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Dear Dawn,

Loved reading your piece in the Village Voice, '*Voices from the past Dec 1988-Jan 1989*.' It brought back so many memories, so many forgotten names and events. Please do more of these.

Mrs Self (she was always known as Mrs Self) lived at High House, Church Hill, Hoxne. We still call her house 'Mrs Self's' so many years on! I remember as a child running errands for her. I've talked to my sister, who remembers always, always being asked to pick up a lemon for Mrs Self when she went to the village shops!

The *Recipe for Preserving Children* was in a village Jubilee Cookbook* edited

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<https://www.gov.uk/register-interest-homes-ukraine>

by my mother, Jane Carter. I think it was in 1977. Mum kept a copy of this recipe at the front of her handwritten recipe box. I think I have a copy of the original cookbook somewhere, which I will try and locate.

John and Jean Chapman ran the village shop, and the village youth club, before taking on the editor's role.

Alison Carter, Hoxne

**Alison has kindly agreed to allow publication of some recipes from her mother's Jubilee Cookbook. See pages 23-26 for pull-out section.*

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Mid Suffolk

I am a single parent, with two young children. I am already struggling to stay on top of my household bills; my weekly food shop isn't stretching as far anymore and now my energy

bill is going up too. I don't know how I'm going to afford all of these price rises.

What can I do to stop my finances spiralling out of control?

First of all, you are not alone in this and there's support to help you.

It's always worth checking if there are benefits you don't know about that you're eligible for, including support with your energy costs and living costs. On the Citizens Advice website - citizensadvice.org.uk - there's a benefits calculator, advice on how to reduce living costs and information on other ways to increase your income.

There's also emergency support that you may have access to, such as food bank vouchers or fuel vouchers.

Citizens Advice Mid Suffolk can provide advice on this or any other issue, including debt, employment, benefits and family law. You can contact them on **01449 676060** or use the contact form at midsuffolkcab.org.uk/contact-us. For more information and our opening hours go to midsuffolkcab.org.uk.

Wingfield Barns

Winter Wilson

Friday 10th June, 7.30pm £12

Original songs packed with punch and emotion that will get beneath your skin, and all delivered with great humour. Their eight studio albums had all received rave reviews, and 2019's "Live & Unconventional" (recorded on tour with folk-rock icons Fairport Convention and on stage at Cropredy Festival) was no different.

Now performing stunning new songs alongside old favourites, Kip Winter and Dave Wilson are thrilled to be back on the road.



The Shock of the Old

Written and performed by
Terence Blacker

Friday 17th June, 7.30pm £14

Terence Blacker has been stressing over how to grow old happily and with style ever since he got his bus pass and, frankly, months of lockdown have not improved his age-anxiety one bit. Looking around, he has discovered that the world is every bit as muddled about age in the 21st century as he is.

Now, in his funny and perceptive new show, he faces up to the joys and pains of the passing years with songs, quotes, and anecdotes. It's as if Victor Meldrew met Tom Lehrer for a none-too-serious debate about the meaning of life.

The result is a spirit-lifting and timely celebration of the art of not taking the ageing process lying down - about being, in the words of one of Terence's songs, 'not quite done'.

Women of Troy by Euripides

Open Space Theatre Company

Thursday 23rd June, 7.30pm £12

Women are stranded on the beach outside the burning city of Troy as they wait to be "allocated" to members of the victorious Greek Army, to serve as slaves or concubines. This timeless drama by one of the great Greek playwrights highlights the suffering of women and children when men go to war.



The open-air production, directed by David Green, features the work of choreographer Caroline Mummery, and composer William Drew-Batty. In the event of bad weather, the show will transfer into the Great Barn.

Bob Flowerdew

Thursday 21st July, 7.30pm £15

Bob's family have been tilling the land in the Waveney Valley on the Norfolk/Suffolk border since Tudor times, so he is a natural choice to share his wealth of horticultural experience with us in an evening of idiosyncratic chat, anecdote, verse and song.

Warning - may contain wry humour, sometimes witty, occasionally PC. There will be an intermission for Pimms (or other beverage) - included in the ticket price.

Village Fete

Sunday 7th August, 12.00-4pm Free

www.wingfieldbarns.com
01379 384505

St Edmund's Hall, Hoxne—Film Nights

Belfast

Friday 10 June

Branagh's film is one family's account of The Troubles in Northern Ireland. A nine-year-old boy must chart a path towards adulthood through a World that has turned upside down. His stable and loving community and everything he understood about life is changed forever but joy, laughter, music and the magic of the movies remain.

Starring Jude Hill, Lewis McAskie, Caitriona Balfe, Jamie Dornan, Judi Dench, Ciarán Hinds. Cert PG-13.

The Duke

Friday 8 July

In 1961, Kempton Bunton, a 60-year old taxi driver, stole Goya's portrait of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery. Ransom notes were received saying the painting would be returned if the Government invested more in care for the elderly. An uplifting tale starring Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren. Cert R.

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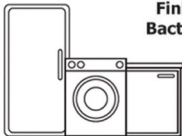
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Frenze Beck Nature Reserve IP22 4GG

The Frenze Beck nature reserve covers 14.5 acres in Diss and has been recently restored after a period of neglect, during which it became overgrown and inaccessible. A network of paths has been created to take you through a mosaic of different habitats, including dry and damp meadow, ponds, hedgerows, ditches, reed beds and scrub. These provide cover and feed for a variety of wildlife and support many wildflower and plant species throughout the year.



The footpaths around the nature reserve are always open to pedestrians, but the car park is locked in the evenings and overnight. Walkers (and dogs, provided they are on a lead during the nesting season) are always welcome.

Please respect and protect the site and its wildlife by keeping to the paths, picking up after your dog and using the dog bins at both reserve entrances.

<https://www.riverwaveneytrust.org/frenzebeck/>

Church News

Let's celebrate!

There are lots of things to celebrate over the next two months.

First and foremost, of course, the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We will be holding special services at Hoxne and Wingfield on Sunday 5th June, which will include appropriate hymns, readings and prayers in celebration and thanksgiving for Her Majesty the Queen's long reign. Local representatives will be invited to attend and everyone will be very welcome to join in.



The same Sunday is Pentecost, when we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, whose activity has been so evident in the Queen's 70 years of service to her country and all of us, as well as to the Commonwealth and the global community.

Father's Day is on 19th June and towards the end of June we will also be celebrating some of our churches' patron saints - the birth of St John the Baptist (Denham) and St Peter and St Paul (Hoxne).

Plus we are into the wedding season - congratulations and best wishes to all the couples getting married in our churches this summer!

It's not all good news and we continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and for all who are affected by the cost of living crisis in this country. We remember that God is faithful and that, through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, eternal life has been victorious over death. That's something that always gives us cause to celebrate!

God bless, Eleanor

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Church Services

Denham, Hoxne, Syleham and Wingfield

Every Saturday and Sunday:
CW Morning Prayer at 8.00 am on
[facebook.com/WingfieldChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WingfieldChurch)

Every Friday: Compline at 6.00 pm on Zoom. For an invitation to our Zoom services, please e-mail eleanor.goodison@gmail.com. Some services in church are also live streamed or uploaded to [facebook.com/WingfieldChurch](https://www.facebook.com/WingfieldChurch)

Sunday 5th June
Pentecost/Queen's Platinum Jubilee
9.30 am CW Holy Communion, Hoxne
11.00 am CW Holy Communion, Wingfield
(Messy Church will participate in the Big Jubilee Lunch event at J's meadow in Syleham)

Sunday 12th June
Trinity Sunday
9.30 am Café Church, Hoxne
11.00 am CW Holy Communion, Denham



Sunday 19th June
First Sunday after Trinity (Father's Day)
9.30 am CW Holy Communion, Hoxne
10.00 am Village Service, Syleham
6.00 pm Evensong, Wingfield

Thursday 23rd June
St Etheldreda
7.00 pm Archdeacon's Visitation service, Hoxne

Sunday 26th June
Second Sunday after Trinity
9.30 am BCP Holy Communion, Syleham
10.00 am Matins, Hoxne
11.00 am CW Holy Communion, Denham
4.00 pm Animal Service, Horham
Community Centre meadow

Sunday 3rd July
Third Sunday after Trinity
9.30 am BCP Holy Communion, Hoxne
11.00 am CW Holy Communion, Wingfield
4.00 pm Messy Church

Wednesday 6th July
Thomas More and John Fisher, Martyrs
7.00 Deanery "Pimms and Hymns", Hoxne

Sunday 10th July
Fourth Sunday after Trinity
9.30 am CW Holy Communion, Redlingfield
9.30 am Café Church, Hoxne

Sunday 17th July
Fifth Sunday after Trinity
9.30 am CW Holy Communion, Hoxne
10.00 am Village Service, Syleham
11.00 am CW Holy Communion, Wingfield
6.00 pm Evensong, Wingfield

Sunday 24th July
Sixth Sunday after Trinity
9.30 am BCP Holy Communion, Syleham
9.30 am BCP Matins, Hoxne
11.00 am CW Holy Communion, Denham

Sunday 31st July
Seventh Sunday after Trinity
11.00 am Benefice Holy Communion, Redlingfield
4.00 pm All Age service, Hoxne

Wednesday 3rd August
6.00 Lammis Service, Hoxne in aid of the Addington Fund

Revd Eleanor Goodison

 **Calling all organists, pianists, keyboard players...**
We have lost two of our church organists recently and are looking for people who would be willing to play for services, even occasionally. If this could be you, please contact Revd Eleanor or a Churchwarden.

St John, Denham

I remember the first time I stepped inside the venerable medieval door of Denham Church and looked up at the west wall - there was a gap at the top wide enough to let in the daylight. The whole thing appeared to be leaning precariously outwards. It is thanks to Michael and Margaret Reeves, who have just resigned from the PCC after many, many years of service, that the church was rescued. As church warden and treasurer, they orchestrated what turned out to be a fundamental restoration project which included not only the west

wall but also the roof of the nave. We owe them a huge debt of gratitude for all their hard work in preserving and supporting our church.

We are holding a plant sale in the church yard at 2.00 pm on **Saturday 28th May**. This is earlier than usual to allow for all the jubilee activities the following week. It has been an early spring also so we look forward to welcoming you all. There will be cream teas, cakes, cooling drinks and a bookstall.

Our services over the next couple of months are as follows:

Trinity Sunday 12th June
Holy Communion at 11.00 am
Sunday 26th June
Holy Communion at 11.00 am
Sunday 24th July
Holy Communion at 11.00 am

Hilary Castleden
01379 668458

St Margaret, Syleham

Easter Grateful thanks once again to all who contributed floral decorations to the church for Easter; there were a number of appreciative visitors during the week. We celebrated Palm Sunday at *Messy Church* - with real live donkeys! And on Easter Day, there was an Egg Hunt on J's Meadow, with a story trail where we shared Jesus' life, death and resurrection - with children who were already impressively knowledgeable!

Welcome We are delighted to welcome new families to Syleham and we hope they will soon feel part of the community. As a church, we are able to offer monthly activities for babies and toddlers and their carers (*Little Lambs*, in Hoxne) and young families (*Messy Church*, in Syleham) as well as occasional workshops for older children (*Club Create*): do ask if you are



interested in any of these.

Ukraine Crisis We continue to hold the people of Ukraine very much in our prayers and there remains a special prayer and (battery) candle in the porch for your use.

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Messy Church will be providing craft activities for children as part of the celebrations on J's Meadow; and, of course, we have in the churchyard the rowan tree generously donated by Sarah Buckley as part of the Queen's Green Canopy.

Coffee and Cake is continuing monthly at the Village Hall, on first Tuesdays from



10am - 11.30am. A warm welcome awaits, with free coffee or tea and freshly home-made cakes, in an attractive setting, with table service and plenty of lively conversation.

Summer Garden Lunch will be held on Sunday 24th July at Syleham Manor, by kind invitation of Major Napier. Watch out for publicity and details nearer the time. This will be part of fund-raising towards work planned for the church including improvements to the lighting as well as essential maintenance.

Ride & Stride We shall again be participating in this annual event organised by the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust, which encourages cyclists and walkers to visit local churches, with sponsorship on behalf of a church of their choice. This year, the date is Saturday 10th September, and we would love volunteers to take part and raise some money for St Margaret's! Sponsor forms will be available nearer the time.

St Margaret's remains open daily and provides a delightful walk, even though the snowdrops and daffodils have now gone.

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669258/07775 732259



Pilgrims on their way to Walsingham

St Andrew, Wingfield

On 26th April we said a final farewell to Air Commodore Bernard Wellingham, who died on 30th March at the age of 96. Large numbers of mourners attended his funeral, a testimony to all he had done for the village of Wingfield, for the Royal British Legion and many other organisations, and for St Andrew's Church itself. Bernard led the major programme of restoration work on the church which took place in the 1990s and his contribution is commemorated in an engraved lozenge in one of the clerestory windows. He was a good friend and will be very much missed.

More cheerfully, a very successful fundraising coffee morning was held on 2nd April at Syleham and Wingfield Village Hall, organized by Jacky Taylor, and a highly enjoyable concert of baroque music took place in the church on 24th April, with soprano Melanie Mehta, Peter Demetriadi on the harpsichord, mezzo-soprano Caroline Abbott and the Wingfield Church choir. Together these two events raised more than £1,000 towards the urgent repairs required to the church.

During Holy Week we welcomed a party of pilgrims from the Essex Leg of Pilgrim Cross who were walking from Colchester to Walsingham and stopped in Wingfield for tea and cake, followed by a short service sitting on the grass by the south door (see photo above).

Our Annual Meeting was held on 7th May. A number of Parochial Church Council members have stepped down, so we have vacancies for new members. If you feel you could contribute to the life of the church in this way, please get in touch.

St Peter & Paul, Hoxne

On 23rd April the church of St Peter and St Paul with St Edmund, Hoxne held our Annual Vestry Meeting and Annual Parochial Church Meeting. It would be easy just to publish the minutes of the meeting but with nearly six pages of reports, few will have time to read them so I will try to summarize.

There were no other nominations for church wardens, so Guy McGregor and Wilf White volunteered to continue in their positions. The other existing members of the Parochial Church Council were also re-elected. They are Caroline Abbott, Andrew Castleden, Deborah Harding, David Hyde, Anne Swann and John Swann with our priest, the Revd Eleanor Goodison, in the chair. That leaves us with one vacancy if anyone would like to join us.

On the financial side there was an overall deficit of £4,533 but this will be significantly reduced when we have received Gift Aid.

Wilf White presented the Churchwardens' Report. An extract follows:

As we have emerged from the pandemic, we have been able to make real progress with a number of exciting plans for the church:

- * We now have the "faculty" - the church equivalent of planning permission - for the St Edmund chapel and for moving the organ to the north aisle. The beautiful icon of St Edmund, which has been very generously donated to the church, will be installed soon and the plan is that the chapel will be formally dedicated at a special service later this year.
- * Largely thanks to Andrew Castleden, excellent progress is also being made with the project to restore our bells. We hope to be able to submit a faculty soon.

* We also hope that we shall soon be able to seek a faculty and planning permission for a new loo on the site of the current sheds to the north of the church, along with improved access to the north door from the car park. A great deal of thought and work has gone into the development and design of this project.

We have not neglected general maintenance and repairs and Andrew Castleden has done sterling work at the top of the tower and investigating leaks in the roof. But we still have quite a bit of further work to do.

We have also been discussing how we can best expand the churchyard for further burials. We do rather hope that we will not run out of space too quickly of course, but we shall certainly need more space in the next few years.

Thanks were given to the excellent clergy who support our parish, Eleanor, John and Richard, all of whom work extremely hard for us without any pay; the members of the PCC and of the Friends; Jim, our organist; Donna, our cleaner; those who arrange flowers for the church so beautifully; and all those who take care of the church building and churchyard.

More detailed reports on the bell project, lavatory and church services are included below.

Debbie Harding
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Spending those pennies

In the last Survey of the Village, residents identified that the provision of a lavatory at the Church was a high priority. Hoxne PCC took this on board and instructed the architect to produce plans.

It was concluded that as there were no suitable spaces in the Church a scheme attaching a new building to the North Door was produced. Unfortunately, this scheme became more than the PCC concluded it could justify. With the appointment of a new architect a more realistic scheme was produced.

Cont.

The new scheme:

The adaption of a high specification "Office Garden" style building was put into plans.

Pre-Application Enquiries with Mid Suffolk District Council (local Development Planning Control Authority), Diocesan Advisory Committee (Faculty Authority) and Historic England (Statutory Consultee) have all been concluded. All these have indicated support for the project.

The Architect has now been instructed to apply for Planning Permission, Listed Building Consent and a Faculty for the Project.

The PCC hopes to complete the project in time for the Visit of the Suffragan Bishop on 4 December 2022.

Guy McGregor
Hoxne Church Warden

Mothers' Union

The Hoxne Mothers' Union Group meets on the third Monday of the month at 2.30pm at Time House, Low Street, Hoxne.

Monday 20th June—Fellowship meeting

Monday 18th July—No meeting

On **Thursday 23rd June** there will be a North Suffolk Area Quiet Day at Westleton to be led by the Rev Betty Mockford. This is open to non-MU members and further details are available from Cathie.

New members always welcome.

Cathie McGregor, Group Leader
01379 668434

Flower Rota

June 5th, 12th & 19th

Altar: Cathie McGregor

June 26th and July 3rd

Altar: Sarah Buckley

July 10th and 17th

Altar: Pru Day

July 24th & 31st

Altar: Suzanne Lewis

There is hand sanitising lotion available for use in the church.



Thank you to all the flower arrangers for your contributions to keeping our church a welcoming place for visitors.

If you would like to join our group please contact:

*Cathie McGregor, flower rota
organiser 01379 668434*

The Friends of Hoxne Church

The first thing that I have to say is that we were all so very sorry that Caroline has had to resign as Chairman. Her family commitments meant that she felt unable to give to the Friends the time and effort she believed the post required. We all thank her very much for her contribution to the Friends through a very difficult time.

Those of you who are members of the Friends will have already received a letter from me regarding the immediate future. This listed some of the history of the Friends, with details of the fantastic amount of money raised to date ... £199,000!

Our aim is still the same, to help to preserve the fabric of our historic church and its surrounds. This stays the same, although for many reasons we will not be able to hold the normal number of fund-raising events in the coming year.

We really do need some new, and younger, people to join us. So please, if you feel that the project is worthwhile to preserve our historic church, then please contact myself or David Hyde on 668467, or our Secretary, Debbie Hooker on 668190.

Finally, one item of clarification - many people when asked to support the Friends reply that they have already contributed to the church. We thank them for that, but must point out that the Friends are a separate charity and are not part of the church organisation.

We raise money and then make it available to the church if they ask for help with a particular project. Our money does not go to help with the day-to-day running of the church. It is only

for work on the preservation of the fabric etc.

We will be holding our annual Harvest Lunch in the Hall on 16th October and look forward to seeing many of you there.

Thank you for your support.

John Brawn
Chairman of the Friends

Hoxne Bell Ringers

We have had a successful couple of months with members of the team taking part in a couple of quarter peals and regular ringing at both Oakley and Redgrave. A quarter peal takes about 45 minutes and takes changes 1250 changes are good fun when they work! Our two most recent members continue to make impressive progress in the art of bell ringing.

There have also been changes in Hoxne church. The organ has been moved from the base of the tower to the north aisle and has left a large space and lots of light in the west end of the nave. This will improve the musical participation in church services and is necessary to enable the bell restoration to go ahead.

Meetings are being set up with the

church architect to apply for our next faculty. These are permissions from the diocese to make changes to the church. This one will be about the preservation of our existing bells and the hanging of our donated eight bells from the Keltek Trust. There has been an engineering inspection of the old wooden bell frame and tower, which found everything satisfactory for our proposed work.

The local bell ringers are going to try and ring in every ringable bell tower in



the area to celebrate the Queen's Platinum jubilee. This will take place on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd of June and involve relays of ringers and the ringing of bells that have been silent for many years.

A bell ringers' outing is being planned in July with other local ringers. This will enable us to ring at a number of towers we would otherwise not visit and will also be a great social occasion.

We are always looking for people who would like to learn bell ringing or who want to restart a paused ringing career.

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Diary Dates:

Friday 3rd June - Free Jubilee Entertainment evening

Thursday 9th June - J's Meadow get-together

Friday 10th June - Purple Star Karaoke

Friday 17th June - Quiz evening

Friday 24th June - Bingo

Thursday 30th June - Coffee, Chat, Craft, Exercise

Friday 1st July - Open Mic

Saturday 2nd July - Family BBQ

Friday 8th July - Purple Star Karaoke

Friday 15th July - Quiz evening

Thursday 28th July - Coffee, Chat, Craft, Exercise

Friday 29th July - Bingo



You will see from the diary dates that our Friday evening Social Club opening offers a range of events - the bar is open at Open Mic, Karaoke, Quiz evening, Bingo - drop in to any or all of these (please join the Syleham and Wingfield Sports and Social club - annual subs = £3.50 or £3.00 for concs). The pool table is also available.

It's lovely to see Rowley on Open Mic nights!

Karaoke nights are just unique!



The Quiz evenings are famous for the fiercely contested Mars bars for the team with the lowest score!

Bingo is famous for the really awful array of raffle prizes! Come and see, if you don't believe me!

The hall is busy on a Tuesday evening too - there are people chatting, playing cards, dancing, playing pool - not all at the same time - and the bar is open.

Into July we have our annual Family BBQ planned for Saturday 2nd July - all are very welcome to just come along, no need to book. Food is reasonably priced and served from 5pm, the bar will be open, serving reasonably priced drinks.

Advance notice: FREE event on Saturday 20th August - open to all - Paul Birch as **BUDDY HOLLY**. This is a fundraising event iao *Meningitis Now* and *Children's Liver Disease Foundation*. Please come along, bring some friends, enjoy the atmosphere.

Regular events during the daytime include Coffee and Cake in conjunction with Syleham church on the first Tuesday of the month 10.00 to 11.30, and Coffee, Chat, Craft & exercise on the last Thursday of the month from 1.30 to 3.

The bowls players will, of course, have moved to outdoor games until the autumn months come along - they will then return to Monday evenings in the hall later in the year.

Visit our website for the latest news:

sylehamandwingfieldhall.org

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Our Jubilee



Celebrations!

Denham

Denham Parish Council, in conjunction with Denham Community Council, will be holding a Jubilee celebration on:

Saturday, 4th June
1.30 pm until 5pm

This will be held in the grounds of Greenlands Farm, Hoxne Road, opposite the Village Hall, with the kind permission of Jon and Becs.

The event will be:

“A Right Royal Garden Party”



All residents are welcome. There will be afternoon tea and cakes, strawberries and cream, a Jubilee Cocktail plus non-alcoholic “mocktail” and competitions with prizes for best-dressed royal (adult and child), a children’s colouring competition and a prize for best royal cake.

There will also be local musicians playing traditional music with the opportunity for a sing-along.

Please come and join us to celebrate this wonderful event with friends and neighbours.





Hoxne

Thursday, 2nd June

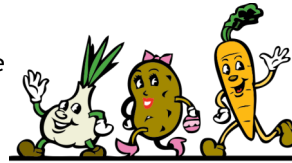
2.00pm The Great Jubilee Cake Decorating Competition
Village hall lounge (see page 22)

10.00am-4.00pm Hoxne Jubilee Events Display
Village hall, main hall

Hoxne Heritage Group will put on a display of events, including a photo exhibition, of the last seventy years in Hoxne, to remind us all of past gatherings and events in the village throughout the Queen's reign. These events not only define the village but give rise to the background of our reputation as a vibrant village.

Hoxne Garden and Social Club will add to the display with depictions of gardening during the Queen's reign.

Tea and cakes will be available.



Friday, 3rd June

The Hoxne Pavilion and Playing Fields

Family Fun Day

10.00am Display of classic cars, military vehicles and tractors

11am-1pm Children's entertainer **Charlie Cheesecake**

A barbeque will be run by the **Fressingfield Scouts**

12.00 Bar opens. There is also a café for refreshments

Sports in the afternoon, 5-a-side football, rounders and children's events

Hoxne Cont.





Hoxne *Cont.*

Saturday, 4th June

2.00-4.00pm Jubilee Cream Tea

at Abbey Farm, Abbey Hill. A warm welcome from
The Church of St Peter and St Paul with St Edmund



**Scones, cakes and ice creams,
Raffle, and goodies stalls!**



8.00pm Free concert in the village Hall

Swervy World

play Rock 'n' Roll, Jump Blues, Boogie Woogie,
Ska, Blue Beat and Traditional Jazz

Tickets are limited and will be on a first-come,
first-served basis. Priority will be given to Hoxne
residents. Organised by the Hoxne Music Festival.
Contact Stuart Jarrold:

stuartjarroldassociates@gmail.com.

Sunday, 5th June



9.30am The Church will be holding a special service
including hymns, readings and prayers in
celebration and thanksgiving for Her Majesty the
Queen's long reign and years of service. All will be
very welcome to join in.

3.30pm Village Voices, hosted by The Swan Inn
Hoxne, will give a short concert featuring songs
familiar during the Queen's reign.



Syleham and Wingfield

Friday, 3rd June

Syleham and Wingfield Sports and Social club presents:

8pm FREE Entertainment evening
at Syleham & Wingfield village hall
to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee



for Wingfield and Syleham residents, families and guests

Featuring live music from:

Station 366, No Agenda and ***Pipefitters***
plus: ***Jukebox John***

Bar open Hot dogs will be sizzling!

Come along and join us!

Sunday, 5th June



The Jubilee BIG LUNCH on J's Meadow

for Wingfield and Syleham residents and guests

The official opening of the event will include the unveiling of an English Oak, planted in March by Major Andrew Napier DL, to mark the year of the Platinum Jubilee.

Highlights of the event?

The amount of handmade bunting that has been made!
The Cake Competition with the theme 'Fit for a Queen'!
The amazing array of salads we have promised!
The surprises we have in store!



Friends and neighbours in Wingfield and Syleham will find further information on the flyer accompanying this Village Voice



2nd June 2022

Decorate a cake!

The Great Jubilee Cake Competition

Decorate a cake any size, any shape, showing a great event during the Queen's 70-year reign

The competition is being organised by

Hoxne Phoenix Group

and will take place in

Hoxne Village Hall at 2pm on 2nd June

Entries are free

Entry form in April/May Village Voice or by email request to:
patandbryan1@gmail.com, completed and taken to Hoxne Post Office by
Friday 20th May

Prizes will be awarded to girls and boys aged 6 or under, girls and boys
aged 7-16, anyone over 17! Plus Best in Show

**All cakes to be delivered to Hoxne Village Hall by
11am on Saturday, 2nd June for judging!**

Extracts from Jane Carter's 1977 Jubilee Cookbook

**Pull-out
section**



Jane's daughter Alison remembers some of the contributors whose recipes are in the original booklet. Can anyone help identify any of the other contributors please?

Cathy Buday, who typed the booklets; **Mrs J Easy**, of Easy Pigs Denham; **Daphne Anderson**, author, whose son is the actor Miles Anderson; **Caroline Ball**, of The Abbey; **Jean Chapman**, from the Hoxne shop; **Doris Burridge**, Allen's wife and school cook; **Christine Lawrence**, who together with her husband Christopher instigated Father Christmas's visits and the Harvest Breakfasts; **Poppy Muller**, Amnesty International founder in Diss; **Gladys Baldwin**, first-class raffle organiser; **Mrs Lowe**, needlework teacher at Stradbroke Secondary School; **Daphne Banham**, Hoxne church organist.

Please note: There are no metric weights in the original booklet—I added the (approximate) conversions. Only back-to-basics ingredients needed. Perfect. Ed.



THE JUBILEE YEAR 1977

HOXNE COOK BOOK

Compiled by Jane Carter

Yum Yum Cake

Anon. Hoxne

Base:

2 oz/50g brown sugar

3 oz/75g margarine

6 oz/150g SR flour

2 egg yolks

½ tsp vanilla essence

Top:

2 egg whites

1 oz/25g cherries (chopped)

1 oz/25g walnuts (chopped)

4 oz/100g caster sugar

Base: Cream margarine and brown sugar together, beat in egg yolks and vanilla essence. Stir in flour.

Top: Beat egg whites until stiff. Add caster sugar, cherries and walnuts. Spread evenly over base.

Bake at 350° Mark 4/180°C for 20-30 mins. (Better when eaten the next day).

Bread Pudding

From Mrs D Burrige, Hoxne

4 oz/100g stale bread (soaked in water overnight)

2 tblsp sugar

¼ tsp mixed spices

1 pint/570ml milk

1 egg

1 oz/25g margarine

3 oz/75g currants/sultanas



Heat milk with margarine.

Squeeze bread as dry as possible, and beat with a fork.

Pour milk with marg over bread, add sugar, fruit, spice and beaten egg.

Stir thoroughly.

Pour mixture into greased pie dish. Cook in moderate oven for one hour.

Demerara Cake

From Mrs Rose, Hoxne

4 oz/100g margarine

2 tbsp golden syrup

2 eggs

Few drops Vanilla essence

2½oz/60g Demerara sugar

Grated orange peel

6 oz/150g SR flour

Use creamed method for baking.
Bake at 350°/180°C.

Shortbread

From Mrs R Lawes, Hoxne

9 oz/225g plain flour

6 oz/150g butter or
margarine

3 oz/75g caster sugar

Mix flour and sugar in bowl. Rub in butter. Knead well. Cut into biscuit shapes. Bake at 325°-350° or Mark 3-4 / 180°C for 25-30 minutes.



Matrimony Cake

1 lb of true love

1 lb of trust and confidence

1 lb of cheerfulness

1 large pinch of unselfishness

2 tablespoons of give and take

Mix with one pint of the milk of human kindness and bake well all your life.

Carefree Cake

From Mrs LE Last, Hoxne

4 oz/100g butter

2 eggs

6 oz/150g fruit (2 oz/50g currants,
2 oz/50g sultanas, 2 oz/50g
seeded raisins)

4 oz/100g Demerara sugar

Pinch 6 oz/150g SR flour

A little milk if necessary

Cream butter and sugar together. Beat the eggs and add one at a time. Add the fruit and allow to stand for an hour. Beat in the sifted flour and add milk, if necessary.

Bake at 325° or Mark 3 / 170°C for 1½ hours, middle of oven.

Rich Madeira Cake

From Mrs A Sheffield, Hoxne

1½ oz/35g SR flour

½ tsp almond essence

5 oz/125g caster sugar

3 eggs, separated

3 oz/75g ground almonds

4 oz/100g margarine or butter

Cream fat and sugar well. Add egg yolks singly, then the essence, flour and almonds. Beat well. Beat the whites of egg stiffly and fold into the mixture. Put in a greased and lined loaf tin. Bake at 325°/170°C for 1-1½ hours.

Victorian Apple Sauce Cake

From Mrs D Banham, Hoxne

- 1 cup sugar
- 3 tbsps melted butter
- 1 tsp ground ginger
- 1 tsp ground cloves
- 1 cup seedless raisins (cook first in a little water)
- Pinch of salt
- 1 heaped cup of apple sauce (not too juicy)
- 1 level tsp bicarb. of soda (in a little hot water to dissolve)
- 1 ½ cups plain flour

Mix all ingredients together. Bake rather slowly for 1½ hours at 350° or Mark 4 / 180°C.



Baked Rhubarb Betty

From Mrs C Buday, Hoxne

- 1½ lb/700g rhubarb
- 3 oz/75g sugar
- Juice of 2 oranges
- Crumb mixture:*
- 2 oz/50g butter
- 6 oz/150g course breadcrumbs
- ½ - 1 tsp powdered cinnamon
- 4 oz/100g brown or white sugar
- Grated rind of 1-2 oranges

Melt butter in pan, then blend rest of ingredients for crumb mixture. Cut rhubarb into neat pieces. Put half the rhubarb into 2-pint pie dish with half the orange juice and half the sugar. Press half the crumb mixture on top of fruit, cover with the rest of the rhubarb, orange juice and sugar. Press rest of crumb mixture over top.

Bake at 375° or Mark 4-5 / 190°C for 30-40 mins until crisp and golden brown.

Baked Lemon Pudding

From Mrs Lowe, Framlingham

- 1 large lemon
- 3 oz/75g caster sugar
- 2 eggs
- 8 fl oz milk (1/2 pint less 4 tbsps) warmed (230ml)
- 2 oz/50g butter (softened to room temperature)
- 2 level tsps SR flour

Pie dish which will hold 1 ½ pts liquid

Butter inside of pie dish. Cream butter and sugar and work the grated lemon rind in. Separate the eggs. Work the yolks into the creamed mixture, then the flour, lemon juice, and the warm milk.

Beat the egg whites until they form soft peaks and fold them gently into the mixture. Turn the mixture into the pie dish. Stand the dish in a roasting tin with hot water to come half-way up the side of the dish.

Bake at 350° or Mark 4 / 180°C for 30-35 minutes until firm and browned. Serve at once.



Aunt Sallie's Tea Loaf

From Mrs P Kirwan, Hoxne

1 lb/450g dried mixed fruit

½ pint/570ml warm tea

2 tbsp marmalade

8 oz/200g sugar

1 egg

1 lb/450g SR flour

Soak fruit with sugar and tea overnight. Stir egg and marmalade into fruit and mix well with flour. Pour into two 1-lb loaf tins. Bake at 325° for 1¾ hours. Cool in tins for 15 minutes. Will freeze very well and keep for four months.

Banana Nut Bread

From Mrs Crisp, Hoxne

8 oz/200g SR flour

2 oz/50g margarine

2 oz/50g chopped walnuts

2 bananas, mashed

A little milk

Pinch salt

3 oz/75g caster sugar

1 beaten egg

3 oz/75g golden syrup

Sift flour with salt. Rub in margarine. Add sugar and walnuts. Blend beaten egg with golden syrup and stir in bananas. Pour into dry ingredients and mix well. Add a little milk if stiff. Turn into greased 2 lb loaf tin.

Bake at 350° Mark 4 /180°C for about an hour. Slice and butter when cold.

Cut and Come Again Cake

From Mrs P Elsey, Eye

1 lb/450g SR flour

¼ lb/100g lard

1 lb/450g mixed fruit

Pinch of salt

Milk to mix

¼ lb/100g margarine

6 oz/150g sugar

½ tsp mixed spice

2 eggs

Rub margarine and lard into flour, add salt, sugar, fruit and spice. Mix together with eggs and milk.

Bake at 350° or Mark 4/180°C for 1½-2 hours



Strawberry Sauce

From J Carter, Hoxne

1 lb/450g fresh strawberries

6 oz/150g caster sugar

Juice of 2 lemons

Place all the ingredients in a blender or crush and mash. The puree is then deep frozen in small quantities for use as a sauce for ice cream, steamed pudding, or poured over fresh orange segments.

Can also be used to make strawberry mousse, in trifles with pears, or just to add flavour to frozen strawberries.





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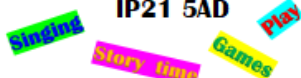
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Little Lambs

The first meeting of the Little Lambs Baby and Toddler Group was held on Tuesday, 5 April at The Pavilion, Hoxne Playing Fields and was a great success. Seven carers and nine under 5s came along and enjoyed meeting together and chatting, playing with the toys, hand-craft activity, musical instruments, story time and learning the Little Lambs' going home song. There was lots of fun, happy play and laughter and everyone enjoyed meeting friends, old and new.

If you are a mum, dad, grandparent or other carer of any children from 0-4 come along and see what we get up to. The next session is on Tuesday, 7 June at 1.15pm at The Pavilion, Hoxne Playing Field.

For further information please e-mail
Caroline Abbott cabbott364@gmail.com

University of the 3rd Age

Harleston & District u3a invites you to join us on **Wednesday 15 June at 2.00pm** in St John's Church, Harleston for a talk by Geoffrey Robinson on *The Jubilee Feast Painting for George III*, which adorns a wall in Worlingworth Church, Suffolk. Through this painting, and as we celebrate this our Platinum Jubilee year, we will learn about the Golden Jubilee of George III in 1809.

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Hoxne Village Hall

The Hall is pleased to be hosting events over the Jubilee weekend - details on pages 19 and 20.

A big thank you to everyone who has made bunting for the Hall and many other places and to Sue Flagg for getting the sewing started.

There are many people who are working hard to organise events. However, Philip Flagg has ably brought groups together and has encouraged and directed as needed. Many thanks to him!

The Museum of East Anglian Life (now the Food Museum) brought an exhibition to the Hall on 5 May. Thanks to everyone who provided cakes for sale with proceeds to 1st Fressingfield Scouts. Pictures below.

Caroline Abbott, serving cakes



Film Nights continue on second Friday of the month. May was *West Side Story*. 10 June will be *Belfast* and 8 July *The Duke*. No film in August.

Doors and bar open 7pm, film starts 7.30pm with interval. Pre-book your tickets on 668060.

We are sorry our website is still not available - the host has changed, which seems to have caused us problems!

Sharon Knights

Email Sally/Sharon on hoxnevbookings@outlook.com

Bunting

A big thank you to all who came to the successful workshop, and to others, for the huge amount of bunting made for Hoxne's Jubilee celebrations. When writing this, there is an estimated 500 meters already made! Well Done!

Sue Flagg

Hoxne Heritage Group

In recent months the Heritage Group has been more active than ever.

On March 8th we held the first of our regular monthly meetings to feature a mini talk by one of our own members.

On this occasion Julie Craven gave an illustrated presentation on the Banham Brick Walls of Hoxne and the surrounding villages. This was the culmination of a lengthy study by a small project team into the different types and styles of walls constructed of bricks from the old Banham Brickworks which used to be located on the Eye road.

Later in the month Richard Giffin gave a presentation on Ritual Protection Marks to a packed audience in the village hall. This was a thoroughly informative and entertaining summary of the study he has undertaken into several local properties. As well as learning much more about the houses in which many of us have lived for years, we also found out that Aldersyde Cottage was once a pub!

Following a successful visit by some of the group to the Waveney Valley Heritage Centre in Brockdish last autumn, we accepted an invitation to provide a speaker at one of their monthly meetings.

Once again Richard stepped up to the challenge with his excellent talk on the

Banham brickwork



subject of Harriet Pentney, otherwise known as the Angel of Hoxne. Drawing on information from her diary, Richard provided a detailed insight into the day to day activities of a local Sick Nurse in the last quarter of the nineteenth century. He also painted a vivid picture of a society where there were no antibiotics or vaccinations and where everyday utilities such as running water and drainage had not yet arrived.

Looking to the future, our next event will be the display in the village hall on June 2nd celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. This will feature village events, activities and personalities from each of the decades of her Majesty's seventy year reign. Please do come along and reminisce with us.

David Hyde

www.hoxnehistory.org.uk

Margaret Sillis, Secretary
margaret.sillis@btinternet.com

Hoxne Garden & Social Group

As I write this we have just had our first sizable amount of rain for many a week, so far it has been a very dry year. Coupled with a cold spring, this has not made it easy for those gardeners among you I am sure. Is this a result of global warming, who knows? What we can say however that most gardeners will adapt to changes in the local climate and weather patterns because they are a creative bunch, ever eager to achieve better results in their gardens than last year.

Talking of results, for the first time in two years the Hoxne Garden and Produce Show will be taking place on Saturday September 3rd at the village hall when you all have the opportunity to submit your prize vegetables, flowers and for the non-gardeners among you jams, cakes and alcoholic beverages you may have made. There will of course be other types of entries invited, too numerous to mention here, but if you are interested then entry forms will shortly be made available at the village shop and other venues to be confirmed.

Cakes bought at Marks and Spencers will not be welcomed however... as if you would cheat!

Our next talk is on Thursday May 19th when we have a talk from Jean Bastow who will be outlining how she sought solace from the death of her husband by making her garden a beacon of excellence, which is now opened on a regular basis to raise money for charity. As always, the talk will be at 7.30pm in the village hall to which all are welcome. The entrance fee is £2.50 to members, £3.00 to non- members. We hope to see you there.

Chris Parkin

Hoxne Phoenix Group

Medical Detection Dogs - this was our talk in April when we learnt a lot more about Medical Alert Assistance Dogs.

For over 10 years this charity has been training dogs to save lives using their amazing sense of smell. They are trained to recognise not only cancer, but other illnesses and allergies people suffer from, many of which are life-threatening. Using the power of their nose, these assistance dogs can be trained to detect even the faintest changes in the smell of their human partner.

Sixty percent of dogs trained are labradors but other dogs can be accepted for a 2-year training as well. Obviously they must have a good temperament, be friendly and have a good sense of smell. The result for the families involved is that it gives them confidence, independence, freedom and the possibility of reducing hospitalisation.

Seven thousand people now use Assisted Dogs and they are recognised by the official red dog coats worn.

After the meeting we had a voluntary collection towards the society and £45 was raised - the Speaker had already donated her fee to the society so that meant £90 in all.

Bryan Thurlow - our May meeting - just misses the cut-off date so a full report on **Bryan Thurlow and his Music Hall** will be in the next edition.

In June (14th) we welcome Mark Mitchells once again, and probably for the last time as this is his retirement talk! His subject is **Charles Dickens** and this is our Fundraising Evening. It will be an **Open Meeting** to anyone, male or female, to come along to a very interesting and amusing evening. This will be held in the **Main Hall at 7.30 pm** as usual and buffet refreshments will be served afterwards. As it is a Fundraiser, we will be charging everyone (members included) £5.00.

Later in the year we are hoping to have an Outing - full details in next issue.

Just a reminder, any lady in the area can come along as a Visitor to any evening that interests them. Just turn up!

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Hoxne Bowlers return to action

After two years without serious competition, Hoxne's bowlers polished up their woods, donned their thermals, hats and coats and braved the icy April evening air to open their 2022 campaign with a closely-fought win at Mendlesham.

A week later the wind had changed, the coats came off and Wortham came to Hoxne in a cup match. Again, the match hung in the balance till the end, but Hoxne held their nerve and progressed to the next round.

The club took part in the county-wide 'Try Bowls Weekend', giving people a chance to roll some woods and appreciate the fascination of the game (*see photo*).

This season, the club is holding a beginners' evening on Mondays as well as league and cup matches, and a Club Night on Wednesdays.

New members are always welcome

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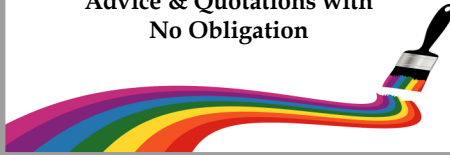
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Fressingfield Scouts

The Explorers and Adventurers Scouts joined together for a Celebration of Mums evening, preparing curry, chapatis, mug cakes served with lots of tea and a rose. Their mums came for an evening of friendly conversation and refreshment. The experience was much appreciated by the mums and helped the scouts to develop kitchen skills and teamwork.

Now the evenings are lighter, Wednesday Sections (Warrior Beavers and Wolves Cubs), have been able to work on photography skills and learning about how to use different effects and filters. They have also been swimming at the school pool in Yoxford and have made good progress towards their swimming badges.

Monday Cubs (Tigers) have had our numerous boxes of donated Lego out again. A huge range of models were

constructed ranging from houses, police stations, beach scenes, zoos and tractors to cars. A really fun evening with a huge sense of friendly teamwork to achieve individual projects.

Ninja Beaver Colony (Monday) have begun to learn about camping, with evenings spent looking at lightweight camp stoves and seeing how to pitch tents.

Pioneer Troop Scouts and Tigers Pack Cubs joined the Hoxne Parish Council organised Village Litter Pick for some community service, and had a very productive morning. We felt this went some way to acknowledging the hospitality of the village when we were without a meeting place, and the generosity of Hoxne Parish Council with recent grants.

Pioneer Troop had to cancel the last evening meeting of term so we replaced

it with an Easter activity day. Breakfast of egg, bacon and beans cooked on lightweight stoves, axe and saw skills for firewood prep, fire lighting. Pasta bolognese cooked on the fires for lunch and backwoods torpedoes followed by campfire bonofee cooked in foil on the embers for tea!

Also, a session of tent pitching practice and the final crisp packet packing session. We also pitched and checked two recently donated tents which were excellent and will be great additions to our tent stock. Thank you.

Lots of teaching from older members and enthusiasm from our younger members.

All the Cubs, have been practicing their tent pitching in preparation for Group Camp, it seems that they are all getting the hang of it.

Over the Easter break a team of Explorers and their Leaders got together at the HQ to spread the topsoil to level up the camping field, build the picnic benches and

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tidy up, several tired young people, and Leaders, went home after a satisfying day's achievement.

Apart from normal Section activities Leaders have been working on plans for our Group Camp which was at the end of April. Because of the difficulties over the last two years this was our first Group Camp for three years. We have been to Eaton Vale Activity

Centre near Fressingfield for a weekend of camping, comradeship, adventurous activities, and just being together. The Beavers joined us for a day of activities on the Saturday. We had 46 Young People for the camp and ten Beavers for the day, accompanied by fourteen Leaders. The weather was kind, though the first night was very cold, and a great time was had by all. There are many pictures and comments about the great time everyone had on the Fressingfield Scout Group Facebook page, please have a look. If you are not on Facebook, you can access it via Google by typing in 'Facebook Fressingfield Scout Group'.



Over the Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend we are having our own event on Thursday evening at our HQ, providing attractions and First Aid cover at Fressingfield on

Saturday, and barbeques at Hoxne and Stradbroke village celebrations.

For St George's Day and the annual renewal of our Scout promise we joined the other Scout Groups in Southern Norfolk for a celebration and ceremony at Old Buckenham Airfield. It was good to meet up with Scouting friends and colleagues across the district for the first time in three years.

To find out more about 1st Fressingfield Scout Group have a look at our website <http://www.1stfressingfieldscouts.org.uk> or speak to any Leader.

An advertisement for Nexus Fostering. At the top, it asks 'could you foster?'. Below this is a photograph of a young man in the foreground and a woman and another young man in the background. A red speech bubble overlay says 'we urgently need carers in Suffolk'. At the bottom, it provides contact information: 'Visit us at www.nexusfostering.co.uk' and 'Call us on 01603 951 405'. On the right side, there is a blue badge that says 'Ofsted Outstanding Provider'. To the right of the photo, there is a block of text: 'Would you like to find out how you can provide a family home to children in your area? Nexus Fostering is a well-established and highly regarded fostering agency, based in Norwich, who are urgently seeking full-time foster carers willing to foster older children and siblings. The agency is rated Ofsted 'Outstanding' in all areas and place a high premium on the quality of support and care that they provide to every one of the foster carers and, in turn, the children and young people placed with them.'

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Parish Council Reports

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Denham

The next Parish Council meeting is expected to be held on Tuesday, 26th of July.

Please see our website or parish notice boards for further details.

Hoxne

At the Parish Council's Annual General Meeting on 5 May Councillor Kath Farthing was unanimously re-elected as Chairman of the Parish Council.

There are currently three vacancies for Councillors. Hoxne, like all local councils, need active, interested and committed people to serve and get involved in their work. The Council works as a team and no one person has all the solutions for its community. However, through engagement with the electorate and undertaking free professional training that is available, you will be better placed to deal with the interesting range of issues that arise.

Speak to any one of the existing councillors to find out more.

HM Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee June 2022

The Parish Council has been pleased to offer financial support to various organisations for events over the Jubilee weekend.

Each year the Council has a grants budget available and welcomes applications as per the Grant Awarding policy published on the Parish Council website or available on request from the Clerk.

Planning

The Parish Council has been asked to respond to the Environmental Impact Assessment Scoping Opinion for pig units to be sited at two locations in the village, namely Bungalow Farm, Nuttery Vale and Land North of Chickering Road, Heckfield Green.

The Parish Council has asked for HGV movements to be considered, including the cumulative impacts (weight, frequency, timings of HGV traffic, noise from vehicles and livestock contained within), the impacts (noise and odour) of increased operation, and planned routes of access and egress in the village from the proposed sites, impact on the historic landscape and the traffic movements from regeneration of the existing site at Shreeves Farm.

Traffic and HGVs

At the June meeting, the Parish Council will consider, and put questions to the County Councillor, on the plan to implement an experimental Traffic Regulation Order limiting HGV traffic entering Eye Town Centre from the south (Lowgate Street) and from the east (Castle Street).

The Traffic Regulation Order is experimental to allow an assessment of the impact of the restriction on surrounding settlements and businesses. The experimental order may be made permanent or withdrawn depending on the evaluation made.

The Parish Council is aware that many residents are concerned for HGV movements through the village but has limited powers to act in these matters which are the responsibility of the Highways Authority (Suffolk County Council).

Meeting Dates

Parish Council meetings will take place on:

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Thursday 7 July at 7.30 pm at
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Syleham



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Our primary focus currently is the Platinum Jubilee celebrations to take place on June 5th at the Village Hall, J's Meadow and along Hoxton Road that will be closed to traffic on the day. There will be a free hog roast, children's "1950s" tea party and a commemorative mug for all under 12s. The full programme of exciting events is contained in this issue of Village Voice. Our thanks to Julie Thompson and her team for making the celebrations possible. This is a not-to-be-missed party for the whole village.

Elsewhere we have been involved in the planning applications for Monks Hall, the village's iconic house and purported to be the oldest in Suffolk. The owners have submitted plans to make this eleventh century building habitable in the twenty first. We have been reassured that the work will not disturb the exterior appearance of the house from the road and the historical details retained. It will remain an asset of the village for residents and visitors alike.

The new dog bins are proving popular with dog owners and walkers. Usage is making enjoyment of the countryside a more pleasant experience for both parties. Such is the success we have decided to purchase more bins this year, thanks to additional funding from the District Council.

Our next Parish Council Meeting will take place on May 25th at the Village Hall. This will also be the Annual Parish Meeting

**Chairman:
Malcolm Flounders**

Wingfield



Chairman: Lee Smith

Our third meeting of the year took place on May 4th.

The programme of village repairs and improvements has been expanded but continues to be hampered by the

escalating anti-social behaviour that is upsetting residents.

Will the person or persons unknown littering the village with dog poo bags and now shot birds please stop this behaviour. We have had to involve the police who welcome any information on the perpetrators (Crime # 37/8974/22). This problem is wasting your Council's time and money that could be better spent on improving the village amenities and infrastructure.

Despite this negative news we can tell you that we have just completed our audit of village roads and signage. This comes after our survey of footpaths and rights of way conducted in March. We will notify Suffolk County Council of all the work required to improve the appearance of the village.

A significant contribution to fulfilling this ambition has been the introduction of sheep onto Wingfield Green. We must thank Councillor Robin Feaveyear for his work in helping this happen.

Can we ask all residents thinking of submitting a planning application to consider how the work will affect their neighbours and the community at large. If you are in doubt please contact the Parish Council. It could save you money.

After Covid lockdown what better way to celebrate than the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations that are taking place on Sunday, June 5th at the Village Hall and on J's Meadow. In partnership with Syleham PC and the Village Hall Committee we are paying for the hog roast and giving every village child a commemorative mug. Details of the entire programme of exciting events are contained in this copy of Village Voice. Our thanks to all residents who have contributed.

We must sadly end on announcing the death of Bernard Wellingham at the age of 96. He served as both Chairman of this Council and Mid Suffolk District Council. He worked tirelessly for the village and the restoration of St Andrews Church.

Our next meeting takes place on June 22nd which will also be the Annual Parish meeting. It starts at 7.30pm at the Village Hall.

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New Reeding Woods Group

“Oak before ash, in for a splash
Ash before oak, in for a soak”

A very dry spring has held back a lot of trees this year, certainly the oak is leading the ash. However these two trees usually come into leaf around the same time. The oak tree is largely influenced by temperature and this spring has been mild. The ash tree is more strongly influenced by hours of daylight. As our climate changes the oaks have been coming into leaf earlier and so are better able to compete for canopy space in woodlands.

Apple blossom



Trees figure large in folklore and tradition together with being widely used in rural industry and medicine. In British folklore the ash was seen as a healing tree while carrying an acorn was thought to prevent illness and promote longevity.

Oak bark was used in the tanning of leather, the acorns provided food for pigs and the wood earned the tree its name as the "builders tree". Elderflowers were used as a remedy for both colds and arthritis as they have anti-septic and anti-inflammatory properties. Nowadays the flowers are more likely to be used for cordial or to flavour stewed gooseberries. In early spring hawthorn leaves were eaten as a source of green food and were known as "bread and cheese".

Cowslips



The woodland is full of cowslips, although these are starting to go over now. The pond will have benefitted from the recent rain and the hawthorn is looking glorious. The Great Crested Newt survey has had to be postponed but please can you continue to keep dogs out of the pond so they can continue to breed in peace. I was lucky enough to see a beautiful grass snake but it did not want its photo taken.

A closing thought is a favourite proverb - "If you want to be happy for a year, plant a garden; if you want to be happy for life, plant a tree."

If you are interested in joining us and getting hands-on experience of helping improve our local environment and enjoying outdoor activity, please contact our secretary **Peny Conway on 07495 875299**.

Hawthorn



Voices from the past

February-March 1989

This time I have been looking at the Feb/March 1989 issue and was amused to read:

'WANTED!! ANY INTERESTING TOPICS OF EVERYDAY VILLAGE LIFE, PAST AND PRESENT. ED'.

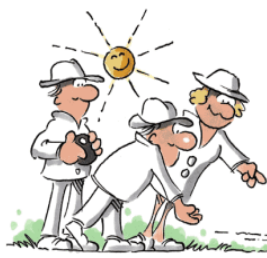
The vicar's editorial told us that courage can overcome suffering and acknowledged the heroism and dedication of many who were victims of a harrowing list of disasters during December and January.

Armenia had suffered a serious earthquake with the loss of up to 50,000 lives and destruction of half a million buildings. It was during the dissolution of the USSR and it was reported as the first time the Soviet Union had accepted aid from the US Government since WWII. It was the optimistic era of Gorbachev, Reagan and Bush, as the cold war came to a close... supposedly.

Three or four trains had collided at Clapham Junction because of signal failure, owing to a wiring fault, with the loss of 35 lives.

There were 270 deaths in Lockerbie when Pan Am Flight 103 exploded over Scotland at 31,000ft, including 11 residents on the ground.

British Midlands Flight 092 had crashed onto a motorway embankment at Kegworth, Leicestershire with 47 killed and 74 injured.



Meanwhile, normal life continued in our villages. The Bowls Club reported the success of the previous season, crowned with winning the Lord Huntingfield Cup at Yarmouth.

The Theatre Club had enjoyed a Christmas trip to the spectacular

Thursford Carol Concert, with an audience of over a thousand, and to a performance of *Fiddler on the Roof* in Ipswich.

A dance was announced at St. Edmund's Hall in aid of the Hoxne Playing Field 'waltz, quickstep, old time and rock. Dress optional but what about dress suits and bow ties?'

The Friends of St Peter and St Paul were planning the installation of heating in the church, the Christmas Fair had raised £551.60, Santa had delivered over 130 gifts in the village on Christmas morning and a yoga class was running in St Edmund's Hall on Monday evenings.

We were treated to some *Farm College Howlers* from the *Farmers Weekly*:

"Because of the narrowness of the silage barn the cows would have to be fed at both ends."

"Minimal disease pigs are obtained by hysterectomy. This is only done on one of the parents."



And *Seen on Insurance Claims Forms*:

"The guy was all over the road. I had to swerve a number of times before I hit him."

"I had been driving for 40 years when I fell asleep at the wheel and had an accident."

Finally, perhaps best of all, a poem by EJJ (could this have been the irrepressible Errol Feavearyear?) about the mower of Mr Noel Leeder of Witton's Lane to the annoyance of Len or Lenny - does anyone know who he was?

The Cartref Cutter

(short extracts from 42-line poem)

The summer's gone and all is white
The country stove is soon alight
At Cartref down on Wittons Lane,
The house and yard looks much the same.
Noel and family all snug and warm,
But the poor old mower stands on the lawn.

They sit indoors with beer and wine
 But the red hot language they can't hear;
 Then undetected Len appears!
 Wind whistling round his cap and ears.
 Then all at once there's barks from
 Penny,
 Out of the window she's spotted Lenny.
 The language now is very strong,
 So up jumps Noel to see what's wrong.
 "That blinking mower," Len shouts to
 Noel
 "Should be inside you damn great
 fewl"
 "Well that's alright, can't take no
 harm,"
 Noel said to Len without alarm.
 So the row goes on till the grass is
 green
 Then out comes Noel to his cutting
 machine.



He switched her on and pulled with
 might,
 There won't no spark not a speck in
 sight."

Dawn Lodge

AFC Hoxne Football Club 1999-2018

AFC Hoxne Saturday Football Club operated for 19 consecutive seasons in the Ipswich Football League. Weekend football in Hoxne functioned continually from the end of WW2 to 2018—Saturday 1946-1976 and 1999-2018, and on Sunday from 1968 to 2000.

The original AFC Hoxne manager was the late David 'Skinny' Muttitt, who lived

to see Hoxne pull off a major trophy triumph (as he predicted they would).

In 2002 Dennington (Ed Sheeran country) were beaten 3-1 by Hoxne in the final of the Suffolk Primary Cup at Haughley.

In the early season, Hoxne moved seamlessly from the bottom of the League (Division 8) through to Division 2, where they stayed for quite a few seasons.

The arrival on the scene of Jamie Scales in 2011 as Manager saw the team progress to Division 1, and then in 2017 made the top senior division.



In 2016 Hoxne had pulled off another major trophy success, beating Henley 2-0 in the Suffolk Junior Cup Final at Portman Road, Ipswich FC ground.

AFC Hoxne's one season in the top flight before the club folded saw them finish 11th out of 16, the highlight being a 6-2 win at Grundisburgh.

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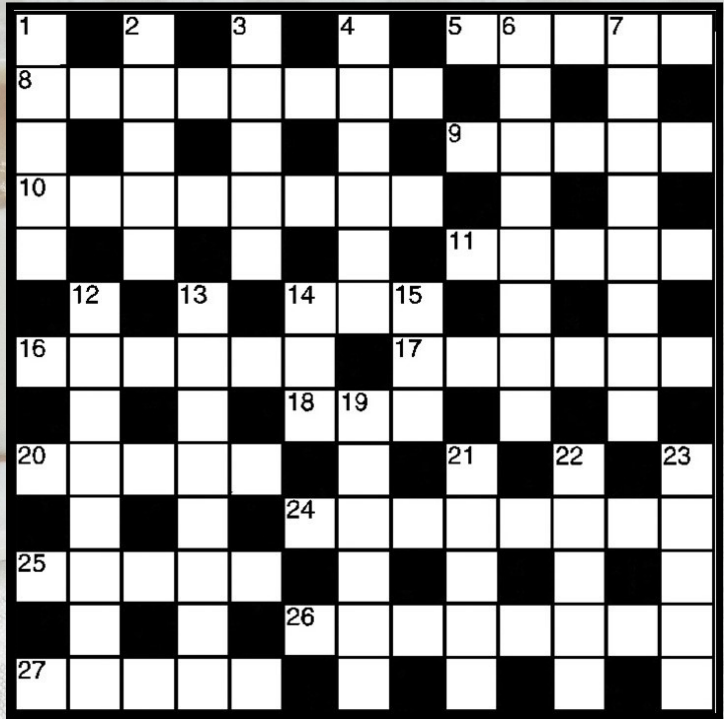
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Crossword Puzzle No. 147

To enter the crossword competition, send* your solution to the editor for a chance to win £20. The winner will be the first correct entry picked at random from those received by **Friday 8th July** at the latest.

*Don't forget you can email a photograph or scan of your entry too.



Across

- 5 Captured at Wimbledon I hear (5)
- 8 Nicking mixed gelatins (8)
- 9 Abets a confused creature (5)
- 10 Take a break at the theatre (8)
- 11 City of vice in Florida (5)
- 14 Partly herald a new age (3)
- 16 Proscribe the likes of Billy the Kid (6)
- 17 Squirearchy (6)
- 18 Adam's rib (3)
- 20 Tall guy in the attic (5)
- 24 Shocking dud flare (8)
- 25 Softly played instrument (5)
- 26 Big knickers in the garden (8)
- 27 Tread heavily on an envelope (5)

Down

- 1 Meat jelly featured in Degas picture (5)
- 2 Former P.M. in open countryside (5)
- 3 Cause panic when this goes off (5)
- 4 Not right to be so swarthy (6)
- 6 Dine to be acquiescent (8)
- 7 Girl in a herb garden (8)
- 12 I host rum party for comedian (8)
- 13 Precious metal found on unlit map (8)
- 14 Female sheep in newer pasture (3)
- 15 Grow older in stages (3)
- 19 In truth livery is confusing (6)
- 21 Chicken wearing headgear (5)
- 22 Frequently found in a soft environment (5)
- 23 Perfect joy for an English composer (5)

The winner of crossword puzzle no.146 was: Mrs G Cattermole

Answers - **Across** 1) Meddles 5) Throw 8) Stalk 9) Flaunts 10) Retinue 11) Piece 12) Picnic 14) Person 17) Rebut 19) Orchard 22) Silence 23) Allay 24) Leave 25) Ensured

Down 1) Miser 2) Drastic 3) Liken 4) Softer 5) Traipse 6) Rinse 7) Western 12) Parasol 13) Intense 15) Stapler 16) Popeye 18) Balsa 20) Coats 21) Dryad

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