CYSTIC FIBROSIS TRUST

This is the first time that I have done a collection in the Village dur-
ing Cystic Fibrosis week. All donations go directly into research
into a cure for this most common life- threatening inherited dis-
ease – a cause close to my heart. Warmest thanks to all of you
who responded so generously when I knocked on your door (and to
the person who left me an envelope without leaving their name). I
have sent £297.80 to the trust.

Kate Robinson

SAVE THE CHILDREN SUPPER

'Mince Matters' in Walberswick Village Hall on Friday 24th May 2002
serving between 19:30 and 20:15. Admittance by ticket only –
available from Val Anderson (724609), Wyn Riddell (722869) and
Maureen Thompson (723755). Adults: £6. Children: £4. Make
your choice from Moussaka, Shepherd's Pie, Chilli Con Carne,
Vegetarian Chilli or Homemade Burgers. Bring your own drinks.
Helpers/raffle prizes will be welcomed.

Val Anderson

AMELIA AND FRIENDS ENTERTAIN

This will be a concert to raise money for the Russian students who
will be visiting Walberswick in the summer. Come and join us for a
selection of enjoyable light songs and instrumentals accompanied
by a delicious buffet supper. Write this date in your diaries now,
Saturday 25th May 19:30 at The Bell Inn, Walberswick.

For further details and bookings please contact The Bell Inn on
01502 723109 or my mobile 07905345521.

Amelia Ireland

BRIDGE CLUB

The Monday Bridge Club held its annual lunch at De Cressy's
restaurant on 8th April 2002 when 13 members enjoyed an excel-
lent menu cooked by Dirk Bougarde, followed by Bridge in the after-
noon. We are a very informal club, enjoying our bridge in relaxed
style, playing Chicago and drawing for partners. If you feel like
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ART MATTERS

ARTISTS AT WALBERSWICK 1880-2000

There will be a local launch/celebration of this long awaited book in the Village Hall on Saturday 11th May 2002 from 10:30 until 12:30 (brief speeches at 11:00). Everyone is welcome to attend. Many Walberswick people have contributed information which has been incorporated in the text. Signed copies will be available, but there will be no pressure whatever to buy. Entry and refreshments will be free.

Richard Scott

THE LITTLE STUDIO

The National Arts Consortium has been lucky enough to acquire the Little Studio (opposite Mike's garage) for the season and we hope to open in May.

It is an experiment for all of us to see if we can make a success of such a venture and we are scared and excited at the same time! Wish us luck!
Patsy Murray

DO YOU REMEMBER HUMPHREY JENNINGS (1907-1950)

I am researching the life of this painter, poet and film maker who was born in Walberswick. His parents, Frank Jennings (Architect) and Mildred Hall (Artist) founded The Walberswick Peasant Pottery Company. If anyone has any memories or links with Humphrey Jennings or the Pottery Company I would be grateful to hear from you.

Many thanks, **David Collard**

Tel: 0207 502 7607 or david.collard@virgin.net

WI - WHAT'S IN A NAME?

Our meeting on 8th May 2002 will begin with discussion and voting on this year's Resolutions: 1. To stop the closure of local abattoirs; 2. For stricter control on imported foodstuffs. This will be followed by Miss Mollie Barnet speaking about place names and where they originated. Please be sure to book your table for the WI Bridge Drive in the Village Hall on Tuesday 14th May 2002 at 14:00. The charge will be £20 per table including, of course, the usual delicious WI tea!

Julia Josephs

WHAT'S ON - MAY 2002

- GP SURGERY** Wednesday 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.
- LIBRARY BUS** Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10
May 3rd, 17th and 31st.
- WHIST** Every Thursday 14:30 Village Hall.
- CARPET BOWLS** Wednesdays 19:30 Village Hall.
- LADIES KEEP FIT** Tuesdays 09:30 to 10:30 and 10:30 to 11:30 Village Hall.
- BRIDGE** Mondays 14:30 Village Hall Annexe (excluding Bank Holidays).
'A Very English Evening' 18:30 at The Anchor.
- 28th April** United Missionary Council Bazaar 12:30 Village Hall.
- 4th May** Blythburgh Singers 19:30 Blythburgh Church.
- 4th May** WI meeting, Mollie Barnett speaks.
- 8th May** RBL Annual Lecture (see Royal British Legion)
- 10th May** David Shirreff Bird Song Walk 05:30 Hoist Wood Car Park.
- 11th May** Book launch 'Artists at Walberswick' 10:30 Village Hall.
- 11th May** WI Bridge Drive, 14:00 Village Hall.
- 14th May** Save the Children Supper 19:30 Village Hall.
- 24th May** Natural Arts Exhibition and Sale 10:00 to 17:00 Village Hall.
- 25th May** Amelia and Friends Entertain 19:30 The Bell Inn
- 25th May** Volunteers to erect bunting around Village Green 09:00.
- 1st June** Queen's Golden Jubilee Celebrations.
- 3rd June** RBL Annual Visit (Imperial War Museum, Duxford).
- 28th June** Annual Horticultural Show Village Hall.
- 27th July** RBL The Poppy Appeal Bazaar and Coffee Morning.
- 9th November** Remembrance Sunday Service (Blythburgh).
- 10th November** RBL Branch AGM
- 18th November**



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A HUGE THANK-YOU

Last month while your editor was on holiday, Fiona Skelding kindly agreed to carry out editing duties. Following such a resounding success Fiona will now alternate months with Justin Kibble as co-editor. This enables us to have a flexible and able editing team working on your Village News. Articles, emails and any other material should be sent to the usual addresses. The Village News Management Committee.

CHARITY NEWS

The Bazaar in aid of Vellore Hospital and the International Seafarers' Centre Trust made a profit of £734.11. The Committee are able to send £370.00 to each charity. Many thanks to all who helped in any way. Wendy Sinclair.

Motor Neurone Tea Party. Change of day this year for my garden tea party at Dutch House in aid of Motor Neurone Disease Research. It's now on Saturday 22nd June at 14:30. Entrance 50p including tea and scones. Usual stalls. Here's hoping the sun shines on us as last year. Mary King.

RNLI Mini-Fete. In view of the Queen's Golden Jubilee celebrations planned for the Village on 3rd June, the need to prepare the Green/Village Hall for the festivities, and other locally organised events prior to the 3rd, your local RNLI Branch Committee has agreed to postpone the customary mini-fete until later in the year. We are therefore looking to hold a major fundraising event provisionally booked for Saturday 31st August. Toby Robinson. *Branch Chairman.*

NATURAL ARTS EXHIBITION

The sale of work is at the Village Hall on Saturday 25th May but if you miss that one there is another on Saturday 8th June 10:00 - 17:00. Delicious food with home made cakes and pâtés will be served all day. Patsy Murray.

GRAND OPENING

The Natural Arts Consortium proudly announces the grand opening of the Little Studio, Main Street on Saturday 1st June from 10:00. Come along to wish us luck, inspect our wares and join us in a slightly inebriated toast. Patsy Murray.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS VISIT UPDATE

"HALF WAY HOUSE" VILLAGE HALL Mon. 17th JUNE 19:30
We hope you enjoyed Ludmilla Selezneva's brilliant talk in February. Before we welcome the Russian students in August, Ray Easterbrook will provide a few interim words and pictures on Russia, past present and uncertain future. You are very welcome to agree, object, and otherwise make your passions known. Free entrance, surprises. Donations welcome. Annie Kiff-Wood.

CAN YOU HELP?

Painter is seeking space to use as a studio. Have you got a spare room, attic or shed you'd like to let, no matter how small or cold. Please contact me on 725495. Jutta Bastian.

BOTTLE BANK

Now that the summer is upon us can we remind people NOT TO USE the bank between 14:00 and 18:00. This will enable residents some respite from the noise and allow us to continue to provide this valuable service for the village. Your co-operation will be much appreciated. Parish Council.

JOBSHOP - VILLAGE LITTER PERSONS

Walberswick Car Parks Ltd seek applications for the above positions from young people (must be over the age of 14). Hours are flexible, pay is fair and successful applicants will benefit from the knowledge that their environment is enhanced due to their endeavours. For further information contact me on 722359. Robin Buncombe.

VILLAGE FETE

Mary King and Maureen Thompson have come to the rescue of the annual Village Fete. They will organise it but need helpers for stalls etc. If you can help in any way or suggest new ideas for stalls please ring Mary on 724590 or Maureen on 723755. See you on the Green on Saturday 24th August. Grahame Godsmark.

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION EVENTS

Friday 10th May - The Annual Lecture. My thanks to all those who helped to make the evening a success. The Tuck Shop sold tickets and supplied the wine and glasses, others organised and provided the refreshments, slaving in the kitchen preparing and serving the food and wine. Thanks also to those who cleared up afterwards.

Friday 28th June - Annual Visit (Imperial War Museum, Duxford). Notices have gone out to all Members, but there are usually places left on the bus for non-members. Anyone who is not a member but would like to come along please give the Chairman, myself, a ring on 724763. Alan Walpole.

MUSIC AT BLYTHBURGH

Several of you have been very complimentary about the Blythburgh Singers concert on 4th May. Thank you very much. We really enjoyed giving it, particularly as we raised £285.00 for the Fabric Fund. The next concert features the early music choir Capella Antigua with a programme of Johann Rosenmüller and is on Sunday 30th June at 15:30. Patsy Murray.

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Sunday 2nd June	Trinity 1	09:30 Sung Eucharist 15:00 Jubilee Service
Sunday 9th June	Trinity 2	09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong
Sunday 16th June	Trinity 3	11:00 Morning Prayer
Sunday 23rd June	Trinity 4	09:30 Sung Eucharist
Sunday 30th June	St. Peter & St. Paul	18:00 Patronal Festival Wangford James Saunders' first Eucharist.

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00
 Sunday School - Village Hall annexe 10:00 -12:15



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13th April
 Holy Matrimony
 Steven Elliot Lee to
 Rebecca Johanne Reeves

30th April
 Funeral/Interment of Ashes
 John Albert List
 (formerly of Walberswick)
 Aged 63 years

10th May
 Funeral followed by cremation
 Elsie Kathleen Bally
 Aged 94 years

May 13th
 Cremation and Funeral
 Cyril William Burr Hetherington
 Aged 92 years

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Judy Morton, Elizabeth Leighton, Wendy Sinclair,
 Kathleen Patterson, Bubbles Love.
 Royal British Legion, Vivien Hunt.

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

June begins with the celebrations of the Queen's Golden Jubilee. There will be a Jubilee Service at St. Andrew's on Sunday 2nd June at 15:00 to which everyone is warmly invited. This official form of service, commended by Her Majesty, uses three of the symbols employed at the Coronation Service. The first of these is the Holy Bible, which was presented with these words: "This Book is the most valuable thing the world affords". Whatever our views of the Christian faith, this book contains great wisdom, which our Lord summed up in his command that, above all, we will find fulfilment by growing in love for God and for each other. The second of the symbols is the Holy Oil, with which Her Majesty was anointed at her coronation, to consecrate her for her role as Monarch. This reminds us that we should strive to develop to the fullest the gifts and responsibilities we have, in the local community and the wider society. The third symbol is a towel and bowl of water, reminding us of the example of Jesus, who came not to be served, but to serve and demonstrated this by washing his disciples feet. "Whatever you do to one of the least of these, you do to me", he said. The fourth symbol will be something that represents our local community, for Her Majesty wishes that we celebrate all that is best in our community, our Nation and Commonwealth, rejoicing in its rich diversity.

With every blessing
Barry Naylor.

WI – GARDEN MEETING

We look forward to seeing our members in my garden for the meeting on 19th June at 14:00. We shall have our usual plant stall and Vivien would be grateful for all your spare plants.
 Julia Josepfs.

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COMMON LANDS CHARITY ARPIL MEETING

The accounts for year ending December 2001 were unanimously approved. A further £500 would be made available for the Jubilee celebrations. The roof of the Print Room would be painted this summer. £1000 would be released from the Environmental Trust Fund to enable the Parish Council to implement new parking restrictions at the top of the village. The Cliff Field would be ploughed and levelled and left to re-grow naturally; this would encourage a variety of insects and birds. The path across the centre of the field would be closed off but access at either end would be left to enable walkers to circumnavigate the field.
Jayne Tibbles. *Clerk to the Trustees.*

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THE DAVID SHIRREFF BIRDSONG WALK 2002

There was a very low turn out (nine) this year, partly due to it not being held on a bank holiday weekend, and also the fact that the mornings running up to the day had been dire with very cold and drizzly conditions. However on the day as luck would have it we had a most pleasant morning, much warmer than of late and not a breath of wind to stir even the most fragile of leafed hedgerow. The undoubted highlight was a compact flock of ten Little Egrets heading north along the beach, a truly fine sight. Then there was the music, the Bittern boomed, the Cetti's song exploded from impenetrable bush, Bearded Tits pinged and zoomed over reed top whilst the Nightingale regaled us with his supreme repertoire. A marvellous morning and all this on our very own doorstep. How very lucky we are. Despite the low number of participants the passing of the hat produced a generous total of £50.00, to be evenly divided between Walberswick Church and the SWT/RSPB Dingle Marshes Project. So a big thank you to all who took part and look forward to seeing you all next year.

Tony Lancaster.

MISS ELSIE BALLY 1908-2002

Elsie Bally came to live in Walberswick in the 1960's and built her bungalow, St. Francis, in virgin land off Stocks Lane. She trained in nursing and midwifery at St Thomas', then worked for four years in the Indian staffed hospital in Patna, returning to work in London throughout the war. She ended her career as head of midwifery services in Lincolnshire, serving on the Royal Council of Nurses and Midwives. Her object in retirement was to give a home to children whose parents worked abroad, but the advent of cheap flights negated the need for holiday homes. Elsie participated fully in Village life, joining many of the societies and becoming a WI member. She was the first to put her money into raising a loan for the building of the Village Hall when the project seemed doomed to failure in the 60's and became the first chairman of the Management Committee. In 1970, when the WI was divided over a move from the Gannon Room into the new Village Hall, she led the Institute into harmony, became president and continued in office until 1973. She led footpath walking parties to keep the local footpaths open, demonstrated crafts to groups around the country and made a wonderful garden. For many years she was on the local committee of the Save the Children Fund and was also a keen supporter of the Marie Curie Nursing Fund, often holding coffee mornings in her house and garden to raise funds. In 1985, during an interregnum, Elsie conceived the idea of forming St Andrews Guild, which still functions today, supporting the parish. She had a wonderful talent for getting people involved, however new they were to the Village. In Elsie's eyes you won your village spurs if you were willing to give a helping hand - a rather splendid legacy to leave behind.

Margot Godbold.

THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

At the April meeting Bruce Gernand, East Anglian sculptor, and Senior Lecturer at the Central St Martins School of Art in London, gave a talk about his use of computer 3D graphics to develop his works. He prints an enlarged "unfold" of the 3D image onto card from which he produces the mould to cast full size pieces which can be over a metre high. The photographs of his works showed that by combining the computer's mathematical logic with his own artistic judgement he creates sculptures that are reminiscent of natural objects such as shells, stones and plants which are also striking and powerful. At the May meeting, Mark Lawrik-Thompson, FRAS, Chairman of the Norwich Astronomical Society, gave a fascinating talk on the value of computer technology to astronomers. Telescopes can zero in on the distant galaxies by highly accurate computer control, fuzzy photographic images can be enhanced and astronomers no longer have to journey to distant mountain top observatories. They can request images of the objects they are studying to be sent over the internet. Mr Lawrik-Thompson illustrated his talk with a selection of breathtaking pictures, many taken by the Hubble space telescope. Retiring chairman Martin Smith was thanked for his three years in office and Piers Ford-Crush was elected the new Chairman. The next meeting of the new season will be in October. Contact Frank Scoble on 723519 for details.

Piers Ford-Crush.

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NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on Monday 8th April. The official minutes will be published on the Village notice boards. There was an application to build a bungalow at the rear of Spindrift, Lodge Road. The Council opposed this application, because it represented back land development and was an over-development of a small site. There was also an application for the erection of a two-storey extension to Ash Cottage, The Green. The Council had no objection to the application. Permission has been granted for the erection of a conservatory at the rear of Ilanga, Lodge Road. Permission has also been granted for the erection of a first floor conservatory to Hoistwood House, Lodge Road. After a meeting between the Visitor Management Committee and Inspector Shields, it was agreed that if Walberswick was prepared to sponsor a Traffic Warden then one would be made available for the busiest periods. The cost would be £2,500 - £3,000. Waveney District Council is going to clean part of Walberswick Beach, (approximately from the beach huts to the harbour wall) on a weekly basis. Mr Hunt and Mr K. Webb attended a meeting with a member of the Environment Agency, to discuss the protection of the sand banks in the area of the beach huts. Large areas to the left of the huts are going to be fenced off throughout the summer to protect the marram grass, this will then be re-planted in September. The area to the right of the huts will be fenced off in September and planted with marram grass. Walkways will be put into place to prevent further erosion.

An extra meeting was held on Monday 29th April. There was an application for the erection of a greenhouse at Halsey, Lodge Road, and also an application for the erection of a new detached double garage and pool room at Mulberry House, Mill Field Road. The Council had no objections to either of these applications. All members of the Council signed a new Declaration of Acceptance of Office and the new Ethical Code of Conduct was adopted. The Rural Housing Trust informed the Council of the results of the Housing Needs Survey carried out earlier in the year. They stated that the level of response had been good and acceptable as an indicator of the needs and attitudes towards housing development in the locality. Many households indicated the type of housing, if any, they felt was required in the Village. The comments, in the main, were supportive of the provision of housing for local people. However, the information collected did not warrant a small scheme of properties at present. As nine households would require housing within the next five years, it was recommended that the Parish Council reconsider the matter within the next 18 months. It was agreed to write to the Trust stating that the Parish Council was disappointed that the Trust had decided not to go ahead with the scheme in the Village. Although the requirement for such houses might be minimal at this time, it was very important for the survival of the Village that young people were able to remain here. It was agreed to review the situation in one years time.
John Brentnall.

A FREE MAGNIFYING GLASS WITH EVERY ISSUE?

Those of you with an eye for detail will have noticed this month's smaller typeface. This is a result of the large number of articles submitted - and I still had to turn some articles away! (Sorry Annie, Judith, Jackie and John). Please keep them coming! On a separate matter I'd also like to add my personal thanks to Fiona Skelding for taking over the news whilst I was on holiday - Thanks! **Justin Kibble. Co - Editor.**

WHAT'S ON – JUNE 2002

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| GP SURGERY | Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe. |
| LIBRARY BUS | Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10.
14th and 28th June. |
| WHIST | Every Thursday 14:30 Village Hall. |
| CARPET BOWLS | Wednesdays 19:30 Village Hall. |
| 1st June. | Volunteers to erect bunting around the Green 09:00. |
| 1st June. | Natural Arts Consortium, Opening of 'The Little Studio' 10:00. |
| 2nd June | Jubilee Church Service - 15:00 |
| 3rd June. | Queen's Golden Jubilee Celebrations. |
| 8th June. | Natural Arts Exhibition & Sale 10:00 to 17:00 Village Hall. |
| 17th June. | Russian Students Visit "Half Way House" 19:30. |
| 19th June. | WI Garden meeting 14:30. |
| 22nd June. | Motor Neurone Disease tea party, Dutch House 14:30. |
| 28th June. | RBL Annual Visit, Imperial War Museum, Duxford. |
| 30th June. | Music at Blythburgh 15:30. |
| 27th July. | Annual Horticultural Show Village Hall. |
| 24th Aug. | Village Fete, The Green. |



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JUBILEE JUBILATION!



We all viewed the prospect with some trepidation:
How best could we honour the Queen's celebration

Of fifty long years as head of our nation?

A committee was formed with due consultation,
To twist a few arms (there was no flagellation!)
So that those round the Green – a vital location –
Should put out their flags in a show of elation.

Bank Holiday Monday – a real revelation,
Gave a communal picnic – and face decoration.

Competitive races brought great acclamation,
Though wheel barrows threatened to cause consternation,
And then to the Hall for a splendid collation
The ladies had set out for our delectation.

The evening continued the jollification
With dancing and feasting and liquid libation,
To end with a fine pyrotechnic sensation.

To those who took part in the organisation
We all must express our profound approbation
And thanks for a wonderful commemoration.

GG

A HUGE THANK YOU!

I would like to thank all those who contributed their time and effort to organise the Jubilee Celebrations for the Village. The day was a great success!

Brian Payne, Chairman of Walberswick Village News Board of Management.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS VISIT UPDATE

Heartfelt thanks to everyone in Walberswick who has contributed to this project. The students arrive on 1st August 2002 and will be in the Village for two weeks. Their programme will be in the Village shop window and we hope you will join in some of the events.

Following the two concerts given by Jade and her choir in the Anchor and Amelia and her friends in the Bell, the fund total currently stands at £7700. We are however several hundred pounds short of our ideal sum and I am writing to weekenders in the village hoping that they will offer service support. Many thanks to each of you who have contributed so generously.

Annie Kiff-Wood.

CHARITY NEWS

Christian Aid Week 2002

The house to house collection in the Village raised an impressive sum of £666.26. With the gift aid tax credits, this will rise to approximately £754.16. Many thanks to you all for your generosity and to the collectors for their time and effort.

Ian Bruce-Jones, Church Warden.

Annual Sponsored Cycle Ride

The Annual Sponsored Cycle Ride in aid of the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust will be held on Saturday 14th September 2002. Sponsor forms etc available shortly from Ruth Bassett, Herons, Church Field (01502 722474).

Ruth Bassett.

Save the Children Supper

All of us involved in 'Mince Matters' in the Village Hall on Friday 24th May 2002 were delighted to be able to hand over £780 to Save the Children Fund. Many thanks to all who helped and supported the evening.

Val Anderson.

NSPCC

Teas will be served in the Village Hall on Saturday 20th July 2002 from 14:00 to 17:00. There will be a Plant Stall and a Lucky Dip for the children. Any donations of cakes, plants and prizes for the Lucky Dip would be greatly appreciated.

Cathryn Simpson, Ferry House 01502 723384.

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We will be delivering new window and door stickers for the Neighbourhood Watch Scheme.

Philip Kett.

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Sunday 7th July	Trinity 6	09:30 Sung Eucharist
Sunday 14th July	Trinity 7	09:30 Family Eucharist
	Sea Sunday	18:00 Choral Evensong
Sunday 21st July	Trinity 8	11:00 Morning Prayer
Sunday 28th July	Trinity 9	09:30 Sung Eucharist
	Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00	
	Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00	
	Sunday School - Village Hall Annexe 10:00 -12:15	

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WI - MILLENNIUM PROJECT

We shall be pleased to welcome Malcolm Farrow to our meeting on 10th July 2002 at 14:30 in the Village Hall. He will be talking about a Millennium Project for our Suffolk Coast which should be extremely interesting. As always, we are happy to welcome visitors.

Julia Josephs.

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

Many of you will have heard by now that I have been appointed to a new post in the Diocese of Leicester. I will be the Urban Canon at Leicester Cathedral with pastoral responsibility for two city centre parishes, St. Margaret and St. Nicholas. The post of Urban Canon will involve giving a lead to the Church's involvement in the regeneration of the city centre, making it an attractive place in which to live, work and relax. I am under no illusions that this will be a great challenge but am looking forward to it very much. I look forward to living again in a multi-cultural city – though I will miss the countryside here - and having a post where the Church is welcomed as a valued partner working for change in the community.

I have very much enjoyed my time living in this beautiful part of the world, there is something very special about this area. I have also greatly appreciated the friendship and support I have received from many people, both in the Church and outside it, and will always value these friendships. Thank you for the many ways in which you have enriched my life during the last five years. I am sorry to be leaving sooner than I expected but what is most important in life is to have our hearts and minds open to God and to respond to what he calls and challenges us to do with our lives.

My farewell service will be a Team Eucharist at Holy Trinity Blythburgh on Sunday 25th August 2002 at 18:00.

With every blessing,
Barry Naylor.

JAZZ AT FRAMLINGHAM CASTLE

This takes place on 3rd August 2002 and features the Don Lusher Big Band with three girl vocalists. Coach will pick up at the Anchor Pub and the Church at 17:30. Tickets are £14 per person and include entry and coach fare. The Russian students whom Annie is sponsoring will be there. If you would like to come to this rather special evening kindly ring 724143.

Michael Davies.

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NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL**13 May Meeting**

A one minute silence was held by members to reflect on the sad death of County Councillor Richard Church who had died suddenly whilst on holiday the previous week. The clerk stated that he had been a very conscientious and hard-working County Councillor and that he would be greatly missed by the Parish Council.

Appointments

Mr Hunt was elected as Chairman, and also as representative on the Village Hall Management Committee. Mr Buncombe was elected as Vice-Chairman and as representative to the Suffolk Association of Local Councils. The Chairman reported that Mr Mark Aldridge had agreed to be the new Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee.

Works Report

The board walk across the marshes at the back of Hoistwood, had now been covered with netting and should be much safer for walkers. The work on the harbour reinforcements had almost been completed. The old swings on the Common needed attention and possibly removing. Mr Hunt thanked Mr Tibbles and Mr Webb for installing the new steps by the sluice bridge.

Planning applications with no objections

The demolition of a single storey flat roofed extension at Knoll Cottage, Leveretts Lane, and its replacement by a larger thatched roof extension.

Village Fete

Mrs King and Mrs Thomson had volunteered to co-ordinate the Village Fete. The council unanimously supported their request to use the Village Green on 24th August 2002.

Walberswick Common Lands Charity

The Council supported the registration of land by Walberswick Common Lands Charity.

10th June Meeting.

Mr Buncombe stated that he had attended the funeral of County Councillor Richard Church on behalf of the Council.

Planning permissions granted

The erection of a two-storey extension to Ash Cottage, The Green; the conversion of the garage roof to a loft at Northdale, The Street, and the erection of a new double garage and pool room at Mulberry House, Millfield Road.

Planning permission refused

~~The erection of a bungalow~~ in the garden of Spindrift, Lodge Road.

Planning applications

~~A replacement shed~~ and conservatory extension at Byways, Stocks Lane. The Council had no objection to the shed, but opposed the conservatory on the grounds that the design and form of the extension was out of character with the bungalow.

The conversion of the outbuildings at The Anchor to tourist accommodation was supported by the Council as it was felt that it would ensure the restoration of the building.

Planning Appeal

The planning appeal of Quietways, Leveretts Lane was attended by six residents from the Village and District Councillor Rae Leighton. During a lengthy discussion Mr Leighton informed the Council that the planning appeal had been upheld.

Works Report

The public toilets needed painting and the new door frames did not fit correctly. The roads needed sweeping as the yellow lines were being obliterated and it was agreed to contact the Highways Department. It was also confirmed that Waveney District Council was cleaning its part of the beach twice weekly. Concern was expressed about the use of hooks on crabbing lines. Although warning notices were in the shop, it was agreed to attach notices to fishing line packages and on the huts of the car park attendants. The telephone box had still not been painted and it was agreed to contact BT yet again. The chairman reported that The Golden Jubilee had been a very successful day of which all the Village should be proud. The next meeting will be Monday 1st July 2002.

John Brentnall.

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Jazz at Framlingham Castle.

CLUB NEWSWhist Club

Due to lack of support it has been decided to suspend our whist afternoons held on Thursdays at 14:30 until 5th September 2002. We welcome new members to join us for a pleasant afternoon of whist, tea and a raffle in the Village Hall Annex. Transport provided. Contact 723755.

Maureen Thompson.Walberswick Carpet Bowls Club

Our end of season dinner, held at the Anchor was attended by fifteen members and two guests. One member celebrated his birthday which added in no small measure to the happy occasion. The dinner was excellent – many thanks to the staff for looking after us so well.

Bowling will start again on 2nd October 2002.

Maureen Thompson.Bridge Club

The last Monday bridge session will be on 15th July 2002. Bridge sessions will start again on Monday 9th September 2002.

Margot Godbold.**NOTE FROM CO-EDITOR**

I never imagined I'd be practising my computer skills editing the Village News - just goes to show you never know what's round the corner! Anyway I'm pleased to be able to make a contribution in this way - made easier by lots of help and tips from Justin!

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WIMBLESWICK

The Parish Council has been approached to investigate the viability of providing tennis facilities, available to all, and I have been tasked to develop the possibility. Adequate space is available at the Sports Field but obviously such a project depends on sufficient interest being expressed, people willing to put the project in place, and finance, all of which I must be able to justify. Would anyone interested in seeing this idea develop please contact me as soon as possible.

Tel : 01502 722359

Email : rbuncombe@btinternet.com

Robin Buncombe.

ACCOMMODATION IN WALBERSWICK

The second most commonly asked question of Car Park Attendants (the first being 'Where is the nearest loo?') must be 'Where can I stay in Walberswick?' It is not possible for the Car Park company to 'advertise' or 'promote'. If, however, you have a property available for short/long term let or should you have any ad-hoc accommodation available, then could you please contact me so a list for display may be drawn up.

Tel : 01502 722359

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Robin Buncombe.

St ANDREW'S GUILD

There will be a meeting of St Andrew's Guild on Monday 2nd September at 10:30 in Saltlick, brought forward because the Harvest Festival is on the 8th September. Everybody is welcome.

Wendy Sinclair.

ARE YOU PROTECTED?

If you use the Internet your computer suffers a higher risk from virus attack. These attacks are on the rapid increase. So, if you haven't got the latest Anti-Virus software on your PC, kept up to date via the Internet - Watch out!
Justin Kibble.

MARY WEBB

David, Andrew, Robert and Emma wish to thank everyone for their cards, letters and messages of condolence following Mary's sudden death. Your kindness and sympathy has been a comfort to us all.

David Webb.

FUN FOR CHILDREN AT THE FETE

This year's official Walberswick Village Fete will be bigger and better than ever. Organisers Mary King and Maureen Thompson have planned a fun day out for the family. Children will be able to enjoy the roundabout, Punch and Judy, hoop-la, face painting, tombola and games. Caroline Quentin, TV personality, will be opening the Fete on 24th August at 14:00. Stalls include white elephant, cakes, garden centre, fancy goods, things for kids, books and all the usual ingredients of this popular fete. Homemade teas and a grand raffle will complete the afternoon. **To give items for the stalls please contact:**

Bottles (full)	Philip Kett	723800
Cakes	Ruth Bassett	722474
Kids stuff	Dilly Atkinson	724527
Plants	Ron Horsey	723910
Nearly new	Wyn Riddell	722869
Kitchenalia	Maddy Dabbs	725114
Children's tombola	Ingrid Kibble	722835
Hats, ties, bags etc.	Carol Wardell	722955
Books	Grahame Godsmark	722965
White elephant	Rae Leighton	724534

All proceeds will go to the upkeep of the Village Hall and the Parish Church.

Piers Ford-Crush.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS VISIT 2002

The Students are here from the 1st -15th August. On 14th August The Anchor will host a farewell supper for students and their hosts. However from 20:00, when there will be live music and we will be in party mood the whole Village is welcome to join us.

Annie Kiff-Wood.

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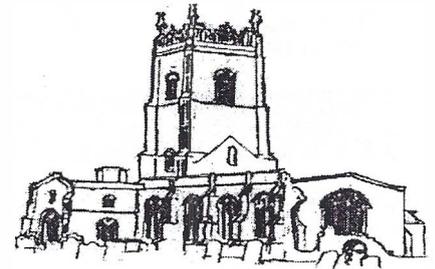
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CHURCH SERVICES FOR AUGUST

Sunday 4th Aug.	Trinity 10	09:30 Sung Eucharist
Sunday 11th Aug.	Trinity 11	09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong
Sunday 18th Aug.	Trinity 12	11:00 Morning Prayer
Sunday 25th Aug.	Trinity 13	09:30 Sung Eucharist Blythburgh 1800 Team Eucharist



ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

TEAM RECTOR

Revd Barry Naylor 722192

CHURCHWARDENS

Ian Bruce-Jones 724020

Christine Fisher 723023

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00
 Sunday School - (Village Hall) is on holiday

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Dione Sheriff, Bubbles Love, Kathleen Patterson,
 Susan Walpole.
 Royal British Legion; Chrissie Reeves.

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

This is the last article I will write as Team Rector of the Sole Bay Team Ministry. When I accepted this post, six years ago, I was looking forward to the challenge of building up a Team Ministry and it was a joy to be called to do so in such beautiful surroundings.

I have always worked in "teams" of one kind or another and, I believe, this is the best pattern for doing the Lord's work. Proclaiming the Gospel and building the Kingdom is a shared work. It is enhanced by the diversity of gifts we possess and by the spirit of cooperation, rather than competition, which is essential to good team working. It seems to me that the Sole Bay Team Ministry has got off to a good start, though, of course, there have been – and will continue to be – problems on the way. An essential part of good team working is that people respect and value one another in the Lord, even though we may see things very differently. This is the model of working, and going forward, I have attempted to foster. It may not produce results as fast as some other ways of working, but I trust that the results it does achieve will be firmly grounded.

The firmest grounding for any Christian work is prayer and I have sought to affirm an awareness of the centrality of prayer and worship in the Christian life, with the frequent celebration of the Eucharist and the regular recitation of the Offices throughout the Team. As part of my application for this post, I wrote: "The celebration of the Eucharist is at the heart of my understanding of ministry – which is a living out of what happens at the Altar". One of the biggest disappointments for me in my time here, has been my inability to overcome what is, in some people, a lack of awareness of the centrality of eucharistic worship to the Christian life.

A vital component of Christian living is our ability to embrace change – I have often quoted words of John Newman: "To change is to grow, to be perfect is to have changed much". If we do not change then we simply atrophy. Clearly all change is not for good, but this truism should not make us fearful of any change. We have changed over the last five years and we must continue to change, as the work of the Church goes forward. We must live in the present, not in some past time-warp. It is important that change takes place in an atmosphere of trust and security and I believe this is something the Team, as it continues into it's next chapter, will continue to provide. One of the great attractions of my new post in Leicester is to be heading up the Church's involvement in the transformation of communities in the city centre – to be committed to working for change and simultaneously rooted in the Gospel.

I have valued my time here, I have made some lovely friendships, in the Church and in the wider community, and I have many happy memories to take with me. It has truly been a great privilege to stand at the Altar and serve in our ancient churches, where prayer has been offered for many centuries. I will miss much here but am also looking forward to returning to living in a multi-cultural inner city, with all its blessings and challenges.

With every blessing for the future and with thanks for the many blessings I have received during my years here.

Barry

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Thorington, Blythburgh**TEA PARTY SUCCESS!**

My Tea Party at Dutch House this year was a great success. Two hundred people came and enjoyed the sunshine and the record sum of £1651.57 was raised for Motor Neurone Disease Research. Very many thanks to all of my helpers, to the scone makers, and to all those who spent money at the stalls and who gave generous donations.

Mary King.**JOAN SMITH OF THE POTTERS WHEEL**

Joan died on Friday 28th June after a two year struggle with cancer. A number of us from the Village attended her funeral in Southend, on Monday 8th July. Joan, a graphic designer, took over 'The Potters Wheel' 10 years ago and turned it into a popular and thriving business with her skill, energy and dedication. She will be remembered for her enthusiasm, zest for life and great warmth and kindness to so many of us. She will be sorely missed.

Val Anderson.**WALBERSWICK COMMON LANDS TRUST**Report from June meeting

Barbara Priestman was unanimously elected to serve a further term as a co-opted Trustee. A total of 2710 bundles of reeds had been harvested from the Trusts reed bed. The Land & Property sub-committee would deal with the disputes over boundaries resulting from the registration of Trust land. English Nature would be preparing a new five-year management plan for the Common. Five pairs of Dartford Warblers, at least one with young, had been seen on the Common. 91 Antlion pits were found along the railway cutting and otter spraint found near a boundary ditch.

Jayne Tibbles; Clerk to the Trustees.*(For information about Antlions see the back page. Ed.)***WI - A MILLENNIUM PORTRAIT**

Malcolm Farrow's visit in July, was about the book 'A Millennium Portrait' which he had helped produce as Press and Promotions Officer for Suffolk Coastal District Council. Malcolm's magnificent photographs of our beautiful coastline are all included in the book, and he was able to re-produce them for us on the big screen. There will be no meeting in August.

Julia Josephs.**REMEMBER, REMEMBER :
14th SEPTEMBER!**

All relevant literature is now available for the Sponsored Cycle Ride. Please support the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust either as a sponsor or as a participant. If you're a not cyclist, why not walk round Ipswich or Norwich churches as some people have done in recent years?

Ruth Bassett.*Herons, Church Field*

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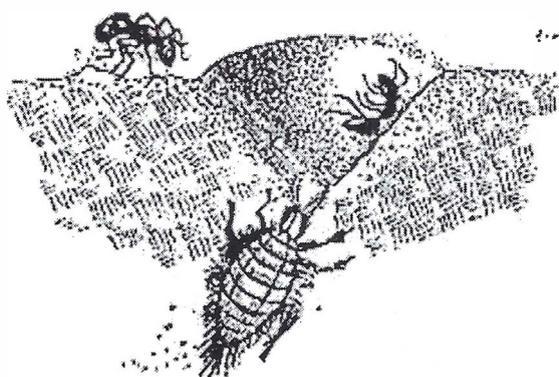
The meeting was held on Monday 1st July. The full minutes will be posted on the Village notice boards as usual. The Council received a planning application for an extension at the back of 1, The Terrace. There was no objection to this plan. Planning permission has been granted for the erection of a greenhouse at Halsey, Lodge Road. The District Council has received an application to fell seven beech trees on the boundary of former Mary's Tea Rooms. The District Council considered that these trees had significant value to Walberswick. The Parish Council was horrified and it was agreed to request a preservation order on the trees. Mr David Webb has produced a comprehensive report, detailing the state of all footpaths in the village. He stated that footpaths were all in reasonable condition at the present time and that they had been cut recently. The Clerk has sent a copy of the report to the Highways Department asking them to act where necessary. The next meeting will be on Tuesday 6th August.

John Brentnall.

JUST WHAT IS AN ANTLION?

Have you ever heard of a "doodlebug"? Well, it's actually an insect called an Antlion. **(As mentioned in Jane Tibbles' notes from the Common Lands Trust. Page 3)** The Antlion gets its name because it's a voracious predator of ants and other insects. Actually, it's only the larvae that's the predator. They capture ants and other crawling insects which accidentally fall into their circular pits. These pits are usually 1 1/2 to 2 inches in diameter and about the same depth. The Antlion larvae wait at the bottom for an ant or other insect to slip on the loose sand and fall in. As soon as they do, the Antlion has its next meal. In the process of making their pits, Antlion larvae create spiral-shaped trails in the sand. These trails are why they get the nickname "doodlebug", because it looks like someone has been doodling in the sand. Some species hide under debris or wood and attack passing insects. Adult Antlions resemble Dragonflies or Damselflies (order Odonata) and, like Damselflies, they aren't very good at flying. Antlions are easily distinguished from Odonata by their longer, prominent, clubbed antennae and different type of wing pattern. However, compared to other Neuroptera, such as lacewings, an

Antlion's antennae are shorter. The adult is rarely seen in the wild because it is active only in the evening. During the day it rests, motionless, well-camouflaged by its transparent wings and brownish body. The only antlion colonies in the UK are on the Suffolk coast.



Inset: An Antlion larvae pit.

Justin Kibble.
*Information courtesy of:
www.antlionpit.com*

WHAT'S ON – AUGUST 2002

GP SURGERY	Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.
LIBRARY BUS	Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10 August 9th and 23rd.
27th	July Annual Horticultural Show Village Hall. 14:30 - 16:00
3rd	Aug Jazz at Framingham Castle - see July Village News.
16th/17th	Aug Walberswick Craft Fair 11:00 - 17:00 Village Hall Refreshments served all day.
24th	Aug Village Fete, The Green 14:00
2nd	Sept St Andrews Guild Meeting - Saltlick 10:30
14th	Sept Suffolk Historic Churches Sponsored Cycle Ride.



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WALBERSWICK ANNUAL HORTICULTURAL SHOW

A most enjoyable show was held on Saturday 27th July 2002 in the Village Hall. All entries were of the normal high standard making the judges task not an easy one. The number of visitors was marginally below that of last year, no doubt due to the really excellent weather on the day and the attraction of the beach for so many of our visitors. Chairman Brian Payne, in announcing the award winners expressed his thanks to the committee and the many other helpers in bringing about an excellent display of exhibits.

AWARD WINNERS

Winyard Cup (for a man)	David Webb
Iris Blois Memorial Cup (for a lady)	Jill Whittenbury
Flower Bowl	Mary King
C C Gold Cup	Grahame
Godsmark	
Harvey Memorial Trophy	Jill Whittenbury

JUNIOR CLASSES

Prizes awarded to:	Felix Kibble
	Susie Lewis
	Kate Punnet

Vic Rowland.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS VISIT UPDATE

'Excitement' is probably the best word to describe our emotions on going to the UK. 'Dream' is a word likely to express the very idea of seeing all the places you've seen so many time in books or on TV with your own eyes. 'Gratitude' is what we felt towards all the people who contributed to making this trip possible. 'Impatience' was a dominating mood while waiting for 1st August 2002 to come, waiting for the plane, held back for a couple of hours, to set off and going in a coach from Heathrow to Walberswick. 'Big expectations' is what one would say about our thoughts, plans and dreams concerning these two weeks. It doesn't happen often that reality exceeds our expectations. At Walberswick it has. Words to describe what we feel now are yet to be invented. All we can say now is 'thanks' to everybody who helped all this happen.

Archie.

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ANNUAL SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

Please support the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust on Saturday 14th September 2002 either as a sponsor or as a participant. If you're not a cyclist, why not walk round Ipswich or Norwich churches as some people have done in recent years? All relevant literature and details from Ruth Bassett (01502 722474).

Ruth Bassett.

NSPCC SUMMER EVENTS

Following the NSPCC events in the Village during July and August we have raised the following amounts:

- House to House collection £316.85
- Village Hall Teas £253.00
- Car Parks collection (by kind permission of WCPL) with ' Spike ' in attendance £262.83
- Southwold District event at Ferry House £378.70

A grand total of over £1200 is a splendid result as well as raising the awareness of the NSPCC in Walberswick. Huge thanks to all residents and visitors for their generous support and to all those who helped.

Cathryn and John Simpson, Ferry House.

BOTTLE BANKS AT THE ANCHOR

Boxes, carrier bags, newspapers and other rubbish have been left at the base of the bottle banks in The Anchor car park. This service is dependent upon the goodwill of the landlord. If people continue to leave rubbish in this way the Village will lose this amenity. So please use the Bottle Banks appropriately and do not leave other rubbish there.

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR SEPTEMBER

Sunday	1st	September	Trinity 14	09:30	Eucharist & Baptism
Sunday	8th	September	Trinity 15	09:30	Family Eucharist Harvest Festival
				18:00	Choral Evensong
Sunday	15th	September	Trinity 16	11:00	Morning Prayer
				18:00	Team Eucharist Barry Naylor's farewell service, Blythburgh
Sunday	22nd	September	Trinity 17	09:30	Sung Eucharist
Sunday	29th	September	Trinity 18	18:00	Service to welcome Brian Fisher after ordination as a Deacon (OLM)

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00
 Sunday School - Village Hall Annex 10:00 -12:15
 September 15th, 22nd and 29th.

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Judy Morton, HARVEST, Dione Sherriff, Wedding,
 Royal British Legion, Anne Paton

FROM THE TEAM RECTOR

My "last" letter turned out to be not my "last" letter! The date of my final service here had to be postponed until 15th September 2002 at 18:00 in Holy Trinity, Blythburgh. Everyone who wishes to attend is warmly invited to do so. By the time you read this many of you will have heard that Jane Wilson, our Team Vicar living in Southwold, has been appointed to be the new Team Rector, with overall responsibility for the running of the Team. Jane will be remaining in Southwold and will not take on long term direct responsibility for pastoral care in Walberswick. Please keep Jane and the Team in your prayers as we enter this new chapter in our history. In due time a new priest will be appointed to join the Team staff.

On 29th September 2002 we will be welcoming Brian Fisher, from the village, in his new capacity as an Ordained Local Minister in our Team. Brian will be ordained as Deacon at the Cathedral at 10:00 and there will be a special service at St. Andrew's at 18:00 to welcome him into the Team Ministry in his new role. During his year as a Deacon Brian will be "under the wings" of Jane Wilson, and until further notice Jane will be the person to contact if anyone in the village requires a Priest (722397).

With every blessing and, once again, thank you for the love and support I have received during my time here as your Priest.

Barry.

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PARISH REGISTER

- June 9th Holy Baptism Callum Drew Horrod
- June 17th Funeral, burial of ashes Rosemary Frances Williamson aged 74
- June 20th Funeral Mary Heather Webb
- June 21st Memorial, burial of ashes Mollie Green aged 82
- July 19th Funeral and Burial Phyllis Margaret Winyard aged 82
- July 26th Funeral and Burial Peter Robert Church aged 57

HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest Festival will be celebrated on Sunday 8th September 2002. Donations of fruit, vegetables and tinned goods would be gratefully received at the Church early on Saturday 7th September 2002. All produce donated will be distributed round the village later.

Christine Fisher.

VILLAGE HARVEST SUPPER

Our harvest supper will be on Friday 6th September 2002 at 19:00 in the Village Hall. Patsy Murray will again be cooking a delicious hot meal and tickets will also include wines, puddings, cheese and biscuits, and coffee - and all for £5! A light entertainment will follow. Tickets are available from Penny Buncombe at Belle Vue, The Terrace (722359) and at Church services on Sundays.

Christine Fisher.

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CLUB NEWSW.E.A. – WALBERSWICK

The Autumn course will be 'The Foundations of Suffolk' commencing Thursday 26th September 2002 at 19:30 in the Village Hall Annex.

The course will study the rocks and soils of our region i.e. how they were formed and how they have shaped our present lives.

For details please contact Bill Sexton
(Tel: 723169) or Tony Rees (Tel: 725061)

Bill Sexton.WHIST

We will be starting up again on Thursday 5th September 2002 at 14:30. If we cannot keep the numbers up we will regrettably be compelled to disband, so please join us for a pleasant afternoon of cards, tea and raffle. Transport can be provided. We meet in the Village Hall Annex.

Maureen Thompson.CARPET BOWLS

The new season will start on Wednesday 5th September 2002 at 19:30 in the Village Hall. All are welcome.

Maureen Thompson.KEEP FIT - WHOLE BODY WORKOUT

This starts again on Tuesday 17th September 2002 at Walberswick Village Hall. Sessions are every Tuesday morning from 09:30 to 10:30 and 10:30 to 11:30. The later session is Low Impact Cost £3 per session. The Instructor is Yvonne Proctor.

Jenny Cardwell.BRIDGE CLUB

Bridge sessions start again on Monday 9th September 2002 at 14:30 in the Village Hall Annex. Everybody is most welcome!

Margot Godbold.**VILLAGE HALL CAR PARK USERS**

The Village Hall Management Committee in response to complaints, decided at it's meeting on 22nd July 2002, to instruct me, as Secretary, to write to all USERS reminding them of the necessity of CLOSING THE BARRIER after exiting or entering the Car Park. This is the only deterrent that we have to protect the illegal use of these facilities.

Paul Janssen.
Secretary

YOUR HELP PLEASE?

A visitor to the Heritage Hut is trying to trace a copy of the BBC film on Charles Rennie Mackintosh featuring Tom Conti. Can anyone help please?

Mary King.

ART CLASSES

Starting Wednesday 18th September 2002 there will be Art classes in the Village Hall. Class times are 09:30 to 12:30 and 13:30 to 16:30.

- Autumn Term: Still Life
- Spring Term: The Figure
- Summer Term: Land scape

Enrollment forms are available from Walberswick Post Office or Leiston High School. For further information please telephone Leiston High School on 01728 833171 after 1st September 2002.

Ron Horsey.

ST ANDREW'S GUILD

Please remember the meeting has been brought forward to Monday 2nd September 2002 at 10:30 at Saltlick because of the Harvest Festival the following weekend. Everybody is welcome.

Wendy Sinclair.

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NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on Tuesday 6th August 2002. The official minutes will be posted on the Village notice boards. Since the meeting in July, the phone box has been painted, the dog bins have been resited and the Harbour Master has been informed about nets being placed too close to the shore. Work has been carried out on the sports field and pavilion throughout July. The Council also heard that the painting of the yellow lines will take place in September after the main holiday season has finished and that the environmental work planting new marram grass on the sand banks is imminent.

Planning permission has been granted for the retention of the shed and conservatory at Byways, Stocks Lane and for the erection of an extension at 1, The Terrace. Planning applications this month included the erection of a two-storey side extension at Ryecroft, The Street. The Council had no objections to this but expressed concern about sufficient off road parking. There was also an application for the erection of a detached garden room at 3, The Terrace. There were no objections to a garden room being erected, but the application was opposed because it was considered that the proposed garden room was too large and over bearing.

Mr Buncombe informed the Council that despite much advertising, no litter persons were coming forward to help keep the village clean. Mr Brentnall wondered if it was time to reconsider placing bins around the village. The Council agreed that larger bins might be made available at the Ferry Road Car Park, but that smaller bins around the village led to piles of rubbish lying around.

Mr Buncombe stated that he would like to thank the Parish Council and the village for their co-operation over the Crabbing Championship. It had been a very successful day.

The Chairman reported that Mr Harris wished to have the bottle banks removed from The Anchor car park as people were leaving piles of newspaper and other rubbish around the base of the banks making it unsightly. Councillor Leighton reiterated that we did not want to lose the facility. It was agreed that the Chairman should ask Mr Harris to reconsider his decision.

John Brentnall.

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WHAT'S ON – SEPTEMBER 2002

- GP SURGERY** Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annex.
LIBRARY BUS Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10.
6th and 20th September.
- 2nd September** St Andrew's Guild Meeting 10:30 Saltlick.
 - 5th September** Whist 14:30 Village Hall Annex.
 - 5th September** Carpet Bowls 19:30 Village Hall.
 - 6th September** Harvest supper 19:00 Village Hall.
 - 8th September** Harvest Festival 09:30 St Andrew's Church.
 - 9th September** Bridge club 14:30 Village Hall Annex.
 - 11th September** WI meeting 14:30 Village Hall.
 - 14th September** Sponsored Cycle Ride, Suffolk Historic Churches Trust.
 - 17th September** Whole Body Workout 09:30 to 10:30 and 10:30 to 11:30
Village Hall.
 - 18th September** Art classes 09:30 to 12:30 and 13:30 to 16:30 Village Hall.
 - 26th September** W.E.A. Autumn course 19:30 Village Hall Annex.



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FUN DAY AND FETE

The Fun Day was a great success
A record sum of money!
To ease the organisers' stress
The weather stayed quite sunny.

Cooperation was the game
A host of willing workers;
Support from every quarter came
And not a sign of shirkers.

Congratulations are required
The challenge was just scary
But what a great response, inspired
By Maureen and by Mary.

G.G.

RECORD BREAKING FETE!

A light shower of rain in the middle of the Village Fete could not dampen the enjoyment of the afternoon. We had urged people to spend, spend, spend, and indeed they did. The record grand total of approximately £5000 was raised. Very well done, many thanks again to all those who supported, ran the stalls, helped and encouraged us in so many ways before and on the day.
Mary and Maureen.

The Village Hall Committee and the Church Council are immensely grateful to Mary King and Maureen Thompson for organising this year's Village Fete and to all those who participated in any way. The event was hugely successful. Details have been shown on 5 village notice boards. I have not yet received all of the money promised but I believe the provisional net proceeds of £5000 should prove correct.
Eric Bassett.

THEATRE OUTING

There will be an outing to the Theatre Royal, Norwich on Thursday 3rd October to see the 18th Century comedy, 'The Rivals' by Brinsley Sheridan. The cast includes Kate O'Mara and Michael Jayston and the production, in period costume, is by the British Actors Theatre Company. It should be good. The coach will leave 'The Anchor' at 13:00 prompt, and will call at the Shop and the Church. The cost, including coach, is £12 - which compares with a standard evening seat cost for this production of £14.50. This outing has been organised by WATS but all members of the village and their friends are invited. Please let me know as soon as possible if you would like to go on this outing. Alternatively, if after 21st September, please speak to **Peter Avis. Tel. 723225.**
Peter Gordon - Potts. Tel. 722827.

WHIST CLUB

Due to lack of support we have decided to disband the Whist Club, held on Thursday afternoons in the Village Hall Annexe. Should enough people wish to play in the future we will review the situation
Maureen Thompson.

SAVE THE CHILDREN

Our Annual Coffee Morning will be held on Saturday 19th October at the Village Hall from 10:30 until 12:00. This is the time to buy your Christmas cards, presents, books and children's gifts. Contact Val on 724609, Faith on 724278, Wyn on 722869 or Maureen on 723755
Maureen Thompson.

HERITAGE CENTRE

A BIG thank you to all Volunteers who manned the Centre this year. We hope to have a get together on Tuesday 29th October. Please keep the date free, details later.
Maureen Thompson.

CARPET BOWLS

Carpet Bowls will start on Wednesday 2nd October at 19:30 in the Village Hall, NOT 5th September.
Maureen Thompson.

CANCER RESEARCH UK - MINI MARKET

We are holding our mini market on Saturday 7th December in the Village Hall from 10:00 to 12:00. Christmas cards will be on sale but I will have some available from the beginning of November. If anyone wishes to purchase them before the 7th December please telephone me on 722108 to see them at my home. In February of this year the Cancer Research Campaign merged with the Imperial Cancer Research Fund and the new joint charity is now Cancer Research UK. A dedicated 3000 researchers and doctors and an annual scientific spend of £130m will make Cancer Research UK the biggest independent cancer research organisation in the world. We do hope that a cure can be found for this disease which affects so many lives. Please give us your support on Saturday, 7th December.
Margaret Adkinson.

FINAL RUSSIAN STUDENTS VISIT UPDATE

Archie represented the Russian students' views totally with his touching piece last month. It was written almost on the way to the airport. They all found their visit to England amazing and exciting, most of all they were moved by the welcome of the Walberswick people and by the beauty of the Village, no longer is their perception of the English as reserved, cold and obsessed by tea and the weather. Thank you everyone who made it possible raising in total £10083.
Annie Kiff-Wood.

BRITTEN-PEARS CHOIR AUTUMN CONCERT

Thursday 24th October 2002, 20:00 at Aldeburgh Parish Church. Brahms partsongs, Holst Nunc Dimittis, Lobo Requiem and an organ solo by Ralph Woodward. Tickets from Pru Ford-Crush Tel. 722255 or Aldeburgh Productions Tel. 01728 687110
Pru Ford-Crush.

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CHURCH SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

Sunday 6th Oct	Trinity 19	09:30 Eucharist & Baptism
Sunday 13th Oct	Trinity 20	09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong
Sunday 20th Oct	Trinity 21	11:00 Morning Prayer
Sunday 27th Oct	Bible Sunday	09:30 Sung Eucharist
	Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00	
	Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00	
	Sunday School - Village Hall annexe 10:00 -12:15	

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Wedding, Pat Longyear, Wendy Sinclair,
Royal British Legion, Vera Smith

THE LAST WORD. (Really!) From the Team Rector (Ret'd.)

Many thanks to everyone for the generous gift I was given at my final Eucharist and for the wonderful collection of line drawings of the churches in the Team by Chris Sinclair. The money will come in very useful for helping to furnish my new house and the picture will be a constant visual reminder of the time I have spent here. My final Eucharist at Blythburgh was a very happy occasion, in spite of the sadness associated with leaving. There was a marvellous atmosphere and I felt very uplifted by the love, warmth and appreciation so generously expressed. It was good to be able to share this with representatives of other Christian denominations, whose presence at that Eucharist was much appreciated. I do wish you every blessing for the future and pray that the Church in this part of the world will prove an effective instrument in the building of the Kingdom of God.

Barry.

SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

Saturday 14th September dawned dull and continued to be cloudy and mild. 44 cyclists signed in at Walberswick Church and the following people from Walberswick took part, our thanks are due to them and their sponsors: Maurice and Margot Godbold, Chris and Wendy Sinclair, Dione Sherriff, John and George Brentnall and Justin Kibble. Results will be known later.

Ruth Bassett.

WI - CYCLING IN VIETNAM

We had a most interesting talk from Chris Miller on Suffolk Punch Horses at our September meeting and his slides of these beautiful animals were very much enjoyed. On 9th October we welcome Catherine Dunk who will be relating her cycling trip in Vietnam last year. I was amazed to read that Snape's newly re-formed WI after a break of 43 years had, in two years, increased their membership to 43 with an age range of 15 to 90! Come on you girls in Walberswick, visit us in October and help us increase our membership!

Julia Josephs.



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Christine Fisher 723023

PARISH REGISTERS

August 29th

Thanksgiving/Memorial
Lucy Bateman aged 92

September 1st

Holy Baptism
Fleur Jane Alice Fincham
Leo Frederick Charles Fincham
Arthur Felix William Fincham
Alfie Hector Woodcraft

September 5th

Thanksgiving
Burial of ashes
William Arthur Lacey aged 91

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FOR YOUR DIARY - THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

House collections for the 2002 Poppy Appeal will start towards the end of October. The annual Coffee Morning/Bazaar will be in the Village Hall on Saturday 9th November, from 10:00 to 12:00. Please come and support this very worthy cause. The Service of Remembrance will be held this year at the Church of Holy Trinity, Blythburgh, on Sunday 10th November, starting at 10:45. Coffee will be served in the Church after the service. The Branch AGM will be held in the Walberswick Village Hall on Monday 18th November 2002, starting at 07:30.

Alan Walpole. Tel. 724763

REFUSE COLLECTIONS

You are reminded that rubbish bags put out for collection every Monday must be WITHIN the property boundary, as required by the District Council, and NOT on the street. Following the weekend of 7th/8th September on the Main Street alone 46 bags were observed, many of which had been the target of scavengers or had been damaged by/were vulnerable to vehicular traffic. The owners of let properties are specially requested to make sure that appropriate and clear instructions are displayed to visitors.
Parish Council.

FRIENDS REUNITED?

I'm trying to trace Bryan and Eleanor (Ellie) Hart who moved here in the 1980s. If you have an address/email for them, it would be much appreciated. Alternatively, please give Ellie my email address BrunaZanelli@aol.com.
Bruna Zanelli. Tel. 020 8776 0420

THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

The new season opens on Friday 11th October with a talk by the Lowestoft Cine and Camcorder Club. They will be demonstrating digital video editing which can be achieved on any home PC and they will show us some of their own productions. Other topics this season will include a talk from the CEFAS laboratories in Lowestoft on how they use computers to monitor fishing, and our outing will be a visit to Bletchley Park. Watch out for posters around the village for further information. Guests are always welcome at our meetings which are held in Walberswick. Meetings are held on the second Friday of the month from 19:00 - 21:00 ending with a glass of wine. Contact Frank Scoble on 723519 for membership and venue details or visit the society's web site at www.go.to/bvcs.

Kay Ungless.

THANKS ALL ROUND

Since its inception in January 1997 the Village News has been printed free of charge by the Morton Partnership. This is no longer able to continue. The Board of Management wishes to express its gratitude for the help given by Brian and Judith Morton over the past five and a half years. The Board now wishes to thank the Walberswick Common Lands Trust for agreeing to fund the printing of the newsletter for the remainder of this year. An application for further funding will be made formally in 2003.

B.A.Payne. *Chairman*

LUCY BATEMAN 1910-2002

Lucy Bateman's memorial service was held on 29th August at St Andrew's Church in Walberswick. She came to live in Walberswick with her husband in 1956. She lived first in 'Saltlick'. A keen gardener she occasionally opened her garden for fundraising events. As a trained nurse she joined the Colonial Services and was posted to Singapore in 1936. With the fall of Singapore she was a Prisoner of War in Changi Jail, though she was reticent to talk about her experiences. After her husband died she moved to Paules Fen and continued to participate in village activities. She was a member of the W.I and a friend to all. As she would say at the end of one of her memorable Curry Parties, "It's been lovely having you and now you can go!".

Maria Brentnall.

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NEWS FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

The meeting was held on Monday 2nd September. Planning permission has been granted for a one and a half storey rear extension to Knoll Cottage, Leveretts Lane; a two-storey side extension and front porch to Ryecroft, the Street. Permission has been granted for Quietways, Leveretts Lane to use brown stained windows and doors. A planning application has been received for the construction of a dormer window and loft conversion at Threeways, The Street. The council had no objection to this application but considered the window should be leaded to match the existing windows. The Council unanimously supported the proposed preservation order on the beech trees at Manor House and Alexandra Cottage. There has been no progress on the Traffic Wardens for the Village. Mr Buncombe reported that they had attended the Village, but not at busy times. It was agreed that if there was no sign of the promised Village Traffic Warden being set in place for next season by the December meeting, the Council would have to put the matter to a higher authority. The Clerk informed the Council that PC Matt Adams had stated that a new policing system would be set up shortly, whereby mobile officers would be designated to about five parishes. The Chairman has spoken to Mr Harris, Landlord of the Anchor Inn, who is prepared to give the bottle bank a second chance. The situation will be monitored. The Chairman has contacted Mr Peter Austin, Local District Councillor for Waveney about the deterioration of the South Pier of the harbour entrance. He has been assured that engineers from the Environment Agency were currently looking into the state of the South Pier and had recognised that work would have to be carried out in the next few years. The official minutes of this meeting will be placed on the Parish notice boards in due course. The next meeting will be held on Monday 7th October.
John Brentnall.

AOB

Flood Defence Work

The fencing around the Marram grass on the beach has been installed to allow it to consolidate and hence stabilise the bank. It has been carried out as part of vital flood defence work being carried out by the Environment Agency.

Beach Clean

The next Village Beach Clean will be held on Sunday 20th October at 10:00. All help would be appreciated.

Golden Jubilee Photographs

The photographs taken on Jubilee Day can be seen in the Village Hall on Saturday 26th October 10:00 - 13:00.

Viv Hunt. Clerk to Parish Council

WHAT'S ON – OCTOBER 2002

GP SURGERY	Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe.
LIBRARY BUS	Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10. 4th and 18th October.
CARPET BOWLS	Wednesdays 19:30 Village Hall from October 2nd
2nd October	Carpet Bowls, Village Hall 19:30
3rd October	Village outing to Theatre Royal Norwich 'The Rivals'
9th October	WI Welcomes Catherine Dunk - Cycling in Vietnam
11th October	Blyth Valley Computer Society meeting - 19:00 - 20:00
19th October	Save the Children Coffee Morning. 10:30 - 12:00
20th October	Beach Clean - 10:00
24th October	Britten-Pears Concert, Aldeburgh Church, 20:00
26th October	Jubilee photographs on view. Village Hall 10:00 - 13:00
29th October	Heritage Centre volunteers get together.
9th November	RBL - Coffee Morning/Bazaar 10:00 - 12:00
18th November	RBL - Branch AGM, Walberswick Village Hall, 19:30
7th December	Cancer Research Mini-Market, Village Hall, 10:00 to 12:00

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ROBERT EADE 1967 - 2002

People come. People go. As they arrive on this earth there is celebration. When they depart there is sadness and mourning. But for some, a few – a very few – there is an 'in between' that brings love, joy, happiness, perhaps even a sense of envy. One such was Robert who enjoyed life in this community as no other. More importantly, or I should say as importantly, he epitomised the very essence of this rural, loving, community. "I cannot believe he owed this day, to some genetic disarray, wrongly conceived. He came into this world, and there he lived to teach us to care, this he achieved." Robert lived in Walberswick for all 35 years of his life, for every single one he was happy. He was known to don a policeman's helmet and direct traffic along the street. He was so often seen riding his electrified tricycle up and down the village street – whether it was on the right side or the wrong side didn't matter to anyone. Fred and Shirley entrusted the very life of their beloved son to Walberswick, knowing that if he were in trouble he would be protected. Andy and Steve feared not when Robert visited the Anchor so frequently for his blackcurrant and lemonade, he was made welcome. [Today] we said farewell to Robert, entrusting him into God's eternal care, and the whole village was there, if not in body then in spirit, to wish him a loving journey. If ever there was cause for celebration then that was it. Who was Robert? Better than you and I for sure – but he was not alone, for others share the 'genetic disarray' that is Downs Syndrome. Goodbye Robert, may you rest in peace.
Robin Buncombe.

BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

At short notice, the venue of our first meeting of the season was moved to the Village Hall Annexe. Perhaps fortuitously as it turned out, for the room was packed. Our thanks go to Ifor Williams for the nine years that he has welcomed us all to his home and we wish him well. Whether by coincidence or design, one day during the summer the Chairman of Lowestoft Cine and Camcorder Club took the ferry across from Southwold and made a video of our Fete. Using this video, we were treated to a fascinating and most informative evening on how to record, edit, cut, save and synchronise. Crabbing has never seemed so exciting as when it is set to music. The evening finished with a demonstration of special effects. Our next meeting will again be held in the Village Hall Annexe. It is on Friday, 8th November at 19:00 when the Lowestoft CEFAS laboratory will talk about its use of computers in fisheries science, management and environmental monitoring.
Kay Ungless.

ROBERT EADE

We would like to thank everyone for the love and care they have shown to Robert over the years. He couldn't have grown up in a better place. Thank you to everyone who sent cards, letters and flowers. Donations for the RNLI amounted to £763.00
Fred, Shirley, Stephen & Andrew.

PETER TAYLOR

Peter Anthony Taylor born March 1928 died on 16th September 2002. I would like to thank everyone from the Village who sent letters and cards —they have been a great consolation to me.
Barbara Taylor.

PETER TAYLOR

The Village has lost a great supporter in Peter Taylor who died recently. With East Anglian roots dating back some six generations, he and Barbara moved into the Village eighteen years ago.

Peter loved the open spaces and beach where he could be seen most days with Bella his Poodle walking and sitting for many an hour, being as he was a keen birdwatcher and lover of the countryside.

He immersed himself in village life—was Chairman of the recreation club and was instrumental in setting up the popular Carpet Bowls Club; he ran the whist sessions and was very keen for past members to enjoy the annual lunch at the Roundhouse, even when they were no longer able to enjoy their whist through illness, loss of vision etc.

Peter was secretary of the fund raising section of the RNLI in Southwold and a long standing representative of his local club associations on the Walberswick Village Hall Management Committee.

Through the WI he helped Barbara to set up and establish the popularity of Bridge in the Village, he being an excellent card player and member of several clubs in the area.

On behalf of those who new him well and worked with him may I offer Barbara our condolences.

Maureen Thompson.

BRIDGE

Every Monday in the Village Hall annexe at 14.30 sharp. All are welcome. We play Chicago and draw for partners.
Margot Godbold.

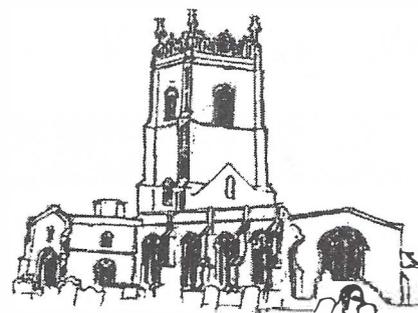
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CHURCH SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday 3rd Nov	4 Before Advent	09:30 Eucharist & Baptism
Sunday 10th Nov	Remembrance	10:45 British Legion Service Blythburgh
Sunday 17th Nov	2 Before Advent	11:00 Morning Prayer
Sunday 24th Nov	Christ the King	09:30 Sung Eucharist
	Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00	
	Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00	
	Sunday School - Village Hall annexe 10:00 -12:15	

FLOWER ARRANGERS

Wendy Sinclair, Chrissie Reeves, Bubbles Love.
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PARISH REGISTERS

September 20th

Thanksgiving Burial of ashes
Robert Eade aged 35

September 28th

Holy Matrimony
Rupert Potter/Clare Simpson

SPONSORED CYCLE RIDE

The amount raised by the six Walberswick participants was £1040 to be divided equally between St Andrew's Church and the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust. Another excellent result, £42 up on last year's total. Many thanks to all involved in any way.

Ruth Bassett.

LETTER FROM THE 'NEW BOY'

By the time that you read this I will have been ordained Deacon for just a month—and already I have been volunteered to write this article! When I married Christine Mitchell, almost six years ago, and moved to Walberswick, I did not expect to be turning my collar round. I was warmly welcomed into the community here in 1996, and have continued to experience that warmth and support up until the present time. I hope, in the coming months and years to help promote that sense of community even more. There are still many people in the Village whom I do not know at all or only vaguely. If you see me around please stop and introduce yourself—I am human even though my collar, at times will be back to front. I am not the finished article yet (are any of us?) which means that I have one year further training on the Diocesan Ministry Course, based in Bury St Edmunds, and supervised locally by the team rector, Jane Wilson. God willing, six colleagues and I will be ordained priests on Sunday, 28th September 2003. You could say that I will be on probation for a year, somewhat ironical for someone who has worked as a probation officer for thirty two years. Please feel free to contact me (Tel: 723023). I don't know all the answers but I know a man who does. Yours in his name.

Brian Fisher.

WI – VOLCANOES & EARTHQUAKES

Catherine Dunk treated us to a fascinating insight of Vietnam when she spent 19 days cycling (with back-up bus) earlier this year. She entreated us to mortgage our houses and visit this glorious country before the hoards discover and spoil it. We look forward to hearing Val Sutch (November 13th) talking about volcanoes and earthquakes. Visitors most welcome. This meeting will also include our AGM and a presentation to Enid Bazire, the retiring Area Chairman.

Julia Josephs.

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WALBERSWICK BOOKCLUB (mark one?)

A few months ago a group of friends in the Village decided, after much talking about it, to look into starting a book club. We contacted the library service who have a librarian with special responsibility for supporting such groups and discovered that we could have a 'book club library card' which enables us to take out up to ten copies of a book, for two months at a time. The card is held at the library of your choice and books are logged in an out by a named person.

We also collected 'The Book Club Box', a box of information and exercises to use at your first meeting to help you think about what format you want the group to follow, how many members you want to work with, how you will choose the books etc. The exercises were very interesting and got us talking instantly about the types of books we had read, characters we loved and hated, books we have re-read etc. Looking into the information in the box and on-line we decided that we didn't want to go above single figures for the group as much of the guidance and feedback suggests that beyond this discussion becomes increasingly difficult.

We decided to meet on a monthly basis, mainly in each others' houses, but for those of us who find this difficult we meet in the pub when it is our turn and this has also worked well.

We are constantly hearing of people who would like to join the group but don't, at the moment, have any spaces. I have spoken to the library and there is no reason why we can't have any number of book groups in the Village, all with their own cards. If anyone is interested in starting another group and would like to talk to me I am sure that between our group members we already have enough people who have approached us informally to start at least one, if not two, more groups. Maybe we could get together every sixth months or so to do a joint book or have book events in the village hall! Please contact me on 722923 if you want some contact numbers at the library or just to discuss ideas for a group.
Denise Brentnall.

BALLOON RACE FETE 2002

Much to our disappointment no cards have been returned from the 110 balloons released on 24th August. The £25 prize offered to the balloon that went the furthest will therefore be added to the fete profits.

Jenny and Ben Cardwell.**LADIES FITNESS**

Full body workouts take place every Tuesday morning in the village hall from 09.30 - 10.30 & 10.30 - 11.30. Do come along ladies and enjoy getting fitter together. The cost is £3.

Jenny Cardwell.**FROM THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION**

A note to remind all ex-Service men and women and their dependents that they are entitled to advice, support and assistance from the Royal British Legion. If you think that we can help please contact the Chairman of the Branch Service Committee Mr Bill Sexton (723169) or Mrs Pat Wythe (724142).

Alan Walpole. Chairman Tel. 724763

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WORKOUT WITH EUROLEAN NOSTRAS

The inhabitants of Walberswick created the Common by grazing the impoverished sandy soil over many centuries. Until 100 years ago it was extremely important to the village. In 1795 a flock of 1,600 sheep were recorded in Walberswick and until the early 1900s large flocks of sheep trampled the bracken and nibbled off any young tree saplings, villagers also collected plants for medicines, kindling and building materials, and the rabbits were part of their diet. The Common should be important to the inhabitants of the village today but for a different reason; its features are nationally rare because of the transition from dry heath through wet heath, to a valley head mire, known locally as the fen. These conditions do not exist elsewhere because of modern agricultural activities including drainage, ploughing and fertilizing. The Common forms part of the internationally important Sandlings heaths and is a site of great scientific interest, designated as a SSSI. The U.K. has about 20% of Europe's heathland, and the Suffolk Sandlings represent about 4% of the U.K. total. These wet and dry heathland habitats support a range of specific and rare flora and fauna, and if they are not properly managed they will be lost for ever. There is a constant threat from the invasion of birch, willow, gorse, and bracken, a prolific weed. Nigel Hunt, Chairman of The Common Lands Charity and the Trustees are currently considering a management plan for the Common in conjunction with English Nature. In recent years volunteers from the village have also worked on the Common during the winter months, helping to preserve this unique habitat. This year we meet on Wednesday afternoons at 2.15 in the Church Lane car park commencing on the 6th of Nov. Tools and refreshments are provided. Even if you are not interested in the Antlion, we can provide for no charge relaxing aerobic exercise in the fresh air and beautiful surroundings. If you would like more information please phone me 01502 723910.
Ron Horsey. Hon Warden

TRADCRAFT DAY

Following Christian Aid week we held a popular and successful Traidcraft Day in May. With Christmas in mind there will be another Traidcraft Day on Friday 8th November at Greengates between 10:00 & 19:00 - note the extended hours to allow for those returning from work. Samples of the latter will be available. There will be an opportunity to sample some of the products for sale including tea, coffee & biscuits. Jay Williamson will be on hand to give more information about some of the projects involved in the production of the goods. Looking forward to seeing you there!
Christine Mitchell.

WHAT'S ON – NOVEMBER 2002

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| GP SURGERY | Wednesdays 14:30. Village Hall Annexe. |
| LIBRARY BUS | Alternate Fridays. Church 14:30/Village Hall 15:10.
1st, 15th and 29th November. |
| CARPET BOWLS | Wednesdays 19:30 Village Hall. |
| 26th October | Jubilee photographs on view. Village Hall 10:00 - 13:00 |
| 29th October | Heritage Centre volunteers get together. |
| 8th November | Humbolt Piano Trio 19:30 Holy Trinity Blythburgh.
Mendelssohn and Schubert. |
| 8th November | Traidcraft day, Greengates |
| 9th November | RBL - Coffee Morning/Bazaar 10:00 - 12:00 |
| 18th November | RBL - Branch AGM, Walberswick Village Hall, 19:30 |
| 23rd November | Pre-Christmas arts and crafts fair 11:00 Village Hall. |
| 7th December | Cancer Research Mini-Market, Village Hall, 10:00 to 12:00 |
| 14th December | Christmas arts and crafts fair 11:00 Village Hall. Food served. |
| 19th December | RSCM Southern Cathedral Singers: "Christmas in song": 18:00
Holy Trinity Blythburgh. |

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HOW TO PUT THE FUN IN FUNDRAISING!

Tina Harris at The Anchor Inn Walberswick teamed with Glenda Ford to host the hugely successful Charity Auction Night on Saturday 2nd November 2002 with all proceeds donated to the NSPCC Registered Charity.

Tina and Glenda worked tirelessly over many months approaching well-known national and local celebrities, companies and friends to donate auction items that numbered over 100 on the night.

Items obtained included many signed books and CDs, jewellery, pictures, theatre tickets, individual's time for household /gardening/cooking jobs, "AliG's" framed underpants and many more.

With the welcoming setting at The Anchor, a finger buffet, children singing and landlord John Harris at the rostrum a fantastic amount of £2500 was raised and a lot of fun was had by all.

Huge thanks and gratitude to The Anchor team, to all those that donated items and to everyone that entered into the fun on the night and gave so generously.

The money raised will support the Child Protection Team in Suffolk.

Thank you all from the children of Suffolk.

John Simpson

Ferry House Walberswick.
Chairman – North Suffolk NSPCC

SHOE BOXES FOR ROMANIAN ORPHANS

I am collecting shoe boxes or backpacks for orphans and sick children aged 8 –16 years living in Pascani and Iafi in Romania. Suggested items to include are:

- Rulers, pens, crayons, geometry sets
- Notebooks, colouring books
- Playing cards, dominoes or other small games
- Small cars, photo albums
- Soap, shampoo, hairbrush
- Hats, gloves

The completed shoe box or back pack should be wrapped up and include a label identifying the age and whether it's for a boy or girl. Please also include £2 to cover transport costs and deliver your gift to me at The Bell Inn by 28th February 2003. I will then arrange for it to reach Romania. For any other details please contact me on 723109.

Thank you for your support.

Sue.

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THE BLYTH VALLEY COMPUTER SOCIETY

John Bumpus, Head of IT at the Lowestoft CEFAS Laboratory gave us a most informative talk and fascinating insight into the work of The Centre for Environment, Fisheries & Aquaculture Science. Established in 1902, they were the first fisheries laboratory in the world. Now, internationally renowned, they operate on the leading edge of science with extensive international links. Indeed, CEFAS' work has led directly to the recent warnings concerning dangerously low stocks of cod. They support the inspection and control of all live fish movements, monitor shellfish hygiene and design software for animal and fish telemetry, to name but a few of their fields of research and expertise. Linking up to their website via a mobile phone, we were shown real time data from the West Gabard smart-buoy just off Lowestoft, where amongst numerous other data we determined the wave height at the moment of looking to be 2.3 metres!

The next open meeting will be on Friday 10th January 2003 at 19:00 with a talk by BT's own futurologist, Ian Pearson. All meetings are held in the Village Hall Annex. Contact Frank Scoble on 01502 723519 for membership details or visit the society's website at www.go.to/bvcs.

Kay Ungless.

LAND MATTERS

The registration of land owned by the Trust has been completed. A new five year management plan for The Common has been agreed. A new Environmentally Sensitive Area agreement for the Town Marshes is being negotiated with a request that one marsh be reduced to a lower tier to give the grazier more flexibility regarding weed control and periods of grazing. Ideas for use of the 2002 covenant from the car parks to be submitted to me in January 2003 please, with costings where possible.

Jayne Tibbles.

Clerk to the Trustees

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Sunday	1st	December	1st of Advent	09:30 Sung Eucharist
Sunday	8th	December	2nd of Advent	09:30 Family Eucharist 18:00 Choral Evensong
Tuesday	10th	December	St Edmund's Southwold, Institution of Rev Jane Wilson as Team Rector	
Sunday	15th	December	3rd of Advent	11:00 Morning Prayer
Sunday	22nd	December	4th of Advent	09:30 Eucharist 18:00 Carol service
Wednesday	25th	December	Christmas Day	09:30 Family Eucharist
Sunday	29th	December	After Christmas	09:30 Sung Eucharist

Holy Communion 1662 (said) every Wednesday at 10:00
 Evening Prayer is said every Tuesday at 17:00
 Sunday School - Village Hall Annex 10:00 -12:15
 On holiday 22nd and 29th December.

FLOWER ARRANGERS

No flowers in Advent.

MORE FROM THE 'NEW BOY'

Yes, I am still feeling very new in my new role. Thank you for your encouraging comments on last month's letter - you should not have been so complimentary, as I have been given the job permanently! As I mentioned last time I am still not the finished article, far from it; so as part of my continuing training I have to undertake a pastoral task within Walberswick. I have in mind the setting up of a monthly luncheon club at the Village Hall. The purpose would be to provide a hot meal (at cost) in friendly company - there would be no upper or lower age limit and hopefully transport would be available if required. Your comments about such a project would be appreciated. By the time you read this, we will be at the beginning of the Church's season of Advent. According to my dictionary, advent means 'an arrival or coming, especially one which is awaited'. It is the time of year when Christians look back to the first coming to earth of Jesus Christ, and look forward to His return in glory at some time in the future. Let me encourage you as you celebrate Christmas, be it alone or with relatives and/or friends, to spend some time thinking about that first Christmas. As we read in the Gospel according to John, 'God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life'.
 Yours in his name.

Brian Fisher.



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Julia Josephs.

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS 2002

As well as the big tree in the porch there will be special nativity and epiphany scenes in the porch window sills with landscapes and figures made by local artists.

Julia Josephs.

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WI CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES

We are very much looking forward to seeing every member on 11th December 2002 for the Christmas Party. All the usual fayre will be served! Please make a note of our New Year luncheon date (22nd January 2003) when we hope to repeat last year's successful day at The Wentworth in Aldeburgh. Friends are also most welcome. At the AGM in November we voted for Vivien Finnie to join the committee in 2003. The committee was then re-elected on block and the officers agreed to stand for a further year; Barbara Taylor President, Ann Beckham secretary and Heather Hynes treasurer.

Julia Josephs.

BRIDGE CLUB NEWS

Our Christmas lunch has been arranged for Monday 16th December 2002 at Central House, Westleton. Menus will be available from the beginning of December at our regular Monday bridge sessions. Don't miss the chance to make your choice. Bridge will take place in the Annex, as usual, after the lunch and will be our last session before we break for Christmas. We shall restart on Monday 6th January 2003 at 14.30.

Margot Godbold.

CIRCLE DANCING

Aladdin sports a new hat! Come along to the Village Hall on Sunday 8th December 2002 from 14:00 to 17:00 for circle dancing with heli. Details on 725070. There is also a special date for Winter Solstice celebration: Sunday 22nd December 2002. Location is the Village Hall from 14:00 to 17:00 for circling and celebrating (and festive fayre!). Details on 725070.

Helen Baxter.

KEEPING FIT!

LADIES FITNESS: The final session this year is on Tuesday 17th December 2002 at 09:30. We begin again on 7th January 2003.

MEN'S FITNESS: We extend a warm welcome to any man who would like to join the fitness sessions on a Tuesday between 09:30 & 10:30, or 10:30 & 11:30 (low impact). Everyone works at a level that suits them. Come along and enjoy the whole body workout. Begins 7th January 2003.

Ben and Jenny Cardwell.

ONE-OFF ADVERTS

If there is space in the Newsletter, one-off adverts may be included at a cost of £10.

Fiona Skelding.

**WALBERSWICK
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Walberswick Surgery is held in the Village Hall Annex at 14:30 on Wednesdays. Please phone in advance (722326) so that your records can be available. Prescriptions, for those who are entitled to free prescriptions, are delivered to the Village Shop on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. For repeat prescriptions phone 725230. The Dispensary requires two working days notice to provide prescriptions. The Southwold Surgery EMERGENCY number is 722604.

Mary King.

BALLOON RACE

Final chapter! To our knowledge the furthest distance that a balloon went was to Steggerda in Holland. Unfortunately the card was returned well after the records were disposed of, so we do not know who the winner was but we did send a prize to the finder.

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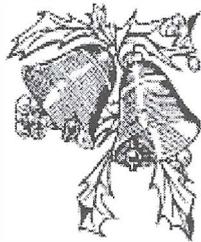
PC Upson introduced himself as the new Community Police Officer. He will be covering ten villages in the area sometimes on bicycle or on foot patrol. It is hoped that his role will promote confidence amongst villagers who would be reassured by his presence. He is based at Saxmundham and can be contacted via Saxmundham or Leiston police station.

Planning permission has been granted for the erection of a detached garden room at 3, The Terrace, and for the conversion of an out building for tourist accommodation at The Anchor Inn. Permission has also been granted for the felling of a sycamore and the crowning of a lime tree at The Gables, Millfield Road.

Planning applications in October included a linked extension to The Hidden House, The Green. It was felt that this extension was too large and did not respect the style of the original building. A request for a side extension to Kermont, The Street, was supported. The Council was outraged to receive an application for the siting of caravans for the winter months in Southwold. The visual intrusion of this site from the south side of the harbour has been a constant cause of concern for the people of Walberswick, and despite several pleas for some form of screening nothing has ever been achieved.

Mr David Webb and Alvin Hunt attended a public footpaths meeting in September. The main aim of the meeting was to discuss the state of the footpaths. It was agreed to improve the current signing and also to produce small maps to be handed out to visitors showing paths and bridleways that can be used by cyclists. It was pointed out that it is not illegal to cycle on footpaths, but it is trespass. Missing stiles cannot be replaced as they can only be used to control livestock. It was agreed that a board walk should be installed on footpath 20.

John Brentnall.



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13th December. No library on 27th December.
- 8th December Circle dancing, 14:00 Village Hall.
 - 11th December WI Christmas Party, Village Hall.
 - 16th December Bridge Club Christmas Lunch, Central House, Westleton.
 - 17th December Ladies Keep Fit, 09:30 Village Hall.
 - 22nd December Circle dancing, 14:00 Village Hall.
 - 22nd December Carol Service 18:00 St. Andrews Church.
 - 23rd December Carols round the Christmas Tree on the green, 19:00.
 - 6th January Bridge Club 14:30 Village Hall Annex.
 - 7th January Ladies and Men's Keep Fit, 09:30 or 10:30 Village Hall.
 - 10th January Blyth Valley Computer Society meeting 19:00 Village Hall Annex.
 - 22nd January WI New Year lunch.

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